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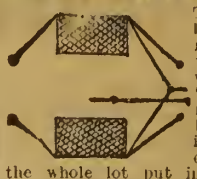
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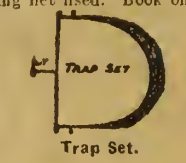
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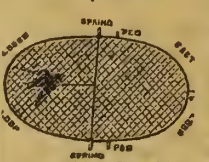


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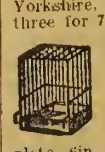
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Some Favourite British Seed-eaters.

A Lecture delivered by Mr. H. J. Chittenden, a well-known fancier and judge, before the Leeds C.B.S.

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A Tale of a Twite.

I remember many years ago being invited to a Linnet-singing contest at York. My brother, who is also a bird fancier, and a resident in York, informed me that at this contest a bird that had caused rather a sensation among the fanciers in that city, stated to be a Hybrid between Twite and Linnet, and which had changed hands for £2 10s. was going to sing. Well, after there had been such controversy about it, and also a law case, I was rather anxious to see it. Directly we got in the meeting I was shown a Linnet. After commenting on it, another was handed over with the remark: "That's a fine Linnet." I knew this must be *the* bird, for it was a Twite. Somebody remarked: "Well, what do you think to it?" I replied: "Not much; I will sell you a score at sixpence each." What the owner thought I cannot say.

The Charming Siskin.

A charming bird is the Siskin. There are two colours, yellow and buff, but I much prefer a yellow, one that is laced right down the flanks, with a neat round head and full neck (avoid those which have the least tendency to be scraggy in neck). It must have good quality feather and be clean cut away behind, also a good sound colour. To get the extra bit of colour, I put just a pinch of pepper in a glass with maw seed.

You will find a great difficulty in getting a Siskin with a clean defined bib; I prefer one similar in shape to a thumbnail. In any case the bib must be of good shape for the bird to have any chance in the keen competition that exists at the majority of our open shows. But you will have great difficulty in getting such a bird; very good Siskins are very hard to find.

Does the Siberian Score?

My favourite British bird is the Goldfinch, and I consider nothing looks better than a good show Goldie. He generally manages to take precedence over the Bullie if competing in the same class, especially if he be a good Siberian. I will describe to you how to pick out the foreigner. The whites are pure, much clearer than in the Britisher, which seem to be more of a smoky white. The Siberian is also much larger mooned than the Britisher and a bigger bird altogether.

Now, if I were going to pick out a Goldfinch for moulting, I should get a small Siberian, and take care he was not too long in the beak, with a good big head, wings well braced, neat pipe tail, with a square blaze extending well beyond the eyes, unbroken, and a good rich colour, wing bars large and of a deep yellow, buttons distinct and regular, and of the Norwich type. Such a bird would be a first-class specimen, if of good sound feather, nice and clean at thighs, and possessing that hard condition that is needed so to stand the travelling about to and from shows. It is a common thing for a good bird to do as many as nine shows in one season.

Getting Goldfinches into Condition.

To get my Goldfinches into this condition I feed them on Spanish canary, teasel, and occasionally a few sunflower seeds. I give very little hemp, as I find this seed is more or less inclined to be rancid. Early on a morning I get out into the country lanes and gather insects, placing these in a tin. A good plan is to take an umbrella and place it directly under a thorn or bramble bush. You will find the bramble is generally covered with green fly. Just give the bush a shake and you will have a good supply of insect life to meet your requirements in the upturned umbrella. I also take a paper bag along with me to hold the wild seeds which our Goldies are so partial to; shepherd's purse and charlock are quite easy to gather. The fancier who will take the trouble to do as I have stated will be amply rewarded by seeing his birds in the pink of condition. It is also the surest way to get your hen Bullfinches into rank breeding condition.

Getting Ready for Show.

When preparing for the show bench, spray him, and after allowing him to get dry, groom well with a soft silk handkerchief; repeat the process as necessary. To keep them in that good condition, I give a mealworm now and again. If you find any difficulty in getting any of your British birds to tackle the mealworm, just hold him in your hand, and he will at once commence to peck your finger. So hold a mealworm within reach, and if he succeeds in bursting it and tastes the juicy morsel, your difficulty is over in that direction. The show cage I prefer is much narrower from back to front than the ordinary. By having them so, you will find they come up to wires much better, and keep more on the go.

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Success with an Outdoor Aviary.

By H. L. Brown (Exmouth).

How to House and Cater for Canaries, British & Foreign Birds Outdoors

(Continued from page 647).

Let me warn you against one or two pitfalls in buying your birds for muling. The Britishers should be cocks, Canaries taking the part of the hens. One British hen in an aviary will spoil your chance of breeding from cocks of the same species. Next, don't buy rubbish; buy good healthy picked birds.

One or two more "don'ts" before I say anything about what to obtain:—Don't have a cock Chaffinch unless specially desired, as they are sometimes very quarrelsome; the same, only more so, may be said of the Robin.

If you Hanker after Mules.

For muling and hybridising, the following list is a useful one:—Two Goldfinches, two Linnets, two Greenfinches, two Siskins, one Twite, one Lesser Redpoll, one Mealy Redpoll, and, if you wish to be sporting, try one cock Bullfinch, but I do not expect you to have much success with the latter.

House-moulted specimens are, of course, much superior to fresh caught birds. For this dozen cocks, twenty-four hen Canaries would be sufficient.

If you wish to try your hand at obtaining Hybrids, substitute hen Greenfinches for the cocks of that species, discard the cock Bullfinch in favour of four hen Bullies, decrease the hen Canaries accordingly, and there you are. A good Bramblefinch and two hen Chaffinches might also be added.

In selecting your hen Canaries, approach a good Norwich fancier, and buy some good young hens, size being the most important point. Personally I favour Greens for dark muling; next, buy some good pink-eyed Sib. hens for light muling; you may have to pay more for the latter, but it increases the interest if one has the chance of breeding a light mule or two. Besides the foregoing list there are other birds which may be added without extra trouble, but they must be regarded as non-breeders. A nice Bramblefinch, Yellow Bunting, Cirl Bunting, Reed Bunting, Corn Bunting, etc.; these will all eat canary seed and it is surprising what a number of insects they will catch for themselves in so small an area. A few mealworms may be added to their diet, but I do not find it absolutely necessary in an outdoor aviary, although it improves condition.

Insectivorous birds may, of course, also be kept, but I must warn the beginner that if he attempts it he must be very diligent. Egg and biscuit, crushed hemp, mealworms, and a good insectile mixture will, it is quite true, usually satisfy the most fastidious feeder, but, remember, it must be mixed fresh for each feed.

Sweet and Interesting.

Try a few of the commoner species first, say a pair of Wagtails. The egg and biscuit, crushed hemp, and two mealworms a day will be found quite sufficient for them. I have kept Wheatears on a similar diet.

Many varieties of foreigners may be kept out of doors, although the aviary may be slightly heated with great advantage during the colder weather.

Foreigners, especially the smallest ones, are very sweet and interesting little things. The following, amongst others:—Cutthroats (otherwise Ribbon Finches), Silver-bills, Weavers, Zebra Finches, Saffron Finches, Avadavats, Java Sparrows, both grey and white, Budgerigars, green and yellow; all these may be successfully kept out of doors, although the two latter species are inclined to be murderous, especially when breeding.

Foreigners will usually rear their young on millet, etc., their usual diet, without additional assistance, but it is always better and safer to supply live ants' eggs whenever possible.

In the Depth of Winter.

I have seen Java Sparrows and Budgies breeding in an outdoor aviary in Devonshire in the depth of winter. I cannot say from recollection whether they had young or merely eggs, but I believe both were in evidence.

I think I had now better pass on to the management of the various species touched upon, and I think it will be seen that if one were merely wishing to keep all or any of the foregoing together it could be done, but I do not consider that breeding would be carried on with much degree of success.

For example, Mules cannot be bred if there are Canaries breeding in the aviary. Like naturally breeds with like; crosses can only be obtained where there is not another of the opposite sex of the same species in the aviary.

I think it is better, and likely to be more successful, if the young fancier confines himself to one branch of the hobby.

I intend dealing with the management in the same order as the stock.

A Very Useful Seed Mixture.

Firstly, Canaries. Let us take the following diet as a staple one:—Two parts canary, one part hemp, and one part rape; it keeps the birds warm in winter, brings them into breeding condition in spring, is the best mixture during the breeding season, and only requires an addition of linseed and maw to turn it into a good moulting mixture. Niger seed may be given as a titbit. Of course, before and during breeding egg food must be supplied; one egg to four or five Osborne biscuits is about right for outdoor birds.

When I have young hatching, I put a small tin of egg food near the hen, not near enough for her to eat it without coming off, as that might make her sweat her young. I seldom find other birds interfere with her, as they seem to have a certain amount of respect for each other's breeding quarters.

Do not be afraid to supply plenty of fresh green food in bottles every morning; change the water in the bottles every morning; birds outdoors can take more and a greater variety of green food without harm than those in cages. See it is quite dry and free from frost. I find young tender dandelion and chickweed in flower the most appreciated by Canaries.

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The R.S.P.C.A. Gets Another Rebuff.

In another column appears a report of a case brought by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals against a bird dealer for having in his possession two Owls that appeared to be "recently taken." Mr. Barnes was prepared with evidence that not only had the birds not been "recently taken," but that they had not been taken in this country at all. He had them for sale for a customer who had imported them from Germany. But, although the magistrate dismissed the summons, after hearing the case for the prosecution, without even calling on the defence, yet Mr. Barnes has had to pay his own costs, besides having the worry and trouble of appearing to the summons. The costs of the prosecution come, of course, out of the money of subscribers to the R.S.P.C.A., and in cases which are so abortive as to call for no defence, it seems hard that the society should not also have to pay the costs of its victims up to the time of the hearing. If the case is proved, the defendant is liable to a heavy fine, with or without imprisonment with hard labour, and if he is prepared to prove his innocence up to the hilt, and that guiltlessness is so apparent to the magistrate after hearing only one side of the case that he does not wish to hear the other, the defendant has still to pay his own costs. This would not be so in a civil action, and it is difficult to understand why it should be so in a criminal one.

The Show Season and Our Medals.

The show season will soon be upon us, and most societies are already preparing their schedules. Most societies, also, have members who are members of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE, and are, therefore, entitled to one or more of our gold, silver, or bronze medals. If the secretaries of societies do not take the trouble to discover, before they publish their schedule, how many of these medals they are entitled to, they will only have themselves to blame. Obviously, I cannot find this out for myself, for members of the LEAGUE in any town may be members of their local society without my knowing it, and this information can only come through the secretaries themselves. Members may help by letting their secretaries know of their membership, so that application may be made.

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Twitterings.

Mr. H. Norman will judge cage birds at the show of the Wandsworth F.S.

Mr. H. W. Battye will judge the members' show of the Smallbridge and Dis. C.B.S., Rochdale, on Dec. 7.

A man charged in America with vagrancy said he made a living catching Sparrows, bleaching them, and selling them as Canaries —"Evening News."

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Mr. W. Rodgers (Colinton) will judge Scotch Fancies and Mr. L. J. Arrighi (Edinburgh) Mules, Hybrids, and British at Cowdenbeath Show, Nov. 16.

Mr. C. R. Bullen, late of 43, Walpole Road, Bromley, writes as follows:—Will secretaries and friends kindly note my change of address to 5, Walpole Road, Bromley, where all fanciers are welcome?

Mr. F. Dixon, late of 18, South Terrace, Skelton-in-Cleveland, asks us to notify that he has changed his address to 13, Alexandra Road, Grangetown, Yorks.

We are informed that Mr. J. Brindle has started business as bird dealer and seed merchant at the "Everton Aviaries," 45, Netherfield Road North, Liverpool.

We are asked by Messrs. Liverine, Limited, of Grimsby, to request the gentleman whose letter bore the Bridlington postmark to forward his name and address, which he omitted His enquiry was for the firm's Desiccated Yolk of Egg.

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Owing to increase of trade, I have removed from Hull to Sheffield, writes Mr. Fred Allen. Being more central, it will be more convenient for me in sending birds away. The business at 156, Porter Street, Hull, is still carried on, but all letters should be sent to 548, Queen's Road, Sheffield.

For our show which takes place on September 14, writes Mr. J. J. McIlwain, Hon. Sec. and Treas., Glasgow and Dist. Derby O.S., the judges are Mr. J. Dalgleish (Leith) and Mr. David Kennedy (Paisley). Those who have not yet accounted for tickets will please do so as early as possible.

Judges for our members' show, Sept. 16, writes Mr. R. B. Wright, sec., Anfield, Everton, and Dis. C.B.S., are Messrs. S. Hadwin, Yorkshires, and W. Mallinson, the remainder. Societies desiring our patronage in Yorkshires, Greens are requested to send in their application not later than Sept. 7.

Mr. J. Cosgrove, hon. sec., Uddingston C.B.S., writes that the names of the judges for open show on Nov. 23 are:—Scotch Fancies and Borders, Mr. D. Holden, Muirkirk; Nor., Mr. T. Cant, Hamilton; Brit. and For., Mr. J. Goodfellow, Edinburgh. Mr. Cosgrove says that since forming the new society the membership is increasing rapidly.

All clubs who intend to ask for patronage of the Scottish British Bird and Mule Club should have their application, with fee, in by Sept. 4, writes Mr. John Allan, sec., 69, Dalmeny Street, Leith. Would Mr. Edmund Taylor, late of No. 4, Ralston Terrace, Annesland, kindly send me his new address and oblige?

Mr. T. Holt, hon. sec., Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S., writes that the members and friends of kindred societies have arranged to have a ramble in the local district on Sunday, Sept. 1.; meet on Town Hall Square at 7 a.m.; route, Healey Dell, Smallshaw Wood, Rooley Moor, Greenbooth, Norden; back in time for dinner. Everybody welcome.

Mr. J. Downie, hon. secretary, Brasted, Sundridge, and Dist. F.A., writes as follows:—At the time of writing I regret to say entries in all sections for our show on Sept. 4 are very short indeed. The average is not yet one per class, although we are offering full prize money, with no cancelling. Mr. C. A. House is judging, and I trust all fanciers will give us their support, and send along their entries as early as possible. Anyone requiring a schedule can have same by posting me a card addressed as above.

Will the members of the Edinburgh Nor. Can. and M.B.S. who have money and unsold tickets for the young bird show, writes Mr. John Welsh, sec., 67, Raeburn Place, kindly post same to my address or attend meeting on Sept. 5, at 8, in the Sons of Temperance Halls, High Street, and thus enable me to have the books audited?

The L. and P.O.S. autumn show, to be held on Oct. 23 and 24 at the Holborn Hall (late Town Hall), writes Mr. C. W. Law, hon. sec., will have exactly the same classification for novices as for champions. It will be open to all, and Messrs. T. Heath, J. Robson, and Allan Silver will judge. Full particulars in CAGE BIRDS shortly.

The number of unsolicited testimonials that have appeared in the columns of CAGE BIRDS bear witness to the fact that the policy of Mr. W. Rudd, the noted bird specialist, of Norwich, is to give the best possible value for money. He does not rely on high-flown statements, which are commonly called "claptrap"; this is what was emphasised in the heading to his appliance advertisement in last week's issue.

In sending the report of the show held by the Auckland (New Zealand) Canary and C.B.C., which appears in another column, Mr. Jansen writes:—Our season out here is exactly opposite to yours: we start to pair up in August and September. Thus our shows are just over, bar the nest feather in November and January. The Fancy has taken a great leap here lately, and I believe is going to further increase. CAGE BIRDS is eagerly looked for here, and I am sure your readers out here will heartily appreciate seeing that news from this side of the world is being published in England. Wishing your paper every success.

OBITUARY.

Mr. H. A. Smith.

We are sorry indeed to receive the following sad news from Mr. H. Smith, hon. sec., Wimbledon C.B.S. To Mr. Smith in his affliction we tender our sincere sympathies:—

I regret to inform you that my dear son, H. A. Smith (who has in the past assisted me as show secretary) passed away at 6.45 this evening (Aug. 2) in the West London Hospital. He was conveyed there on Friday last suffering from septic poisoning through having teeth extracted, and notwithstanding all that medical skill and careful nursing could do, passed away, as stated, after three operations. The blow is indeed too terrible to contemplate. He was twenty-two years of age, and the only child.

Mr. Smith asks us to thank those fanciers who have sent him letters of condolence.

Will all members and intending members of the Cinnamon Marked Y.C.C. note, writes Mr. R. Garnett, hon. sec., that I have now got our year book and lists of members in the printer's hands, and he will print same in a few days. I can still add new members' names and addresses if they will let me have the matter at once. We are running three competitions, with a number of really good prizes in each, with novice competition for Y.C.C. shows. The show season will soon be here. I want as many members as possible, so that we shall have competition for our prizes. We have only seven competition shows, but if patronage is applied for within the next few days, and all is in order, I can grant patronage to one or two more good shows, but not after our books are printed.

Told By, Not To, a Marine.

A story is going the rounds that a gunner of the Royal Marines witnessed the rescue by a Seagull of a Linnet that had fallen exhausted into the sea. The benevolent Gull picked the Linnet out of the water, soared over the ship, and dropped the nearly drowned bird into the rigging of the vessel. It settled on one of the yards, and soon recovered from the effects of its immersion.

CANARY CITY FLOODED.

It is with the deepest regret that we learn of the grave disaster which has befallen the city of Norwich, a disaster which we fear may have involved the stock of many breeders of the Canaries for which it is world famous. The havoc worked by the unprecedented floods in the city and its vicinity will already have been made known to our readers in the columns of the daily press. Owing to the dislocation of both telegraphic and telephonic means of communication, we have been unable before going to press with this issue to obtain any direct information as to losses sustained by the bird-keepers and breeders. We note, however, that the Exchange Telegraph Coy.'s correspondent says:—"It is estimated that thousands of rare and valuable Canaries for which Norwich is renowned have already perished." This news will be received with the greatest regret by bird-lovers the world over and we are sure fellow fanciers join us in conveying a message of heartfelt sympathy to those who have suffered at the hands of Dame Nature. We sincerely hope that the estimate of losses may prove to be vastly over-stated.

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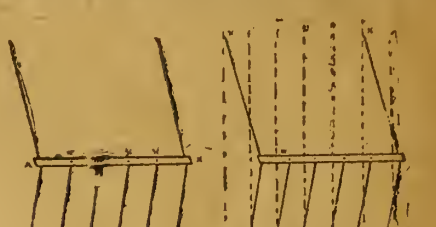
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No 606.

A Neat Green Food Holder.

Sent by H. S. Taylor, 13, White Hart Yard, Worksop.

A green-food holder which is easy to make and costs very little may be contrived with a short length of punched bar and some wire. Cut a piece of punched bar six holes long, one long piece of wire, and four pieces cut to any length required. With pliers, bend the long piece of wire as shown in Fig. 1 and solder it



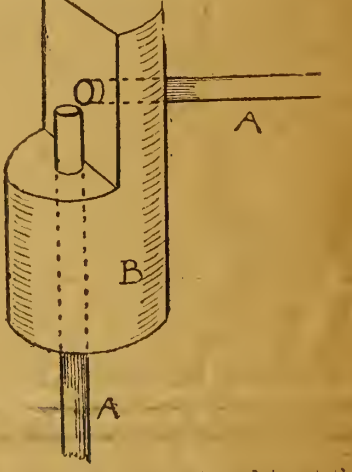
on to the piece of bar. Then solder the four short pieces to the punched bar, and to the long wire, and the rack is made. Fig. 1 shows it complete ready for fixing, and Fig. 2 the rack in position. The bottom edge of the rack is soldered to the cross bar of the cage, and the ends of the long wire are soldered to the cage wires where marked with a cross.

No. 607.

A Cheap Sprayer.

Sent by C. Warner, 168, Glenarm Road, Clapton Park.

Get a large cork and cut it half way down the middle and half way across, removing the portion thus cut out. Bore two holes at right angles to each other through the cork. Next take two goose quills (or anything else that



will serve the same purpose), and insert them through the holes till they meet. In this way an excellent and cheap sprayer can be made. A, A, quills; B, cork.—C. Warner.

Kelty and Blairadam C.B.A.

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Aviary Observations

By W. SPILLMAN (Devonport).

An old hand talks about things in general, and gives some valuable advice to the younger generation.

IT must be just about a decade since I penned my last contribution under the above title. I sat then on the self-same rocks as I sit now, facing the sad sea waves. How things have changed in such a short period. Golf links are everywhere around here; houses have displaced the humble cottages; and, last, but not least, there is the hugo Whitsand Bay Hotel, which reminds one very much of the fancier who has a successful start, and comes a cropper in a year or two. Let this advice be taken in earnest, that its no use trying to run before you can walk. The fact of doing a bit of winning early in your career must not lead you to believe you are made. Some cannot stand success any more than they can failure. They buy hither and



A RUSH FOR THE DAINTIES.

This excellent photograph of Canaries visiting the food trough was taken by Mr. A. T. Sharp in his aviary at Wellington (Salop).

thither, and in a short space of time are conspicuous by their absence. Far better make a start in a modest way, and at the same time make a determined effort to hold your own in the near future. Always be ready to listen and learn. Quite recently I was glad to fall back on friends that knew more about the ills of the birdy frame than I do, and the result was all that could be desired. It is just at this time of the year that troubles are to be expected, so all the scribes warn you against the dreads of the moulting season. Personally, I believe that many of these arise from insufficient or improper food. I favour giving the young birds, directly they are taken away from their parents, water to which has been added a little Parrish's chemical food, and I never take them off soft food until the moult is over. The great mischief, in my opinion, is done when you try to get them on colour food too suddenly. They refuse to eat it, and, being unable to crack seed and digest hard seed, they die. Take at least a fortnight or three weeks to get them to full strength of colour feed, the maximum quantity to be three teaspoonfuls to one egg and biscuits. Such strength, providing it is used on the right material, will prove hot enough for the most fastidious.

Do not Blame the Judges.

The letters that appeared quite recently on "The Type of the Norwich Plainhead" have been very interesting. As regards judging, I contend it is as even as ever we may expect it to be, in spite of the fact that our Cornish friend says that one bird suits Mr. H., another Mr. R., and yet another Mr. P. Really, this is the height of imagination, for if you fit names to these initials, and tack Mr. G. to the three aforenamed gentlemen, I think you will have the finest quartette that England can produce. If they were to judge, say, eight classes of Norwich to-day, I am sure their awards would compare favourably one with the other. Doesn't our friend generally find the same names appear in the money at the shows in his own county?

Even marks have also been praised, and I quite agree with the writer, they are about the handsomest of any variety of Canary. I was reading "Our Canaries" early in the year, and I was so forcibly struck with the remarks on this beautiful bird that I decided there and then to have a good try. Perhaps it has landed me with pretty much marked stock, but the result may be termed generally satisfactory. In conversation with an old friend about the season's doings, he jocularly asked "If you get them, where can you show them?" Most schedules read "unevenly marked." I have seen four fairly even marks in one nest, and have had two decent specimens myself, but my then fortunate friend in the 'nineties has given up cage birds and taken up non-sitters.

Staging not Everything.

The novice may say it is of no use having a good bird, unless one is an expert in staging. True, that always holds good, but I trust it may be a sort of a consolation when I say I did not wash a bird for show the whole of last season, and so far as the winning I did, it was about a record.

Yellows seem to be rather scarce, for if you take the sample of last year you could count the good ones on your finger tips. Are breeders double-buffing to that extent to make such a marked difference? I hope they won't carry it too far and regret it.

Visiting one another's rooms, as a source of education and pleasure, I would favour more than seems usual, for what is better than an ocular demonstration on the past season's doings, especially when the birds are fining down? It is easier to judge other people's birds than your own. You can also see whence the good ones come, and, if necessary, make notes of how they are bred. By the bye, I was passing a neighbour's house quite recently, and the good lady asked me if I would look at her bird as it had stopped singing. To my agreeable surprise, there was to be seen something really good; in fact, had I known such an aristocrat lived so handy, his services may have been in demand. I made inquiries as to from whom she had bought it, and she said her husband had won it in a draw. Here is a striking case of good stuff lying idle. Probably its parents were bought at a high figure, but for some unknown reason the owner was compelled to sell.

A Hope for the Future.

In another couple of months the show season will be at hand, and let us hope we shall see a marked improvement in type, coupled with size, for one without the other is not wanted. Don't stage the great long-sided ones and expect them to get in the money, and then say "I thought Mr. —— liked a big 'un." That may be so, but he likes a bit of shape and quality besides.

As a concluding remark, I may say I prefer citrate of iron to sulphate of iron for assisting and fixing the colour, as it has the same effect without bringing about constipation, and the late Mr. North always thought the same.

Moulting & Exhibiting British Finches.

Some views on various phases by those well-known fanciers, Messrs. A. and F. Hartley, of Haworth, Yorks.

WE think that the British Finches moult better in the open air. If they are moulted in the open, the cages should be covered so as to keep off rain. The birds should be out of reach of cats, and in such a position that cats cannot look at them. If they can be under a shed with a wire-netting front it will be best, as this keeps off cats and is also useful in case a bird escapes from its cage. There should be some means of keeping off strong sunlight, which spoils the colour. An arrangement of light cloths is best, as you then get a fairly good, but diffused light, which is just what is wanted.

Exercise and the Moult.

With regard to moulting cages, we prefer the large ones, as these give the birds plenty of room to exercise. Having got the birds into their moulting quarters, we must see about the food. Their ordinary seeds should be given, and in addition to this a large quantity of wild foods. The Goldie should have plenty of hard heads, thistle, and groundsel. Give berries, such as black, privet, elder, and bilberry, in plenty to Bullies. These will produce more colour than red feed. Docken and other wild seeds should be given freely. In every case the screenings from the threshing machine should be given, as the birds enjoy picking them over. The bath should be given, but care must be taken to keep the birds out of a draught, as they easily take cold during the moult. If there is any dust about, the cages may be covered with a light cloth. The foods which have been given during the moult must be continued for some time after the birds have finished moulting.

With regard to show cages (if you have not already got any) any good cage-maker will make standard British show cages. These should be black outside, and a nice shamrock green for the wires and interior. The best perches are turned ones, which are usually screwed to the back of the cage, and reach to within half-an-inch of the wires. Have a strong, but light, travelling case made to hold as many cages as you will want to send away. If the birds have been kept clean it will not be necessary to wash them, but if they require washing it is best to watch an expert perform this operation before trying to do so oneself. Have the show cages nice and clean, put in plenty of seed, and pack the birds carefully, putting in a drinker for each cage. Send the birds the night before the show, if possible, as they will then have time to steady down before judging commences.

When Patronising the Exhibitions.

Look through CAGE BIRDS' list of shows, and decide which you think will be suitable, and then write to the secretaries for schedules of these shows. From these we can see which gives the best classification. Always make your entries early, and so save the show officials much trouble. Always make a note of shows whose secretaries see that your birds are well packed and dispatched early; these are the shows you should support in the future.

If your bird does not suit a particular judge, do not trouble him again with that bird. If, however, he likes the shape, quality, etc., of your bird, follow him wherever he is judging, as far as possible. By reading CAGE BIRDS' excellent reports, it is possible to see which type any particular judge likes. In conclusion, don't on any account in your wish to succeed, allow yourself to stoop to dishonest practices, but do everything above board, and take both wins and losses in a sportsmanlike way.

The Queen Whydah.

(Vidua Regis).

MR. R. J. WATTS, whose charming Queen Whydah is here pourtrayed, kindly sends us the following notes on this beautiful bird, which he has now had in his possession for nearly five years. Early in the winter of 1907, a well-known importer of Foreign birds informed me he had a "pair" of Queen Whydahs, and taking the first opportunity, I went to see them. The usual thing happened—the birds accompanied me home. They were in very fair condition, and one was undoubtedly a male, as it was just showing colour. The other I was not certain about, but it, also, eventually turned out to be a male. Not needing two, I parted with this, and at the time of writing, I believe it is still in good health.

As mentioned, this bird came into my possession early in the winter, viz., November. He was in full plumage soon after Christmas, and was exhibited at the Crystal Palace in February, 1903. As so often happens with Foreign birds, he began to accommodate himself to our seasons. On March 22nd, the tail feathers were discarded, and the winter plumage of brown was assumed, but within a few weeks



The Queen Whydah.

he began again to assume his summer outfit, retaining this until November. The changes have since been quite regular; the long tail commences to grow during April and May, and falls out about the first week in November, which very closely corresponds with the autumn moult of our native birds. The length of the tail varies just a little, ten feathers taken at different moults measured from 9⅛in. to 9⅞in.

Feeding is a very simple matter. the staple diet of my bird is white millet, Indian millet, and canary seed, a little green food, and a small piece of cuttle fish bone to peck. Insectivorous food or live insects he will not touch, but a piece of sweet apple is much appreciated.

It is somewhat unfortunate that this species is very seldom imported, as, in the opinion of many, it is the most desirable of this group of birds. I have found some of the Whydahs very pugnacious, the Pintail particularly so, but the Queen Whydah is most inoffensive. As an exhibition bird, it is a very beautiful, and usually commands a large number of admirers. Unfortunately, it is never long in colour during the show season.

It has a pleasant little song, not unlike the Green Singing Finch, but with a few often repeated scolding-like notes. It would seem worth while always, when frequenting the bird markets, to give a glance through the numbers of small African Finches, as the Queen Whydah out of colour is very easy to distinguish by the beautiful red beak and legs.

Amongst the numerous prizes won by the bird you have so excellently reproduced in your valuable paper (by the way, it may be of interest to you to know that I have taken every issue of CAGE BIRDS since 1905) are 1908, 1st Palace, 1st Watford; 1910, 1st Wellingborough, 1st Clapham, 2nd Manchester; 1911, 2nd Clapham, 2nd Manchester.

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Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mule and Hybrids—**G. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.H.S., &c., Wild Bird Life—**H. Norman.**

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

A SCOTS FANCY'S FOOT (Clydebank).—The only treatment likely to reduce the growth on the foot is painting the same twice daily (morning and evening) for a time with tincture of iodine. Apply it with a small camel-hair brush (or a stiff feather) and allow it to dry on. Before painting the foot, however, on each occasion soak it for a few moments in comfortably hot water and then dab it dry.

BEAK CRACKING AWAY (Crest).—If there is any exposed soreness when you catch the bird to examine it closely, brush it over a few times with a lukewarm solution of wych hazel, which dry off in a minute or two with a small pledget of wool, or the camel-hair brush, squeezed dry, and then slightly smear the place with Lanocylin. Repeat this every second day for a week, and then, if necessary, go on repeating every third or fourth day, as long as may seem necessary. Glad to learn the contracted toes are much better.

FEEDING DURING MOULT (Advice).—I have not a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners" by me at the moment, so cannot say positively whether the dietary you refer to is intended for the moulting season. Did not you see my article in this paper on August 3rd? which gives full details for moulting. If you are not colour-feeding you need only add a little extra egg food, mixed seed, and a variety of wild seeds and greed food (which are very useful), to the ordinary seed diet used for the young when quite weaned on to a diet of dry seeds. Say, half a teaspoonful of egg food thrice a week, mixed seeds twice, and wild seeds or green foods thrice or four times. In short, make the diet more generous to meet the extra drain on the system; allow free bathing; keep birds comfortably warm; and strictly avoid cold draughts.

BIRD HOUSE AND BREAD (A.B.C.).—You should have given more particulars about the structure, position (whether sheltered or fully exposed), and aspect of your "wooden hut," and if you could have managed a rough sketch showing its general plan, and position of door and windows, it would have been of great help in advising you. If fairly well sheltered, ventilated and free from draughts and damp, there is no reason why such a place should not make an admirable bird-house where Canaries would thrive all the year round. If you wish for more definite advice please send me such particulars as indicated above. As regards the most suitable hardy breeds, Norwich, Borders, Common Rollers, or Yorkshires would be about "equal firsts." Either of these breeds would be very suitable for you to begin with in such a place.

VARIOUS (S. E. Avery).—(1) You omit to say whether you want the birds to fly at liberty, or to keep them in cages, but in either case, if cost is not a very vital matter, it is much wiser to build a house which will be comfortable for you to move about in and attend to the birds properly, than to limit the accommodation to the actual requirements of a dozen birds. Quite a small place would well accommodate this number, say, 8ft by 4ft. by 6 to 7½ft. high for lean-to roof. You should get "Aviaries, Birdrooms and Cages," 2s. 3d., from our Manager, and the first three parts of "Our Canaries" for details about these matters. (2) If flying loose, three cocks to nine hens would be quite sufficient. If kept in cages, six hens would be plenty, each cock being run with two hens alternately for breeding. (3) Providing the weather is tolerable, and the house easily built and free from draughts, you might put the birds out at the end of September if they are quite through the moult. Otherwise it would be better to keep them indoors in a cold room until next April—or middle of March if it is a mild and promising spring. (4) If flying loose, as this query suggests is your intention, it is certainly best to have all clear yellow cocks and ticked or variegated buff hens, and perhaps a green hen, or if all hens are only lightly ticked or variegated, have one slightly ticked cock. In short, select them so that any cock might make a tolerable mate for any of the hens. The colour may be reversed if desired, having buff cocks and yellow hens. In this way you retain a certain amount of control over the breeding. (6) If a non-feeding hen is put in, its progeny will most likely meet with the same fate as if the birds were caged. There is, of course, just a possibility that some of the other birds might play the role of good Samaritans, but such possibilities should not be relied upon.

OUTDOOR BIRDROOM (W. L. G.).—It depends so much upon the locality, position (whether more or less sheltered or fully exposed), and aspect, as well as the breeding of the stock concerned, that it is really most unsatisfactory for an absentee to sit in judgment upon the necessity or otherwise of artificial heat for your birds. But in any case a lamp is just about the least satisfactory means of heating you could adopt. If your birds come of a hardy, robust stock, and have been bred and reared under quite normal conditions of temperature, there should be no necessity at all to experiment with lamp-heating. If, however, you wish to try it, see reply to "Pony Driver" in this issue. You would, doubtless, glean some very useful information on the subject from the literature advised in that reply.

DIARRHŒA (Miss J. C. Marsh).—Keep cage and perches as clean as possible, and also water vessel. Strew cage floor well with clean coarse sawdust, and renew it daily until diarrhœa has ceased. As staple food give a mixture of two parts canary to one part summer rape. Every second day give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake, with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and well sprinkled with maw seed, and on the alternate days a pinch of good sound hemp and a morsel of banana. You may give a half ripe plantain stalk three times a week, but no other green food at present. Limit the diet solely to this for two or three weeks. In the water give six drops of syrup of rhubarb, and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece for one day. After this dissolve in the water a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, a crystal of sulphate of iron half as big, and add six drops of dilute sulphuric acid. Give this every second day for a week, and on the alternate days substitute four drops each of tincture of gentian and tincture of calumba.

FIXING UP BIRD-HOUSE (J.N.M.).—You should have enclosed a sketch, no matter how rough, showing the general design of the house, with door, windows, and area of glass marked in, and you should also have said whether you mean to allow the birds to fly at liberty or keep them in cages. Being of a very fair size, and good aspect, there can be no reason whatever why the house could not be made quite suitable for keeping Canaries in all through the year. The over-heating is undoubtedly due to the glass roof, which probably is not provided with hinged "lights" to lift up in summer when the sun shines directly upon the roof, and it could also be largely prevented by ample top ventilation. The best thing, however, is to substitute a solid roof, of wood, for the glass one. If two layers of boards are put on for the roof, with a half-inch or so of air space between the two layers, with free communication for air at top and bottom you will find it a most cool roof in summer, and to equalise the temperature of the house enormously. For query as to number of birds, please write again, and give me the above particulars, when I shall be pleased to help you.

BUILDING A BIRD-HOUSE (Pony Driver.)—I do not see much, if any, real advantage in making the outer walls of the house of zinc, unless it so happens that you are able to procure this material much cheaper than wood. If this is not the case, I should certainly give preference to good, well-creosoted match boards, tongued and grooved. A house so built and lined, and the space between the boards filled with sawdust or wool waste, will be as free from draught as walls built of bricks and mortar, and is both cool in summer and very durable. I cannot venture to estimate the cost of such a house as you propose, either if built entirely of wood or partly of zinc, as the cost of materials, workmanship, carriage, haulage, etc., must vary a good deal in different districts. The outside should, of course, be kept well painted as a protection against the weather, and the inside painted or distempered with sanitary distemper in preference to whitewash to give it a more cosy and warm appearance. If you must have a heating apparatus, by all means instal a system of hot-water pipes, with a brickwork cover for the boiler and furnace outside the house. This need not very greatly increase the cost. As regards the window, if you have a choice of aspect, make it face south-east instead of due south. The size you propose should be ample to accommodate twenty birds, or rather more if necessary. Finally, before starting to build, you would do well to consult "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages," which our Manager would send you for 2/3, post free, and Parts I. and III. of "Our Canaries," wherein you will find designs for a nice out-door house with heating apparatus.

SONG, COLOUR AND HEAT (Miss M. St. C. M.).—(1) The bird will not resume singing until the moult is quite finished. Your remarks give me no idea how far it has progressed, but I do not think it is nearly finished yet. Keep him rather warm, and cover his cage rather closely for a time, but keep a sharp look-out that mites do not get a footing in it. For full details of feeding, etc., see my article on August 3rd. Give a morsel of bread and milk, slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur, and sprinkle with soft sugar, every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days a pinch of maw seed. In the water add 20 drops of whisky, five of syrup of saffron, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece every second day for a week. (2) You are too late to preserve the colour of the bird this year. It is obtained by adding a small proportion of a vegetable substance popularly called tasteless pepper to egg food, which must be given regularly from a short time before any feathers are shed right on through the moult, until it is quite finished. If you commenced now the new feathers already grown would be unaffected by the colour, and the bird would consequently have a very patchy appearance. (3) A temperature which does not fall below 50 degrees in winter cannot really be termed cold. It is quite warm enough for any kind of Canary that has not been brought up under unreasonably pampered conditions. It would be more important to avoid sudden extremes of heat and cold and draught.

NORTH-EAST BIRD-ROOM (Percy Hunt).—Yes, the room you describe would be quite suitable for a bird-room. If it is free from damp and cold, cutting draughts, the absence of direct sunlight will not necessarily be detrimental to the health of the birds. Indeed, many successful and flourishing bird rooms are in no better position than this one. Your colour scheme may be improved, I think, by having a white ceiling, light pea green or electric-green walls, with a light oak or stone-colour dado, and a moderately light, but not white, lino on the floor—say, dark oak, brown or chestnut.

QUANTITY OF FOOD (J. U., Dulwich).—Unless some special object is in view, such as limiting the food supply when birds are over-fed, it is usual to keep up an unlimited supply of good, sound canary in the seed hoppers. But if you wish to control the food supply generally, a daily allowance of one teaspoonful per bird will be ample for a dozen birds. Some of them may not quite consume their quantity, and others will probably exceed it, but if doled out regularly there will be no danger whatever of any of the birds starving. If convenient to do so it would be an advantage to give half the quantity in the morning and the other half in the afternoon. A small quantity of soft food and mixed seed may be given in addition at intervals twice a week each, and green at mid-day three or four times a week.

NOT STARTED MOULTING (F. C.).—Move the bird that has not begun to moult to a distinctly warmer room and keep in a slightly darkened corner, or keep a cover over the cage. Let the temperature be on the warm side, but quite free from cold draughts and as equable as possible. Give half-a-teaspoonful of egg food to which a little colour food has been added daily, well sprinkle it with maw seed, and every second day dust it lightly with flowers of sulphur. In the drinking water add 20 drops of whisky, five of syrup of saffron, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece, every second day—giving this on the alternate days between giving the sulphur. After a week of this treatment, if bird has not commenced to cast feathers, return it to its usual place in the cold room, when the desired effect will probably quickly come about.

EXTERMINATING RED MITES (J.C.B.).—Any half measures, and also dusting bird with powder, is of very little use to achieve this object. If size of cage will allow of it plunge it bodily in a copper of boiling water and keep it quite immersed for a few minutes. Then treat all the cage fittings in the same way, and give the wall, hook, etc., where cage has hung a thorough good rub down. If this plan is not feasible, place bird in temporary cage for a few days, and give it a bath with a little quassia extract in it each day. Then well clean the infested cage and burn refuse at once. Saturate cage inside and out with paraffin, in a teacupful of which you have dissolved a cube of camphor. Use a small paint brush to work it well into any joints or crevices. Place in open air to dry, and thoroughly cleanse and disinfect the fittings and place where cage has hung. Repeat all operations next day, and again on the third day to be doubly sure of completing the extermination. When dry re-paint, varnish, etc., if necessary, and when quite dry bird may be returned. Each time cage is overhauled attend scrupulously to all the fittings and place where it has hung. Give bird a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and dusted with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight, and add 20 drops of chemical food to its water in the meantime.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered, this week, by H. J. FULLJAMES.

ABOUT A GOLDFINCH'S BLAZE (Jack Bash).—You can do nothing to alter the shape of the blaze of your bird. For the feeding you could not improve upon your present method, especially as you say that the bird is in perfect health. It is quite possible that the under-blaze may with another moult become more even at the corners, but nothing you can do would influence it.

A GOLDFINCH MULE (A. Bennett).—If the Mule seems to be at all constipated, stir half a teaspoonful of syrup of buckthorn into two tablespoonfuls of drinking water, and leave in the cage for one day. Afterwards give the following medicine fresh daily over a period of from ten to fourteen days, as may seem necessary (any chemist will dispense it for you): glycerine, oxymel of squills, and ipecacuanha wine, one ounce of each. Dose, a small teaspoonful in two tablespoonfuls of water. A little good teazle seed would benefit the bird; also an occasional pinch of maw seed. Don't give the egg-food, but continue with the milk-sop.

SONG OF HAND-REARED BIRDS, ETC. (O.J.S.).—(1) It is quite true that hand-reared birds do not generally sing as well as those naturally reared unless they have the opportunity of hearing the song of adult birds of their species. They are apt scholars, however, and soon pick up the proper song if given the opportunity, or they will incorporate into their own song that of other birds with which they may be kept in company. Birds of the year taken in autumn will, of course, have heard the wild notes of others of their kind, and should make good singers. (2) In an outdoor aviary of mixed birds, it is better to have each kind of seed in a separate vessel. If the various kinds are mixed in one hopper, the different birds will each waste a great deal searching for some particular kind. (3) You can scarcely expect a Blackcap to do well on any ready prepared food sold at a less price than that which you name. You might make up a stock food yourself, comprised of equal parts, by weight, of best ants' cocoons, dried flies, silkworm pupæ, desiccated yolk of egg, and a little very fine meat meal (crissel). Then add powdered sweet biscuit to the weight of the whole lot. Such a mixture will keep indefinitely if kept dry, and a small portion daily should be slightly moistened (to a "crumbly" consistency) by the addition either of boiled potato or grated carrot. The Blackcap is a fruit-eater by nature, and if supplied with ripe fruit in season, or grocers' currants, which have previously been soaked until they are plump, will eat but little of the prepared food. You will, of course, supply it with small insects and grubs—house flies, gentles, small green caterpillars, meal-worms, spiders, green-fly; in fact, anything that may come handy. Nutshell No. 25, "The Smaller Insectivorous Birds" (2½d. post free, from our publisher), will help you in the feeding of any of the many birds with which it deals.

JACKDAW WITH INSECTS (Lisley).—Your bird is probably troubled with the tiny itch mite, *Sarcoptes laevis*. This mite generally appears at first on the hinder parts of any bird which it attacks, and the irritation it sets up causes the bird to pluck its feathers. Afterwards, it spreads to the head and neck, which appears to have been the case with your bird. Insect powder would have little or no effect on this parasite. Much more drastic measures are necessary. Ask your chemist to make up an ointment of one part refined creosote to twenty parts lanoline, and rub a little of this on the skin and the feather shafts, but not enough to make the feathers messy. Also paint the crevices of its sleeping place, ends of perches, etc., with crude creosote.

WILL JACKDAW AGREE WITH MAGPIE AND JAY (A.H.).—Your aviary is large enough to accommodate one each of these birds, but whether they would agree is a doubtful proposition. The present tenant, the Jackdaw, would most probably resent the introduction of any new lodgers, and rows between birds such as these are not small matters. Much depends, however, upon the disposition of individual birds, and it is possible, if not probable, that you may get them to agree, especially if you give an eye to them for a while. Personally, I have never tried the experiment.

TURTLE DOVES (K. E. D.).—These birds should certainly do well throughout the winter here without artificial heat. They may be kept quite successfully in a sheltered outdoor aviary. They are granivorous birds, and will eat almost any kind of grain, small peas, etc. Some will take small worms, snails, grubs, and fruit, and any of these may be offered them. The Turtle Dove is a nesting species in England, favouring, mostly, the eastern and southern counties. It extends sometimes to Scotland, but does not breed there. To Ireland it is an infrequent visitor, and is said to have bred two or three times. They arrive on our coasts about the end of April, and leave us in September for North Africa, reaching sometimes as far as Abyssinia during the winter.

LINNET QUEER (J. F. M.).—Your feeding is insufficient. The sample you send is nearly all canary, with just a dash of small and inferior rape. Linnets in nature feed upon a great variety of wild seeds, and they will not thrive in captivity upon plain canary seed. You were doing better when you fed your bird upon "Linnet mixture," but you would do better still if you gathered some wild seeds for it yourself. Dandelion, groundsel, thistles of any kind, plantain, shepherd's-purse—there is no end to the seeds you could provide for it. During the moult, add some linseed. As your bird seems to have stopped in the moult you should keep it for a time in a warm room, free from draughts or changes of temperature; feed it more generously, and for the stomach trouble treat as recommended to "Carapato" in another reply.

A VARIETY (A Novice, Wigan).—If you cannot obtain a cock bird bred from the same parents as the hen you mention (get a clear, if possible), then buy a pink-eyed cock, for preference one which is clear and bred from clear parents. Or better still, buy both cock birds, let the hens have young from each, and then mate up the progeny to the best advantage, discarding any that possess much marking, and utilising the yellows wherever possible. In the place you mention I think two cock Goldies would get along together—it is a good size. The rarest cross would be the Greenfinch-Chaffinch; but I hear the Siskin-Bullfinch Hybrid has been bred this season, and, if so, this becomes entitled to be termed the rarest. I hope this answers your last question, which is not quite clear to me. The Bullfinch-Hawfinch cross, of course, would put any other quite in the shade. Why not try to obtain it?

GREYPATE "HUDDLED UP" (Carapato).—It is very early indeed to attempt the keeping of Greypates unless you are certain that they are of the first brood of the year, and as two out of your three are doing well you must consider yourself fortunate. Your feeding seems to be fairly all right, and you cannot do better than continue the advice given in the Goldfinch "Nutshell," which you say you have. You will see that the seeds of many weeds are therein recommended in addition to the mixture you are using. The bird probably finds some little difficulty in digesting the hard seed, and you should try soaking the seed overnight, and rubbing dry in a cloth in the morning. I don't know what "salts" you are using, but if these are Epsom salts you might use, instead, the same quantity of Glauber's salts (sulphate of soda). These act more directly on the liver and help the digestion. Give the medicated water at first every other day, with plain water between, and when any improvement is noticed then give every third day; afterwards, once a week. An occasional dose of sulphate of soda is good for all birds.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

HOW MANY? (D. H. P.).—In this cage, with frequent changing, you could keep a dozen small Waxbills, or half-a-dozen birds the size of a Norwich Canary. The Pekin Robin or Nightingale is quite amiable as a rule, but very energetic, and I fear within the limits of a cage this would keep Waxbills and the small ornamental Finches in a more or less continual state of unrest. I have heard of individuals that were fond of holding small Waxbills, etc., by the leg or wing, and so playing with them, but such is not the rule; however, if your desire is towards Pekins, I advise you to let them enjoy the cage to themselves.

IS IT AN ARCHBISHOP? (Tanager).—Yes, but probably a young bird, whose plumage will assume a deeper line as it matures; it might possibly be a Palm Tanager, but I think it is as above. Diet, soft food, ripe fruit (any kind it will eat), and two or three live insects daily. Superb, Tri-colour, Blue, from 15/- to 25/- each, according to condition and time they have been over. A little milk-sop containing Mellin's Food, often helps newly-imported specimens over the critical period.

AILING BUDGERIGARS (A.L.H.) Try fomenting the legs and feet with hot water daily; dry with a cloth, and then, while moist, paint with neat whisky, also gently exercise the joints a little daily. Keep the bowels moving freely, not watery loose, by giving two drops of Dinneford's Magnesia direct to the beak as required. Also put a little byno-phosphates in the drinking water daily. I much fear this is constitutional weakness and incurable, but treat as above for say two months, and then if there is no improvement have it painlessly destroyed.

GREY PARROT WITH DIARRHŒA (G. H. Nuttall)). Do not give any more aperients at present. Dissolve two drops of tincture of opium in two tablespoonfuls of slightly sweetened water (chilled), and offer this to the bird at intervals during the day, for two days, prepare fresh for each day, then after a couple of days' interval repeat as above, and then follow with a course of byno-phosphates to tone the bird up. The bird should get some ripe fruit daily. The peas are quite wholesome and are not, in my opinion, responsible for the diarrhœa; very probably something in the seed or water set this up.

FINCHES AND MANNIKINS (C. Hunt).—Your birds are as follows: Cutthroats or Ribbon Finches, Grey Java Sparrows, and Black-headed Maunikins or Nuns; the two latter are shy breeders in captivity, but the former go to the nest readily enough either in cage or aviary, but the young are not always reared. Diet: Canary, white and spray millet seed, greenfood (lettuce, chickweed, groundsel, and flowering or seeding grass are all good), grit, cuttlebone and water. Oats and paddy rice may be offered in small quantity, and will be appreciated by the Java Sparrow. A little soft food must be given, and ants' eggs when they are feeding young. For breeding Foreign birds in cages, a roomy box-breeding cage should be the domicile of each pair.

TOUCAN, ETC. (Leslie).—(1) A Toucan should be taken indoors during the winter months, as the character of their plumage ill fits them to stand the wet and damp of an English winter. (2) All birds must have a changeful dietary, and the Toucan should have some good, soft food mixture, which can be moistened with boiled potato and beef dripping. They must also get some live insects, cut up fruit, grocer's currants, sultanas, grapes, and the like. Sweetened boiled rice is also acceptable and wholesome, while if a small mouse finds its way into the cage, the bird will soon make short work of it. (3) The Red-faced or Red-headed and the Peach-faced Lovebirds are quite distinct, the latter is much the larger, and while the former has the head fiery scarlet, the latter has this portion rose-colour, overlaid with a peach-like bloom; both are African species.

ROSE-BREASTED COCKATOOS (B.K.).—These birds are as hard as nails, and I have never yet come across a case of a specimen being harmed by English weather. In speaking of the demeanour of birds out of doors, you must be comparative; for instance, such weather as we have been experiencing lately; out of its season, too! has made most of our indigenous wild creatures very uncomfortable, and if your Cockatoos are not showing more discomfort than our native birds, they will not be likely to take much hurt. Please send me a

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154

rough diagram of the aviary, showing its size, aspect, position of shelter-shed, and stating whether the flight is wire-netting all round, or if back or ends are closely boarded or walls. I could then give you a definite answer. I should, however, have no hesitation in leaving them out myself, but should provide a dry, sheltered corner for them in the flight, where they could be dry, yet in the open.

ASPECT OF AVIARY (Kappa).—(1) An easterly aspect is, of course, the worst that you can have, but from what I know of Chiswick the situation is not likely to be an exposed one; but I shall consider it solely on its E. aspect. The end A. should be either all wood or wood and glass; the front of covered flight should be a combination of wood and glass, the latter predominating. All glass must be covered with wire netting on the inside. The glass cat-guard along front of aviary would be a wise precaution in your district, and would also give some protection against a strong east wind. (2) I really cannot answer this query, as the Indian Buntings are quite numerous; which one do you refer to—the two you name would be distinct, though you may have a pair.

BUDGERIGARS (A. Meyers).—Heat, or rather a sudden transit from cool to quite warm quarters often forces a moult out of season, and Budgies do not need heat, but must not be subjected to draught. I should say your birds do not get enough shelter from the sun; arrange them a sheltered corner in the cage to which they can retire at will. Large is a comparative word, and conveys such different meanings, but in the absence of definite size of cage I assume from your remarks that it is large enough for two pairs, and I should procure mates for them, but from quite a different source to that from which your present birds came. I am, of course, assuming that in addition to seed, your birds have access to grit, cuttle-bone and green food—all are necessary to their well-being. Either put one tea-spoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water every other day for a week, or give each bird one drop direct to the beak under similar conditions.

WAXBILLS AND MANNIKINS (Selby).—The bulk of birds offered by the various dealers are new arrivals, and are more or less affected by the long journey they have undergone; the weather has recently been very inclement, probably your cage stands in a window, and the birds are being subjected to some draught. Stand your cage where its occupants will get light and air, but be quite free from draught. Re food, your diet is quite in order, there is no given quantity, refill hopper as depleted. The birds must have access to grit, cuttle-bone and greenfood (lettuce, chickweed, groundsel and flowering grass are all good). Separate the ailing birds, and keep them quiet and restful to themselves, putting one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia into the usual supply of drinking water every fourth day for a month, and on the intervening days half a teaspoonful of Byno-phosphates in the daily supply of drinking water (you must not use a metal drinker while giving drugs). The whole of the birds will be the better for a course of the above treatment, but the ailing ones must be kept in a cage to themselves—I fear you will lose some of them. Some will use the night shelters and others will perch. The eye wash was quite right, and should be continued if necessary. The bird you describe is a Grey Waxbill. The Nutshell Booklet "Waxbills," 2½d. from our Manager, would help you, as also would "Foreign Birds for Beginners," 1·1½, post free. Also keep a hopper of Canary seed in the cage, and leave the birds to take which they prefer.

GLOSSY STARLING (Beginner). Add to your dietary some good soft food mixture, which can be moistened with boiled potato, also the supply of ripe fruit should be ad lib, and live-food should be liberally supplied. If you have a garden offer anything you can capture in the shape of beetles, smooth larvæ, small earthworms, etc., that the bird will eat; the pest of most kitchens ("black-beetles") may be offered. A show cage 18in. long, 11 inches deep, and 15 inches high, should be sufficient, while a cage double that size would make a good living cage for it. It would either have to be entered as a "Large Softbill" or in the "Any other Species" class, according to classification of the respective shows. The moult is either just over or very near at hand. In a roomy cage, if it is an active bird, it should do well in an unheated room, but judge by its demeanour, if it appears unhappy bring it into your living room.

INDIAN PARROT (W.H.).—Give this bird a seed mixture of one quart each canary and white millet seeds, one pint each oats, paddy rice, and hemp, half a pint each shelled nuts, sunflower seed, dari and small maize, one gill grit (not sand); well mix and keep a supply in the cage. Also supply ripe fruit, greenfood, and plain biscuit; keep a piece of clean cuttlebone in the cage, also water continuously. Spray this bird twice weekly with quassia solution at present, but only once a week when the weather really becomes cold, and guard against draught, especially while plumage is damp. Twice a week put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia, and on other days a little byno-phosphates or Parrish's Chemical Food, in the drinking water, and continue this for some time. Confine its diet to items given above, and continue this treatment for two months at least. Also give it rotten wood, cotton reels, etc., to cut up and play with.

YOUNG GREY PARROT (E.B.W.).—It is a young Grey, and young birds are much darker in their plumage than adult birds. You must continue to feed it as you are doing at present, but keep a tin of the seed mixture given in the Booklet; also offer fruit, shelled nuts, and dry plain biscuit—keep a piece of cuttlebone in the cage, and add a pinch of grit (not sand) to the daily supply of seed. Dissolve one drop laudanum in a tablespoonful of water, and give this as drinking water for two days, but prepare it fresh each day; then after two days' interval repeat this. Follow this by putting ten drops byno-phosphates into its daily supply of drinking water, or soak the phosphates into the maize. Colour of plumage has nothing to do with talking capacity. The age at which they begin to talk is very variable, when it has quite become accustomed to its new home and is quite tame, it will observe and listen, and soon prove responsive; follow directions in booklet.

YOUNG GREY PARROT (J. Thomas).—While it will not take anything else, continue to give a little chilled bread and milk at intervals, adding one drop of brandy to each table-spoonful of sop. Keep the food it has been accustomed to in the cage, and gradually discontinue the milk-sop as it takes the other food again—the milk-sop is to be strictly treated as a medicine, and not indefinitely continued as an article of diet. Do not give the bird ordinary "Parrot Mixture," keep in its cage a supply of the following: 3 parts each (by measure) canary and white millet seed, 2 parts crushed oats and 1 part each hemp and sunflower seeds, and 1 gill grit (not sand)—well mix the whole. Also supply ripe fruit, shelled nuts, and plain arrowroot biscuit; the latter can be soaked, or, rather, moistened, in chemical food and chilled water. Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone hanging in the cage. On receipt of this give 2 drops of tasteless castor oil direct to the beak, and repeat same a week hence. Give it a few sips at intervals during the day of chilled water to which has been added 5 drops of Byno-phosphates to each tablespoonful of water. The boiled maize must be prepared fresh daily, and should be lightly dusted with flowers of sulphur. Get a box of honey and borax from your chemist and put a little on its tongue twice daily. Keep warm and out of draught, yet where it will get light and air. Write again, a week hence, fully describing its condition, also stating how long it has been in your possession.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

M. Waddington.—Septic fever; there is no treatment.

Gould.—Egg-binding, the egg was a shell-less one, and death occurred from peritonitis.

W.H.G.—The bird was emaciated, thin on the breast, and dropsical. The liver was cirrhotic, a condition implying formation in the liver substance of white fibrous tissue, acting deleteriously by causing pressure on the liver cells. It is a common disease of these birds, and originates primarily from the ingestion of irritants in the food.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

A Suspended Exhibitor (Justice).—If the facts were as you state, you should have lodged a protest with the show secretary. In any case, we could not enter into the merits of the matter upon the authority of a communication bearing neither the proper signature nor the address of the writer.

Bernard Smith.—We have written to you direct, to Oak Bay Post Office, concerning the matter.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

Ashton-under-Lyne O.S. Sept. 3, P.S.A. Rooms, 8. Final table show, aviary, and general business. J. R. Colville.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Sept. 3, Onward Hall, 8. Lecture on British birds, by Mr. A. E. Long.—J. Spencer.

Anfield, Everton C.B.S. Sept. 8, ramble and wild seed gathering. Landing stage 2 p.m., instead of headquarters as per syllabus. Sept. 9, meeting headquarters, 8; lecture on preparing birds for exhibition, by Mr. W. Young. Distribution of Nest Feather show specials.—R.B. Wright.

Bootle and D.C.B.S. Sept. 3, Woods Cafe, Stanley Road, 8.—L. S. Hamilton.

Bury C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Textile Hall, 8. Amalgamated Autumn Show. H. Jameson.

Bradford East O.S.—Sept. 3, Park Chapel Schools, 8. Annual open show business. Arrangements for October meeting. Probably Union handbooks will be ready.—H. Hill.

Bristol C.B.S. Sept. 4, City Hotel, 8. Important show business. Drawing up of schedule, etc. T. J. Keegan.

Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Staffordshire Knot, 8. Allotting specials for open show schedule.—A. Wood.

Blaydon and Dis. C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Co-op. Library, 7.30. Important business; all fanciers invited.—Geo. Havver.

Border City (Carlisle) O.S.—Sept. 4, Headquarters, 8.15. Quarterly general meeting, business open show, subs. now due.—John C. Bell.

Chester-le-Street C.B.S.—Aug. 31, Butchers' Arms, 7.30. Annual show date.—Jas. Hedley.

Crewe O.S.—Sept. 2, Brotherhood Institute, 8. Next show date.—E. Jaycott.

Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Chequers Hotel, 8.30. Business concerning open show.—H. Saunders.

Coventry O.S.—Sept. 4, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. The finish of the autumn show schedule.—A. J. Barratt.

City and County of Perth O.S.—Sept. 2, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, 8. Show and other business.—James Kerr.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—Sept. 4, Crown Hotel, Hill Street, 8.30. Receive committee's report, re young stock show; also make arrangements for open show.—J. H. Jones.

Colinton and Currie O.S.—Sept. 7, Drill Hall, Juniper Green, 7. Show and general business.—James Napier.

Clapham and Dis. C.B.A.—Sept. 2, Landor Hotel, 8 o'clock sharp, instead of 8.30, the usual hour. Open show business.—A. R. Coe.

Chopwell C.B.S.—Aug. 31,. Club Hall, 2. Business important.—W. Tomlinson.

Cheltenham.—Sept. 4, Prince of Wales Hotel, 8. Open Show business, and paper by Mr. G. Stevens on preparing British birds for exhibition.—A. S. Treasure.

Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, Peckham, 8. Cage making demonstration, by Mr. C. Austin. Fanciers invited.—W. Hudson.

Derwent Valley O.S.—Aug. 31, Headquarters, 7.—Lindlay and Marsh.

Eccles and Dis. C.B.S.—Sept. 4, Diamond Inn, 8 Important business, all members attend to hear result of members' joint show.—J. Hall.

Edinburgh Western O.S.—Sept. 5, Riego Street Hall, 8.—Robert Lile.

Edinburgh N.C. and M.B.S.—Sept. 5, Hall's, High Street, 8. Patronage of various clubs, and business in connection with annual show.—John Welsh.

Edinburgh North Eastern O.S.—Sept. 2, Free Gardeners' Hall, Abbey Mount, 8. Business important.—Robt. S. Spence.

Erith, etc., F.S.—Sept. 5, West Street Schools, 8.15. Mr. Meades, Plumstead, will lecture on the general management of Canaries. All interested in cage birds are invited.—Geo. Rickett.

Falkirk O.S.—Aug. 31, King's Head, Roberts Wynd, 8.—William Nivers.

Grimsby and Cleethorpes Roller C.S.—Aug. 31, 119, Cleethorpes Road, 7. Arrangements for annual contest, and other important matters.—J. Mason.

Grantham C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Brewers' Arms, Brewery Hill. Schedule for open show, etc. All fanciers are invited to attend.—W. E. Allen. (No time given.—Ed.)

Hanley and Dis. C.B.S.—Sept. 4, George and Dragon Hotel, 8. To arrange schedule.—C. J. Robinson.

Hull C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Oddfellows' Hall, 8. Wild Seed and Berry Competition.—Ernest R. Ridley.

Hartlepools C.B.S.—Sept. 4, St. George's Hall, 8. Open show business.—Woodhead and Pyman.

Hyson Green (Nottingham) C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Cricket Players' Hotel, 8. Show business; important.—Wm. Cottingham.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Aug. 31, White Lion Hotel, 7.30. Very special business.—R. H. Dixon.

Hornsey, Wood Green and Dis. C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Mr. Bedford's, 165, High Road, Wood Green, 8.30. Lecture on Yorkshires, by Mr. Geo. Gardner.—P. Brooks.

Islington F.A.—Sept. 7, Congregational Schoolroom, Walters Road, Holloway Road, N., 8.30. Final meeting before the young stock show: all fanciers should pay a visit to this grand show. Members, send your entries in early.—H. A. Brown, Assist. Sec.

Jarrow Hebburn C.B.S.—Sept. 4, Lockhart's Cafe, 7.30. General business and payment of members' subs.—W. Ayers.

Kelty and Blairadam C.B.A.—Aug. 31, Headquarters, 7. Drawing in books and specials for open show; general business. A. Dickson.

Laisterdyke B.F.A. Sept. 4, Railway Hotel, 8. Business important. J. E. Hudson.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Sept. 3, White Swan, 8.30. Open show business. A. Freestone.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Aug. 31, Greyhound Hotel, 7. General meeting and election of officers for the ensuing year.—Daniel John.

Larkhall C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Public Hall, 7. Fix prize-money for annual show. J. Pollock.

Morpeth C.B.S. August 31, Earl Grey, 7.30. Show business.—E. Cowling.

Mansfield C.B.S.—Aug. 31, headquarters, Horse and Groom Hotel, 7.30. Business of importance.—Bernard Gabbitass.

Middlesex O.S.—Sept. 5, St. John's Schools, Southall, 8. Arrangements for annual show, etc.—Jeffery Jefferies.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S. Sept. 2, Deansgate Hotel, 7.45. Amalgamated and October show business, etc.—H. Boothman.

Middlesbrough and Tees-side C.B.S.—Aug. 31, Crown Hotel, 7.30. Business, open show, very important.—Arthur Wake.

Northern Border and S.F.C.C.—Sept. 2, Pillar's Cafe, Newcastle-on-Tyne, 8.—M. C. Potts.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S.—Sept. 5, 65, Grainger Street, 7.30. Specials, advertisements in catalogue, classes for judges, etc.—J. W. Reed.

Newcastle Novice Society.—Sept. 5, Purvis Cafe, Clayton Street, 7.30. Important business. T. W. Lumsden.

New Cross and Dis. C.B.S.—Sept. 5, the People's Hall, Tanner Hill, 8. Breeding and feeding for colour, by Mr. G. Hill.—Barton and Barton.

Ormskirk C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Church House, 8. Annual show and coupons.—T. H. Tiffen.

Portobello C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Masonic Hall, 8. Classification, etc.—John Davidson.

Pudsey Stanningley C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Fleece Hotel, 8. General business.—Hugh Raistrick.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Aug. 31, Old Boar's Head, Corporation Street, Manchester, 6. General business.—Andrew Percival.

Paisley Tannahill O.S.—Sept. 7, Lockie's, 2, St. James Street, 7.30. Amalgamation report, members' new address, etc.—John Stewart.

Preston O.S.—Monthly meeting, Tokio Cafe, 8. Prize-money paid, arrangements for open show, etc. As this is a most important meeting, members are urged to attend.—J. P. Leeming. (No date given.—Ed.)

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—Sept. 4, Temperance Club, Toad Lane, 8. General; back-end show business.—Tom Holt.

Radcliffe and Dis. C.B.S.—Sept. 4, Wareing's Dining Rooms, 8. Business: Back-end show and other business.—W. Pickup.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Aug. 31, College Inn, 8. Annual show business.—B. Bailey.

Stirling C.B.S.—Sept. 7, McDonald's Temperance Hotel (top of Arcade).—Wm. Clubb.—(No time given.—Ed.)

Scottish Brit. Bird and M.C.—Sept. 7, The Rooms, High Street, Edinburgh, 4.30. Granting of patronage.—Jno. Allan.

Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—Sept. 2, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Classification for open show and other important business.—J. Pitchford.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—Sept. 3, Liberal Club, 8. Important; every member expected to be present.—J. Hird.

Sale C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Volunteers' Hotel, 8. Open show business.—Royle and Wood.

Stockton-on-Tees C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Leeds Hotel, 8. Open show.—J. W. Lowes.

Sheffield C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Wentworth Cafe, 8. Arrangements and schedule for open show.—A. Hobson.

Sittingbourne and Dis. C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Headquarters, 8.30. Annual show.—B. Tidy.

Sheffield O.S.—Sept. 3, Rose and Crown Hotel, Waingate, 8. Balance-sheet for Nest Feather Show, arrangements for All England Show.—T. Bishop.

Smallbridge C.B.S.—Sept. 2, I.O.G.T. Room, Garside Street, 7.30. Show business, etc.—W. Lanyon.

Shipley O.S.—Sept. 3, Prince of Wales, 8.—A. Tillotson.

Stocksbridge C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Headquarters, 7.30. Paper on British birds, by R. Howe; arrangements for November show.—G. L. Sampson.

Thatto Heath O.S.—Sept. 2, Railway Hotel, Thatto Heath, 8. Paper by Mr. R. P. Bixter, on Norwich Plainhead Breeding. All fanciers invited.—H. R. Macdonald.

Ushaw Moor Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Sept. 1, 11. Business important.—H. Briggs.

Vale of Leven.—Sept. 5, Village Schoolroom, Alexandria, 8. General business.—A. H. McLean.

Wigan C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Legs of Man, 8. Fixing schedule for old bird show.—W. Young.

Walkden C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Bull's Head, 7.30. Final meeting; division of funds.—H. Howard.

West London F.A.—Sept. 5, Hampshire House, King Street, Hammersmith, 8.30. Mr. Bray, lecture.—J. Dewhurst.

Wakefield Roller C.C.—Sept. 2, Elephant and Castle Inn, 8.—H. Roebuck.

Windsor C.B.A.—Sept. 5, Headquarters, 8.15.—To arrange schedule for open show, Nov. 6.—E. A. Strickland.

Watford C.B.S.—Sept. 4, Essex Arms Hotel, 8.30. Lecture on British birds, by Mr. E. Pretty.—W. Rackley.

Windhill C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Open show business, etc., subscriptions now due.—J. Taylor.

Wallasey C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Fairhaven Institute, Seaview Road, Liscard, 8. Business: schedule for old show, etc.—Thomas Edwards.

Walsall C.B.S.—Sept. 4, White Hart Hotel, 8. General business. Subs. overdue.—F. Price.

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Correspondence.

Wanted, a Metal Cage Maker.

Sir,—I want a metal aviary made about 4ft. by 3ft. 6in. to my pattern. I should be greatly obliged if any of your readers could recommend a good quick man who would work here and be capable of estimating cost and carrying through the job alone.

F. H. G. Galvayne.

Wembley Paddocks, Wembley.

How Linnets Sing in Contests.

Sir,—May I, through your correspondence column, ask secretaries of Linnet clubs how they sing on time and quality? I will start by giving you ours:—1 minute spring, 3 bluff, 5 seconds a break. I think we might be able to help one another by getting the different styles.

W. Dobson.

Sec., Castleford Linnet Club.

Hanley and District C.B.S.

Old Secretary Again to the Front.

Sir,—Would you kindly make it known through your valuable paper that our late Secretary has left us and gone to Canada, and that I have now taken over the duties again after having a rest for three years. I should like to make it known all round, and there is no better medium than Cage Birds for that purpose.

C. J. Robinson.

44, Cromer Street, May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent.

Initials of Exhibitors in Show Reports.

Sir,—Re report of Bethel show and many others about North Wales in your valuable paper, Cage Birds, which takes the lead, may I ask your reporter to give me my initials, as well as he does for himself?

R. E. Griffith.

[Initials of exhibitors are not given in reports unless there are more than one of the same name. In Bethel report there were more than one with the names of Parry, Williams, and Jones, hence the initials. Mr. Griffith's initials appeared in the introduction but not in the list of awards, there being no other winner with the same surname.—Editor.]

How to Catch Hawfinches.

Sir,—Your correspondent who writes asking how Hawfinches may be caught will find the following method efficacious. Make a bottomless box of wire netting, with a metal frame, about 3ft. 6ins. square and 1ft. 6ins. high. Hinge two of the sides which are at right angles to one another. The sides should be made fairly heavy so as to fall quickly, so that it is possible to prop them up level with the top of the box. Use a T-shaped prop and place it at the corner so that one arm supports each of the hinged sides. Tie a long string to the prop, and bait the ground inside the trap with a plentiful supply of hemp and sunflower. As soon as the birds enter, a sharp pull at the string will jerk away the prop and the sides will fall downwards and inwards. A small door in the top, fastened by a catch and made large enough to admit the arm freely, will enable the birds thus secured to be taken in the hand without further trouble. Since Hawfinches are by nature very wary birds, it is often some little time before they will enter the box freely, but once they begin to do so, particularly if a few of the first-comers are left for some days to act as decoys, a number may be secured during a season by the device I recommend.

R. Sitten.

Should We Make More Use of the Hen Britisher?

Some Light on this Important Question.

Sir,—With your permission I should like to answer the enquiry of "One of the Old Ones" as to whether we should make more use of the hen Britisher. Judging from my own experience, I should say that much advantage would be gained by doing so. If fanciers would only give her a fair trial I am convinced that they would find it worth the trouble. I stocked an aviary, twelve feet by five feet, by 5ft. 6in. high, last April, with six hens, Chaffinch, Bullfinch, Yellowhammer, and three Greenfinches, and four cocks, Goldfinch, Greenfinch, and two Linnets; all fresh-caught birds. By the first week in June two of the hen Greenfinches were sitting on five eggs each. By way of an experiment, I transferred one egg under a good feeding Canary. The Greenies hatched seven splendid youngsters between them, which left the nest at fourteen days and were feeding themselves long before the Canary-reared one was half fledged, in spite of the hen having egg and biscuit to rear it on. I might say here that the Greenfinches had nothing but mixed seed and green food to keep house on, so you see insects or substitutes are not necessary. About the same time that the Greenfinches nested, the hen Bullfinch laid five eggs, and I let her sit six days, but I was a bit timid, so I transferred the eggs to a Canary. Result, three nice Linnet-Bullfinch Hybrids. The Yellowhammer paired to the Goldfinch and laid two eggs, but owing to a Greenfinch taking a liking to her nest she gave up housekeeping, much to my regret. The Chaffinch paired to a Linnet, and after trying three times to find a suitable place to build in, away from the tormenting young Greenfinches, also gave up. If I am spared until next season I mean to try on a larger scale with the hen Britisher as my foundation, as I feel convinced that she will rear her young stronger and larger than the Canary hen. Trusting I have not taken up too much of your valuable space and time.

G. Rawston.

Creosote.

Sir,—Seeing in your valuable paper some time ago about creosote for red mites, and knowing it is the wish of Cage Birds readers to help one another along, perhaps some one will be good enough to tell me where it can be obtained.

A Five Years' Reader.

(Our correspondent should enquire at oil and colour stores, or of builders' merchants.—Editor.)

Great Houghton Linnet Club Changes Quarters.

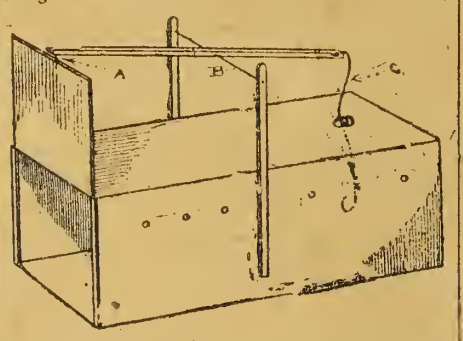
Sir,—The Great Houghton Linnet Club has removed its quarters to the High Street Working Men's Club and Institute, where we held a general meeting on Saturday, Aug. 24. We had a splendid meeting, and everything pointed in the right direction of making the club a success. We are singing under Yorkshire Club rules, and the first contest will be held on Oct. 12, when we hope to see new members join in. At our first meeting we drank to the health of Cage Birds and wished it every success.

Benjn. Midgley.

How to Combat the Cat.

A Suggested Trap.

Sir,—I have enclosed sketch of a cat trap as used by myself, which anyone can make out of an old box. Any size would do; about 8ins. by 8ins. by 2ft. 6ins. long is the best size. Nail two pieces of wood each side of entrance to form slot for the slide; screw the bridge to box with one screw on each side;



that will admit it to come down on to the box after puss is there for the purpose of putting into a bath, the holes bored in the sides letting in the water. A, short string; B, wire; C, stout wire, bent as shown. I find cheese the best bait.

H. W. Turvey.

Woollen Syphons as Water and Food Guides.

Sir,—When out catching this is the method I use: Instead of putting the seed and water inside the store cage, I put them outside, and I put two or three little bun tins on top of store cage, fill them with water, and thoroughly soak a piece of wool about three or four inches long and put a piece in each tin with one end about 1½ inches hanging over the front just above the seed tins and drinkers. The water is continually dropping into them, and the birds go straight to it. It keeps the birds a lot cleaner when taking them home, and when caged off or put in a flight you have no trouble with them at all.

John Cope.

Bending Cage Wire.

A Reader Kindly Replies.

Sir,—In the correspondence column of the 24th issue, I see a novice wants to know about wire-bending. I would like to give him my idea if it will be any good to him, for in the experience I have had in cage making I have found my simple idea to work very nicely for me. I suppose there will be machinery for making the fancy twists and turns on a large scale, but I use a pair of round-nosed pincers, costing about ninepence, for little twists and turns. For getting square-top cages, or round like a Yorkshire show cage, or house-top shaped cages, I draw the particular shape on a piece of cardboard, then nail this to a piece of wood a little larger than the cardboard. I then drive firmly some inch nails along the drawing on the inside of the line, but touching, of course, about four inches apart. You must arrange to have one at each angle required, and also you must place a nail on the outside of the line at about every three of the others, to keep the wire in position after being bent. After having got this fixed up you can bend a lot of wires in a little time. If "Novice" cannot see through this idea, if he writes to me I will draw him some sketches.

Frank Heselden.

20, Walkley Terrace, Heckmondwike.

SISKIN-BULLFINCH HYBRIDS PRODUCED AT LAST.

The Success of an Aged Edinburgh Fancier.

Sir,—I have seen various articles in your paper during the season on encouraging amateurs to trying Siskin-Bullfinch hybrids and I am very pleased to see such articles as I consider it the only way now to bring before the public that such rare crosses will be rewarded through the wide circulation of your paper amongst those blessed with longer purses than the average working man, who are keen fanciers (I mean in good prices which may be got in the sale of such). The principal drawback to many tryers is the plain fact that many authors of books and lecturers tell you how simple and easy it is to put a pair of birds together after the interval of putting one bird in one cage and the other in another until they show signs of wanting to mate. Another thing, Mr. Editor, they tell you it is necessary to get aviaries or large double breeding cages. You have to get this, and you have to get next thing, quite out of the money the average amateur can afford, which practically puts a stop to the beginning of our amateurs. In my experience of nearly 30 years I have seen many amateurs put two British birds together not even quite certain of their sex, and sometimes rearing some rare hybrids, while knowing so little about them they had to go to some one of more experience to get some idea how to feed the young. A further drawback to trying to breed rare hybrids is when we pay entry money and railway fares to the shows, only to have the bird laid aside by the judge, simply because he could not tell what they were. Now, I have the pleasure of informing your readers that the Siskin-Bullfinch hybrid has in reality been got this year in the capital of Scotland, and not in single numbers. After 22 clear eggs last year, and 20 eggs this year, at last out of a nest of four, three were fertile, two hatched, and the young hybrids are five weeks old, healthy and very active on the perches. At present it would appear there is one cock and one hen. They are bred from a large Scotch Bullie and a fair sized Siskin cock, by a working citizen nearing three score and ten, in a 20in. cage with the old fashioned box at the end, outside. The old gentleman keeps a number of Canary and Muling pairs in a small badly lighted and not over high room in the house. There is no mistake in the Siskin hen trick this time. I just hope they get through the moult all right now. I will let your readers know how they fare later on.

Happy Result.

Saffron Finch Takes a Night Out and is Sorry.

Sir,—I thought you might be interested in the adventures of a cock Saffron Finch which escaped from my little bird house one night last week, and after some songs of triumph on the house-top, took his departure down the road, just as dusk was falling. I mourned him sincerely, for he was a very fine bird, though some months of ownership had not rendered him at all tame or confiding. But my mourning was turned into joy when I discovered him the next morning loudly announcing his return and trying to find some means of entry to his old abode, which, of course, was quickly afforded him. I have lost Budgies—extremely tame ones—and other birds, but this is the first one that has ever returned to its home. I expect you are quite surfeited with compliments, or I should like to say that I consider you quite a benefactor to "birdy" people—especially amateurs and beginners. I have seen several similar journals, but never one to compare with Cage Birds in usefulness and variety.

A. M. Potter.

Bradford National Cage Bird Show.

Second Great Show for a Deserving Cause.

Sir,—Encouraged by the remarkable success which attended the efforts of the Committee at last year's show when a magnificent sum of £64 was subscribed towards the Cinderella Funds for the poor children of Bradford, another great effort is being made again this year, to put this show on a sound basis as an annual event, and also with the same enthusiasm as prevailed last year, to further swell the funds of this most deserving charity. The Committee are showing that enterprise which commands success in the fact that they are putting on to last year's classification no less than 35 classes, making a grand total of 117 classes for Cage Birds alone, embracing most of the varieties existent at the present time. The Great Central Baths Hall has again been engaged at a very tall figure for December 6, 7 and 9, the show being extended to the Monday this time in order that birds from a distance will receive proper care and attention during the week-end and be dispatched off by suitable trains on the Monday, thereby minimising the risk attached to sending the birds off a long distance on the Saturday night. The several Committees acquitted themselves with honour at last year's show, many letters of appreciation showing the satisfaction that was given to exhibitors at the show and visitors alike, and they will vie with each other in their efforts not only to uphold the good opinion then expressed, but to surpass all previous attempts at running a big show on ideal lines, for the Officials gained confidence at last year's show by the capable handling of the huge crowds that flocked to the show, combined with the rapid dispatch of all away exhibits, the hall being cleared within two hours from the close of show, and not one single complaint received of birds going astray, or delayed in transit. Knowing this they are one and all making a strong appeal for support for the next show in the hope that they may be enabled to make this even a more successful show than last year. We had the satisfaction of staging a world's record show of Yorkshires, but other varieties, excepting Borders, which latter were very well supported, left much to be desired and it is hoped that the enlarged classification in many of the sections which last year filled badly will result in inducing fanciers to give us their wholehearted support in this great venture. The Assembly Hall will this year be utilised for Foreign and British Birds and Hybrids, and two tier staging will probably be adopted down each long side of the main hall, thereby largely increasing the staging capacity of the show. There will be 42 classes for Yorks, 24 for Nor., 9 Bord., 4 Lizards, 6 Cinn., 3 Rollers, 19 British and Hyb., 8 For., 1 A.O.V. class and 1 Selling class, and the following judges have been booked:—Messrs. H. W. Battye, J. C. Barnes, W. A Cowgill, F. Finn, C. A. House, A. Hirst, Wm. Mundell, J. Maddison, W. Massey, and John Robson, a group capable of tackling a record entry in each variety. Much of the spade work in connection with the show has been completed during the summer months, in fact it was started directly the last show was finished and each meeting grows more enthusiastic in the work that is to be done before the show can be actually termed a success. All fanciers who are interested in the welfare of it and desire to take any part, however small, in assisting to carry it to a successful conclusion will be gladly welcomed at any of the Committee meetings announced in the Fancy Press and it is desirable now that the date is fast approaching that as many as can, will turn up at each meeting. Our Northern Yorkshire C.C. friends have just intimated their intention to give a solid silver cup for competition amongst the Yorkshires to be allocated as the Committee think fit, and I feel sure that all Yorkshiremen will greatly appreciate this magnificent offer from these whole-hearted fanciers. The profits are entirely for the poor children of the City of Bradford and I feel sure that this laudable object will commend itself to every fancier throughout the land. The following societies have granted their patronage and support to the show:—Y.C.C., N.G.M.Y.C.C., C.M.Y.C.C., N.P.C., O.N.P.C., N.B.B, and M.C., Y.C.B.B and M.C., B.F.C.C., F.B.C., P.R.C.C. G.C.A., C.C.C. and L. and L.F.A. In addition to this the patronage of the Yorkshire Union of C.B.S. will be applied for at the next meeting of the Council of that body and if this is successful the show looks like being a tremendous success, as owing to the courtesy of Gateshead and a kind of agreement between the two, these important fixtures will not clash in the future, as was the case last year. As nearly 1,800 entries are needed to pay prize money alone we are appealing to all fanciers to patronise us this time. Cheap excursions will be arranged with all the railway companies running into Bradford, and we trust that the show will prove a magnificent success. Don't forget that prize money is paid out to successful exhibitors who attend the show on the Saturday and all prize money was paid out within four days of the show last year.

H. Hill, Show Sec.

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Breeding Albinos by Selection.

Sir,—I read Mr. Bush's interesting article on the breeding of Albino birds, and I should be glad if he would be kind enough to give us an account through CAGE BIRDS how he manages to breed these wonderful birds. I saw a Goldfinch the other day twelve years old, which has moulted out pure white, with the exception of tail and yellow bars in the wings. How do we account for this, as it is not bred from freak birds? It was of ordinary colour when caught. Are these freak birds more likely to throw light Mules than the ordinary ones? I have not bred with one myself, but I should be glad to hear of any fancier who has. H. C. AINGE.

In Aid of a Widow and Children

Sir,—Thank you for inserting the letter appealing for subscriptions for the wife and family of Mr. C. Eastop. When I made my appeal Mr. Eastop was lying ill, but since then he has died, as announced in your obituary notice. I beg to acknowledge the following subscriptions:—Collected: Mr. J. Mackenzie, 13s.; Mr. H. E. Cracknell, 9s. 4½d., and myself, 7s.—this from members of Newcastle and Gateshead societies and friends; Mr. Macdonald, secretary, Wallsend, 20s., from Wallsend C.B.S. and friends; Barrow and District C.B.A., per secretary, Jas. S. Fleming, 7s. 6d.; J. McAndrew, Wigan, 1s.; P Banks, Chester, 1s.; W. Kiesell, North London, 3s.; Wraight, Tunbridge Wells, 5s.; W. Cobbold, Debden, 2s. 6d.; T. E. Epsom, 1s.; J. T. Hillsboro, Sheffield, 1s. 6d.; Yorkie Fancier, Edinburgh, 2s.; total, £3 13s. 10½d. I shall be pleased to receive any other donations, however small.

J. W. REED.

218, Ladykirk Road, Newcastle.

A Cat that Defends Its Owner's Birds.

Sir,—I see in your paper, CAGE BIRDS, a correspondent wanting to know how to train a kitten so that it may be kept in a bird room, without touching the birds, for keeping down the mice. It is an easy matter to train a cat to do this, but not a kitten, for a kitten is playful, and sure to jump at the birds when they move about. I should prefer to have a kitten and keep it out of sight of the birds until it is three-parts grown. Take it to the bird room every time you feed your birds, and when it looks at the birds never drive it away, but try to get it to take the birds as friends, not enemies. I have a cat that will not only look after the mice, but will protect the birds. If another cat comes near our house, the great black and white cat of ours is there, and the intruder soon loses some of his fur. I have found CAGE BIRDS a great help to me, and I wish it every success.

T. H. NETHERTON.

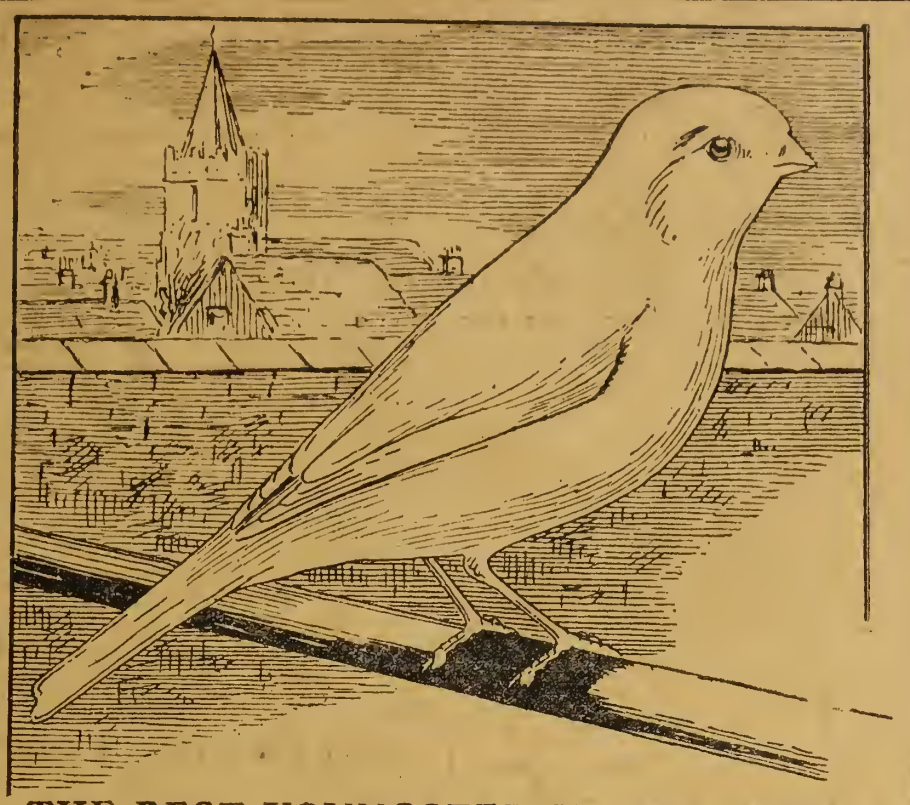
The Affairs of the Y.C. and C.B.S. of Ireland.

Sir,—In reply to "Committeeman's" letter in reference to my ignorance of the Y.C. and C.B.S. of Ireland, I am afraid he is explaining his own position as regards its affairs. That the society's affairs are not in apple-pie order is evidenced by the proceedings at the meeting a few weeks ago. At that meeting it was proposed to proceed legally against the late chairman, Mr. Fry, for retaining the staging boards until compensated for their storage. Although not always at the meetings, I was there to see that the funds were not squandered in useless litigation. I suggested that if Mr. Fry was approached in a friendly manner things might end satisfactorily. Of course, my advice was scouted, and Mr. Birse and myself left the meeting, seeing there was no chance of a vade mecum. If legal proceedings ensue, the small sum of the society's funds may be spent without success, and I regret that, being an old member of the society, I am obliged to sever my connection as a member of the committee. PETER GILLEN.

P.S.—You may observe I write over my own name.

Prize-money at Annan Show, Held 18th December, 1911.

Sir,—In CAGE BIRDS, dated Jan. 20 last, the following letter appeared:—"Owing to our secretary being promoted to assistant superintendent in an assurance company, he has been called away to another district since the Monday after our show, and has been somewhat handicapped in getting prize-money and specials away. If exhibitors who have not yet received their prize-money will excuse him a little, he will send it as early as he can. I hope this will help to settle the minds of those who are getting anxious.—(Signed) G. Hind." Then again, in your issue of Feb. 24, the following appeared:—"The committee of Annan Show request all winning exhibitors who have not received their prizes to make known same to the chairman, Mr. Johnstone, Johnstone Street, Annan." Having, as requested in above letter, notified Mr. Johnstone that I was still without prize money won at Annan, I received a communication from a firm of Annan solicitors, dated March 19, stating they were engaged making up a balance sheet for the bird show held in December last, and that they had been handed my postcard to Mr. Johnstone, and requested me to advise them if I had yet received prize money. To this I replied I was still without prize money. I have had no communication of any kind since, nor yet received any prize money, and my object in writing to CAGE BIRDS is with the view of hearing how other exhibitors at the late Annan show have fared. The prize money due to me, I may add, is trifling, but surely those to whom money is due, no matter how small the amount, are entitled to some little satisfaction one way or another. EXHIBITOR.



THE BEST YOUNGSTER IN THE SHOW.

Ticked Norwich Plainhead, 1st and Special Prize for the best bird at the Metropolitan C.B.A. Young Bird Show for Mr. S. Ward (London)

A Net Query.

Sir,—Will any of your readers kindly tell me the best colour to have nets which are set on grass and how to stain them; also if there is any benefit in having them armed, and how to do it? BIRDLET.

Was it Really Bird Fever?

Seventeen Birds Saved.

Sir,—I shall be glad if you will state in your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, that I have had a serious loss amongst my Canaries. At the commencement of the season I acquired some new stock, and when I received them they looked "puffed" and out of condition, and were very constipated. I tried the old remedy, bread and milk, but after about three weeks they commenced to die at the rate of about one per day, until I had lost fourteen birds. I then had one bird sent to a specialist; his report was bird fever. Of course, I was worried, and thought I should lose the whole stock. A friend of mine suggested consulting Mr. Newley (of Stockwell Green, S.W.), who came and examined the birds and said he could cure most of them. I left the matter in his hands, and I am pleased to say Mr. Newley saved seventeen birds and charged me a very reasonable rate. He had them in his care about five weeks. They are now all in full moult, and I think the trouble is over. G. J. WARLEY.

Another Detachable Cage Front.

Sir,—I send you an idea for an easily removable cage front which I have found to be quite simple to contrive and satisfactory in use. In all cage fronts there are two or more wires left long, so as to push up into the top board and hold the front in position. Instead of using the front in this way, bend these wires outwardly into the form of hooks, and into the holes in the top board fix small wire staples. Then drive two small wire pins into the top edge of the bottom rail (to prevent the wire front from going inwards at the bottom). Now take two pieces of wire that are to hold the food and water glasses. Bend these round the glasses to shape, and cut off each end, leaving about three-eighths of an inch of each end to be bent downwards at right angles. Drive these ends into the top edge of the bottom rail so as to be in front of the pot holes, and when the glasses are in place they will hold the front securely. Fix a piece of wire across the front of the cage to carry the front edge of the perches, and all is complete. If the perches are made with a hoss, and screwed to the back of the cage, this wire will not be necessary. To remove the front, just take out seed and water bottles, lift up front, and unhook from the top staples. I have gathered some very valuable hints from the columns of CAGE BIRDS, and I hope some of my fellow-readers will find the above of some value to them. I know that anyone who tries it will find it a great success. J. CAPP.

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*The Vanity of Dickie.

I have a Canary who, when let out of his cage, will always fly to any glass he can see himself in. One day I thought I would stop him doing this, so I covered every piece of glass in the room with paper. But when I again entered the room Dick had cleverly knocked the paper away and was, as usual, looking at himself.—Sent by Ella Terheggen (aged 15), Ivonhoe, Queen's Avenue, Church End, Finchley.

*Jackdaw Reared by Thrush

One day a friend of mine when going for a walk found an egg. She did not know what kind it was, but put it in a Thrush's nest. The bird was hatched, and when it grew older it turned all the young Thrushes out of the nest. It was a young Jackdaw. The old Thrushes fed it until it was able to fly. Then my friend caged it and it became quite tame. It followed her about the village, and the people call it "Missel," because it was brought up by Missel Thrushes.—Sent by Alice Garner (age 12), Baunold, Waterbeach, Cambs.

**My Blind Linnet.

I have a Linnet, brown and small,
And to it I am kind,
Because it must be sad at heart,
For it is quite, quite blind.

Oh, only think what it must be
Never to see the flowers,
And never see the sky and trees
In golden summer hours.

But still my Linnet sweetly sings
A rippling, happy song,
As though its tiny heart o'erflowed
With joy the whole day long.

And so whenever I am cross,
And tears fall like the rain,
Oh, when I hear my Linnet sing,
It makes me good again.

—Taken from "Chatterbox," and sent by Gladys Smith (aged 11), 34, Hitchin Hill, Hitchin, Herts.

In the Courts.

The Protection of Owls.

Frederick Barnes, Brighton Road, Surbiton, was summoned for having in his possession at Kingston Market, on July 27, two Owls recently taken, contrary to the Act 43 and 44 Vic., chapter 35, section 3.

Henry Taylor, a clerk in the office of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, and residing at Claremont Avenue, New Malden, said on passing through the market his attention was called to two young Barn Owls, one of which was very clean and apparently fresh from the nest, and the other in a battered condition, and not more than 10½ inches in length, the normal length being 13 inches. Witness did not speak to the defendant, but heard him say that he had obtained the birds from a gentleman at Surbiton, who brought them from Germany. Witness inferred recent capture from the size of one bird, and from its battered condition, which might have been due to its efforts to escape from the cage. When witness passed again, about forty minutes later, the birds had been put in a larger one.

Mrs. Taylor, wife of the previous witness, corroborated, and said she asked defendant if the Owls were for sale, and he said they were, adding that it was all right, as Owls were not protected. She told him they were, and defendant then told her they had come from Germany. She was assistant secretary of the society.

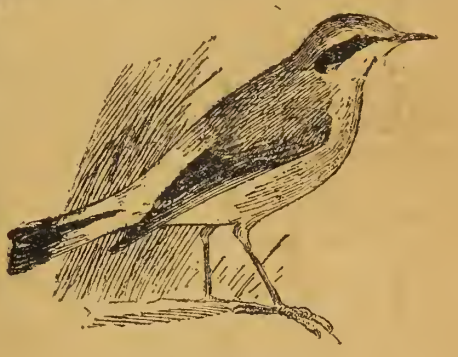
Station-Sergt. Waters said he received a complaint from the society, and saw defendant, who told him he bought the birds from a lady at Surbiton, and that they were only on his stall for about half-an-hour, when they were exchanged for a Parrot. He said he did not think he was doing any harm, as the birds had been brought from Germany. Witness produced a list of the protected birds, which included Owls.

The Mayor, without asking for the defence, said the magistrates were not satisfied that the case was made out, and the summons would be dismissed.

Wild-Bird Life.

August Notes.

The wild birds sang gaily in the month of May, but the glorious weather we had at the commencement of the summer has not been maintained. Day after day it rains, so that on heavy lands the earth is sodden, as though it were mid-winter. The birds look sadly uncomfortable, ragged, and untidy; hardly a note can be heard during the day, and the Robin alone seems to have spirits enough left to be musical. Even his notes are somewhat mournful, telling of autumn's advent, and the passing of our brief summer. Just now it is moulting time, and although showers promote the growth of feathers, it is doubtful if the continual rain does not so much depress the spirits of our feathered friends, that the change of feathers is an operation performed with greater difficulty under the present conditions than during the phenomenally dry weather of last season.



THE WHEATEAR.

The birds' movement to sunnier lands commences in the month of August, and to study this, one wants to be in the track of the passing flocks. Apparently they make their way southwards in small parties, and gather together in hundreds along the wide stretches of down land, and flat marshes bordering the sea. Here the bird lover may become acquainted with many species that he may not have the opportunity of noting in his daily rambles.

Bold Wheatears haunt the sea-wall and banks of the tidal river, not in flocks, but scattered over a long stretch of the wall, with, in many cases, only a few yards separating each individual. By gently driving them along one can get a dozen or two covering quite a small space, and then, as one advances, they fly out from the wall, and, making a half circle, settle behind him. A few may be found on the rising ground at the foot of the downs, but, as thistles, docks and wild plants grow in such places in abundance, this ground is mostly frequented by Finches, who are here in their hundreds.

Among the Wild Birds in Late August.

A Ramble in the Colne Valley.

Mr. H. Goodchild, one of "Cage Birds" artists, tells how Londoners may enjoy a delightful day.

Within easy reach of London lies a tract of country where, in the course of a day's ramble, one may see many of the Passerine (and other) birds, which our exhibitors love, more indeed, far more, than I have been accustomed to see in my beloved Epping Forest.

I had often been invited by Mr. G. Crabb, the esteemed President of the L. and P.O.S., to accompany him on one of his favourite walks, but something had always occurred to prevent my going, and truth to tell, I had felt sceptical that any better place could be found than Epping Forest.

Bird Life From a Train.

However, the Fates were kind, and I found myself free to go with Mr. Crabb on Sunday, August 25th. Leaving West Hampstead about 10.40, we arrived at Ickenham Halt soon after 11 o'clock, having noted many Spotted Flycatchers sitting on the boundary wires of the railway as we went along. From the train we saw also the Peewit, Starling, Rooks, and Jackdaws, and noticed a Kestrel flying over the open fields.

Directly we got out of the station, we saw a pair of Kestrels flying around a tree close to the railway. In Ickenham Village, the House Martin was seen, feeding its young, in the only tenanted nests seen during the day, though the Spotted Flycatchers were seen feeding their young several times.

We turned off the roads into a park, which fortunately has a right of way through it. Soon we saw Song Thrushes feeding on the ground in a field, and with them Mistle Thrushes and near by a pair of Blackbirds. In a hawthorn bush I identified a Lesser Whitethroat, and at the same time heard the Wren singing and heard the metallic notes of the Greenfinch, as well as the joyous notes of the Swallow all around. Passing some ornamental water, we saw the Waterhen, the Mute Swan, and just caught sight of a Pied Wagtail.

A Climb Declined.

Going up what was labelled a "Private road" (which proved to be the wrong way) we saw, amongst fir and oak and willow trees by the road side, the five characteristic British Tits, the Great, Blue, Marsh, Cole, and Long-tailed, all in about as many minutes. We saw also a nest that might have been a Jay's, some thirty feet up a tree, but did not investigate it. Pheasants were evidently reared in numbers in this locality, for we saw numbers in the fields, but the gorse bushes which fringed the fields did not yield us either the Linnet or the Yellow Bunting, though we got very near to young Swallows perching on the wire fences.

Arrived at the high road again (which was only gained at the expense of a broken umbrella and loss of some blood—through thorns) we saw a Kestrel hovering over some fields, but on the common near Uxbridge we looked in vain for the typical birds that would have frequented the common but for the unfortunate burning of the gorse that occurred last year.

Two Jewels in one Setting.

Down to the Colne we took our way, and when only some 100 yards from the houses of Uxbridge, Mr. Crabb (who had generally sighted birds before I did) called out to me, and looking, I saw two Kingfishers in full view, only some 20 yards off on the other side of the river. I had never seen two together before, nor had so good a view. Crossing a river, we saw a flock of Linnets over the railway, and amongst the bushes by the riverside saw a Willow Warbler, seemingly clean through his moult. As we made our way across some open fields, Mr. Crabb asked me if a certain bird he saw was a Heron, and by the aid of a powerful prismatic binocular, I saw that it was; the bird settled in full view on the banks of the canal. Over and near the canal were many Sand Martins, which we surmised must have been bred at some distance and which were now distributed over the ground suitable for obtaining food, but not for nesting purposes.

By the waters of the Colne we sat down and ate. After our al fresco lunch we went on towards Denham, and near the place where the Misbourne comes in, we heard and sighted a Redpoll, which I identified by its peculiar shape as seen silhouetted against the sky. Flycatchers in numbers were seen in this locality and I think I must have seen as many this one day as I ever saw in my life before.

A Promise Fulfilled.

The day, which was the first fine one for many days, was bright enough to have brought out many butterflies and besides the "whites" I saw a "small copper," one of the "blues" and the "Red Admiral." In a willow tree near the Misbourne, I again saw the Long-tailed Tits, and with them a Goldcrest, rather a shabby one, but unmistakable. Soon Mr. Crabb saw a Dove on the wing and I just got a glimpse, as it settled, of the white tips to its outer tail feathers—a Turtle Dove beyond doubt. Through Denham we went, and on the outskirts, in a field amongst grazing horses, were about a dozen Wagtails, mostly pied, but with them two yellows. Over the same fields was a Kestrel. Again coming on to Misbourne River, I was delighted to see what Mr. Crabb had practically promised me—a family party of Little Grebes or Dabchicks—three young and their parents; the latter often dived, but I did not notice them feeding their young ones. There were also many Waterhens here and Wild Ducks.

Turning our faces southwards, we re-entered the village of Denham and had tea, afterwards retracing our steps down the Misbourne, and I managed to identify the Stock Dove and the Wood Pigeon, both flying, the former by its small size and the absence of white above, and the latter by the white tract across the wing.

Forty-six Species in one Day.

Amongst rank vegetation bordering the Colne, we, after some trouble, identified the Reed Warbler, and a little later a pair of Sedge Warblers, both of which showed a tendency to keep out of sight of our glasses and to keep the river between us and themselves.

Just as we were leaving the river for the evening, I noticed a bird on a telegraph wire, and on examination it proved to be a female Bullfinch. I myself had not felt sure of having seen either the Peewit, the Carrion Crow or the Partridge on the outward journey, but saw all three on the way back. Add to this that I had seen and heard the Robin, caught a glimpse of a male Chaffinch, that Mr. Crabb heard a Jay, and that the ubiquitous Sparrow might be included, we had between us seen or heard 46 species of birds in one day, a total which was over twice what I consider an average, and the best day's outing for number of species that I ever remember in my life.

Club Reports.

WIVELISCOMBE AND DIST. F.A.

Committee meeting held Aug. 19, Rev. H. McOnrick in the chair. Open and member's show fixed for Nov. 21. Last year's schedule gone through and altered. Shall be glad to hear from members wishing to join, subscription 1/6 a year. Members' classes for cage birds.—Chas. Hy. Hill and E. W. Wascombe, hon. joint secs.

JARROW, HEBBURN C.B.S.

Meeting held in Lockhart's Cafe, Mr. O'Hagan chairman, with a good attendance of members. Three new members, Mr. Wollerton, Mr. Deighton, and Mr. Gracie, were elected. Date for Open Show was fixed for Dec. 21, when we hope to have the support we have had in former shows. Classes for same were fixed, Yorks 6, Nor. 6, Border 6, Selling class 1, Mule or Hybrid 1, A.O.V. Canary 1, British Linnet 1, A.O.S. Hardbill 1, Softbill 1. Hyde's special, members' classes not fixed. Next meeting will be able to fix judge. A hearty invitation to any fancier to come and join us.—H. Ayres, Sec.

MANCHESTER & N. COUNTIES O.S

General meeting held August 19th, the Rev. F. Richards presiding over a moderate attendance. The secretary announced that the patronage of the following specialist clubs had been secured for our annual open show, October 25th and 26th: Lancs. C.C., Lancs. and Liz. C.C., Cinn. Mkd. Yorks. C.C., Cinn. C.C., Open Norwich C.C., Border Fancy C.C., English and Welsh Border Fancy C.C., Green C.C., and Foreign Bird Club. Letter was read from the secretary (pro. tem.) of the proposed Amalgamated Show inviting us to join with Ardwick and District C.B.S., Manchester C.B.S., Pendleton and Salford C.B.S., and others in a combined members' show towards the end of the year. Messrs. Cook and Fulcher and the secretary were appointed to attend the delegates' meeting, and report to the members at the next meeting, when we hope to have a good attendance to give us their views re joining with the other societies. It is to be hoped all the members will do their best to attend the meeting on September 2nd, there being some very important business to be got through.—H. Boothman, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE AND LIZARD F.A.

Meeting held August 10th, at the Old Boar's Head Hotel, Manchester, when we had a very large number of members present, Mr. Garner in the chair. We have missed this well known fancier for one or two meetings owing to ill-health, but are pleased to say he is looking and feeling better again. The chief business was patronage, and it was decided we try and break fresh ground if possible, and make our varieties more popular than at present, and the secretary was instructed to try and get our varieties in new places. We have already granted patronage for Lancs. and Lizards at the following shows: Manchester, October 25th and 26th; Sheffield, November 1st and 2nd; Nottingham, November 9th and 11th; Rochdale, November 22nd and 23rd; L.C.B.A., November 20th and 20th; and Lizards only at Bradford National, December 6th, 7th, and 9th. We are also again having one or two club shows for members only, dates not fixed. It was the general opinion that the only way to make our varieties more popular is by our members making some sacrifices, so I am appealing to breeders of these two varieties to help to make bigger classes, and not have one or two good shows, and the rest miserable failures, as we cannot blame societies for not providing classes, if we do not make an effort to make them paying concerns. We were pleased to welcome Mr. George Fitton, of Lancashire fame, once again as a member. On behalf of our society I wish to tender our sympathy to our old friend Teddy Whipp in his sad bereavement. Novice breeders of Lancashires and Lizards are especially invited to join the L. and L.F.A., as I think we treat them fairly well in the matter of specials, and we have also plenty of room for old fanciers as well. The next meeting will be held at the Church Inn, Oldham, September 14th, due notice of which will be given in the Fancy papers. I think personally it would help our favourites if breeders would give us the benefit of their opinions, etc., through the columns of Cage Birds, as we, as a body, seem strangely backward in discussing our varieties. I have still three copies of the L. and L.F.A. members' photographs, taken at the Glossop meeting, to spare, price 1s. each. All members are requested, if intending showing for specials, to forward their subscriptions at an early date, as any not paid by September 20th will not be eligible to compete at our opening show, viz., Manchester. I will send particulars for benefit of new members on application at 44, Hall Carr road, Rawtenstall, Lancs.—John Rukin, Hon. Sec.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.

Committee meeting held Thursday, August 8th, Mr. M. C. Potts in chair. Letter was read from Green Canary Association granting patronage in Yorkshire and Border sections. Letter also read from Lancashire and Lizard Association. Rules and regulations were made for open show on October 18th and 19th. We have got the patronage of the following specialist societies: Northern Lizard, Northern Border and S.F., Northern British Bird, M. and F.B., Northern Yorks., Northern Norwich, and Cinn., National British Bird and M.C., Border Fancy, Foreign Bird, Open Norwich Plainhead, Green Canary Assn., Yorks. C.C. Will members please let me have specials at next meeting, September 5th. August 31st is last day for paying subscriptions; if not paid then, they will not be eligible to show at reduced fee in open classes.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

COWDENBEATH C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, held Foulford Arms, Aug. 21, Mr. A. Simpson, presiding. The secretary read letter re a lecture on colour feeding, and it was agreed to try and fix up same for Sept. 4. It was also intimated that the society had been granted the patronage of the Scottish Yorkshire Club for the Open Show. The society's canvassers reported excellent progress, Mr. A. R. Dick having presented a handsome challenge cup for competition. The secretary was instructed to secure all necessary goods for the Open Show, and apply for Messrs. Hyde's and Sandford's specials; also to secure estimates for model prize cards. The classification was reviewed, and the following agreed to: Scotch Fancy 10 classes, judge Mr. Wm. Rodger; Bord. 10 classes, judge, Mr. J. Paterson; Yorks. 9, A.O.V. and Common 1 each, judge Mr. J. W. Bruce; Nor. 16, judge, Mr. C. Campbell; Crest and C.B. 9, judge, Mr. G. Arnott; Mules, Hyb. and Brit. 21, judge, Mr. L. J. Arright. The following new members were elected, Messrs. J. Harper, James Murray, T. Simpson, Alex. Muir, and W. Peel.—Joseph R. Reid Sec.

WATFORD AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Meeting held at headquarters, the Essex Arms, August 13, to pay prize-money for the first feather show. There was a good attendance, with Mr. R. J. Pretty in the chair. The balance-sheet of the young bird show was handed round, and the hon. sec. was congratulated on being able to show a good balance on the right side. A vote of thanks was also passed to Mr. Campbell for his kindness in paying judge's fee. Mr. F. Easterling gave a most excellent lecture on colour-feeding, with a few notes on how to become a successful exhibitor. This lecture was delivered in a masterly style, while the members listened attentively. A number of questions were asked, and these were answered by the lecturer in an able and satisfactory manner. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to Mr. Easterling for his kindness, and a desire expressed that he would come amongst us again at a later date. To this the lecturer replied that he would be only too pleased to do anything for the good of the Fancy.—W. Rackley, Hon. Sec.

ANNFIELD PLAIN F.F. & C.B.S.

Meeting held August 21th; a grand attendance. Two new members; Mr. H. Cresswell and Mr. J. Oxley were enrolled. Decided to advertise show two clear weeks in Fancy papers. Moved that we engage the Co-op. Hall as well as the schools, so that we may have plenty of room to show the exhibits to every advantage. We are using all our endeavours in catering for the birdy men, having engaged the hall especially for cage birds alone, and the schools for the poultry, etc., therefore we sincerely hope for a bumping entry to make our first venture a great success. Members who have not returned duplicates, etc., kindly oblige at once to close the draw. With the sale of tickets our funds will have increased some £15 to £20. Members who received subscription lists last meeting please do their utmost re gathering specials. Any other members requiring these lists I shall be pleased to supply same. Next meeting September 28th, at Mr. Frick's.—J. W. Christon, Sec.

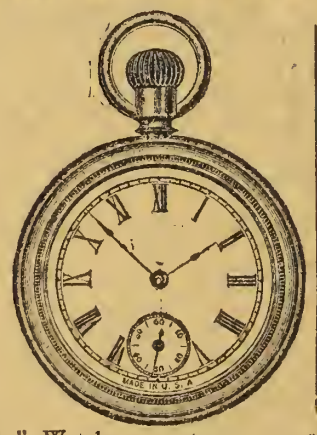
CINNAMON C.C.

A Trophy for Competition.

Committee meeting held at Blackburn, August 15th, a good muster turning up. Letters were read from Newcastle C.B.S., Burton-on-Trent, H. W. Battye, and J. Walsh. Re tabs for cages, it was decided to charge members 1d. each for same to cover cost, to be obtained from the secretary. Mr. V. H. Deacon presented a handsome pair of pictures for seacon competition, Mrs. Deacon, W. Godley, and W. Dormer to be barred from competing for same. This gives the little man a chance of winning something good. I appeal to the outside members to get a special or two, which will be appreciated. It was decided to have a permanent rule book printed, and to have breeders' cards inserted at 1s. each. Please apply at once for space. The club show specials were left for secretary to allot. Novices are specially provided for in the way of classification, so I hope they will appreciate the committee's work in getting these classes put in by sending good entries. It was decided to again have a trophy for competition. Mr. A. Bentley, Great Harwood, to be secretary for same. A meeting of fanciers interested will be called shortly by Mr. Bentley. The patronage will be at Burton-on-Trent, Manchester (club show), Liverpool, Bradford National, Aberdeen, Scottish National, and Crystal Palace. Subs. are due, and as the show season will soon be here, I would ask all members to be clear before it begins, or their points will not count. The half-yearly meeting, will be held at Manchester open show on the Saturday.—J. W. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec.

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The Shows.

HARTLEPOOLS C.B.S.

Second N.F. show held August 21, in St. George's Hall. About 50 exhibits were staged. Considering the lateness of the season, the birds were in very good condition. The awards of Mr. Wake (Middlesbrough), who judged, gave general satisfaction, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded him for his services. YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, 3, 4, Pyman; 2, Hall. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, 4, hc, Pyman; vhc, Hall; c, Ronald. TKD., ETC., YELL.: 1, 2, 3, 4, hc, Pyman, vhc, Todd. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc, Pyman; c, Todd. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, 2, Ronald; 3, Papple. BUFF: 1, Papple. TKD., ETC., YELL.: 1, 2, Papple; 3, Ronald. BUFF: 1, 2, Papple; 3, 4, vhc, Ronald. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, Robinson. BRIT.: 1, 2, Hogg.

BRISBANE CANARY IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

Nineteenth annual show held July 12th and 13th. The show was the largest that the society has ever held in Brisbane, and the quality also excelled anything that has before been seen. The sec., Mr. Soden, writes that the judging of Yorks. and Nor. met with some little criticism. According to cutalogue received, the principal winners were: Belgians, Mr. Soden; Yorks., Messrs. Day, Thomson, Hodgson, Bettany, Day, Lyle, Miller, Soden, McGrory, Hynd; Lizards, McGrory, Soden; Nor., Soden, Grace, McGrory, Lyle, Bettany, Day, Crests, Benstead, Williams, Grace, Dixon, Stephens; C.B., Benstead, Stephens, Grace, McGrory, Dixon; Mules, Williams, Soden; Brit. and For., Soden, Grace, Day; special for best Yorks., Mr. Bettany; best Nor., Mr. Soden; best Crest and best C.B., Mr. Grace.

LLANRWST.

Annual show held Aug. 22, in connection with the well-known Agricultural Show, the weather was all that could be desired, and the show was well attended. Two classes only were provided for cage birds, Canary and Goldfinch, but some good birds were shown. Mr. H. E. Blackwall, secretary, is a very energetic official, and handled the reins well throughout, we hope the classification will be extended for future shows. Mr. T. H. Stretch, Ormskirk, made the awards. GOLDFINCH: 1, 2, spl, Jones, a grand pair, the winner is a good-sized, typical Finch, with a good head, grand width of skull, rich coloured expansive blaze, nicely cut away, in lustrous form, well known, shown faultlessly, 2nd good colour, nice size, rare tan and markings, in good form, beaten polish; 3, Evans and Roberts, grand stamp, well known, good size, blaze and colour, not in form to-day. CANARY: 1, res, Williams, Yorks., cl. Buff, rare length and style, full of quality, rich colour, neat wings and tail, plenty of nerves, just completing his new clothes, res a typical cl. Norwich Buff, rare size and colour; 2, 3, Roberts and Kershaw, yell. Nor., good size and quality, and Yorks. Buff, good length and position, plenty of leg.

AUCKLAND C.B.C.

The Fancy Making Headway in New Zealand.

The second annual show in connection with the above club was, in the absence of the Hon. A. M. Meyers, M.P. (patron of the club), opened by Mr. J. M. Thompson (president of the North Island Assn.). In a neat speech, Mr. Thompson complimented the officers, committee, and members of the club on the arrangements for the show, which he said were in detail perfect. The entries (a record for New Zealand) numbered 312, and the show was one of the finest and best high-class exhibitions of Canaries ever held in the Colonies. Novice classes, recently formed by the club, were extra good, the quality of the birds being high-class, as well as the entries being large, as also were the lady's bracelet classes, some of the best birds in the show being benched in both the above sections. The judges, Mr. T. Brown (Yorkshire and position birds), and Mr. C. Duncan (Norwich, C.B., and Crest), though faced with a hard task, gave great satisfaction. With regard to the novice classes, Mr. Brown remarked that he had great difficulty in placing first, second, and third Yorkshire birds., also the winners in the bracelet classes. He considered them equal in merit to those shown in the open; in fact, stated that the winners must also have won in their respective classes in open company. The A.C. and C.B. Club formed two years ago, has made wonderful progress, and the exhibits, as shown, were in the opinion of several English and Scotch fanciers (quite a number of whom have arrived in our city lately, and are always assured of a hearty welcome), would favourably compete in some of the largest home shows. For the last four or five years the importation of first-class stock has been pretty heavy, and the result is very apparent in the quality of birds benched in our shows, which is now red-hot. Messrs. Eastway Bros. lately imported a number of birds from Messrs. Ogden Bros., and with birds bred from them won the cup for best Yorks. with a real topper, a buff cinn. even marked unflighted, and in a good number of other classes, won with birds of same breeding, also with the imported stock, even though such consistent winners as W. A. Hanson and A. Vercoe had better birds staged than ever this year. In Norwich, Eastway Bros. scored with a yellow hen, this exhibit winning the cup for best bird in the show—truly a wonderful hen. In Scotch Fancy there is room for improvement, but as this breed has only lately been taken up with much interest, we may look for something to go on with later. A. J. Vercoe secured first and special with an old winner, the other exhibits not far away. The winner of cup for best in Crest and C.B. classes was a variegated buff, green Crest, unflighted, a very large one, bred by W. A. Hanson. Messrs. Eastway Bros.' cup winner for best Yorks., mentioned previously, was a wonderful bird of good length, well up. The principal other exhibitors, A. J. Vercoe and W. A. Hanson, had some rare ones, still were outcaussed by the cup winner, A. J. Vercoe winning special in the unflighted class with a real nice one. W. A. Hanson benched some beauties, including a cinnamon cock (imported), winner of 14 firsts, and also a son of the same bird, winner of 12 firsts. The cup winner in the novice section, belonging to M. H. Jansen (a clear buff cock unflighted), is fit to win anywhere. The runner-up, a yellow cock, Mr. Moody, was a very nice one. The lady's bracelet (a class which caused a great deal of interest), was won by Miss Gladys Vercoe, with a buff hen, showing plenty of quality. Some 100 odd birds were shown in Yorks., and though the judge, Mr. Brown, well knows his business, his task was by no means an easy one. That is right, Yorks. fanciers, go on and improve still more. In Norwich, the classes were even. The judge, Mr. C. Duncan, though a breeder and exhibitor for a good number of years, had the judge's book in his hands for the first time, and was right on his mettle, his placings meeting with general satisfaction. Here the gem of the show, Mrs. Eastway's clear yell. hen, scored not only cup for best Norwich, but also cup and award for best bird in the show. Clear yell., tight in feather, beautiful round head, and short neck, compact, short body, with perfect wing carriage, she undoubtedly deserved her win, the runner-up, same owner, being a buff cock, good chest, bold head, massive, a good one, but left behind by the hen. In all classes the judge considered there was more quality and type than ever benched here before. In colour feds there was great competition. Mr. J. Cornwell's birds were wonderful in colour, and well staged. Quite a feature is the prominence of the points in head and neck in the bird shown by this old and exceptionally keen fancier, whose turn to be at the top in Norwich is fast approaching. In novice Norwich there was great competition, Mr. F. Connor winning the cup by a narrow margin from Master Robinson, both wonderful birds. Here it was proved that to win one's way out of the novice section one must have only the best of birds. In Crest and C.B., again some good ones were shown, W. A. Hanson, who has been always a winner, winning the cup for best current year Crest or C.B. by a narrow margin from a novice, Mr. Finn, who won with a C.B. heavily lashed, of great size, plenty of feather, will prove a great winner later on. In the Light or Grey Crests, another novice, Mr. Brain, stepped in with a really wonderful bird, plenty of size and quality all through. These two novices tackled a hard proposition in breeding Crest and C.B.'s to beat the ones that are here already. Novice classes in Crests exceptionally good. Finches and Mules fair classes. A white Cockatoo and green Mexican Parrot amused the juvenile part of the audience by talking to each other. The attendance was very good both days, and the feeling of the fanciers is most cordial; progress noted everywhere. An old fancier who had dropped his pets for a time paid a very tall price for a pair of Yorkshires on the closing night to start off again with, and right glad will the club be to have him again as an exhibitor and member. The president, secretary, and committee worked hard, and the success that crowned their efforts amply repaid their labours. Looking forward to better times, larger shows, increased membership, the club is out for specially good times. Next year we hope to have the North Island championship decided at our exhibition. CAGE BIRDS is eagerly look for each English mail, and a right hearty welcome is assured any of your readers who may come to our city, especially if they are fanciers.—Martyn H. Jansen.

According to the catalogue received, the principal winners, other than mentioned above, were Messrs. McKay, Knight, McFarlane, Brown, Edwards, Ford, Cumming, Barber, Good, King, Brain, Searle, and Kelly, Clay, Syers.

The schedule, also to hand, is a particularly well got up booklet, and contains the standards and points values of Yorks. C.C., the Green C.C., the Southern Norwich C.C., and the Crested C.C. It is illustrated by representations of typical Yorkshire, Norwich, Cinnamon, and Crest Canaries, and we note that these are all reproductions of pictures by CAGE BIRDS' artist, Mr. H. Norman, which appear in handbooks published by us: "The Canary Manual," "Norwich Canaries," and "Yorkshire Canaries." We think some acknowledgment might have been made in the schedule of the source from which the pictures were taken.

LAISTERDYKE B.F.A.

Last F.F. Show held Aug. 24, at the Railway Hotel, the entry was only very moderate, owing to being so late. Mr. J. Bailey, of Allerton, judged, and gave every satisfaction.

CL. OR TKD. YELL: 1, Bottomley; 2, Stebbing; 3, Swain; 4, Hodgson; vhc, he, Parker BUFF: 1, Parker; 2, 3, Stebbings; 4, hc, Bottomley, vhc, Swain. EVEN ETC.: 1, Stebbings; 2, Hodgson; 3, vhc, Bottomley; 4, Hodgson. CINN. MKD.: 1, 3, Swain; 2, Parker. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Revell; 2, Blaud. BUFF: 1, 2, Bland; 3, Walker; 4, vhc, Revell. CINN. MKD.: 1, 2, Bland; 3, Walker.

GUISELEY AND YEADON C.B.S.

F.F. Show, held June 15, at the Regent Hotel, Guiseley. The entries numbered 60, and some good birds were put down. Judge, Mr. E. B. Denton, who gave every satisfaction. CL. YELL.: 1, Boulton; 2, 3, Hardaker; vhc, Myers; hc, c, Dibb. BUFF: 1, 2, c, Hardaker; 3, Myers; vhc, Boulton, Wheatley. TKD. YELL.: 1, vhc, Myers; 2, hc, Dibb; 3, c, Hardaker. BUFF: 1, hc, Wheatley; vhc, Myers; 3, Dibb. UNEVEN MKD.: 1, 3, Myers; 2, hc, Wheatley; vhc, Boulton; c, Hardaker. CINN. YELL.: 1, 2, Myers. BUFF: 1, Myers; 2, 3, c, Wheatley; vhc, Dibb; hc, Brown and Son. FOUL MKD. YELL.: 1, Laughey; 2, Hardaker; 3, Myers. Specials for best bird in show and best Novice bird went to W. H. Boulton, second best bird H. Hardaker.

Second Y.B. show, held July 20, at the Regent Hotel, Guiseley. Entries numbered 50. Special for best bird in champion classes went to F. Myers: best Novice bird W. H. Boulton. Mr. W. Bearpark, Menston, judged, and his awards gave the best of satisfaction. CL. YELL.: 1, Boulton; 2, hc, Atkinson; 3 Myers; vhc, Dibb. BUFF: 1, 3 Myers; 2, Hardaker; vhc, Dibb; hc, Hardaker; c, Wheatley. TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, Myers; 3, hc, Dibb; vhc, c, Hardaker. BUFF: 1, 2, Boulton; 3, vhc, Hardaker; hc, Myers; c, Emsley. UNEVEN MKD.: 1, Hardaker; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Myers; c, Dibb. CINN. YELL.: 1, 2, hc, Myers; 3, Wheatley; vhc, Dibb. BUFF: 1, Dibb; 2, Wheatley. FOUL MKD.: 1, Hardaker; 2, Myers.—W. Long, Hon. Sec. (The above reports reached us this week.—Ed.)

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Oct. 9 & 10. **Clapham.**—(A. R. Coe, 38, Caldervale Rd., Clapham, S.W.). J.R., C.A.H., H.J.F., H.N.
Oct. 10 & 11. **Norwich Alliance.**—(R. Roll, 62, Ashby St.). W.E.G., J.R., W.V.
Oct. 11 & 12. **Derby.** (Wharam and Ramsey, 23, Macklin St.). J.H.R.
Oct. 12. **Leeds** (W. A. Wilson, 75, Bayswater Mount, Roundhay.). J.H.R. and W.M.
Oct. 12.—**Morpeth.**—(E. Cowling, Market Place.) H.W.B., A.B.
Oct. 15 and 16.—**Western Counties O.S.**—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd, Plymouth). J.R., T.H.
Oct. 17. **Hanley.**—(C. J. Robinson, 44, Cromer St., May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent). A.H.
Oct. 18 & 19. **Burnley.**—(F. Cunliffe, 19, Lark St.). J.H.R., J.T.
Oct. 18 & 19.—**Newcastle.** (J. W. Reed, 218, Ladykirk Rd., Benwell). J.C.B., J.C., J.S., J.P., A.S.
Oct. 19.—**Burton-on Trent.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.). J.R.
Oct. 19. **Middlesborough.**—(A. Wake, 128, Princes Rd.). W.A.C., F.M.
Oct. 23 & 24. **London and P.O.S.**—(C. W. Law, Brimley House, Woodhouse Rd., N. Finchley).
Oct 24.—**Stamford.**—(A. Harrison 7, New St.). J.R.
Oct. 25 & 26.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—Belle Vue. —(H. Boothman, 10, Parker St., Levenshulme.)
Oct. 25 & 26.—**S. Shields.**—(W. L. Smith, 3, Queen st.)
Oct. 26.—**Derwent Valley.**—(Lindsay and Marsh, Railway Cottages, Westwood, Medomsley, R.S.O.). W.R., G.W.
Oct. 26.—**Hartlepools.**—(Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Rd., W. Hartlepool.
Oct. 29 & 30.—**Barnstaple.**—(J. D. Horrill, 17, King Edward Street). T.H.
Oct. 30.—**Torbay O.S. (Paignton).**—J. N. and J. Jeffery, "Sartor House," Winner Street, Paignton.) J.H.P.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Cheltenham.**—(A. S. Treasure, Idahoe, Oakland Ave.) W.G., H.W.B., J.F.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Grimsby.**—(Towl and Smith, 205, Welholme Rd.). J.H.R.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Ramsgate.**—(A. Afrigan, 21, Thanet Rd.). G.G.
Oct. 31.—**Grantham.**—(W. E. Allen, 119, Alexandra Road). J.C.B.
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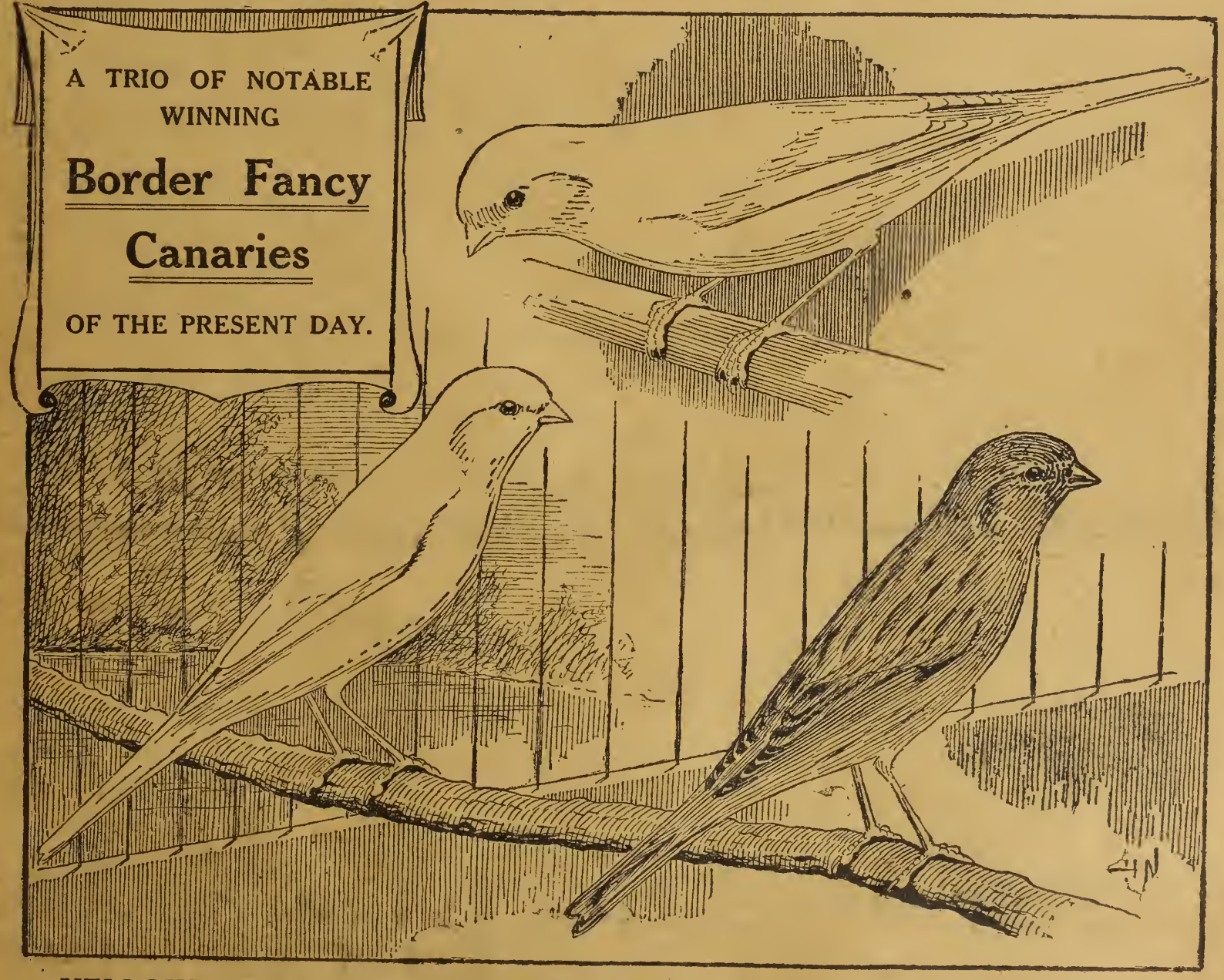
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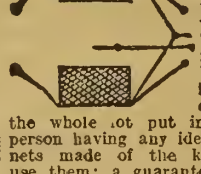
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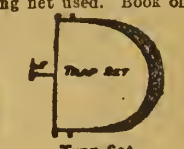
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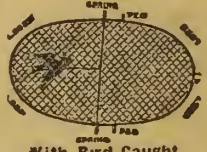
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SOME ABSURDITIES OF BIRD PROTECTION ORDERS.

As usual at the end of the ordinary close season, various County Councils are advertising in local papers a list of birds which in the particular district are protected throughout the year by an extension of the close season, covering the period of the year not named in the original order, and everyone should make sure for himself which birds are included in the schedule for his own particular county or locality. Throughout the whole county of Surrey, for instance, a very large number or birds may not be taken at any time. Amongst these are the Chiff Chaff, Crossbill, Pied and Spotted Flycatcher, Goldfinch, Hoopoe, Kingfisher, Linnet, Nightingale, Nutcracker, Nuthatch, Oriole, Owl, Raven, Robin, Lesser and Mealy Redpoll, Redstart, Roller, Rosy Pastor, Siskin, Stonechat, Swallow, Swift, Coal, Crested, Long-tailed, and Marsh Tits, Grey, Pied, White and Yellow Wagtail, Blackcap, Dartford, Garden, Grasshopper, Reed, Sedge, Willow, and Wood Warblers, Wheatear, Whinchat, Whitethroat, Lesser Whitethroat, Green, Greatspotted, and Lesser-spotted Woodpeckers, Common, Firecrested, and Goldcrested Wren, Wryneck and others.

There are curiosities attaching to the publication of the above list which will be apparent to anyone who knows something more of our birds than those who are responsible for drawing up such a schedule. For example, among the birds which are not included are the Greenfinch, Great Tit, Blue Tit, The Shrikes, Waxwing, Hedge Sparrow, Tree Sparrow, the Larks, the Pipits, Blackbird, Thrush, Fieldfare, Redwing, Bramblefinch, the Buntings, Bullfinch, Chaffinch, Tree Creeper, Hawfinch, Jackdaw, Jay, Magpie, Ring Ouzel, Starling and Blue-headed Wagtail. It would seem to be beyond comprehension why the Crested Tit, a bird which has probably never been seen and never will be seen in Surrey, should be included, or why this and three other of the Tits are scheduled, while two, the Great Tit and the Blue Tit, are left out. Again, the large majority of the birds which are by the above order protected from 1st Sept. to 1st Feb. are migratory birds which are not in this country at all during the period named, excepting for a few days in September prior to migration, while the Waxwing, Bramblefinch, Fieldfare, Redwing, and others *which are left out of the schedule*, are in this country only throughout the period covered by the order. Of such is the wisdom of our legislators.

How to Cater for Small Softbills:

By R. C. TOUT (Portsmouth).

A very practical and informative lecture given before the Portsmouth Cage Bird Society.

The chair was taken by Mr. W. R. King, who said he had pleasure in introducing Mr. R. C. Tout, adding that what Mr. Tout would have to tell his audience would be about his own methods of caging and management, and that he had brought for their enlightenment some cages, birds, appliances, and foods, such as had brought him success on the show bench. —At the finish of Mr. Tout's paper an excellent discussion followed, after which Mr. J. A. Newberry proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Tout for his interesting and instructive remarks. This was seconded by Mr. G. T. Hall and carried unanimously.

IN their wild state, Softbills live chiefly on insects, their larvae, spiders and fruits. Could it were possible to obtain these insects, etc., all the year round, there would be no especial difficulty in keeping Softbills, but unfortunately these cannot always be obtained in sufficient quantities to be able to feed them entirely on their natural diet. It must be always borne in mind that the more of their natural food that you can procure, the better the condition in which you will be able to keep your birds.

In their native haunts, these birds are of a very active nature, and in captivity they require plenty of exercise, and a cage suitable for any of the small varieties should be about 24 inches long, 15 inches high and 10 inches deep. The kind of cage which I use has a movable wire front, which I find necessary for cleaning purposes. It is also fitted with a false calico top, which prevents the bird from damaging its head. Food and water vessels are hung inside on swing doors. Two portable perches should be used. I like the cage fitted with two small draw-boards, in preference to the long one, because you can get a stay through the middle of the cage, thus supporting the bottom and front. I find that the porcelain food and water vessels are the best, as they can be so easily kept clean.

Live food, and How to Provide it

In the matter of live food for the birds, mealworms must claim our first attention, these are invaluable in the keeping of insectivorous birds. They may be found in quantities in large flour mills. They feed on all kinds of grain and meal, and they may be easily bred by introducing the beetles into a large jar containing plenty of meal and old sacking. The beetles deposit their eggs in the sacking, and these are hatched in due course into mealworms, which, when full grown, turn into chrysalides, to emerge later as beetles.

Gentles are another valuable live food. These are the larval stage of existence of our common blow fly, and may easily be bred by hanging pieces of meat or fat where there are blow flies. It is essential to place a tray under the meat, to catch the gentles as they fall, and there should be plenty of sawdust in the bottom of the tray, whereby they can cleanse themselves of the black fluid which the body contains. But I cannot recommend the breeding of gentles, as the methods necessary to the proceeding are so very offensive.

Live ants' eggs, or cocoons, as they should be called, of the wood-ant are another valuable addition. The wood-ant is the largest of our British species. It is found principally in our woods, and it builds a large nest, which looks like a hillock of sand and earth intermixed with pieces of stick and leaves. Upon finding the nest, you should tie up your trouser bottoms, and also your coat sleeves, to prevent the ants from biting your skin, for you will not find it very pleasant if you allow one or two to pass through to your skin. Then put on a good thick pair of gloves, which completes you for the fray. Brush away the top of the nest until you come to the eggs, then unfold a large sheet of paper and carefully remove the ants and the eggs into same; place this in the sun, and turn over the corners of the paper; the ants will then proceed to carry their eggs into these corners for shelter from the sun. You can serve several nests the same in an afternoon, and then, when you have done enough, you can go back and collect up the first lot. There you will find that the ants have very carefully packed most of their eggs in the corners, which saves you the trouble of sorting.

Wasps Have a Business End.

Live wasp-comb can also be collected. The common wasp builds its nest in the ground, chiefly in banks. The taking of this nest is a very risky job, as the wasps usually put more sting into it than you do, so preparation should be made over night by placing some sulphur in the hole and setting light to same, then cover up the hole with clods of earth, and leave it for the night. Next morning proceed to dig out the nest, and you will find that all the wasps have been suffocated, with the exception, perhaps, of a few newly hatched ones. So be careful when removing the comb, or it is quite possible you may be stung. It is necessary to bake the comb in a hot oven just sufficiently to kill the grubs; the latter are then fit for use and very much relished by insectivorous birds.

Bottles and house flies can easily be obtained by using the demon beetle trap for the beetle, and the balloon fly trap for the flies. Most bakers will welcome you with the beetle trap, and after a night's catch these should be baked just enough to kill them before proceeding to cut them up, as I do not advocate giving them whole to the birds, for they are not easily digested. Butchers, fishmongers, etc., are ever ready to receive the fly traps. When you have sufficient in the trap the best method to adopt is to pour a kettle of very hot water over trap and flies. When all the flies have been killed, tip them on to a sheet of blotting paper to dry; they are then ready for use.

Caterpillars, spiders, etc., are very much relished by the birds, and these can easily be collected if you go for a stroll in the country, where there are any woods or coppices. The best way is to place a large sheet of paper or an umbrella (open) under a nut bush or a small oak tree. Then give the tree a good shake. The caterpillars and spiders will fall on to the paper, and you can easily place them in your collecting box. At times you can gather some of these insects in your own gardens, as well as earwigs and wood lice, etc. Should you not feel disposed to collect your own live-food, it can always be purchased in season from reliable men.

A Good Stock-Food

As regards a good stock food for the birds, I will describe the ingredients. Dried ant cocoons should be of a good quality and not older than of the previous year's crop; also absolutely free from mite. A good quality can easily be tested by handling; you will find that they have a distinctly oily touch and a quite pleasant smell. Old (stale) eggs are dark brown and full of mite, and do not carry the pleasant odour. They are very much used for all varieties of softbills, especially the smaller species. A very good sample can be brought for 2s. 6d. to 3s. per lb.

Dried flies form another ingredient which I strongly recommend. Some fanciers do not believe them to be of any use. These flies are imported into this country by the ship-load. They are caught by the million on the lakes and swamps of Mexico. One thing to bear well in mind is that you get a good sample, for I have had flies offered to me which have been nothing more or less than skins, legs and wings and full of mite. A good sample can be bought for 2s. 6d. per lb.

Meat meal and silkworm pupæ are both easily obtained from reliable firms, and should be purchased in small quantities, so as to be as fresh as possible. Biscuit meal can be made from any kind of biscuit, but I prefer the Osborne, or fancy lunch. The egg food is imported into this country in several different forms, but I find that the egg flake is the most suitable, and strongly recommend fanciers to never be without it, for it is one of the most nourishing foods we have, and it is also very easily digested. Sponge cake and cream cheese can be obtained from our local confectioners and dairies. It is necessary for the sponge cake to be at the least one day old, or you will have great difficulty to crumble same.

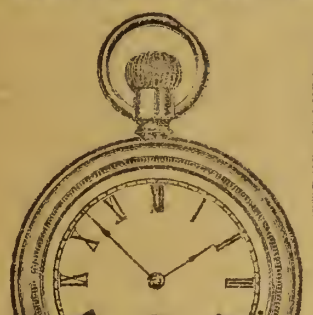
And How to Mix it.

This concludes the ingredients of our stock food, but, of course, it is no use me telling you all about the ingredients unless I give you the proportions in which they are to be used. I have found it very dangerous to mix them out of their right proportions, as some of them are of a very fattening nature. I use for my own birds: Two parts powdered biscuit, one part ants' eggs, one part dried flies, half-part crumbled sponge-cake, quarter-part meat-meal, quarter-part silk-worm pupæ (by measure). These ingredients, when thoroughly mixed together, form a most desirable stock food.

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I hope that not only every member of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE, but every reader of our organ, CAGE BIRDS, will join in this charity by forwarding a Postal Order for one shilling to me at the above address. Every contribution will be acknowledged in our columns, and the money will be disbursed under special local supervision, the assistance of the Norwich Alliance All England Cage Bird Association having been requisitioned for that purpose.

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Secretary, CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE
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DYSART

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PAISLEY

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Twitterings.

Mr. M. Kerr, Sec. Derry C.B.S., writes that Mr. S. Hadwin, of Liverpool, has been appointed judge of Derry Show, November 14.

Our foreign bird expert, Mr. Wesley T. Page, will be glad if Mr. A. Butler, late of 58, Albert Road, Heele, Sheffield, would communicate with him at Glenfield, Graham Avenue, Mitcham, Surrey.

We are asked by Mr. Wright, hon. sec. Anfield, Everton C.B.S., to correct his note of last week, published in this column. The date of the members' show of the society is Nov. 16, not Sept. 16.

Mr. George Brown, Secretary of the Leith O.S., informs us that Mr. J. Steel, of Dalkeith, will give a lecture at the Society's meeting on September 14th; subject, "Natural Food of British Birds" (illustrated).

Messrs. A. and F. Hartley, the writers of the article on "Moulting and Exhibiting British Finches," published in our issue of August 31, write that they have changed their address to 3, St. Nicholas Villas, Hull Road, York.

Sandiford's Colour-feed is used by every leading exhibitor in the world. Mr. Sam Cook (Manchester) and Mr. Aitchison (Edinburgh) both write, and scores more, to say what a lovely colour they are getting. Order at once. See advertisement. (Advt.).

Islington F.A. are holding their young stock show, writes Mr. H. A. Brown, assist. sec., Sept. 7, at the Congregational Schoolroom, Warlters Rd., Holloway, N. Fanciers should pay a visit to this show. Ladies' string band will play during the evening.

Would you publish in your valuable paper, writes J. Davison, Low Fell, that I have given up the secretaryship of the Gateshead C.B.S. through pressure of other business, and do so for the benefit of the Society. All communications should be sent to Mr. J. G. Greason, 24, Newman Terrace, Gateshead.

I am sorry to say, writes Mr. J. Rukin, that I inadvertently gave our old friend Teddy Whipps' name, instead of Mr. Teddy Fittons' name in regard to the latter gentleman's sad bereavement. It was Mr. Fitton, and not Mr. Whipp who suffered such a sad loss. Will you kindly make the correction.

Mr. W. A. Wilson, Hon. Sec. Leeds C.B.S., writes as follows: Will you thank, through the columns of your paper, the many kind friends who sent me letters of sympathy on hearing of my recent accident. Pleased to say I am nearly well again, after my fall of 34 feet, and am preparing for our great event, the annual open show.

At the next meeting of the London Cage Bird Association, Sept. 11, at "The Feathers," Great Chapel St., Westminster, Mr. Mallinson will give an account of his fifty years' experience with the Yorkshire Canary. Mr. Knight, hon. sec. to the Society, wishes us to say that a special invitation is extended to all fanciers to be present on this interesting occasion.

I am sorry to say, writes Mr. A. E. Jeffries, that my partner, Mr. E. Husband, has been obliged to change his employment, and, I am sorry to add, has also left this part of the country—Richmond, Yorks. I shall still keep on the same address. I have only had a fair season with Norwich and Crests, and one or two good ones amongst them, but I shall be exhibiting in future in my own name, only, with both Plainheads and Crests.

We have started a Fur and Feather Fanciers Association at Wadebridge, writes Messrs. E. J. Mitchell and Rd. Lockett, hon. secs., Egloshayle Rd., Wadebridge. We are pleased to say that cage birds are well represented on our committee and our committee are holding a twelve miles radius show for members only on November 13; members fee is 2s. 6d.; we are hoping to have a good show of cage birds and hope that all lovers of cage birds that are in the radius will join our Association. We should be pleased to distribute any copies of Cage Birds at our show.

We are glad to hear from Mr. Rudd, of Norwich, that, as the whole of his aviaries and stock rooms are out of the flooded districts, he has not lost a single bird.

Very pleased to see such an excellent sketch of my Linnet on front page of Cage Birds this week, writes Mr. C. Botting; and thank you for the honour done it. In my new home in Billericay, I hope to have more birds than ever, and I trust to soon start advertising in "C.B." with, I hope, as good a result as I have had through previous advertisements.

The Norwich Floods.

Mr. W. Rudd, the well-known bird specialist of Norwich, writes that should any of his customers wish to help the local fanciers who have suffered in the floods, he will be pleased to acknowledge to them any amount received—no matter how small—and hand over the same to Cage Birds, deducting, of course, nothing for postage or receipts, etc.

Our Front Page.

My Green Border, which stood third in his class at the late Palace Show, I shall be pleased to see adorning the front page, writes Mr. T. Parker, of South Shields. I may say that my ambition was always to win at the Crystal Palace Show, and I intend to try again another year. His wins were first and special at Newcastle (special for best Green Border in section over four strong classes), first at Gateshead, 2nd Jarrow, 3rd Sunderland, 3rd Derby, 3rd Carlisle, etc. He was in the money every time out.

OBITUARY.

We are sorry indeed to be in receipt of the following sad news, which has come to hand from Mr. T. R. Ind, Bristol:—

It is with profound regret I hear to-day, September 1, of the death of Mr. J. Miles (Miles and Spencer), of Trowbridge, Wilts, the well-known Crest breeder of a few years since, who passed away Friday, 30th. He had been in failing health during the past two years.

Rare-coloured House Sparrows.

Among the Sparrows which favour the Embankment Gardens in London are now to be seen two young birds, one of which is cinnamon coloured and the other almost white.

Wild Birds Act in Tynemouth.

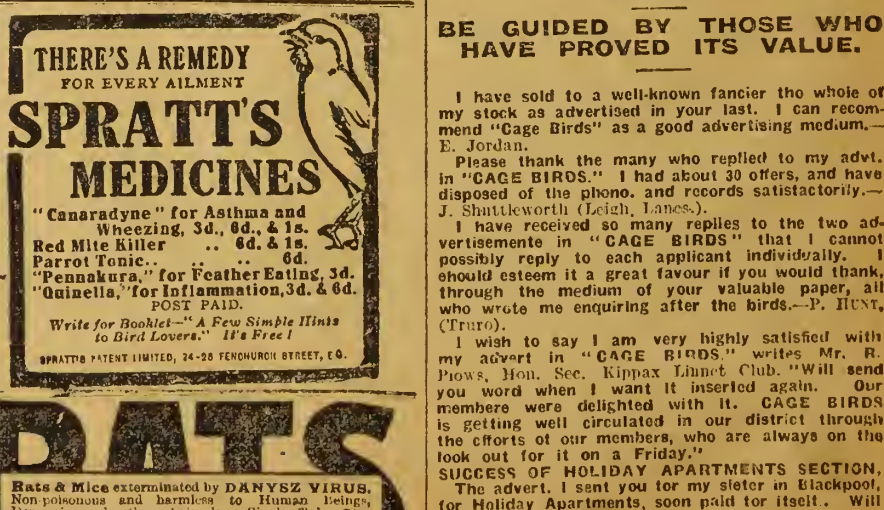
Under order of the Home Office, the Wild Birds Protection Act is now extended to protect throughout the year in the County Borough of Tynemouth, the Hedge Sparrow, Blackbird, Bullfinch, Goldfinch, Jackdaw, Kingfisher, Larks, Linnet, Greenfinch, Sand Martin, Nighjar, Owls, Redwing, Robin, Starling, Thrushes, Blue Tit, Wrens.

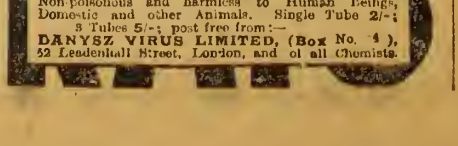
Sparrows Still Busy.

In spite of the unusual weather, the hardy Sparrow is still busy upon domestic affairs. A scantily feathered brood has just been launched in the writer's garden, and the old birds are evidently thinking of having just one more nest. Our little friend may be a useful member of the feathered tribe, but, fortunately for us, the winter's frosts and snow puts a stop to his efforts to perpetuate his race, or we should be compelled, in self-defence, for a time to subsist upon "Sparrow pies."

A Young Greenbird's Adventure.

The noise of a pair of Greenfinches, and their evident excitement, caused a passing pedestrian to seek for the cause of the trouble. The spot was some bushes growing upon the bank of a stream. After a little search, something in the water attracted his attention; it proved to be one of the young brood that had fallen in, and was fluttering for dear life. Its flutterings took it near a heap of stones, when it promptly climbed up and shouted lustily for help. In an hour's time it was sitting upon the branches with its companions, apparently none the worse for its adventure.

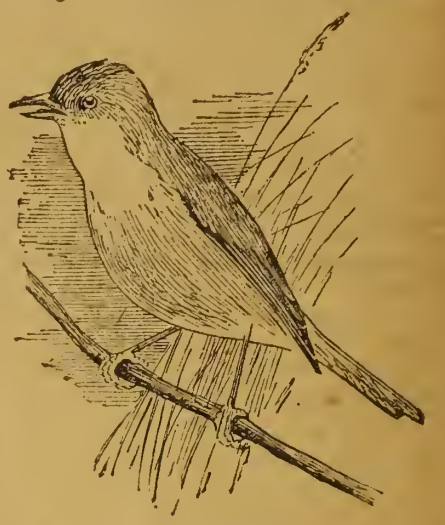




Wild-Bird Life.

Absent Warblers.

As the summer passes and is nearing its end, we daily become aware of a difference in the wild birds around us. New Warblers are constantly arriving, passing a day or two in the village gardens, and then moving onwards to make room for fresh arrivals. In a quiet country lane, with tall herbage growing on either side of a narrow path, a pair of Whitethroats were still nesting in the early part of the month. A few days ago the young ones were with them, flitting about the bushes; the old ones following our footsteps down the hedge, hoarsely croaking and "chaking" in protest against



THE WHITETHROAT.

our trespass. To-day they are absent, and not a Warbler of any kind is to be seen or heard along the whole length of lane, although it is one that is much frequented by these delightful birds during the summer months.

No doubt to-morrow or the next day a fresh batch will take their place, but at present a host of Linnets and Greenbirds crowd the bushes; joyous, happy, little fellows twittering and calling to each other as they flutter from tree to tree, occasionally making a raid into the weed-grown fields, anon returning to bask in the all too scarce sunshine; the youngest recording their little song, the earlier hatched singing sweetly. Among the Linnets are a few old cock birds with ruddy breasts, quite brilliant in the sunshine, some very ragged and untidy, with patches of new feathers on front and back.

But for these attempts at song from the young birds, the country would be strangely silent, no loud-voiced Thrush greets us from the wood, nor soaring Skylark carols in the sky. The adult birds have no need for song. As summer passes, they daily feel an increased impulse to assemble in their autumn flocks, to range the fields and downs in company, wherever food chances to be plentiful. At present it is abundant everywhere, each single weed growing by the wayside has scattered its thousands of tiny seeds broadcast, and of these the birds take their toll, and feast upon the abundant harvest.

At no time of the year do wild birds feel the need of good living more than now, when change of plumage causes an extra drain upon the system, and Dame Nature bounteously gives of her best.

ALWAYS ADVERTISE IN "CAGE BIRDS."

BE GUIDED BY THOSE WHO HAVE PROVED ITS VALUE.

I have sold to a well-known fancier the whole of my stock as advertised in your last. I can recommend "Cage Birds" as a good advertising medium.—E. Jordan.

Please thank the many who replied to my advt. in "CAGE BIRDS." I had about 30 offers, and have disposed of the phono. and records satisfactorily.—J. Shuttleworth (Leigh, Lancs.).

I have received so many replies to the two advertisements in "CAGE BIRDS" that I cannot possibly reply to each applicant individually. I should esteem it a great favour if you would thank, through the medium of your valuable paper, all who wrote me enquiring after the birds.—P. Hunt, (Truro).

I wish to say I am very highly satisfied with my advert in "CAGE BIRDS," writes Mr. R. Plows, Hon. Sec. Kippax Linnet Club. "Will send you word when I want it inserted again. Our members were delighted with it. CAGE BIRDS is getting well circulated in our district through the efforts of our members, who are always on the look out for it on a Friday."

SUCCESS OF HOLIDAY APARTMENTS SECTION.

The advert. I sent you for my sister in Blackpool, for Holiday Apartments, soon paid for itself. Will you kindly reinsert for six times.—Mrs. Atherton, M.B.R.C.C. (Preston).

Rates for this heading: 18 words 6d., and 1d. per word afterwards; 6 insertions price of 5. 13 price of 10; prepaid. Ed.

DESOLATION IN CANARY CITY:

"CAGE BIRDS" SPECIAL ACCOUNT.

Recent record rainfall (six inches in one day) results in unprecedented floods at Norwich, & awakens sympathetic consternation among bird-keepers the world over

Our representative, we are pleased to say, finds loss of birds over-estimated.

THE message flashed over the wires on Wednesday evening of last week that thousands of Canaries had met their fate in the record flood which was devastating part of the city of Norwich, would awaken a feeling of sympathetic consternation in the heart of every bird-keeper who read the ill-fated lines in the daily newspapers. CAGE BIRDS briefly dealt with the matter in the issue then going to press, and, needless to say, the members of its staff were sad at heart over the grievous misfortune that had befallen their fellow-fanciers in Canary City.

On the following morning (Thursday) the news came through that the Great Eastern Company had managed to re-establish railway communication with the stricken town, and it was at once decided that the writer should make the journey into East Anglia with a view to gathering first-hand information concerning the losses suffered by bird-keepers and breeders and the plight in which they found themselves. The paragraph in last week's CAGE BIRDS expressed the hope that the loss of birds might prove to be over-stated. And this, we will say at once, turned out to be the case. But the sad plight of the birdy men whose homes stood within the flooded area no pen could well exaggerate.

A Scene of Wide-spread Ruin.

The remarkable sights witnessed from the window of the dining car when the train entered the stricken area are never likely to be forgotten by me. At Barton, some considerable distance from our hoped-for destination, the waters had converted the countryside into a series of huge lakes, and as the railway line hereabouts was submerged, our progress necessarily became a crawl, with not infrequent stoppages. The scene of ruin revealed by the cold rays of the moon was at once impressive and saddening. The pitiable condition of the people in the flooded houses and the hardships they were being called upon to bear, were self-evident, while the ruins of bridges whose arches of solid masonry many feet thick had failed to withstand the rush of the torrent testified to the dangerous and destructive nature of this phenomenal visitation. Outbuildings, whether of wood or brick, which stood near the bed of the river had collapsed as though they had been built of cards, while many fine trees were overturned, some literally torn out of the ground and flung into the waste of water.

As we approached Norwich the desolation became even more pronounced. Near Trowse the railway track had been a considerable depth under water, and our progress was slow and punctuated with frequent stops heralded by the explosion of fog signals. But the "permanent" way did not belie its name, and at a late hour we exchanged the scene of rushing ruin for the comparative security of Thorpe Station.

A Helping Hand Cheerfully Given.

The Friday morning saw me in Bull Close Road, at the home of Mr. F. Cullington, one of the oldest, keenest, and best-respected fanciers in the Cathedral City. Though heavily pressed with work—Mr. C. is a master builder and carpenter—due to the flood, he at once consented to become my "guide, philosopher, and friend" for the rest of the day. As Mr. Cullington was kind enough to put it, he felt that the mission of CAGE BIRDS was so good and timely in its promise of help—should help prove to be needed—that he must let other considerations stand aside—to be of assistance to brother-fanciers in distress was a motive he could not resist. I return my hearty thanks to Mr. Cullington. I could not have been in better hands. There can be few bird-breeders in Norwich to whom he is not known and with whom he is not on "hail, fellow, well met" terms. And as his list of acquaintances is so considerable, and the flooded area was so extensive, the length of the tramp we took together can perhaps be imagined. Yet Mr. Cullington, though no longer in the "first bloom of youth," bore it remarkably well, and after the cup of tea we took at parting, left with the intention of "doing a little work"! He is a fancier of whom any city may be proud.

Before starting, I took a two-minute glance at the stock in Mr. Cullington's excellent bird-room. He has had a fair breeding season, and many very good all-round Plainheads were to be seen in his moulting flights. In two or three cages I noticed that it was not to pepper alone that the colour food owed its hue. And Mr. C. admitted that he was experimenting with "something" which he thought would prove a useful addition to the pepper; but it was too early to judge of its effect.

The house of my guide is quite close to the scene of the floods, and a large number of the homeless people (mainly children) were being accommodated in the public schools on the opposite side of the road. Mr. Cullington and I were permitted to enter, and the sufferers therein made one of the saddest sights it has ever been my lot to witness, though the poor people bore their distress bravely enough, considering practically all their worldly goods had been destroyed. There were many willing helpers present, of course, and food and clothing were being sent from many quarters. I may mention that Mr. Cullington's daughter collected over £5 in a few hours outside the schools for the benefit of the relief fund.

On our way towards the Heigham, St. Martin's, and adjoining districts, where the floods were at their worst, Mr. Cullington said that although there had been no time since the subsidence of the water to make enquiries, he did not expect to find any great loss due directly to it, as he had only been told of one instance of the drowning of birds; the story of the "thousands



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The scene of the disaster to Mr. Ashworth's Crests and Crest-breds.

of Canaries" he thought was so much nonsense. The great majority of the working-class bird breeders of Norwich keep their Canaries in the bedrooms, or upper part of the house; and there floods cannot very well penetrate. In the olden days a good deal of work was done in small workshops at the rear of the dwelling-houses, and in these the workers generally kept their birds; but at the present day practically all are indoor workers at the huge factories which have sprung up.

After Effects to be Feared.

Well, we made some scores of enquiries during the day of fanciers whose homes we visited, or whom we met in the streets, and we failed to locate a second case of drowned Canaries or other small birds. We saw many heart-rending sights, however, and the awful state of some of the homes belonging to bird-keepers would surely have sufficed to draw pity from even a heart of stone. Just before we descended to the low-lying streets in the region of the river we passed the house of Mr. Campling, who will be remembered as the breeder of the Canary presented to Queen Mary. There was no trace of disaster here, but near by two houses were being shored up with timber baulks, great, slowly-widening cracks having made an appearance in the outer walls, owing to the foundations being undermined. It is common knowledge now that a number of houses have collapsed, and that many more are in a dangerous condition.

An Aged Breeder's Hard Luck.

Eventually we came to the little cottage in Key and Castle Yard, tenanted by Mr. R. Wigger. "Bob" is a fine specimen of the best type of workman, and though now old in years, still plies his tools in the making of boots. He is also a respected bird-breeder, and has achieved considerable success with both Crests and Plainheads—for instance, a yellow Crest-bred produced in his room scored at the Palace Show of some three years ago for its purchaser. Mr. Wigger was in a sorry plight. His cottage, standing within a few yards of the river's brink, had contained over five feet of water! Its condition was terrible, and typical of many thousands more; mud and slime covered the floor and walls, the paper hanging in tatters on the latter. couch, chairs, table, etc., were sodden with water and strewed topsy-turvy all over the place, rust and mould were appearing everywhere, and the musty smell was simply sickening. Mr. Wigger had suffered in the great flood of 1878 (he showed me marks left by the latter on his pictures) but this latest experience capped all.

The water rose so suddenly, and with such astonishing rapidity, that little could be done to save furniture. and the like. Mr. Wigger was afraid for his birds in the upper room. He broke open an untenanted cottage standing on somewhat higher ground further up the yard, and carried all his birds and cages into this, having to wade waist high through the flood while doing it, a trying ordeal for a man of his years. A parcel of rape-seed left behind showed signs of beginning to sprout; his colour-food had disappeared entirely, together with many other small articles, washed. goodness only knows where. His Canaries were showing signs of the rough time they had experienced. Their new lodging was damp and musty; even the roof was soaking wet in places, the record rainfall having proved too much for it. Several promising young birds, I am afraid, Mr. W. could not possibly save, and some of the old ones looked sick and sorry. Damp and cold are bad companions for moulting birds.

A number of young lay dead in the nests with food in their crops, the parents having deserted them, and "Bob" was resigning himself to the inevitable loss of others. I may say here that I found late breeding favoured by many of the fanciers in Norwich. In some rooms hens were still incubating eggs, and many were feeding nestlings but a few days old! Mr. Wigger was sorely stricken, but struggled manfully to hide his distress. As he contemplated his ruined home, he said, with a pathetic catch in his voice: "I'm done; I don't know how to begin again." I hope assistance may be extended him.

Some Good Crests Meet their Fate.

A short walk brought us to Napier Street, where we visited Mr. J. Ashworth, a baker by trade, and an enthusiastic breeder of Crests. This fancier had been very hard hit by the floods. Not only had his trade suffered, his utensils and machinery damaged, and furniture ruined, but fifteen or sixteen of his best birds had been drowned. Here again, it was a case of being taken by surprise. None thought it possible such a disaster could visit the city. When the waters rose so rapidly, Mr. Ashworth had so many things needing attention (a batch of 400 loaves, amongst other things, were in the bakery) that the birds were overlooked for the moment. The latter are kept in a nice place built just outside the house door. A glance at the photograph I had specially taken will show the height to which the water rose and flooded the cages. When the top cages were being removed (they were replaced for purposes of the photo) it had become necessary to swim into the room!

The survivors (probably 40) I inspected in the loft looked very fit, and were a real nice lot, with some promising Crests amongst them, which Mr. Ashworth is hoping may do well at the All England Show. I trust his hopes may be realised, as some slight compensation for his present troubles. Some of the hens were feeding young, despite their rough experience of some few hours before, in one nest a bonny dark Goldfinch-Mule catching my eye. In this loft, dog, cat, rabbits, birds and a number of fowls had found sanctuary! Many of the neighbours had been compelled to take their poultry, rabbits, etc., temporarily into their bedrooms.

In this quarter we located a number of fanciers, and the majority expressed their fear as to the effect the damp would have upon their pets. Mr. Cullington and I then visited Mr. Freestone, and found that the popular chairman of the Norwich Alliance C.B.S. had also been a heavy sufferer, not by reason of loss of birds, but both his business premises and his house had been invaded by the flood, while a place he has in the country had been severely damaged by the violent storms. Yet, despite his troubles, Mr. Freestone consented at once to act (in conjunction with Mr. R. Roll, the secretary of the society, and Mr. Cullington) in the distribution of any funds readers of CAGE BIRDS might in the goodness of their hearts feel disposed to subscribe to help the working-men fanciers to replace birds lost owing to the flood, and to restore damaged cages and bird-rooms.

To Help the Sufferers.

Of course, it was quite impossible to visit every street in the flooded area, or to get into touch with other than a minority of the bird-breeders therein, and Messrs. Freestone and Cullington agreed that it would be a week or so before the real extent of the loss would be known, though we had proved that the terrible slaughter of Canaries and the floating about of their dead bodies in the streets, existed only in the imagination of the newspapermen responsible for sending these details of the sad story of calamity to the outside world. The trio of gentlemen named above undertook that enquiries should be made into any cases of loss reported, and that only bona-fide claims should have consideration. In the course of a few days we shall hear further from them, and shall publish their report in our next issue. In the meantime, we shall be pleased to receive any sums—however small—readers care to send us to establish a fund out of which those brother fanciers of Norwich who need monetary help to replace their birds, and assist them to the position in the hobby they occupied before the devastating flood brought disaster to their stock. Should there be any surplus it will be forwarded to the General Relief Fund. All amounts will be acknowledged in our columns, and, of course, no expenses of any kind will be deducted.

In conclusion, I may say that Mr. Roll asked me to mention that a statement he made to a press correspondent, as to the wide-spread and ruinous disaster in which the local Canary industry had been involved, was based upon what he had read in the daily press, and before he had had an opportunity of making personal inquiries; further, that CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE, while labouring under the same mis-impression, issued a letter to the London Press, which doubtless many of our readers will have perused.

G. E. WESTON.

Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

Queries will be answered under the following conditions:—

(1)—*All questions must be clearly written in ink (or typewritten) on one side of paper, and must conclude with either the correct name of querist or a pseudonym, or initials.*

(2)—*The proper name and address in full of querist must always be written on a separate sheet of paper, and enclosed with the query. In no case must the address appear on the query.*

(3)—*Queries intended for different specialists must not be written on the same sheet of paper.*

(4)—**Queries must not include** *or be included in orders for books, instructions re advertisements, or any other matter for publication.*

(5)—*The department to which the queries refer must be stated in bold letters on the left-hand corner of the query.*

(6)—*If an answer in the same week's issue is desired, queries must be posted to reach us by* **Monday's first post** *at latest. Queries will be dealt with in the order in which they are received, and only as space permits. The earlier queries are received the better attention they are likely to have.*

(7)—*Queries relating to illnesses of birds, except enquiries as to cause of death (for which see Post Mortems will be answered by return of post on receipt of a postal order for sixpence and an addressed stamped envelope. Queries of an ordinary nature will be answered by post, if desired, on receipt of a postal order for one shilling and a stamped addressed envelope.*

(8)—*All who require letters of complaints written to advertisers must state grounds for doing so clearly and fully, and enclose a fee of sixpence,, otherwise their letters will not receive attention. All the fees received from this source will be handed over in full to the "Referee's" Poor Childrens' Fund (London).*

(9)—*All queries must be oddressed to the* **Editor, "Cage Birds,"** *154, Fleet Street, London, E.C. Only queries so sent will be answered. Postcards ore not admissible.*

THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of **ADVISORY EXPERTS.** Queries must in no case be addressed to any of them individually, but to the Editor.

Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mule and Hybrids—**G. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.H.S., &c., Wild Bird Life—**H. Norman.**

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

CANARY SEED (R. Hyde).—All the samples sent are of good quality, though No. 3 is rather thinner and does not seem so well ripened or harvested as Nos. 1 and 2. Still, the quality is good. No. 1 is the best of the three, and is a very excellent seed all round. I cannot fix a definite price for it, as this varies according to locality, but I should expect it to cost about 2s. 9d. or 3s. per peck. If you can obtain this seed at about the price named and are in any sense a large consumer, let me advise you to get in a twelvemonth supply as soon as convenient—that is, of course, if you can store it properly.

CAGED OR FREE (Gresham).—(1) Yes. Canaries will, as a rule, breed just as freely flying at liberty in a room as when caged separately in pairs. The greatest trouble to be anticipated usually is that the birds sometimes interfere with each other's domestic arrangements, when they sometimes make a hash of the business. To avoid this as far as possible, one only needs be careful to introduce good, healthy, hardy stock, which are most likely to come in good breeding condition normally, and so set to work in an energetic way and "mind their their own business"; not to put in too many cocks; and to remove any hen during the breeding season which goes about meddling with the arrangements of the other hens, instead of settling down on her own account. (2) It is neither necessary nor advisable to have an equal number of sexes. For 30 hens, 9 or 10 cocks, would be quite sufficient. (3) Yes, the cocks would mate with any of the hens that were in high breeding condition.

LUMP ON WING (A. B. C.).—The substance, as shown by your rough sketch, appears to be progressing quite satisfactorily. It is quite possible the lump may "dry up" at the base and drop off very soon. The soreness which appeared was probably due to the bird picking it. If any soreness now remains, anoint it sparingly with LanocyHin every second day for a week. If the lump drops off, anoint spot once or twice with Lanocyllin until it appears quite well. If it has not disappeared in a week after the conclusion of the fortnight's course of treatment, advised in last reply, repeat the treatment over again for another week or fortnight, as may seem necessary, but paint with the iodine every fourth day only. If any soreness appears, anoint with above-named oiutment.

RESULT OF SHOCK (New Reader).—At twelve years old the bird would probably in the natural order of things begin to drop off singing somewhat, and it is doubtful if it will in future resume singing after each moult until the mild warm days of spring. In like manner the cessation of song from the shock of falling with its cage would last much longer than it would with a young bird. If he is quite healthy and active, there is no reason why he should not sing again, though I should scarcely expect him to resume before next February or March. The best thing you could do to bring him out would be to place a lusty singing young cock in his hearing for a week or two when he is quite over moulting. This might induce him to open out earlier, but is not certain to do so.

BREAST BARE (A. J. G.).—Strictly speaking, every Canary's breast is bare of feathers. The plumage grows only in certain well-defined tracts, of which one runs down each side of breast, but not upon the breast. In the case of a very short feathered bird—generally a yellow—growing very plump and stout it is quite possible for the bare skin of the centre of breast to show through the plumage, and gave the bird the appearance of being bare on breast, though it may not have lost a single feather. Is this likely to be the case with your bird? If not, see that cage is kept quite free from red mites, and when the moult begins, if not already in progress, keep the bird ou the warm side, allow it to bathe freely, feed rather generously, and in addition to the seed mixture advised in article on August 3rd, give a morsel of bread and milk slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur and then sprinkled with soft sugar three times a week for a month.

ATTACKS OF LISTLESSNESS (Anxious, Walthamstow).—Catch the bird and examine its eyes in a good light. If there appears a kind of milky-whiteness in the centre—the pupils—the bird is blind with cataract. If there is no milky appearance, still test its sight by putting your finger-tip towards it, on both sides alternately. I rather suspect you will find the cause of its listlessness through this suggestion, and if my surmise is correct, you can do nothing for it. If the sight is normal, see if its claws are seriously overgrown and hamper its movements, and cut them back with a sharp pair of nail scissors if they are. Hold claws up to good light, and cut a little short of the pink streak you will see running some way down centre of claw, which is the blood vessel. If this surmise is wrong, give bird a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of buckthorn, and as much Epsom salts as will cover a threepenny piece for two days, and afterwards give four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba and aromatic sulphuric acid in the water every second day for a week.

NOT SINGING (G.N.).—I am not quite clear whether you mean the birds have just moulted or some time ago. If only quite recently, it is early yet to expect them to sing. Try the following treatment for a month. Staple diet, a mixture of three parts canary, to one part summer rape. Every second day give half-a-teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with a mixture of equal parts maw and gold of pleasure. On the alternate days give same quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, millet and teazle. Give a spray of green food four times a week. In the water give six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence for two days, and afterwards 20 drops of whisky, and ten each of glycerine and lemon juice two days in every three for a week, and every second day in the next week. Keep cocks caged separately, and see that all the birds are in a bright healthy place free from cold draughts and heated impure air.

A STARTER (C. F. Empleton).—(1) If you have had little or no practical experience in breeding Canaries, you could not do better than start with, say, two or three pairs of Plainhead Norwich, or Border Fancies. These are very hardy, free breeders, and among the very easiest to manage. Yorkshires also stand very high up in this respect. You would do well to read and digest "Canary Breeding for Beginners" before next season. (2) Mule query should have been on a separate sheet. You had better write another query for Mr. Weston, and be more explicit. As it stands, the query is very vague. It depends upon what you mean by the "most useful Mules." Say whether you mean the best for showing, the best singers, the most valuable, the rarest, or what. (3) Twenty inches long, 11 inches deep (back to front), and 15 or 16 inches high is a very nice size for a single breeding cage. I recommend you not to build nesting compartments into the cages, either for inside or outside nests. Use the modern nest-pans or boxes hung with a bracket on back of cage. In making your own cages, you would find the manual, "Aviaries, Cages and Birdroom Management," most helpful. Our Manager would send it you post free for 8s. 2d. (4) Personally I have always found the person you name fair in dealing.

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BRITISH BIRDS AND HYBRIDS.

Answered, this week, by H. J. FULLJAMES.

SKYLARK PERCHING (T. Finlay).—A Skylark is not a perching bird. It will rest at times on the rail or post of a fence, or on a thick bough, but its toes are so constructed that it certainly could not grasp a wire.

SING'NG SKYLARKS (W. W. Mann).—It is against our rules to recommend individual advertisers. You will find Skylarks advertised in our columns by several dealers, and if you get a bird on approval on the deposit system from any of these you should easily get suited.

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AVIARY-REARED BULLFINCHES (T. Woodward).—I confess I am unable to understand your losing your young Bullfinches after successfully rearing them up to eight weeks old. At that age they should have been independent of their parents, and your feeding seems to be quite all right. Perhaps they would not take to the hard seeds after their parents left off feeding them. Besides giving their young insects, Bullfinches feed from the crop with semi-digested food, and the change may have been too much for the young birds. For the nest you now have, at a week old, provide the parents with any non-poisonous berries they will take, a spray of blight infested rose-bush, or insect life in any available form will be useful. At this season you may get freshly ripened sunflower seed, and many wild seeds that are not yet hard and dry. When the young can feed themselves, feed them for a time on seed that has been soaked overnight and rubbed dry, cracked hemp and broken up sunflower seed, etc., and you should have better fortune than with the first lot.

SONG OF THE GOLDFINCH (E. Preston).—Individual birds differ in singing merit, and some foreign Goldfinches are better than some English ones, and some not nearly so good. Speaking generally, I like our own songster; he always seems merrier than his Continental relation. Foreign Goldfinches, when first imported, may have become used to a large proportion of hemp seed, and it is well not to reduce this too suddenly. Get them gradually on to a menu as recommended to "Anxious" in another reply, and follow the treatment outlined in the Nutshell on the Goldfinch, 2½d., post free, from our Manager.

THRUSH WITH DEPRAVED HABITS (Thrush).—I am afraid this is a very bad case, entirely brought on by improper feeding. Surely, if you read CAGE BIRDS, you will long ago have learnt that "Indian meal boiled in buttermilk" is not fit food for a Song Thrush. It might do for ducks which were being fattened for killing. The insufficient feeding is responsible for the sore toe. Any affection of the feet is an indication of digestive troubles. Please send at once for the Nutshell No. 26, on "The Larger Insectivorous Birds," 2½d. post free, from our Manager. The subject is much too large a one to be properly treated in a short reply, and you will find much valuable information in the booklet mentioned. In the meantime, put as much sulphate of soda in the drinking water as will lie on a sixpence, and give your bird some live food at once. Snails, smooth caterpillars, small garden worms, spiders, anything you can get hold of. Repeat the sulphate of soda after a couple of days' interval, giving, of course plain water on the intervening days. A similar dose about once a week will be useful in restoring the action of the digestive organs which has been entirely upset by your feeding. Bathe the foot in comfortably warm water. Its plumage should soon become all right with proper feeding and cleanliness.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

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A FEATHER PULLER (G.E.B.).—You must give me such details as how long you've had it, how you feed and treat it generally, also the bird's general demeanour. In the meantime, spray twice weekly with quassia solution; keep out of draught till dry. Every fourth day put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia into the regular supply of drinking water. Do not give any tea, coffee, or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever. Fruit liberally, and green-food, should be regularly supplied. On receipt of information asked for, will try and give a more definite reply.

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BICHENO FINCHES, ETC. (Joe Wells).—Yes, but if the winter should prove exceptionally severe, the Bichenos would be better brought into one of your living rooms during the worst months, even if this necessitated a smaller cage; the birds to be returned to the larger one in the spring for breeding purposes. I consider all you name would be probable breeders in such cages, that is, one such cage for each pair. Ruficauda: Pale olive green, with red tails, and red at the base of the beak extending over crown and round the eye in the male; face, throat and chest much spotted with white. Pectoral: Blacks, browns and greys above with the sides of face washed with chestnut, and the union of the dark upper parts and white areas of the under blended together, with warm browns and chestnut, very chastely blended; a mottled pectoral band of black and white crosses the breast. Long-tails: Golden-brown or fawn above, with black flights and tail; head silver-grey; large bib black; rump, white, under surface lighter than the upper surface.

WHAT PARRAKEET? ETC. (T. E. Evans).—(1) I suspect the birds to be young ones, and though there are several discrepancies in your description, I think your birds are Yellow-rumped Parrakeets, but I am keeping your description by me, and will confirm it, or otherwise, in a near issue. (2) You cannot do better than continue your present treatment. (3) Good, I think they would agree with Budgies, Cockatiels, and Lovebird, but doubt them agreeing with other Platycerci, such as Rosellas, etc. (4) Yes. (5) 8 x 4ft. by from 5 to 6ft. high, wire netting at front only and a wood and glass shutter to close up at nights, though during the summer months this would not be necessary. If shutter were made in two parts, one could be always shut during the winter, even in the daytime, and the other closed at night only. There should be two nest receptacles for each pair of birds.

AFRICAN GREY PARROT (P. Hardman).—Diet: I should put the bird back to the mixtures advised in this column, or better, the following: One quart each canary and white millet seed, one pint oats, half pint each hemp, dari, paddy rice, and sunflower seeds, and one gill of grit (not sand), the whole to be well mixed. It can have a liberal supply daily of ripe apple or other fruit; also shelled nuts (Spanish, monkey, or walnuts). Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone continually in the cage; the crust and dry biscuit are quite in order as she takes them. The trouble is partially the moult, and I also think there are skin parasites. Have your cage scalded out with boiling water, also perches and food hoppers, seeing that every crevice is well searched. Also spray the bird twice a week with quassia solution, using a "mist" sprayer, and in between blow insect powder into the plumage, especially under the wings and those areas which appear to cause the bird most irritation. Continue the magnesia and chemical food as at present, but if the voidings become watery you must give the magnesia less frequently. A little open-air treatment will be good for it when weather permits, but it must not be stood in an exposed position, or where a current of air blows through the cage, or stood out while cold winds prevail. Report progress a month hence.

AMAZON PARROT (P.Z.).—I am pleased to note such good progress in what appeared an almost hopeless case; you had better continue the treatment, except that the fomenting and painting of the legs may be discontinued, but at the slightest sign of leg weakness resume the treatment and continue as long as may be necessary. Keep the bowels moving freely by giving as often as required two drops of Dinneford's magnesia direct to the beak. For seven days put three drops of Friar's Balsam in a table spoonful of chilled water, and give this fresh twice daily, in lieu of the ordinary drinking water. Diet as previously advised, but a little lettuce, chickweed, groundsel, or other greenfood will be helpful, but it should be washed and shaken fairly dry before being supplied to the bird. The bird should be kept in a warm well ventilated room, out of reach of all draught, but not away from light and air. You had better report progress a week hence, and please give full details, as I do not keep queries by me.

YOUNG GREY PARROT ("Proud 'Un").—As a rule the legs are a good feature to judge by; they become more scaly and horny as the bird increases in age; if the legs are clean, not hard, rough, or scaly, it is a young bird. From your description of the iris (white), it is a young bird, and should certainly talk, but you must get it tame and thoroughly accustomed to yourselves and its new quarters. When this has been accomplished there should soon be some response to your training. The Nutshell will give you full details as to how to train and feed.

LAVENDER FINCHES (Tomaso).—You are treating the Lavender Finches correctly; give them a handful of garden weeds, including flowering (seeding) grass, picked about noon, when fine, or during a dry spell (while weather conditions remain as they are). A twig from rose or fruit trees usually has a little insect life about even during present weather conditions. Any of the seed merchants advertising under "Foods" would send you Indian millet. You might get a packet of wild Finch mixture and give them a little to pick over; seed heads of mignonette, marigold (Calendula), cornflower, may all be given and will make an agreeable change and be exercise for them to pick over. Millet sprays are good for them, as some little work is entailed in picking out the seed. Get small quantities of cabbage, cress, cornflower, charlock, lettuce, dandelion, and mustard seeds, giving a pinch of this two or three times a week as a tit-bit.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

Forfar Show (D. Kerr).—We are sorry for the omission, which you will see has been rectified this week.

Getting Rid of Cats (Little Jim).—We could not publish the details of the method you suggest. You must not kill your neighbour's cat. You may scare her from your premises, or bring an action against the owner if you can prove a previous offence, but you are not justified in taking the cat's life.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

Ayr and Dis. C.B.C.—Sept. 11, Academy Hall, 7.30. Collection and allocation of specials for open show.—James Sloan.

Attercliffe C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Horse and Jockey, 8. Washing competition and exhibition, by Mr. Perry, also cage-making by Mr. Walton.—W. Charlesmore.

Alnmee F.S.—Sept. 9, Headquarters, The Church Hall, Long Lane, 7. 3rd quarterly members' show; 6 classes for cage birds; judge, Mr. Algie (Bootle).—J. A. Anderson.

Ashington and Hirst C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Harmonic Hall, 7.30. Business: Annual show.—W. Hall.

Barrow and Dis. C.B.A.—Sept. 11, Headquarters, 7.30. important show business.—Jas. S. Fleming.

Bolton C.B.S.—Sept. 9, Joiners' Arms, 8.30. Business important.—J. Gerrard.

Bermondsey and R. F.A.—Sept. 19, Jolly Gardeners, Rotherhithe New Road, 8 p.m. General meeting; fanciers invited; new members wanted.—John Clark.

Boldon Colliery F. and F.S.—Sept. 7, Co-operative Hall, 7.30. Show business; intending members invited; members bring your subscription books.—A. Widdowfield.

Barrington C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Social Club, 7.. General business.—Thos. Griffiths.

British Roller C.C.—Sept. 10 The Royal Mail, Noble St., St. Martins-le-Grand, 8. Important business.—J. W. Norris.

Cumnock C.B.S.—Sept. 7. Co-operative Hall, 7. Any business arising regards annual show or society.—Alex. Wyper.

Consett, Blackhill and Dis.—Sept. 7, Co-operative Buildings, Consett, 7.30. To prepare schedule for show on Nov. 23.—J. Hedworth Coupland.

Choppington C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Railway Hotel, 7.30. Show business.—G. H. Seely.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Sept. 9, Church Institute, 60, Paddington St., Marylebone, W., 8.15. Wild seed competition. Three medals presented, providing there are not less than six competitors.—H. W. Dickinson.

Clapham C.B.A.—Sept. 9, Landor Hotel, 8. Final arrangements re open show.—A. R. Coe.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Sept. 14, Black Bull, 7. Consider classification for open show, and other very important business. Owing to meeting night being on one of the race days, we were unable to have Thursday, 12th inst. Members please note this alteration.—G. Bescoby.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Market Hall Coffee Tavern, 7.30. Important.—J. Bostock.

Dewsbury C.B.S.—Sept. 8, Little Saddle, 7.30. General business.—S. Shaw.

Denton C.B.S.—Sept. 9, Brotherhood Institute, 8. Special show business, also important business concerning amalgamation and novices.—W. Hopwood.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Sept. 7, Fountain Inn, 8. Arrangements for combined show; important business.—W. Nettleton.

Gainsborough and Dis. C.B.S.—Sept. 7, No. 1, Mess Room, 7. Business important re the annual show.—J. E. Conway.

Grangemouth O.S.—Sept. 11, Recabite Hall, 8.—Jno. Woodhouse.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Sept. 11, Lockhart's, High St., 8. Committee report for confirmation new secretary, show manager and auditor, show schedule, allotting judges' work.—J. G. Greason.

Glasgow West End C.B.C.—Sept. 13, Co-op. Hall, St. George's Cross, 8. Monthly meeting; Business: General.—William Proudfoot.

Halifax O.S.—Sept. 7, Plummet Line Hotel, 8. Old show business, important. Will give out Yorkshire Union handbooks if they arrive in time.—Harry Clegg

Hackney Stoke Newington F.A.—Sept. 10, Headquarters, 8. Young stock show.—C. L. Hatchett.

Hebden Bridge and Calder Valley O.S—Sept 12, White Horse Hotel, 7.30 Business: Table show. Classes, 2 Yorks., 2 Nor., 1 A.O.V. Judge, Mr. J. T. Greenwood.—A. Pickles, Sec.

Huddersfield O.S.—Sept. 9, Old Hat Hotel, 8. Important.—F. Syke.

Ilkeston C.B.S.—Sept. 14, Live and Let Live Inn, 7. Open show arrangements.—T. Smith.

Kelty and Blairadam C.B.A.—Sept. 7, Headquarters, 7. Approval of schedule for open show; payment of membership fee for 1912, etc.—A. Dickson.

Keighley C.B.S.—Sept. 10, Horse and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Kindly attend if possible.—J. Binns.

Loanhead C.B.S.—Sept. 14, Mason's Arms, 7.30. Selection of cups and medals, and other show business.—W. B. Smart.

Leicester C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Saracen's Head Hotel, 8.15. Adoption of winter programme; very important business.—G. H. Groocock.

Leigh C.B.S.—Sept. 11, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Paper discussion.—R. Charleson.

Liverpool B.B.A.—Sept. 12, Oldham Hall, 8. Schedule for old show and elect delegates for amalgamated show.—F. Eccleston.

Leeds C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Lockhart's, next door to Hope Bros., Briggate, 7.30. Open show business.—W. A. Wilson.

Leeds Roller C.C.—Sept. 7, 55, Briggate, 7.30.—W. L. Davis.

Lancashire and Lizard F.A.—Sept. 14, The Church Inn, Oldham, 6.30. General business, etc. John Rukin.

Longton C.B.S.—No meeting on Sept. 10.—G. Lea.

Littleborough C.B.S.—Sept. 11, Coffee House, 8. General business and supper.—H. Woodhead.

Leith O.S.—Sept. 14, Liberal Club, Kopo St., 7. Lecture of Mr. Steel, Dalkeith; new cup on view.—Geo. Brown.

L.C.B.A.—Sept. 11, "The Feathers," Great Chapel Street, Westminster, S.W. General business and a paper on the Yorkshire Canary, by Mr. Mallinson, reciting his 50 years' experience with the variety. Visitors welcome.—W. H. Mugford and F. Knight.

London and Counties' A.C.B.—Sept. 7, The Earl Cathcart Osnaburgh St., N.W., 8. Fix date for autumn show. Hints on Yorkshire Canary. Friends welcome.—W. Gilbert.

Longton C.B.S.—Sept. 10, Castle Inn, 8. Classification. Open show business.—Geo. Lea.

Mannington C.B.A.—Sept. 7, Headquarters, 8. Open show business; probably Union handbook will be ready.—H. Grange.

Nottingham and Notts. O.S.—Sept. 10, Mechanics' Institute, 8. Schedule and arrangements for coming show.—G. E. Wilkinson.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Sept. 10, Balmoral Hotel, Harpurhey, 8. Nov. show business, and report of amalgamated show delegates.—John Davey.

Oldham C.B.A.—Sept. 10, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. Social arrangements. Draw business; also general business, etc.—James Cope.

Pendleton and Salford O.S.—Sept. 9, Irwell Castle Hotel, Lr. Broughton, 8. Annual show business. Delegates' report re amalgamated show.—Critchley and Metcalfe.

Queen's Park C.B.A.—Sept. 12, Emmanuel Hall, 8. General meeting.—W. J. Lethbridge, Junr.

Rycroft and Rawmarsh.—Sept. 7, Queen's Hotel, 8. Special meeting to form classes for first annual show.—W. Wilshaw.

Rawtenstall F.S.—Sept. 10, in the Mission Room, Hall St., Rawtenstall, 7.30. Show and meeting; 4 classes for cage birds: Silver Lizard, Gold Lizard, British, and A.O.V. Mr. W. J. Naden will judge. All cage bird fanciers are cordially invited.—Herbert Kershaw, Secretary.

Rochdale O.C.—Sept. 9, Club Rooms, 8.30. Open show business.—R. Blincoe.

Scottish Plainhead Club.—Sept. 7, 122, Ingram St., Glasgow, 5.30. Allocation of club patronage.—J. Brown.

Swansea C.B.A.—Sept. 10, Market Tavern, 8. Important.—George and Jenkins.

South Shields C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Cyprus Hotel, 7.30. Important.—Wm. L. Smith.

Springburn Possil Park C.B.C.—Sept. 11, Reid Hall, 8. Open monthly meeting.—J. Waugh.

Sheriehill F. and F.S.—Sept. 7, St. John's Mission Rooms, 6.30. Monthly meeting. Nomination of judges for November show, and other business.—W. Stockton.

Southend and Southern Counties O.S.—Sept. 11, Headquarters, 8. General meeting; special business; Mason's cup and Nov. show.—C. Tapper.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Sept. 14, Fawcett St. Cafe, 7.30.—J. Jeffrey.

S. Birmingham O.S.—Sept. 11, Sydenham Hotel, Small Heath, 8.30. Classification for young stock show, at 9. Mr. J. Burke opens a debate on "Birds suitable for show purposes, and how to prepare them." All fanciers welcome.—J. Sheppard.

Sandy Lane C.B.A.—Sept. 10, Victoria Hotel, 8. Distribution of schedules for members' shows, etc.—Ratcliffe and Shaw.

South London Col. and F.A.—Sept. 12, at "Royal George," Tanner's Hill, Lewisham, S.E., 8. General meeting.—George F. Crawford.

Skipton C.B.S.—Sept. 9, Globe Coffee Tavern, 8.—E. Gill.

Tong C.B.S.—Sept. 10, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.45. Business important.—W. Walker.

Wandsworth F.A.—Sept. 12, Red Lion, 8. Report of the sub-committees who are drawing up schedule for the open show.—W. Lightfoot.

Walsend and Mid. Tyne C.B.A.—Sept. 11, Station Hotel, 7.30. Schedule alteration and subs.—J. Macdonald.

Walkley C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Mission Rooms, Westmorland St., 8. Lecture on British birds and their seeds, by Mr. T. Bishop; and arrangements for annual show.—A. Lawton.

Wolverhampton C.B.S —Sept. 12, Duke of York, 8. Open show business; important.—J. Gibbons.

Windhill C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Open show business, etc. Members' subs. now due.—J. Taylor.

West of Scotland O.S.—Sept. 7, Nelson's Temp. Hotel, 7.30. Usual monthly; new members still being enrolled.—W. Hutchinson.

West Stanley C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Co-op. Hall, 7.30. Annual show business; subs. due.—W. Elliott.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Horse and Groom Inn, 8. Arrangements for first Second Feather show.—H. C. Crossley.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Sept. 10, Dartmouth Hotel, 8. Schedule for next show (November).—W. G. Andrews.

York C.B.S.—Sept. 9, All Saints' School, 7.45. Concert arranged by Mr. A. Richardson.—H. Sayles.

Tools for Cage-making (R. G.).—No one, so far as we know, makes a speciality of "cage-making tools." The tools necessary for cage-making are just the ordinary tools used by a carpenter, plus a pair each of cutting pliers, wire nippers and round-nosed pliers, and soldering iron. With these latter, and a jack plane, smoothing plane, square, cutting gauge, two-foot rule, glue-pot and brush, bradawls of various sizes, small hammer, and a tenon saw, you would be fully equipped for the task of cage-making. For materials, you will require ¼ and ⅜ wood, brads of different lengths, or, preferably, "panel pins," wire of different gauges, say 12, 14, and 16, and some lengths of punched bar.

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Longevity in Caged Birds.

A Napoleon Bishop Passes Away After Twenty-two Years.

Sir,—I am sorry to have to report the death of "The Bishop," my old Napoleon Weaver, after being in my possession twenty-two years and two months. He is much missed, and as you kindly inserted the notice of his "twentieth birthday" in your paper, I thought it might interest your readers to know the age he finally attained. He passed away quite suddenly and peacefully, and enjoyed a meal-worm to the last.

E. G. Watts.

P.S.—My Russ' Weaver means to run him close; he is now aged sixteen years.

Affairs of the Y.C. and C.B.S. of Ireland.

A Reply from the Hon. Secretary.

Sir,—In reply to committeeman's letter in your issue of 24th inst., I would like to inform him that the information he received is not to be depended on. He states that already several new innovations have been adopted for the forthcoming show, which will help to keep birds at home. I have attended all meetings of the Council this year, and have no knowledge of the innovations to which he refers. The new scheme of hanging birds around the walls and producing catalogues without advertisements exists only in his imagination, as such a thing has never been suggested at any meeting of the Council. Now, Mr. "C.," don't you think that it would be more manly for you to write above your own name and state the true facts than trying to hide behind the non de plume of "Committeeman," which I am aware you are not.

In reply to Mr. Gillens' letter in your issue of 31st inst., in which he refers to "Committeeman's" ignorance of the affairs of the Y.C. and C.B.S. of Ireland, I may mention that Mr. Gillen only attended once since his election on the Council this year. This does not look as if he took much interest in the Society or its funds, and it may also account for his ignorance of the affairs of the Society. For his information, I may state that the meeting he refers to as being held a few weeks ago, was held on 17th June, at which he was not present. A resolution was then proposed by Mr. Power, and seconded by Mr. Birse, that legal proceedings be taken for the recovery of staging, which was required for the young bird show, and passed unanimously. As the matter of staging is pending, I cannot go any more fully into it at present. I observe your P.S., and have my opinion.

C. Lattimore, Hon. Sec.

How to Bend Cage Wire.

Sir,—Seeing that a correspondent asks for a method of bending cage wire in your issue of the 24th, I will give him my method of proceeding, which, I think, will take some beating, both for quickness and for keeping the bends all true. If he wants to make round-top cages, let him get some common jam pots; the small 1lb. size pot will do for small call cages, the 2lb. pot for larger size cages, the 3lb. pot for Yorkshire show cage top. Cut the wires all one length; then take the pot, according to size cage you want to make. Place the wire across the pot, and with your thumbs press the wire firmly round the pot until the two ends just meet. Bend one wire at a time at first, and when you get into it, you can bend more. (I bend half-a-dozen at a time myself). You will find this method will keep the wires all on a level all round when you have finished your cage. To make the flat top cage, cut a piece of board the exact width of cage you are making, place wire across board, and bend firmly at corners. Mark the board with square and lead mark across, according to the gauge the cage is to be wired. The board can be left in while the cage is being soldered, and it will keep the cage true and square. Re fancy turns and twists, your correspondent will have to have some practice in wire-working before he can make anything worth looking at; but he will be surprised at what he can do after a bit of practice. Hold wire firmly in right hand, and with thumb and finger of left hand slide along wire and bend slightly at the same time to any curve you want. For sharp curves use pliers, and for curves and rings ordinary chair legs and staves will be found very useful. He will also find these useful for making round drinking holes in cages. I hope I have made my methods clear to your correspondent, and if there is anything else in wire-working, both household and cage utensils, he would like to know, or anyone else, if they will send stamped addressed envelope, I will reply.

J. Barber,

7, Church View, Longbridge Hoyes, Burslem.

Proposed New Society for Boscombe and Dist. (Hants).

Sir,—There will be a meeting at 12, Wilton Road, Boscombe, September 11, at 8, to consider forming an Association for Boscombe and district. Several well-known gentlemen have kindly offered to help us. Now, fanciers, pull yourselves together and see what can be done.

H. Butler.

4, Wolverton Terrace, Pokesdown, Bournemouth.

Linnet Contests.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Dobson's letter in Cage Birds last week in regard to how we carry out our contests for quality and time, I will give him my system of working them at Leigh. We have the usual time judges, and also two judges and a referee for quality. We sing half a minute, spring, and five minutes' bluff, three seconds or over to count; and birds are timed as soon as they are put in the window. All the birds are judged for both quality and time. If any further information is wanted regarding same, I will try and oblige.

T. Statham.

Will Mules Breed?

A Beginner Says he has Done it First Time.

Sir,—I am sending to let you know that although I never kept birds before in my life a Roller hen first, and then a Linnet Mule, I started with a couple this summer. I bought and I put the two in the same cage. I have had a young one from them, and the young one is a clear bird, and a cock. Two of my friends who know all about it told me to write to Cage Birds, and that is why I am sending you this.

William Hancock.

Tredegar.

[The solution may be that our correspondent has a marked or green Canary, and not a Linnet Mule.—Editor.]

The Wryneck as a Cage Bird.

Sir,—Seeing in your issue of Aug. 10 an article on the nesting of the Wryneck, I am sending you a few notes on the bird in captivity, hoping these will be of interest to my fellow-readers of Cage Birds. The Wryneck as a cage bird, when steady and in good plumage, is a bird well worth owning, and one which all British bird exhibitors should possess. They can be kept for years providing that they are fed correctly. As I have kept a fair number of these birds, and had them live with me for several years, I can speak from practical knowledge. My birds were caught always when they came over in the spring by using limed twigs near the holes of decayed trees. They were kept in large home-made box cages with the back of the cage cork-lined, and with a slit at the top of the cage something like that of a letter box, only not nearly so large. From this opening I used to drop into the crevices of the cork ants and their eggs, mealworms, and spiders, in fact, nearly any insect I could procure, as I have found out from experience in keeping birds there is nothing like giving them something to amuse them, and cause them to take exercise. The Wryneck is now very often exhibited at our large shows, so I will describe the bird, as it may interest many of your young readers, who are not well acquainted with it. The beak is long and slender, and is a pale lead colour in summer, but in autumn and winter a dingy green. The tongue is much like that of the Woodpecker, being of considerable length, which enables it to get well into crevices for its food. The head is ashen grey, spotted with black, white, and rusty brown; a broad stripe of brownish black commencing at the back part of the head and running a good way down the back. The remainder of the upper portion of the body is greyish brown, striped and spotted with black, white, and a reddish brown; from the upper corner of the eyes, extending backwards, is a pale streak of yellowish chestnut; the cheeks, throat, fore part and sides of neck, the upper part of the breast, and vent are yellow, tinged with chestnut or brown, and crossed with black wavy lines; the lower parts of the breast and belly, as well as the thighs, are yellowish white, mottled, sparsely covered with triangular shaped blackish-brown spots; the larger pen feathers are black, marked on the outer web alternately with spots of dark brown and rusty brown; the lesser quill feathers and wing coverts are brown striped with grey and black, and mottled profusely with black and white spots; the tail is light grey, mottled with black and brown, and crossed with four broad bars of black. The legs are short and lead coloured. The hen is a trifle smaller than the male, and paler in colour, especially so in the under parts of her body. Their nests are slovenly put together, and consisting of moss, wool, dried grass or hay, and hair, are built in holes in trees. The hen lays from six to ten glossy white eggs. I have raised these birds from the nest with bread and milk, yolk of egg, and ant eggs soaked, and mealworms, with any spiders, flies, etc., I could procure. The adult birds may be fed on any good soft food mixture. These birds—and, in fact, all insectivorous ones—should be kept scrupulously clean, or they will soon smell strong in a bird room, and they must be kept warm during the winter.

Nimrod.

The Bread and Milk Diet for Young Canaries.

Another reader sings its praises.

Sir,—Having been an amateur fancier about twelve years, I have during the time reared a number of Canaries, generally from twenty to forty in a season, with from two to four pairs of birds. I have always studied my birds, and fed them with what I found they liked best, as I have found that birds vary in their tastes just as we do ourselves. That being so, my methods of feeding, have been various, but I have not yet come across a bird that would not eat bread and milk, and I have always given it to all my birds once or twice a week all the year round. I never attempted, however, to rear young birds entirely on it till last year (season 1911), and I did not then do so altogether as an experiment, but more through force of circumstances. I started the season with two pairs of Canaries. No. 1 pair—a yellow unflighted Roller-Norwich cock, and a cinnamon buff hen, untried. The hen laid four eggs, and (the cock being removed) hatched out four young. I prepared hard boiled egg and biscuit, but the hen would not touch it, but fed the young entirely on hemp seed. When the young were four days old I tried the egg-food again, but she would not take it. I then tried bread and milk, and this she took to at once, and successfully reared the brood entirely on it. Of course, I supplied plenty of canary seed, and a young dandelion leaf daily as well. When the young were about a month old, I removed them into a flight cage, still supplying the bread and milk. I paired the birds again, and four eggs were laid, all of which duly hatched out. This brood was fed on hemp seed till four days old, and afterwards on bread and milk, and successfully reared, as before. I paired the birds for the third time, and the result was again four young, which were successfully reared, as before; the birds were then separated. My second pair consisted of a buff Norwich cock and a green hen, both untried. Four eggs were laid, but the hen sat only for three days and then left the nest. I returned the cock, but she would not take to the nest again. I paired these up again at the latter end of May, and the second nest of four were successfully reared, having, from the shell, nothing but bread and milk. A third nest of four had bread and milk only, as before, and all were reared. I continued giving the bread and milk to all the birds right through the moult, a small quantity daily. My method of preparing the bread and milk is this: I use wholemeal bread, cut into small squares, and placed on a saucer. I then put some new milk into a saucepan, and bring to the boil. I pour a small quantity on each square, as much as the bread will absorb, then sprinkle a pinch of castor sugar, and a pinch of maw seed on each lump, and allow to stand about fifteen minutes before giving to the birds. This milk sop was made fresh twice daily, morning and evening. I prefer the wholemeal bread, as it is more nourishing, and not so sloppy as ordinary white bread. My breeding cages are all single—18in. by 14in. by 9in.; seed boxes and drinkers outside. The birds are kept in a cold room, window facing east, and the cages against the wall facing South, thus getting the early morning sun, and the birds are always in the best of health. I never use mixed seeds, but always keep the seed boxes well filled with plain canary seed, "tit-bits" being given separately. I am a regular subscriber to Cage Birds. I think it is a most valuable paper to fanciers, and wish it every success.

C. Thane.

The Disastrous Floods at Norwich.

Appeals for the Bird-keepers Who Have Suffered.

Sir,—Permit me to say that it was with the deepest regret that I saw through the daily papers of last week the dreadful disaster which had befallen many of the Canary fanciers of Norwich by the floods, in which many of the fanciers have lost their most valuable strains, which have taken years to produce, and I wish to convey with all other true fanciers a message of heartfelt sympathy to all those who have suffered that great loss. I hope I shall see through your valuable columns that something will be done to help some of the poorer fanciers, who have lost all their pets, that they may once again keep going on with that profitable and interesting hobby, Canary breeding.

A. E. Jeffries.

Richmond, Yorks.

A Well-known Judge's Views.

Sir,—In speaking of the terrible disaster which has overtaken the City of Norwich, you say: "This news will be received with the greatest regret by bird lovers the world over." You then go on to speak of a message of sympathy. So far, so good. But should the Cage Bird Fancy be content to stop at that? Sympathy is cheap. It costs nothing. With your permission I would like to suggest that something more practical be done.

In the past the City of Norwich has done much for the Cage Bird Fancy. The men of the Eastern City were practically the pioneers of the Cage Bird Fancy as it exists to-day. To their work we owe much. In this, their hour of need, comes the opportunity of those who have benefited by their work to show that the brotherhood of the Fancy is no mere meaningless term, but a strong, living, active force. Our brothers at Norwich need help. What can we do for them?

There are thousands of fanciers scattered throughout the kingdom, and if everyone gave one shilling towards a fund for the benefit of our brothers in Norwich, a goodly sum would be raised. I would suggest that you, Sir, as Editor of Cage Birds open a shilling fund, and get out collecting sheets, such sheets to be sent to the members of all the Societies appearing in Cage Birds Annual and to the members of Cage Birds League. A mighty canvassing force is here ready to hand; a leader only is required. Who more fitted for the position that the Editor of Cage Birds, aided by the Secretary of Cage Birds League, and the secretaries of all those societies I have mentioned.

To give the movement a start, I shall be pleased to give ten shillings towards such a fund. I have said "A Shilling Fund." *This does not mean that subscriptions will be limited to one shilling.* Those who are in a position to do so, could give more, but I do think that every reader of Cage Birds could give at least one shilling for such an object, some could not afford more, but their one shilling would relatively be equal to the one hundred shillings which some of our more wealthy fanciers might be disposed to give.

Apart, however, from what they may feel disposed to give themselves, fanciers could, by the expenditure of a little labour and time, collect in office, shop, warehouse, workshop, factory, mill, etc., many hundreds of shillings from their fellow workers. Subscriptions to the fund need not necessarily be restricted to fanciers, but the fund would represent the efforts of fanciers in giving and collecting for one of the most deserving objects it has ever fallen to their lot to assist.

During the past twelve months we have seen what can be done by organised and determined effort in connection with the Y.M.C.A. Will Cage Birds readers be less willing to organise and work for charity's sake?

As I have shown, Cage Birds readers are drawn from, and come in contact with all sorts and conditions of men. Apart from what may be done amongst personal friends and acquaintances, there is a big field that will shortly be ready to reap, and which should yield a big harvest. In less than a month we shall be in the full swing of the autumn show season. Many are the shillings which earnest pushful fanciers could collect from visitors to our forthcoming shows. Each of our Cage Birds societies could make a collection amongst its members, and thus, added to the amounts collected at shows, and in places of business, would make, as our Lancashire friends would say, "A gradely total."

How such a fund should be disbursed is as important as how it should be collected, and I would suggest that you, Sir, call to your assistance such men as Messrs. Roll, Freestone, Campling, Revell, Stark, Cooper and others connected with the clubs of Norwich. These gentlemen would be able to furnish you with the names of fanciers who have suffered from this awful disaster, and would also be able to give you an idea as to how each sufferer should be assisted. At headquarters you could call in the help of Messrs. Ramsden, Law, Crisp, Tyson, Heath, Robson, and others. By such combined effort and administration would everyone be satisfied, and the fund would be wisely and carefully dealt with.

Never before have Cage Birds readers had such an opportunity presented to them of showing their power, and I hope they will not fail to grasp it. The cause is a good one, and urgent in the necessity. I trust the Fancy will rise to the occasion, and show the world at large that there is indeed truth, strength, and sympathy in the Brotherhood of the Fancy.

C. A. House.

[Mr. House's admirable and forceful letter will touch the sympathies of all bird-keepers, though from our special report on page 715, it will be seen that fortunately the situation has been exaggerated so far as the losses of bird keepers are concerned.—Editor.]

A Net Query.

A Reader Kindly Replies.

Sir,—In reply to "Birdlet," re above, the best colour I find is a light brown, the colour of hay. To stain the nets, get some walnut husks and boil them in an old pot, and put the nets in the liquor. They will come out a good colour and will not fade, and it will not injure the nets. Your nets will require "arming," or they will not hang square. The advantage is fourfold. The way to arm them is to drive a nail in the wall, tie a loop to it, and then take a 2in. mesh and tie on loop; slip that off the mesh. Now put your netting needle back through four meshes, and tie another loop; slip that off, now tie another loop, but don't pick up any meshes, and so on right along the net. If done correctly, you will have loops at top for line and at bottom with the meshes on. If "Birdlet" cannot follow, and will send me his nets, I will arm them for him. Editor has my address. W.C.

Egg Binding Extraordinary.

Canary Hen Holds Up Egg for Ten Days.

Sir,—Below you will find an account of egg-binding. On the Friday hen laid first egg, second on Saturday, Sunday morning (it happened to be my Sunday off duty) I went into bird room about 7.0 a.m., and found the hen under perch in front of cage with wings spread out and the skin of her eyes down. I took her, oiled her vent, steamed her and gave her a dose of whisky, took the cock away and put her on nest. An hour after, seeing no improvement, I repeated operation, and then left her to her fate. Monday morning, 4.45 a.m., before going to work I expected seeing her dead, but she was on the perch calling for her mate. I had to return him, for her continual calling made other hens uneasy. She looked very heavy about the eyes and greatly swollen about the abdomen. Whon I caught her I could feel the egg. The following Tuesday week (ten days afterwards) she laid two eggs, one sound, and the other milk white and decomposing. with a hole in the side, made by the good egg passing over it; she bas since laid eggs and hatched out chicks, but would not feed, and having no other hen at liberty I am sorry to say I lost them. I spoke to a faucier about it and he said it was not uncommon for a bird to lay two eggs in one day, but I think it is very unusual for a ben to carry an egg for 10 days. What I cannot understand is being egg bound with third egg, after laying two all right. The hen is alive now and going on well with the moult.

A. E. Lono.

Bradford National Cage Bird Show.

To Exhibitors of British Birds, Mules and Hybrids.

Sir,—I beg to call exhibitors' special attention to Bradford's gigantie show on Dec. 6, 7, and 9. I might add in connection with same that never before, to my knowledge, has such a large classification been given to any show in Yorkshire for British, Mules and Hybrids. We have secured the patronage of the National British Bird and Mule Club, in addition to the Yorkshire County B.B. and M.C. Tbe N.B.B. and M.C. have allotted three medals to be won at this show, namely one gold, one silver, and one bronze. I earnestly appeal to my South Country friends tc rally round us in this, our great event. I assure them that every care shall be used for proper attention to be given to their exhibits, both as regards feeding and general management. There are thirteen classes for British, and six classes for Mules and Hybrids, and I am anticipating that our section will prove worthy of the classes that have been put on. I also wish exhibitors to remember that we have specially catered for the exhibitors, and indeed, seeing the show is for the benefit of those who cannot help themselves, let us for once have that "Unity, which is strength." In connection with the small club here in Yorkshire, over which I have the pleasure of presiding, I have to say that every possible attention will be given to outside exhibitors' wants, and we ask you to give us the chance of seeing what we can do respecting this section. I trust that the great National Show will provide a red letter day, and that the British Bird section will have proved itself worthy of being well catered for.

Fred Archer.
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A Ramble in Surrey.

Mr. H. Goodchild, who last week gave us an account of a day's ramble among the birds in a northern London district, now tells of a day in a southerly direction.

The rich harvest of "species" reaped by careful observation in the the company of Mr. Crabb, of the L. and P.O.S., in tbe Valley of the Colne, whetted my appetite to see more in another direction, and starting from Waterloo, we detrained before noon within thirty miles of London, and having met a veteran resident of the neighbourhood we were visiting, doubled back and commenced a circular tour.

The district we were in was thinly populated with human beings, but well populated with feathered bipeds. Not to mention the Sparrow, we had seen the Starling, Crow, and Waterhen on the way down, and soon got among the Robins, which, with the Wrens, were the only birds still singing. House Martins and Swallows were all around us, but we looked in vain for the Sand Martin and the Swift, though our guide assured us we should see the latter.

The Wood Pigeon was soon on the list, and numbers of Pheasants, nearly full grown, were seen both near the keepers' cottages and further afield. The Chaffinch's "pink," too intense to be mistaken for the Great Tits, soon was heard. Before mid-day, a Hawk was sighted, which at first was set down as a Sparrow Hawk, but which proved to be a Kestrel, and was identified at long range by its "hovering."

The Wary Mistle Thrush.

The Mistle Thrush's "churr" was heard, the bird was seen only at a distance, as, with characteristic wariness it did not allow us to approach closely. The Blackbird and Song Thrush were soon seen, and again a Kestrel, despite game preservers and their conscientious servants. The pipe of tbe Green Woodpecker sounded in our ears as we skirted a covert, but even three pairs of sharp eyes failed to actually see the bird. Local knowledge of both Mr. Crabb and our veteran friend took me to the nesting site now vacated, of the Green Woodpecker, some 25 feet up in the side of a Canadian Poplar. The frequent piping of the "Yaffle," as they call the Green Woodpecker, blended with the harsh and angry rasp of the Jay, and before long we saw the birds, three young ones, which flew in a line across our view, but well out of the range of a shot-gun. Jenny Wren was heard singing, and a Wagtail was seen high up, and far off; too far for ordinary binoculars to distinguish its species.

Soon after 1 p.m. we arrived at our "Mecca," a long strip of common near a village, well furnished with bramble and whin bushes and other cover suitable for birds, and just as we were preparing for lunch, we sighted what our guide had told us had been seen that morning—Goldfinches. All those I was able to examine through the binoculars were "Greypates." In less than an hour, the common we were on yielded us the sight or sound of fourteen species of birds, viz., Yellow Bunting, Goldfinch, Long-tailed Tit, Stonechat, Skylark, Starling, Backbird, Green Woodpecker, Greenfinch, Whitethroat, Linnet, Wren, Peewit, and Partridge. We saw a covey of six Partridges and the Peewits were in two flocks, one of 20 and the other, 75 at least. Stonechats were repeatedly seen, the Wren was heard singing, and the Hedge Accentor added to our list before we moved on.

A Butterfly Day.

The day was bright enough to have brought out the butterflies, and we noted the "Meadow Brown" and both the small and the large heath butterflies; working our way over the common, we added the Willow Wren and the Marsh Tit to our bird list, the Blue Tit having already been recorded.

After tea in a comfortable cottage with our host, we resumed operations and saw ponds and marshy spots where Snipe were to be seen in days gone by.

Under a hawthorn bush we found a heavy and primitive trap, baited with grain, looking as if it could hold nothing smaller than a rabbit, which our guide told us was set to catch Pheasants that wandered from a neighbouring estate.

The Nightjar Not on View.

We had hoped for a sight of Nightjars, but were disappointed, and were fain to console ourselves with the sight of a female Reed Bunting, and later with a view of a Pipit.

Mr. Crabb had to catch a particular train, and he since tells me that on the way home he saw the Mute Swan. I remained behind to try and see the Nightjars, and wandered down a very moist lane, to flush a fine cock Pheasant, and to see more Longtailed Tits, but our visit to the Nightjars' haunts proved a "forlorn hope." We got wet, but added nothing to the 35 species that between us we had heard or seen in one day in wooded and peaceful Surrey. H. Goodchild.

The Bird o' Circle.

An Old Hand Gives His Views.

Sir,—I was pleased to see the picture of two fine Scotch Fancies on the front page of Cage Birds of August 24, and as I looked at them it awakened memories of years gone by when the Scotch Fancy was the leading bird of the day. I am sorry it has lost a lot of ground these last few years, but just as sure as the sun shines, it will come to the front again. I think it would be a good idea if the breeders of the two birds which adorned the front page of your valuable paper would tell us how they bred these two fine specimens, and would give their experience on the breeding of the Scotch Fancy. It would be a great help to the advancement of the one time leading bird of the day. I am sorry to say this bird is much misrepresented; it is said to be a weak bird, a bad feeder, and hard to rear and not prolific. I can contradict all those statements. It is just as good a feeder as any other variety, as hardy, and as prolific. You get bad feeders in every class of Canaries, and bad breeders, so there is no use placing all those faults at the door of the Scotch Fancy, for they are just as clear of them as any other variety of the Canary family. It is a bird that has an attraction that no other Canary has, except the Belgian. Just look at him when you lift the cage; see how he gets up and drives out his head and lifts his shoulders and put down his head and strains every nerve, as though to say to his master: "Am I doing what is right?" He needs little training if he is a good one, and no colour-feeding. No trouble of that kind and you have something to look at and then the cheer it brings to the breeder's heart when he breeds a Derby winner. If, as some call it, the bird of the year, I hope I have not trespassed to much of your valuable space with this letter. I wish Cage Birds the success it deserves, for the Fancy cannot be half thankful enough for a paper like it. We can express our views through its pages, even though we are hundreds of miles apart, and I hope to live to see it achieving even greater success in years to come than it has done in the past, and that means a great deal.

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Give Birds Rain-water.

Many good and useful hints appear from time to time as to how to feed birds, but nothing ever said about their drink, which is quite as important as their food. Wash all drinkers every morning with soap and soda, and well rinse in clean water and fill with rain water from a slate roof, if you can. It is their natural drink. If your readers do so they will have all birds healthy and strong, mine are—not tap water.—H. B. Bambridge, 5, Bolton Street, Brixham, Devon.

A Recipe for the Breeding of Mealworms.

Nearly fill a gallon jar with wheat, bran, barley, or oatmeal, sugar paper and bits of old leather. Put into the jar a pint of mealworms, tie a woollen cloth over the mouth of the jar, and let it stand for three months. The cloth must be occasionally wetted with beer. The mealworms propagate very rapidly, and at the end of the time your pint of mealworms will have increased into half a gallon.—H. Rippin, 16, Eastgate, Peterborough.

To Prevent Birds at Shows from Becoming Soft.

[Winner of Half-crown Prize.]

A good many exhibition birds become soft while on view at most of our shows. If convenient for an exhibitor to go himself, he should take some water in a bottle for his birds, as the change of water often causes them to go soft. Show secretaries ought to use water that has been kept at boiling point (212 degrees) for about ten minutes, as that temperature renders certain salts, etc., contained by the water, harmless. This precaution would reduce the number of soft birds by at least one-half at the shows. The same precaution may be applied to birds purchased from a distance, care being taken to boil the water daily for the first week.—Jas. Hillier, 38, Sun Street, Stranraer.

Good Bird Grit for Nothing.

After there has been a lot of rain, have a walk along a brook till you come to a sharp turn in it, and you will mostly find a lot of silt, etc., washed up on the bank. Get some of this in a bucket and put under the tap and turn the water on. Stir it well with a stick till the water comes out clean, and you will find at the bottom of the bucket a lot of clean, sharp grit. The water washes all the dirt and mud out, and the grit, being the heaviest, settles on the bottom.—H. C. Ainge, 21, Thorpe Road, Melton Mowbray.

How to Make Milk Sop.

[Winner of Half-crown Prize.]

Here is a hint for making milk sop which I am convinced will satisfy all who try it. Procure a 1-lb. jam jar and a fair sized saucepan. Then get one tea biscuit and a round of stale bread. Fill up jar with this within an inch of top. Then pour enough milk and water in equal parts to just cover the bread. Add one tea-spoonful of sugar and one teaspoonful of syrup of hypophosphates. Put jar in saucepan half filled with water on the fire and boil till bread and milk becomes like a thick jelly. When cool it is ready for use. The birds will eat this with relish, and it will keep for the best part of a week. I might say that this hint was gained by practical personal experience, as this year, in consequence of a lot of my young birds dying, I was at my wits' end. But after giving this a fair trial I am glad to say I did not lose any more youngsters.—James Porter, Newtowncunningham, Co. Donegal.

American Cress Advocated as a Green Food.

American or Land Cress, as it is called, is an excellent green food for birds. It tastes like watercress, though the leaves are slightly different in form. It is easily grown in one's own garden. 1-oz. of seed at 4d. will sow two square yards, which will keep the average fancier going all summer. Begin at end of the patch, and cut the blades as required, and by the time you get over it all the first cut will be ready again, thus insuring it always being fresh and tender. I find the young birds thrive very well on it, and if one has to go to the burns for watercress or the fields for chickweed, especially in a wet summer like this one, a little bit of work in the garden will be well repaid.—A. B. Allardyce, 99, Rosemount Place, Aberdeen.

Through a Bird-room Window

This article on the Dayal is No. 27 of the new series of personal birdy experiences related by that eminent aviculturist the Rev. C. D. FARRAR

No. 27.—MY DAYAL BIRDS.

I BELIEVE it was Shakespeare who once said, "A rose by any other name would smell just as sweet." I do not dispute the fact for a moment. It is probably the same with the Indian Dayal, but his present denomination has a history. He is commonly known as the Dayal, or by dealers as the Dayal bird. Latham called him the Dial, and the great Swede, jumping to the conclusion that his name had something to do with the sun, christened him Copsychus solaris, or meant to do so, but he or his amanuensis, or his printer, made a mistake in the last word, and the poor creature has been known to science ever since as Copsychus saularis. However, I expect he is quite happy, as they say, "Ignorance is bliss," and as he cannot possibly know Latin, he is none the wiser.

I may here say that the Indian Dayal is a rare bird, and therefore when you come across him, do not fail to secure him. The lady Dayal is still rarer, and I have only happened on two in my long avicultural life, as I shall relate in due course, and I secured them both.

Mind you, I am not always as lucky. Only a few months ago I saw two White Sparrows advertised in CAGE BIRDS, but I lost them through over-caution. I have so often been taken in by descriptions that I have grown horribly suspicious. I am suspicious as a wary old Magpie of a gin. I thought they might be only White Javas, so I wrote and made careful enquiry if they were really *Passer domesticus*. By return of post I got a note, saying how much the writer enjoyed my articles, but that for once I had been too cautious, as the birds had been sold. "Dear Mr. Farrar," he wrote; "it is not often you are caught napping, but for once you have slumbered—the birds were sold the same day by wire." My feelings were what the reporters call unreportable, and I determined to be less cautious another time.

An Introduction to Yorkshire.

One day I was walking down at Forest Gate, when in a corn chandler's I saw a cock Dayal. I almost shouted for joy, but was prudent enough to restrain my over-wrought feelings. Was it not Linnæus who, when he saw a mass of gorse in bloom, thanked God he was alive? I understand his feelings perfectly; but I went into the shop with, I hope, a quiet and composed, not a very expressive countenance, and asked the price of the black and white bird in the wicker cage. The man answered me in the most matter-of-fact way, as though he were selling a pound of sausages, that the bird was an Indian Dyal, and that I could have him for 25s. If he had said £5, he would have been mine, but luckily our neighbours cannot always read our secret thoughts. I put him into a soap box, for lieu of anything better, and proudly carried him down to Micklefield, and I felt that Yorkshire was an honoured county.

We are celebrated for many things in the county of broad acres. We love "brass," we love horses, and we love a little bit on a race, but above all we love to best somebody, and I felt that this day I had bested a lot of people; in fact, I felt that I had done almost as big a thing by introducing the Dayal to Yorkshire, as Sir Walter Raleigh did, when he introduced the succulent tuber to Ireland.

The first thing I did after getting Master Dayal out of his travelling quarters, was to give him a right good "wesh," and he wanted it, too. It is wonderful what a lot of dirt you can get out of a travelled Dayal, but it amply repays you to see how he enjoys himself after he is dry. I suppose he feels very much the sensation of peace with all the world as we men do after a luxurious Turkish bath.

My next anxiety was to find a help-meet for him. This, as I knew, would prove no easy task, but in the bird world one never knows what may be round the corner. Some weeks later, I was again in London, and, of course, I had to visit Covent Garden. I always pass the rows of splendid stalls, where the choicest fruit of the world is displayed, without as much as a passing glance, and I make straight for the upper storey, unknown, I fear, to many of my readers, where Mr. Green has his splendid aviaries. Many and many a person goes by the unobtrusive little sign, "This way to the Bird Aviaries," but not so your humble servant.

A Heart Filled With Joy.

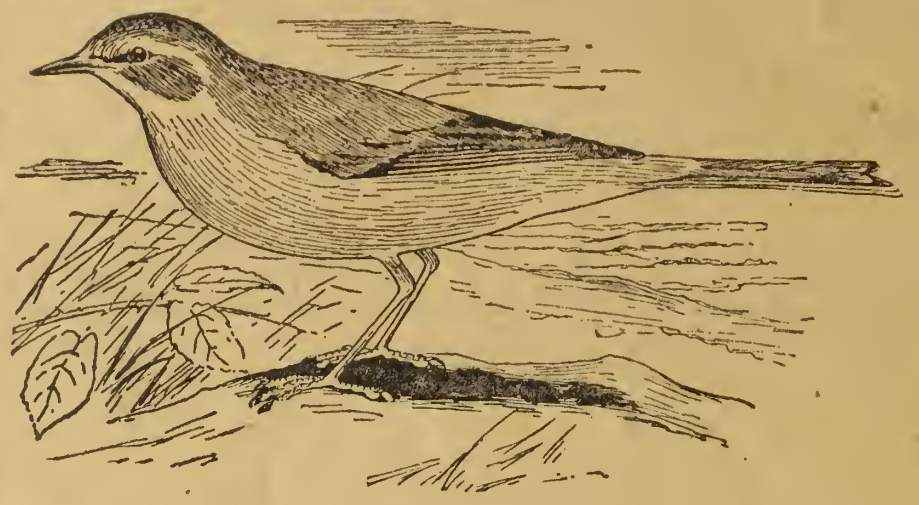
As I wandered round the cages, so beautifully kept, my feet were suddenly glued to the floor at the sight of a bird dressed in pale violet and white, and just the "spit and image," as we say up here, of my Dayal at home. My heart jumped into my mouth, and anon played postman's knock against my ribs: I felt like Pizarro when he first viewed the City of Mexico, for here, I felt sure, was the thing I had so long sought, a hen Dayal. I tried not to look too eager, as I timidly enquired the price, and imagine my delight when I was told she could be mine for £2. There is an old saying and a true one. "Take the gifts the gods provide," and I acted upon it incontinently.

It is a tribute to our higher nature that we cannot see a beautiful and rare thing anywhere without wanting to draw near, to see, to touch, and to possess it; at any rate I never can, so I think my nature must be a lofty one.

I at once lost all further interest in London, my one desire was to get back North. I felt that it would be tempting Providence to keep these two birds apart, that had evidently been so providentially led into one pair of hands.

As soon as I got home, I took the new purchase upstairs to my indoor birdroom, and proceeded to introduce her to her future spouse, but I took the precaution to keep bars between them at first, as I knew from what I had read that Dayals are rather peppery in temper; I had no wish to see the lady scalped before my eyes.

The cock seemed delighted to see one of his kind again, and stiffened himself all over, dropped his wings, and stuck up his tail, quite like a miniature Magpie, and burst into song. The hen was evidently a little bit jealous of his intentions, and made herself as slim as possible, but by the way she jerked her tail and eyed him with her bold black eyes, I felt sure that she considered him a "pretty fellow." As they seemed fairly quiet, I thought I would let them go together after a few days; so one morning I put them both in a big division, but stood by, like Moses' sister, to see what would happen. Fortunately, nothing terrible ensued, and, beyond a little chasing about by the cock and scolding by the hen, they seemed determined to settle down, and behave like staid married folk.



THE GRACEFUL GREY WAGTAIL.

This fine specimen won First Prize at the Crystal Palace Show, where it was exhibited by Mr. P. Arnot, of Alloa.

I did not like to risk turning them out; as one never knows what will happen in our pleasant English climate; so I loosed them in the general bird-room. I ought to have had more sense. Morning after morning I found little inmates scalped and dead without suspecting their slayers. I thought it must be mice; but could see none, or any signs of them, and then one morning I caught Master Dayal at it. He was actually engaged on a sorrowful little Avadavat; in fact he was putting the finishing touches to the tragedy, when my incoming interrupted him.

I regret to say that, like Isaiah's contemporaries, he was not ashamed, neither did he blush, but hopped away quite unconcerned; no doubt intent on further deeds of violence. I felt like Mr. Brook in Middlemarch, that things were going a little too far, in fact over the hedge; so I caught up the rest of the little Finches, and gave the Dayals the place to themselves, as I hoped that their murderous propensities indicated a desire to nest. I accordingly fastened up a lot of pea-sticks round the walls, to resemble a "Bullfinch hedge" as much as possible, for I supposed that they built in such places in India. You see, I don't know everything, though some of my readers kindly seem to imagine I do; for I learnt afterwards, that like our Robins and Redstarts, Dayals build in holes.

(To be continued.)

The Border Fancy Canary.

A lecture given by Mr. A. Brown before the members of the Long Eaton & Dis. C.B.S.

An appreciation of the "Wee Gems," with practical information as to their management and show points.

MR Brown in commencing his lecture said: My first reason in giving this paper is to try and stimulate some interest amongst my fellow members, and when you have heard me to-night someone else I hope will step forward and volunteer to give us some of his ideas and methods. Another purpose is to try and make the Wee Gem more popular amongst you. To my mind, the Border Fancy is without doubt one of the smartest of all the Canaries. Take its action, take its plumage and colour. Who can deny this little chap a warm corner in his heart? Another thing, the Border is one of the best breeders and the hens excel all others as feeders. To prove this I will give my season's work. I have had six pairs up and two spare hens. I have hatched 82, out of which I reared 74, only losing one bird after they left their parents. The seven others died at from one to four days old. Only about seven eggs were clear. I am not going to say that this good luck is through the birds being Borders. It is due also to the management, and I will admit my wife has taken a great share in this, and with great interest too, she has been my right hand. To come to the point, I will give you my treatment. After I have got my pairs together I give egg food twice a week with a little cod liver oil mixed with it. I find this is a good conditioner. I give plain canary in the seed hoppers and a good mixed seed alternately to the egg food. This mixture consists of one part each rape, niger, gold of pleasure, and maw, allowing a teaspoonful to each pair. If all goes well, I stick to this treatment until they have laid their first egg, and then I begin to gradually wean them from the egg food, but still give a little mixed seed. The green food I give during pairing up is dandelion and watercress which I gradually reduce, and I stop this altogether when the hen has been sitting two days. I like to go amongst my birds freely all through the breeding season as I find they soon get used to one, and one can keep them cleaner by so doing than if one was afraid to look. Even when they are sitting or feeding they take no notice of me. When my chicks appear I give yolk of egg that has been boiled for 15 minutes the first two days, and then I begin to add tea biscuits to the egg. I find they like these very much and feed well. I let the young stay with the old birds, if they do not interfere with each other, until the hen shows signs of wanting to sit again, and then I separate the young by putting in a wire partition so that the cock may feed them for a day or two. They will soon feed themselves, and then I give hemp, rape, and canary seed, crushed in the mill; a little every day, and gradually increase it till they can crack their own. I give a little egg food till then every day, and, afterwards, every other day, with bread and milk twice a week which I find is the best thing to keep them from going thick. I give no green food when they have left their parents until shepherd's purse is ripe, then I give them as much as they will eat of this. When plantain stalk comes in, I give this every other day, so you see there is nothing extraordinary about the management. In fact I think the Border Fancy one of the most easily managed and the hardiest of the Canary family. I will draw my paper to a close by giving you my idea of a good show specimen. First of all it must have a smart, easy, jaunty carriage, but not the erect slimness of the Yorkshire nor the short cobbyness of the Norwich. It is a happy medium, on a small scale, of the two, and it must be evenly moulded throughout. Head small and well rounded in all directions, and set on a short neatly moulded neck quite free from snakiness and flatness. The beak is fine and must be in proportion to the head; eyes bold and bright, and well set apart; the body rounded throughout: the back well filled and running in almost a straight line from the rise of the shoulders to the tip of the tail, showing no hollowness; chest, perfectly round, showing no sign of frill or prominence, and tapering away in a gradual line down to the waist and vent, free from any thigh roughness, giving the whole bird an appearance of wax-like boxwood; wings compact and firmly set into the shoulders, and carried close to the body, meeting evenly at the tips; legs of medium length, free from scales, and feet to correspond; total length not to exceed 5½ inches; it is best to keep a little under this length if a good proportion is to be maintained; plumage close and firm, of a rich glossy appearance, perfectly free from loose feathers on any part of the body, and of a very delicate texture, quality being the great essential; tail close packed and narrow, well filled in at the roots, not stiff, nor with a wooden appearance, but carried easily and gracefully; colour rich soft, and of a purely natural tone; hardness must be avoided, and colour feeding is strictly barred; position half erect, standing at an easy angle slightly across the perch—too much erectness throws the mould of the chest out; carriage gay and jaunty, head, body and tail all carried with a free easy grace, and in taking the perches not a feather should be out of place. In fact the Border must be dantiness itself. You will have to excuse me from giving details as to ideal pairs for mating, as I have got a lot to learn, but, up to now I have had nothing to grumble at. I have to thank Mr. H. Bennet, of Kelso for his straightforward dealing with me. I will draw to a close by thanking you for listening to a novice's first paper in the birdy line, and if I have made you think more of the Border, I shall be satisfied.

Our books tell you how to successfully moult your birds, and will help you to win at the shows.

(Read the back page this week.)

In the Courts.

Sparrows as Brace-Birds.

Thomas Winn, of Russell Street, Sydenham, was summoned at Greenwich for using nets and a trap cage for the purpose of taking wild birds in Thorpewood Avenue, Sydenham, and further, by bracing and pegging two Sparrows to the ground, causing unnecessary suffering, and further, for having in his possession a Robin, a Redstart, a Linnet, and eleven Sparrows.

The defendant pleaded guilty to the first and third summonses, but denied that he had caused any pain to the birds.

Police-sergeant 86 P deposed to the facts, saying that the Sparrows' legs were very much inflamed as the result of the bracing. On being spoken to, the defendant said that they had lasted well; he had had them a week. On being told that he would be reported, he said that he thought the close season had finished.

The defendant said that he had been asked to catch the birds, as they did so much damage to the crops.

Mr. Symmons said that the serious part of the offence was the cruelty, and fined defendant on that summons 20s. and 2s. costs, and on the other two, 3s. He also ordered the nets to be destroyed, and the birds found in defendant's possession to be released.

Club Reports.

SWINDON F. AND F.A.

Monthly meeting held at the Baths, Aug. 28, Mr. H. R. Holliday in the chair. Messrs. W. Fleetwood and T. Sims, Wantage, and Mr. D. Tucker, Swindon, were elected members. Next monthly meeting, Sept. 25, at 8. Arranging a schedule, etc.—W. J. Moran, Sec.

HOUGHTON-LE-SPRING C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, Aug. 31st, White Lion Hotel, when there was a good attendance, Mr. Dixon in the chair. Decided to hold annual members' show on November 20. Judges were nominated and will finally be selected at next meeting, Sept. 14, at the usual time. We hope that all members will try to be present, as there is important business; also fixing of classes, etc. Those intending joining can have particulars from hon. sec., and are invited to the meeting. Members who have not yet paid subs. should do so as early as possible.—R .H. Dixon, Sec.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Fortnightly meeting held Aug. 31, Mr. Farrer presiding over a good attendance. The patronage of the N.Y.C.C., the N.B. and S.F.C., and the N.B.M. and F.B.C., has been secured for our open show on January 17, 18, in the Miners' Hall, when Mr. J. Stanger and Mr. J. Maddison will judge. The classification for the open section now reads:—4 Nor., 8 Yorks. (5 champion, 3 Nov.), 7 Bord., 1 Scotch Fancy, 3 Crests and C.B., 2 Liz., 3 Sell., 8 Brit., 2 Mules, 2 For., a total of 40 open classes. Members' classes will be fixed at a later date. I beg to remind those members who have not paid their subs. that they are now considerably overdue. I shall be pleased to hear from anyone wishing to guarantee any of the above classes.—J. Jeffrey, Sec.

OPEN NORWICH PLAINHEAD C.C.

Sub-committee meeting held at Flying Dutchman Hotel, Leeds Road, Bradford, Aug. 28. Mr. W. A. Cowgill in the chair. Mr. J. W. Kaherry, Gt. Horton, was elected a member. Decided that Mr. L. Hodgson's tender for printing of year books be accepted. Committee was completed by the addition of Mr. J. Moorhouse, Huddersfield. List of prizes given for competition:—Open competition "champion," £2, £1 5s., 15s.; "novice," £1, 15s., 7s. 6d. Open competition, money specials awarded to members at each show where club's patronage is given. Two shillings for most points with fourth birds; ditto for vhc. Junior novice competition, competed for in Yorkshire Union novice Nor. classes by Union members of the O.N.P.C., £1, 15s., 7s. 6d. The conditions for competition of the Joe Thomas rosebowl were accepted with the best thanks. All subscriptions are now due, and secretary will be pleased to receive same. Will members whose subscriptions are not paid kindly forward same to F. Rhodes, Hon. Sec.

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LONG EATON C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Aug. 31. Mr. A. Brown read a paper on the Border Fancy, to a well-attended meeting. Keen interest was shown throughout, and at the close of the paper questions were put to Mr. Brown in abundance, and were answered in a most satisfactory manner. G. T. Wall, Sec.

DERWENT VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting held Aug. 31, in the Church Hall, Hamsterley, Mr. Gardiner in the chair. Fair attendance of members. Agreed that members' classes be the same as 1911. Decided to alter the door draw tickets, and instead of giving Canaries, to make the first prize 10s., second Linnet Mule, third Canary. One new member enrolled, Mr. J. Oxley.—Lindsay and Marsh, Hon. secs.

YORKSHIRE C.B.S. OF IRELAND.

Meeting held Aug. 26th, Mr. J. Dowling in the chair. Messrs. Gillen and Hyland sent forward their resignation from the council. After some matters were settled about forthcoming show, Mr. Furley was appointed vice-chairman. The following new members were elected:—Messrs. J. J. Dowan, J. McNally, G. Townsend. Messrs. Sheridan, Huggard, McDonnell, and Lea were co-opted members of the council.—C. Lattimore, Hon. Sec.

N. MANCHESTER C.B.S.

Meeting held Balmoral Hotel, August 27. Mr. Robinson presided over a good muster. Correspondence read, a very encouraging letter came from Mr. T. Wilson, saying he will become our vice-president, and will be pleased to open our next show, held in November. Delegates gave a report of business done at amalgamated meeting, which was satisfactory to the meeting. Mr. Whittaker's picnic fund is going very strong, and we have a good sum to hand. Tickets were issued to members present for our next show. We also had the pleasure of admitting a few more members to our club, which we can still do with. Next meeting September 10. Business very important, re amalgamation.—W. H. Tansey, Hon. Sec.

WOLVERHAMPTON C.B.S.

Meeting held Duke of York Hotel, August 29th, Mr. F. J. Weaver in chair. This meeting had been specially convened to review and discuss the prospects for the open show to be held on November 1 and 2. The Chairman, in his opening remarks, impressed upon those present the necessity of the hearty support and co-operation of all members, to ensure a universal success, and hoped that members would use their best endeavours to attend all intervening meetings. The engagement of that spacious hall, the Co-operative, with its splendid lighting and freedom from draughts, should meet with the support such an expensive venture deserves. The Committee hope to give a schedule equal, and in some respects even better than those in the past Mr. J. A. Tonks has already the promise of several specials, and with others in view, the list will be greatly augmented before the eventful day. The Secretary reported that the last members' show was very satisfactory, and a clear balance sheet will be shown when all ticket money is in (absent members please note).—J. Gibbons, Sec.

The Shows.

WISBECH.

A successful show was held by the Wisbech F. and F.S. on Aug. 28th. NOR.: 1, 3, Rogers; 2, Beilby; 4, vhc, Handley and Son; hc, Breeze; c, Courts. YORKS.: 1, 3, vhc, cup, Harrold; 2, Ramsdale. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Ramsdale. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Winterbone.

GRIMSBY O.S.

Meeting held Slatter's Rooms, August 29, 18 members present. Table show held same time, judge, Mr. H. Harding. MULE or HYB.: 1, 2, Yearing; 3, Jacklin. LINNET, ETC.: 1, 2, Cartwright. GOLDFINCH or BULLFINCH: 1, Cartwright. GREENFINCH: 1, Cartwright; 2, Yearing. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, 3, Cartwright; 2, 4, Yearing. AMAT., LINNET, ETC.: 1, 3, vhc, Siddle Bros.; 2, hc, Watson. GOLDFINCH or BULLFINCH: 1, Siddle Bros. GREENFINCH: 1, Siddle Bros.; 2, 3, Watson. A.O.S BRIT.: 1, 3, 4, hc, Watson; 2, Siddle Bros.; vhc, Oliver. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Harding, who in the absence of Mr. E. R. Ridley (Hull) judged the birds.—Towl and Smith, Hon. Secs.

RUTHIN.

Ninth annual show, held in the beautiful grounds of Ruthin Castle (by kind permission of Colonel W. Cornwallis West), Aug. 29, in connection with the Flower Show and Sheep Dog Trials. Entries in the cage bird section far exceeded last year, and were very satisfactory. Some really good specimens were on view, many a good bird was cardless on account of the classification, two classes only being provided for Canaries. Other classes were very fair; the show was a great success. Special for best bird and for best Mule went to Mr. R. E. Griffiths' well-known light Mule; best Canary, Mr. J. O. Williams, clear Buff Yorkshire. Mr. H. Hampson, Wrexham, made the awards, and gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

CANARY (14): 1, sp., J. O. Williams, cl. Buff Yorks., nicely drawn, good length and style, full of quality, often noted; 2, 3, Mrs. Richards, both Yorks., former a nice youngster, good style and feather, a little patchy in colour, beaten length, latter tkd. Buff, good upright carriage, nice length and quality. Some good Norwich were among those left out. MULE (7): 1, 2 sps., Griffiths, good light yell. Mule, rare size and type, often described, seems slackening to-day, still a good one; 2, Jones, smaller, but good quality and nicely feathered; 3, D. E. Williams, nice col. buff, close up. BRIT. (9): 1, Griffiths, good Greenfinch, capital head and neck, rich colour, grand condition; 2, Mrs. Edwards, good size and colour Bunting, very steady; 3, J. Williams, Greenfinch, good type feather and colour, wants more size. F.F. (13): a good class. 1, J. O. Williams, cl. buff Yorks., typical and stylish, good wings and tail, leggy, boxy feather, rich col., wins well; 2, Maddocks, another Yorkie, nice length and style, straight and slim; 3, Mrs. Richards, variegated Buff, good length and position, a very useful bird. GOLDFINCH (9): 1, Evans and Roberts, a good stamp, broad head, rich, expansive blaze, rare tanning and markings, in good fettle; 2, Griffiths, typical Finch, good ground colour, nice size and marking, beaten blaze; 3, D. E. Williams, a neat one all over, good colour and feather, not the size of those placed above him. Hyde's special: 1, Jas. Williams.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager.

England.

Oct. 5.—**Longton.**—(H. George, 54, Raglan Street, Fenton, Stoke-on-Trent.) J.H.R.
Oct. 9 & 10.—**Clapham.**—(A. R. Coe, 18, Caldervale Rd., Clapham, S.W.). J.R., C.A.H., H.J.F., H.N.
Oct. 10 & 11.—**Norwich Alliance.**—(R. Roll, 62, Ashby St.). W.E.G., J.R., W.V.
Oct. 11 & 12.—**Derby.**—(Wharam and Bamsey, 23, Macklin St.). J.H.R.
Oct. 12.—Leeds (W. A. Wilson, 75, Bayswater Mount, Roundhay.). J.H.R. and W.M.
Oct. 12.—**Morpeth.**—(E. Cowling, Market Place.) H.W.B., A.B.
Oct. 15 and 16.—**Western Counties O.S.**—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd, Plymouth). J.R., T.H.
Oct. 17.—**Hanley.**—(C. J. Robinson, 44, Cromer St., May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent). A.H.
Oct. 18 & 19.—**Burnley.**—(F. Cunliffe, 19, Lark St.). J.H.R., J.T.
Oct. 18 & 19.—**Newcastle.**—(J. W. Reed, 218, Ladykirk Rd., Benwell). J.C.B., J.C., J.S., J.P., A.S.
Oct. 19.—**Burton-on-Trent.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.). J.R.
Oct. 19.—**Middlesborough.**—(A. Wake, 128, Princes Rd.). W.A.C., F.M.
Oct. 23 & 24.—**London and P.O.S.**—(C. W. Law, Brimley House, Woodhouse Rd., N. Finchley).
Oct 24.—**Stamford.**—(A. Harrison 7 New St.). J.R.
Oct. 25 & 26.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—Belle Vue.—(H. Bootbman, 10, Parker St., Levenshulme.)
Oct. 25 & 26.—**S. Shields.**—(W. L. Smith, 3, Queen-st.)
Oct. 26.—**Derwent Valley.**—(Lindsay and Marsh, Railway Cottages, Westwood, Medomsley, R.S.O.). W.R., G.W.
Oct. 26.—**Hartlepools.**—(Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Rd., W. Hartlepool.
Oct. 29 & 30.—**Barnstaple.**—(J. D. Horrill, 17, King Edward Street). T.H.
Oct. 30.—**Torbay O.S. (Paignton).**—J. N. and J. Jeffery, "Sartor House," Winner Street, Paignton.) J.H.P.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Cheltenham.**—(A. S. Treasure, Idahoe, Oakland Ave.) W.G., H.W.B., J.F.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Grimsby.**—(Towl and Smith, 205, Welholme Rd.). J.H.R
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Ramsgate.**—(A. Afrigan, 21, Thanet Rd.). G.G.
Oct. 31.—**Grantham.**—(W. E. Allen, 119, Alexandra Road). J.C.B.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Sheffield O.S.**—T. Bishop, 69, Alexandra Road.). W.M., C.H., W.V., J.N.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Wolverhampton.**—(J. Gibbons, 64, Napier Rd.). J.R.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Liverpool.**—(Metcalfe and Deacon, 63, Brunswick Rd.). H.W.B., J.W., J.W.C., E.B.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Blaydon-on-Tyne.**—(Geo. Havver, 1, Theresa St.). W.A.C., C.A.H.
Nov. 2 & 4.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street). J.H.P., R.J.H.
Nov. 5 & 6.—**Portsmouth.**—(King and Joiner, 80, Stubbington Av.). J.H.R., H.N.
Nov. 6 & 7.—**Newport, Mon.**—(J. Hammett, 56, Milman St.). C.A.H., D.A.S.L.
Nov. 7 & 8.—**Leyton.**—(Forse and Son, 31, Thornhill Rd.) J.R., J.F.
Nov. 8 & 9.—**Old Shildon.**—(J. H. Elwell, 35, Church Street, Shildon). Gray Bros.
Nov. 8 & 9.—**West Stanley** (W. Elliott, 15, Fairford Terr.). A.B., F.M.
Nov. 9 & 11.—**Nottingham.**—(G. E. Wilkinson, 86, Lenton Boulevard), T.H., W.V., G.E.W.
Nov. 9.—**Warrington.**—(G. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Rd.).
Nov. 13.—**Alnwick.**—(R. Forster, 42, Bondgate Without).
Nov. 14.—**Stoke-on-Trent.**—(J. Pitchford, 218, Loudon Rd.). H.W.B.
Nov. 14 & 15.—**Brighton and Hove C.B.A.**—(Will. H. Gibb, 19, Bond St.). C.A.H., J.R.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Hull.**—(E. R. Ridley, 19, Lambton Street.) J.R., H.W.B.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Preston.**—(J. P. Leeming, 40A, West Cliff.) J.H.R., A.W.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Codnor Park and Eastwood.**—(J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Grecuhill Lane, Alfreton). J.C.B.
Nov. 19 & 20.—**Bournemouth.**—(W. O. Brooke, 102, Norfolk Rd.). J.H.P.
Nov. 19 & 20.—**Wimbledon.**—(H. Smith, 115, Merton Rd.) H.N., R.H., J.R.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Doncaster.**—(G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion Street). H.W.B., W.V., J.W.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Rochdale O.C.**—(R. Blincoe, 160, Drake Street). C.A.H., W.M.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Haltwhistle.**—(Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate.) J.D., A.H.
Nov. 23.—**Cramlington.**—(J. R. Chestney, Quarry Cottage). A.H., H.S.
Nov. 23.—**Hinckley.**—(A H. Ridgway, Priesthills Rd.)
Nov. 23 & 25.—**Ilkeston.**—(Thos. Smith, 5, King-st.). J.C.B., C.H.
Nov. 27-28.—**Bristol F.A.**—(G. T. H. Maggs, 9, Trinity St., Newtown, Bristol).
Nov. 27 & 28.—**Portsmouth F.S.** (W. E. Tyrrell, 38, Commercial Rd.).
Nov. 28, 29 & 30.—**L.C.B.A..**—(W. H. Mugford, 1, Strathearn Rd., Wimbledon, S.W.).
Nov. 29, 30.—**Sale C.B.S.**—(A. Royle, 99, Harley Rd.)
Nov. 30.—**Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.** (A. Walker, 47, Montrose St.). J.H.R.
Nov. 30.—**Coventry Godiva.**—(H. Saunders, 31, Vernon St.) H.W.B.
Nov. 30.—**Harrogate C.B.S.**—(G. H. Barnwell, 20, College-rd.). W.M.
Dec. 3, 4.—**Tonbridge.**—(Percy Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow Rd.).
Dec. 6, 7, & 9.—**Bradford National.**—(H. Hill, 15, Settle Terr., Thornton Lane.)
Dec. 7.—**Rotherham.**—(B. Bailey, 47, Craven Street, Parkgate, nr Rotherham.) J.C.B.
Dec. 11.—**Luton.**—(E. Bloomfield, 22, Hitchin Rd.) J.R., J.F.
Dec. 12.—**Frome F.A.**—(C. I. Young, 8, Palmer St.). H.N.
Dec. 13 and 14.—**Gateshead.**—(J. Davidson, 16, Weathercock Lane, Low Fell.) G.H., J.C.B., J.R., J.M., W.C.D.
Dec. 14.—**Sheffield C.B.S.**—(A. Hobson, 60, Langsett Avenue) J.R., H.W.B.
Dec. 14.—**Winsford.**—(S. S. Brooks, 157, Station Rd.)
Dec. 26.—**Anfield, Everton.**—(R. B. Wright, 15, Worcester Drive, Clubmore, Liverpool). A.W.

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Jan. 11.—**Yarm, Eaglescliffe.**—(T. W. Wilson, High-st.)
Feb. 7, 8, 10, 11.—**Great National (Crystal Palace).**—(J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Av., Brixton, S.W.).

Scotland.

Oct. 5.—**Paisley and Dis. O.A.**—(J. Kelly, 7, Underwood Lane) D.C., A.F., J.Hr., J.Hh.
Oct. 5.—**Broughty Ferry.**—(R. Whitton, 2, Churchill Place). W.B., T.T., C.C., T.A., R.B.
Oct. 5.—**Dysart.**—(W. Russell, Castle O' Guns), J.A., J.C., J.McL., L.J.A.
Oct. 12.—**Lochgelly.**—(W. Grewar, 7, Park View).
Oct. 18, 19.—**City of Glasgow.**—(Scots, Fancy and Belgian, J. Young, 80, High St., Rutherglen; remainder, R. Higgie, 27, McLennan St., Mount Florida.) J.D., W.R., A.N., J.W., G.F., J.P.
Oct. 19.—**Kelty and Blairadam.**—(A. Dickson, 27, Adams Terrace). J.Sn., W.D.H., R.H., F.R., R.M., R.V.R.
Oct. 26.—**Perth.**—(Jas. Kerr, 18, James St.).
Oct. 26.—**Kirkcaldy.**—(C. Rae, 15, Anderson St., Pathhead.)
Oct. 26.—**Ayr and Dist.**—(J. Sloan, 19, New Bridge St.). J.T.D., J.M.
Nov. 2.—**Bo'ness.**—(T. Cameron, 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans).
Nov. 2.—**Brechin.**—(G. Mitchell, 118, Montrose St.) A.H., W.Me., J.F.
Nov. 9.—**Forfar.**—(D. Kerr, 15, Green St.). A.S., A.P., W.B.
Nov. 9.—**Hamilton Cadzow Oak.**—(G. Marlin, 21, Glebe Street.) J.Sn., J.Hn., R.B.
Nov. 16.—**Cowdenbeath.**—(J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland-pl.) J.P., J.W.B., C.C., G.A., W.R., L.J.A.
Nov. 16.—**Galashiels.**—(J. Brown, 156, Croft St.), G.F., T.B., A.G., A.H.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Glasgow and Dis. C.B.A..**—(Wm. Hutchison, 163, Hospital Street.)
Nov. 23.—**Blairgowrie.**—(M. Irvine, 17, Brown St.)
Nov. 23.—**Uddingston C.B., etc., S.**—(Jas. Corgrove, 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell.)
Nov. 30.—**City of Dundee.**—(A. Miller, 3, Park Ave.)
Nov. 30.—**Musselburgh.**—(W. Nisbet, 101, High St.).
Dec. 4.—**Forres and N.O.S.**—(W. Cumming, 28, North Rd.). J.L.
Dec. 7.—**Cupar.**—(Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar.).
Dec. 14.—**Broxburn.**—(W. M'Laren, Church Street). J.McL., A.C., G.H., R.V.R., J.Gw.
Dec. 14.—**Kilsyth.**—(A. D. Duncan, "Chronicle" Office.)
Dec. 31 & Jan. 1, 1913.—**Scottish National.**—(J. R. Meikle, 51, Lothian Rd., Edinburgh.)
Jan. 1 & 2.—**Edinburgh Open.**—(R. Lile, 15, Argyll Terr.)
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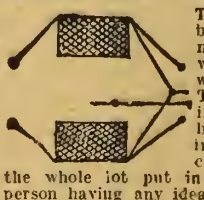
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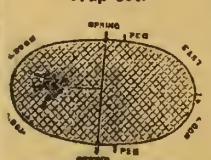
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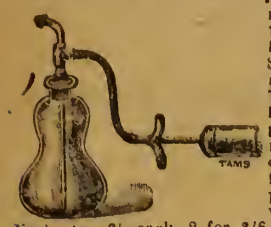
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WANTED singing Mule or Roller, in exchange for two good Yorkshires and one Norwich hen: C. Shipley, 89, Stephenson-st., N. Shields.

WANTED British or Foreign, exchange photographic darkroom lamp, two cabinet size printing frames, two pairs of roller skates, lady's and gent's, all in good condition: C. Lambert, Swinefleet.

WANTED Canaries, exhibition 1912 cocks, fine songsters absolutely essential; Scotch Fancy, Norwich even ticked, Yorkshire even ticked, and late 1911 schoolmaster, a winner: Galvayne, Wembley, Middlesex.

WILL give 6/- per pair for large Norwich and Yorkshires, colour-fed preferred, also 10/- per pair for large Crest; also wanted, Scotch Fancies and Mules, reasonable: McKeand, Hamilton place, Castle Douglas.

WANTED offers Crests, Norwich Canaries, good ones; exchange fox terrier bitch, real good one, will make a winner; clean, £2; approval; rubbish not offered or wanted; full particulars: Logan, 47, Downst., Leicester.

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SALE or EXCHANGE.

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SELECTED cock Linnets, clean moulted, in song, 1/6, 2/- each; exchange offers, anything; approval: G. Frith, Crowle, Lincs.

PEKIN Nightingale, three Canary-reared Linnets; Robin; all cocks, singing, 2/- each; offers: Morrison, Sedburn, South Woodford, Essex.

HAND-REARED 1912 cock Thrush, splendid songster, 5/-, or exchange geranium cuttings: W. Smith, Nurseries, Chilton-st., Bridgwater.

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EXCHANGE 4 cross-bred fowls, for Mules or hen Canaries, also one cock Thrush, exchange young Mule or hen Canaries: Clements, Jeynes-row, Tewkesbury.

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Mainly Canaries.

BARGAIN.—Pair of Rollers, 6/-, or what offers; exchange: H. Wood, 8, Garibaldi-st., Scarborough.

EXCHANGE aviary and 18 birds for singing cock Canaries or sell, £2 10s.; 318a, Kennington-rd., London.

FIVE Norwich, 1 Yorkshire show cages, been used once; offers wanted: 83, Grove-lane, Handsworth, Birmingham.

EXCHANGE four 1911 Plainhead Norwich hen Canaries, four 1912 cock Schoolmaster Rollers: 50, Miller-st., Newark.

WANTED young cock Canary, give 2 muling hen Canaries, 1911 birds, or young Bullfinches: Cockram, Tatworth, Chard.

EXCHANGE 3 hen Canaries, Rollers, and 10 young, for gent's cycle, or anything useful: J. Barratt, Pilgrim-st., Stafford.

EXCHANGE pair Rollers, cock singing, for pair British, that are bred in cage: Robson, Exeter-st., West Hartlepool.

EXCHANGE double breeding cage and Norwich hen for 1912 cock Goldfinch Mule and Norwich cock: 35, Coombe-st., Bristol.

WHAT offers in good Canaries or Mules for suit length good tweed, or sell 25/-; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

EXCHANGE, singing cock Canary, for black retriever bitch pup; also sell 3 1912 hens, 5/6: Butler, 566, Barking-rd., Plaistow.

EXCHANGE, 4, Yorkshire hens, for good pair Norwich or offers; yours first: Russell, 4, Malvern-buildings, Fairfield Park, Bath.

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FOURTEEN hens, 5 cock Canaries, 26/- lot; exchange gramophone and records, offers: Mathers, 36, Wellfield-rd., Preston, Lancashire.

PAIR of Norwich, four-compartment breeder, 15/- lot; exchange cylinder records; offers anything: A. Clayton, 22, Clifton-st., May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent.

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EXCHANGE two pairs Yorkshire Canaries, 3 compartment breeding cage, for good cycle or lurcher dog; approval both ways: 12, Park Terrace, Greenhithe, Kent.

NINE Yorkshires, 3 Norwich, Muling Goldfinch, joiner-made breeding flight and show cages, 2 aviaries and quantity of utensils, £3 10s., or exchange joiner's tools, paints, brushes: J. H. Bright, 19, Galesbury-rd., Wandsworth.

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FIVE good Ring Doves, lot 2/-; exchange for pair Cutthroats or Silverbills: Burns, 33, Reservoir-st., Seedley, Manchester.

EXCHANGE two bound volumes "Cage Birds" for Crystal Palace cage or Pom. pup: Wilson, 168, Hallilwell-lane, Manchester.

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SIX Green Budgerigars, aviary bred, cock Grey Java, lot 10/-; exchange Canaries, Mules, anything: Samuel Goodyear, Salcombe.

PARROTS, Canaries, Pullets, Pigeons, etc., given in exchange for other Fancy; state particulars: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich.

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NEW pair box calf boots, size nine, misfit, 12/-; or exchange birds or watch: Douglas, Bridge-st., Brechin.

ALL kinds of British and foreign birds, exchanged for all kinds of dogs: Walter Smith, 98, Tibet-st., Manchester.

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EXCHANGE gent's cycle, nearly new, for singing cock Canaries or sell, £2: 318a, Kennington-rd., London, S.E.

NEARLY new gramophone and 12 disc records, sell 55/-, or useful exchange: Burry, 60, Broad-st., Kidderminster.

WANTED, all varieties Bantams, Pigeons, Dogs, give good exchange Canaries: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

WHAT offers in Canaries for beautiful Blue Persian pedigree cat, male, value 2 guineas: H. Smith, Portland-rd., Hove.

EXCHANGE gentleman's morning coat and vest, worth 30/-, for Yorkshires or Crests: F. Wise, 21, West-st., Minehead.

LADY'S silver keyless hunter watch, cost 50/-, sell 20/-, exchange Canaries, offers: Cooper, 43, Oxley-st., Wolverhampton.

EIGHT flying homers, 8/-, exchange canies or British birds; offers: J. Griffiths, The Aviaries, Long Sutton, Lincs.

PAIR pedigree working homers, rung H.P., 12/6; exchange Canaries, anything useful; Pearce, 231, Cathedral-rd., Cardiff.

FOR sale, or exchange, black and white nanny, 6 months, British bred preferred: Powley, 14, St. Andrews Plain, Norwich.

LARGE Amazon, 25/-; six breeding cages, 8/-; 30 keyed concertina, £2; exchange anything useful: 27, Tatton-st., Salford.

GOOD garden rifle, fill 100 yards; exchange good singing Roller Schoolmaster, sell 12/6: Timmins, 160, Whitemall-road, Walsall

SIXTEEN double-sided records, songs, good condition, £1, or exchange; approval: T. Lovell, Church-st., Long Buckby, Rugby.

EXCHANGE potting hyacinths and all other bulbs for good Canaries, or sell: Wright, 11, Manning-road, Shawlands, Glasgow.

ZITHER banjo, 15/-; mandolin, 7/6; standard phonograph, 20/-; exchange Canaries or anything useful: 27, Tatton-st., Salford.

WHAT offers in Canaries and Goldfinch cock Mules; exchange 60 disc records or part: K., 16, Durnford-st., South Tottenham.

SPLENDID pair of Modern Pile Game Bantams, both winners; accept £1 or exchange: T. Wesdall, 84, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire.

HEN, twelve chickens, seven weeks, 12/-; exchange 1912 Yellow Norwich cock, no rubbish; Barnett, King's Head, Thornley, Durham.

BANJO and case with tutor, 22/6; exchange Canaries. Cinnamon Borders preferred, anything useful: Pearce, 231, Cathedral-rd., Cardiff.

EXCHANGE pair of D.B. hammerless guns, single triggers, value £40, for good motor bike and side car: Leonard, 55, Sycamore-rd., Erdington.

EXCHANGE, lady's gilt keyless watch, with gilt bow, fine cabinet case, complete, for 3 cock Canaries; birds first: E. Balmer, Calderbank-by-Airdrie.

CHAMPION pedigree wire-haired terrier dog, 35/-; exchange Grey Parrot, or Canaries: Particulars, J. Sneard, Sackville-st., Ravensthorpe, Yorkshire.

CATCHER'S outfit, complete with carrying box, exchange for foreign seedeaters, or sell 10/-: Webster, Poplars, Greenwich, Ripley, Derbyshire.

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WANTED, British Canaries for outdoor aviary; exchange poultry, English Saddle-backed Fantails, large dulcimer: Lorna, Lavender Vale, Wallington.

SILVER Sebright cock and two hens, one winner last week; Percival's strain, 16/6; exchange good Canaries to value; approval: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton.

GOOD lady's free wheel cycle, new brakes, plated rims, good running order, only, 35/-; exchange poultry, anything; yours first: Minikin, Naturalist, Keighley.

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EXCHANGE Yorkshire terrier dog, silver coat, good stud dog, clean in house, fond of children, mother sold for £5 5/-; accept 25/-; or exchange gent's cycle: H. H. G., 15, Reid-st., Darlington.

EXCHANGE Apollo gramophone, double spring with wood horn, also 4 double and 3 single 10in. records, for African Grey Talking Parrot: E. Rutland, 118, Butler-st., Oldham-rd., Manchester.

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EXCHANGE pair of gent's or lady's new boots, dress length, or suit length, any colour, pair of blankets, for 6 old hen Canaries or 1 cock and 3 hens, or 4 cock Bullfinches, or 2 house-moulted Goldfinches: Cummings, 4, Richmond-terrace, Leeds.

EXCHANGE for anything, Simplix ¼-plate hand camera, take any object standing, or snapshot them while moving, sell 20/-: Bennion, 374, High-street, Winsford, Cheshire.

EXCHANGE two Border Fancy show cages, in case, 3 nursery cages, 2 baths, 1 egg mill, 1 seed crusher, 12 wire fronts, 18ins. by 12ins., 2 fronts, 3ft. by 10ins., 4 fronts, 3ft. by 9ins., all by Walsh, Blackburn, 20/- lot, or exchange anything useful in house: Hopgood, 158, Elm Park Road, Reading.

GENTLEMAN'S English lever watch, solid silver, stamped, capped jewelled, maker's name on it, good time keeper, good condition, not rubbish, no catch business, cost, six guineas new, sell, 30/-; or would exchange for talking Parrot or birds; or gramophone and records: on approval both ways: Rose, 132, Wormington-rd., North Kensington.

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FOREIGN BIRD KEEPING.

The Lesson of a Year's Experience.

By W. J. GREEN (Aintree).

(Concluded from page 679).

Quails Changed for Budgerigars.

The Chinese Painted Quails I purchased at the end of March. I found them to be very timid birds, with a nasty habit of flying at a tremendous rate until they hit something and then dropping (reminding one of a beginner in aviation). This soon made both birds bald, and was, I think, the cause of the cock's death a few weeks after he came into my possession. I then cut the hen's wing, thinking to prevent its recurrence, but in a few weeks she could get along as well as before; so I left her to learn by experience, which I think she eventually did. I exchanged her ultimately for a pair of Budgerigars, and these I found to be a far more attractive species. I had no special aviary ready when I got them, and as I did not wish to court disaster by placing them with the smaller birds (with which I believe they are often more violent than lovable) I placed them in a cage in my bird-room, where I have a few Yorkshire Canaries. Although they had probably always been kept in an aviary before, they soon grew accustomed to the change, and grew so tame that they had no objection to eating during my presence in the room.

They often attempted to imitate the Canaries' song, making an awful din in consequence. Fearing that this would tend to deteriorate the Canaries' vocal powers, I prepared another aviary and placed them in it on New Year's Day. This may seem rather a foolish thing to do, but, considering that the temperature there is not much lower than it was in the bird-room, and that they are aviary bred, I do not think the change will harm them. They are at present alone, but I propose placing with them some more pairs (including some of the Yellow variety) also some Cockatiels, and what other Parraquets I think they will agree with.

The Birdy Menu.

I feed my birds on equal parts canary-seed and millet (red or white) with a few oats for the Java Sparrows. I also keep a spray millet constantly hanging in the aviary. When I had the Waxbills I occasionally supplied some insectile food, also a few green fly when available. In the breeding season I provided ant-eggs (given dry, as purchased) but do not think any were ever eaten. I find the birds are very fond of the bath, and I allow same every day, as it helps to keep them in good condition.

In addition to my present birds, my selection for the coming season is as follows: Zebra Finches, White Javas, Grey and Green Singing Finches, Saffron Finches, Diamond Doves, Mannikins and Cockatiels, from some of which at least I hope to be successful in rearing young.

As will be seen from the foregoing account of my experiences, I have not yet succeeded in rearing a single foreign bird from the nest, and it may be thought by some that advice from such a fancier would be worthless. However, I think if this is read by anyone about to start in this most fascinating branch of our hobby, and the lesson contained therein, viz.: Interfere with the birds as little as possible, particularly during the breeding season, is learnt, he will generally find that he has been saved at least one season, which would otherwise have probably been wasted in gaining the necessary knowledge.

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I have the very great pleasure to announce that in response to my appeal of last week in aid of the Canary breeders of Norwich who have suffered from the disastrous floods which have recently devastated whole portions of that city, a total of £9 17s. 6d. has come to hand in the first few days, up to Wednesday evening the 11th inst. A full list of the generous subscribers to this very deserving cause, with the amounts subscribed, appears elsewhere in this issue, together with some editorial notes, and it only remains at present for me to express my gratification at receiving the kind expressions of sympathy accompanying many of the subscriptions.

A large proportion of the subscribers are members of our CAGE BIRDS' LEAGUE, and I expect that before the fund is closed many more of our members will assist in helping, according to their limitations, their fellow fanciers in distress. I am sure that every one will have felt pleasure in learning that so far as loss of life to the birds themselves is concerned the effects of the flood were not nearly so disastrous as was at first feared. The deaths of animals of any kind in any disaster adds much to the distress with which the news is received, and many thousands of sympathisers must have felt relief when they read that the birds had not suffered as a whole, nevertheless, the humble owners of the birds are, many of them, in very sad case, and the general fund which is being organised to alleviate their condition will, of course, only very partially compensate the sufferers.

Our fund will be distributed by a committee of bird fanciers and bird lovers to aid their fellow fanciers, independently of the proportion of the general fund which will come to them in the ordinary course, and I hope that CAGE BIRD LEAGUE members will rise to the occasion, and send as much as they can afford in support of the bond of good fellowship which it is one of our ideals to set up among bird lovers all round. Amounts received will be acknowledged in the columns of CAGE BIRDS each week.

Our energetic member, Mr. Peck, with the enthusiasm so characteristic of all that he does, and which helped him to win our £5 prize for the introduction of members to the LEAGUE, has evolved a scheme which I am afraid is unworkable, on account of the Lottery Acts. Mr. Peck offers to contribute two singing Canaries in drawing-room cages, and to tour the towns in his district collecting small subscriptions, each subscriber to receive a sealed envelope. In each of two of these envelopes there would be a ticket entitling the owner to one of the birds and its cage. Mr. Peck thinks he could dispose of about two thousand of these envelopes, and it is with very great regret that I have to say that I think in so doing he would be infringing the Lottery Acts. The police take no account of the object. All that concerns them is the carrying out of the law, and I am afraid they would soon be down upon any one selling envelopes which might contain a prize and might contain only a blank piece of paper.

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HENRY J. FULLJAMES,
Secretary, CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE
54, FLEET STREET, LONDON, E.C.

How to become an Associate.

Many readers of CAGE BIRDS have written to say that they would like to join CAGE BIRDS' LEAGUE, but cannot afford the subscription. To meet their wishes we have decided to form, in connection with the LEAGUE, a body of Associates. All we ask of these Associates is that *they will promise to give every possible attention to the wants of their birds.* And they must induce others to see that their birds are kept happy and contented.

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The Destruction of Swallows.

In the House of Commons recently, Mr. G. Greenwood (Peterborough) asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether his attention had been called to the wholesale destruction of Swallows and other British migrants in the South of France and Italy; and whether, in view of their utility to agriculture and of the increase of insect pests in this country, he would communicate with the Governments concerned to see if some international steps could be taken for the protection of these birds.—Mr. Acland replied: I am aware that numbers of insect-eating birds are killed abroad, but I understand that the extent to which these birds are useful to agriculture remains an open question, and that, moreover, their destruction cannot be proved to have produced an increase of insect pests in this country. The International Agricultural Institute are at present investigating the whole question, and it is hoped that they will, where necessary, be able to devise remedies for the present state of things. In these circumstances his Majesty's Government do not propose to approach foreign Governments on the subject at present.

Unwelcome Visitors.

It is not an uncommon occurrence for wild birds to visit one's house by way of the chimney; the writer recently had a young Woodpigeon call to see him. Fortunately he was a quiet, inoffensive bird, and did no damage, but a few years ago a family of Starlings "dropped in" and played havoc with the tiny vases and ornaments, not to mention the dirt and litter on the best Brussels and easy chairs!

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

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Twitterings.

We should be glad if Mr. Henry Morgan, who wrote us in May last, care of Springneld Mines, N.S. Canada, would kindly communicate his present address.

Mr. R. Roll, Sec. Norwich Alliance C.B.A., writes that schedules for the All-England Show, Oct. 10-11, will be sent in due course to all last year's exhibitors.

Will show secretaries kindly note that applications for Ramsden's specials must be accompanied by coupons, and should be made early in October. (Advt.).

We regret that owing to a printer's error the meeting of the Lancaster C.B.S. for Sept. 7 was given in our Club Notice column as that of the Doncaster Society.

Mr. G. W. Jones, Chairman, Bournemouth and District C.B.A., writes that Mr. J. A. Crawshaw, 28, Gerald Road, Bournemouth, is now hon. sec. of the society, vice Mr. W. O. Brooke resigned.

We have secured the services of Mr. J. H. Roe to judge our annual show on October 17, open to all England, writes E. T. F. Wiggins, secretary of the Bedford and Bedfordshire C.B.S.

Mr. S. Anderson, who penned the article which mentioned the herb tormentil as a remedy for young birds when "soft," asks us to state that his full address is 9, West Benhar, Harthill, Lanarkshire.

Mr. J. W. Reed has received the following additional amounts for widow and family of Mr. C. Eastop:—Bristol C.B.S., per Mr. J. Fletcher, 6s. 3d.; Mr. J. Little, Newcastle, 1s.; R. and J. S. Ulverston, 2s. 6d.; collected, per Mr. Mackenzie, 10s. 6d.

Mr. Rowland Bamber, hon. sec. Ealing, Hanwell F.S., writes that the young Stock Show will be held Sept. 14, show opens one o'clock, 6d. before six o'clock, 3d. afterwards (Memorial Hall, Leeland Road, West Ealing). Tickets may be obtained at the door.

The Radcliffe and District C.B.S., writes Mr. W. Pickup, secretary, will hold their members' show on Nov. 30. Mr. Lomax, St. Helens, will judge. At the next meeting, which will commence at 7.30, there will be a washing exhibition, and it is hoped that every member will attend.

We hear from Mr. W. Lanyon, secretary, that the members of the Smallbridge and District C.B.S. are taking a ramble on Sunday, 15th inst., to Hollingworth Lake, Tunshill, and Oldham Waterworks. The party leaves Wardle Lane at 7.30, returning in time for dinner. Friends and members of other societies are cordially invited to join.

Mr. W. Hodson, Sec., Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S., writes that on Sept. 17 Mr. Geo. Gardner has kindly consented to deliver a lecture to the members on "The Influence of Antecedents in Canary Breeding." A very interesting evening is anticipated, and a very warm welcome is extended to all fanciers who are interested in this important and interesting subject. The meeting commences at 8, at headquarters, the Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, Peckham, S.E.

The City of Glasgow O.A., writes Mr. R. Heggie, Sec., has appointed the following judges for its annual show Oct. 18-19:—Norwich, Messrs. A. G. Cameron, Kelso; and A. Harris, Lochgelly: Border Fancy, Messrs. Thos. Arnot, Howick; and G. Hyslop, Stirling; Crest and Crestbred, A. Paul, Uphall; Yorkshire and any other variety, D. F. Webster, Partick; and Mules, British and Foreign, Messrs. A. W. Watson, Edinburgh, and James Livingston, Bathgate.

Referring to the yellow Border cock which appeared on our front page last week, Mr. T. D. Ayre writes: "This yellow border cock was bred 1911, and I showed him five times, with the following results: V.H.C., L.C.B.A. (not finished moult), 2nd Lancaster, 1st Carlisle (second show), 2nd Aspatria, 3rd Crystal Palace. I was expecting him to do some more winning this next show season, but I am sorry to say I lost him during the second round of breeding season, but have got some youngsters off him.

Mr. C. W. Law informs us that the L. and P.O.S. will have a lecture on Foreign Birds, by Wesley T. Page, Esq., on September 19, at 8, at "The Raglan," St. Martin's-le-Grand, all welcome. All the London members are asked to be present re business connected with the autumn show.

Owing to resignation of Mr. G. T. Clark from the secretaryship of the Highgate, Hampstead and District C.B.S., Mr. J. Hyde, 1, Raydon Street, South Highgate, London, N., has been elected his successor. All enquiries respecting the society should be made to Mr. Hyde at the address given.

On coming home from my holidays, writes Mr. J. Brunton, Leith, I was very greatly surprised on lifting my CAGE BIRDS to see the picture on the front page of my novice winning buff Border cock at the last Palace show. Last year was my first at exhibiting, although I have kept birds all my life, mainly British. I have also pleasure in mentioning that I paired him up to a marked yellow hen, with the result that I have been successful in raising ten young from them, and with a good moult some of them should do well. In conclusion I have to thank you very kindly for the honour done me, and wish CAGE BIRDS (our best friend) every success.

OBITUARY.

Mr. JAS. HARPER (Walsoken).

It is with the deepest regret, writes Mr. H. Harper, that I have to place on record the death of my uncle, Mr. James Harper, late of Napier Terrace, Walsoken, Wisbech, Cambs. He was one of our oldest and most ardent fanciers, had a great liking for pets of all kinds. He always kept Canaries, and was always in the front line. His name will be well in the minds of fanciers, as he was a frequent visitor at shows, never missing the opportunity to purchase a good bird. One thing is certain, he always purchased those birds that he fancied himself, often others than those in the prize list. On Wednesday morning, August 14, about 7.30, he was engaged in loading trucks with timber. He was between two moving trucks when he attempted to leave the line, and was caught between the buffers. He fell into the arms of one of his mates, and died immediately. This sad fatality has caused great grief among his fancier friends locally; he was one of the leaders, having been a commitee member for over 30 years. His aged was 49, and he leaves a widow, naturally very painfully grieved, she being always so devoted to her husband and his hobby. His birds, etc., will be advertised for sale in CAGE BIRDS in due course. He had a good stud, and, I may say, was always found ready to help along beginners.

I have pleasure in sending you one of the National Green-Marked Yorkshire C.C.'s Handbooks for 1912-13, writes Mr. E. Clegg, the hon. sec. (Victoria Schoolhouse, Dewsbury). We have, as you will see, 139 members, which I think is very good, seeing that the club was only formed three years ago. The Green-Marked Yorkshire has advanced in popularity by leaps and bounds since its formation, and I think all fanciers who possess birds of this variety are greatly indebted to the club, and should not hesitate to become members. I shall be pleased to furnish any fancier with all information. (This useful handbook is splendidly got up, and a great credit to its compilers.—Editor.)

The Sparrow Plague.

Mr. Wolverley A. Fordham, of Ashwellbury, Herts, set traps in his orchard for the Sparrows which came after his ducks' food, and in six weeks has caught 1,469. The most in a day were 196, when ninety-two were taken in one trap.

Bed-ridden, but Loved Birds.

An old lady of seventy-nine has just died in Grimsby, after having spent the whole of her life since the age of ten in bed through a spinal injury. Her principal consolation through the long years had been the company of her pet Canaries, which flew about her bedroom, and would come to her call to be fondled and fed

Storks at Kew.

It is reported by a London daily that only one young Stork has been reared this season at Kew Gardens. The rainy summer is supposed to have interfered with their domestic affairs. These birds are common enough on the Continent, particularly in Holland. They are known mostly as rare visitors to our own southern counties.

An Unlucky Sparrow.

While wandering along a hedgerow, now very thick with the recent growth, a reader found a cock House Sparrow impaled through the head upon a thorn. This was evidently the work of a Butcher bird. The Sparrow had been consumed by maggots and only the wing feathers remained intact. Evidently the Shrike does not always kill for food, or he would not leave so many evidences of his powers.

Illustrated Ideas

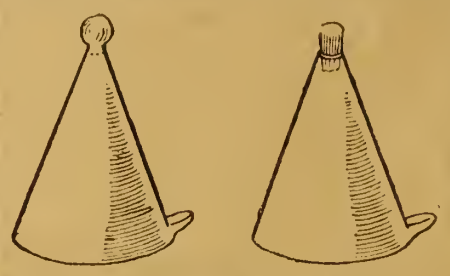
Every "Illustrated Idea" used in this column will entitle the sender thereof to a postal order for two shillings and sixpence.

No 608.

How to Improve the All-glass Water Fountains.

Sent by H. E. Smith, 62, Tranquil Vale Blackheath, S.E.

I am sending an idea, which, I hope will be found useful to users of the blue-topped fountains. They are very useful, but of great inconvenience to keep clean. I run the



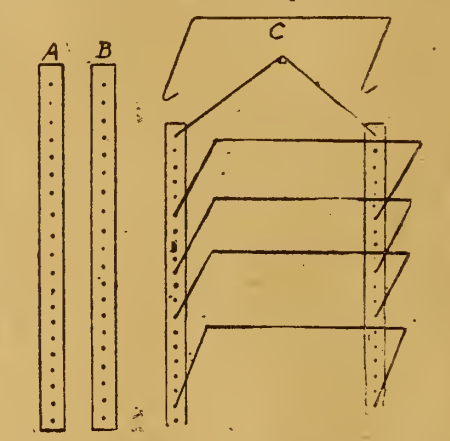
diamond round the part, as marked, give a careful tap and file down the sharp edges. Use a cork, and a small brush will keep them sweet and clean. It only takes a minute or two to clean them.

No. 609.

A Novel Rack for Prize Cards.

Sent by J. W. Pates, 54, Carwood Crescent, Petre Street, Sheffield.

The rack shown in the sketches will be found useful for holding cards gained at shows, and look much neater than nailing the cards on the walls, as I think is usually done. It can be made at a very small cost, as all the materials required are two



"Punched Bars" and some wires. The rack may be made to any length. First get the bars A B and lay them so that your cards just cover each outer edge, then bend wire as shown C, and put each end through holes and clench. It looks very neat when finished, and the printing on cards, i.e., 1st, 2nd, 3rd, hc., or c., will be plainly shown when cards are in position on rack.

How Our Books Help.

I am sending you six coupons, writes Mr. F. Hill, Bradford, which have been signed according to the rules. I may say that this is my first year in the interesting hobby of canary breeding. Having bought one cock and two hens in October last, I set myself to get them in good form for the coming spring. I paired them up in April, and broke them up in July, after having reared 14 fine birds and lost two, 16 in all. This I owe to reading your books, viz., CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL, "Canary Breeding for Beginners," and "Yorkshire Canaries." I have never missed my weekly CAGE BIRDS since I first got my birds. I wish your paper the best of success.

A Warning.

Mr. W. Rudd, the well-known bird specialist of Norwich, requests us to state that some person in London is offering "guaranteed cock" Canaries for sale at impossible prices (they are, of course, hens) at the same time representing that they are HIS (Mr. Rudd's) surplus stock. This man, he hears, stands on Fridays and Saturdays near Clapham Junction, and on Sundays near the Walworth Road, and if anyone questions his tale he replies that he is Mr. Rudd's nephew, and produces one of his (Mr. R's) despatch cards. Mr. Rudd has shown us three letters of complaint he has recently received concerning the birds sold by this unscrupulous party, and asks us to warn readers against the man, and to say that he has no agents, but does all his business direct.

The Disaster in Canary City.

Our appeal in aid of fanciers who have lost their birds.

We made an appeal in our last issue on behalf of the working-men fanciers of Norwich who suffered so severely during the recent phenomenal floods, losing many valuable birds which, unless help be extended them, they will be unable to replace for a long period, as their financial loss in respect to their furniture, stoppage of work, etc., is in itself an item very hard for them to bear. The response has been a fairly liberal one, though not, as yet, by any means adequate to satisfactorily meet the needs of the situation, and we ask readers to send on to us at once any sum, however small, they can spare for this deserving cause.

Every claim is being investigated, so that its bona-fides may be established beyond question, by Messrs. Freestone, Cullington, and Roll, chairman, treasurer, and secretary respectively of the Norwich Alliance C.B.S.; and no expenses of any kind will be charged to the fund. We are sure we shall not appeal in vain to the sympathies of brother fanciers for so admirable an object; if every reader will send but sixpence or a shilling—or even a few coppers—they will be assisting in a beneficient work, and earn the gratitude of some real good fanciers, the majority of them old in years, and none too well blessed with this world's goods.

Mr. R. Roll writes. "There are severe losses on the part of some of our breeders and fanciers, but we have not been able to get the fullest particulars at present; we keep hearing of them day after day, and are keeping a careful record of same. The local relief funds are coming in splendidly, but we cannot, of course, expect any portion to be allocated to the loss of stock, as the calls upon it are very numerous indeed for other necessary purposes. Whatever donations your readers may favour us with, will be carefully dealt with by my Association, as requested by you. My chairman and colleagues on the committee are in touch with nearly all the fanciers in the city, and we shall all be pleased to do our utmost for the benefit of our unfortunate brethren."

Mr. Cullington writes: "Thanks for your kind appeal in CAGE BIRDS. It has given great satisfaction here. I have heard of one further case of the drowning of birds, and I believe Mr. Freestone and Mr. Roll have others. I have not been able to see them since Friday. My case is Mr. C. Hobart, of Paddock Street, Heigham, who had four pairs drowned. Glad to say they are compensating the people out of the local fund for their losses of furniture, etc., as far as is possible. The first three houses Mr. Weston and myself went into were very bad cases; one gets nine pounds, and the other two four pounds each, the goods to be purchased of any tradesmen the sufferers choose."

We may say that the compulsory suspension of the railway service was a blow to the many dealers in Norwich, especially to such large firms as Mr. W. Rudd and Messrs. Mackley Bros., who of course, were unable to get stock away to their customers. Mr. Rudd informed us that despite the publicity given to the facts in every paper in the land, he had actually received several complaints from his customers concerning the non-receipt of birds.

List of subscriptions to Wednesday, Sept. 11:—Miss E. Berners, £2; Sir Leopold Cust, Bart., £1; Two Scotch Ladies, 10s.; collected by Mrs. Partridge, Mrs. Partridge, 5s.; Mr. Partridge, 1s.; Bobby Partridge, 1s.; Miss Goodman, 1s., Mr. and Mrs. Gentry, 2s.; total, 10s. Amounts of 5s. each, Misses Isabel Swinburne, Raper, Whitehorne, Mrs. Ficklin, Malcom Roberts, Esq. Amounts of 4s. each, Miss E. Seaton, Anon. Amounts of 3s. 6d. each, Mrs. Cooper, and G. and F.B.B.; Miss J. E. Rudd, 2s. 6d. Amounts of 3s. each, B.C.H., H.E.A., Miss Wilkinson, Miss Jessie Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Tierney, "7 Canaries," Mr. and Mrs. Graham, T.G. Amounts of 2s. each, Miss Gower, Miss Brock, Mrs. Davidson, "Jackey of Hartz Mtn.," August, C.B., A.P.B., C.F.E., Poole. Amounts of 1s. each, B.W., A. M. Cooper, Henrietta, Mrs. Wray Hunt, Miss D. E. Pithie, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. E. Meek, Miss E. Green, Miss Learmouth, "Caruso," "Sims Reeves," and "Sunny Jim" (per Miss F. De Broë), "Lover of Canaries," Miss Blanche Fawcett, Master Denny, R. Kilbee Smart, "Some Clapham Canaries," Miss Knobel, E. Atkins, W. Hainsworth, F. Schofield, W. Butterworth, G. H. Peck, J. Phelps, Mrs. Liddle, T. A. Mordaunt, "Lenham," Lilian Tekell, M. Lynall, Miss Clabon; Anon, 5s. Total, £9 17s. 6d.

Fifty Years of the Yorkshire Canary:

By D. MALLINSON (Huddersfield).

A highly entertaining and instructive Lecture given before the London Cage Bird Association on Sept, 11th.

The "good old days" when 2s. 6d. bought surplus pairs and 10s. secured a champion!

SINCE the introduction of the cinnamon marked into the Yorkshire circle, and the placing of it as a distinctive breed of Yorkshire, it has become as popular as any of its kindred varieties. No Canary surpasses this class of bird, the cinnamon markings mixing in harmony with the bright coloured feathers of the body, making it attractive, and pleasing to the eye of a lover of an up-to-date Yorkshire.

In giving my experience with this variety, I shall have to go as far back as the year 1860. I was made a fancier by my two uncles, who bred Canaries, some sixty years ago. When only a lad, I walked from Outlane to Queensbury, a matter of eighteen miles there and back, a thick fog prevailing all the day, with about three inches of snow covering the ground. My uncles had heard of a fancier of Belgians who was selling out, and being in want of a good yellow cock, we set off as stated. We got a very nice yellow Belgian cock, well shouldered and full of position.

We were just going down the stairs from the birdroom, when we met old Ned Blayde coming up. Old Ned was a very well known fancier, and he had come for the same yellow cock, so we were only just in time. I wonder how many of our best fanciers would walk that distance now. Old Ned had as far to walk as ourselves. I fancy it would be the train or tramcar nowadays, or do without the bird. There was a very poor train service in those days, and tramcars were unheard of. Besides, one of my uncles would always rather trust to his legs than trust the train! I have known him carry birds miles in his hat. Canary breeding was a real hobby, the cost of them was never calculated, so long as we had something good to look at.

Paying a Long Price—6s.!

About the year 1859 or 1860 I had saved up enough money to buy a decent bird. I got my two uncles to go to Golcar, a village about three miles from Huddersfield, where there were hundreds of Canaries bred every year—you could scarcely have gone to a wrong house. Most of the fanciers were breeders of the Yorkshire Cinnamon and Yorkshire Green, and most of the latter were nice straight birds, showing breed. You could see lots of nicely marked birds, both cinnamon and green. Those that were four-pointed were valued the most; some were beautifully marked, both four and six-pointed, almost marked to perfection, whilst nice uneven-marked birds were very numerous.

We went to an old breeder, calculated to have the best birds. He had them all well touched with the Belgian, some showing this cross more than others. I took a fancy to a nice young yellow hen, a quarter-bred Belgian, showing breed to perfection; the price was six shillings! This was a big price for a Canary hen at that time, as you could get hundreds of hens at one shilling each, and you need not have gone many yards for them. But I wanted something good, so I had to pay the price!

I brought her home, and put her into one of my uncle's cages, as I had not got a cage of my own. When she had got settled, she looked a picture, leggy and straight as a dart from the shoulder to the tip of the tail, the head, of course, slightly bending forward, showing her pedigree very distinct. I had no cock bird to pair her with, so I borrowed one from my uncle—a nice buff-green marked cock. She laid and sat all right, hatched out her young, but would do no more, only keep on sitting on them till they were flattened in the bottom of the nest. This was very disheartening for a beginning; my hard-earned savings gone in a wastrel.

How a Champion Hen Disappeared.

Now there was a curious old man who lived not far from us, and someone had given him a Canary and cage. I saw this bird, and asked if it was a cock or a hen. He said: "Well, lad, I think it is hardly likely to be a cock, as it has laid an egg this morning in the bottom of the cage." I asked him what he would take for it. He said a shilling, bird and cage. So I gave him the shilling and brought it home with me. We paired her up, and she laid all right and began to sit. We thought we would try an experiment with her. We exchanged the yellow hen's eggs for hers, and it proved a very successful ruse, for she was a good feeder, and brought up four nice youngsters first nest and four the second.

In the first nest was a beautiful four-pointed cinnamon-marked hen. I watched this, and thought more of her than all the rest, but I was doomed to disappointment, not in the usual way of losing her through disease, but in a more cruel manner. We used to sell all our surplus stock to a man named John Lees, of Newsome Scarr. This man fetched them every Honley feast Monday, that is, about the last week in September, and his price was 2s. 6d. per pair, cock and hen. We had all our breeding stock selected and placed on the top row, but John soon spotted the four-pointed yellow-cinnamon marked hen. We told him she was not to be parted with, but John evidently saw a bargain in her, so he deliberately told us he would not take the others unless she was included amongst the lot.

I was very much upset over this, as I had prized her so much, I did not want to let her go. I knew she was a better bird than the mother, and I had given six shillings for her. My two uncles, however, were wanting to sell their birds, and I was persuaded to let her go, they telling me I might breed another next year. I got no more like her. Had I but one like her to-day, she would not leave me for twice what he paid for the fifteen or twenty pairs. A bird she was, showing plenty of breed, of fine length and clean cut away, with grand quality of feather, and almost perfect in marking. Perhaps she was more snaky in head and neck parts than we like them now; still, she was a beauty, and one to be remembered, seeing she was sold at the exorbitant price of 2s. 6d. per pair.

Many fanciers will scarcely credit this to be true, but it is a fact, and what is more, we were paying sixpence per pound for canary seed. We did not breed birds intending to make anything out of them; they were an expense to us, but we liked the birds.

I may say there were more staunch fanciers in those days than you meet with to-day. A bad breeding season did not make us throw up the sponge, but you hear of lots of breeders selling out the first bad breeding season they have. These are of that class of people who expect to meet with straight sailing and go ahead and reach the goal without any obstacles whatsoever, but they find to their dissatisfaction they have hit on the fickle and whimsical Canary that will only go its own way. To attain success in the Canary world, you must be well weighted with patience and perseverance; you must throw the bad seasons in with the good ones, and always hope for better luck next time.



THE FLOODS AT NORWICH.

This general view of the waste of waters shows the Cathedral in the background. The river bed is normally but a few yards in width.

The Cinnamon-marked Yorkshire was then as good and typical a Yorkshire as the green-marked, being mostly got from the Green. My first even-marked hen was bred from a green-marked cock. Both would have a good percentage of cinnamon blood in them, how much I cannot tell; maybe it was mostly on the hen's side, as they threw all cinnamon-marked hens, no cocks, from this pair, being cinnamon-marked. The system of pink-eyed breeding for cinnamon-marks was never heard of. They were paired, generally, for marked breeding, a cinnamon cock to a clear hen, or a green cock to a clear hen. Some of the best marked birds I ever saw were bred this way, the mixing of the dark with the light bringing out, as it often does in mule breeding, birds marked eyes, wings, and sometimes tail

The greatest drawback to this method of breeding for markings is the awful lot of fouls you have to contend with. In most nests if there were, say, four in the nest, there was generally a decent marked bird amongst them. I have no hesitation in saying that I have bred birds with better eye markings, and I have seen more evenly-marked birds bred this way, than you can find to-day, and we are steering as much as possible away from the objectionable foul-marked bird, and only pairing the lighter marked birds. I think we are keeping on the right side to steer clear of the heavily-marked birds, except in cases where you need an introduction of the marked blood—when the markings are running too light. Then it is advisable to run in a bird on the heavy side, but to run too much variegation into a stock of cinnamon marks is almost sure to be disastrous. You would breed a large percentage of fouls, these being of little use, for even the wholesale bird dealers fight shy of too many dark birds.

Discarding the Old Method.

Some twenty years ago, I began to discard the old method of breeding to get marked birds. I only kept my best marked birds. I soon found I had begun on a dreary line of work. The old self-cinnamon blood was in my birds, and I argued that it must be bred out, and it was my intention to do so. I had many years of disappointment. The birds would insist on throwing back to the self-cinnamon, and for years after I had never used a self-cinnamon, one would come out unexpectedly to darken the room again, and very often from a pair one would least expect to do such a thing. After a few years of this careful breeding, I found when one did come it was not as rich a cinnamon colour as of former years. I was confident I had made progress, and as years went by the percentage of fouls became less.

I had never been a believer in in-breeding, as I had been taught by my uncles that nothing could be more detrimental to the stock. They said it made the youngsters weaklings. I believe neither of them would have bred with birds that were related if they knew of it. They would have let them run over a season rather than in-breed. I had heard of in-breeding with other kinds of live stock, so I thought it could be done with the Canary. I was sure of one thing, it would be sure to improve the markings, as you could pair more to the point—that was if it did not reduce the stamina of the birds. I was determined to try it—"nothing venture, nothing have."

[*To be continued*].

Through a Bird-room Window.

By the Rev. C. D. Farrar.

No. 27.—MY DAYAL BIRDS.

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Fears, and a Pleasant Surprise.

About a fortnight later I was horrified one morning to miss Mrs. Dayal. I searched high and low, but could see nothing like her, and I began to think that her lord and master had turned cannibal and eaten her, bones and all.

All of a sudden, as I was sadly considering the tragedy, I fancied I saw a long tail sticking out of a little cardboard box I had hung up for Waxbills high up on the wall. I could hardly think it was the hen Dayal, as the box was too small, and I feared if it were, she had crept in there to die after some murderous assault on the part of her companion. I accordingly got a pair of short steps and proceeded to investigate matters.

As I got on a level, I saw the tail move slightly, and I noticed the bird was breathing. Accordingly, I climbed down, for I knew from the way the bird was sitting that she was not wounded, and, therefore, I concluded that there was only one other explanation, she was calmly sitting. I knew that the only thing now was to possess my soul in patience and to watch for the moment when she came off to feed, and then take one hasty peep.

Next day I got my chance, and took it, while she was helping herself to mealworms. There, sure enough, were three eggs, big for the size of the bird, rather like those of our Missel Thrush in marking. I knew that to take them out and examine them would be fatal; and so, though I thought something in my inside would gave way, I came down the ladder and watched events.

The First English Dayal.

No old broody ever sat more steadily and composedly than did that hen. The long tail was always sticking out of the hole, and the cock sat on a bough and dozed, and no doubt dreamt of coming troubles and domestic cares. At the end of thirteen days I found a bit of egg-shell on the floor.

The obvious thing was to fill a generous sized saucer with fat mealworms and succulent maggots, for it is no good to expect Dayals to rear young without unlimited live food, any more than Pharoah was right in expecting the Israelites to make bricks without straw. I know some people tell you that Dayals will carry up pieces of egg flake to their callow young. All I know is mine never would.

And his Sad Fate.

For about eight days all things went well, and the Dayals behaved like model parents. Then one day I saw on the floor two little Dayals about eight days old, that seemed all legs. They had only a number of quills on them, and looked like little blue porcupines. Like Sisera, where they fell, there they laid down. I had a horrible feeling that they had "arrived too soon," as our French neighbours say, but there was no help for it. I must trust to luck. Alas, my luck failed me; for some reason, perhaps disgusted at such precocious behaviour on the part of his young, the cock Dayal refused to take any notice of them (the hen had never attempted to feed them) and the sad consequence was that they departed out of this troubled world for a better.

I hope my readers will feel sympathy for me. Sympathy is the wedding garment, lacking which none shall stand in the presence of God. Doubtless there will be many a rent in the garment before its owner passes to the Wedding Feast, for the highways are rough, and humanity is the weakest thing upon earth; but the Host will not be extreme to mark what is done amiss. The possession or non-possession of the garment is the difference between St. John and Judas. I hope my readers will take the moral to heart. If there was one thing I needed that morning, it was sympathy.

Further Misfortune.

The next winter was of terrible severity, and one day I found my beautiful cock Dayal cold and dead. Four years later I was looking in one of our London bird-shops. My readers will guess the name, though I am not permitted to mention it; but it begins with an "H"; and there in a cage of Indian birds, I once again spotted a hen Dayal, but oh, so dirty and dilapidated and miserable-looking. She had evidently come over in a big lot of softbills, and had been the weakling of the lot; hence her filthy condition. I asked the price, and was told that if I liked to try and save her life I could have her for "ten-bob." Need I say, I accepted the offer.

I took her home and washed and tended her with the care of a young mother for her firstborn, but alas, she was past human help, and though she lingered on for some months, her feathers never grew properly, and when winter came, she was so unclothed that one morning I found her dead on the cage floor.

As Mark Twain says somewhere, "I dropped a tear over it," and from that day to this, I have never been able to get a pair of Dayals, and so have never attained my ambition—to breed and rear them in England for the first time. Some day, I suppose, some miserable beginner will get hold of a pair and breed them straight away. These things do happen. The old story in the Bible is often repeated to-day. After waiting patiently by some Pool of Bethesda for years, another steppeth down before us.

I console myself with the thought that up to now no one has ever gone so far in breeding Dayals as myself. This is my opinion, "but I may be mistaken," as Gladstone once said!

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CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

ONE OR TWO (S. H. A W.).—The Norwich Canary and the Norwich Plainhead are synonymous terms. In former times the Crested Canary, which originated as an offshoot or branch of the Norwich Canary, was invariably referred to as the Crested Norwich or Norwich Crest, and then it was the invariable custom to term the non-crested branch Norwich Plainheads or Plainheaded Norwich. But now the term Norwich is rarely, if ever, applied to modern Crests and Crestbreds, and the term "Plainhead," being superfluous, is gradually being dropped from the nomenclature of the non-crested Norwich.

THE YOUNG IDEA (Beginner).—If the father of the young Rollers has only recently died, and sang well up to the time of his death, it is probable that the young birds will sing a fair amount of the pure Roller song, assuming, of course, that they have not also been hearing the Norwich cocks singing. In the latter case now they are left with only the Norwich as tutors they will almost to a certainty sing only a kind of medley of the Rollers and Norwich song, and consequently will only be worth the price of good singing Norwich. The price you gave for the parents does not govern the value of their young unless they are equally well trained, and proficient singers. If you cannot get the young trained under pure Rollers your best plan would be to sell them off as songsters as soon as they are in good song. The price you get will depend largely upon the market you sell in, probably not more than 7s. 6d. each.

SITS HUDDLED UP (M. B. N.).—Keep the bird in a comfortable temperature, quite free from cold draughts, and sudden extreme fluctuations, and impure air. But do not overheat it. Coming from an outdoor aviary it should do very nicely in a room without fire. Give a staple diet of three parts Canary to one part summer rape. Every second day for two or three weeks give half-a-teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed, and on the alternate days twice a week give a similar quantity of the mixed seed advised to "T. O. G.," and a scrap of green food four times a week. In the drinking water give six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence for three days, and afterwards give 20 drops of whisky, six each of glycerine and oxymel of squills, and two of eucalyptus oil well shaken in the water every second day for a fortnight.

A STOCK COLOUR AND SOFT FOOD (Cashier).—You are certainly running a risk of spoiling the colour of your birds by both altering your soft food, so as to make it a stock combination of egg and colour food, and leaving an inexperienced hand to dole it out whilst you are away on holiday. If there is no alternative, I advise you to adopt this method. Get half-a-pound of pure desiccated yolk of egg and one pound of maizena wafer biscuits. Crush or grind the biscuits and mix thoroughly with the egg yolk. Add to this mixture a proportion of the colour food equal to that you are now using. For example, if you are using four teaspoonfuls of colour to a teacupful of soft food, add that quantity to every teacupful of this mixture, and if there is no sugar, or very little, in your colour mixture, add sufficient soft brown sugar to give the whole a slightly sweet taste. Add three ounces of maw seed to the above quantity, or more or less in proportion to the quantity of stock mixture made, and again thoroughly mix and blend all together. Store this mixture in air-tight tins or jars in a cool, moderately dry place—not too dry, nor yet damp enough to affect the contents of tins or jars. Leave instructions for a teaspoonful of the mixture to be doled out daily to each bird—in the morning preferably. It would be an advantage if you could get the person left in charge to put the required quantity of food each morning in a basin and sprinkle with a very few drops of water—about a teaspoonful to a teacupful of food—and stir well with a fork to very slightly moisten the whole before serving it out. It would be best to mix the food at once, and begin to give it on alternate days for a week or so before going away, instead of the usual soft food. Then you would see how the birds took to it, and might also give the person to be left in charge an object lesson or two in moistening the food and serving it out.

LUMP ON WING (A. B. C.).—Thanks for sending along the lump. As you will see from reply last week, I had anticipated its early dropping off, which would have occurred in any case, but your cotton ligature would certainly expedite its separation. It was a small encysted tumour, and the actual cause of these growths commencing spontaneously is as far as I am aware, not clearly understood. Adopt the same treatment as previously advised for the growth commencing on the other wing. The painting with iodine may cut short the development, but if it does not it will follow the same course as the last, and you can do nothing—or should do nothing further to hasten the development. Put a ligature on it as you did the last, when it has a definite "stalk," so to speak, on which to tie it, so that it will not slip off, but not before that stage. Will you please send along the other lump when it drops off?

A LISTLESS YOUNGSTER (J. E. Conway).—The bird may be naturally a weakling, when the moult would quite account for its listless condition. You should have said how old the bird was, and whether it is plump or in an emaciated condition. Keep it rather on the warm side, and cover its cage for a time to expedite the moult. Give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape, and in addition to the soft food which you will be using as a vehicle for the colour food, give half a teaspoonful of the seed mixture advised to "T. O. G." every second day for a month. On the alternate days give a scrap of chickweed or a half ripe plantain stalk. Give not more than a small teaspoonful of soft food with colour, and every second day for a fortnight mix in it two drops of cod liver oil emulsion. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb, and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence, for three days, and afterwards 20 drops of whisky and three each of tincture of gentian and tincture of calumba every second day for a week. After this add 20 drops of Chemical Food to the water every second day for a fortnight. Give a supply of gritty sand in shallow tin on floor of cage.

HEATING, LAMP AND NON-FEEDING (Molly).—Hope I have your pseudonym correct, as I am not certain about it. It would have been best to give more particulars of the size, position, and structure of the outhouse. If it is in a fairly sheltered position, and your Canaries come of a healthy, hardy stock, bred and kept under normal conditions of temperature, I have no doubt whatever they would thrive very well in the place without any artificial heating at all, and the Goldfinches will certainly require none. I do not know which is the best oil-lamp for such a purpose, because I have not tried all kinds on the market. I have tried a few, said to be all that could be desired, and my experience is that all are as bad as one another. When a place is heated a temperature between 45 and 50 degrees is ample through the winter. The only rational thing to do with a hen which will not feed her chicks is to be provided with a pair of good feeding foster parents to bring up the young, if the non-feeding hen is really worth taking this trouble to get her chicks reared.

BREEDING QUERIES (A Fancier, Senghydd).—Decidedly, Canaries are not too old to breed at three years old. A small proportion of them may be worn out at that age, but they are probably in nearly every case birds which have been badly managed, or, perhaps, exhausted by overwork whilst young. I have no definite record of the limit of age at which Canaries will breed, but I have myself bred successfully with a cock between 9 and 10 years old, and I believe others have succeeded at a greater age than this, so that I see no reason to doubt the statement of your friend that he has bred with a bird 10 years old. As a matter of fact, so long as a bird keeps quite vigorous, healthy and active, it may reasonably be expected to breed, irrespective of age to a great extent. There must have been other reasons for your three-year-old cock failing to fill the eggs, as its age is by no means a sufficient reason. It is not necessary, nor always advisable, to mate together birds of the same age. A three-year-old bird of either sex is, as a rule, best mated with a one-year-old bird, and in the case of very old birds it is almost invariably best to mate with those in full breeding vigour—say, in their second breeding season. Birds of equal age may be mated together in their first, second and third seasons with every prospect of success, but it must not be taken as an absolutely essential rule.

AN OUTSIDE AVIARY (J.N.M.).—There is certainly a great deal too much glass in the structure, as it will render the place subject to very great extremes of temperature unless you intended to heat it during the winter. The only successful room I have known with an equal proportion of glass was not only heated on similar lines to a greenhouse, but had movable wooden shutters provided for use during severe weather in winter, which covered all the glass, save what was necessary to well light the interior. If you do not mind finishing the place in this way it would succeed well enough. Otherwise, as you do not wish to remove the glass roof, I would suggest that you lay a thin layer of boards over it, and cover the boards with felt, and provide movable shutters to cover the glass in the two ends when necessary in winter, leaving only the front portion of glass unprotected. For summer use only, provided there is good top ventilation, it would do nicely with only the top covered with "summer cloud." As regards the interior arrangements, the breedings cages should be arranged on a rack on the wall at the back in three or four tiers, according to what the height will allow, starting at about a foot from the floor. A double-tier large flight could be made along one end from the front of the house to as near as you can go to the front of the stack of breeding cages, and still leave room for the sand-tray to be removed from the latter for cleaning. The remainder of the front could be filled in by a flat-topped chest to serve as a table, and store away seeds, foods, and all surplus appliances not in actual use. If you instal heating apparatus aim at keeping the temperature between 45 and 50 degrees in winter, which is ample for any variety. If you want information on any other particular point do not hesitate to write and ask for it.

SCOTCH FANCY (B. W.).—Sorry I cannot give any address here. To do so would be obviously unfair to all the rest. You would find addresses of breeders in "Cage Birds Annual," and although you may see none advertised just at present, you will find them frequently advertised for sale in our columns in a very short time from now. The birds are not quite ready for sale yet owing to the moulting season being still in progress.

PANTING YORKSHIRE (Yorkshire).—The moult is evidently telling upon it rather heavily. Keep in on the warm side, and otherwise treat it the same as advised to "J. Robinson," except that you need give the rhubarb and salt aperient for one day only. In the week intervening between the two fortnights, give the chlorodyne, etc., mixture. You may also add 20 drops of Chemical Food to the water each day.

PREPARING FOR WINTER (A. R., Glasgow).—As the birds have been in the aviary outdoors since spring, and they are strong and healthy, and of a hardy breed, I see no reason at all why they should not thrive as well through the winter in the covered-in part of aviary—assuming this is what you mean by "the little house"—without any heating of any kind. If the aviary is divided into a covered-in portion and an open wire flight, and the birds fly about in it at liberty, there is really no need to restrict their freedom to the closed portion, unless the weather should become very severe during the winter, when it would be judicious to do so. I cannot give a more definite reply, as you have omitted all important details, such as breed of birds, how kept, size, aspect, and structure of aviary, and to what extent it is exposed to the weather.

BLIND WITH CATARACT (Anxious, Walthamstow).—Am sorry my surmise was only too correct, and you have discovered that the bird is blind. You can do absolutely nothing to cure it. If it is a cock it will probably sing very fairly when it gets accustomed to its condition, which sometimes takes a few months. The disease is not infectious at all, and I do not think there is much, if any, pain attached to it, but you certainly should not attempt to breed with it. Some of these blind birds are terribly worried by grey lice. Examine the bird, and if this is so try to get someone expert at the job to handwash it for you, and add a teaspoonful of creolin to each pint of the first and second waters used. Clean its cage thoroughly meanwhile. To try to bring it in song, feed for two or three weeks as advised to "J. Robinson," but give the aperient for one day only, and afterwards give four drops each of tincture of gentian and calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a week.

VENTILATING ROOM (Bowler).—You omit to say whether the room in question is on the ground floor or an upper storey, and whether the window is a fast one which cannot be opened. If the latter is the case you should remove the centre pane in the top row, fix it in a separate frame, and replace it on pivot or hinges, so that it might swing, and be opened or closed at will. For hot summer weather it would be best to have the window made in sashes to slide up and down, or at least the two top rows to be made to slide down. Then you might cut eight or nine inches off the bottom of one of the panels of door, and fix a piece of perforated zinc over the aperture on each side in such a way that the holes in the zinc sheets do not come opposite each other. A proper ventilator could, of course, be fixed under the window and another near the ceiling, but as this would probably entail structural interferences it requires a practical workman on the spot to give advice worth having on this point. Apart from this, the above suggestions are quite the best you can adopt, and they should answer very tolerably.

BIRD SHED AND MIXED SEED (T. O. G.).—(1) Half-inch boards are not really thick enough to make a good weather-proof structure. The oilcloth and paper covers will doubtless keep out wet and draughts if kept in good repair, but there will doubtless be great and rapid fluctuations at nearly all seasons, so that it is a pity you do not line the place with another layer of half-inch material and fill in the space between the layers with sawdust or wool waste. The shed is of good proportions, and seems to be built on a good principle, and if it is in a moderately sheltered position and gets a fair amount of sun, there is no reason why a perfectly hardy breed like Borders should not thrive in it without any artificial heat in the winter. At any rate, I should chance it. You might make a solid wooden shutter for the large window in front for use in severe weather in winter. That is all the protection that is likely to be really necessary. (2) For a good seed mixture for Borders mix by measure two parts each of millet and black rape, one part each inga, teazle, and maw, a half part each of hemp, gold of pleasure and sesame, and a quarter part linseed.

BIRDS DYING (Nil Desperandum).—There seems so little at fault in your treatment that I am inclined to think there is some ground for your suspicion about the seed, especially as the hemp in the mixture you send a sample of is stale, rancid, and musty, and quite unfit for a bird's consumption. If the birds ate much of this hemp, which, fortunately, is not present in large quantity, it would quite account for their condition and the deaths. Treat as follows for a few weeks, and I have no doubt things will soon improve. Give a staple diet of plain canary only. Every second day give in addition a half-teaspoonful of summer rape, and a spray of chickweed or morsel of banana, and on each alternate day for a month give a piece of bread and milk the size of a large hazel nut, with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with maw seed. Every third or fourth day give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp (see that it is quite sound and white in kernel), inga, millet, teazle, and broken groats. Keep a shallow tin of gritty sand in one corner of the cage. Add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn to the water for two days. After this add just enough Condy's Fluid to the drinking water every second day for a week to tinge it a light pink, and on the alternate days add 20 drops of Chemical Food to the water. Above all else, see that your seeds are all perfectly sound and sweet.

VERY WHEEZY AND PANTING (J. Robinson).—I'm afraid this bird is quite past help. The most you can do is to alleviate its condition somewhat. Considering its age and the fact that it has been in this condition some time, mismanagement is to be suspected. Is it hung in a window, or in a place exposed to draughts? Keep it in a comfortably warm place—not too warm—quite free from draughts, or great and rapid fluctuations, and impure air (such as hanging near ceiling or near or over a burning light in the evenings). In addition to the staple of canary and rape, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a month; twice a week on the alternate days give a pinch of equal parts hemp, inga, millet, and teazle, and on each of the remaining days a half-ripe plantain stalk or sprig of chickweed. In the water give six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a pinch of Epsom salts for three days, and afterwards twenty drops of the following mixture every second day for a fortnight, then withhold it for a week and begin again and give it for another fortnight. Mixture: Two drachms each of glycerine and oxymel of squills, one drachm each of chlorodyne and ipecacuanha wine, and 8 grains of iodide of potassium. Any chemist will mix this for you.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

JAPANESE BUNTING, ETC. (Tanager).—I am in the wilds away from my books and notes, but will give you a full reply next week.

BUDGERIGARS AND FINCHES (E. H. H.).—(1) It is getting late for this season, and I should not encourage breeding this year; about March next take out the nest receptacles, thoroughly cleanse by scraping, scalding, exposing to atmosphere for forty-eight hours, and leave the birds to go their own way. It is the temperament of an individual pair, which I opine will ultimately settle down all right. (2) The Zebra Finches will breed, probably not this season now, but certainly next. A cage 2ft. long at least would be best, and a Hartz travelling cage with the fittings and perches removed would be better than the husk. Supply hay, grass, and a little moss, and they will build their own nest. Of course, you must cut away one of the chip bars of the cage to make an entrance hole for the birds.

GOULDIAN FINCHES ("Gould").—Your perseverance deserved a better reward, but if that be any consolation, you are not alone in your disappointment. Goulds are rather subject to egg-binding, much more so when kept indoors than when out of doors. The appalling weather conditions of this summer have caused many similar disappointments and losses; a bird is somewhat similar to ourselves in that it appears to feel almost every change of the weather indoors, which would be unnoticed under the conditions of outdoor life—restricted exercise, etc., plays so large a part. You have done really well to keep all your birds save the one in such a season. In the future, never attempt to pair birds which are not absolutely fit. The term is inclusive, and a bird in partial moult, though healthy, is not "fit," and should not be mated till it is. If steaming and other means fail on any future occasions, try dry heat. I should certainly say try again, but only pair "fit" birds, and have a roomy box cage, open at front only—neat, plain stained box cages are really "chic"—with nest receptacle at most secluded corner, and the twig perches at end of cage only.

GREY PARROT (C. Tompkins).—I prefer perches with the bark on for Parrots, one at least 1½ inches in diameter, and the other about one inch. Such procedure practically precludes cramp; but on the least signs of leg weakness, lameness, or cramp foment with hot water (not hot enough for discomfort), dry with a cloth, and then, while the skin is soft and moist, paint with whisky. Treat so daily while any signs of the trouble remain. The sore must be fomented and well cleansed with hot water, and dabbed dry with a cloth, but if there is any sign of pus this must be cleansed away before applying healing ointment. While a bird has a sore foot the perch can be padded with flannel, which, of course, must be changed as necessary. Get the following two mixtures:—(1) Canary and white millet in equal parts; supply in a separate tin, keep supply in cage, replenishing as necessary. (2) Two parts each oats and hemp, and one part each paddy rice, crushed maize, wheat, dari, and sunflower seeds; a few chillies and broken Spanish nuts (shelled); well mix and supply regularly. Also supply ripe fruit, plain biscuit, green food, and dry stale crust, but do not continue the milk sop. Keep a piece of cuttlebone in the cage, and add a pinch of grit (not sand) to the daily supply of seed mixture. Give one dose (see other replies) of Dinneford's Magnesia, and then others at weekly intervals for a couple of months, giving Chemical Food or Byno-phosphates pretty freely. Get our Nutshell, the "Grey Parrot"—you need it—2½d., post free from our manager.

MANNIKINS (Black-headed Nun).—(1) Certainly there is hope of curing the bird, and much satisfaction in relieving its distress. Before using the eye solution, well bathe and cleanse the eye with warm water that has been well clouded with milk, then dab off gently with a soft cloth superfluous moisture and treat with the eye solution. The bird must be kept warm and strictly out of draught, but do not on any account return it to the stock cage till the eye trouble disappears. (2) Yes, put the mealworms into a utensil with a little bran at the bottom. Mealworms are usually administered to such cage birds as a treat, and the birds soon become ready to come and take them from the fingers and then retire to some corner, or favourite perch to consume them, but some Waxbills are too retiring to do this, and for them adopt a small glass vessel (very smooth internally), about one inch deep, with about a quarter-inch of bran at the bottom. This will usually keep them still, but a mealworm for each, put in twice a day, should have no chance of escape.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); *Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages"* (2/3); *Ramsden's "Colour-feeding"* (3½d.); *"Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds"* (1/2); *or the "Nutshell" booklets* (2½d. *each*): *No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.*

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); *Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels"* (6d.); *Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit"* (7d.); *"Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages"* (2/3); *"Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants"* (1/2); *Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever"* (7d.); *Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping"* (1/1); *"Colour-feeding"* (3½d.); *or the "Nutshell" booklets* (2½d. *each*): *No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154,*

TAME BIRDS (K. Kelly).—The symptoms you describe are rather those of internal trouble than bronchial. Some Foreign species, more especially some Grassfinches and Mannikins, are more or less lethargic under the conditions of cage life, and the cage should be sufficiently roomy to place a wiggy branch at each end, with sufficient distance between to force wing exercise in getting from one to the other. Their diet should consist of millet, white and spray millet, green food, grit (not sand), cuttlebone, and water for drinking and bathing. Green food (preferably weeds) is essential, and if not much is eaten, if it is supplied freely gathered, they get minute insect life, essences, etc., from it, which mean much to their general well being. A small turf, such as supplied to caged larks, is a very happy arrangement for caged Finches also. As regards your ailing birds, keep the bowels open—not watery loose by occasional doses of Dinneford's Magnesia (one teaspoonful in two tablespoonfuls of water); alternating these with half the quantity of Byno-phosphates in half the quantity of water. Tame birds should, of course, be better and worth more than those just landed—they have been in England longer, and should be over importation prostration, and, having lost their fear of man to a great extent, are likely to benefit to the full from wholesome food and treatment. The opposite is responsible for many losses with newly-imported birds. Some few Budgies talk; there is no royal road—kindness and patience and a tame bird. I believe directions are given in "Budgerigars and Cockatoels," 6½d. post free from our manager.

ROSEATE COCKATOO (Roseate).—(1) The legs and feet may appear rough, but unless they are also hard and horny it is not an aged bird. (2) Twenty years old is not an aged bird. (3) Seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts, plain biscuit, stale crusts, green food, grit and cuttlebone, and of course water. (4) Yes, once a week sufficient in winter, daily in hot weather, and two or three times weekly at other periods, using "common-sense" discretion. (5) Put a few chilies in the seed mixture to check sneezing, if the nostrils are wet and running, spray or bathe with dilute glyco-thymoline till relief is given, and keep the bowels moving freely, not loose, with an occasional dose of Dinneford's Magnesia—one teaspoonful in the daily supply of drinking water. Tone up afterwards by a course of Byno-phosphates. (6) Touch any bleeding sores with Friar's Balsam, and very lightly anoint afterwards with a little healing ointment. (7) Yes, by avoiding all bustling movements in its vicinity, general gentleness, kindness, adopting any method that its demeanour suggests to win its confidence; but your methods at first should be still and quiet. Re Zebra Finches, leave nesting to take care of itself; results will follow, but do not expect them to act with the same precision as Canaries; when nest is complete, that is a domed structure, restrict the supply of building material. Zebra Finches and Silverbills (one pair of each) should agree in the cage you name.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

A WINDOW AVIARY (Mr. S.).—The place you describe is very small, and will not comfortably hold more than eight or nine birds, and these should all be cocks. A nice collection, which contains some fine songsters, would be: Goldfinch, Linnet, Siskin, Bullfinch, Saffron Finch, Green Singing Finch, Grey ditto, and Java Sparrow. Don't trust Lovebirds (Budgerigars) in the place. It is against the rules to recommend any particular advertiser; consult the advertisement columns.

CHEVERAL OR PEATHROAT (Whittenite).—Neither a Cheveral nor a Peathroat Goldfinch is eligible to compete in an ordinary Goldfinch class. One sometimes reads of a mismarked bird of this kind being awarded a prize; but it is always at a small show, and never under a specialist judge of British birds. If you exhibited such a Goldie at a big show (say the Palace or Horticultural Hall) it would get marked "wrong class," or be left unnoticed. It is in reality a rare-feathered (pied) bird.

SIBERIAN (J. Taylor).—I have never been able to trace any difference between Greenfinches and Linnets labelled "Siberian" and those which were being sold as British.

A GREENIE-BULLIE HYBRID (J.M.M.).—If you mean to convey by "buff" that the head and neck of the Hybrid are the colour of a clear buff Canary, then it is evidently a "sport" (a sort of rare-feathered bird), and would be of no use for exhibition purposes. Your letter does not leave me clear as to your meaning, and if I have not grasped this, perhaps you will kindly write again and explain. I hope you will have luck with the other bird.

ABOUT A LINNET (Yorkshire).—(1) The seed mixture seems to be an excellent one, taken all round. (2) It is a pity you bought a bird which is so wild and nervous in disposition, as such are always very difficult to steady, often remaining wild until after they have moulted in captivity; further, they take a long time before singing at all freely. If possible, keep the cage in a room wherein people are constantly moving about, and bang it about breast high, when the Linnet may possibly get over its nervousness, or, at least, get very much steadier.

A GERMAN NAME (Warbler).—My own impression is that the German word "Graemucke" is just the equivalent of our own word "Warbler"; for instance, Gartengrasmucke is the Garden Warbler, Monchgraemucke the Blackcap Warbler. However, I have no means of making certain of this at the time of penning this reply.

HEN MULES AS FEEDERS (W. G. Smithson).—My own experience has been that hen Mules sit well and are very reliable feeders. I know that others have had similar experiences with them, and have read of several cases in CAGE BIRDS. Anyway, seeing that you have had such atrocious luck (which I very much regret) you cannot very well lose by giving a trial to the hen Mules you possess. I ran a cock Mule with mine (partly for the sake of experiment), and they built and laid just the same as hen Canaries.

CONCERNING A BULLFINCH (Sirge).—I certainly do not recommend you to pull out flight feathers; you might break the wing in doing so, and, anyway, the process would not help to tame the bird. I think you have done very well indeed, seeing that he is already taking seeds from your finger. Can't you induce him to hop on the fingers of one hand and take seeds from the other hand? I have not found it difficult once a Bullfinch's confidence is gained; or entice him into the opening of the cage door, when it is but a step, so to speak, to getting him on your hand outside. You should not catch him in your hands (unless there is cause) as one is apt to scare birds through doing so. I have no doubt that the moult he is now undergoing will also assist as a steadying agent.

AN INDOOR AVIARY (Memo).—I should think 10 birds would be quite comfortable in the place you describe. I can recommend the following pairs, Goldfinch, Linnet, Siskin and Bullfinch, with the pair of Canaries.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

J. Gilbertson.—There was no evidence whatever of poison. Death occurred from pneumonia induced by cold.

M. E. B.—Acute inflammation of the bowels, the pain it suffered, was due to this. These acute cases are very rapid in their course, and invariably fatal.

Tom Turner.—Fatty degeneration of the liver. There is evidently something very wrong with your feeding. You have omitted to give details concerning this. Get an entirely fresh supply and administer three times weekly some glauber salts in the drinking water.

W. Hunter.—Death from absorption of ptomaine poisons generated in the intestines. The young birds would be more readily susceptible. Give only a minimum amount of egg food for a time, and try equal parts of bismuth and charcoal dusted over bread sop occasionally to ailing birds.

Thos. Charleton.—The remarks to W. Hunter apply exactly to your case. The foul marked bird was impossible of examination; the clear one showed marked inflammation of the bowels, whilst the spleen was abnormally large.

Rev. A. R. Runnels Moss.—Death resulted from fits. The surface of the brain was hyperæmic, and there was present a clot of blood causing pressure.

F. Ridler.—Hepatitis, or inflammation of the liver. This organ was much enlarged and contained a large amount of blood, far in excess of its normal capacity. Too stimulating a diet, colour-feeding, etc., are often responsible for these changes.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

G. Bascoby.—We regret the mistake. By a printer's error, Doncaster was given instead of Lancaster.

R. Coventry.—Many thanks for your letter, which we shall be glad to publish in due course.

P. Gwen.—Your letter has been duly forwarded.

H. Lloyd.—We have previously illustrated a similar tray.

T. J. Geffin.—The society nearest to you is the Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S. (Hon. Sec., Mr. W. Hodson, 39, Friern Road, East Dulwich).

Moulting and Exhibiting the Border Fancy Canary.

A lecture by Mr. J. JOHNSTONE, of Wallsend, given before the members of the Northern Border and Scotch Fancy C.C.

Mr. Chairman and Fellow Fanciers,—To begin with I will have to crave your indulgence, and hope you will pardon any shortcomings. This being my maiden attempt at lecturing, I have no doubt you will understand my position. Now that the breeding season is over your attention will be centred on the moult and the show season which is close at hand, so I think I could not do better than confine my remarks to the moulting and preparing of our Wee Gems for exhibiting and give my ideas as to what constitutes a show specimen.

I am sure you are all aware of the fact that the moult is a very critical time in a bird's existence, so much so that should there be any weak spots in any of your stock it is sure to give you an anxious time, and it behoves us one and all to look well after the health of our birds, and have them fit for the trying ideal of the moult, as their whole career depends on it, either in the breeding cage or on the show bench. It matters not how carefully your birds have been bred, should they have a slow dragging moult your chances of winning that coveted ticket are very remote indeed. So you will understand quite clearly that should you intend going in for exhibiting now is your time to start to prepare your birds, not a week or two previous to the show you intend exhibiting at.

Differences of Opinion.

There are many minds as to the best way to moult a bird, and as to what is best to help them; some put their faith on saffron, others cochineal, and so on, but if you would be advised by me the less you dose your birds the better. I have practised all sorts of ways and means with mine, and have finally come to the conclusion that the best way is to keep the birds' quarters strictly clean, give them plenty of good wholesome food, and plenty of the bath. There need be then no fear, if healthy, as to their getting well over the moult. After the breeding is over, if my lot are all right, I turn them all into large flights, and let them remain there until they are about half through with their moult, when I cage them off, but before doing so I examine them, for if there should be any broken feathers or objectionable feathers to be seen that want removing, then is the time.

Should you have any that appear to have stuck in the moult just dust a little flowers of sulphur over their egg food every other day for a week, and I have no doubt that they will soon make another start, but you will have to be very careful of the cold, also the bath, when giving the sulphur; you would do better to withhold the latter and run no risks.

I strongly believe in covering birds up during the moult, in fact, right on throughout the show season. It keeps the strong light off them, keeps them clean, helps to hurry them through the moult, and minimises the plucking and fighting.

I feed during the moult with best Spanish canary seed with a sprinkle of German rape in the hoppers. Twice a week I give egg food, to each egg and bread I mix two teaspoonfuls of fresh linseed meal, twice each week I grate a carrot, and make it into a crumbly consistency with stale bread, and give it them, and another day I give them a mixture of equal parts linseed, inga, gold of pleasure, and maw seed to the amount of a teaspoonful for each bird. These seeds are very valuable during the moult, for the oil they contain greatly helps to put the bloom on the new feathers. For green food I give as much shepherds purse as I can get, and a few plantain stalks (rat tails). In the drinking water twice a week I put a half-teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates; this is a grand tonic, and helps to tighten the feather, and to my mind it is to be preferred to things like sulphate of iron.

After the Moult.

When you have got your birds nicely through the moult, cage off as many of the young birds as you can in show cages (young birds) so as to get them used to the all wire cage, as I take it for granted that most of you, like myself, prefer the box cage for stock purposes. When you have any friend come in to see your stock don't forget to let him handle them, it goes a long way in teaching young birds what is expected of them, and gets them used to strangers handling their cages. Providing you have kept your cages clean, and covered up to keep the dust from the birds plumage, you will be able to exhibit at one or two of the early shows without having to wash them, even if they are clear variety. Greens and Cinnamons, if given the bath freely, will go through a season without hand washing. In fact, the longer the tubbing is postponed the better (that is providing the birds are clean) for there is nothing takes the lustre out of a bird's feather more completely than the hand washing. The dry dull appearance most of the birds have near the end of the show season causes the reporters to use in their criticism the term "being washed out." I won't say anything here to-night as regards the washing operations, as I believe our worthy secretary has an exhibition booked for a future date when I have no doubt that you will learn a wrinkle or two. In the preparing of birds for the show bench a lot of fanciers, both young and old, spoil their birds by cramming egg food and such like into them. It is a mistake; what is wanted is birds in good, hard, firm condition, and how can you get that by feeding on soft food? My birds very rarely ever see egg food after they have got over the moult until the breeding season comes round.

(To be continued.)

DUNDALK.

Held Sept. 3 and 4. Mr. Sheridan, Dublin, judged. YORKS YELL. CK.: 1, Ryan; 2, 3, vhc, Keating; hc, Lawless; c, Kennedy. BEN: 1, hc, Ryan; 2, 3, vhc, Keating; c, Kennedy. BUFF CK.: 1, c, Keating; 2, vhc, hc, Ryan. HEN: 1, Byrne; 2, vhc, hc, Ryan; 3, c, Keating. WORKMAN'S CLASS: 1, 2, Byrne; 3, c, Duff; vhc, Lawless; hc, King. SELF. (15): 1, Byrne; 2, Smyth; 3, Kennedy. MULE: 1, McConnon. GOLDFINCH: 1, Duffy; 2, Byrne; 3, McCabe; vhc, Gorman; hc, Duff; c, King. LINNET: 1, Byrne; 2, Duff; 3, McConnon. LARK: 1, McConnon.—W. Keating. Please write on one side of the paper only (Editor).

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Anfield, Everton C.B.—Sept. 16, headquarters, 8. Lecture by Mr. Young. Next feather show specials, postponed from Sept. 9. Postponed ramble will take place Sept. 15, landing stage 2 p.m.—R. B. Wright.

Anfield Plain C.B.S.—Sept. 14, Mr. Lumley's, 7.30. Schedule for annual show, and other important business.—R. Peart.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Sept. 17, Onward Hall, 8. Sharp practice debate. Selection of judge for annual show.—J. Spencer.

Bankfoot C.B.S.—Sept. 17, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Arrangement of prize list, Society's dance, and other important business.—F. Gelder.

Bath F.A.—Sept. 19, headquarters, 8. Show business, stewards. All schedules, etc., will be ready.—W. Eric Cotterell.

Birkenhead C.F.A.—Sept. 17, Ablett's Cafe, 8. Amalgamated show business. Schedule for members' old show.—Geo. Norton.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—Sept. 14, Victoria Hotel, 8. Ordinary business.—M. Skirrow.

Border City (Carlisle) O.S.—Sept. 18, headquarters, 8.15. General meeting. Members are requested to bring in all specials so that same may be allocated.—John C. Bell.

Bradford National Show Committee.—Sept. 18, Market Tavern, Bradford, 8. Show business, very important. Subscription cards ready for this meeting.—H. Hill.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Sept. 14, Shoulder of Mutton, Girlington, 8. Arrangement of quarterly show and general business.—Kilburn and Weston.

Bursiem C.B.S.—Sept. 19, Barnfield Inn, 8. Business important.—Leonard James.

Cardiff C.B.S.—Sept. 19, Maskell's Hotel, 8. To complete schedules, also other open show business.—E. Thomas.

Cheltenham C.B.S.—Sept. 18, Prince of Wales Hotel, 8. Schedule for open show.—A. S. Treasure.

Clapham and Dist. C.B.A.—Sept. 16, Landor Hotel, 8. Show schedule.—A. R. Coe.

Coventry O.S.—Sept. 18, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Specials for annual open show and general business.—A. J. Barratt.

Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.—Sept. 18, George Hotel, 8. Arrangements for open show.—A. Walker.

Darlington C.B.S.—Sept. 17, Labour Hall, 7.30. Schedule for November show.—Mr. Todd.

Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.—Sept. 17, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, Peckham, 8. Lecture by Mr. Geo. Gardner, "The Influence of antecedents in Canary breeding." Fanciers invited.—W. Hudson.

Eccles C.B.S.—Sept. 18, Diamond Inn, 8. Report of amalgamated show and other business.—J. Hall.

Edinburgh C.B.S.—Sept. 17, Cairne Memorial Church Hall, Gorgie Road, 8. Lecture by Mr. J. F. Dewar, "Shows: Ancient and Modern." Classification of October table show, etc. Large attendance requested.—J. J. Mackie.

Erith and Dis. F.S.—Oct. 3, West Street Schools, 8.15. General business.—G. Rickett.

Garston B.B.A.—Sept. 19, Clubroom, 8.—A. T. Mullock.

Great Horton O.S.—Sept. 14, Butcher's Arms, Gt. Horton, 8. Special business.—J. Holroyd.

Haltwhistle C.B.S.—Sept. 10, at Mr. Nicholson's, 8. Open show business.—Nicholson and Tallantyre.

Hanley C.B.S.—Sept. 18, George and Dragon Hotel, 8, to finish off the schedule. All members to bring what specials they have been able to secure.—C. J. Robinson.

Hartlepools C.B.S.—Sept. 18, St. George's Hall, 8. Classification for open show.—Woodhead and Pyman.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Sept. 14, White Lion Hotel, 7.30. Business important.—R. H. Dixon.

Ilford and County F. and F.S.—Sept. 17, White Horse Hotel. General meeting. Committee's report on arrangements for annual show, and other important business.—J. H. Priestman.

Jarrow Hebburn C.B.S.—Oct. 2, Lockhart's Cafe, 7.30. Selection of judge and show business.—W. Ayers.

Kelly and Blairadam C.B.A.—Sept. 17, headquarters, 6. Proof of schedule and show business. Committee positions on show day.—A. Dickson.

Lancashire Amalgamated Societies.—Sept. 14, Coffee House, Littleborough, 3.30. Arrangements for amalgamated back end show.—J. Cope.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Sept. 21, Public Hall, 7. Show business.—James Pollock.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Sept. 17, White Swan, 8.30. Open show business.—A. Freestone.

London and Counties A.C.B.—Sept. 21, The Earl Cathcart, Osnaburgh Street, N.W., 8. Second table show of Canaries bred 1912, and a class for Brit. All are welcome. Report of last meeting will be in by the end of the week.—W. Gilbert.

Longton C.B.S.—Sept. 17, Castle Inn, 8. Final arrangements for open show, etc.—Geo. Lea.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Sept. 14, Greyhound Hotel, 7. Important. Schedule for open show.—Daniel John.

Mid-Rhondda C.B.S.—Sept. 18, White Hart, Tonypandy, 6. General business.—A. H. C. Legg.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S.—Sept. 19, 65, Grainger Street, 7.30. Open show business, specials, adverts. etc.—J. W. Reed.

North London C.B.A.—Sept. 18, headquarters, 8. Egg food, soft food, and seed mixture competition.—W. Jeffries.

Plumstead and Woolwich C.B.S.—Sept. 19, Trinity Schools, 8. Beresford Street, Woolwich. Important show and other business, and question evening.—E. Meades.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Sept. 14, College Inn, 8. Special meeting for fixing schedule for annual show.—B. Bailey.

Sale C.B.C.—Sept. 16, Volunteer Hotel, 8. Open show business.—Royle and Wood.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Sept. 14, Wharfe Hotel, 8. Inter-show business; important.—Sutcliffe and Walker.

Scottish Metropolitan (Open Derby) O.A.—Sept. 14 Buchanan's Hotel, 114, High Street, Edinburgh, 7.30. Final show business. Country members are requested to have entries forward by this date.—J. R. Meikle.

Wakefield O.S.—Sept. 14, Crown and Anchor Hotel, 8. Members' show and business relating to cup.—J. Isherwood.

Wombwell B.F.A.—Sept. 21, Park Street School, 7.—Thos. Eames.

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Thanking you in anticipation.

J. C. SCHLUTER.

5, Dacres Road, Forest Hill, S.E.

An Idea to Improve Metal Seed Hoppers.

Sir,—I use glass fronted metal seed hoppers, but very often find that the birds shuffle the seeds into the corners where they are unable to reach them. To prevent this I cut a piece of perforated zinc to the depth of hopper, less thickness of glass. I bend it into a half circle, and drop it into hopper. This always keeps the seeds to centre of hopper, and acts as a sieve. By pressing the wire stop for glass through one of the holes the zinc cannot move.

R. GRAHAM.

Proposed Society for Farnworth and District.

Sir,—Kindly permit me space in your correspondence columns to announce that we propose forming a cage bird society for Farnworth and district, as a few fanciers here think it would be beneficial to our hobby. I should esteem it a favour if all fanciers in the above-named district would forward me their addresses so that I could send them a notice of the first meeting for the formation of such a society.

J. PININGTON.

83, Ellesmere Street, Farnworth, near Bolton.

Bending Cage Wire.

Sir,—Many thanks to Mr. Frank Hasleden and Mr. J. Barber for the information how to make bends in wire. I have spent many hours, and made very poor jobs, but with their information I will do much better. I have tried to buy a book on wire-working, but all booksellers tell me there is not one published. If any of your readers know of one on wire working it would be a boon to myself and perhaps to other CAGE BIRDS readers. I also wish to tender my sincerest thanks to CAGE BIRDS for the able articles which are entertaining for the novice and expert alike. I am a cripple, and find cage making pleasant work. The little I make out of it allows me to buy more pets. Again thanking both gentlemen who replied.

NOVICE.

Affairs of the Y.C. and C.B.S. of Ireland.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Lattimore's statement that since my election on the committee I only attended one meeting. I have always assumed that the secretary should make himself acquainted with the minutes, when he would find that a mistake. The resolution he refers to may have been made and carried on the date he mentions, but it must be within his recollection that I attended on a subsequent date and proposed that Mr. Fry should be approached. I may assure the secretary that my signature is genuine, and that I represent no clique or cloak. May I ask the secretary why he refrained from answering "Provincial's" letter which would have obviated the necessity of "Committee Man" rushing into print? As long as I have been a member I have always had the affairs of the society at heart, but I did not find it encouraging to attend the meetings when I found a high official aggressive and discourteous.

PETER GILLEN.

Wake Up, Traders!

Sir,—My varied experiences in dealing with advertisers in CAGE BIRDS leads me to propound the query—Why advertise? A fortnight ago I wrote to eight persons advertising themselves in your columns as catchers with birds to sell, telling them what birds I needed, and asking them to let me know when they had good specimens for which I was prepared either to pay cash or exchange for Canaries. Not ONE of the eight has replied to my letters in any shape or form. On the same date I sent a postal order for birds to another advertiser, and after waiting a week and receiving neither birds, nor any acknowledgment of my order, I wrote again, receiving a rather vague reply about birds being soft, etc. I am still waiting for them. A month ago on returning from my holidays I found myself without colour food. I wrote one of your best known advertisers—a dealer, one who makes his living out of the hobby, and received a supply BY RAIL a week after. You can understand what the delay might mean to some fancier with some good birds moulting. These are recent experiences, though I could quote many others occurring during the past few years; and I am not alone in this respect. I do not doubt for one moment the honesty or the good intentions of any of the persons concerned, but what a lack of business capacity, and common courtesy it displays!

And Sir, it is a question in which you are also directly interested. If we cannot obtain through the advertisements what we desire without unnecessary trouble and delay, the inevitable result is disgust and apathy, a decline of interest, with a corresponding loss to the Fancy and the Fancy Press. By the insertion of this complaint the attention of advertisers may be drawn to what is, I can assure you, a real grievance.

GEO OGLETHORPE.

Lorton, Cockermouth.

South African Appreciation of a Tyneside Fancier.

Sir,—I saw in your popular paper, CAGE BIRDS, of July 27th, a photo of the committee of the South African Cage Bird Club, and a letter in which the writer referred to Mr. J. R. Cox as a judge, and said that if fanciers on this side of the Equator would be able to retain him for a few more years we would have some good birds, and a strong C.B. club. Well, Mr. Editor, I sincerely regret to have to inform you that this valued official has left us, and is at the time this will appear at his home in Byker, near Newcastle-on-Tyne. He should be a valuable addition to your English judges, and we envy you, more especially because we need him so very badly. I endorse Mr. Van Niekerk's remarks as to his capabilities, and take this opportunity of wishing Mr. Cox a jolly good time. He is happy amongst the birds, so he no doubt will be in raptures as he will arrive about the time when the early moulted ones are in the pink of condition, and the shows are beginning for the season. Although I have an idea that if presented with a suitable situation he will stay with you for a while, my firm conviction is that he will again return to our shores, as South Africa has a fascination which is hard to resist. We shall be glad to welcome him back.

P. W. ROBINSON.

Johannesburg.

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How Can We Make Our Shows Pay?

An Old Hand Answers His Own Question.

Sir,—The time has come when every secretary and committee-man is asking himself the above question, and if he means to carry out his trust he will not rest until he has thought of some way which will make the difference between the balance on the right or wrong side. I know the unseen will happen, but how often we blame something we had not thought of for that which we did with eyes wide open. With a view therefore of reminding some of those who are at present in "harness" rather than laying claim to anything new, I venture to give some of the5 reasons why shows do not pay their way. No. 1. Extended classification. How often it has been brought home to us that when we gave say four classes for Yorkshires or four for Norwich, those classes were well filled? When we gave more, down we went bump. We said, "we clashed with so and so"; after all, whether we did or did not, the reason really was too many classes. Four classes are enough for ordinary shows, viz., yellows, buffs, hens, and unflighted. Of course if our club has the patronage of any of the specialist clubs we must give the required classes, but this patronage is a doubtful asset. No. 2, novice classes. The novice should have the same classification as the champion, and he will often be found the more profitable of the two. It is not fair to give him a couple of classes, and then blame him for not filling them. It costs as much for carriage for two exhibits as it does four, and the novice expects as good a run for his money as the champion. No. 3, Radius, County, or Limit shows are no good whatever. It is not fair to the local fancier to keep the best away, and the society cannot afford to be without the entries from a man just over the border. The cups and a full share of the specials can always be reserved for the members, the non-member does not expect to share equally; he knows who does the work. No. 4, Entry Fee. 1s. 6d. is ample, often too much. 2s. is absurd. Why not make the novice's 1s. 3d., and reduce the prize money one-sixth? Remember, the average fancier is a working man, and the novice often has the shallowest pocket. No. 5, Too Heavy Printer's Bill. Remember there is nothing received for the schedule, and the catalogue is nearly always a loss. This must be cut down to the absolute rock bottom. No. 6. Too Little Advertising. The most successful business firms are those who advertise most. CAGE BIRDS forms the best medium for this branch of the work, and if the classification be advertised therein it will save at least two-thirds of the cost of schedules, etc., to say nothing of bringing the show more prominently before the eye to the exhibitor, nor to mention the saving of wrappers, of postages, and of hard work for the secretary. The entry form can be cut out of the paper or a footnote can be added, "Entry forms and lists of specials on application." No. 7, too little being done for the non-fancier. You must encourage him to attend. You want him to be interested in your hobby, to join your society, or at any rate you want his gate-money. Give him a little concert in a side room or let his children in for a penny during the afternoon. This reduction will not cost you anything, and every penny is welcome. No. 8, one for the members to think about. You who don't do a stroke for your society; who take all you can get and yet will not sell a ticket for your club. You are not helping the fancy. Pull yourselves together. If you won't help the club for its own sake, think of yourself. The worst of reasons? Admitted. But even for this your secretary would be thankful. He does not ask you for much, but if every member sold, say, four tickets, we should hear of few societies being unable to make the show pay.

EX-SHOW MANAGER.

Harrogate Linnet Fanciers' Association.

Sir,—The President of the above has kindly given a challenge cup to be competed for by the members, to be won three times, not necessarily in succession. The member scoring most points in one season to count as one win. The final contest for 1912 was held last month, when Mr. W. Slinger had most points to his credit, and becomes the holder for the first year. Mr. A. Deitz was the runner-up. The season has been a most enjoyable and successful one, ending with each member declining his intention of having his name on that Cup next year. The headquarters are held at the Nelson Inn, Skipton Road, where fanciers receive a warm welcome by the members, who all subscribe to and are deeply interested in CAGE BIRDS and its contents. E. BAUL, Secretary.

Cage Fronts that are Easy to Remove.

Sir,—I have been much amused at the many ideas and suggestions for cage fronts which were easy to remove and replace. What is the matter with those now used by almost every fancier? Surely nothing can be simpler or quicker to manipulate than those punched-bar fronts sold in the ordinary way of trade. By the time anyone can count six I can take any of my cage fronts out and replace it, so I am quite content with the old-fashioned type until, say, some can be produced to work automatically by just pressing a button!

W. HAINSWORTH.

Are Canaries Too Old at Three?

Sir,—Would any of your readers kindly tell me through the correspondence column of CAGE BIRDS at what age they consider Canaries would be too old to breed. I myself have a cock Canary three years old, and have paired him up with a last year's hen, and he has failed to fill the eggs, also with a two years' old hen. Fanciers about here say they are too old to breed, and I should be grateful to have other opinions about it. Also, should the feathers around vent of both birds be clipped? Perhaps some of the numerous readers of our most valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, would be willing to give us their views on the matter, as we have a big discussion here at times on this question.

A FANCIER SENGHEYDD.

Appreciation of the Bradford National Charity Show.

Sir,—I read with much pleasure and interest Mr. Fred Archer's appeal to Southern Exhibitors to support the above show, Dec. 6, 7, and 9. May I be permitted through the columns of our popular paper CAGE BIRDS, to voice my warm appreciation and gratitude of the great care and attention given my exhibits at Bradford; my birds arrived home in the pink of condition, and did credit to whoever packed them for the return journey. I received my prize money within three days of the close of the show, and speaking personally, I feel grateful to Mr. Archer for extending this hearty invitation to us Southerners, particularly those in London. If one will only consider the liberal way the provincial exhibitors support our London shows, I think it the least London exhibitors should do, is to return the compliment. In the past I am sorry to say this has not been the case, but I sincerely hope it will be rectified where Bradford is concerned. I sincerely trust Mr. Archer's appeal will not pass unnoticed; he has promised exhibitors all anyone possibly can for the welfare of their exhibits, and has worked very hard indeed in the interests of charity. I heartily support Mr. Archer's appeal, and beg every exhibitor down south to do his best to send a few birds to Bradford.

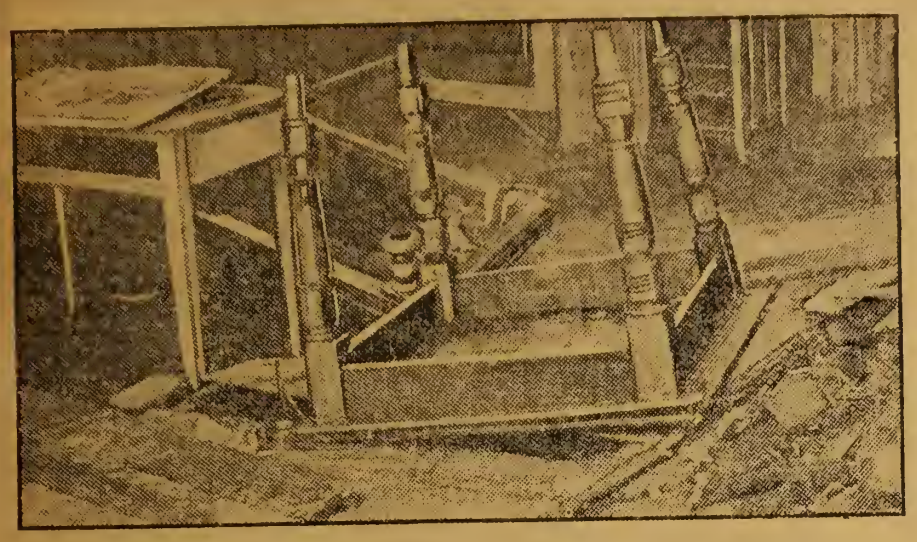
A. J. A. MARLEY.

Rare Hybrids and Their Breeding.

A Redpoll-Bullfinch doing well at Accrington.

Sir,—In CAGE BIRDS of August 31st a correspondent from Scotland states that a hybrid has been secured from the Siskin-Bullfinch. As a hybrid breeder with a little experience who has had the bitter cup of disappointment for a few years, not rearing a hybrid to maturity since 1908 up to this season, yet I have shown dogged determination to succeed, I feel glad that at a cottage home in Edinburgh has been reared so rare a cross. I feel sorry, however, that the statement regarding this hybrid should have been put over a nom de plume, as a great majority of fanciers will not believe a message of importance unless it bears the proper signature as a guarantee. I suggest that Mr. "Happy Result" signs his proper name, and then we can say, "Well done, land of Bobby Burns." Good fortune always seem to smile upon Scotland. My memory brings back that good Goldie-Bullie hybrid from Siberian parents bred by Mr. McLennan, which I hope to see in this district; also other notable crosses, including light and dark Mules. Now comes another sensation. I do hope it is moulted and put on the bench this season. Their is no doubt Scotland leads the way in Hybrid and mule breeding. Mr. "Happy Result" in his message states that large cages are not necessary. My opinion is that they are. I believe in large flights about four feet long where the birds can use their wings and get into that lovely condition and bloom which is so essential if you want fertile eggs. He also complains about the judges and their verdict on rare Hybrids. I do not blame the judge altogether. I attach most of the blame to the exhibitor. I have not yet heard or read of a genuine rare Hybrid which has not been acknowledged by a judge. Yes, the exhibitor who places a rare Hybrid under a judge who is a practical Canary fancier and very seldom keeps British birds or breeds Mules cannot expect him to look for the blending of colours and markings, the formation of the Bullfinch beak, or other features. I say put a rare Hybrid under specialist judges (there are some in Edinburgh, who know what they are composed of), and I do not think they can pass it, at least without making a statement that the bird is a Hybrid of certain parents. I may say that it has always been my desire and ambition to rear that rare hybrid the Redpoll-Bullfinch. I have had fertile eggs and young hatch out, but have never had the good fortune to rear one until this season. When going round the shows I saw the specimen of Mr. C. J. Ward's at Burnley (about four years ago), also Messrs. Martin and Archer's at Blackburn, which afterwards carried off Palace honours for season 1910 and 1911, and I felt I must persevere till I succeeded. I am pleased to say I secured one at the latter end of the season; the bird is five weeks old, and doing very well, and gives me the impression of being a cock bird. When my Hybrid was about a fortnight old my hen wanted to nest again, and I found a few small feathers which she had plucked from the youngster from off the top of the head; the feathers have now grown again, and they show a reddish tint which I think is the hall mark for a cock bird. However, I hope so, and I am living in hopes of putting on the show bench the beautiful Redpoll-Bullfinch.

HERBERT WALSH.



A Fancier's Ruined Home at Norwich.

This photograph conveys some slight idea of the ruin worked by the recent floods, the soaked furniture being littered all over the place and the flooring literally torn up and washed away.

The Further Experiences of a Lady Enthusiast.

Some Mistakes to be Avoided Next Season.

Sir,—I did not succeed in rearing the one Hybrid out of the last set of eggs from the Greenfinch-Bullfinch. She has since then had four eggs clear, and she has now two more in the same nest, which she has relined each time. Meanwhile the Greenfinch has driven his old love, the Yorkshire hen, to nest with three eggs. I have not much hope of these last eggs, as the Greenfinch, though guarding the Bullie well, has not been so profuse in his love-making, and looks rather worn out; but if there should prove a good egg I shall take Mr. Weston's kind advice and hand-rear the young one almost from the first. I have my eye on some promising nettles for a supply of green fly. This will make her seventh nest this season with six good eggs. I am lucky as to green food, as the hop fields around here afford some happy hunting grounds for chickweed, groundsel, shepherd's purse, and plantain. My Canary hens are also still at nest, owing, I suppose, to the difficulty of keeping the egg-food from them, and the Greenfinch hen has two healthy young ones a few days old; this is her fourth nest. I suppose these captive-bred birds should be promising stock to try Hybrid breeding with next season. I have done lots of foolish things this time, that I shall be able to guard against next season. For instance, when the Greenfinch hen had her third nest of young, I turned into the room three young Greenfinches, brought me from a nest of birds just ready to fly, and they usurped the nest; the hen fed the aliens instead of her own young. Then three Canary hens must choose the seed-box to build in (a long narrow box, which had been used for boot-laces). They built side by side, and they quarrelled fearfully, as to whom the nests belonged. They only used two, and laid fifteen eggs between them. I took the empty nest away, and the odd hen built again in the little tree which is in the room. The eggs in the two nests were all full, but what with the hens' quarrelling and the cock bird turning them off to let the little ones from the last nest on (which I suppose I took away too soon) and making them feed them, in the end only four hatched out alive, one of which died. Two were hatched in each nest, so I put the odd one in with the two others and took the empty nest away. Then the quarrelling began worse than ever. I waited till the young were five days old, when at night I moved them, with the hen that happened to be on them, into a cage, and in the morning found she had deserted them. I could see no movement, and they were stone cold, so I was going to throw them away when I felt just a little movement, and as the eggs under the third hen were clear, I just took these away, and put the little stone cold chicks in her nest. Imagine her surprise when she came back and saw them! However, on she dropped, and called her mate (a little brown Linnet Mule) and soon the pair were feeding them. Now she has got to feed, besides these, a young brown Linnet Mule, who has found its way into the nest. It can fly well, but as often as I turn it out, back it goes, and its own mother stands and scolds at me, so I am afraid the smallest one of those young Canaries does not stand much chance; the other two are feathering nicely. The three that were hatched out on the kitchen shelf, as I told you in my last, are now in a cage, and the hen and the mules are feeding them through the bars. They are nice healthy little Canaries. It will be the trying month for my Cuckoos now, especially the two surviving young ones, but they are well up to the present.

Mrs. E. M. Sargeant.

[The previous letter from Mrs. Sargeant appeared in our issue of August 3rd.—Editor.]

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In the Courts.

Summonses under the Wild Birds' Protection Act were heard at the Rushall, Staffs, Police Court on Sept. 2, the defendants being William Smith, William Sylvester, Charles Moffatt, and Ernest Walker. A police-constable stated that on August 25 he saw the four defendants with nets and decoy birds on some waste land at Daw End, Rushall. When caught they made the remark that they did not know they were doing any harm. Moffatt had twelve birds in his possession, and Sylvester two. Several of the birds had evidently been caught with bird-lime, for they could not fly, and had to be destroyed. Smith, who was the only one to give his correct name, was allowed to go, and the other three were ordered to pay the costs.

Sociable Birds.

In a bush bordering a South-country garden the nest of a Thrush, a Hedge Sparrow, and a Greenbird were found. All the birds were sitting, and rearing young ones at the same time. Unfortunately, a neighbour's cat spoilt this happy gathering.

Golden Oriole in the West.

That handsome bird the Golden Oriole has again reared a brood in a quiet spot in Cornwall. During the nesting time the birds were exceedingly shy and wary, and the female was more frequently seen than the male, although, in consequence of her more quiet colouring, she is not so quickly detected. This fact may be the cause of her doing most of the foraging.

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How to Cater for Small Softbills.

By R. C. TOUT (Portsmouth).

(Continued from page 711).

It is not advisable to keep your birds entirely to this rich mixture, as it is of too nourishing a nature to be given to the birds unadulterated, so to speak. You can take sufficient for a daily portion and "adulterate" this by about a quarter the bulk of finely grated raw carrot or boiled potato. Green food should also be given as long as it can be obtained, for preference lettuce and dandelion. The tender leaves of these can be finely chopped and mixed with the food. As this mixture requires damping before being given to the birds, it is advisable to mix just sufficient for one meal, otherwise you will have the food turning sour, when you will lose the bird. I have in my cages and aviary about a dozen birds which I have kept for a period ranging from one to four years on this diet, and they are now in perfect condition, fit to be placed upon the show-bench at any moment.

The Importance of the Cage.

The food is not the only essential point to be considered, for unless you keep your birds and their cages thoroughly clean you will soon have them going out of condition, and a removable front fitted to the cage, and perches which may easily be taken out are a great convenience. For my cage bottoms I prefer moss, gathered, if possible, with a little of the mould in which it has been growing. I cut this about the same size as the draw board. I also like a sheet of blotting paper placed under the moss, so as to soak up any moisture which may get through. This will keep the cage free from smell in warm weather.

Some fanciers object that Softbills are dirty birds, and that is so when they have too small a cage. A bird kept in a cage of the dimensions I have previously given would require cleaning out about twice a week; the perches should be washed thoroughly every time the cage is cleaned, as this helps to keep the bird from getting sore feet.

Sore feet are one of our great troubles with freshly caught birds, as the perches are so different from the limbs of the trees. What I really mean is that the perches in the cage are rigid, whereas the boughs of the tree are of a springy nature, thus relieving the weight of the bird when he flies from bough to bough.

The Ever Necessary Bath.

A bath is very necessary, and should be given freely. Some birds will bathe every day, and nothing is a better conditioner for them. The bath should be placed in the cage every morning, and taken out again in the early evening, so as to prevent the bird from bathing late when it has no chance of drying itself; a bird remaining wet through the night would soon take cold, and probably die.

I do not think that is possible for me to give you any more information in regard to the feeding and management, as I have told you absolutely the exact method I adopt for my own birds. I have brought with me for your inspection a bird which I have had in my possession for the past four years, and which has been fed on exactly the same diet mentioned, and there is no reason why any fancier, if he would only follow my instructions, should not keep a bird in the same condition. This Blackcap Warbler, you will see, has got its tail damaged a little, but this was done through quarrelling with other birds in an aviary. Had the bird been kept in this cage, its tail would have been perfect.

Four Charming Softbills.

I will give you a little information in regard to the habits and feeding of a few of our best known Softbills which, I consider, most adaptable for a beginner. First and most prominent of all is the Nightingale.

The Nightingale is one of our migratory birds, arriving on our shores about the middle of April, and leaving us again in August and September. These birds are to be met with in our woods, coppices, plantations, shrubberies, and all timbered land where trees rise amongst dense and tangled undergrowth. Open land is not suitable, as they are of a somewhat timid and skulking nature. When you are out looking for these birds, it is no unusual thing to see this russet-coloured songster dart out from the edge of the covert, and, after an irregular flight of a few yards, disappear again amidst the thick foliage to pour forth the melodious song which makes him so famous, and with which he charms the country side by night and by day. In its habits the Nightingale greatly resembles the Robin, although it has none of the impudent confidence of that bird.

The nest of the Nightingale is generally found on or near the ground at the foot of an oak, pollard, or bramble bush, concealed by ferns, grasses or other short undergrowth. It is composed of dry grass, leaves, moss, and fibrous roots, loosely put together, and lined inside with fine grass and horse hair. The eggs number from four to six, and are of a brownish olive colour. The young are hatched at the beginning of June, after which the Nightingale gradually loses his song.

How to Feed the Nightingale.

This bird can easily be kept in captivity, and you can obtain one which has been thoroughly meated off, from a good reliable man, for about 10s. to 15s. When you have obtained your bird, the more you can vary its food the better. Take a tablespoonful of the stock mixture and one quarter bulk of boiled potato, mix well together, and if this should not be moist enough, damp it just sufficiently to make it crumbly moist. I only feed once a day with stock mixture, but give live food three times.

Besides the stock food, give about a dozen gentles in the morning, at noon half-a-dozen gentles and half-a-dozen mealworms, and then no more until the bird is on the perch for the night; then you can give half-a-dozen gentles and three or four mealworms. The mealworms may be cut in halves to prevent them from crawling out of the pot in the night.

The next day use in the stock mixture, instead of potato, one-sixth of its bulk of cream cheese, and quarter bulk finely minced lettuce, and for live food—morning, half-a-dozen caterpillars; mid-day, a good pinch of live ants' eggs, and half-a-dozen gentles; at night, two or three beetles cut into quarters, with three or four mealworms cut in halves. The next day you can give grated raw carrot and finely-minced dandelion with the stock food, and vary the live food as much as possible, according to what is in season. I will send you round a sample of the stock food in the dry state, and also some that has been damped and fit for immediate use. This is mixed with cream cheese and lettuce. I should like you to handle the food so that you can feel how much to damp it.

As a show bird the Nightingale is much sought after, and a bird of good size and rich colour, with a large bold eye is necessary. One other great point is that you want your bird to have plenty of carriage, and to carry his wings below the tail, which gives him a very striking attitude. The show cage should be 16 inches long, 13 inches high, and 7 inches deep; the colour most suitable for background is dark green.

The Handsome Redstart.

The Redstart is another of our migratory birds, arriving here about the same time as the Nightingale. This is about the handsomest bird we have. The male bird in breeding plumage is very attractive, and its actions resemble those of the Robin. The upper surface is slaty grey with rufous-brown tips to the feather; the back of the head and an irregular line over the eye, white; rump and upper tail coverts chestnut brown; wing smoky brown; base of forehead, face, and ear coverts, chin, and throat black; breast, chestnut red. The female is altogether duller in colour, and without the bright hues on the head.

(To be continued.)

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The Shows.

PENMACHNO.

Eighteenth annual show held Sept. 7. The cage birds were nicely staged on the Town Hall platform. Quality was good throughout, and entries very satisfactory. The stewards worked well considering the limited space that was given on account of the Horticultural Section being held in the same room. Messrs. R. W. Evans, D. Thomas, and Richards shared well in the work. Sec. T. R. Jones is a worthy official. Mr. R. Edwards (Llanrwst) made the awards, and gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

YORKS (8): 1, R. Williams, cl. yell., good length and position, leggy, nice wings and tail, rich col.; shade open in feather; 2, res, J. O. Williams, 2nd nicely modelled buff, well balanced, full of style and qual., well known; res, mkd. yell. hen, lengthy and stylish, well braced wings and nice pipe tail; hc, Owen Jones, varieg. yell., rare length and feather, close up, beaten in head. CANARY, A.O.V. (5): 1, 2, J. O. Williams, 1st variog. buff, good head and neck, nice qual., rich col., in rare form; 2nd good-bodied cl. buff, nice type and qual., well over the perch, in good form; res, Hughes, cl. buff, good qual., shade light, fair col.; hc, Evans and Roberts, good qual. buff Nor., nice type, cobby and stylish, not quite ready. A.O.V. CAGE BIRD (3): 1, Evans and Roberts, good Budgerigar, in nice condition; 2, T. A. Williams, Waxbill, very neat, in good feather; res, J. O. Williams, variog. buff Goldie Mule, neat youngster in good form. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Evans and Roberts, sound typical Finch, broad head, rich expansive blaze, nicely cut away, well polished, hard to find a fault with, often noted, also won in the two following classes; 2, Richards, good col. and size, very fair blaze; res, Roberts, good body col., fair size, blaze not yet in col., beaten in condition. GREYPATE (8): 1, Evans and Roberts, noted above; 2, res, J. T. Jones, 1912 birds, very promising youngsters, unready yet, naturally. LINT. (2): 1, Evans and Roberts, noted above; 2, J. F. Jones, field-mounted Linnet, good size and colour, requires steadying.

BRASTED.

Early September is not a good time for a cage bird show, therefore it was not surprising that the entry at this fixture, which was held in Combe Bank Park, September 4, was not a large one. Several nice exhibits were staged, however, and much interest was displayed by visitors. The arrangements for the show were carried out in splendid style by the following committee, all of whom are most earnest and enthusiastic fanciers. Messrs. M. Dalton, Cowap (chairman), F. Grinstead (treasurer), R. Dartnell, G. Grinstead, W. Jenner, B. Knight, F. A. King, J. F. M. Robinson, H. Smith, S. Strickland, W. E. Salmon, W. E. Stevens, sen., E. H. Threll, J. R. Wright, W. Wigg, C. Whitehead, and C. Young. In Messrs. J. Downie and W. Emery the society has a most energetic and obliging pair of secretaries, and everything was done that could be to make the venture a success. Mr. C. A. House judged.

The Critique.

NOR. (6): 1, spl, Britton, very nice col. yell., grand shape and style, rare quality; 2, Silk, stout bodied wing tkd. buff, nice col. and qual., not so tight in feather; 3, 4, Miss E. M. Dark, very smart young cl. buff, capital shape and a large shapely buff, not so rich in col.; 5, Mrs. Jenner; absent, 1, Miss Campbell. NON-FED (4): 1, spl, Miss Campbell, good typical buff, nice feather; 2, withheld; 3, Knight, grand shaped varieg. buff, nice style, good feather; 4, Mrs. Jenner, shapely varieg. buff, not so large, nice feather; ree, Cowap. YORKS (5): 1, spl, Britton, fine upstanding yell., lovely feather, grand col., capital wings and tail, fair head; 2, 3, 4, Clarke, smart racy tkd. headed buff, good wings, moulting on body, 3rd sweet cinn. mkd. yell., lovely quality and col., in moult, 4th close feathered varieg. buff, loses in shape and col.; res, Humphreys. NON-FED: 1, 3, spl, Miss Campbell, shapely varieg. buff, not over long, nice style. VARIETY: 1, 2, spl, Baker, good stout shouldered yell. Belgian, rare shape and position, in nice feather. BRIT FINCH (4): 1, withheld; 2, spl, Marley, nice headed Goldie, rich coloured face and bars, nice shape; 3, res, Strickland, neat shapely Linnet, nicely mkd., fair col.; 4, Knight, another nice Goldie, but deep in moult. MULES: 1, 2, spl, Marley, very close feathered, stylish Goldie-Can., grand quality and style. SELL. (20s.) (6): 1, spl, Baker, rare good Belgian; 2, Clarke, even-mkd. crest; 3, Silk, rich coloured yell. Nor.; 4, Britton; res, Humphreys; vhc, Young. 10s. (5): 1, spl, Humphreys, neat yell. Yorks.; 2, Baker, smart buff Belgian; 3, Britton, useful buff Yorks; 4, res, Strickland.

BRUNSWICK (Australia).

The North Suburban Canary Society.

The 17th annual show held July 18 and 19, in the Town Hall, Brunswick. The number of entries (740) this year constituted a record, and in fact was the largest show held this year in Australia. The only question that worried the energetic committee was space to stage the birds, but everything went off merrily, and everybody was delighted with the fine exhibition (a miniature Crystal Palace). In Mr. C. F. C. Rose the society has a hard-working and efficient secretary, to whom great praise is due for the success of the show. The committee are all well-known fanciers, and did splendid work. Some very high-class birds were benched, and credit is due to the exhibitors. The George Whaley cup was won by Mr. H. Hagg, who also annexed the W. H. Stevens' Crest cup. The George Ward cup for Plainheads was won by Messrs. Warner and Rove. The Cinnamon cup by Mr. H. Kilner, and Mr. W. B. Poole won the Yorkshire cup, Mr. A. G. Boardman winning two specials, one for best pair of Australian Finches, and the other for the best collection of foreign Finches. Mr. Pile, of England, judged Yorks. and A.O.V., the other judges being Crest and C.B. Mr. W. Bennetts, Norwich Mr. W. C. Thompson, Cinnamons Mr. A. Warner, Australian and Foreign Mr. G. A. Heartland.

From the catalogue sent we gather that the principal winners were as follows:—OPEN CREST: Mason, Brew. C.B.: Mason, Brew. CREST, COL.-FED.: Hagg, Mason, Whaley, Anderson, Chambers, NAT.-COL: Hagg, Ponsford, Anderson, Myring, Mason, Halse, Brew. PAIRS, C. AND C.B.: Greenwood, Hagg, Chambers. NOV. CREST: Mitchell, Trevena. C.B., COL.-FED.: Jilbert, Mason, Myring, Greenwood. NAT.-COL.: Wales, Mason, Chambers, Anderson, Ponsford, Brew. NOR., COL.-FED.: Bennetts, Schieferdecker, Maynard, Warner and Rose, Hilton, Baillie, Chapman. Baillie, Hyndman, Kettle, Eubank, Koetsevelt, Myring, Kilner, Francis, Frost, Verey. NAT, COL.: Bennetts, Hyndman, Hunter, Warner and Rose, Bryan, Shephard, Hilton, Ness, Cole, Frost, Baillie, Hiscock, Linton, Brown, Hull, Eubank. NOV. NOR.: Moorhead, Convey, Downie, Wooster, Knight. CINN., COL.-FED.: Kilner, White, Francis, Thomson, Duddy, Bryan. NAT. COL.: Duddy, Thomson, Myring, Nettle, Linton. YORKS.: Poole, Myring, Linton. LIZARDS: Verey. MULE OR HYB.: Mitchell: Wooster, Boardman. AUSTRALIAN BIRDS. Boardman, Jenkins. FOR.: Boardman, Mitchell, Hepburn, Harrison, Knight. PARROTS: Mrs. Meaker, Mrs. Boardman, Miss Rose, Trevena, Mrs. Convey, Knight.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager.

England.

Oct. 5.—**Longton.**—(H. George, 54, Raglan Street, Fenton, Stoke-on-Trent.) J.H.R.
Oct. 9 & 10.—**Clapham.**—(A. R. Coe, 18, Caldervale Rd., Clapham, S.W.). J.R., C.A.H., H.J.F., H.N.
Oct. 10 & 11.—**Norwich Alliance.**—(R. Roll, 62, Ashby St.). W.E.G., J.R., W.V.
Oct. 11 & 12. **Derby.**—(Wharam and Bamsey, 23, Macklin St.). J.H.R.
Oct. 12.—**Leeds** (W. A. Wilson, 75, Bayswater Mount, Roundhay.). J.H.R. and W.M.
Oct. 12.—**Morpeth.**—(E. Cowling, Market Place.) H.W.B., A.B.
Oct. 15 and 16.—**Western Counties O.S.**—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd, Plymouth). J.R., T.H.
Oct. 17.—**Hanley.**—(C. J. Robinson, 44, Cromer St., May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent). A.H.
Oct. 18 & 19.—**Burnley.**—(F. Cunliffe, 19, Lark St.). J.H.R., J.T.
Oct. 18 & 19.—**Newcastle.**—(J. W. Reed, 218, Ladykirk Rd., Benwell). J.C.B., J.C., J.S., J.P., A.S.
Oct. 19.—**Burton-on-Trent.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.). J.R.
Oct. 19.—**Middlesborough.**—(A. Wake, 128, Princes Rd.). W.A.C., F.M.
Oct. 23 & 24.—**London and P.O.S.**—(C. W. Law, Brimley House, Woodhouse Rd., N. Finchley).
Oct 24.—**Stamford.**—(A. Harrison 7, New St.). J.R.
Oct. 25 & 26.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—Belle Vue. —(H. Boothman, 10, Parker St., Levenshulme.)
Oct. 25 & 26.—**S. Shields.**—(W. L. Smith, 3, Queen-st.)
Oct. 26.—**Dorwent Valley.**—(Lindsay and Marsh, Railway Cottages, Westwood, Medomsley, R.S.O.). W.R., G.W.
Oct. 26.—**Hartlepools.**—(Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Rd., W. Hartlepool.
Oct. 29 & 30.—**Barnstaple.**—(J. D. Horrill, 17, King Edward Street). T.H.
Oct. 30.—**Torbay O.S. (Paignton).**—J. N. and J. Jeffery, "Sartor House," Winner Street, Paignton.) J.H.R.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Cheltenham.**—(A. S. Treasure, Idahoe, Oakland Ave.) W.G., H.W.B., J.F.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Grimsby.**—(Towl and Smith, 205, Welholme Rd.). J.H.R.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Ramsgate.**—(A. Afrigan, 21, Thanet Rd.). G.G.
Oct. 31.—**Grantham.**—(W. E. Allen, 119, Alexandra Road). J.C.B.
Oct. 31.—**Matlock.**—(G. Poyser, Wilmot Road, The Dimple, Matlock.)
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Sheffield O.S.**—T. Bishop, 69, Alexandra Road.). W.M., C.H., W.V., J.N.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Wolverhampton.**—(J. Gibbons, 64, Napier Rd.). J.R.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Liverpool.**—(Metcalfe and Deacon, 63, Brunswick Rd.). H.W.B., J.W., J.W.C., E.B.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Blaydon-on-Tyne.**—(Geo. Havver, 1, Theresa St.). W.A.C., C.A.H.
Nov. 2 & 4.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street). J.H.P., R.J.H.
Nov. 5 & 6.—**Portsmouth.**—(King and Joiner, 80, Stubbington Av.). J.H.R., H.N.
Nov. 6 & 7.—**Newport, Mon.**—(J. Hammett, 56, Millman St.). C.A.H., D.A.S.L.
Nov. 7 & 8.—**Leyton.**—(Forse and Son, 31, Thorahill Rd.) J.R., J.F.
Nov. 8 & 9.—**Old Shildon.**—(J. H. Elwell, 35, Church Street, Shildon). Gray Bros.
Nov. 8 & 9.—**West Stanley** (W. Elliott, 15, Fairford Terr.). A.B., F.M.
Nov. 9 & 11.—**Nottingham.**—(G. E. Wilkinson, 86, Lenton Boulevard), T.H., W.V., G.E.W.
Nov. 9.—**Warrington.**—(G. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Rd.).
Nov. 13.—**Alnwick.**—(R. Forster, 42, Bondgate Without).
Nov. 14.—**Stoke-on-Trent.**—(J. Pitchford, 218, London Rd.). H.W.B.
Nov. 14 & 15.—**Brighton and Hove C.B.A.**—(Will. H. Gibb, 19, Bond St.). C.A.H., J.R.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Hull.**—(E. R. Ridley, 19, Lambton Street.) J.R., H.W.B.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Preston.**—(J. P. Leeming, 40A, West Cliff.) J.H.R., A.W.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Codnor Park and Eastwood.**—(J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton). J.C.B.
Nov. 19 & 20.—**Bournemouth.**—(J. A. Crawshaw, 28, Gerald Rd.). J.H.P.
Nov. 19 & 20.—**Wimbledon.**—(H. Smith, 115, Merton Rd.) H.N., R.H., J.R.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Doncaster.**—(G. Beseoby, 1, Pavilion Street). H.W.B., W.V., J.W.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Rochdale O.C.**—(R. Blincoe, 160, Drake Street). C.A.H., W.M.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Haltwhistle.**—(Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate.) J.D., A.H.
Nov. 23.—**Cramlington.**—(J. R. Chestney, Quarry Cottage). A.H., H.S.
Nov. 23.—**Hinckley.**—(A. H. Ridgway, Priesthills Rd.)
Nov. 23 & 25.—**Ilkeston.**—(Thos. Smith, 5, King-st.). J.C.B., C.H.
Nov. 27-28.—**Bristol F.A.**—(G. T. H. Maggs, 9, Trinity St., Newtown, Bristol).
Nov. 27 & 28.—**Portsmouth F.S.** (W. E. Tyrrell, 33, Commercial Rd.).
Nov. 29, & 30.—**L.C.B.A.**—(W. H. Mugford, 1, Strathearn Rd., Wimbledon, S.W.).
Nov. 29, 30.—**Sale C.B.S.**—(A. Royle, 99, Harley Rd.)
Nov. 30.—**Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.**—(A. Walker, 47, Montrose St.). J.H.R.
Nov. 30.—**Coventry Godiva.**—(H. Saunders, 31, Vernon St.) H.W.B.
Nov. 30.—**Harrogate C.B.S.**—(G. H. Barnwell, 20, College-rd.). W.M.
Dec. 3, 4.—**Tonbridge.**—(Percy Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow Rd.).
Dec. 4.—**Birmingham.**—(J. H. Jones, 169, Church Lane, Aston, Birmingham.)
Dec. 6, 7, & 9.—**Bradford National.**—(H. Hill, 15, Settle Terr., Thornton Lane.)
Dec. 7.—**Rotherham.**—(B. Bailey, 47, Craven Street, Parkgate, nr. Rotherham.) J.C.B.
Dec. 11.—**Luton.**—(E. Bloomfield, 22, Hitchin Rd.) J.R., J.F.
Dec. 12.—**Frome F.A.**—(C. J. Young, 8, Palmer St.). H.N.
Dec. 13 and 14.—**Gateshead.**—(J. Davidson, 16, Weathercock Lane, Low Fell.) G.H., J.C.B., J.R., J.M., W.C.D.
Dec. 14.—**Sheffield C.B.S.**—(A. Hobson, 66, Langsett Avenue) J.R., H.W.B.
Dec. 14.—**Winsford.**—(S. S. Brooks, 157, Station Rd.)
Dec. 26.—**Anfield, Everton.**—(R. B. Wright, 15, Worcester Drive, Clubmore, Liverpool). A.W.

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Jan. 11.—**Yarm, Eaglescliffe.**—(T. W. Wilson, High-st.)
Feb. 7, 8, 10, 11.—**Great National (Crystal Palace).**—(J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Av., Brixton, S.W.).

Scotland.

Oct. 5.—**Paisley and Dis. O.A.**—(J. Kelly, 7, Underwood Lane). D.C., A.F., J.Hr., J.Hh.
Oct. 5.—**Broughty Ferry.**—(R. Whitton, 2, Churchhill Place). W.B., T.T., C.C., T.A., R.B.
Oct. 5.—**Dysart.**—(W. Russell, Castle O' Guns). J.A., J.C., J.McL., L.J.A.
Oct. 12.—**Lochgelly.**—(W. Grewar, 7, Park View).
Oct. 18, 19.—**City of Glasgow.**—(Scots, Fancy and Belgian, J. Young, 80, High St., Rutherglen; remainder, R. Heggie, 27, McLennan St., Mount Florida.) A.G.C., A.H., T.A., G.H., A.P., D.F.W, A.W.W., J.L.
Oct. 19.—**Kelty and Blairadam.**—(A. Dickson, 37, Adams Terrace). J.Sn., W.D.H., R.H., F.R., R.M., R.V.R.
Oct. 26.—**Perth.**—(Jas. Kerr, 18, James St.).
Oct. 26.—**Kirkcaldy.**—(C. Rae, 15, Anderson St., Pathhead.)
Oct. 26.—**Ayr and Dist.**—(J. Sloan, 19, New Bridge St.). J.T.D., J.M.
Nov. 2.—**Bo'ness.**—(T. Cameron, 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans).
Nov. 2.—**Brechin.**—(G. Mitchell, 118, Montrose St.) A.H., W.Me., J.F.
Nov. 9.—**Forfar.**—(D. Kerr, 15, Green St.). A.S., A.P., W.B.
Nov. 9.—**Hamilton Cadzow Oak.**—(G. Marlin, 21, Glebe Street.) J.Sn., J.Hn., R.B.
Nov. 10.—**Cowdenbeath.**—(J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland-pl.) J.P., J.W.B., C.C., G.A., W.R., L.J.A.
Nov. 10.—**Galashiels.**—(J. Brown, 156, Croft St.). G.F., T.B., A.G., A.H.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Glasgow and Dis. C.B.A.**—(Wm. Hutchison, 163, Hospital Street.)
Nov. 23.—**Blairgowrie.**—(M. Irvine, 17, Brown St.)
Nov. 23.—**Uddingston C.B., etc., S.**—(Jas. Corgrove, 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell.)
Nov. 30.—**City of Dundee.**—(A. Miller, 3, Park Ave.)
Nov. 30.—**Musselburgh.**—(W. Nisbet, 101, High St.).
Dec. 4.—**Forres and N.O.S.**—(W. Cumming, 28, North Rd.). J.L.
Dec. 7.—**Cupar.**—(Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar.)
Dec. 14.—**Broxburn.**—(W. M'Laren, Church Street). J.McL., A.C., G.H., R.V.R., J.Gw.
Dec. 14.—**Kilsyth.**—(A. D. Duncan, "Chronicle" Office.)
Dec. 31 & Jan. 1, 1913.—**Scottish National.**—(J. R. Meikle, 51, Lothian Rd., Edinburgh.)
Jan. 1 & 2.—**Edinburgh Open.**—(R. Lile, 15, Argyll Terr.)
Jan. 1 & 2.—**Paisley O.A.**—(W. Lambie, 25, Caledonia Street.)

Wales.

Nov. 13 & 14.—**Swansea.**—(S. H. George, 32, Fisher Street). J.R., J.F.D.
Nov. 20 & 21.—**Cardiff.**—(E. Thomas, 48, Craddock-st.) W.M., W.V., D.A.S.L.
Nov. 26.—**Llanelly.**—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) W.V., J.F.
Nov. 28.—**Pentrebach.**—(A. E. Brown, 66, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil). G.G.
Dec. 4.—**Pontypridd.**—(A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser-st., Maesycoed).
Dec. 11.—**Mid Rhondda.**—(A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwyncelyn, Porth.)

Ireland.

Nov. 7 & 8.—**Banbridge.**—(A. McCagherty, Belmont Terrace, Banbridge). A.Lse., J.Hy.
Nov. 14.—**Derry.**—(M. Kerr, 99, Foyle St., Londonderry). S.H.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Holywood and Dist.**—(Jno. Dunwoody, jun., 42, Church-st.).
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Lurgan.**—(S. McCollum, Drumgor).
Nov. 28 & 29.—**South County Dublin (Kingstown).**—(D. Smyth, 21, Eden Terr., Kingstown.) W.M.
Dec. 6 & 7.—**Ulster O.A. (Belfast).**—(R. Trimble, 11, Waring St., Belfast.) J.F.D., W.V.
Dec. 12 & 13.—**Larne.**—(T. Mayne, 35, Barnhill.)

Club Reports.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Sept. 5, Mr. T. C. Crawhall in chair. Votes of sympathy were passed to Mr. R. Tindall on the death of his brother, and to Mrs Eastop and Mrs. Waugh on the death of their husbands. Correspondence was read from Foreign B.C. and Green C.A. granting patronage, and from Mr. Steel re catering for refreshments in the hall at open show on October 18 and 19. Proposed to ask Sir Joseph Baxter Ellis, our first Lord Mayor, to open show. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Young have kindly offered to guarantee foreign bird classes. Vote of thanks was passed to these gentlemen for same. Classes for the respective judges were allotted. I wish to impress upon the members the importance of trying to get as many specials as they can, and also to try and sell the tickets for the drawing, which are now ready. I have got a good number out already. Let every member do his best for the good of the society. Don't leave it to a few. Put self aside and make our annual show a record success. Special general meeting will be held Sept. 19, at 7.30, when we must have all specials in. I have had a fair response so far, and we hope to have the schedules out in good time before the show.—J. W. Reed, sec.

GREEN CANARY ASSOCIATION.

Monthly meeting held Aug. 22, Oldham Hall, Liverpool, Mr. J. W. Metcalfe in the chair. Messrs. Malone and Taberner were elected members, and Messrs. T. Cutts and J. Smith were nominated for membership. Decided to postpone arranging the syllabus until the September meeting, at which the specials will also be allotted, hence members are earnestly requested to turn up in full force. Notices re subscriptions have been sent out, but at time of writing there are still several outstanding. Will members kindly send them in forthwith, as it is delaying the committee in arranging the specials? —Geo. Green, hon. sec.

UDDINGSTON C.B.S.

Meeting held in the Reading Rooms, Uddingston, Sept. 5. There was a fair attendance. The Secretary intimated that as all the arrangements for the open show were well in hand it would not be necessary to hold another meeting till Oct. 2. Members, please note.—James Cosgrove.

HALTWHISTLE C.B.S.

Meeting held Aug. 27. Correspondence was read from the Border Fancy C.C. and the Northern Border and S.F.C. intimating that we had received their patronage for annual show. The following classes were fixed for open show:—Borders, 12 (1 selling), Norwich 9, Yorkshires 4, Scotch Fancy 1, British and Mules 7, Foreign 1 Selling 2, Members 5. A good number of new members were enrolled, and things are looking prosperous for our annual show.—Nicholson and Tallantyre, secs.

PAISLEY, TANNAHILL C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Mr. Lockie's, 2, St. James St., Sept. 7, Mr. Robt. Neil (president) in chair. Messrs. Hamilton and Powell gave amalgamation report, which was not satisfactory in regard to birds and cages for amalgamation show. They also intimated that a smoking concert would be held in Mr. Lockie's on September 28, with the Old Burgh and Tannahill Society. Every member is expected to support same. Tickets can be had from secretaries. —John Stewart.

BURNBANK AND HAMILTON WEST C.B.S.

Meeting held in Co-operative Hall, Sept. 7. Mr. Wm. Clark, Larkhall, gave an instructive lecture on British birds, Mule, and Hybrid breeding. After the lecture Mr. Clark answered ably the many questions put to him, and an enjoyable evening was brought to a close with a vote of thanks to the lecturer for his kindness. The members who were absent missed a treat.—John Williams, Sec. Mr. Clark's lecture will be published in due course in our columns. (Editor).

NORTHERN BORDER & S.F.C.C.

Meeting held Sept. 2, Mr. W. Smith in the chair. A committee was drawn up to select special for competition at the allotted shows. The committee selected were Messrs. Johnstone, Montgomery, Afflick, Smith, Snaith, and Potts. Mr. Johnstone (Wallsend) then gave a lecture on the Border Fancy Canary, during which he explained his method of preparing for the show bench, leaving out the washing of a bird for some future occasion. Mr. Harvey moved, and Mr. Smith seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Johnstone for his lecture.—M. C. Potts.

COLINTON AND CURRIE PARISHES O.S.

Monthly meeting held in the Drill Hall, Jumper Green, Sept. 7, Mr. Begbie in the chair, when a start was made with the show business. It was decided to make the price of admission to the show 4d. Decided to ask Mr. Roger Geddes to present the prizes at the first annual show. The chairman appealed to the members to try all in their power to get as many specials as possible, and it was decided to allocate specials at the next meeting, Oct. 5, at 7, in the Drill Hall, Jumper Green. It was also decided to get prize cards and posters from the Leith Printing and Publishing Co.—J. Napier, sec.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

Monthly meeting at Headquarters, Rose and Crown Hotel, September 3, the chairman, Mr. T. Down, presiding. There was a good turn up of members, which was very encouraging to the officials, as the meeting was a very important one, namely, arrangements for the All-England Show, Nov. 1 and 2. All those present were very enthusiastic, and the show is practically an assured success, two or three of the members taking 100 sixpenny tickets each, and guaranteeing to sell them. Those are the sort of members the officials appreciate. Grand classification has been fixed up as follows:—Yorks. 20 classes, Nor. 12, Crests 6, Lancs. 4, Lizards 4, Sell. 3, Brit. 15, Mules and Hyb. 5, For. 6. We are catering for the exhibitors, and we hope they will bear it in mind and patronise us. We are giving 22s. per class, specials every class, and 5s. special for most points in each class. All birds will be despatched as requested. We mean to make the Sheffield O.S. Show 2nd only to the Palace, and are relying on the exhibitors to assist us.—John A. T. Woodall, Press Corres.

CHELTENHAM C.B.S.

At a meeting held on Sept. 4 the members were indebted to Mr. Geo. Stevens for another paper on the speciality Britishers. This time it was "Preparing British birds for Exhibition." Mr. Stevens handled his subject in a masterly style, and dealt with the birds practically the year through. Being a firm believer in wild food for bringing the birds into exhibition form, Mr. Stevens spoke at some length on this, describing the effect the various seeds and plants have on the birds' plumage. The following species were mentioned: Goldfinch, Bullfinch, Linnet, Twite, Redpoll, Siskin, and Greenfinch, describing these and their food very fully. Unfortunately time did not permit him to touch on any soft-billed species. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Stevens for again going to so much trouble and giving us the benefit of his experience. In the absence of the chairman and vice-chairman, Mr. Madagan filled that position. The secretary announced that we have the patronage of the following specialist clubs: S.Y.C.C., S.N.P.C., E. and W.B.F.C., N.B.B. and M.C., and were still waiting to hear from the Crest Club.—A. S. Treasure.

GRIMSBY AND CLEETHORPES ROLLER C.S.

Monthly meeting held Aug. 21, Mr. Ives presiding before a good attendance. Many preliminary matters in connection with our coming open contest were gone into. The chairman gave us quite an agreeable surprise by announcing that to encourage local fanciers to support all shows during the coming season, he purposes giving two specials, valued 25s. and 15s., as 1st and 2nd respectively, for the local members scoring most points throughout the season. Birds may be shown in any class, and at any show having the B.R.C.C. patronage. Competitors must show at not less than four shows to qualify. Now, brother secretaries, does not this make you beam with delight? There will be some competition, I can assure you, which will, of course, swell your entries, and the best way you can thank Mr. Ives is to ask your members to support our show in force. Since our last show we have met a good many fanciers who would have liked to have given a special if only they had been asked. Needless to say, I have a note of them all, and they will not be forgotten. If anyone else feels similarly inclined, any offers of specials will be appreciated. —H. Mason.—(Kindly write on one side of the paper only.—Ed.)

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

At the usual monthly meeting of the above, there was a fair turn-out of members. The Secretary announced that they had again secured the patronage of the Northern Counties Norwich Club. The annual schedule was then finally adopted, there being in the open classes 13 classes for Norwich, 4 for Crests and C.-B., 9 Yorks, 7 Borders, 2 Chrysomos, 2 Lizards, 2 Scotch Fancy, 2 Mules, 5 Brit., 2 For., and 1 Hyde's, and 25 members' classes. Geo. Mavver, Sec.

GRANTHAM C B.S.

Monthly meeting at Brewers' Arms, Sept. 2, with a fair turn-up of members. Decided to have about the same classification for open show as last year with the addition of one class for Crests, one for Crest-bred, and two classes for Lizards—clear or broken cap Gold, clear or broken cap Silver. We are hoping that the Crest and Lizard fanciers will support us, as we have arranged for fanciers that are breeders of these varieties to look after same at our show. Next meeting will be held at Brewers' Arms, Sept. 16, at 8, to allot specials, etc.—W. E. Allen, Hon. Sec.

CHESTER C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Nag's Head Cocoa Rooms, Aug. 27th. Mr. F. C. Parker presided over a fair attendance. It was decided to hold the annual members' show on Saturday, Nov. 16, at the Assembly Rooms, Newgate Street, and that the four silver cups to be competed for and won outright at the show be awarded to Norwich, Yorkshire, A.O.V., and British birds, and novices. Mr. A. G. Davies, Manchester, appointed as judge. The classification was gone into, which brought the meeting to a close at a late hour. Those intending joining can have full particulars from Hon. Sec.—R. L. G. Simpson, Hon. Sec., 33, Clare Avenue, Hoole.

SCOTTISH BRITISH BIRD & M.C.

A meeting held in rooms, 143, High-st., Sept. 7, Mr. Livingstone in the chair, before a large turnout of members. The application of 19 shows for patronage was gone into with the following result:—Scottish National, Cowdenbeath, Broxburn, and Musselburgh, getting trophies, cups, and medals; Lochgelly, Kelty and Blairadam, Cupar, Buckhaven, cups and medals; Forfar, and Haddington, medals only; Leith, Edinburgh and Dis., and Edinburgh Norwich and Mule Club, getting the novice patronage of two medals each. Mr. Livingstone kindly promised a gold medal to be won by a member who had not already won a gold medal, for most points at the following shows:—Cowdenbeath, Musselburgh, Broxburn, and Scottish National, and the runner-up a silver medal.—John Allan, Sec.

ORMSKIRK.

Monthly meeting held at Church House, Sept. 2, Mr. Johnson, jun., presiding over a good muster of members. Special prizes for the annual show to be held on Boxing Day, were arranged on the table for inspection, and they included silver and gold-centred medals and a handsome silver cup, value three guineas. Conditions for the latter aroused considerable discussion, and it was ultimately resolved that the cup be competed for with four nominated birds, and be won three times before becoming the exhibitor's own property. The chairman's gold-centred medal to be given to the best young Canary bred by a member. The services of Mr. J. W. Metcalfe have been secured to judge the birds, and it is hoped the members will find that gentleman plenty to do. The hon. secretary was instructed to submit schedule for annual show to the October meeting.—T. H. Tiffen, Hon. Sec.

JARROW, HEBBURN C.B.S.

Meeting held Sept. 4, Lockhart's Cafe. Mr. O'Hagan presided over a splendid attendance. Mr. Hutler introduced three new members: Messrs. Hedley, Renton, and Patterson. Mr. Bowen brought four; Messrs. Richardson, Metford, and Nicholls (Morpeth), and Metcalfe (Jarrow). The seven were duly proposed and elected. The Chairman impressed upon the members the hearty support and co-operation necessary to secure a universal success, and hoped all members would turn up in the present as they have done in the past. For our 6th annual show, open to the United Kingdom, which is not far distant, we have secured the Mechanics' Hall, with its splendid lighting and freedom from draughts, and this should meet with the support such a splendid hall deserves. We hope to be able to give out schedules in a few weeks' time. Judges were nominated and will be finally selected at next meeting. Mr. Hutler was proposed as treasurer and duly elected. Fanciers in the district are given a hearty invitation to come and join us next meeting, October 2nd.—W. Ayers, Sec.

ERITH, ABBEY WOOD, ETC, F.S.

Monthly meeting held at the society's rooms, Sept. 5. The attendance was not so good as might have been. After the correspondence had been dealt with, the secretary reported that everything in connection with the young stock show had been arranged, Mr. G. A. Evernden offering four medals (one for each section), members only. The offer was accepted with thanks. Messrs. W. Cox and A. Cripps were elected members adult section, and Miss R. May, Masters, R. Gaze, G. Evernden, and H. Stone juvenile section. The general business being disposed of, the chairman (Mr. G. Webb) introduced Mr. Meades, of Plumstead, who had kindly come down to give a lecture on the general management of Canaries. Members who were not present missed a treat. After the lecture several members asked questions to which Mr. Meades readily replied, and Mr. H. Bleeze proposed, and Mr. Wilson seconded, that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded Mr. Meades for the lecture and very useful information given. The proposition was unanimously carried.—Geo. A. Rickett, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Sept. 5, at Wentworth Cafe, Mr. F. Jones (president) in the chair. Some most important business was transacted, dealing principally with the open show to be held in the Montgomery Hall, Dec. 14. An addition to our usual schedule is the inclusion of four unflighted hen classes, and one novice British hardbill class. The novices are specially catered for, as we are giving them ten classes. Now, novices, don't miss this chance. In addition, the champions are liberally provided for, with Yorks. 9, Nor. 6, Brit. 8, Crests 2, Mules or Hybrids 3, For., 2, Sell. and gift class, 4. Decided to pay as prize money, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-, for 1/6 entry, with the exception of the foreign, which was increased to 15/-, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, for the large class, and 12/- 8/-, 4/-, 2/- small. A number of birds were promised for the gift class. We are hoping the number will reach 20. 25/- is being given in prize money. The following members kindly promised to guarantee certain classes, Messrs. Furniss, Thorne, Jones, Woolhouse, A. Hobson, and Walsh. Mr. Walsh also gave an additional 10/- to be allocated later. The time of closing at our annual members' cup show, Oct. 26, was fixed for 9 o'clock, instead of 8 o'clock, as previously. Doorkeepers elected were Messrs. Jones, C. W. Hobson, Billard, Bailey, Holt, Lockwood, and Waters. Other business in connection with same was left over to October meeting, when we hope to have a full meeting, as the third special table show of young birds will be held. 12 classes (see syllabus). Prize money, 3/-, 2/-, 1/-. Messrs. Cowley, Hobson, and Tomlinson were elected stewards, the judge to be announced later. The secretary was instructed to get diplomas for cup winners.—J. Woolhouse, Assist. Sec.

ARDWICK & MANCHESTER C.B.A

Meeting held Onward Hall, Ardwick, September 3rd. Mr. W. Robinson presided over a fair number of members, assembled to hear Mr. A. E. Long's lecture on British birds. He dealt with the most popular of our British birds, namely, the Chaffinch, Goldfinch, Siskin, Greenfinch, and Linnet, dealing with them in their wild state, describing the colour and markings, description of nests and eggs. This was listened to with much interest. Afterwards questions were asked, to which Mr. Long answered with great ability. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Long for his paper.

GLASGOW AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Committee meeting held September 2, in Nelson's Temperance Hotel, Mr. J. F. Park presiding over a good attendance. Secretary intimated having received patronage of B.F.C.C. and Y.C. Club's of Scotland, and awaited results of S.P.B and S.C. Clubs' meetings. Estimates for schedule and catalogue were submitted, and decided upon. Several items of importance in connection with show were decided upon. A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the meeting. Members present: Messrs. Park, Anderson, Barron, Brown, Sloan, Taylor, Heggie, Bowman, Maxwell, Priest, Sinclair, Webster.—Wm. Hutchinson, Sec.

READING AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Usual meeting held Sept. 4, at Palmer Hall, before a very fair attendance. Messrs. Atkins, Roser, Nicklin, and Holliday were elected members. Decided to accept CAGE BIRDS' offer of reduced price for advertisements for show. Schedule for show was then gone through. Extra open classes were added for Norwich and Yorks. hens, and in members' Yorks. classes, making 47 classes instead of 42, as last year. Decided to have 9d. entry fee for all members' classes, with fixed prize-money of 5s., 3s., 1s. 6d., which ought to be very popular amongst them. Decided to throw all four foreign classes open to all, with entry 1s. 6d., members 1s.; prize-money, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. As H. D. Astley, Esq., F.Z.S., has consented to judge, we considered this a very wise proceeding. We trust foreign bird fanciers living in our radius will give us their support. Fanciers wishing to join are reminded that they must be proposed at next meeting (October 2nd) to be eligible to show in November. Why not send your name to me now and be in time. Secretary would also be glad of offers of specials.—W. H. Pyke, Hon. Sec., 102, Radstock-road.

NORTHERN BRIT. MULE & F.B.C.

Meeting held August 28th in Lockhart's, 65, Grainger Street. Chairman Mr. C. Petterson presided. After a great deal of discussion re placing the Mule and Foreign Birds cups, which have been won outright, it was decided to leave the matter over until a later date. Decided also to have a table show at next meeting. Classes: Linnet, and A.O.V. British, Mule or For. Messrs. Petterson and J. Mackenzie gave a pair of vases for most points and cheese dish for most entries over a series of shows, and Mr. Joe Scott a silver medal for the member gaining the least number of points, the same to be competed for at not less than three table shows. Mr. J. Maddison to be asked to judge the first, and also to give us a few words on the feeding and management of Linnets. Among the shows that Mr. Maddison is judging during the forthcoming season are Scottish National, Bradford Cinderella, Gateshead, and others. Letters were read from Blaydon Society re granting our patronage, and from Messrs. Martin and Archer about joining, but we were sorry that we could not accept them as members, owing to being outside our radius. The following were elected members: Messrs. R. Hope and J. B. Watson, Newcastle, and J. McGuire, Wrekenton. Subs. now due.—W. Curry, Sec.

DUNFERMLINE C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held in the Co-operative Hall, August 31st, when Mr. J. Rankine presided over a good turn-out of members. The judges for the fourth annual show, to be held on the first Saturday of November, were appointed as follows: Crests and Plainheads, Mr. A. Dickson (Kelty); Borders, Mr. T. Peel (Lochgelly); British, Mules, and Foreign, Mr. W. Malcolm (Dunfermline). The classification and exhibition rules were read over, revised, and agreed upon. A highly satisfactory report was given in by the collectors, which showed that a record had been made in specials and subscriptions. It was agreed to go on with the prize drawing, and admission tickets (the same will be in the hands of the members in a day or two). Model cards are being received, and will be given gratis at the annual show. Will members please note that the monthly meetings will be held on the last Saturday of each month in the Co-operative Hall at seven o'clock, and unless any alteration no post-cards will be sent to the members intimating these meetings. A discussion re holding a West Fife League Derby Show was considered, and the representatives to this body instructed how to vote. Mr. H. Kemp was appointed as representative to the W.F.L. Members are reminded, and should make a point of attending, the next meeting of the society, when Adam Kirkpatrick will give us his experience in hybrid breeding. A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the business.—Robert T. Campbell, Sec.

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MIDDLESEX O.S.

Meeting held Sept. 5, when the arrangements for members' show, to be held October 31st, were discussed. We are securing a good hall for the show; 3d. gate all day. The members have had a fairly good season, and some good birds will be on view. A letter was read from Mr. Jamison, who, owing to business pressure, has had to tender his resignation, which was accepted, but it was unanimously decided to ask him to become a vice-president.—Jeffery Jefferis, Sec. and Treas.

CHOPWELL C.B.S.

Meeting held in Club Hall, with a good attendance of members. Two new members were enrolled, Mr. J. Oxley, Burnopfield, and Mr. H. Creswell, Lintz. Specials for open classes were gone through and ballotted for, there being a special in every class except selling classes and gift class. Would intending members kindly communicate with me, and members please pay subscriptions, which are now due, or attend next meeting, September 21st, at 6, in club hall?—W. Tomlinson, Hon. Sec., 2, South View.

RUNCORN B.B.A.

Meeting held Sept. 6, at Mariners' Arms Hotel, Mr. J. W. Guy in chair. Good attendance of members. Agreed that members' show be held in Primitive Methodist Schoolroom, Runcorn, Nov. 16. Judge, Mr. B. Houlton, St. Helens. Mr. R. P. Bostock, of Flimby, Maryport, has given two specials towards same, and the secretary has promises of many more. Three new members were elected, namely, Messrs. Glover, Looker, and Poole. Next meeting Sept. 20; business: Fixing of classification. Will all members try to be present.—J. Fearnett, Sec.

STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.

At a well-attended meeting held September 2, the classification for the open show was adopted; 38 open classes were scheduled, novices being particularly well catered for with 6 classes for Yorks. and 6 for Norwich. It is expected that novices will appreciate the action of the committee by giving us their liberal support. Decided to accept the patronage of the Midland Counties Yorks. C.C. for the champion and novice competitions. Subscription books were issued to all members present, who I hope will use them to the best advantage in the interests of the Society. If all members will do their best and work together, we shall have an exhibition that we shall all be proud of and worthy of the district. Next meeting, September 23rd, to proceed with further show arrangements.—J. Pitchford, Sec.

NORTHERN COUNTIES N.P.C.

Meeting held August 31, in Lockhart's, 65, Grainger Street. Chairman, Mr. R. Topping, presided over a good attendance. Letters were read from the following societies, viz.: Morpeth, Newcastle, Blaydon, Hartlepool, Haltwhistle, Gateshead, and Border City. After they had been discussed, it was decided to give our patronge to the following societies: Newcastle, Blaydon, Hartlepool, Haltwhistle, Gateshead, and the secretary was instructed to write Morpeth Society re novice class, as according to our rules societies must provide one or more classes confined to Norwich only. Failing their granting this I was instructed to write another society re same. The next item was re clearing off debt standing against the cup fund. After a great deal of discussion it was decided to get up a prize drawing, and the following gave a singing Canary for same: Messrs. Fletcher, Dobson, Lawson, Topping, Cockburn, McKay and Curry. Tickets to be a penny each. Mr. F. F. Lawson, Carlisle, kindly sent 2s. 6d., Mr. G. Dobinson 2s., and Mr. W. McGinn 2s. 6d. towards cup fund. I appeal to all Norwich fanciers to join, as our club was formed to look after the interests of the Norwich in the Northern Counties, re proper classification, and equal prize money. Last year, out of a membership of 21 we provided a £5 5s. challenge cup, gold medal, and 12 silver medals, no member winning more than one medal, which meant more than half of our members got a special. Seeing that our meeting was a success, we decided again to have it on a Saturday; date will appear in the clubs' notices of CAGE BIRDS.—W. Curry, Sec., 60, Grosvenor Gardens, Newcastle.

BORDER CITY (Carlisle) O.S.

Quarterly general meeting held at headquarters, September 4, with a fair number of members present. Correspondence was read from N.Y.C.C., N.B.B.M. and F.B.C., N.B.B. and M.C., re patronage for show and from various ladies and gentlemen granting us special prizes and donations. The King's Hall has been secured for open show on October 30 and 31. Final revision of schedule was made, 65 classes being allotted as follows: Scotch Fancy 2, Border 14, Nor. 10, Crest and C.-B. 2, Yorks 10, Mules and Hybrids 4, Brit. 18, For. 5, an increase of ten classes on previous year. All specials not being forward, it was decided to postpone meeting until Sept. 18, when allocation of same will take place. Schedules will be ready in first week of October.—John C. Bell.

Singing Contests.

LEEDS.

Weekly contest for quality held at the Old Bird House, King's Head, Shannon Street, Leeds, Sept. 7, when 14 birds sung for three good prizes given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson. 1, H. Wigfield; 2, Butler; 3, T. Stead. Judges, S. Hardcastle, J. Naylor. Also September 8, when 23 birds sang for four good prizes. 1, H. Wigfield; 2, J. Bland; 3, 4, shared by T. Stead and Kelly. Judges, W. Sisson, J. Thompson, and S. Hardcastle.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Linnet contest at Prince Albert Inn, Newtown, September 8, for 3 good prizes given by Mrs. M. A. Saynor, only very poor singing being heard owing to majority of Linnets being in moult. 12 birds entered. Judges, J. Smith and N. Soloman. Result: 1, Clark; 2, Binns; 3, Chippendale.—E. Wood, Sec.

Linnet contest, Skimmer's Arms, Bushingthorpe, Sept. 7. 12 birds were hung: 1, Sellers; 2 and 3 divided between Ward, Chippendale, Sellers. Judges, Clayton and Lorriman. Also Sept. 8, 16 birds were hung: 1, Ward; 2, Sellers; 3, Grainger. Judges, Sunmers and Clayton. Next sing, Sept. 14.—C. W. Smith, Sec.

SALFORD.

Contest for time held Boat House Hotel, Sept. 7, when 15 birds entered for two good prizes. Some very good singing was recorded, the birds being so evenly matched that a sing off was necessary, which resulted as follows: 1, J. Green; 2, G. Bate. Timekeepers, A. Marshall and B. Wharton. Minutes: H. Cootes. Birdkeeper: J. Caswell. After the contest a very enjoyable evening was spent, and Messrs. C. Evans and E. Routre joined the club. The membership is increasing satisfactorily, and we hope to have a large membership. Novices are specially invited to join. Merit and highest scores for special prizes will be given at the next annual meeting. Next contest August 21, when a good entry is expected.—B. Wharton, Hon. Sec.

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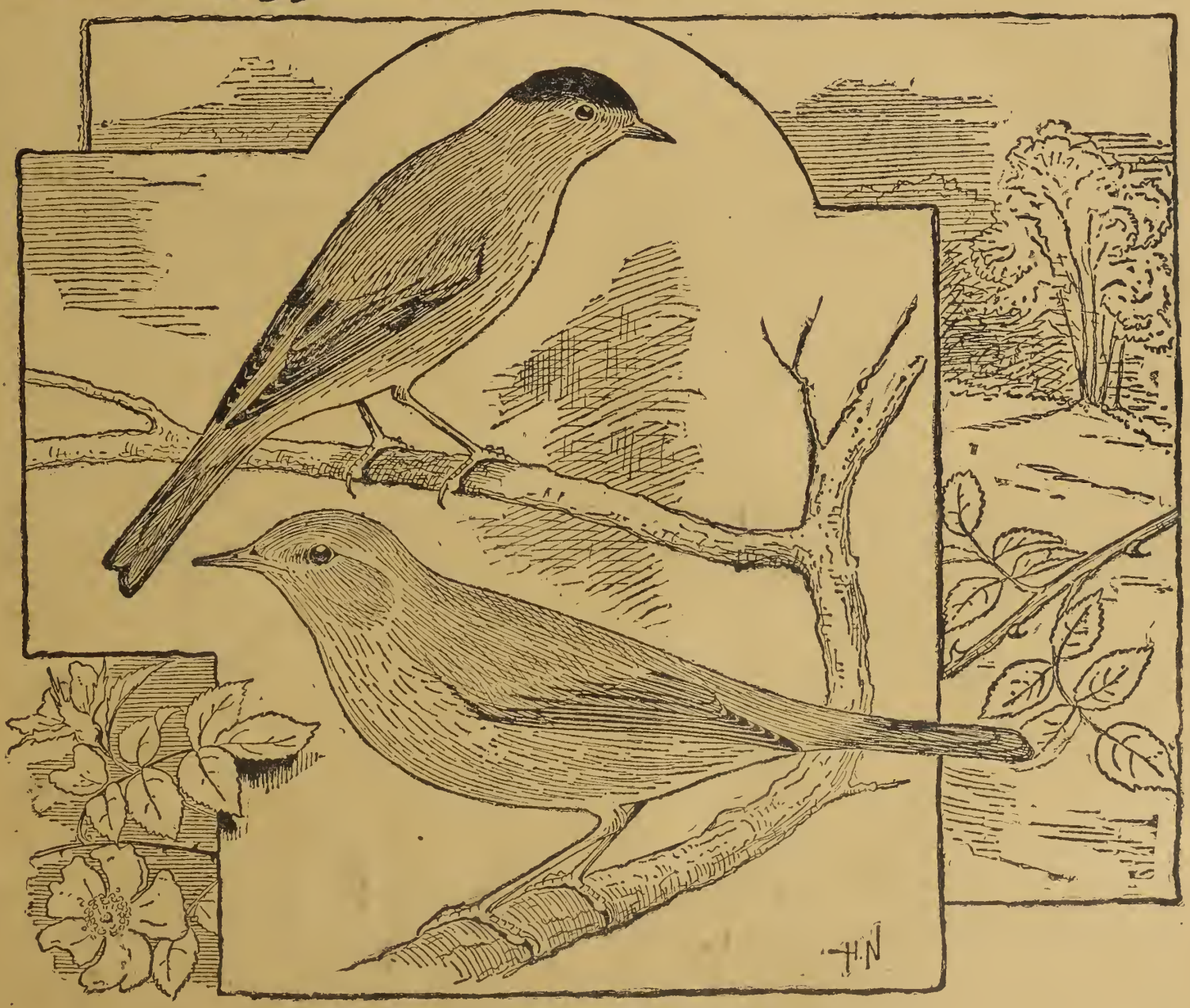
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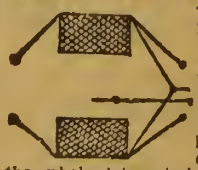
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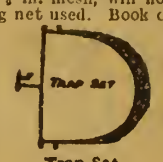
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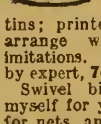
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HANDSOME light variegated Mules, Goldie Canary, warranted cocks, 6/-, 8/-, 10/- each; Sib. cocks, same strain, yellows, buffs, 7/6 each: Rowley Elston, Crediton.

TO Hybrid breeders, good big hen Bullies, at 8d., 10d., 1/-, cocks 1/-, 1/3, 1/6; or exchange anything, wanted good big cock Siskins for cash: G. Perrins, 26, Lennox-rd., Longton.

GOLDFINCH Mule, 3rd last time shown, cock Goldfinch, muler, both good call birds, hen Canary, 4 cages, 1 breeding, 26/-; offers, exchange: Howe, 19, Victoria-rd., Bude, Cornwall.

HAND-REARED Bullfinch hen, had fertile eggs with Greenie, 2/6; five good muling hens or feeders, all bred Mules this season, 2/6 each, 10/- lot; travelling case, hold three Yorkshire show cages, 4/6; new egg and seed mill, 3/-; two close wired aviary, 4/6; twelve box cages, 13½ x 11½ x 7, 1/- each; six hybrid breeding cages, 27 x 17 x 12, 1/6 each; all cages loose wire fronts; glass seed boxes, all one make to match, clean condition; what offers; Winchester rifle wanted: Palfreeman, 9, Ash-st., Stockton-on-Tees.

GRAND COCK MULES

Guaranteed cock Goldfinch and Canary Mules, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 each; Linnet-Canary Mules, cocks, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-; all warranted singing; send for catalogue: Sandiford, Bird Specialist and Judge, Preston, Lancs., also at 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

DOVES.

TURTLE Doves, 7/6 pair; Ring Doves, 3/6 pair; Black Nuns, 5/- pair; White Java Doves, 7/6 pair; cash or exchange live stock: Luer, 32, East-st., Walworth-rd., London.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

PAIR African Parrakeets, 3/-; pair Japanese Buntings, 3/-, 5/- lot: Vernum, 298 Lillie-rd., Fulham.

PAIR Moustache Parrakeets, outdoor aviary, 10/6; exchange Cockatiels, offers: Criddeford, Honiton.

FOR sale, Grey Parrot and cage, beginning to talk, cheap, 20/-: D. McIntosh, 64, Cowan-st., Stirling.

I BUY and supply all varieties of birds, Parrots, and animals: Cecil, 190, Shaftesbury-avenue, London.

PAIR Tiger Finches, cock Japanese Bunting, Red-billed Weaver cock, 5/6 lot: Vernum, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham.

WANTED European Rock Thrushes, Continental Warblers: H. B. Rathborne, Dunsinea, Castleknock, Co. Dublin.

ALL brass Parrot cage, as new, price £2 15s., cost £4 5s.: John A. Street, 7, Latchford-st., Ashton-under-Lyne.

ROSELLAS; three young ones bred in aviary, 21/- each; write or call: H. P. G., 78, Holmesdale-rd., Hampton Wick.

FINGER-TAME green Budgerigar, hen, 3 months old, learning to talk, 7/6: Miss Simpson, The Hawthorns, Isleworth.

LEMON-CREST Cockatoo, good talker, accept 30/-, room wanted; or exchange good Axminster carpet: 74, Faircross Avenue, Barking.

PAIR Cockatiels, 10/6; young Cockatiels, 3/6 each, from outdoor aviary; cash or deposit: Shepherd, The Den, Walton-on-Thames.

MILLET Sprays, fine large sprays, new crop, 2/9 per bundle; mealworms, 5/6, 6/6 lb., all carriage paid: Hollins, Importer, Hull.

LOOK, for Parrots, Tanagers, other birds, monkeys, marmozetts, mongoose, ferrets, dogs, cats, etc.: Hayter, Importer, Southampton.

FINE cock Pennant and show cage, £4 10/-; cock Adelaide and cock Blossom-head, cheap: Clare, "The Hollies," Coombe-lane, Wimbledon.

WHAT offers in foreign birds from outdoor aviary for all-brass hanging cage and young cock Canary, sell 12/6: Campbell, Greenfield, Sacriston.

ACCLIMATISED cock black Gouldian, 25/-, perfect; exchange for hen, African Crimson Wing, 12/6: Robertson, 22, Summerfield terrace, Aberdeen.

YELLOW-FRONTED Amazon, nearly new cage, says a few words, tame, good plumage, 26/-: Benj. Ratcliffe, 105, Smithy Bridge-rd., nr. Rochdale.

SPLENDID perfect pair Quail Finches, 65/-; or offers; exchange colour cock Weavers; Red-headed Gouldian, 30/-: Cuthbert, St. Augustine's, Bristol.

ONE hundred very fine Amazons, in fine form, the right sort to make good talkers, 14/-, 21/-, 30/-, and 35/- each: G. Chapman, Bird Importer, Birmingham.

NOTICE! grand pair each Green and Yellow Budgerigars, both can win, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

AMAZON Parrot and cage, talks many, sings tunes, whistles, come out of cage, tame, 30/-, bird and cage: Hope, Channel Cottage, Railway-st., West Bromwich.

GUARANTEE true pair African Grey Parrots, twice moulted in England; grand condition for breeding; £8 pair: B. Jones, 1, Falkirk-st., Kingsland-rd., London.

PARROTS, Budgerigars, Java Sparrows, etc.; see my list before being duped by the "land sharks," who sell worthless birds that are not Parrots at all: W. Rudd, Bird Specialist, Norwich.

PAIR Diamond Finches, 18/6; Tricoloured Tanager, 20/-; Blue Sugarbird, 12/6; pair Zebra Finches, 9/6; Finger-tame, talking Blue-fronted Amazon, 40/-; Radnall, 8, Melton-rd., West Bridgford, Nottingham.

PARROT, lovely Grey coloured bird, acclimatised, talks, whistles, dances turns somersault, never swears, 25/-, including cage; 4 months' talking warranty; fortnightly instalments accepted: Mr. Copp, Wardrobe Stores, Dartford.

FOR sale, wonderful assortment twelve months' acclimatised Australian Masked and Grass Finches, 20/- each; Parson Finch, 12/6; Firetailed Finch, 50/-; also pair Blackheaded Sugar Birds and pair Bleus; offer for lot; all birds show condition: P. Owen, 19, St. Loo Mansions, Chelsea, S.W.

TALKING Green Amazon Parrot, a perfect wonder at talking, can be heard any time talking and saying hundreds of words, he is a very plain talker, most beautiful plumage, perches on shoulder, and can be carried about, he won't fly away, splendid whistler and mimic, four years old, price, including cage, £3 15s.: E. Ashcroft, Houghton-st., Liverpool.

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TAME Forsten's Lorrikeet (rare), £3 10/-; tame Hardwickes, Blue-winged or Orange-bellied, Green Bulbul, £3 10/-; tame Spot-billed Toucanette, £2 10/-; Montezuma Quail (rare), 30/-; Yellow-winged Grey Bulbul (new), 30/-; Brown-backed Indian Robin (new), 20/-; Black-tailed Rock Chat (new), 20/-; Pied Bush Chat (rare), 20/-; all males, good healthy birds: Frost, 13, Fairlawn Ave., Chiswick, London.

WAXBILLS! (Golden-breasted, Orange-cheeked, Grey, and St. Helena). Than this interesting quartette, which can be purchased at from 2/6 to 7/6 a pair, there are few more charming foreigners. They can be successfully kept, too, with little difficulty if you will follow the hints given by Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S., in "Nutshell No. 20," 2½d. post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. Call at any of our agents and get it for 2d. (list frequently published).

FOREIGN Finches at lowest prices—market prices. Rosellas, 15/- each; Quakers, 4/- each; cock Moustache, 4/-; Rose Cockatoos, 5/6 each, four for 21/-; Lemon Crests, 15/- each; Cardinals, like paint, 4/6 each; Lovebirds, 3/- pair; Green Budgerigars, 5/- pair; yellows, 7/-; 100 Amazons, Blue-fronts, from Pernambuco, the talking kind, healthy birds, bit rough in feather, 14/- each; Chattering Birds, 21/- each; Talkers, 30/- and 35/- each; African Greys, 45/- each; Madagascar Weavers, 2/6 each; Javas, Silverbills, Nuns, Mannikins, Weavers, Bishops, Waxbills, Orange-cheeks, Cutthroats, Spice Birds, all 2/- matched pair: G. Chapman, Importer of Foreign Birds, High-st., Birmingham, and High-st., Sheffield, Pelham-st., Nottingham.

ONE cock Ruficauda Finch, 15/-; 1 pair Mealy Rosellas, £4; 1 pair Pennant Rosella Hybrids, £2; Grey Wing Ouzel, 30/-, cock; 1 pair Red-crested and Green Hybrid Cardinals, £2 pair; red-crested, 15/- pair; Brown Parrakeet hen, £4; Zebra Finches, 10/- pair; several pairs Cockatiels, 10/6 pair; cock Silver Pheasant, 10/-; cock Crested Quail, 10/6; Black-headed Mannikins, 3/- pair; Cutthroats, 3/- pair; Tricolor Mannikins, 3/- pair; cock Green Singing Finch, 5/-; all above acclimatized and in show condition; Rose Cockatoos, 10/6 each; Yellow-fronted Amazons, £2 each; African Turtle Doves, 10/6 pair; Indian Palm Squirrel, perfectly tame, runs about house, will not bite, 20/-; five red Squirrels, 7/6 each; also Waterfowl, pheasants, rhea, animals, Persian kittens, toy dogs, pigeons of all varieties, also a fine shed of Pekinese puppies, £5 to £20 each, Ch. Aldebourne strain: Hollins, The Zoo, Hull.

THOUGH they can often be purchased for the modest half-crown, Pekin Nightingales are very beautiful in plumage, have a fine song, and make ideal cage or aviary birds. Some very helpful information on this variety will be found in "Nutshell No. 19," the author of which is Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Get it at once. 2½d. post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. 2d from our agents (list published frequently).

THE ZOO, HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM

Budgerigars, 5/6, yellow, 7/6; Tovi Parrakeets, 17/-; Quaker Parrakeets, 7/-; Lovebirds, 2/6; Zebra Finches, nesting, 7/-; Cutthroats, nesting, 2,6; Paradise Whydahs, full colour, undamaged tails, aviary moulted, 7/-; Bronze-winged Mannikins, breeders, 3/-; Javas, Weavers, Orange-cheeks, 2/3; Napoleon Weavers, Orange Bishops, 3/6; White Javas, 7/6, all per pair; Red-crested Cardinals, 4/6; Zebra Finch, cock, 3/-; Zebra Waxbill, hen, 1/6; Rosey Cockatoo, 6/6; Blue-fronted Amazon Parrots, 18/-, 20/-, 22/6, 25/-, 30/-; Squirrels, beautiful tails, eat out of your hand, 4/6; Monkeys; Marmozet, 15/6; Japanese, 21/-; Rhesus, 25/-; Green, 30/-; full list free: H. Lewis.

MISS ALICE ROSEY

Budgerigars, finest possible, outdoor bred, 5/- pair; yellows, 7/6; over 1,000 foreign birds from clean, well-kept aviaries, from 1/6 pair, price list free: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne.

C. A. LUER

Blue-fronted Amazons, 25/- each; commencing to talk, 20/- each; Nutmeg Finches, 2/- pair; Tricoloured Mannikins, 2/6 pair; Orange Bishops, in colour, 4/6 each; Rose Cockatoos, Australian Grey Parrots, 7/6 each; Moustache Parrakeets, 4/6 each; Avadavats, colour, 2/- pair; American cock Nonpariel Buntings, 15/- each; Grey Red-crested Cardinals, 4/6 each; Magpie Mannikins, 7/6 each; Zebra Finches, 7/6 pair; Quaker Parrakeets, 3/6 each; Green Budgerigars, 5/- pair; Yellows, 7/6 pair; White Java Sparrows, 7/6 pair; Madagascar Love Birds, 2/6 pair; Bengalese Fawn, 3/-; Black and White, 5/- pair; Grey Java Sparrows, 2/- pair; trade supplied; write for weekly wholesale list; all birds sent on approval at my risk; deposit editor; free delivery in London. Telephone 7504 Central: C. A. Luer, 32, East-st., Walworth-rd., London.

JOHN D. HAMLYN.

Arrivals this week:—8 Macawa, 13 Crown Cranes, 3 Curassows, 4 Grey Parrots, 10 Red Ibis, 44 Parrakeets, 12 Conures, 1 Ceram Lory, 4 Victorian Crown Pigeons, 10 Crested Pigeons, 10 Pennants, 200 Grey-headed Lovebirds; Eclectus Lory, only medium condition, 30/6; Ceram Lory, very fine, 50/6; Amazon King Parrot, variegated colours, 50/6; Orange-winged Parrakeet; handsome, 15/6; Tovi Parrakeet, tame, 15/6; Yellow-cheeked Parrakeet, 10/6; Red Macaw, 70/6; pair Pennants, 45/6; Cockatiels, 12/6; Rosellas, 32/6; Lovebirds, 5/6; Zebras, 7/6; Ruficaudas, 25/6; Diamonds, 12/6; Brown-headed Buntings, 4/6 pair; Orange Bishops, magnificent colour, 4/- each; Napoleon, full colour, 3/6 each. Selection 1.—2 Singing Finches, 2 Bishops, 2 Orange Waxbills, 2 Whydahs, 2 Combassous, 2 Zebra Waxbills, for 12/6; Selection 2.—2 Weavers, 2 Bishops, 2 Combassous, 2 Senegal Waxbills, 2 Mannikins, 2 Cutthroats, for 9/6; Greyheaded Lovebirds, 12/6 dozen; 3 pairs, 7/6; 1 pair, 3/-; Rose Cockatoos, 5/- or 10 for 50/-; pair Australian Crested Pigeons, 30/6; largest collection in Great Britian: John Hamlyn, 221, St. George's-st. East, London.

VARIOUS BIRDS.

MRS. PRATTY, Paxton-rd., Hockley, Birmingham, clearing a lady's aviary:—2 pairs Bullfinches, 2 pairs Greenfinches, 2 pairs Java Sparrows, 10 Yorkshire Canaries, 1 cock, 2 hen Chaffinches, 3 Redpolls, 1 cock Bramblefinch, 1 cock Yellow Bunting, 1 pair Snowbuntings, 1 cock Goldfinch, 1 pair Linnets; all two years in garden aviary; the lot £2 10/-.

PAIR good Crests and Crest-bred hen, with double breeder, 15/6; pair Plainheads with double breeder, 9/-; Linnet Muler and hen Canary, 5/-; pair Goldfinches and their two youngsters, cocks bred in cage, 12/-; large Greenfinch and hen Bullfinch, 6/-; all warranted breeders; two cocks, one hen, Bullfinches, Canary reared, 7/6: Beacon, Chart Sutton, Maidstone.

JAMES GLOVER.

English cock Goldfinches 2/- 3 for 5/-; hens 1/-; cock Larks 8d. each, 3 for 1/6; cock Linnets 8d.; Linnets for moulting out for show, 3/-; cock Redpolls, 6d. each, 3/- dozen; hand-reared singing Larks 6/- each; Bronze-spotted Doves, 10/- pair; Blue-fronted Amazon Parrots, splendid talkers, £2 2s. each; Hartz Roller Canaries, 7/6 each; large selection of British and Foreign birds always in stock; state wants: Bird Specialist, 37, St. Peter's-st., Leeds. Established 1861.

WANTED.

WANTED hen Canaries cheap: Dutton, Dunstable.

COCK Canaries, cheap for cash, or exchange: Westrope, North-st., Bumpstead, Haverhill.

WILL give 1/- each hen Canaries, any quantity bought: Manager, 104, Kirkgate, Wakefield.

WANTED, weekly supply of all kinds of British and foreign birds: G. Ellett, Kirkgate, Wakefield.

WANTED, good Parrot cage (square) cheap; apply: 23, Windsor-rd., Maindee, Newport, Mon.

WANTED, two small garden aviaries, suitable for small Foreign birds, cheap: I, Valkyrie-rd., Liscard, Cheshire.

WANTED, two large cock Greypates, to moult out for showing, must be large, good price given; Betty, Cunard, Goodwick.

WANTED all kinds of Mules and Hybrids, cocks and hens; best price given; established 1879: Sandiford, Bird Specialist, Preston.

WANTED cock Canaries, all varieties, Bullfinches, tame mice, etc., cheap for re-sale: Bird Stores, 60a, Charlotte-st., Portsmouth.

WANTED, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Larks, Twites, Siskin Redpoll, any quantity; lowest price: Clarke, 78, Whit-lane, Pendleton.

WANTED any amount Goldfinches, Bullfinches, etc.; please state price: Haynes, Bird Merchant, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

WANTED Goldfinches or Canaries, in exchange for fine Aberdeen bitch, excellent rabbiter, also ferrets: Field, London-rd., Newbury.

WANTED, 10 ton of charlock seed, or any part of it; also Goldfinch and Bullfinch catchers: Harry Allen, Aviaries, Beckett-st., Leeds.

WANTED, Linnets, Larks, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, all kinds of British birds from reliable catchers: Manager, Bird Stores, Ossett, Yorks.

WANTED for cash, Canaries, Goldfinches, Mules, either sex, state lowest price: Trask, Bird Specialist, Chesham House, Broadway, Deptford.

WANTED, Canaries, all varieties, cash; or exchange cages: Martin, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas.

WANTED offers cock Canaries; exchange Scotch blankets, new, or tweed suit lengths, 25/-: Drummond, 15, Hutcheson-st., Glasgow.

WANTED cock Goldfinches and Linnets, 16/- and 3/- per doz., "Cage Birds" system: S. Cocking, 104, Duncan-st., Cauklow, Rotherham.

OLIVER, 2, Bridport-place, Hoxton, London, wants colour-fed Yorkshires, any quantity; particulars, price; cash deposited; stamp reply.

WANTED for cash, Canaries, Larks, Goldfinches, rabbits, pigeons, Linnets, tame rats, and mice: Foster, 187, Richmond Row, Liverpool.

WANTED, Canaries, Norwich and Yorkshire cocks in song for resale; also Rabbits, about six weeks old: Thorn, 37, Plumstead-rd., Plumstead.

SALE, 5 1912 Yorkshire cocks, good length, 5s. each; 5 1912 Roller cocks, 5/- each; all on low song; approval, deposit: Estill, John-st., Whitby.

WANTED, Canaries, Mules, Goldfinches, cash, or exchange laying pullets, Bantams, rabbits, puppies: Simmonds, 64, Stean-st., Haggerston, London.

WANTED, Norwich, Yorkshire, Border Canaries, Mules and British; send lowest prices to: A. Leitch, East End Bird Mart, 520, Gallowgate, Glasgow.

WANTED Wheatear, Wagtail (yellow or grey), Whinchat, White-winged Crossbill, Buntings, Pipits, Stonechat, exchange other British: Cordy, Pershore.

WANTED, fresh-caught British; will exchange pair of Lancashires, Plainhead cock, coppy hen, not rubbish, sell 18/6; offers: C. Barnes, Frank-st., Rochdale.

WANTED mice, Parrots, etc.; would exchange cock Linnets, well on seed, or bulbs of every description, or cash; write: Blake, 26, Church-st., Stoke Newington.

WANTED British birds, Monkeys, Parrots, Dogs, foreign birds, guinea pigs, rats, mice, pigeons, poultry; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich.

WANTED, Canaries, Mules, Britishers, show cages, exchange hand-made cloth hearthrugs, lace curtains, drapery, etc.: Cooper, 918, Rochdale-rd., Harpurhey, Manchester.

WANTED, Norwich or British show cages, elnh pattern; exchange 4 volumes Lloyds' Natural History on British Birds, or offers: James Duncan, Citadel, Inverness.

GOLDFINCHES, Bullfinches, Canaries, etc., wanted weekly, large or small quantities for cash; replies ignored unless price stated: George Vanner, 6, Redheugh-rd., Gateshead.

WILL give 9/- dozen cock Bullfinches, Goldfinches, 4/- hens; 1/- each clear Norwich hen Canaries; wanted cocks on song, cheap, to resell: B. Soanes, 92, Bevan-st., Lowestoft.

WANTED concertina, good 46-keyed duet; give four pairs large prize-bred Norwich, six double-breeder show cages, all accessories; or sell: Lane, 36, Milton-rd., Stoke Newington.

WANTED, Canaries, exchange new gent's, lady's, children's boots and shoes, gent's and boy's clothing, reliable quality; fair exchanges; state offers and requirements: Wressell, Outfitter, Crowle, Doncaster.

WILL give 6/- per pair for large Norwich and Yorkshires, colour-fed preferred, also 10/- per pair for large Crests; also wanted, Scotch Fancies and Mules, reasonable: McKeand, Hamilton-place, Castle Douglas.

WANTED, a clear yellow Yorkshire hen, must be fit to win anywhere, in exchange for one dozen bottles of best claret (Medoc), retailed at 3/- a bottle; carriage paid: Inglis, Waverley Station Restaurant, Edinburgh.

WANTED all bird-keepers who are having trouble with their birds to recognise the value of the expert advice given in "Cage Birds" books, which cover all the ground, and a full list of which will be sent on receipt of a postcard: The Publisher, "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

WANTED FOR EXPORT

400 Canaries, Yorkshires, Plainhead, Norwich and Crest, good prices given; apply: West of England Bird Exchange, 13, Durnford-st., Stonehouse, Plymouth.

Holiday Apartments.

GT. YARMOUTH.—Comfortable apartments, 2 minutes from sea; terms moderate: L. Humphrey, 57, Walpole-rd.

BLACKPOOL, North Shore. Pleasant apartments, near the sea, 2/- each bed nightly, inclusive: Miss Rothwell, 2, Cheltenham-road.

APPLEDORE, N. Devon, Cliff House; board-residence offered; magnificent situation; detached house, close to sea and links, inclusive terms 27/6 per week; highly recommended.

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Mainly British.

GENUINE pair Canary-reared Greenfinches; exchange Canaries, anything: H. Teat, Ancaster, Grantham.

WILL exchange cage moulted Snow Bunting for anything useful, cycle cover preferred: Miles, St. Andrews, Norwich.

EXCHANGE six young cock Bullfinches for two young cock Norwich or York Canaries, 1912: Poole, Forsham, Rolvenden, Kent.

CAMBRIDGE cock Linnets; three, 1/3; six, 2/-; 3/6 dozen; exchange for Foreign birds or anything: Casey, 19, Coldham-lane, Cambridge.

LOVELY variegated cock Goldfinch Mule, 6/6; exchange stout singing Linnets, exhibition Goldie: Dallimore, 31, Portland-st., St. Albans.

TWO Larks, Twite, Chaffinch, Norwich hen, Redpoll, all twice moulted, singing, lot 10/-; exchange Mules: Fitzpatrick, 46, Sutherland-rd., Tottenham.

THREE young Goldie Canaries, cock Bullfinch, cock Siskin (breeder); exchange the lot for large steady cock Hawfinch or sell, 15/-; approval: Telfer, Lanceithill, Lesmahagow, Lanarkshire.

GRAND Greenfinch cock, Bullfinch hen; Linnet cock, muling hen Canary; Chaffinch cock, muling hen Canary; grand mulers; top-top yellow Yorkshire cock, also hen; two breeding cages, large Crystal Palace aviary, lot £3 5s., or give them for good phonograph and records, anything useful: Harrison, St. Mark's Street, Leeds.

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CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE

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Our Fund for the Norwich Canary Owners.

During the week ending Wednesday, 18th inst, £2 1s. has been received in aid of the distress from which the unfortunate bird owners are suffering as a consequence of the floods. With the amount of £9 17s. 6d. acknowledged last week, our total reaches to £11 18s. 6d. I hope that before our fund closes this amount will be many times multiplied. Nearly every donation is accompanied by an expression of sympathy with the unfortunate sufferers, and the feelings which have prompted the subscriptions that have come to hand will be shared by many thousands of our readers who have not yet subscribed. There is some fear that because the first reports of the losses sustained by the Norwich fanciers were exaggerated, there may be a feeling that there has been very little loss indeed. This is not the case, for very many of the fanciers of Norwich have suffered very severely, and an opportunity is afforded bird lovers throughout the country to extend a helping hand to their unfortunate fellow fanciers. All monies received will be handed over to a committee who are thoroughly conversant with all the facts, and I hope that CAGE BIRDS' readers will rise to the occasion, and make this fund worthy of the object for which it has been instituted. On behalf of the Canary lovers of Norwich I thank the subscribers whose names appear in the list which follows, and hope next week to have the pleasure of publishing a much longer list of sympathisers. Mr. C. A. House, 10s.; Mrs. Martin, 5s.; 4s. each, A.E.C., and Mr. A. E. Jeffries; "Two Canaries and a Rabbit," 3s. 6d.; T. Reeks, 3s.; C. Laceby, 2s. 6d.; 2s. each, Mrs. Parker and Miss Andrews; 1s. each, E.P., W. H. Strutt; collected by Mrs. Partridge (second list). Mrs. Cockshott 1s., Mrs. Muriel, 1s., Miss Muriel, B.A., 1s. Amount previously acknowledged £9 17s. 6d. Total, £11 18s. 6d.

A Book Episode, and a Warning.

In my capacity as Secretary to CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE, I have been called upon to assist many members in difficulties of one sort or another, but one of the most curious of my experiences is a case which has happened within the last few days. A member wrote that the agent of a book publishing firm had done his best to induce him to sign an order form agreeing to take an expensive book on birds, on the instalment system of payment. I give the rest of the story in my informant's own words: "After a long talk I said I would think it over, and he said he would write or call again in September. When he was going he asked me to write my name and address on a *plain piece of paper* so that he might remember the address, and I did so. A few weeks later his firm sent me the book, which I had not ordered, so I refused to take it in, and it was returned by post unopened. I heard nothing more about it until one day last week when I discovered that they had put me in the county court for the price of the book. On the summons the statement is made 'ordered, tendered, and refused.' I shall be very pleased if you will help me in any way."

On receipt of this letter I called on the firm mentioned by our LEAGUE member, and there they produced a signed order, the signature certainly being that of the member concerned. In the face of this I could do nothing but propose a compromise, and I am glad to say that the firm agreed to accept a small payment in discharge of the summons.

It is not for me to suggest how the signature, which my correspondent distinctly says he simply wrote on a plain piece of paper "so that the agent might remember the address," got on to the order form. All that is certain is that it was there right enough, and, without imputing sharp practices to anyone, for it is of course possible that my informant's statement is not an accurate one, it may be as well if CAGE BIRD LEAGUE members will be careful not to affix their names to plain pieces of paper if requested to do so by agents of instalment firms.

TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP.

PATRONS.—A donation of not less than Ten Guineas in one amount, or an annual subscription of not less than Two Guineas, shall constitute the donor or subscriber a Patron.

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Twitterings.

Particulars of the Norwich Fanciers' Relief Fund will be found this week in the LEAGUE Notes on page 743. We hope all readers will assist this deserving cause.

We hear that the cage birds at Southampton, Nov. 20, will be judged by Mr. C. E. Silk, of Emsworth.

Inverurie Show, writes Mr. Simpson, Sec., is fixed for Nov. 23. The judge is Mr. James Sandison, Aberdeen.

Muirkirk Show is fixed for Nov. 2, and Mr. Wm. Haddow (Hamilton) is appointed judge, Mr. Allan Loggie, the Secretary, informs us.

Kindly notify change of address, writes Mr. Alfred Jarvis, from Granville Street, to 29, Rider Road, Woodhouse, Leeds. Secretaries please note.

I have been a reader of your valuable paper, Cage Birds, for the last three years, and find it a great help, writes Mr. T. Clarke (Keighley).

Will show secretaries kindly note that applications for Ramsden's specials must be accompanied by coupons, and should be made early in October. (Advt.).

Will secretaries of shows where Border Fancies are catered for send schedule to me, writes Mr. G. F. Bates, 7, Rose Avenue, South Moor, Stanley S.O., Durham.

Many thanks for inserting my query "How to catch Hawfinches," and also to Mr. R. Sitten, who so kindly replied, writes Mr. W. Watson (Ashley). I wish Cage Birds every success.

Owing to so many members of the Metropolitan C.B.A. being on their holidays, writes G. Denham, Hon. Treas., the meeting for Saturday, Sept. 21, is postponed until October.

I have been engaged to judge Canaries at Cleator Moor Show, Dec. 14; also I have changed my address from Albion Street to 11, Woodville Terrace, Whitehaven, writes Mr. Jas. Stewart.

We have fixed our annual members' old bird show for Nov. 23 and 24, with Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, of Liverpool, as judge, writes Mr. R. Charleson, Hon. Sec., Leigh and District C.B.S.

We are sorry to tell you that Mr. E. Jordan, an old fancier, is leaving England for New Zealand this week, write Messrs. Barton and Barton, Secs., New Cross C.B.S. We all wish him good fortune in his future life.

We hear from Mr. Rae, Sec., that the judges appointed for Kircaldy Show on Oct. 26, are Messrs. D. Low, Scotch Fancy; G. Arnott, Crests; J. Hutchinson, Borders and Yorks; W. Hampton, Norwich; and J. W. Adams, British, etc.

The schedule in connection with South Co. Dublin C.B.A. November show is now being prepared, and any fancier wishing to subscribe a special prize might please communicate, writes the Hon. Sec., Mr. Smyth, 21, Eden Terrace, Kingstown.

Kindly inform those who have made application for schedules for Mumbles Show, that there has been a delay through a slight misunderstanding with the printer writes Mr. W. D. Eley, the Asst. Sec., but all applicants shall receive them in a few days.

A meeting of the council of the Yorkshire Union of Cage Bird Societies will be held at the Market Tavern, Godwin Street, Bradford, on Saturday, Sept. 21, at 6 o'clock prompt, writes Mr. Hill, Hon. Sec. Business very important. All delegates please attend.

We note that the well-known firms of exporters of German Roller Canaries, Messrs. Blumberger and Co., and Messrs. Richter and Schmidt, have amalgamated, and the business is now being carried on as the Internationale Kanarien, Leipzig. This establishment does a very large trade all over the world.

Hartlepool's C.B.S. are putting the finishing touches on the arrangements for their open show, write Messrs. Woodhead and Pyman, (hon. secs.). Patronage has been granted by the Y.C.C., the N.Y.C.C., the N.C.N. and C.C.C., and the N.B.M. and F.B.C. The exhibition is to be held in St. George's Hall, the finest room in the town. Judges, Messrs. Battye and Maddison. Everything points to great success.

OBITUARY.

On behalf of the members of the Grangemouth and District C.B.S., writes Mr. John Woodhouse, Sec., allow me to express our sympathy with Mr. J. M. Aitken (one of our members) at the great loss he has sustained through the death of his wife. We all tender Mr. Aitken our most sincere sympathy in his bereavement; may he be given strength to bear up under such trying circumstances.

Entries are rolling in for our young stock show, writes Mr. J. H. Priestman, secretary Ilford and County F. and F.S., held Tuesday, Sept. 24th, in the Recreation Hall, Manor Park. Fanciers and friends will be heartily welcomed.

We have secured the services of Mr. J. Steel, Dalkeith, the popular British bird lecturer, who will give us the benefit of his wide experience in the Arcade Temperance Hotel, Sept. 28, at 6, writes Mr. J. R. Reid, Sec., Cowdenbeath C.B.S. A novel competition has been inaugurated by Mr. Steel, who will give a British or Border show cage to the member putting the best question on paper relating to British birds or mule and hybrid breeding. Mr. Alex. Anderson will judge the questions. We extend a hearty welcome to all fanciers to be with us that night.

At the Portsmouth Fanciers' Society's Show, Nov. 27 and 28, there will be the following classes, writes Mr. B. Coffin:—Border Fancy 7, under the patronage of English and Welsh Border Fancy C.C., Norwich 7, Yorks 7, Mules 2, British 14, Foreign 3. Judges: Canaries and Hybrids, Rev. G. W. Joyce; British and Foreign, Mr. C. Prior. Specials to value of £5 for the Border Fancy classes. The late G. Coffin memorial cup value 20 guineas is offered for the best cage bird exhibited by a member of the Portsmouth F.S. The society is in no way connected with any other society in the town.

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Club Nights at Leicester.

The club nights of the Leicester Cage Bird Society will be the first and third Wednesdays in each month from now onwards, at the Saracen's Head Hotel, writes Mr. J. Cook, the Sec. Fanciers are heartily invited.

Bell the Cat and Protect the Birds.

The instinct to hunt pussy cannot give up, no matter how blameless her life in other ways. But those of us who love to encourage the birds to come for food are often perplexed as to how a cat may be kept who will not hunt them. I have found, says a writer in the "Brixton Gazette," that a little bell attached to a collar, and put on when the cat is let out of doors, gives the birds warning of her presence and a chance to get away.

Birds Killed at Lighthouse.

Many reasons have been adduced as to how the dead birds which are constantly found at the foot of lighthouses meet their death. One is that the birds fall after dashing themselves against the lanterns, but some Dutch students, states a writer in the "Manchester Courier," are responsible for a new theory. It is, that the birds, becoming confused by the brilliant light, fly round until they are exhausted, and finally perish for want of foothold. The plan of attaching short ladders to the lighthouses to serve as perches would seem to support this theory, for it has so considerably reduced the bird mortality that Germany has now decided to adopt the plan.

Canary Supply at Norwich.

We are requested to state that the recent floods at Norwich will make practically no difference to the supply of Canaries available for the dealers in the "City of Canaries and Churches." One of the leading establishments informs us that in consequence of the sensational statements which appeared in the daily press (viz., that thousands had been drowned and the industry ruined) many letters have been received asking whether they had any Canaries left for sale. Buyers need be under no misapprehension on the latter score; the stock of the dealers has not, and will not, suffer in either quantity or quality.

Where Birds are Fearless.

Mr. R. Clyde in "The Field" speaks of the confidence of the smaller birds on Loch Ness. He says: "As we pulled to our fishing ground along the wooded shores of the loch a Chaffinch flew out to us and perched on the gunwale of the boat, his repeated call of 'pink, pink,' having clearly some meaning which I failed to gather. 'He wishes some of the lunch,' said the gillie. Being curious to see the result, I began to open the lunch-basket, and immediately the little chap flitted to the thwart beside me and waited expectantly till I extracted some crumbs of bread for him. He seized upon the largest morsel at once, and flew off to the shore with it. Some hundred yards or so farther on the same bird (or another) repeated the pretty performance, which I am told is a common one on the loch side. They say that the Tomtits are so tame that they will even take food from the lips of the wood-cutters."

A Choir of Canaries.

Canaries, carolling an unusual accompaniment to the organ and choir, were used in the Venice Union Church the other night, according to "Scienco Siftings." The pastor, the Rev. Fenwicke L. Holmes, decided to surprise his flock with the unique plan. The congregation accordingly filed into a church brightened by the melody of a dozen pretty yellow birds, imported from Germany, their cages swinging at advantageous points high above the heads of the worshippers. The Canaries interrupted the sermon very little. But when the choir and the congregation arose to sing hymns, the feathered songsters burst forth into a musical cadence which greatly enhanced the human praise of the Creator. Mr. Holmes does not know that Canaries were ever used before at church services, but he thinks them a great help to sincere worship. They will be used every Sunday hereafter.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Dysart.—Oct. 5, Normand Memorial Hall. Judges, Messrs. J. Angus, J. Craig, J. McLay, L. J. Arrighi. 67 open classes: Scotch Fancy 10, Bord. 13, C. and C.B. 5, Nor. 16, Yorks. 2, A.O.V. 1, Com. Can. 1, Mules 3, Brit. 12, For. 3, Sell. (Mules and Brit.) 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Sept. 30, to Wm. Russell, Castle-o'-Guns, Dysart.

Broughty Ferry.—Oct. 5, Good Templar Hall, Gray St. Judges, Messrs. W. Beattie, T. Thomson, C. Campbell, T. Arnott, R. Bald. 48 open classes: Scotch Fancy 10, C. and C.B. 7, Nor. 12, Bord. 9, Mules 2, Brit. 7, For. 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 1, to R. Whitton, 2, Churchill Place.

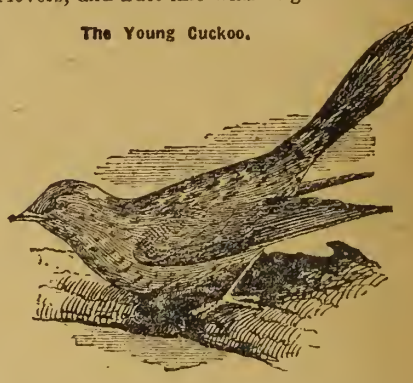
Exeter and Devon.—Oct. 9, Lower Market, Exeter. Judge, Mr. J. Lashbrook, Sidmouth. 32 open classes: Nor. 6 (1 novice), Crest 1, C.B. 1, Yorks. 7 (1 novice), Mule 5, Hyb. 1, Nov. 1, A.O.V. 1, Pair 1, Brit. 4, For. 2, Sell. 3, Gift 1. Prizes, 8/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6; members, 1/-. Ent. close Sept. 30, to W. A. Cornish, 90, Regent St., St. Thomas, Exeter.

Wild-Bird Life.

To Winter Quarters.

The weather has somewhat improved during the past week, and one has been able to get out into the country without the mackintosh which has been our inevitable companion for so many weeks. The Warblers have doparted from the hedgerows, all but a few isolated specimens, evidently stray birds from the north gradually working their way southwards. Resident birds are forming into flocks of various sizes, and during the coming winter months they will be met with in almost every field in the vicinity of woods and hedges.

One of the reasons why we do not see more of the migrating thousands that move at this season to summer lands is that many species journey by night. If one lives in the track of these moving armies one can distinctly hear them passing in the silent hours. The wild cry of the Geese, the plaintive wailing of the Plovers, and flute-like whistling cries of many



The Young Cuckoo.

waders and smaller birds, may be distinctly heard, though not a feather may be discernible against the dark vault of blue, even with the aid of strong night glasses.

Occasionally one is fortunate enough to get a sight of some of these larger birds moving in the daylight. One evening quite recently some half-dozen Curlews were seen wending westward, their peculiar cry of "cur-lew" was heard some time before the birds were seen. Like their cousins the Whimbrels, they fly much higher during migration than at any other time. While watching them one notices how quickly they pass overhead, and are lost in the distance. Their speed upon the wing is far greater than one would imagine; they fly straight and even, as though they know the extent of their journey and are sure of the way.

It seems quite out of place to mention the Cuckoo in the month of September, because the old birds have by now reached their winter quarters, but many young ones are still with us, one of which may be seen in the gardens of a Surrey village; he is quite at home among the fruit trees and vegetables, where doubtless he disposes of many harmful caterpillars during the day, for young Cuckoos are blessed with rare appetites and need a good supply to keep them at all satisfied. Evidently the Finches, Sparrows, Wagtails, Thrushes, Robins, etc., have got used to his little ways, as they do not in any way resent his presence, but then it is not now nesting time.

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By J. STEEL (Dalkeith).

A well-considered and intensely interesting article which will cause Canary breeders to think.

A STUDY of all the causes which have comparative or absolute unprolificacy (i.e. producing few or no offspring) as their effect would lead the average bird-breeder into a maze of anatomical problems much too complex for him, or her, to follow. As a birdbreeder myself, I frankly confess that though I found the processes of generation and development a very interesting study, its value from an avicultural point of view was nil. But, like thousands who may read these lines, I was concerned as to the cause of a decline in reproductiveness which had become manifest in my stock to a degree which then threatened, and ultimately effected, its entire annihilation by sheer decrement.

A perusal of the correspondence columns of the Fancy press showed the doubtful utility of seeking a remedy there, inasmuch as hundreds labouring under a similar affliction with their birds were advised to take certain measures, and apply certain remedies which I had proved time and again to be of no use, the reason being that, though unreproductiveness is commensurate with an unhealthy state in many cases, yet a bird may be in perfect health and still be utterly unreproductive. My birds enjoyed robust health, so the futility of any treatment with a view to producing what they already possessed, was obvious. The other measures advised were manifold, anyone who looks over the advisory columns of his paper during the breeding season can scarcely fail to find scores, they may be summed up in a word—stimulation. A bird may be absolutely mad with desire, and be unreproductive to the degree of utter sterility (Hybrids are illustrative of this fact). My birds were not Hybrids, and being in that condition recognised as "forward," even to rankness, the folly of applying any treatment with a view to further stimulation, was obvious.



This photograph of a Crested Dove brooding its two young was taken in the aviaries of Mr. L. M. Grider's "Birdland," at Los Angeles, California.

Inherent Degeneracy and Its Symptoms.

A study of these birds, and many hundreds of others I have bred since, observation of many other fanciers' stock, and a series of experiments, convinced me that they were subject to inherent unprolificacy. As I have never seen this subject discussed, I shall first express my opinion, viz., that this decline in reproductive power is yearly becoming more manifest, and that the standard of prolificacy in Canaries, as in any other cult, can only be maintained by elimination of those individuals which reveal such degeneracy.

The manifestations of such deterioration are various, but may be summed up as follows: Sterile eggs, perishing of the embryo before hatching, chicks perishing despite the best attentions of their own, or foster parents, barren hens, bad feeding hens, sweating hens, and small clutches of eggs, sometimes laid at abnormal intervals. Of these, the first second, and third may be attributable to the male, either by reason of a failure to fecundate, or an inherent weakness transmitted to the embryo or chick.

Understand, I do not say that these evils are invariably indicative of a deterioration. That any, or all of them, may be attributed to a chronic or temporary state of unhealthiness, other than inherent, and possibly amendable, is beyond question; but it is just as true that such unhealthy state may be inherent. In the majority of cases the symptoms are discernible, and elimination is the first method adopted to stamp out such unhealthiness in a cult. It has been seriously proposed to apply this as a method of stamping out an inherent tendency to insanity and consumption in mankind.

Nature's Methods.

Let us consider how nature eliminates the unfit, and maintains a standard of prolificacy in the world's avifauna when unsubjected to human control or influence. We find that each individual must be possessed of physique, energy, and intelligence in order to withstand climatic conditions, procure a subsistence, and evade its many enemies. Any which fail in these qualities must perish, and are thus prevented from reproducing such deterioration. Many naturalists have the opinion that another check consists in the conjugal state being competitive.

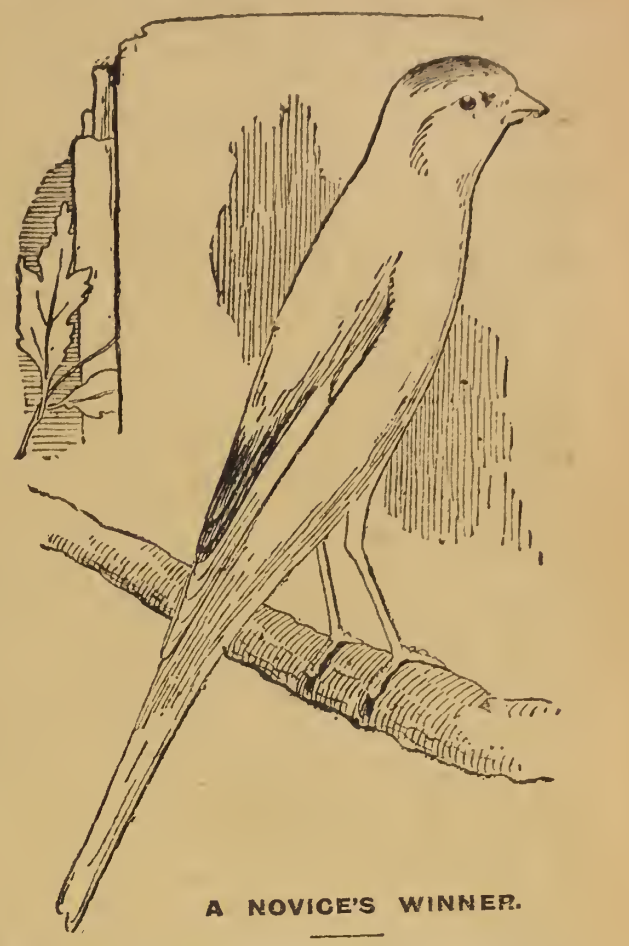
That the latter system obtains is apparent to anyone who has studied wild birds during pairing season, but whether such competition arises from a preponderance of males, or a varying in superiority of the females, not all the *affaires du cœur* I have witnessed have sufficed to elucidate. However, there are no *mariages de convenance* in birddom; the male, by postures, a display of finery (often embellished for the occasion) and powers of song, seeks to impress the female of his choice with the fact that he is a very beau ideal, and he must be prepared to prove his superiority by drubbing all rivals.

Now the Canary culturist has abrogated nature's methods. Provided, as his birds have been, for many generations, with food and shelter, the standard of fitness has naturally sunk, and indeed the standard essential to self sustenance is to them unnecessary, and, with existence made so easy, the practically unfit have been enabled not only to survive, but to reproduce their kind. Thus the way has been paved for a deterioration in reproductiveness.

Man's Own Standards.

Let us now consider the Canary breeder's standard. It may be summed up in four words—departure from the normal. Prolificacy has been ignored, and an opposite tendency engendered by breeding, and even inbreeding, with individuals obviously unprolific, in more or less degree. In producing varieties, the values of which are commensurate with the extent such variations differ or depart in certain features from the original or parent stock, the Canary culturist has set up a series of arbitrary standards, and, for competitive purposes, has made the approach to any particular ideal so difficult that any attempt to reach that artificial ideal while simultaneously maintaining a high degree of prolificacy were well nigh impossible, and I think such has never been attempted. In the view of the fancier, no quality of prolificacy can cover the fault of a departure from (so-called) type, and the idea of rejecting a "typical" individual on the ground of its being an obvious degenerate in reproductive powers would not be entertained for a moment. I cannot name another cult in which the line of departure from prolificacy is drawn at utter sterility.

(To be continued.)



A NOVICE'S WINNER.

This very useful variegated Yorkshire Canary secured 2nd prize in the novice section at the Crystal Palace Show, for G. Kirkbright, of Mountain, Queensbury, Yorks.

Birds in a North Yorkshire Garden.

By the Rev. BERNARD WILTON (Middlesbrough).

A year's life in delightful surroundings delightfully told by a lover of our British birds.

(Concluded from page 665.)

BUT if the Skylark is a doubtful native," his first cousin, the Tree Pipit, does what he can to make up his deficiencies. There are generally at least three nests in various parts of the garden, and from sunrise onwards, all the morning through, from late April to the end of June, you may hear that little varied, but, to me, never monotonous song, uttered as the bird drops downwards with gracefully expanded wings to some convenient tree-top or paling.

The plaintive note of the Willow Warbler now sounds in the flowing willow tree; the delightful trill of the Greenfinch is heard from the thorn hedge; and the Bullfinch is busy, too busy, with the yet unfolded fruit buds. The Yellowhammer is building in the young plantation on the north side of the house; and the ribald laugh of the Green Woodpecker rings out as he devotes a few moments to the discomfiture of the bark dwellers on one of our oak trees.

Once the Spotted Woodpecker, conspicuous with his flaming red cap, paid a short visit to a rustic trellis I was erecting on the terrace. Apparently he drew a blank, for I never saw him again. Another bark searcher whom I see sometimes gliding round our oak trees, is the little Tree-creeper.

The Coming of the Martins.

At the end of this month and at the beginning of May the Martins are busy once more under the eaves. This is a new house, and for the first five years we lived here no Martins came. Then five pairs arrived, an overflow, I fancy, from a great ruined abbey in the neighbourhood, where they build in the high angles of the broken clerestory windows. The next year there were nine pairs, and the year following thirty-four. In 1906, for some reason there was a great falling off in the number of pairs, but last year we had nearly thirty again. The Swallows do not nest on the premises, but come to collect mud for their nests from the edges of my garden pools, as do the Sand Martins also. The Swifts inhabit the tiny hamlet on the other side of the river. I once saw one emerge from beneath the slates of my house.

It is generally the end of April before the Cuckoo reaches these northern wildernesses, but when he does come, he arrives in force. The Dale re-echoes with his name throughout May and June, but he is only a casual visitor to my garden. It is in early May that the Garden Warbler comes back to the hazel copse in the orchard, and it is a red-letter day indeed for us when we hear those rich, full notes once more. The Sedge Warbler is close beside him, but nearer to the water. There concealed amid the twigs he chatters to himself all through the summer night. Early May brings also the White-throat, his song full of the joy of living, as he dances on air above the garden hedge. The Redstart is here, too, inspecting one of my new rough stone walls, with a view to housekeeping. Last of all the small birds, comes the Spotted Fly-catcher, making up for his silence by the sprightly activity of his movements. A much rarer bird, the Pied Fly-catcher, is an occasional visitor to the orchard, a bird I never saw before I lived here.

Free Pensioners.

The woods about us abound with Tawny Owls, though I have never seen either a Barn Owl or a Long-eared Owl here. I have kept hand-reared Owls loose in the garden for years, and they never showed any disposition to leave us. One of these never ceased to cry for food like a young bird, when it was two years old, whenever it was hungry, being, apparently, too lazy to forage for itself. We treat our tame Jackdaws in the same way. They roam at will during the daytime; but always come home at night to sleep in a hamper in the scullery. One of the two we now have has been with us three years.

It is in late June that one of the most interesting visitors to our garden sometimes makes his appearance. At three o'clock in the morning I have been awakened by the churning cry of the Nightjar close to my windows, and looking out have seen the bird seated on the wooden fence for a moment, and then flitting to the ground beneath. He came on two or three successive mornings in 1905, and again in the two following years, but for the last year or two I have not seen him. Nightjars are, of course, fairly common here in the waste ground on the edges of the moors; but as garden birds they seem distinctly unusual. Another rare bird that I have once seen darting along one of the garden hedgerows is the Merlin, the smallest British Hawk. He also was, I presume, a casual caller from the moor. The Kestrel and Sparrow Hawks are common visitors, a chorus of disapproval from the shrubberies generally announcing their arrival.

As the year advances the Corncrake and the Moorhen creep stealthily through the long grass by the gate, and you may hear their harsh voices all through the summer nights. About the end of July Linnets and Redpolls make their appearance in little flocks or families, fresh from their nesting places in the gorse and broom patches. It is a pretty sight to see the latter clinging like Titmice to the ripe heads of the grasses.

A Joyful Surprise.

One summer a pair of Goldfinches spent most of the month of August near the lower pool. They are not common in the Dale, and it was a joyful surprise to hear the familiar note in our orchard. About the same time of the year I have occasionally disturbed a Snipe in the marshy ground by the water.

Then autumn comes again, and with it the Fieldfare and Redwings. The former descend on my big thorn hedge a score at a time, looking beautiful objects among the red berries in the sunshine, the latter more often hopping idly about on the grass before the house. The Rooks have been always with us; but it is in the autumn that they most make their presence felt as they wheel noisily overhead, or pass at nightfall to the big rookery a mile away.

So ends the list of my feathered visitors who here, in this remote valley, make, with their coming and going, a living calendar, by which we note the passing months, compensating us by their sweet voices and endearing ways for the absence of much human society, and the advantages and disadvantages it brings.

Questions and Answers.

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THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of **ADVISORY EXPERTS.** Queries must in no case be addressed to any of them individually, but to the Editor.

Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mule and Hybrids—**C. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.U.S., &c., Wild Bird Life—**H. Norman.**

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

SEED SAMPLES (J. S.).—There is practically nothing at all to choose between 1 and 2. Both are of very fair quality all round, except in size which is very small. If there is any difference in price get the one that is the cheaper. No. 3 is only just fair, though slightly better in size. It is a little inferior to 1 and 2.

TWITCHING LEG AT NIGHT (T. H. L.).—Quite a typical symptom. There is nothing wrong with the bird's health, but if you examine the cage closely you will find it is infested with red mites, and it is the worrying attacks of this pest that cause the bird's restlessness. Place the bird temporarily in another cage, and whilst there give a bath daily in which a few drops of quassia essence have been mixed. Clean out the other cage, raking out any open joint or crack of any kind with a pin, and burn debris at once. Then go over cage entirely and saturate it with paraffin, in a teacupful of which you have dissolved a cube of camphor. Use a small paint brush and work it well into the joints. Place cage in open air to dry and repeat process next day. If you can do it again on the third day, so much the better. When dry run into any cracks or open joints a drop of pure Jeyes' Fluid, and if there are many of these harbours for mites about cage, you might fill them at this stage with putty softened with oil varnish and coloured to match wood of cage. Then repaint or distemper and varnish, etc., if necessary, and when quite dry bird may be returned. When doing cage with paraffin remember each time to go over the nail or hook and surface of wall surrounding it where cage has been hanging.

PIMPLE ON TAIL (Pipp).—All birds have "something like a pimple" on the tail. It is the oil-gland and a quite necessary and natural organ, but is the cause of many curious and false ideas of some indefinite complaint named like your pseudonym. I hope you have not been pricking or squeezing the supposed swelling, as you will only have been causing the bird unnecessary pain and suffering. If the gland appears really abnormally swollen or inflamed when compared with that of any other healthy bird, anoint it sparingly twice at an interval of two days with cold cream or lanocyllin, but interfere no further with it. Give the bird half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake every second day for a week, slightly dusted each time with flowers of sulphur and sprinkled with gold of pleasure seed. On the alternate days give a pinch of maw and a pinch of mixed seed twice a week. Give a small spray of green food four times a week. In the drinking water give 20 drops of whisky, as much Epsom salts as will cover a threepennypiece, and the same quantity of chlorate of potash for two days.

MORE DEATHS (B.B.H.).—If any more deaths occur I would advise you to send a body to Mr. Yates for post-mortem, as early as possible after death, and thereby settle all doubts about the nature of the trouble. See our post-mortem replies for rules. The deaths are doubtless all due to the same exciting cause; hence it is no matter for wonderment that all should show similar symptoms. I am still of opinion the seed was at the root of the mischief, and now you have altered this I think, under the treatment advised in last reply, no more deaths are likely to take place from the same cause. I fancy the discoloured tongue theory you mention would not bear much investigation, but as I have not made a point of examining this feature in every available case, I cannot be dogmatic on the point. The sample of food you sent seems to be a good wholesome biscuit food, and this, or a similar food, is used rather largely by many fanciers in place of egg-food. For occasional use, and as a conditioner or pick-me-up, it is most useful, but I do not approve of employing these medicated foods as articles of general diet. As regards moving birds to the other room, do not do so until you are assured on the point of possible fever infection. I am not quite clear now what aspect your present room commands, but I have an idea it is quite as good as a Southern one. Good clean sawdust is in no way harmful to birds, but they should have access to gritty sand when sawdust is used on floor. Please let me hear how birds are doing in a month hence.

CHICK DYING (Crest).—In the first place you are keeping the birds together a great deal too late, and you will be really lucky if you get this youngster reared before the parents drop into moult, and by having the birds moult so late you are probably spoiling your prospects with them for next season. If you feed the pair as directed in the article in the "Annual," you cannot go far wrong. I cannot tell why the hen refused to feed the last young one after giving it a first feed of lettuce at three days old, except that she was too forward with the following brood to go on with the solitary chick. As regards your reference to what I say in the "Annual" and in "the book," you ought to have been more definite and said to which book you refer. I am responsible for more than one, and in "Our Canaries," the latest and best, there are many opinions besides my own. If you will write again and tell me to what book and page you refer, I will endeavour to make matters clear for you.

BIRDS DYING AND SEED (W. Norwood).—The Canary seed is a nice bright clean sample, quite sound and sweet, and of good quality, though small in size. The rape is also a very good sample of summer rape. Whatever may be the cause of the birds dying, it certainly is not the seed that is at fault. If you had given me some particulars of your general treatment, and how the birds are affected, I might possibly have detected some probable cause. As it is, I would advise you in the event of more birds dying, to send a body on without delay to Mr. Yates, for post-mortem, so that you may be prepared to deal with any possible infection before it goes too far. (See p.m. column for rules.) Give the bird a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days a pinch of maw seed, and a half ripe plantain stalk. Add six drops of syrup of buckthorn to the water for two days, and afterwards 20 drops of Chemical Food every second day for a fortnight.

A BAD WHEEZE (M.J.R.).—I'm afraid the bird will never do much good. Alleviation is probably all you can hope to do for her. The complaint is in no sense infectious. Place her in a fairly warm and equable temperature, quite free from draughts; cover over the cage, and add five drops of syrup of buckthorn to the water for two days. Afterwards give 20 drops of whisky and five of syrup of saffron two days in every three for a week. This is to try to set the moult going. For the wheezing give, in addition to the usual seed diet, half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake, with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with gold of pleasure seed, every second day for a month, and on the alternate days give a pinch of maw and a spray of chickweed or green plantain stalk. After the first week's treatment, as mentioned above, add 20 drops of the following mixture to the drinking water every second day for a fortnight, then miss a week, and repeat it again for a fortnight. Mixture: Two drams each of glycerine and oxymel of squills, one dram each of Ipecacuanha wine and chlorodyne, and eight grains of iodide of potassium. Any chemist will mix this for you.

RARA AVIS (J.X.).—I have never heard or seen a Canary that could talk, and until I actually have oral proof I am afraid I shall remain a doubting Thomas. I have read of dozens of them, but that is a very different thing to having reliable proof of the existence of such a phenomenon. I have heard many Canaries which their admirers or fond owners have honestly asserted could articulate the words "pretty dick" quite clearly, but when I have heard the performance it has been merely the natural "che-chee-chees-ick," and so on with other so-called words. The talking Canary really exists only in a rather too fertile imagination, and crops up periodically in a certain section of the Press as a rara avis. A specimen was reported in a nature journal, in my possession, about 40 years ago, so it is no new thing. I have had a pet Canary that whistled a few bars of music of a tune composed for a nursery rhyme, and did it in a tone that was quite indistinguishable from the whistle of the man who taught it to him. But even this is a very different thing from talking. The white Canary is an actual living fact. It is, however, of quite recent origin—in its last appearance at any rate—and consequently is still very uncommon. You might have seen some advertised in our columns three or four weeks ago.

VARIOUS (A.C.S.).—(1) If you have a number of birds flying together, and wish to give them Chemical Food as a pick-me-up, you must not, of course, add to the drinker a given number of drops for each bird. In such circumstances it is quite possible to foresee a point when you would need to put on the pure drug in place of drinking water. Add ten drops of the Chemical Food to every tablespoonful of water in the drinker. Three teaspoonfuls in half a pint of water will, for all practical purposes, amount to the same thing. This is the best strength for you to use; whether a single bird or one hundred use the same drinker, will not affect the matter at all. You should read article on moulting in issue of Aug. 3rd. (2) This query is very vague. You omit to say whether you wish to breed Greens, whether your bird is the yellow or buff type, and if the looseness in feather is natural and due to long profuse plumage, or merely owing to the bird being out of condition temporarily. If the latter, the looseness should disappear as soon as it is quite over the moult. Otherwise, for breeding Greens you should select a very tight short-feathered, cobby hen, with short flights and tail, and not too leggy, of the opposite type to the cock; thus, if he is a yellow-green, the hen should be a buff-green, and vice versa (3) In feeding you should give a little mixed seed, as mentioned in article referred to above, two or three times a week. Also give a greater variety of green food and wild seeds, and discontinue giving apple for the present. It will be very useful later on, but at this season it is but a poor substitute for the excellent variety of wild seeds and green foods you could obtain with scarcely any trouble.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S., M.B.N.U.S.

WHAT BIRD? (C. Brown).—It was a Pintail Nonpareil; probably a male in immature plumage.

WHAT PARRAKEET? (S.T.P.).—Your details point to your having a hen of one of the races of Ringnecks, of which newly-imported specimens can be procured for 7s. 6d. each, but an acclimatised specimen in good plumage 20s. to 25s., or more if a good talker. The Ringnecks take more teaching than a Grey Parrot, but many of them become quite talented talkers.

FOOD FOR COCKATOO (Mrs. Ralph Smith).—Give this bird a seed mixture of one quart each canary seed, white millet, and oats, one pint each hemp, paddy rice, and wheat, half-pint each maize, sunflower seeds, and shelled nuts, one gill each chillies and grit (not sand), the whole to be well mixed, and a supply kept in the cage. Also supply ripe fruit, plain biscuit, green-food and water regularly. Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone hanging in the cage. If you report how the bird eats, freely or otherwise, and state what it leaves, etc., a few weeks hence, I can then judge if any modification is necessary.

BUDGERIGARS WITH YOUNG (Budgie).—(1) A few oats, unlimited green-food, a few pieces of plain biscuit or stale crusts of household bread, but some individuals will not touch the latter. (2) I should not encourage breeding so late in the year, but in an outdoor aviary it is best to leave them to go their own way. I should not remove the husks as these are frequently used as sleeping quarters in severe weather. (3) You could keep pairs of Madagascar and Blue-winged Lovebirds, Red-crested Cardinals, and Cockatiels with the Budgerigars, that is, if the aviary be large enough. (4) The books you name fully cover the ground, but a chapter is given to them in "Foreign Birds for Beginners," 1s. 1½d., post free, from our manager.

CAGE FOR ROSELLA (S.).—If for a room, then I fear you are reduced to the largest Parrot cage you can conveniently accommodate, or a box cage about 3ft. square at base, and the same height—a cage of 2ft. proportions would accommodate them, but there is always the danger of broken and frayed tail and wing feathers in restricted quarters. If you keep your birds in an outhouse, then a roomy, empty packing case, fitted with a wire-netting front, will meet the case in every way. Diet: A seed mixture of one quart each white millet and canary seed, one pint oats, half a pint each hemp, paddy rice, and sunflower seeds, one gill each shelled nuts and grit (not sand), well mix and keep supply in cage. Also supply green-food, fruit, plain biscuit, cuttlebone, and water for drinking and bathing.

HOW MANY? (S. Jordan).—I regret to damp your ardour, but if I read your dimensions aright—4½ft. long, 13in. broad, 2 2-3ft. high, with a flight 2½ft. long, 16in. broad, and 1½ft. high—you cannot keep a lot of sorts therein; you have barely room for three pairs of Budgerigars to have comfortable breeding quarters. You can try your luck with one pair each Budgerigars, Madagascar Lovebirds, and Blue-winged Lovebirds, and as you require variety an odd cock Red-crested Cardinal could be with them. You had better get our Nutshell "Budgerigars," 2½d., post free, from our manager—the treatment given therein will suffice for all the species named, but the Cardinal should receive in addition a piece of ripe banana and two mealworms or other insects twice a day.

BUDGERIGARS BREEDING (G. W. T.).—The general advice "leave them alone," is quite correct, but, inasmuch as the painter must compound his colours with common sense, even though he has learned that certain combinations give a certain tint, so in like manner the aviarist must apply the "general advice" of his text books. I will try and make it clearer, if all is going on well, the calling of the young will grow more lusty, and the death of one or more young should soon be evident, and then an examination should be made, and the body removed. Again, it is often easy, when the old birds are off, to see the interior of a nest by the aid of a hand-mirror, and after the young are a few days old, to get a peep inside while the old birds are foraging. In a table aviary there should be no difficulty.

THE CUBAN MOCKING-BIRD (C. Harrison).—There is all too little known of the outward sexual distinctions of many species; however, so far as our knowledge goes, there is little or no difference in the plumage of the sexes, but the males, as a rule, providing ages of specimens compared are about equal, are slightly purer in colour and richer in hue, but the difference is slight indeed. With the American species, M. polyglottus, the Rev. Farrar observed that the eye of his cock was gravel colour, and that of the hen green; but this observation stands alone. Some such feature may hold good with regard to Mimus orpheus, but I am not aware of it. As regards the mocking capacity, the reputation of polyglottus stands first, but orpheus comes very near, and is ahead in mocking capacity of the other birds you name; the comparison, however, is barely a fair one, as the cases are barely parallel.

JAVAS AND WAXBILLS (W. F. D.).—It is not right to say that almost anything can be kept together unless one knows something about the size of the aviary, certainly I have kept these together, and so have them now, breeding in the same aviary. Some have found Javas quarrelsome. I opine your Waxbills died from the exhaustion following importation. Again, if you want to leave them out all the winter. September is too late a month to put them out; very probably the cold inclement weather we have been having had something to do with their shuffling off. Certain British Finches are dangerous with small birds. You do not say what kind yours are? The bird dealer is a salesman not an aviculturist. Waxbills live almost entirely on millet, and should be supplied with both white and spray millet. You should get our Nutshell booklets on these species.

ROCK PARROT (Wild West).—(1) A seed mixture of one quart each canary seed and white millet, one pint each oats and hemp seed, half pint each paddy rice, wheat and sunflower seeds, one gill each shelled nuts and grit (not sand); well mix. Also supply ripe fruit, plain biscuits, green food, cuttlebone, and water. (2) Put half a teaspoonful of byno-phosphates into the usual supply of drinking water every other day. (3) You can only overcome this by kindness, finding out what it is specially fond of, and accustoming it to take this from your fingers. The same applies to screaming; it is mostly fear that prompts this. You must be quiet and steady while attending to it, and an entire absence of bustling movement in its vicinity till it is thoroughly accustomed to its quarters, and you all. (4) You can do nothing till it is quite tame, but it will hear talking going on, and when tame you can teach it by constant repetition, and it should soon prove responsive. You can check the screaming by covering the bird up when it is noisy, and then removing the covering when it is quiet again, but the covering up must be done steadily, and the bird must not be scared in the process—a Parrot soon recognises a punishment.

Pekin Robins Ill (A. M. Case).—In cases of this kind you should secure a reply per post at once (see rules). I am much afraid you will lose the birds, but if they should still be living when reply reaches you, there is still hope for them. Bathe the eyes with warm water, dab dry with soft cloth, then again bathe with a dilute rose-water and zinc eye solution. Keep the birds warm and out of draught, but not out of reach of light and air. Get a box of honey and borax and well mix a saltspoonful into the soft food mixture daily. Till the bowels are moving freely, give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the usual supply of drinking water; follow this by a course of byno-phosphates, half teaspoonful in the usual supply of drinking water. Diet: Some good soft food mixture, ripe fruit, and live insects. Mealworms are the usual standby, but two or three garden spiders per bird daily will be excellent at this juncture. Also give some milk sop, prepared as follows: Neatle's milk one teaspoonful, crumbled sponge cake one tablespoonful, half teaspoonful Scott's Emulsion, mix just sloppy with boiling water; this will prove beneficial while the trouble lasts.

SHOW CAGE (Bert).—(1) The cage should be about 22in. long, 18in. high, and 11 to 13in. broad, with the perch or perches so placed that the bird is least likely to rub head or tail feathers. Pale sage green is a good colour for the interior. (2) So long as they were not so placed as to form a distinctive feature, there would be no objection. The zinc tray would be quite unnoticeable if fastened to a bar of wood fitting into the front of cage. The cages used by foreign bird exhibitors are so variable that each one is more or less distinct from another. You need not fear disqualification. (3) The food you refer to would be rather expensive for so large a bird, and the following will answer equally well: 1 part each ants' "eggs," fine ground crissel, game meal (without grit), and cod liver oil and cage bird food; these are all easily obtainable. After the mixture has been made crumbly moist, a portion of boiled potato, that has been passed through a masher, can be stirred in. Ripe fruit and some live insects should be given daily.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet St., London, E.C.

Boiled rice, milk puddings and milk sop may all be given—table scraps and leavings (vegetables and meat) may be given it to pick over. Of course, you must keep a caged bird under observation, as it does not get the exercise of a wild bird, and see that it does not get too fat. The wild diet is, as it were, a pattern for us to go by, but to give the full wild diet in unstinted quantity would soon kill it, under the conditions of cage life.

TREES, ETC., FOR FLIGHT (C. E. Johnson).—(1) I have had no experience with the tree you name, but I should say it would be all right; however, the common laurel, fir, box, and privet all make good aviary trees, and the evergreens named form excellent shelter in wet weather. (2) So long as hay seed is fresh it will answer well enough, or ripe grass seed gathered from meadow and hedgerow may be used, but I also advise the planting of one or two tussocks of coarse grass, and a few old crowns of dock, mallow and cow-parsley. (3) Clarke's syphon gas stove I prefer to any other, but I always prefer to have a pipe to outside for the exhaust products, though the makers state this is not necessary—all stoves should be placed out of reach of gusts of wind. I never recommend oil apparatus for such purpose. (4) Some husks should be outside in the most sheltered positions obtainable, or a shelf put up, and the husks hung up under same. I should not confine myself to husks entirely, but use boxes, Hartz travelling cages, etc., as well.

JAPANESE BUNTING, ETC. (Tanager).—(1) The Japanese Bunting may be sketchily described as bright chestnut above and yellow beneath, with a brown patch on the throat. The hen is much duller and lacks the throat patch of the male. It has the average Bunting song. (2) The Finch-Larks are mostly ashy-brown washed more or less with rufous, with patches of black or dark rufous in the respective species. They are ground feeders and nesters, living on seeds and hard insects. In captivity, supply seed, soft food and insects (especially beetles), and green food. (3) I have not taken as much notice as I should have done of popular names, neither have I handled any of the species sold as Nonette Finches, but I have seen specimens of one of the races of Spice birds, that had been bought as such, but I will look the matter up and insert the result in this column later. (4) I think the small Dove you have is a Passerine, but if you care to send me a full description of its plumage, I will confirm this or otherwise.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by C. E. WESTON.

BABY MAGPIES (Joan Edwards).—The trouble you mention may have been due to the raw meat, which I should give us seldom as possible, and see that it is sweet (fresh) and good. Trapped mice sparrows, and the like, in my opinion, are much to be preferred to raw meat obtained from the butchers. The Magpie ought to winter very comfortably indeed in the large place you describe. Dig the ground over well and then wait seven days before you return him. The perches should be of a good thickness; ordinary long broom handles are excellent. Feed on these lines: Puppy cakes, or dog meal or food (such as "Melox") thoroughly soaked with hot water and reduced to a kind of pulpy consistency, will rear Magpies, Jays, etc.

splendidly; very cheaply too. Minced hard-boiled egg can be added or given separately. As the birds grow, give some meat chopped into tiny pieces (beef or mutton), or rabbit flesh, which I prefer to the others. When adult, the "Melox" or similar dog food, answers admirably, though, of course, not made so "sloppy"; add table scraps of meat, vegetables, gravy, and the like; also give dead mice, sparrows, bettles, small snails, gentles, etc., frequently. They are very accommodating in the matter of appetite.

A THRUSH'S TROUBLES (Paddy).—Stir three or four drops of Condy's fluid into the bird's drinking water (give it fresh twice daily) for a time. This will quite likely put an end to the symptoms you describe. Use only a glass or earthenware water vessel (not tin or zinc), one that holds about four tablespoonfuls—not less. I take it that you are quite sure the symptoms are not those of a cold?

A TRIO OF BERRIES (J. Smith).—The large berry is that of the dog rose, eaten by Mistle and other Thrushes, but not, I fancy, much liked, being devoured only when other berries are scarce during very hard weather. The small, deep red berry is that of the hawthorn, popular as a food with many species of birds. The very bright red berries are those of the woody nightshade (or bitter-sweet), and as this plant is a close relative of the deadly nightshade (very poisonous) I should be dubious about offering them to birds.

AN AILING LINNET (G.B.).—Give one more dose of the syrup of buckthorn; leave it on the cage for 24 hours. Follow with a course of the citrate of iron and quinine, as advised G. Pittis this week, but use only as much as will cover a threepenny bit, and in two tablespoonfuls of water. Am afraid it is doubtful whether your bird can hope to recover, as it was very queer when you penned your letter, judging by the symptoms you mention. Offer it plenty of seeding shepherd's purse and plantain, and thistle heads broken open to expose the seed.

AN OLD SUBSCRIBER.—The biscuit meal (a mixture of coarse crissel and broken dog biscuit), of which you send a sample, would be suitable only for large, coarse-feeding softbill birds, such as Magpies, Jays and the like, and would need thoroughly soaking in hot water before being given to them. In its present state it has only a very limited field of use so far as cage birds are concerned. I cannot speak as to its monetary value; it seems to me identical with the hound meal sold very cheaply by the majority of corn and forage stores.

TWO BULLFINCHES (Canary-Bullie).—It sometimes happens that a bird when moulting throws off its plumage so suddenly as to exhibit patches of bare flesh (on breast or head) and maybe this is all that has happened to your two Bullies, seeing that the other two kept under similar conditions are moulting so nicely. Are they all together, or caged separately? Anyway, it would be best to keep these two birds in a place free from damp and draughts and not too cold (it is very unfavourable weather at the moment) until their plumage returns to a normal state. Don't give hemp seed as a regular thing; I am continually saying that it is not a good thing for Bullfinches. Substitute teazle seed (one pint). Drop the egg-food now, but give seeding greenstuff freely. If you suspect the presence of insects, consult the chapter on parasites in the article on "Diseases" which appears in CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL. It will tell you how to detect them and how to treat both birds and cages. If there are no insects, spray the birds very lightly once daily with a solution of boric acid (half an ounce in a pint of water). A scent spray can be utilised for this purpose. Don't make the birds very wet and bedraggled; direct the solution chiefly on the bare parts.

CONCERNING THRUSHES (G. Pittis).—There is a good deal of difference 'twixt Mistle (or Missel) and Song Thrushes. The former is considerably the larger of the two; the markings of the breast are different, being shaped like a spear-head near the throat, but becoming broad (almost crescent-shaped) on the abdomen and flanks; the outer tail feathers are tipped with white underneath; the under wing coverts are white (golden orange in the case of the Song Thrush). It is possible the older bird you mention is a hen. Hens will "record," but in a more disjointed manner, and not so loudly. You seem to be feeding the birds very well indeed, though I should advise you to add half-a-pound of meat meal to the quantity of powdered biscuit and packet Thrush food which you mention. Stop all vegetable ingredients in the case of the bird whose excrement is watery, and add a teaspoonful of ground rice to its soft food every day. In the drinking-water (three tablespoonfuls) dissolve as much crystals of citrate of iron and quinine as will, when crushed, lie on a sixpenny piece. Get half-an-ounce of the crystals from a chemist. Mix this fresh daily and continue for five or six days, as may seem necessary,

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

H. Boothman.—Kindly note that club notices must reach us on Tuesday (or first post Wednesday at latest) to secure insertion in our issue of the same week.

W. Clark.—We have forwarded your communication on to Mr. Rudd.

E. Travis.—We think that the firm you require is the Wire Wove Roofing Company, 108, Queen Victoria Street, London, E.C.

J. Rukin.—We have the names correctly on your letter.

R. H. Gardner.—We have given this method of ventilation several times before, and it is described and illustrated in some of our books.

Enquirer.—Kindly note rule 8 under heading "Questions and Answers." We cannot publish a letter such as yours; it would render us liable under the law of libel. If the conditions of sale were as you state, you can easily recover the value of the birds through the County Court. With regard to the aviary, submit a rough design and specification to various makers, and get their prices for the work (there are makers in your city, we fancy). By the way, you do not sign your name to your letter.

T. C.—In the West Riding of Yorkshire the close time is betwen the last day of February and the 12th day of August. Except in a few districts Sunday catching is prohibited throughout the year. Further, many of the species kept by bird-keepers are protected all the year round, including the Bullfinch, Buntings (all), Chaffinch, Crossbill, Cuckoo, Dipper, Goldfinch, Larks, Linnet, Nuthatch, Pipits (all), Lesser and Mealy Redpolls, Shrikes, Siskin, Song Thrush, Tits (all), Twite, Wagtails (all); also practically all of the insectivorous birds (Nightingale, Woodpeckers, Warblers, etc.).

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Ashington and Hirst.—Sept. 21, Harmonic Hall, 7.30. Special business.—Wm. Hall.

Bonnyrigg C.B.S.—Sept. 28, Foresters' Arms, 7.30. Make final arrangements for forthcoming show.—James Hamilton.

Brighton and Hove C.B.A.—Sept. 25, headquarters. General meeting 8.30, committee meeting 7.30. Annual show details; very important.—Will H. Glbb.

Barrow and District C.B.A. Sept. 25, Headquarters, 7.30. Lecture by Mr. J. Wagstaff, and back-end show business.—Jas. S. Fleming.

Beamish C.B.S.—Sept. 21, Bird Inn, 7. Business for annual show, and other business.—Wm. Knowles.

Chester C.B.S.—Sept. 24, Nag's Head Cocoa House, 8.30. To complete schedule and other show business, cups, etc., important.—R. L. G. Simpson.

Chopwell C.B.S.—Sept. 21, Club Hall, 6. Business important.—W. Tomlinson.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—Sept. 21, Arcade Temperance Hotel, 7. Appointing stewards for open show and other competent business. Annual subscriptions now due.—Joseph R. Reid.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Sept. 23, Church Institute, 66, Paddington Street, Marylebone, W., 8.15. Judging competition in Norwich Plainheads. Judge, Mr. A. W. Curtis. Interested visitors warmly welcomed.—H. W. Dickinson.

City of Bradford O.S.—Sept. 21, Flying Dutchman Hotel, 8. Yorkshire Union year books to hand.—F. Rhodes.

Codnor Park and Eastwood C.B.S.—Sept. 28, Queen's Head, Riddings, 6.30. Classification for open show, etc. All subscriptions are now due.—J. H. Mitchell.

Consett, Blackhill.—Sept. 21, Co-operative Buildings, Consett, 7.30. To prepare schedule for show on 23rd Nov.—J. Hedworth Coupland.

Derby C.B.S.—Sept. 28, at Derwent Hotel, 7. Business: Summoned meeting for paying up of young birds, and open show arrangements.—G. H. Wharam.

Dubmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Sept. 22, Dubmire Workmen's Club, 10.30. Election of judge for annual show.—B. Robinson.

Ebbw Vale F. and F.S —Sept. 25, at the Gwalia Hotel, 7.30. Members' show business, and final acceptance of entries; members bring local fanciers with you.—Tom. H. Tiby.

Fife and Kinross N.P.C.—Sept. 28, Cowdenbeath, Masonic Arms, 7. Selection of medals.—Gilbert Fisher.

Glasgow Queen's Park C.B.S.—Sept. 25, Marie Stuart Halls, 8. Arrangements for annual show.—Robt. Heggie.

Glossop Hadfield C.B.S.—Sept. 24, Mr. J. H. Senior's, High Street W., Glossop, 8. Fixing date of annual members' show; general business; subscriptions are now due.—E. Thompson.

Great Horton O.S.—Sept. 21, Butchers' Arms, 8. Special business, open show.—J. Holroyd.

Glasgow and West of Scotland N.M.B. and F.B.C.—Sept. 24, Crown Halls, Sauchiehall Street, 8. Presenting prizes for points competition. Arranging members' show and any other competent business.—F. Taylor.

Green Canary Association.—Sept. 26, Oldham Hall, Liverpool, 8. Important business; allotting season's specials; arranging syllabus 1912-13, etc.—Geo. Green.

Grimsby O.S.—Sept. 26, Slatter's Rooms, 8. Allotting of specials open show; all monies and specials to be brought in.—Towl and Smith.

Hetton-le-Hole C B.S.—Sept. 21, Crown Inn, 7. Important business.—A. J. Notley.

Heywood O.S.—Sept. 24, Rochdale Hall, Vine-st., 7.30. Judge for back-end show; also suggested amalgamated back-end show.—A. H. Meadowcroft.

Irvine and Dist. C.B.S.—Sept. 25, Masonic Hall, Bank Street, 7.30. Mr. Fred. Bowman, of Glasgow, will deliver a lecture on Wild Seeds. New members will also be enrolled same evening.—H. B. Young.

Highgate, Hampstead C.B.S.—Sept. 28, Spencer Hall, 8.30. Special general meeting. Lecture on Hardbills, by Mr. E. S. Lugg. It is essential that all subs., tickets, and advert. monies should be paid to enable the committee to successfully carry on the work of the society.—J. Hyde.

Hebden Bridge C.B.F.A.—Sept. 24, Lello's Dining Rooms, Market Street, 7.30. Inter-show arrangements.—A. Roberts.

Hyde and Dis. C.B.S.—Sept. 26, St. George's School, 8. Selection of judge for annual show.—T. Allsop.

Leigh C.B.S.—Sept. 25, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Old show business.—R. Charlesou.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Sept. 21, Greyhound Hotel, 7. Important: Finish classification of schedule, and auditor's report; hope president can be present.—Daniel John.

Long Eaton C.B.S.—Sept. 28, Sawley Road Council Schools, 7 p.m. for committee, show business; 8 p.m. for members, alterations of points (see show rule 9).—Geo. Thos. Wall.

Metropolitan C.B.A.—Postponed until October.—G. Denham.

Manningham C.B.A.—Sept. 21, headquarters, 8. Open show; Union handbooks ready.—H. Grange.

Midland Roller.—Sept. 26, Swan and Peacock, 8. Important show business.—T. J. Smith.

Musselburgh O.S.—Sept. 27, Cossar's Tea Rooms, 7.30. Show business.—Wm. Nisbet.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Sept. 24, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, Harpurhey, 8. Amalgamated show business.—John Davey.

Northern Brit., M. and F.B.C.—Sept. 25, Lockhart's, Grainger Street, 7.30. Table show, 2 classes—Linnet, A.O.V. Brit., Mule or For. Fanciers invited. Subs. now due.—W. Curry.

National B B. and M.C.—Sept. 26, "Feathers," Gt. Chapel St., Westminster, 8. General business.—Plumbridge and Carr.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S.—Sept. 24, 65, Grainger Street, 8. Allotting of specials, etc.—J. W. Reed.

Newcastle Novice C B.S.—Oct. 3, Mr. Purvis' Cafe, Clayton St., 7.30. Specials, etc.—T. W. Lumsden.

Oldham and Dis. C.B.A.—Sept. 24, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. Open debate; all names for social.—James Cope.

Old Shildon Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Sept. 27, Old Shildon Workmen's Club, 8. Contributions taken and drawing up of the schedule for the show, and other business.—J. H. Elwell.

Pendleton and Salford O.S.—Sept. 23, Irwell Castle, Lower Broughton, 8. Show business; delegates' report.—Critchley and Metcalfe.

Poplar C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Allhallow's Schoolroom, East India Dock Road, Poplar, 8. Washing exhibition by Mr. H. W. Cook, and competition by members. Members to bring own birds and utensils for washing.—H. W. Cook.

Queen's Park C B.A.—Sept. 26, Emmanuel Hall, 8. Table show and judging competition.—W. J. Lotbridge, junr.

St. James'-the-Less F.A., Bethnal Green.—Sept. 23, at Ridley House, St. James' Road, Bethnal Green, near Cambridge Heath, to arrange for annual show.—E. A. Suter.

Stoke-on-Trent C B.A.—Sept. 23, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Open show arrangements.—J. Pitchford.

Swansea and Dis.—Sept. 24, Market Coffee Tavern, 8. Special meeting for specials to be received; also subs. for this year.—George and Jenkins.

Ushaw Moor Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Sept. 21, Mr. W. Turnbull's, White House-lane, Ushaw Moor, 6.30, when Mr. J. Stranger, Pelton Fell, will give a washing exhibition, to which we invite all fanciers and friends; also fixing show date.—H. Briggs, Auton Style, Beespark.

Wallsend and Mid Tyne C.B.A.—Sept. 25, Station Hotel, 7.30. Special show business and all subscriptions due before Oct. 9th. Any new members must join before above date.—John M. Macdonald.

Warrington and Dist. C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Blue Bell Sale Rooms, 8. Final arranging of show schedule and allotting specials.—G. M. Nelson.

Windhill and Eccleshill C.B.S.—Sept. 28, Schoolroom, Eccleshill, 8. Combined members' show. Windhill members to make their entries at Fountain Inn to Eccleshill secretary from 8 to 11 Friday night. Judges, W. Cruise and T. Ogden.—J. Taylor.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

Singing Contests.

SALFORD.

The Salford Linnet Club's contest of Sept. 21st is postponed, but a special meeting will be held on the 22nd at 7.15 prompt. Business very important. Members earnestly requested to advise me by post if unable attend.—B. Wharton, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS.

Contest Skinners' Arms, Buslingthorpe, Sept. 14th; 13 birds were hung. 1st, Sellers; 2nd, Ward; 3rd, Grainger. Judges, Lorlman and Clayton. Also Sept. 15th; 16 birds were hung. 1st, Ward; 2nd, Sellers; 3rd, Clarkson. Judges, W. Lunn and Summers. Open contest on Woodhouse Feast Sept. 21st. Mr. A. Fishwick will give a copper kettle. Entrance money 1s.—C. W. Smith.

Weekly contest for quality held at the Old Bird House, King's Head, Shannon-street, Sept. 14th, when 16 birds sang for three good prizes given by Mr. Wm. Tilloteon. 1st, Wigfield; 2nd, Butler; 3rd, shared by Madden and Stead. Judges, S. Hardcastle and W. Naylor. Also Sept. 15th, when 24 birds sang for four good prizes before a crowded house. 1st, Wigfield; 2nd and 4th, Butler; 3rd, Madden. Judges, S. Hardcastle, W. Siesons, and W. Naylor.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quality Linnet contest Sept. 15th, at Prince Albert Inn, Newtown, when 12 birds were entered to sing for three good prizes given by Mrs. M. A. Saynor. Judges, C. Lorriman and J. Smith. 1st, Playforth; 2nd, Binns; 3rd, divided between Chippendale and Turner.—E. Wood, Sec.

ENTRIES CLOSE.

Sept. 28.—**Chopwell.**—W. Tomlinson, 2, South View, Chopwell, Co. Durham.

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Correspondence.

A Remedy Free.

Sir,—I should be very pleased if you would publish this in your valuable paper, Cage Birds. I noticed in your issue of Sept. 14, two replies to querists: "Very wheezey and panting, J. Robinson," and "Sits huddled up, M.B.N." I should be very pleased to give each of these fanciers a bottle of the remedy that I give to my own birds if they will send me their addresses. I am a working man with 30 years' experience with all sorts of birds.

W. H. Thomas.

6, Christopher Street, Llanelly.

Wild Birds which Carry Marking Rings.

A Mistle Thrush from Yorkshire.

Sir,—I think it might interest readers to know that a Mistle Thrush was shot here (Hebden Bridge, Yorks) to-day (Sept. 16) with the enclosed ring on its leg bearing this inscription: Witherby, High Holborn, London.

Fancier.

[The number on the ring is 17458. We hope readers will send us particulars of all birds caught or shot which carry marking rings on their legs, and give the number (this is most important), or forward the ring. By so doing they will be lending valuable help to the study of bird distribution and migration.—Editor.]

New Society for Boscombe and District.

Sir,—At a meeting held Sept. 11th with reference to proposed new society for Boscombe and District, Hants, it was decided by a good attendance of fanciers to form a society with a membership radius of 15 miles from Boscombe Station, L.S.W. The subscription to be within the means of the working man fancier, namely, 2s. 6d. per year and shilling entrance fee. Our next meeting will be held at the Railway Hotel, Holdenhurst Road, on Tuesday, Sept. 24th, at 8 p.m., to elect members and officers for the year. Those wishing to join kindly accept this invitation to do so. There is a separate entrance apart from hotel entrance for those wishing to use it, the clubroom being a seperate building.

M. Cook,
Sec. pro. tem.

Myrtle Villa, Purbeck Road,
Bournemouth West.

Wake Up, Traders!

Sir,—I can thoroughly sympathise with Mr. Oglethorpe with regard to the unbusinesslike methods adopted by some traders. I have written to several myself offering surplus stock, either for cash or exchange, but I have only had one reply. A London dealer asked me to send on the birds, and he would exchange me to value, either a dog, rabbits, or other live stock. I despatched two Canary hens to him, which, he said, were worth 4s. 6d. to him. I then wrote and told him to allow himself a reasonable profit and send me cash instead of live stock, and I was willing to accept whatever amount he was prepared to give. Imagine my disgust when two days later a hen Bullfinch arrived, carriage forward, and inside the box, which contained the bird, was a note which read:—"Dear Sir, I am sending you a hen Budgerigar, which is in grand breeding condition.—Yours, etc. ——." (I won't give his name). Needless to say, he will not get any more birds from me, and I shall do all in my power to prevent others from being so swindled. I immediately gave the bird its liberty. I am glad to say I have not seen his advt. lately. Of course, all dealers are not like this one, by any means. I have found one dealer at Norwich to be a thorough businesslike gentleman, and if others would follow his example we should find fewer advts. with the words added "No dealers," which gives me the impression that a good many fanciers have been similarly dealt with to myself.

W. Hainsworth.

Sir,—Replying to your correspondent re "Wake up Traders," perhaps this will explain a little. I quote my own case in point. On August 31st, I advertised a stock of British, which I had had on hand for weeks, at a cheap rate for quick disposal, and the replies, orders, and personal calls I received far and above exceeded my expectations. The result was that by first post Monday all I had on hand were accounted for, and all surplus orders which came afterwards (and these were numerous) I took the trouble to write the senders personally and explain that I had sold out, but that having a further consignment due to arrive that week-end, I would dispatch as early as possible the following week, asking for a day or two's grace to allow for these birds getting on to hard seed, which is a most important point before sending on a railway journey, otherwise the result is loss to the buyers, and unless replaced, loss of custom to the sender. Mr. Oglethorpe ought to know that this latter point is one which the dealer has to seriously consider (if his reputation is to be maintained). Personally, I have always made it a rule to keep all British species from ten to fourteen days before offering them for sale, in order to save disappointment on both sides, and if unable to execute an order within two days of its receipt, I have notified the senders promptly to that effect, and enclosed explanation. If all dealers, catchers, etc., large or small, would inform their customers in this way (the cost is little) I personally think the grievance Mr. G. O. complains of would be greatly mitigated, but I rather fancy that it is the extra trouble and expense that fears them. Another point: The largest dealers are the worst offenders in this respect; I have personally proved this. Note: I stopped my advt. in consequence of being sold out.

S. Haworth.

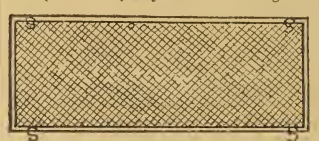
Has 1912 Been a Good Year for Breeding?

Sir,—I should like to read the opinion of our large (or even small) breeders on this season's breeding. As regards the weather, I think that cannot be blamed very much for any failures. It has not been too hot so as to cause the "Mite" to be troublesome like last year; neither too dry, though I believe this year there have been more reports of young dying in the shell than usual. I believe, however, that on the whole, there are not so many complaints of hens not feeding.

J. T. Owen.

A "Tip" for Keepers of Insectivorous Birds.

Sir,—Fanciers of Softbills all know the difficulty there is in keeping the feet of their birds clean; also the perches. I get four thin strips of wood, a little less in length and breadth than my cage, so as to fit in nicely, and nail together as a frame (see sketch). This I cover with ½-inch wire netting. Get a pennyworth of binding wire



and bind tightly round the wood. Then get four pieces of stout wire and bend to shape of S, for the corners, to hook on inside cage. Take out drawboard and push in frame, and fix, and your Softbills will always be in show condition. The netting does the feet no harm, as I know from long experience.

T. R. Dargie.

Josephine's Strange Baby.

A Dove Hatches Out a Bantam.

Sir,—I have a tame Dove which has succeeded in hatching a bantam's egg after two failures. On the 21st day of incubation I could not hear a sound, so concluded this third egg was a failure. On the 22nd day "Joey" (my Dove) was off the egg fully eight hours, when towards night she became restless. Imagine my surprise on hearing a slight sound in the egg; "Joey," too, in fact, evidently thought before long she was to have a live chick, for she started trying to feed it through the shell! It hatched late at night on the 23rd day, so I now think that the other two eggs would have hatched if only we had had patience. Josephine was very proud of her baby, but could not understand it not letting her feed it. She brooded it for the first fortnight, but now the naughty little bantam chases his mother round, and more often nestles down with my little Yorkshire Terrier, or on my shoulder, than he does with the Dove. I should very much like to know if any other reader has had a Dove succeed with a similar hatch.

M. Evans.



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Does Hemp Seed Ruin Canaries?

Our correspondent holds that it causes old birds to go out of condition and kills young birds by making them "go light."

Sir,—An expert some time ago wrote on the dangers attending the use of hemp seed. It is a most popular seed during the breeding season, but it is nevertheless a dangerous one to use, according to my experience of it. The 1910 season was the best I have yet experienced. I put together nineteen hens and seven cocks, and I bred from these 138 youngsters. This was accomplished without the use of hemp seed. It came about like this. I put my birds together on March 17. All were then in good condition, and kept so until the first round of youngsters appeared. Then my hens started with looseness of the bowels, and though I tried hard to keep them clean I found myself utterly beaten. What was the cause? I had been feeding on three-parts Spanish canary and one part German rape before the youngsters came, and then in went the crushed hemp. I had 12lbs. of this in the room at the time, and I made up my mind to get rid of it. I opened the window and threw the lot out; the fowls that came nibbling my rape seedlings had a banquet. The looseness in my birds continued for a week, when it gradually stopped, and I had no further trouble on that score. The excreta of my birds now became small, whitish, and of a hard nature, while my birds threw off their dumpiness and put on something like the appearance of Yorkshires. I have never known or seen a case of "going light" when the young are being fed by the parent birds. It is when the young are seven or eight weeks old, and are just about to drop into moult that the disease starts. The young bird is very hungry, and is hardly ever away from the seed box for the first two days, and the more they eat the thinner they get, often emptying the hopper and then getting bodily into it in their eagerness to satisfy their hunger. They get very dumpy and hang their wings down in a twitching manner, and their beautiful eyes lose their black lustre, and "wink" very quickly. In three or four days the birds settle in the corner of the cage, where you find them dead. I am quite satisfied in my own mind that hemp has a lot to do with this disease, and never again will a grain of it enter my birdroom. Last year, owing to an accident with my stock, I only bred 83 birds. This year I have bred from nineteen hens and six cocks 118 youngsters. During these three seasons I have lost only three birds with the "going light" disease, and this season I haven't lost one. I have had a few young showing symptoms of the disease, but I have got them right by the following method:—As soon as I see the young bird ailing I put it in a large cage by itself, give it access to plenty of Spanish canary seed, and milk sop sweetened with honey, and fill the cage with wild seeds, such as dandelion heads, shepherd's purse, and chickweed, also scatter amongst the grit Quaker oats, which I rub between my hands. My birdroom is packed with birds that have been seen by a good many Leigh fanciers, and "going light," the worst disease the fancier has to face, holds no terrors for me.

John Canning.

[We shall hope to receive the opinions and experiences of other breeders upon this vitally important matter.—Editor.]

Are Canaries Too Old at Three?

Sir,—I thought it might interest "A Fancier Senghenydd," to know that I bred my winning Norwich at Harlech Show of last week from a six year old cock (a big winner himself). The hen was ten months old. He fertilised 16 eggs this season. Re clipping them around the vent, personally I have been successful in breeding without doing this. I wish our fancier friend better luck next season. If he will follow the information given in Cage Birds, I say he, like myself, will succeed.

Harlech. J. E. Jones.

Sir,—With regard to your correspondent's letter I have a cock Canary nine years old. Last year I bred from him with one hen 22 young ones (four nests), and this year 13 (three nests). He has just finished his moult, and is in fine condition, singing all day long, and I hope to breed from him again next year.

R. E. Davis.

Kingsdown, Bristol.

Suggested Cage Bird Society for Buckinghamshire.

Sir,—I think there are so many fanciers in Bucks that it would be quite possible to run a good society, and to hold a show once in a year with such societies as Maidenhead, Aylesbury, and High Wycombe. Perhaps some abler fancier could offer some suggestions through your valuable paper, such as Messrs. Hawes Brothers or Mr. Botoler. I for one should, providing the secretary be willing, be glad to join in a meeting for same at Maidenhead Show, which I believe is to be held in November. I should like to hear the views of the secretaries of the above-named societies, as I think such an association is bound to benefit their shows. I think a good classification for the first show would be: British Finches, one class for large and one for small; Softbills, one each large and small; Norwich, four classes; Yorks, four; A.O.V. Canary, one; and two for foreign, one large, one small. Perhaps we could find room for one novice class in each Canary section, and I hope to see this taken up.

J. Pullman.

The Breeding of Rare Hybrids.

Sir,—I am pleased each week to read notices of success from fanciers who are trying for the rarer Hybrids. One of the most interesting crosses is the Bramblefinch-Canary. Now if a bird from this cross can be raised, it will solve a very interesting problem. Perhaps it will be accomplished at the first time of asking. I have tried, however, for over ten years to get the Bramblefinch to pair with a Canary, using both green, clear, yellow, buff and cinnamon. But I could never get a fertile egg. Even this failure, though, does not convince me that it cannot be done. Where one fails, another can succeed, and often at the first attempt. I am also pleased to see that some fanciers have raised Greenfinch-Bullfinch young. I should like to ask if anyone has yet had any success, or fertile eggs, from the Chaffinch-Bullie? I expect it will come before long; also that supposed impossible cross, the Chaffinch-Canary. I hope breeders will give their experiences and their luck in Cage Birds. Perhaps some fanciers may have been fortunate in getting fertile eggs, or raising a Hybrid from insectivorous birds in aviaries where their species are kept.

An Old Hybrid Lover.

Is the Reported Siskin-Bullfinch Hybrid Authentic?

Sir,—I read with great interest the letter signed "Happy Result," in which the writer stated that a working-man in Edinburgh had produced two genuine Siskin-Bullfinch Hybrids. As an Edinburgh man myself, I was delighted and proud. But on making enquiries amongst fellow fanciers of the city, I find that the report is about that they are doubtful—in fact, a good judge who has seen them considers that the youngsters show no trace of Bullfinch parentage at all. This is a sad blow to me, I can tell you; but, anyway, it is better that we should know at once whether our swans are merely geese than to go on in the belief that this good cross has been produced. It is impossible that a genuine Siskin-Bullfinch could be mistaken; it is bound to show the cross plain enough, the same as the Greenfinch-Chaffinch did, and all genuine Hybrids do. Can "Happy Result" give us any more information; also, will he please sign his name, so that we may know whether he is a judge of a Hybrid, or not?

Rabbie B.

Affairs of the Yorkshire C. and C.B.S. of Ireland.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Gillen's statement that a mistake had been made with regard to his attendance at council meetings, I still say that he only attended the one since his election. With reference to "Provincial's" letter, why I did not answer was because "Provincial" asked Messrs. Birse or Gillen for the information he required.

C. Lattimore.

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Some Absurdities of Bird Protection Orders.

A correspondent says that other counties are less sensible than Surrey.

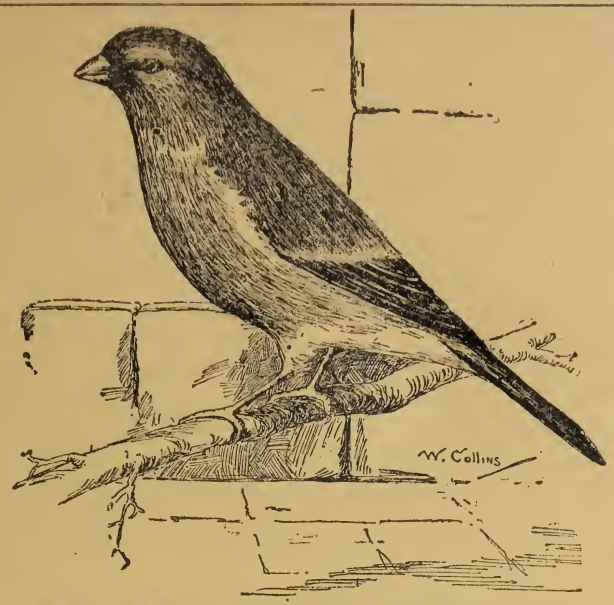
Sir,—As one much interested in the question of bird protection, I feel compelled to take up arms in defence of the Surrey County Council, whose schedule—to my mind a very sensible one, as county schedules go—has been held up to ridicule in the issue of your excellent paper for Sept. 7, in the column entitled "Some absurdities of Bird Protection Orders." The grounds of attack appear to be that, in the first place, the schedule is incomplete, and should have included Greenfinches, Tree Sparrow, Larks, Blackbirds, Thrushes, Bullfinches, Chaffinches, Hawfinches, Jays, Magpies, Jackdaws, Starlings, Blue and Great Tits, Pipits, Tree-creepers, Hedge-sparrows, Buntings, Bramblings, Ring-Ouzels, Waxwings, and Blue-headed Wagtails. Out of this list, however, it seems to me that the only perfectly harmless species which are at all common in Surrey, and might therefore have been expected to have been granted protection, are Pipits, Tree-creepers, Hedge-sparrows, Bramblings, and Buntings. None of the first fourteen in the sequence in which I have placed them can be considered completely free from destructive propensities, and a few are very bad indeed—even the Great and Blue Tits sometimes work sad havoc in the orchard during the late winter months, sound and diseased buds being alike pulled to pieces in wholesale fashion. And why, above all, protect that pilferer of eggs and slayer of nestlings, the Jackdaw, whose ever increasing hordes are steadily driving from their last strongholds our few remaining Choughs? Then as to the Ring-Ouzels; I may be wrong, but surely Surrey knows these birds only as infrequent visitors on migration! And lastly, Waxwings and Blue-headed Wagtails—beautiful birds undoubtedly, and worthy of protection, but not more so surely than Black Redstarts, White Wagtails, and a hundred other equally rare wanderers whose omission from the list is not apparently considered a reproach. The Crested Tit, it is true, has so far proved strangely unwilling to establish itself anywhere but in the valley of the Spey. But there is no real reason why a colony, started perhaps by migrants from the Continent, should not take up its abode in Surrey pine-woods, and if it did, it would be a sad pity if it were exposed to the unchecked ravages of collectors. Similarly, the extension of the close time for summer migrants may not do much good, but surely, on the other hand, it does no harm, and is it not conceivable that the names were allowed to stand merely to avoid the unnecessary and cumbersome addition of a second schedule? Lastly, what harm does it do if a few birds *are* killed out of the vast winter flocks of Fieldfares and Redwings? And if by some chance a pair of either did, for the first time on record attempt to breed, surely a most interesting and satisfactory result would be attained, if they were able to rear their young in peace. Such then are my reasons for considering that Surrey has been very hardly treated in being held up to derision for its bird protective legislation, a fate far better deserved by certain Midland counties (such as Beds) which protects under the most outlandish names certain seafowl never met with within its confines! My own opinion, which you may perhaps share, is that no efficient bird protection will ever be secured until all the existing laws are repealed, and new enactments passed by which the killing of *any* bird is made illegal throughout the year, with, however, numerous exceptions in the case of destructive species or those providing sport for the wildfowler. These should receive such measure of protection as circumstances demand.

A Bird Lover Who Does Not Live In Surrey.

[The above letter was referred by us to our contributor, and his reply follows.—Editor.]

Sir,—I am sorry that your correspondent seems to have misconstrued the meaning of my note. It was a matter of no regret to me that the schedule was incomplete. What I intended to point out was the absurdity of making a partial list of birds for protection and leaving out without rhyme or reason quite an equal number, with the result that, among other instances, the Coal Tit was protected and the Blue Tit left unprotected. Further, I called attention to the fact that many of the birds which were in the protected list were not in this country at all during the period covered by the extension, while birds which were in this country *only during that period* were omitted. I quite agree with your correspondent that many of the birds are open to the charge of being destructive to crops. Indeed, I would go further, and say that with very few exceptions all birds are injurious to crops at one season or other of the year. But the injury that birds do during the season covered by the extension order, September to February, is infinitesimal compared with that effected by them during the spring and summer, and its consideration need not enter into the argument at all. As for the Jackdaws, I think if they were exterminated altogether no one would grumble, least of all the dwellers in the north country towns whose chimneys get choked up by the sticks carried by these birds. Your correspondent is, of course, correct in saying that Surrey knows the Ring Ouzels infrequently. The same is true of some of the birds which are especially protected by the extension order. Why include the Crested Tit, for instance, and leave out the Ring Ouzel? Referring to the Crested Tit, my critic says, "There is no real reason why this bird should not take up its abode in the Surrey pinewoods." Might I suggest as a reason the fact that in our northern hemisphere birds live as far north as possible, and that while the Crested Tit can find its sustenance in our northern pine-woods it will not come south for it? This again, however, does not affect my criticism of the Surrey schedule. I am not suggesting that more birds should be added to the schedule, but only wish to emphasise the lack of knowledge apparent on the part of those who drew it up. That there are, according to your correspondent, other county councils which deserve greater criticism, does not alter the matter at all. It is just a matter of degree; some bad, some worse. I agree that all the existing laws should be repealed and new enactments passed, but I cannot imagine who is to decide which birds are destructive and which are not. There is, after all, only one portion of my critic's letter with which I am at variance, and that is the concluding portion. Why in the name of goodness should a person be debarred from catching a bird to keep as a pet, or a number of birds to sell to those who desire them as pets, and thus earn food for himself and family, while a man with a gun should be free to enjoy his sport on account of birds "providing sport for the wildfowler" being left unprotected simply because someone wants to kill them? "These should receive only such measure of protection as circumstances demand." Who is to decide the measure? The Wildfowler?

Your Contributor.



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Pussy Defeated.

A fledgling Blackbird in a garden at Peterborough had alighted on the garden walk, and was making vain attempts to fly up again when the parent birds, who were watching it with evident concern from the top of the wall, observed a black cat stealing towards their offspring. They promptly flew to the rescue. One perched on the cat's head and pecked it vigorously, while the other alighted on pussy's back and tore out beakfuls of fur. The cat beat a hasty retreat.

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One day my mother went for a walk with her little Yorkshire terrier, and when looking into a garden she saw another little terrier with which she tried to make friends. She was annoyed to hear a voice saying, "Look after your own dog, Missus." But when mother looked round she saw it was only a Parrot talking, which hung in a cage. Sent by Sybil Olney (aged 9), 24, White Friars, Chester.

**A Humorous Parrot Chaffs an Old Man.

The other day a man was working in one of father's fields, when a Parrot that had escaped flew up to him and started saying "Come on, come on." Out of curiosity the man followed him. The bird flew from one place to another still calling, "Come on, come on." At last he flew up on to a telephone pole and shouted, "Come on." The man could not follow him there, so he started to call to the Parrot, "Come on, come on." At this the bird flew down and dropped close by the man's feet, who tried to catch him, but the Parrot did not want to be caught and flew off, and nothing more was seen of him. It seemed quite a joke to play on an old man.—Sent by Beatrice Bayliss (age 13), 14, Tibbington Terrace, Prince's End, Tipton, Staffs.

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A year or more ago.
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As he shivered in the snow.
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All through the winter long.
He used to be my playmate,
And cheer me with his song.
But when the long bright spring days
Returned, he restless grew;
And one bright morning, flew away,
To where—I never knew.
I often wish I had him
When falls the white, white snow.
Oh where, oh, can you tell me,
Where did my Robin go?

—Sent by Dorothy N. Lawrence, age 14, Mill Lane, Robin's Bridge Road, Coggeshall, Essex.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

In the Courts.

Swan-Song of a Thrush.

At North London Police Court on Sept. 13, William Smith, of Holloway, was summoned for keeping on his premises a noisy animal, viz., a Thrush, and thereby causing a nuisance to neighbours. The case had been adjourned for three months to see if the alleged nuisance ceased, but the bird had died in the meantime, and the summons was withdrawn.

The W.B.P.A. in Surrey.

Henry Smith, of Rolleston Road, Fulham, was, at Kingston, on Sept. 12, ordered to pay a fine of 9s. 6d. for having sixty-one wild birds, mostly Goldfinches and Linnets, in his possession, contrary to the Wild Birds Protection Order, 1881. The birds were liberated by the order of the Bench.

TIMELY HINTS.

Two prizes of 2s. 6d. each (cash or our books to value, at option of winners) given weekly to the senders of the two best Hints, All hints must be WRITTEN ON POST CARDS. *with sender's name and address at foot, and reach us by Monday's post.*

To Remove Birdlime.

Some people like to catch a few birds, and don't know how to clean them. I find a handful of flour will clean quite two dozen birds.—E. Sadler (Bottom Cliff Road, Sheringham).

To Teach Bathing.

[Winner of Half-crown Prize.]

Get a piece of coker matting, about three feet square, or according to size of flight; place bath in centre and some tit-bits (chickweed I use) on matting, which will entice all down. In this way those that do not take to bathing get splashed by others; it teaches them; the matting is a good foothold.—R. Brett (New England, Sible Hedingham, Essex).

When Hens Pluck Young Ones.

If Canary hen start plucking tails from youngsters, take them away, put in a roomy cage. If they go dull and will not pick up egg-food, try milk sop, also boiled rape-seed, drained and cold; put into small vessels in the cage; also water well coloured with chemical food. I have tried this remedy, and saved a lot of youngsters; they start picking up at once.—A. Eddy (6, Bellevue Terrace, Penzance).

Perch Ends as Reens.

[Winner of Half-crown Prize.]

The following will be found useful for keeping the bills of birds in good condition. Make some thin glue and put the ends of your (clean) perches into the glue-pot for about 1½ inches. Sprinkle with fine sand (silver sand is excellent) and put aside to dry.—W. J. Morgan (16, Moira Place, Cardiff).

Plaster of Paris v. Red Mite.

Old cages can be made very serviceable, and one need not be afraid to use them. Get some plaster of Paris and mix with water, making a fairly stiff paste; brush well into the joints and crevices, with a small brush, and place cage out of doors. It will dry very quickly and be a bit too hard for Mr. Red Mite. Only one dressing is necessary if fairly stiff. Unlike ordinary paint, it will not rub off.—John W. Harrison, Houghton, Walsingham, Norfolk.

In Colour Feeding.

Birds sometimes leave bread or biscuit that is impregnated with colour, and both are thereby wasted. By the following method the birds will eat 100 per cent. of the colour-food: After mincing the egg thoroughly, add your usual quantity of colour food. Mix, then leave for about twelve hours, afterwards adding bread or biscuit. You will then find that the birds eat the whole of the egg, which has the colour food, also the bread or biscuit, which is only slightly tinted by the colour.—F. G. Ball (Shotton, Chester).

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The Length of the Exhibition Norwich Plainhead.

Fanciers of Canary City favour abolishing 6½ inch Standard

THE correspondence which recently appeared in our columns concerning the type of the present-day Norwich Plainhead will be fresh in the minds of our readers. It was then mentioned that a meeting was to be held in Norwich to consider the matter. At this, it was decided that so far as the shows in Norwich were concerned, judging by the length limit (six and a half inches) should be abolished. The following notes on the proceedings are taken from "J.E.N.'s" column in the "Eastern Evening News":—

The meeting convened for the purpose of discussing the standard of the Norwich Plainhead Canary has been held, and as I anticipated, the length limit is to be abolished, and fanciers are destined to breed birds larger proportioned, the length of them not to be so much considered as heretofore. But the result of this meeting cannot really be called very definite either way, there being but a meagre majority of five. The large room of the Orford Arms was not crowded as one would have wished to have seen, but there were representatives of the Canary industry who fully realised the importance of the question including Mr. Jacob Mackley, Mr. C. P. Pickup (Yorkshire), Mr. A. Payne, Mr. S. Roberts, Mr. A. Woollard, Mr. F. Cullington, Mr. J. Mitchell, Mr. W. Harl, Mr. G. P. Gilbert, Mr. G. Campling, Mr. R. Mallett, Mr. W. Herring, Mr. B. W. Pill, and many secretaries and other officials of various local clubs. The chairman was Mr. H. E. Dunham.

Winners at a Discount.

Mr. Frecstone (vice-chairman) said that the L. and P.O.S. formulated the standard of the 6½ inch limit, but the judges did not all recognise the fact when judging, especially if birds slightly over the limit were in the same class. If the breeders in Norwich acted with more uniformity in showing, all well and good.—Mr. Pickup declared that in Yorkshire the breeders of the Norwich Plainhead strictly observed the length limit, 6½ins., in the same way as they adhered to the Yorkshire 6¾ins. Mr. Pickup advised the fanciers of Norwich to keep to the length limit, believing that it would be the better for them in the future.—Mr. G. Campling (breeder of the Queen's Canary) said that the members of his society did not all believe in the 6½in. bird, for when they exhibited their specimens at the club show, the over-length birds were sometimes out of the running, but when the sales commenced the over-length birds were sold, and the smaller ones were sometimes left over. The result was, perhaps, that a trifle less was given for them than if a prize ticket had been attached to the cages.

Mr. Harl thought it was detrimental to go on with the 6½in. system. He maintained that the Norwich Plainhead should be judged more for its properties, and as regards the length of the bird that matter should be left to the discretion of the judge.—Mr. Woollard considered that if two birds shown were of equal merit, the shortest bird should win. He desired to say that if Canaries were judged by the points that had been laid down it would be impossible for these large stock birds to win. He concluded by quoting many breeders' views, one declaring that type and quality was never more to the front, and colour less.

Buyers Want the Big Birds.

Mr. Payne said the question of the standard had hung about long enough, and he hoped the breeders would put something on the show benches better than they had in the past. Why should a bird be thrown aside just because it was a trifle over the 6½in.? If we were compelled to show birds of this length, and these self same birds are sent to shows away, what became of them? He seldom saw a schedule from other large bird centres that mentioned the length limit at all, and he quite agreed as to the question being left to the judge concerned.—Mr. Roberts said that at our cage bird show every bird that looked large was handled, and should his services be required to judge Canaries, he should do the same. The words "Norwich Properties," were wanted more prominently on their schedules, and not the words "6½in. limit." They must all endeavour to meet the market, and what was wanted for these markets was big birds. Still, if one had a good bird at 6½ inches, one that carried a share of "Norwich Properties," that was the bird that would catch the eye of the judge.

Mr. Eagleton said that he did not believe in the Norwich fanciers fighting the question out alone. Why should not other cage bird fanciers in the various bird centres assist? His idea was that it was too much trouble on the part of many judges to measure specimens that were thought to be a trifle over length, and that was the cause of the difficulty.—Mr. Cullington said that he knew of three societies at least in England that had adhered to the limit.—Mr. Payne said that on one occasion one judge at a show asked another to measure a specimen, which he readily consented to do, but he pulled the bird's tail out.

An "Old Hand's" Opinion.

Mr. Jacob Mackley said in his opinion there must be a standard length laid down for the Norwich Canary. Many years ago he had drawn up the standard for the L.P.O.S., which was still worked to. Many a prize winner, even in the Yorkshire section, was very little over the 6½ inches. A Norwich Canary could not be too plump, but it could be too long. A bird at 6½ was good enough for him, and he would rather see one with good properties of that length than one over it. It confused him sometimes in judging, when the schedule read "no length limit to be observed, but Norwich properties strictly." In conclusion, said Mr. Mackley, they could not get a bird too broad in the shoulders and back, and also with good large head, and these properties combined made the true Norwich Canary. He maintained that he could tell a bird by his eye if it was over length, but if he had a doubt he put that bird on the measurement rule.—After Mr. Mackley had concluded the resolution was put to the meeting, the result being as I have mentioned.

The Shows.

ANTWERP.

Annual Show of Belgian Canaries.

Judges, Messrs. Dewar (Edinburgh), De Decker (Antwerp), and Heinrich (Borgerhout). Awards:—YOUNG BIRDS—YELL. CK.: 1, priz d'honneur, J. Verheis; 2, Wils; 3, Van Gestel. HEN: 1, J. Verheis; 2, Weyts; 3, A. Verheis. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, J. Verheis; 3, De Leyer. HEN: 1, Verheis; 2, Horremans; 3, Van de Voordt. OLD BIRDS—YELL. CK.: Priz d'honneur, J. Verheis; 2, Van Gestel. HEN: 1, J. Verheis; 2, De Leyer. BUFF CK.: 1, Van Herrewegen; 2, De Leyer. HEN: 1, Verbruggen; 2, J. Verheis.

EASTVILLE (Open) F.S. (Bristol)

Monthly meeting and table show held at the White Swan Hotel, Sept. 11, Mr. R. Ewens presiding over a good attendance, in which cage bird members predominated. Some nice specimens were staged well through the moult. In the absence of Mr. T. Keegan, Mr. H. Bryant was asked to place the cards, which he did with satisfaction to all. NOR.: 1, Pace and Williams; 2, 3, York. YORKS., BUFF, 1912: 1, 3, Greenslade; 2, Flook; vhc, hc, York. YELL., 1912: 1, Flook; 2, Greenslade; 3, York; vhc, Norman. TKD., MKD. VAR., 1912: 1, vhc, Greenslade; 2, Flook; 3, Pace and Williams; hc, York; c, Norman.—J. A. Greenslade.

ROMFORD AND DISTRICT F.A.

A very nice display of cage birds was benched at the young stock show, held in Corn Exchange, Sept. 12. The quality of exhibits was excellent, and under the careful guidance of the secretary a great future is anticipated for this important section, which has lately been dormant. The cage bird men are to be congratulated in securing the first cup the society is providing for all sections. The cup will be again put up for competition at the grand annual, December 12. All cage bird men in Essex receive a hearty welcome, and should join. Mr. Geo. Stares took sp. for best bird with a neat little Yorkshire. In the absence of Mr. W. L. Rae, Mr. H. Patience judged. From catalogue received we gather that the principal winners were: YORKS: Stares, Britton, Mumford, Hayman. NOR.: Hasler, Garling. CHILDREN'S CLASS: Carr, Ives.—(Ed.).

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EALING AND HANWELL F.S.

Young stock show, Sept. 14th, at St. John's Memorial Hall, West Ealing. Owing to a very bad breeding season we dropped about 100 entries compared with last year, but the few that were shown were very good type and quality. Mr. G. Gardner judged. YORKS., YELL. OR VARIEG.: 1, spl, 2, 3, Carr; res, hc, Crockett; vhc, Bollin. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Carr; res, hc, c, Bollin; vhc, Crockett.—Rowland Bamber, Hon. Sec. and Treas.

HARLECH.

The forty-fifth annual show of Merionethshire was held at Harlech, September 13th. The cage bird section was in a marquee, staged at a nice height, and the quality exceeded that of last year, while the entries were very satisfactory, averaging over ten per class in the open. Mr. R. Roberts ably held the secretarial reins once more. The arrangements were carried out in splendid style. The committee, Messrs. J. E. Jones and W. Jones are most earnest and enthusiastic fanciers, and everything was done to make the fixture a success. Mr. W. Nolan won the cup for most prizes, also special for most entries. Mr. Muscott being the runner up. Yorks. held pride of place in numbers and quality, and most of the birds were very fit. Norwich were very fair, and some few good birds were through the moult. Goldies were a treat, also the variety British, and there were some rare specimens in foreign and Mules. Much interest in the birds was displayed by visitors. Mr. J. O. Williams (Bangor) judged.

The Critique.

NORWICH, YELL. (7): 1, Davies, cl., good col., feather, shape and style; 2, Muscott, variegd., good head and type, not quite ready; 3, Hughes, shapely, variegd., not so large, nice feather; Nos. 3 and 4, absent, and 1 and 2 arrived too late, or would have won. Buff (11): 1, 2, Nolan, good clears, former grand shape and style, full of quality, rich colour, wins well; 3, c, Muscott, good typical buff, nice feather and quality; c, four-pointed, neat, but small; res., Jones, head and wing-mkd., typical; vhc, hc, Hughes, good variegd., nice quality. YORKS., YELL. (14): 1, 2, res., Nolan, 1st, fine upstanding cl. nicely drawn, grand youngster, 2, ticked smart, racy looking, good wings and tail, lovely quality and colour; res., head ticked, nice length and quality, stands well, not ready; 3, Jones, rare length and colour, plenty of leg, wants time; vhc, Roberts, neat, cl.; hc, Humphrey; c, Maddocks. BUFF (9): 1, 2, 3, res:, Nolan, leader grand cl. Buff, smart and stylish, lovely feather and col., capital wings and tail, often noted, 2, head and neck mkd., good length and quality, nicely moulded, round as a bottle, close up, 3, ticked, leggy and stylish, boxy feather, res., nice cl.; vhc, Humphreys, good length and style, requires training; hc, we missed; c, Jones. BEST 1912 (bred in Merioneth): 1, Jones, grand mkd. buff Nor., good type and quality, could win in better company; 2, O. G. Jones, nice natural col. Yell. Nor.; 3, Edwards, very fair variegd. buff Yorkie; res., Williams; vhc, Richards. BRIT. GOLDFINCH (10): 1, Jones, typical Finch, rare shape, style and quality, great width of head, rich coloured, expansive blaze, grand sheen, very fit; 2, vhc, Nolan, good ground colour, rich tan and markings, excellent blaze, just beaten in shape; 3, Williams, nice size and colour, not so rich as winners, good condition; res., Griffith, close up; hc, Blayney; c, Humphreys. BRIT., A.O.V. (8): 1, 2, Nolan, 1st, grand Hawfinch, good size, colour and markings, stood well out, 2, lustrous coloured Bramble, very steady; 3, hc, Edwards, good Bunting, in grand form, steady as a rock; res., Griffith, good Greenfinch; vhc, Humphreys, good Linnet, c, Evans, Owl. BEST BIRD (not before mentioned) (11): 1, Nolan, Australian Parrakeet, in superb form; 2, extra 3rd, vhc, Muscott, 2, grand Goldie-Bullie Hybrid, good size and colour, 3rd, stylish Goldie-Canary, grand quality; 3, c, Davies, Eclectus Parrot, in excellent condition; res, Griffith, good Siskin Mule, deep in moult; hc, Jones, nice Crestbred.

Club Reports.

YORKSHIRE CANARY ETC., SOC. OF IRELAND.

Meeting held Sept. 9th, Mr. Dowling in the chair; fair attendance. Correspondence was read. It was proposed that four classes be given for non-feds at the annual show Oct. 31st and Nov. 1st. Also some other show matters were passed regarding arrangements of hall, etc. It was also proposed to hold a draw class, which I hope every member will do his best to support.—C. Lattimore, Hon. Sec.

LOANHEAD C.B.S.

Meeting, held Mason's Arms, Sept. 14th, Mr. A. Jardine presided over a large attendance of members. Of three new cups on approval, one was selected, and secretary instructed to get another similar one. This now gives a cup to each section. Gold medals were next considered, 12 being on approval. One was selected, and secretary instructed to get other two the same, after which the Chairman read a letter from an old friend and fancier, namely Thos. Briggs (late secretary for Dalkeith Club), and everyone present was very well pleased to hear of his success in Canada, and asked Mr. Jardine to remember them to Mr. Briggs when writing. The Secretary then moved our next meeting be held on first Saturday in October, seeing there was no show in Dalkeith this year, and this met with the approval of all present. A hearty vote of thanks to the chairman brought the meeting to a close.—Walter B. Smart, Sec.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Crown Hotel, Hill-street, Sept. 4th, Mr. Broadhurst in the chair. The committee's suggestions for classification, etc., for young stock show October 23rd were adopted, and Mr. J. H. Roe engaged as judge (classes total 37). Two new members were elected, including our first lady member. A discussion regarding the open show was suggested. Messrs. Broadhurst (vice-pres. and chairman), de Maillet (vice-pres.), F. Peace (vice-chair), Harvey (treas.), Burke, Derry, and Jeffreys took part. It was felt that the only way to make the show a success—notwithstanding that our's appears to be the only open show in the immediate district this year—was to curtail the classification, many pounds having been lost on previous shows owing to entry fees being insufficient to cover prize monies, while the large number of classes added considerably to the cost of printing. Many members wanted classes for members only; this proved a knotty point, the difficulty being that unless the price limit in these classes was made sufficiently low the open section would suffer. However, the feeling of the meeting was that members' limit classes must be included, and the committee will meet on the 18th inst and deal with the matter. The oak smoking cabinet is up for competition at the young stock show, and the donor looks to the exhibitors to provide keen competition.—J. H. Jones, Hon. Sec. (per J. H. de Maillet).

ROSSENDALE AND DIS. C.B.S.

A "free and easy" and potato-pie supper were held at the Commercial Hotel, September 3. There was a very good attendance, and we spent one of the very pleasantest of meetings. Will members kindly note next meeting is October 1, at 7.30 p.m., at the Commercial Hotel, Stacksteads.—H. Wantling, Hon. Sec.

SPRINGBURN (Possil Park) C.B.C.

Usual monthly meeting held Reid Hall, Sept. 11, Mr. A. Sloan presiding over a fair attendance. Ordinary business was gone through; washing competition for champions on next monthly meeting, same to be judged by members by ballot, on Oct. 9; and visiting committee to visit members, and report at next meeting.—J. Waugh, Sec. and Treas.

GRANTHAM C.B.S.

Meeting Brewers' Arms, Sept. 16th, to allot specials for open show. There was a good turn-up of members. Decided to give 2s. 6d. most points in Nor., also 2s. 6d. Yorks., 2s. 6d. best Gold or Bullfinch, 2s. 6d. Mule or Hybrid, 2s. 6d. Linnet, Siskin, or Twite class, 2s. 6d. most points Lizards, 2s. 6d. best Crest, pipe best Crest-bred, 2s. 6d. A.O.V. Hardbill. Other specials were allotted, also members' specials. Schedules ready in a few days; all last year's exhibitors will have one sent, other fanciers should see that they send for one, as we have an attractive classification and a well-known judge.—W. E. Allen, Hon. Sec.

BURTON-ON-TRENT C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Sept. 3rd, at the Staffordshire, Knot. Mr. Hathaway presided over a good muster of members. After the correspondence was read, the schedule was confirmed. Several classes have been added to our usual list, which now reads: Nor. 12, Novice 3, Yorks. 4, A.O.V. 1, Cinn. 4, Clnn. Nov. 1, Brit. 9, Mules or Hyb. 3, Albino 1, For. 2, Sell. 2, Members 4, with a large number of specials. We have again secured the Victoria Hall with its splendid lighting and freedom from draughts, which should meet with the support such a splendid hall deserves. All members are requested to attend the next meeting.—A. Wood, Sec.

LEITH O.S.

First monthly meeting of the season held in Liberal Club, Hope Street, Sept. 14. The President, Mr. Jas. Lumsden, presided over a capital attendance of members. Several important items in connection with forthcoming show were dealt with. The handsome silver cup (for the best British bird, Mule or Hybrid) presented by Councillor Robert Kiddie was on view and all present were unstinted in their praise of it. The Secretary was instructed to convey the thanks of the members to Mr. Kiddie for his generosity. The Committeemen, Messrs. John Baxter and David Layers, were also thanked for their services in connection with same. The President then referred to the loss the Society had sustained by the death of Mr. Wm. Graham, who was a very generous supporter of the Society, and it was agreed to insert in the minutes an expression of sympathy, and to send an excerpt of same to the family of the deceased. The meeting was then introduced to Mr. Steel, of Dalkeith, who spoke for fully an hour and a half, his subject being The Natural Food of British Birds, the members were treated to a highly instructive discourse of the various wild plants and seeds suitable for the feeding of the many species of British birds which now grace the show bench. At the close Mr. Steel answered several queries by the members. The members awarded the lecturer a hearty vote of thanks for his kindness in giving them such a treat.

SCOTTISH PLAINHEAD CLUB.

Committee meeting held in Good Templars' Hall, 122, Ingram-street, Glasgow, Sept. 7th, Mr. W. Hitchison (president) in the chair, others present being Messrs. E. Barron, W. Grewar, A. Harris, R. Martin, J. McLay, A. Sloan, J. Smeaton, and J. Young. Decided to hold a general meeting at each of the three shows, City of Glasgow, Musselburgh, and Aberdeen. There were 21 applications forward for the club patronage, and after careful consideration the same was granted to Lochgelly, City of Glasgow, Forfar, Cowdenbeath, Glasgow and District, Musselburgh, Aberdeen, and Scottish National, the Club Show to be held at Aberdeen December 13th and 14th. Patronage also granted to Edinburgh Norwich, Edinburgh and Dist., Falkirk, and Glasgow and West of Scotland, and the secretary was empowered to grant the patronage to any other club show applying provided the necessary qualifications existed. Agreed that eight classes—four cl. or tkd. and four variegd.—be provided at the club show this year. Mr. Barron offered a sealed prize for competition amongst novices at the open patronage shows, and Mr. McLay offered a gold medal to runner-up to winner of above. Both offers were accepted, and the gentlemen thanked for the prizes. Messrs. J. Stormont, H. Brash, J. Hardie, J. Hillson, and P. Gray (Edinburgh), J. Woodhouse (Grangemouth), W. Carson (Leith), J. Wilson (High Blantyre), G. Morgan and D. Hannah (Glasgow), W. Burns (Prestonpans), C. Watt (Musselburgh), J. Philp, J. Taylor, D. Young, P. McQue, J. Stirling, W. Duff, and M. Smith (Lochgelly), J. Mitchell, J. Baxter, P. Lungan, A. Robertson, T. Cowan, and J. R. Murray (Cowdenbeath), T. Wildridge (Cardenden), and J. Anderson (Forfar) were elected members.—J. Brown, Sec.

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FALKIRK (Good Intent) C.B.A.

Meeting held Oddfellows' Hall, August 31st, J. Muir presiding. Five new members were admitted. As the year is advancing, members wishing to join please do so at their earliest convenience. Next meeting, Sept. 28th, Oddfellows' Hall, 7.30.—Walter Clarkson, Sec.

WEST OF SCOTLAND O.S.

Monthly meeting Sept. 7th, Nelson's Temperance Hotel, Mr. P. Thom (president) in the chair. Business in connection with annual show was taken up and decided upon. Mr. C. Hunter kindly consented to give a washing exhibition for next meeting, Oct. 5th, when large attendance is requested. Will members kindly note that annual subscription is now due.—Wm. Hutchison.

LEIGH.

General meeting held at the Globe Inn, Sept. 13th, when there was a poor attendance of members. Will every outside member note that every member must pay twopence per week, starting from Sept. 6th. There will be a special general meeting Sept. 19th, when every member must be present, or send an acknowledged reply with a sixpenny P.O. for three weeks' contributions. Otherwise, all their funds in the club will be forfeited. Apply to me for all information.—R. Holcroft, Sec., 12, Tunnicliffe New-road, Leigh.

WOLVERHAMPTON C.B.S.

The annual show meetings started Sept. 12 at the Duke of York, when Mr. F. J. Weaver presided over a splendid atendance, which I must say is very encouraging to the officials. As we have done so well in the past, at our all England show, by increasing the classes, we have done so again:—Norwich 15, Yorks. 10, British 6, Mules 3, Border 3, Sell. 2, A.O.V. 2, For. 2. We hope exhibitors will bear it in mind and patronise us, for we are giving fourth prize money this year; we mean to keep up our reputation if exhibitors will only assist us.—J. Gibbons Hon. Sec.

EAST HAM C.B.S.

Special meeting Sept. 12. Amateur section adopted and added to the rules. A lovely rose bowl was presented by Mr. E. Oakes (of English rabbit fame), a member of the society. Mr. Oakes has allocated the bowl for three nominated birds. In replying to a most hearty vote of thanks, he said that if the society added fifty new members to the list he was perfectly willing to give just such another trophy during the coming year. The chair was taken by Mr. Marley, who concluded a most pleasant evening by compiling queries from members, being answered by changing them over. Next meeting not Oct. 24, but 17, one week earlier, for annual show business.—F. Fox, Hon. Sec.

NEWCASTLE NOVICE C.B.S.

Meeting held at Mr. Purvis' Cafe, Clayton-street, Newcastle, Sept. 5th, A. Gordon, Esq., in the chair. Proposed that South Shields should get the patronage of our first venture in an exhibition as a novice, and in the full anticipation that our first venture will be successful, anyone desirous of joining us will be heartily welcome. It was suggested, to give each member a chance, to confine each member to one special, in the hope that the different specials would be fairly distributed amongst the members. South Shields show is held October 25th and 26th, Ocean-road, Congregation Hall; Mr. J. Wilcocks and Mr. F. Marwood will judge. The secretary debars himself from the Newcastle novice specials. I am very sorry to hear that we have had bad luck in breeding this year, but we have the luck in health. We are extremely sorry that the Newcastle C.B.S. has lost so many valuable members by death this year; we hope in the coming winter those remaining will all have the best of health.—T. W. Lumsden, Sec.

NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS O.S.

Meeting at Mechanics' Institute, Sept. 10th, G. C. Ley, Esq., in the chair. Schedule for open show November 9th and 11th was arranged:—Norwich 14 classes, Crests 19, Lancs. 4, Lizards 4, Yorks. 6, British 12 (including two for novices), Hybrids 3, Foreign 6, Selling and Gift 4, making a grand total of 72. The show will have the patronage of Norwich Plainhead Club, Crested C.C., Lancs. and Lizard F.A., N.B.B. and M.C., and F.B.C. We are desirous of making this the most successful show ever held, and in addition to 22s. prize money in each class we are offering a valuable lot of specials, while specialist judges have been engaged for each section. Fanciers can reply on every care being taken of their exhibits, the show being held in one of the best lighted, heated, and ventilated rooms in the kingdom. Schedules will be ready shortly, and the committee have every confidence in asking for such liberal support which the management in the past has so well deserved. Will all members endeavour to be present at the next meeting, Tuesday, Sept. 24th, 8 p.m.? Business: Show arrangements.—J. G. Royce, Asst. Hon. Sec.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Monthy meeting held Sept. 7 at Headquarters, when a good muster of members turned up to discuss business of our forthcoming open show; classification was approved of as follows: Open classes—7 Yorks., 7 Norwich, 7 Brit., 4 For., 2 Sell., 1, A.O.V.; Novice—4 Yorks., and 4 Norwich, with 7/6 money specials in each section. We are having a prize draw in connection with our sale of tickets, and have seven birds and cages promised for same. We are anticipating a record show, having secured the patronage of the O.N.P.C., Y.C.B.B. and M.C., and F.B.C. and have engaged the Salem Lecture Hall, Hunslet Lane, for the event, exhibitors can confidently send their most valuable exhibits, as this Hall is most suitable in every respect, being large, lofty and well ventilated. The following gentlemen kindly contributed towards special fund: Messrs. H. J. Minnard, 2/6; J. Smith, 2/6; E. Norton, 2/6; W. Johnson, 2/6; F. Farrar, 2/6; J. Chambers, 2/6; C. E. Hall, 2/6; J. Owen, 2/6; W. Bristow, 2/6; T. Baldwinson, 2/6; Chew, 2/6; J. Sykes, 2/6 and A. Robbins, 2/6. 1,000 Tickets were distributed among the members present and if enthusiasm is any criterion I am not afraid of having any returned. Our President, F. Somers Esq., M.R.C.V.S., has kindly offered for competition in the Foreign bird classes a handsome gold medal for the best bird, and Vice-President, M. Kitchin Esq., a gold centre medal for runner up. In view of this fact, we can reasonably expect to see some rare species. Members kindly note that Rule 7 will be strictly enforced at this show. Several members kindly volunteered to act as Stewards to receive birds on Friday night previous to show. Decided that no member be allowed to pack his birds till all birds for away are packed and in the hands of the railway company. Prize money will be despatched within 24 hours. Mr. H. Read was unanimously elected a member.—W. A. Wilson Hon. Sec.

DERBY C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Derwent Hotel, before a good attendance. Arrangements for open show were proceeded with, and it was decided to purchase a special prize for each class, the winner to be the exhibitor who scores most points in each class. We decided to hold annual members' show on Saturday, Dec. 7, and we trust members will make a special note of this date; judge will be announced shortly.—Wharam and Bamsey, Secs.

NATIONAL BRITISH BIRD & M C.

Committee meeting held at headquarters, the Feathers Hotel, Great Chapel-street, Westminster, Aug. 29th. Present, Messrs. J. Dewhurst (in the chair), T. R. Trower, O. Puck, A. J. Marley, A. C. Askew, S. Grahame, H. Goodchild, G. Crabb, C. T. Maxwell, and J. P. Carr. Letters were read from Messrs. G. Lawrence, A. Coffey, and F. Archer. The following shows were granted the club patronage: Nottingham (silver), Gateshead (two silvers), Manchester (silver and bronze), Brighton (gilt medal). Mr. O. Puck very kindly offered a silver medal for the best cage-moulted Blackcap, Larger or Lesser Whitethroat, or Garden Warbler exhibited by a member at the L.C.B.A. show, if not less than six entries in the class. Donor not to compete. A vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Dewhurst for presenting a case for the diploma. Arrangements were made for hanging the diploma in the club room. Mr. James Lane (Bradford) was elected a member. A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the meeting.—J. P. Carr, Jt. Hon. Sec.

PARTICK AND DISTRICT C.B.C.

Monthly meeting held in Trades Hall. Owing to illness of Mr. Henderson, Mr. Priest is taking up secretary's duties till Mr. Henderson feels fit to resume. Mr. Park (president) in the chair. Decided to have five open classes for Yorkshires at annual show November 2nd. Entry 1s. 6d. Prizes, 10s., 5s., and 2s. 6d., with sixpence off for prize cards. Prize money in these classes is guaranteed. Entries to close three days previous to show. We have again engaged the Subway Hall, which is handy for North British or Caledonian Railways, and has plenty of floor space, free from draughts, and plenty of top light. Fanciers sending birds need not be afraid; they will be well looked after. Decided to have a catalogue. Agreed that prize cards be the same as former years. Secretary was instructed to write Mr. R. B. Gibb and get list of Yorkshire members so as to forward schedules to same. Mr. Bruce (Coldstream) will judge open classes. Schedules will be fowarded on to all known exhibitors in the course of ten days.—Wm. Priest, Sec. (pro. tem.).

GATESHEAD AND DIST. C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Sept. 11, Mr. R. Tindall in chair. A vote of sympathy was tendered Mr. Tindall in respect of the death of his brother. Proposed and carried that Mr. T. Davison, of "Ye Old Talbot," Gateshead, become one of our vice-presidents. Mr. J. Davison's resignation as secretary being read and accepted, it was proposed by the committee that Mr. J. G. Greason take up the vacancy, and that Mr. R. Tindall, take the position of show manager in place of the new sec., Mr. A. Holden to be auditor in place of the late Mr. T. Taylor. On being put to the meeting, this was carried. The following patronages have been received:—Northern Norwich C.C., Northern Yorks. C.C., Northern Border and S.F.C.C., Northern British M. and F.B.C., Northern Lizard C.C., Border Fancy C.C., English and Welsh B.F.C., National B.B. and M.C., Silk's cup, etc. The schedule as proposed by committee was accepted:—Nor. 12, Cinn. 2, Crest 5, Scotch 3, Yorks. 10, Bord. 11, Liz. 2, Selling 6, Hybrid 7, Brit. 14 (foreign being left over for next meeting), Members' 20, Novice Members 9. There are still tickets to be accounted for from Nest Feather show; will members please forward these at once? A number of subscriptions are due; will members kindly look to these before it is too late? Mr. McGinn was accepted as a member.—J. G. Greason, Sec.

LANCASHIRE AND LIZARD F.A.

Meeting held, Church Inn, Oldham, Sept. 14, Mr. Garner in chair. Secretary read correspondence re patronage, great satisfaction being expressed at fresh ground being broken at Sheffield and Bradford National, though in the case of Sheffield it is only going back to the old order of things, Lancs. and Lizards playing a prominent part there a few years back. A discussion took place in regard to the unsatisfactory way members returned coupons to Secretary last year, some failing to send at all, hence a decrease in value of special. A resolution was passed that members intending competing for Ramsden's special, must send their coupons in to Sec. not later than first week in October; any failing to do so will not be eligible to compete. As the value of the special depends upon the number of coupons returned, it behoves every member to send as soon as possible. We have great pleasure in making Mr. Geo. Thurling, of London, a member, and trust it may not be long before more follow his good example, as we have still room. I should be pleased to hear from any members if they can give any specials for the coming shows to try and make them more attractive. We had a generous offer from Messrs. Maitland and Vickers, of Shaw, of 10/-, to be given at Sheffield, Nov. 1 and 2, 2/6 in each of the four classes, in each case for the best bird, the donors not competing. A hearty vote of thanks was given them. Patronage Shows:—Manchester, Oct. 25 and 26, Mr. S. R. Compston, judge; Sheffield, Nov. 1 and 2, judge, Mr. Nadin (Rochdale); Nottingham, Nov. 9 and 11; Rochdale, Nov. 23, Mr. C. A. House; L.C.B.A., Nov. 28, 29 and 30, Mr. J. Robson; Bradford National, Dec. 6, 7 and 9, Mr. C. A. House. Decided to leave question of Club show, over till next meting, at the Old Boar's Head, Manchester, Oct. 12.—John Rukin, Hon. Sec.



SHOW DATES FIXED.

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England.

Oct. 5.—**Longton.**—(H. George, 51, Raglan Street, Fenton, Stoke-on-Trent.) J.H.R.
Oct. 9 & 10.—**Clapham.**—(A. R. Coe, 18, Caldervale Rd., Clapham, S.W.). J.R., C.A.H., H.N.
Oct. 10 & 11.—**Norwich Alliance.**—(R. Roll, 62, Asby St.). W.E.G., J.R., W.V.
Oct. 11 & 12.—**Derby.**—(Wharam and Bamsey, 23, Macklin St.). J.H.R.
Oct. 12.—**Leeds** (W. A. Wilson, 75, Bayswater Mount, Roundhay.). J.H.R. and W.M.
Oct. 12.—**Morpeth.**—(E. Cowling, Market Place.) H.W.B., A.B.
Oct. 15 and 16.—**Western Counties O.S.**—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd, Plymouth). J.R., T.H.
Oct. 17.—**Hanley.**—(C. J. Robinson, 44, Cromer St., May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent). A.H.
Oct. 18 & 19.—**Burnley.**—(F. Cunliffe, 19, Lark St.). J.H.R., J.T.
Oct. 18 & 19.—**Newcastle.**—(J. W. Reed, 218, Ladykirk Rd., Benwell). J.C.B., J.C., J.S., J.P., A.S.
Oct. 19.—**Burton-on-Trent.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.). J.R.
Oct. 19.—**Middlesborough.**—(A. Wake, 128, Princes Rd.). W.A.C., F.M.
Oct. 23 & 24.—**London and P.O.S.**—(C. W. Law, Brimley House, Woodhouse Rd., N. Finchley).
Oct 24.—**Stamford.**—(A. Harrison 7 New St.). J.R.
Oct. 25 & 26.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—Belle Vue. —(H. Bootbman, 10, Parker St., Levenshulme.)
Oct. 25 & 26.—**S. Shields.**—(W. L. Smith, 3, Queen-st.)
Oct. 26.—**Derwent Valley.**—(Lindsay and Marsh, Railway Cottages, Westwood, Medomsley, R.S.O.). W.R., G.W.
Oct. 26.—**Hartlepools.**—(Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Rd., W. Hartlepool.
Oct. 29 & 30.—**Barnstaple.**—(J. D. Horrill, 17, King Edward Street). T.H.
Oct. 30.—**Torbay O.S. (Paignton).**—J. N. and J. Jeffery, "Sartor House," Winner Street, Paignton.) J.H.P.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Cheltenham.**—(A. S. Treasure, Idahoe, Oakland Ave.) W.G., H.W.B., J.F.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Grimsby.**—(Towl and Smith, 205, Welholme Rd.). J.H.R
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Ramsgate.**—(A. Afrigan, 21, Thanet Rd.). G.G.
Oct. 31.—**Grantham.**—(W. E. Allen, 119, Alexandra Road). J.C.B.
Oct. 31.—**Matlock.**—(G. Poyser, Wilmot Road, The Dimple, Matlock.). W.V.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Sheffield O.S.**—T. Bishop, 69, Alexandra Road.). W.M., C.H., W.V., J.N.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Wolverhampton.**—(J. Gibbons, 44, Napier Rd.). J.R.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Liverpool.**—(Metcalfe and Deacon, 68, Brunswick Rd.). H.W.B., J.W., J.W.C., E.B.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Blaydon-on-Tyne.**—(Geo. Havver, 1, Theresa St.). W.A.C., C.A.H.
Nov. 2 & 4.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street). J.H.P., R.J.H.
Nov. 5 & 6.—**Portsmouth.**—(King and Joiner, 80, Stubbington Av.). J.H.R., H.N.
Nov. 6 & 7.—**Newport, Mon.**—(J. Hammett, 56, Milman St.). C.A.H., D.A.S.L.
Nov. 7 & 8.—**Leyton.**—(Forse and Son, 31, Thornhill Rd.) J.R., J.F.
Nov. 8 & 9.—**Old Shildon.**—(J. H. Elwell, 35, Church Street, Shildon). Gray Bros.
Nov. 8 & 9.—**West Stanley** (W. Elliott, 15, Fairford Terr.). A.B., F.M.
Nov. 9 & 11.—**Nottingham.**—(G. E. Wilkinson, 86, Lenton Boulevard), T.H., W.V., G.E.W.
Nov. 9.—**Warrington.**—(G. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Rd.). A.W., H.W.B.
Nov. 13.—**Alnwick.**—(R. Forster, 42, Bondgate Without).
Nov. 14.—**Stoke-on-Trent.**—(J. Pitchford, 218, London Rd.). H.W.B.
Nov. 14 & 15.—**Brighton and Hove C.B.A.**—(Will. H. Gibb, 19, Bond St.). C.A.H., J.R.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Hull.**—(E. R. Ridley, 19, Lambton Street.) J.R., H.W.B.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Preston.**—(J. P. Leeming, 40A, West Cliff.) J.H.R., A.W.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Codnor Park and Eastwood.**—(J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton). J.C.B.
Nov. 19 & 20.—**Bournemouth.**—(J. A. Crawshaw, 28, Gerald Rd.). J.H.P.
Nov. 19 & 20.—**Wimbledon.**—(H. Smith, 115, Merton Rd.) H.N., R.H., J.R.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Doncaster.**—(G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion Street). H.W.B., W.V., J.W.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Rochdale O.C.**—(R. Blincoe, 160, Drake Street). C.A.H., W.M.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Haltwhistle.**—(Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate.) J.D., A.H.
Nov. 23.—**Cramlington.**—(J. R. Chestney, Quarry Cottage). A.H., H.S.
Nov. 23.—**Hinckley.**—(A. H. Ridgway, Priesthills Rd.)
Nov. 23 & 25.—**Ilkeston.**—(Thos. Smith, 5, King-st.). J.C.B., C.H.
Nov. 27-28.—**Bristol F.A.**—(G. T. H. Maggs, 9, Trinity St., Newtown, Bristol).
Nov. 27 & 28.—**Portsmouth F.S.** (W. E. Tyrrell, 38, Commercial Rd.).
Nov. 28, 29 & 30.—**L.C.B.A.**—(W. H. Mugford, 1, Strathearn Rd., Wimbledon, S.W.).
Nov. 29, 30.—**Sale C.B.S.**—(A. Royle, 99, Harley Rd.)
Nov. 30.—**Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.**—(A. Walker, 47, Montrose St.). J.H.R.
Nov. 30.—**Coventry Godiva.** (H. Saunders, 31, Vernon St.) H.W.B.
Nov. 30.—**Harrogate C.B.S.**—(G. H. Harnwell, 20, College-rd.). W.M.
Dec. 3, 4.—**Tonbridge.**—(Percy Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow Rd.).
Dec. 4, 5.—**Birmingham.** (J. H. Jones, 169, Chester Lane, Aston, Birmingham.)
Dec. 6, 7, & 9.—**Bradford National.**—(H. Hill, 10, Settle Terr., Thornton Lane.)
Dec. 7.—**Rotherham.**—(B. Bailey, 47, Craven Street, Parkgate, nr. Rotherham.) J.C.B.
Dec. 11.—**Luton.**—(E. Bloomfield, 22, Hitchin Rd.) J.R., J.F.
Dec. 12.—**Frome F.A.**—(C. I. Young, 8, Palmer St.). H.N.
Dec. 13 and 14.—**Gateshead.**—(J. Davidson, 16, Weathercock Lane, Low Fell.) G.H., J.C.B., J.R., J.M., W.C.D.
Dec. 14.—**Sheffield C.B.S.**—(A. Hobson, 60, Langsett Avenue) J.R., H.W.B.
Dec. 14.—**Winsford.**—(S. S. Brooks, 157, Station Rd.)
Dec. 26.—**Anfield, Everton.**—(R. B. Wright, 15, Worcester Drive, Clubmore, Liverpool). A.W.

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Jan. 11.—**Yarm, Eaglescliffe.**—(T. W. Wilson, High-st.)
Feb. 7, 8, 10, 11.—**Great National (Crystal Palace).**—(J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Av., Brixton, S.W.).

Scotland.

Oct. 5.—**Paisley and Dis. O.A.**—(J. Kelly, 7, Underwood Lane). D.C., A.F., J.Hr., J.Hh.
Oct. 5.—**Broughty Ferry.**—(R. Whitton, 2, Churchill Place). W.B., T.T., C.C., T.A., R.B.
Oct. 5.—**Dysart.**—(W. Russell, Castle O' Guns). J.A., J.C., J.McL., L.J.A.
Oct. 12.—**Lochgelly.**—(W. Grewar, 7, Park View).
Oct. 18, 19.—**City of Glasgow.**—(Scots, Fancy and Belgian, J. Young, 80, High St., Rutherglen; remainder, R. Heggie, 27, McLennan St., Mount Florida.) A.G.C., A.H., T.A., G.H., A.P., D.F.W, A.W.W., J.L.
Oct. 19.—**Kelty and Blairadam.**—(A. Dickson, 37, Adams Terrace). J.Sn., W.D.H., R.H., F.R., R.M., R.V.R.
Oct. 26.—**Perth.**—(Jas. Kerr, 18, James St.).
Oct. 26.—**Kirkcaldy.**—(C. Rae, 15, Anderson St., Pathhead.). D.L., G.A., J.H., W.H., J.W.A.
Oct. 26.—**Ayr and Dist.**—(J. Sloan, 19, New Bridge St.). J.T.D., J.M.
Nov. 2.—**Bo'ness.**—(T. Cameron, 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans).
Nov. 2.—**Brechin.**—(G. Mitchell, 118, Montrose St.) A.H., W.Me., J.F.
Nov. 9.—**Forfar.**—(D. Kerr, 15, Green St.). A.S., A.P., W.B.
Nov. 9.—**Hamilton Cadzow Oak.**—(G. Marlin, 21, Glebe Street.) J.Sn., J.Hn., R.B.
Nov. 16.—**Cowdenbeath.**—(J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland-pl.) J.P., J.W.B., C.C., G.A., W.R., L.J.A.
Nov. 16.—**Galashiels.**—(J. Brown, 156, Croft St.). G.F., T.B., A.G., A.H.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Glasgow and Dis. C.B.A.**—(Wm. Hutchison, 168, Hospital Street.)
Nov. 23.—**Blairgowrie.**—(M. Irvine, 17, Brown St.)
Nov. 23.—**Uddingston C.B., etc., S.**—(Jas. Corgrove, 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell.)
Nov. 30.—**City of Dundee.**—(A. Miller, 3, Park Ave.)
Nov. 30.—**Musselburgh.**—(W. Nisbet, 101, High St.).
Dec. 4.—**Forres and N.O.S.**—(W. Cumming, 28, North Rd.). J.L.
Dec. 7.—**Cupar.**—(Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar.)
Dec. 14.—**Broxburn.**—(W. M'Laren, Church Street). J.McL., A.C., G.H., R.V.R., J.Gw.
Dec. 14.—**Kilsyth.**—(A. D. Duncan, "Chronicle" Office.)
Dec. 31 & Jan. 1, 1913.—**Scottish National.**—(J. R. Meikle, 51, Lothian Rd., Edinburgh.)
Jan. 1 & 2.—**Edinburgh Open.**—(R. Lile, 15, Argyll Terr.)
Jan. 1 & 2.—**Paisley O.A.**—(W. Lamble, 25, Caledonia Street.)

Wales.

Nov. 13 & 14.—**Swansea.**—(S. H. George, 32, Fisher Street). J.R., J.F.D.
Nov. 20 & 21.—**Cardiff.**—(E. Thomas, 48, Craddock-st.) W.M., W.V., D.A.S.L.
Nov. 26.—**Llanelly.**—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) W.V., J.F.
Nov. 28.—**Pentrebach.**—(A. E. Brown, 66, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil). G.G.
Dec. 4.—**Pontypridd.**—(A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser-st., Maesycoed).
Dec. 11.—**Mid Rhondda.**—(A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwyncelyn, Porth.)

Ireland.

Nov. 7 & 8.—**Banbridge.**—(A. McCagherty, Belmont Terrace, Banbridge). A.Lse., J.Hy.
Nov. 14.—**Derry.**—(M. Kerr, 99, Foyle St., Londonderry). S.H.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Holywood and Dist.**—(Jno. Dunwoody, jun., 42, Church-st.).
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Lurgan.**—(S. McCollum, Drumgor).
Nov. 28 & 29.—**South County Dublin (Kingstown).**—(D. Smyth, 21, Eden Terr., Kingstown.) W.M.
Dec. 6 & 7.—**Ulster O.A. (Belfast).**—(R. Trimble, 11 Waring St., Belfast.) J.F.D., W.V.
Dec. 12 & 13.—**Larne.**—(T. Mayne, 35, Barnhill.)

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.

Special meeting Sept. 14, at College Inn; Mr. W. Brotherton in chair. There was a poor attendance, seeing that the meeting was important. We have decided to again have the St. George's Hall for the annual show, which is very central, and a very nice place. We are having 20 classes for the open section: 4 Yorks., 4 Nor., 2 York. Novice, 2 Nor. Nov., 2 Yorks. Greens, 4 Brit., 2 Selling; prize money, 4s., 4s., 2s., for 1s. entrance fee. We also decided to have a few members' classes.—B. Bailey, Sec.

SHETTLESTON AND DIST. C.B.S

Monthly meeting held Johnston's Rooms, Sept. 14, Mr. Hendrie presiding over a good turnout of members. Date of annual show fixed for Dec. 14. We have secured Mr. R. Livingston, Rutherglen, and Mr. M. Craig, Tollcross, for judges. Three handsome silver cups and other valuable specials are to be competed for. All fanciers in the district wishing to compete must send in their names at an early date, as October meeting is the closing date for enrolment. Mr. Livingston gave an instructive lecture on moulting and colour-feeding. After the lecture he had a number of questions put into a hat, and every member had to draw a question and answer it. We spent a very enjoyable evening, and the members who were absent missed a treat. The president proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Livingston for his kindness in giving us the splendid lecture.—A Berry, Sec.

NORTH WALES C.B.S.

Committee meeting of the above was held last week. Present: Messrs. James Jones (chairman), R. E. Griffith (treasurer), J. L. Sweeney, J. O. Parry, R. Green, and J. Wynne Parry (hon. sec.). Decided to hold a "draw" in aid of the society. Open show fixed for December 7th. A small committee was appointed to write to judges.

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FOR sale, 10 good young Norwich hens, 25/-, or exchange for Scotch fancy show cages: Burgess, 37, Townhead, Irvine.

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EXCHANGE yellow Crest-bred Norwich cock for a 26 x 13 8ths wired cover: Dean, Highgate, Lothersdale-rd., Crosshills, Keighley.

EXCHANGE six pair Yorkshires, two Goldfinch Mules, one Greenfinch Mule, for good bicycle: T. Threlfall, Holland-st., Coppull.

TO showmen.—Splendid yellow Norwich cock, 1911, large stout bird, for pair yellow Budgerigars: Glover, Beauworth Manor, Alresford.

EXCHANGE, 4, Yorkshire hens, for good pair Norwich or offers: yours first: Russell, 4, Malvern-buildings, Fairfield Park, Bath.

EXCHANGE hen Canaries for hanging cage, and Campbell's melodeon for a Seifert Roller cock: R. Birks, Chapel-st., Cheadle, Staffs.

TEN Yorkshires, 5 Norwich Canaries, grand long birds, cocks 4/-, hens 2/-; exchange pullets; approval: 6, Kempton-rd., New Ferry.

SPLENDID pair of Norwich cocks, rung, good colour; exchange gent.'s mackintosh or brief bag: Muggeridge, Albion-terr., Horsham.

EXCHANGE Yorkshire cock and Crest hen, in good health, for hanging lamp or anything: B. Wilson, 53, Albert-st., Spalding, Lincs.

HEN Canary, cock Goldfinch; parents of fine Mules; 7/6; pair healthy Norwich, 7/6; approval, deposit: Smith, Jeweller, Fordingbridge.

YOUNG cock Goldfinch-Greenfinch hybrid, 15/-; exchange large 1912 yellow cock Canary for yellow cinnamon cock: F. Mascall, Stansted, Essex.

I WILL give high-class singing Canaries and cages in exchange for cameras, phonographs, or anything useful: John Edmundson, 16, Wall-st., Blackburn.

PAIR Yorkshires, Green cock, Buff hen, sell, 15/-; exchange Goldfinch and Siskin cocks for Muling; approval: Dick, 31, Shrine-pl., Broxburn, Linlithgowshire.

GENUINE bargains; for sale, all my collection of Canaries, comprising Norwich, Cinnamons, and muling stock; stamp for particulars; all at half value: Taylor, Sunningdale-terr., Bideford.

TWO Norwich hens, guaranteed bred Mules last season; also two Mules from above, sex unknown; wanted in exchange Green Norwich cock Canary: James Roberts, 10, Guest Cottages, Penywern, Dowlais.

SELL or exchange five Yorkshire hens and one cock bird, for one pair of Crested Norwich, good large birds, or 30/- for the six, all good colour and healthy birds: S. Blackburn, Hollingsworth-rd., Epworth, nr. Doncaster.

Mainly Foreign.

AVIARY-bred Budgerigars, 4/6 a pair; hen cockatiel, 5/-, or exchange for cock Goldfinches, Linnets, Siskins, to value: R. Affleck, Heiton, Roxburgh.

SALE or exchange two Cockatiels, males, fine condition; wanted male Love Bird, hen Saffron Finch, Weavers showing colour; outdoor aviary: Wyse, Retford.

Miscellaneous.

A FEW real racing homers, best 600-mile strains, for sale or exchange: Benwell, Morton, Rolleston, Notts.

WHAT offers in Canaries for 9 Nuns, or anything useful in house. 107, Burnaby-st., Sheffield.

TWO nice fox terrier bitch pups; exchange for anything useful: 19, Coldham-lane, Cambridge.

THREE pairs of clap nets and one rabbit net; what offers for the lot?: Hatton, George-st., Brighton.

ALL kinds of British and foreign birds, exchanged for all kinds of dogs: Walter Smith, 98, Tib-st., Manchester.

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SALE or exchange 200 "Cage and Canary," also cage bird hooks; what offers: Phipps, 16, Mill Platt, Isleworth.

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LADY'S small 9-carat gold keyless watch; sell 16/-; exchange pullets; offers: Richards, 71, Magor-st., Newport, Mon.

WHAT offers in Canaries for hand sewing machine: Jones's; want shuttle; or anything: Bradley, 54 Prospect-st., Alfreton.

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WHAT offers Norwich cocks for silk flower-bleach cotton cloths, make blouses, etc.; stamp sample: Holden, 2, Oak-st., Blackburn.

FOX terrier bitch, good head, keen house dog, 4/6; exchange British or foreign birds; offers: Woodhouse, Asline-rd., Sheffield.

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PHONOGRAPH, 20 records, horn, complete; sell 25/- or exchange bike; offers; yours first: Stevenson, Edithweston, near Stamford.

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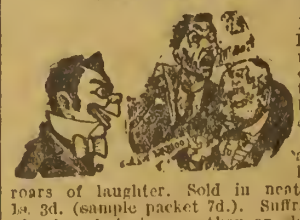
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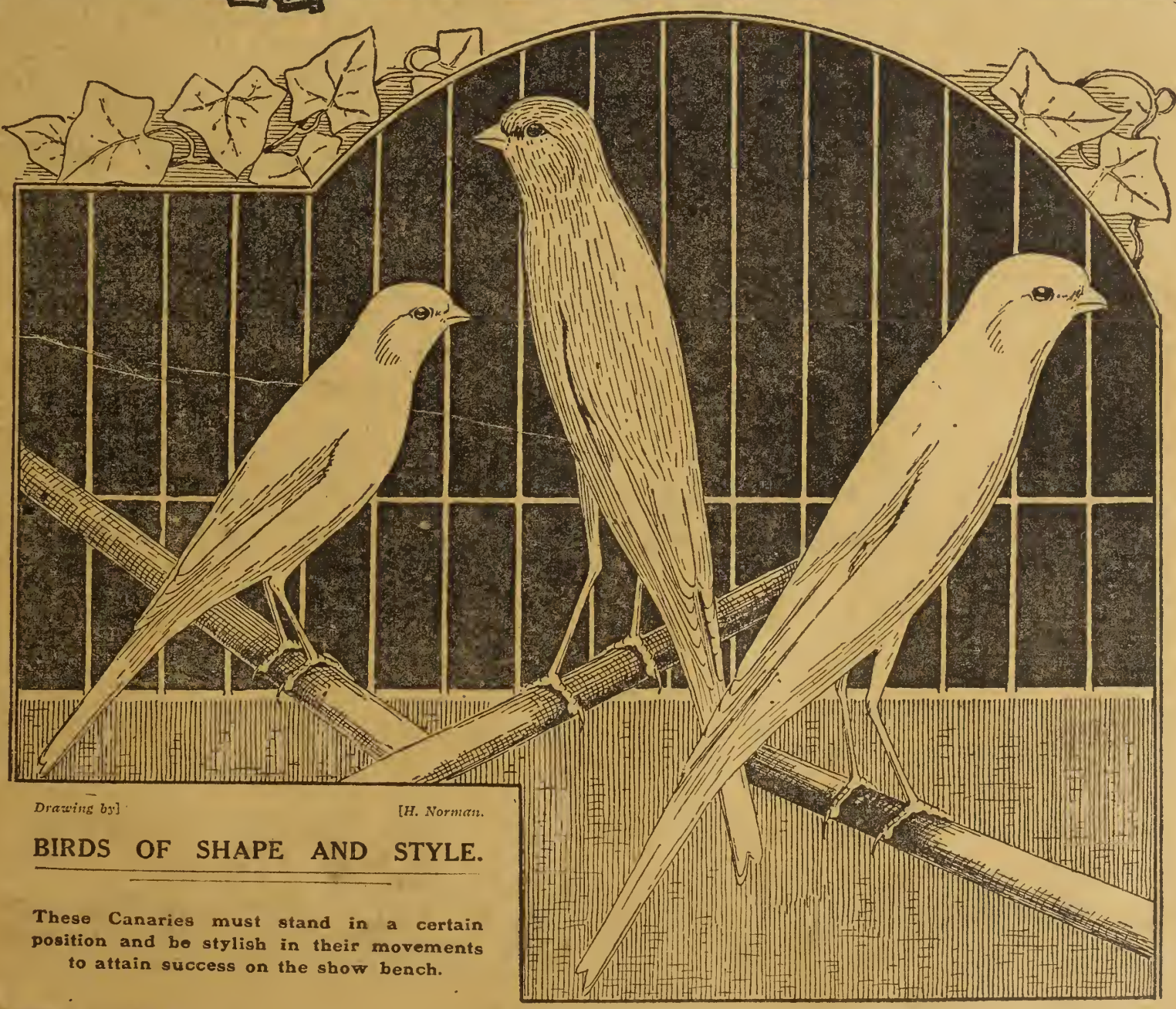
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Oct. 9 & 10.—**Clapham.**—(A. R. Coe, 18, Caldervale Rd., Clapham, S.W.). J.R., C.A.H., H.N.

Oct. 10 & 11.—**Norwich Alliance.**—(R. Roll, 62, Ashby St.). W.E.G., J.R., W.V.

Oct. 11 & 12.—**Derby.**—(Wharam and Bamsey, 23, Macklin St.). J.H.R., G.C.

Oct. 12.—**Leeds** (W. A. Wilson, 75, Bayswater Mount, Roundhay.). J.H.R. and W.M.

Oct. 12.—**Morpeth.**—(E. Cowling, Market Place.) H.W.B., A.B.

Oct. 15 and 16.—**Western Counties O.S.**—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd. Plymouth). J.R., T.H.

Oct. 17.—**Hanley.**—(C. J. Robinson, 41, Cromer St., May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent). A.R.

Oct. 18 & 19.—**Burnley.**—(F. Cunliffe, 19, Lark St.). J.H.R., J.T.

Oct. 18 & 19.—**Newcastle.**—(J. W. Reed, 219, Ladykirk Rd., Benwell). J.C.B., J.C., J.S., J.P., A.S.

Oct. 19.—**Burton-on-Trent.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.). J.R.

Oct. 19.—**Middlesborough.**—(A. Wake, 128, Princes Rd.). W.A.C., F.M.

Oct. 23 & 24.—**London and P.O.S.**—(C. W. Law, Brimley House, Woodhouse Rd., N. Finchley).

Oct 24.—**Stamford.**—(A. Harrison 7 New St.). J.R.

Oct. 25 & 26.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—Belle Vue.—(H. Boothman, 10, Parker St., Levenshulme.)

Oct. 25 & 26.—**S. Shields.**—(W. L. Smith, 3, Queen-st.)

Oct. 26.—**Derwent Valley.**—(Lindsay and Marsh, Railway Cottages, Westwood, Medomsley, R.S.O.). W.R., G.W.

Oct. 26.—**Hartlepools.**—(Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Rd., W. Hartlepool). H.W.B., J.M.

Oct. 29 & 30.—**Barnstaple.**—(J. D. Horrill, 17, King Edward Street). T.H.

Oct. 30.—**Torbay O.S. (Paignton).**—J. N. and J. Jeffery, "Sartor House," Winner Street, Paignton.) J.H.P.

Oct. 30 & 31.—**Cheltonham.**—(A. S. Treasure, Idahoe, Oakland Ave.) W.G., H.W.B., J.F.

Oct. 30 & 31.—**Grimsby.**—(Towl and Smith, 205, Welholme Rd.). J.H.R

Oct. 30 & 31.—**Ramsgate.**—(A. Afrigan, 21, Thanet Rd.). G.G.

Oct. 31.—**Grantham.**—(W. R. Allen, 119, Alexandra Road). J.C.B.

Oct. 31.—**Matlock.**—(G. Poyser, Wilmot Road, The Dimple, Matlock.). W.V.

Nov. 1 & 2.—**Sheffield O.S.**—T. Bishop, 69, Alexandra Road.). W.M., C.H., W.V., J.N.

Nov. 1 & 2.—**Wolverhampton.**—(J. Gibbons, 64, Napier Rd.). J.R.

Nov. 1 & 2.—**Liverpool.**—(Metcalfe and Deacon, 68, Brunswick Rd.). H.W.B., J.W., J.W.C., E.B.

Nov. 1 & 2.—**Blaydon-on-Tyne.**—(Geo. Havver, 1, Theresa St.). W.A.C., C.A.H.

Nov. 2 & 4.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street). J.H.P., R.J.H.

Nov. 5 & 6.—**Portsmouth.**—(King and Joiner, 80, Stubbington Av.). J.H.R., H.N.

Nov. 6 & 7.—**Newport, Mon.**—(J. Hammett, 56, Milman St.). C.A.H., D.A.S.L.

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Nov. 9 & 11.—**Nottingham.**—(G. E. Wilkinson, 86, Lenton Boulevard), T.H., W.V., C.E.W.

Nov. 9.—**Warrington.**—(G. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Rd.). A.W., H.W.B.

Nov. 13.—**Alnwick.**—(R. Forster, 42, Bondgate Without).

Nov. 14.—**Stoke-on-Trent.**—(J. Pitchford, 218, London Rd.). H.W.B.

Nov. 14 & 15.—**Brighton and Hove C.B.A.**—(Will. H. Gibb, 19, Bond St.). C.A.H., J.R.

Nov. 15 & 16.—**Hull.**—(E. B. Ridley, 19, Lambton Street.) J.R., H.W.B.

Nov. 15 & 16.—**Preston.**—(J. P. Leeming, 40A, West Cliff.) J.H.R., A.W.

Nov. 15 & 16.—**Codnor Park and Eastwood.**—(J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton). J.C.B.

Nov. 19 & 20.—**Bournemouth.**—(J. A. Crawshaw, 28, Gerald Rd.). J.H.P.

Nov. 19 & 20.—**Wimbledon.**—(H. Smith, 115, Merton Rd.) H.N., R.H., J.R.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Doncaster.**—(G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion Street). H.W.B., W.V., J.W.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Rochdale O.C.**—(R. Blincoe, 160, Drake Street). C.A.H., W.M.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Haltwhistle.**—(Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate.) J.D., A.H.

Nov. 23.—**Cramlington.**—(J. R. Chestney, Quarry Cottage). A.H., H.S.

Nov. 23.—**Hinckley.**—(A. H. Ridgway, Priesthills Rd.)

Nov. 23 & 25.—**Ilkeston.**—(Thos. Smith, 5, King-st.). J.C.B., C.H.

Nov. 26.—**Launceston F.A.**—(N. H. Reed, Launceston). J.H.P.

Nov. 27-28.—**Bristol F.A.**—(G. T. H. Maggs, 9, Trinity St., Newtown, Bristol).

Nov. 27 & 28.—**Portsmouth F.S.** (W. E. Tyrrell, 38, Commercial Rd.).

Nov. 22, 29 & 30.—**L.O.B.A.**—(W. H. Mugford, 1, Strathearn Rd., Wimbledon, S.W.).

Nov. 29, 30.—**Sale C.B.S.**—(A. Royle, 99, Harley Rd.)

Nov. 30.—**Darlington C. and B.F.A.**—(A. Walker, 47, Montrose St.). J.H.R.

Nov. 30.—**Coventry Codiva.**—(H. Saunders, 31, Vernon St.) H.W.B.

Nov. 30.—**Harrogate C.B.S.**—(G. H. Barnwell, 20, College-rd.). W.M.

Dec. 3, 4.—**Tonbridge.**—(Percy Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow Rd.).

Dec. 4, 5.—**Birmingham.**—(J. H. Jones, 169, Church Lane, Aston, Birmingham.)

Dec. 6, 7, & 9.—**Bradford National.**—(H. Hill, 15, Settle Terr., Thornton Lane.)

Dec. 7.—**Rotherham.**—(B. Bailey, 47, Craven Street, Parkgate, nr. Rotherham.) J.C.B.

Dec. 11.—**Luton.**—(E. Bloomfield, 22, Hitchin Rd.) J.R., J.F.

Dec. 12.—**Frome F.A.**—(C. I. Young, 8, Palmer St.). H.N.

Dec. 13 and 14.—**Gateshead.**—(J. G. Greason, 24, Newman Terrace). G.H., J.C.B., J.R., J.M., W.C.D.

Dec. 14.—**Sheffield C.B.S.**—(A. Hobson, 66, Langsett Avenue) J.R., H.W.B.

Dec. 14.—**Winsford.**—(S. S. Brooks, 157, Station Rd.)

Dec. 26.—**Anfield, Everton.**—(E. B. Wright, 15, Worcester Drive, Clubmore, Liverpool). A.W.

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Jan. 11.—**Yarm, Eaglescliffe.**—(T. W. Wilson, High-st.)

Feb. 7, 8, 10, 11.—**Great National (Crystal Palace).**—(J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Av., Brixton, S.W.).

Scotland.

Oct. 5.—**Paisley and Dis. O.A.**—(J. Kelly, 7, Underwood Lane). D.C., A.F., J.Hr., J.Hh.

Oct. 5.—**Broughty Ferry.**—(R. Whitton, 2, Churchill Place). W.B., T.T., C.C., T.A., R.B.

Oct. 5.—**Dysart.**—(W. Russell, Castle O' Guns). J.A., J.C., J.McL., L.J.A.

Oct. 12.—**Lochgelly.**—(W. Grewar, 7, Park View).

Oct. 19, 19.—**City of Glasgow.**—(Scots. Fancy and Belgian, J. Young, 80, High St., Rutherglen; remainder, R. Heggie, 27, McLennan St., Mount Florida.) A.G.C., A.H., T.A., G.H., A.P., D.F.W., A.W.W., J.L.

Oct. 19.—**Kelty and Blairadam.**—(A. Dickson, 37, Adams Terrace). J.Sn., W.D.H., R.H., F.R., R.M., R.V.R.

Oct. 26.—**Perth.**—(Jas. Kerr, 18, James St.).

Oct. 26.—**Kirkcaldy.**—(C. Rae, 15, Anderson St., Pathhead.). D.L., G.A., J.H., W.H., J.W.A.

Oct. 26.—**Ayr and Dist.**—(J. Sloan, 19, New Bridge St.). J.T.D., J.M.

Nov. 2.—**Belness.**—(T. Cameron, 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans).

Nov. 2.—**Brechin.**—(G. Mitchell, 118, Montrose St.) A.H., W.Mc., J.F.

Nov. 9.—**Fortar.**—(D. Kerr, 15, Green St.). A.S., A.P., W.B.

Nov. 9.—**Hamilton Cadzow Oak.**—(G. Marlin, 21, Glebe Street.) J.Sn., J.Hn., R.B.

Nov. 16.—**Cowdenbeath.**—(J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland-pl.) J.P., J.W.B., C.C., G.A., W.R., L.J.A.

Nov. 16.—**Galashiels.**—(J. Brown, 156, Croft St.). G.F., T.B., A.G., A.H.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Glasgow and Dis. C.B.A.**—(Wm. Hutchison, 163, Hospital Street.)

Nov. 23.—**Blairgowrie.**—(M. Irvine, 17, Brown St.)

Nov. 23.—**Uddingston C.B., etc., S.**—(Jas. Corgrove, 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell.)

Nov. 30.—**City of Dundee.**—(A. Miller, 3, Park Ave.)

Nov. 30.—**Musselburgh.**—(W. Nisbet, 101, High St.).

Dec. 4.—**Forres and N.O.S.**—(W. Cumming, 28, North Rd.). J.L.

Dec. 7.—**Cupar.**—(Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar.)

Dec. 14.—**Broxburn.**—(W. M'Laren, Church Street). J.McL., A.C., G.H., R.V.R., J.Gw.

Dec. 14.—**Kilsyth.**—(A. D. Duncan, "Chronicle" Office.)

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Jan. 1 & 2.—**Paisley O.A.**—(W. Lambie, 25, Caledonia Street.)

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Nov. 13 & 14.—**Swansea.**—(S. H. George, 32, Fisher Street). J.R., J.F.D.

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Nov. 7 & 8.—**Banbridge.**—(A. McCagherty, Belmont Terrace, Banbridge). A.Lse., J.Hy.

Nov. 14.—**Derry.**—(M. Kerr, 99, Foyle St., Londonderry). S.H.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Holywood and Dist.**—(Jno. Dunwoody, jun., 42, Church-st.).

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Lurgan.**—(S. McCollum, Drumgor).

Nov. 28 & 29.—**South County Dublin (Kingstown).**—(D. Smyth, 21, Eden Terr., Kingstown.) W.M.

Dec. 6 & 7.—**Ulster O.A. (Belfast).**—(R. Trimble, 11, Waring St., Belfast.) J.F.D., W.V.

Dec. 12 & 13.—**Larne.**—(T. Mayne, 35, Barnhill.)

CHOPWELL C.B.S.

Meeting held in Club Hall, September 21, with a fair attendance of members. Stewards, etc., were picked for day of show, also a new member enrolled.—Mr. G. Barkas, Westwood. Decided, to get handbills advertising our show, and distribute them during the week before the show. All we want now is a rattling good entry.—W. Tomlinson, Hon. Sec.

STIRLING C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Sept. 7, in McDonald's Temperance Hotel, Mr. Summers in the chair. The business was enrolling members and settling about the show. Decided to appoint stewards at next meeting. Also decided to do what we could towards the Norwich flood case. Next meeting Saturday, Oct. 5, in McDonald's Temperance Hotel, at 8.—W. Clubb, Sec.

BROXBURN AND DIST. C.B.S.

Meeting held in Public Hall Draught Room Sept. 19, Mr. Murray presiding over a fair turnout of members. Correspondence was read from the following specialist clubs, granting patronage to our annual open show, Dec. 14: B.F.C.C., S.C.C.C., and S.B.B. and M.C. After discussion of several small items, it was agreed to hold our next meeting on Oct. 9. We hope to see a full turn-out of members, and any fanciers in the district wishing to join will receive a hearty welcome.—W. McLaren, Sec.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Fortnightly meeting held Aug. 31, Mr. Farrer in the chair. Matters connected with the open show were discussed, and it was decided to have stands made, which will be a great improvement. Several members promised birds for the drawing in connection with the admission tickets. Next meeting we will revise show rules and regulations.—J. Jeffrey, Sec.

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JUDGES OF CAGE BIRDS

The attention of Show Secretaries is directed to the following list of gentlemen willing to act as Judges. Terms for insertion on application.

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W. A. COWGILL, 115, Washington Street, Girlington, Bradford. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Practical experience. Terms moderate.

GEO. GARDNER, 11, Haverstock Road, London, N.W. Judge of all kinds of Cage Birds.

S. HADWIN, 56, Richmond-row, Liverpool, judge of cage bird, all varieties; 25 years' practical experience.

C. A. HOUSE, Briardene, Idle, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and other Cage Birds.

J. R. HOUGHTON, 21, Hatfield Road, Gloucester. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds; specialist in Norwich; terms moderate.

JEFFERY JEFFERIS, Beck Lodge, High Road, Hayes, Middlesex. Judge of cage birds. Life experience. Terms moderate.

J. W. METCALFE, The Yorkshire Aviaries, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. Judge of Cage Birds; specialist, Yorkshire and Norwich.

W. MUNDELL, 6, Carlisle Place, Manningham, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds.

H. NORMAN, The Eyrie, Salisbury Road, Carshalton, Surrey. All varieties of Cage Birds. Specialist Hybrids and British Birds.

W. POWICK, Eastfield Cottage, Mill Road, Dewsbury. Judge of all varieties of cage birds; 30 years' practical experience.

J. PATTERSON, Chirnside. Judge of Cage Birds; all varieties. Wide practical experience. Specialist Border Fancy Judge.

J. H. PAYNE, 17, Northgate Street, Gloucester Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Cage Birds.

C. E. SILK, The Aviaries, Emsworth, Hants. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience.

WALTER SWAYSLAND, 47, Queens-rd., Brighton. Judge all varieties of cage birds. Life experience.

HENRY TAMS, Orchard Place, Longton, Staffs. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Birds. Twenty-five years Breeder and Exhibitor.

R. B. TOPE, West Hoe Terrace, Plymouth. Judge of Cage Birds, Rabbits, Cats, and Cavies; 40 years' breeder and exhibitor.

S. TICKELL, 22, Honey Street, Bodmin. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds; specialist Norwich, Cinn. & Liz. Long practical experience. Terms moderate.

W. VARDY, The Aviaries, Hucknall Huthwaite, Notts. Judge of all varieties; specialist in Norwich Plainheads. Life experience. Terms moderate.

G. WILSON, 14, Frizington Rd., Frizington, Cumberland. Judge of Mules, British, Foreign. Specialist, Brit., Mules. Life experience; terms moderate.

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48 Classes; all specials open; equal prize money. Challenge Cups for Scotch Fancies and Crests.

Judges: S.F., Messrs. W. Beattie and T. Thomson; Crests and Nor., Mr. C. Campbell; Brdrs., Mr. T. Arnott; Brit., etc., Mr. R. Bald.

Entries Close October 1st.

Schedules from Robt. Whitton, 2, Churchill Place, Broughty Ferry.

DYSART

C.B.S. 8th Annual Open Show,

Saturday, Oct. 5.

Canaries, Mules, British, and Foreign birds. 67 Classes. Cup, medal, and numerous specials. Popular judges: S.F., J. Angus (Falkland); Brdrs., J. Craig (Brechin); Nor. C. and P.H., J. McLay (Kirkintilloch); Brit. and For., L. J. Arrighi (Edinburgh).

Entries Close Sept. 30.

Schedules from: W. Russell, Castle of Guns, Dysart, Fife.

CHOPWELL C.B.S. Open Show, Workman's Club Hall, OCTOBER 5. 34 Open Classes. Specials each class. Judges: A. Holden (Gateshead), J. Stanger (Pelton Fell). For schedules apply to W. Tomlinson, 2, South View, Chopwell, Co. Durham.

Huddersfield

O.S. Annual Show of Canaries, October 5th, 1912, in the St. Peter's St. Assembly Rooms, under the patronage of the Yorkshire Union C.B., Y.C.C., N.P.C., O.N.P.C. Judges, A. Hirst, Esq., J. H. Payne, Esq. Write for schedules to F. J. Sykes, 40, Imperial Road, Edgerton, Huddersfield.

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PAISLEY

and Dis. O.A., 20th Annual Exhibition and competition of Scots Fancy Canaries, will be held in the Geo. A. Clark North Minor Hall, on Saturday, October 5th. Silver Cup, gold and silver medals and numerous specials. 14 classes for Scots Fancy. Prize Money, 12/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/6. Prize Lists now ready, from: John Kelly, Sec., 7, Underwood Lane, Paisley.

EXETER

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Open Cage Bird Show, Wednesday, OCTOBER 9th. Entries close Sept. 30th. Schedules of W. A. Cornish, Hon. Sec., 90, Regent Street, St. Thomas, Exeter.

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Don't Forget the

NORWICH

Open Show, Corn Hall, Norwich, OCTOBER 10th and 11th, 1912. Judges, Messrs. W. E. Greeves, J. Robson, and W. Vardy. Entries close Saturday, October 5th. Schedules from R. Roll, 62, Ashby Street, Queen's Road, Norwich.

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October 12th.

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and District C.B.S. Show, Saturday, Oct. 12th,

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83 Classes, 120 Specials,
17 Cups and Trophies,
6 Gold and 17 Silver Medals.

Judges: S.F., J. Black; Borders, T. Arnott; Yorks., J. Ford; Crests, J. McLay; Nor., J. Smeaton; Mules, Brit., and For., J. F. Dewar.

Entries Close Oct. 7.

Schedules from: W. Grewar, Sec., 7, Park View, Lochgelly.

MORPETH

Acknowledged to be the finest one-day fixture in the North. Open and Members' Show, on Saturday, OCTOBER 12th, 1912. Good classification. 4 money prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-, 1/-. Entry fee 1/-. Specials every class. Judges, H. W. Battye, Esq., A. Brown, Esq. Entries close on October 5th. Schedules from E. Cowling, Y.M.C.A., Market Place, Morpeth, Northumberland.

SELKIRKSHIRE O.F.A.

24th Annual Show of Canaries and Pigeons,- Sat., Oct. 12th. Judges, J. Patterson, W. Lindsay, W. H. Livingston. Entries close Sat., Oct. 5th. Schedules from James Robertson, 4, Green Terrace, Selkirk.

AYLESBURY OCTOBER 17th. Entries close October 8th. Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, Cage Birds. Judges: Geo. Gardner, and F. J. S. Chatterton. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6; entry 2/-. Schedules, F. Rayner, 27, Ardenham Street, Aylesbury.

HANLEY

and Dist. C.B.S., Grand Open Show, **Oct. 17th, 1912.**

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TORQUAY, Oct. 17.

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BURNLEY

26th Annual Open Show, Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, Brit. and For. Birds, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 18 and 19, in Fulledge Conservative Assembly Rooms, Oxford Road. Under the patronage of the N.P.C. 33 classes. Judges, J. Trengove and J. H. Roe. Prize money, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Entry fees, 1/6.

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Specials in galore! Schedules from F. Cunliffe, Secretary, 19, Lark Street, Burnley.

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October 19th. Entries close October 9th. Dogs (K.C.R.), Poultry, Pigeons, Cage Birds, Cats, Rabbits, Eggs. 74 Classes. Good prize money throughout, and over 60 valuable "specials." Four specialist judges. Cage Bird Judge, W. Mundell. Schedules from G. E. Cragg, Rocklands, Rhos, Colwyn Bay.

MIDDLESBRO'

Oct. 19th, 1912.

Annual Show Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds. 43 classes. 4 money prizes and specials in every class. Entry fee 1s. Well-known judges. Schedules, apply Arthur Wake, 128, Princes Road, Middlesbrough.

BROMLEY AND WEST KENT

Annual Show of Cage Birds, Oct. 23 and 24, under the patronage of the K.C.C.B.A. 35 Classes for Cage Birds. Cups and Specials. Judge, H. Norman, Esq. Schedules, A. T. Bellinger, 26, Nightingale Lane, Bromley, Kent.

17th Annual Open Show.

LEWES

October 24 and 25.
30 Classes for Cage Birds. Judge: C. A. House, Esq.
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Entries close Oct. 11. Schedules:
J. Martin, Hon. Sec., 4, East Street, Lewes.

MANCHESTER

October 25th & 26th.

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South Shields

10th Annual Open Show,
October 25 and 26.

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Fifth Annual Open Show of Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds,

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BARNSTAPLE

and North Devon C.B.S.
October 29 and 30.

87 Special Prizes. 4 Silver Cups. 37 Classes. Judges, T. Heath, R. J. Blackmore (Belgians). Entries close Tuesday, October 22. Schedules from J. D. Horrill, Hon. Sec., Exhibition Office, High Street, Barnstaple.

Hartlepools'

October 26. Patronage of Y.C.C., N.Y.C.C., N.C.N. and C.C.C., and N.B.B. and M.C., and F.B.C. 48 Classes. Specials galore. Judges, Messrs. Rattye and Maddison. Schedules and particulars from Messrs. Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Road, West Hartlepool.

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C.B.S. 6th Ann. Open Show,

October 26th.

in Pioneer Hall, Carlyle Road. Patronage, B.F.C.C. Open and Novice, also Shield. 3 cups, medals, and numerous specials. Judges: S.F., D. Low; Crests, G. Arnott; Brdrs. and Yorks., J. Hutchieson; Nor., W. Hampton; Brit., etc., J. W. Adams. Entries close October 21st. This show is under new management. Schedules from: Chas. Rae, 15, Anderson St., Kirkcaldy.

EXHIBITORS! MAKE A NOTE!

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE

Great Open Show. 82 Classes; grand prizes; popular Judges. Nov. 1 and 2. See advert. next issue. Schedules from Geo. Havver, 1, Theresa St., Blaydon-on-Tyne.

BO'NESS

and Dis. F.A. Annual Show of Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds, in the Masonic Hall, November 2nd,
under distinguished patronage. 60 classes. Judges: Norwich, Mr. Grewar; B.F., Mr. G. Brown; Brit., Mr. P. McQuiston. Open Membership, 2/6. Schedules from T. Cameron, Sec., 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans, Bo'ness.

BRECHIN

C.B.S. 49th Grand Annual Show of Norwich, Borders, British and Foreign Birds, SAT., NOV. 2nd. under the patronage of the B.F.C.C. Two handsome cups, medals, and numerous specials. Splendid classification and good prize money. Judges: Norwich, A. Harris; Borders, Wm. Mossie; British, etc., J. Fyfe. Schedules from Geo. Mitchell, 118, Montrose Street, Brechin.

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ENTRIES CLOSE.

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Sept. 30.—**Dysart.**—W. Russell, Castle of Guns.
Sept. 30.—**Exeter.**—W. A. Cornish, 90, Regent Street, St. Thomas.
Oct. 1.—**Broughty Ferry.**—R. Whitton, 2, Churchill Place.
Oct. 5.—**Morpeth.**—E. Cowling, Y.M.C.A., Market Place.
Oct. 5.—**Norwich.**—R. Roll, 62, Ashby Street, Queen's Road.
Oct. 5.—**Plymouth.**—T. Pope, 98, Embankment Road.
Oct. 5.—**Selkirk.**—J. Robertson, 4, Green Terrace.

We have received a letter from Mr. W. H. Sheridan, of Dublin, asking us to state that he has resigned membership of the Yorkshire C. and C.B.S. of Ireland, together with Messrs. F. R. Fry and James Huggard.

At the Wiveliscombe F.A. show, Nov. 21, write Messrs. Chas. Hy Hill and E. W. Dascombe, hon. secs., there will be classes as follows: Yorks. 4, Nor. 3, Sell. 1, Mules 1, Brit. 2, For. 1. Judges: Mr. W. G. Elsmore, Canaries and Mules; Mr. E. Sprankling, Brit. and For. Everything points to great success.

We shall be pleased to insert exhibitors' and breeders' cards in Portsmouth Show schedule or catalogue at one shilling each, write Messrs. King and Joiner, hon. secs., 200, Kingston Road, Portsmouth. If intended for former, same must reach us at once, as our schedules are in the hands of the printers. —Advt.

We are sorry to hear from Mr. Priest, Partick, that owing to ill-health, Mr. John Henderson has given up the secretaryship of the Partick and District Cage Bird Club. Mr. Wm. Priest has been appointed in his place. The next meeting will be held in the Trades Hall, Anderson Street, Partick, on Oct. 4 at 8 p.m.

Schedules for our show on Oct. 19, writes Mr. A. Wake, Hon. Sec. Middlesbrough C.B.S., will be forwarded as soon as possible to all who have written. We had to get another hall, and on Saturday last we were fortunate enough to secure the Victoria Hall, which is an ideal place with plenty of light and room, and situated in the centre of the town.

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Twitterings.

Particulars of the Norwich Fanciers' Relief Fund will be found this week in the LEAGUE Notes on page 763. We hope all readers will assist this deserving cause.

Mr. Geo. Gardner will judge at Aylesbury Show on Oct. 17.

I am judging at Stranraer Show on Dec. 13, writes Mr. John Martin, of Castle Douglas

Mr. W. J. Styles writes that he has removed from 8, Wood Street, Lambeth to 81, Lambeth Walk, S.E.

Mr. A. Dickson, Hon. Sec. Kelty and Blairadam C.B.A., writes that schedules will be posted on Monday or Tuesday next.

Kindly notify, writes Mr. C. G. Pettersson, that I have changed my address from 4, Holmwood Grove, Newcastle, to 102, West Street, Gateshead.

Owing to early dates of shows, secretaries will oblige by applying for Ramsden's specials, enclosing coupons with application, at as early a date as possible.—(Advt.)

The schedules of Dysart C.B.S. show, writes Mr. Wm. Russell, secretary, have now been sent out. Any fancier who may have been overlooked kindly write to Wm. Russell, Castle of Guns, Dysart.

Mr. C. W. Law, Hon. Sec of the forthcoming L. and P.O.S. Show, asks us to notify applicants that the schedules are not quite ready yet, and that they will be sent out on or about Oct. 5.

Mr. Horrill, Hon. Sec., writes that at Barnstaple Show, Oct. 29-30, there will be two specials in every class, also eleven challenge cups and other valuable specials and patronage of U.K.B.C.A.

Fanciers who have not received a prize list of our show, writes Mr. Rob. Whitton, 2, Churchill Park, Broughty Ferry, can send on their entries, and I will classify them according to description.

Portsmouth C.B.S. Show, we hear, has secured the patronage of the Southern Yorks C.C. (novice competition) National British Bird and M.C., English and Welsh Border Fancy C.C., and the Foreign B.C.

Will you kindly mention through your valuable paper, which I have taken from the commencement, writes Mr. J. H. Mills, that my change of address is from 15, Moore St. to 96, Junction Road, Northampton.

Schedules are now ready for Newcastle C.B.S. seventh annual show on Oct. 18 and 19, writes Mr. J. W. Reed, Hon. Sec., 218, Ladykirk Road. Anyone not receiving one, please let me know, and I will forward.

Leeds C.B.S. open show schedules have been dispatched, writes Mr. W. A. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 75, Bayswater Mount, Ronndhay, Leeds. If anyone overlooked will kindly apply for one, the same will be forwarded by return.

We shall be holding our social on Saturday next, Sept. 28, at our headquarters, Textile Dining Rooms Show Road, writes Mr. Jas. Cope, Secretary Oldham and Dis. C.B.A. Tea on the table at 5.15. We shall be pleased to see old and new fanciers.

We hear from Mr. Bishop, Hon. Sec., that the Sheffield O.S., has again a nice balance on the right side from its members' nest feather show held in July, after paying £10 fixed prize money. Fanciers in the district will be welcomed to the ranks of this enterprising society.

Twitterings continued on page 763.

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(Continued from page 729.)

This instalment tells of the "dark" days when fanciers kept their knowledge to themselves.

I BEGAN the in breeding very carefully, never venturing any closer than cousins. I found the youngsters every bit as robust and every bit as strong looking as any I had bred before. With a few years of breeding, I found I had improved my birds more than I had done in twice the same period, the old way. This showed me it was an important thing in getting nearer to what I wanted. I was very careful not to overdo it, and did not risk mating too near relations.

I seemed to "hit" all at once. I had found out about the pink eyed bird being of cinnamon blood. I had got a nice yonng yellow cock, and paired him to a very smart, evenly-marked hen, which had splendid eye markings. She reared four in each nest, and had twelve of the nicest birds I had ever had up to that time. I sold two of the best yellow marked cocks to a well known exhibitor of cinnamon-marks, and they won all before them where classes were provided for the Cinnamon-marked Yorkshire.

Exhibiting Canaries was something I had never thought of going in for. I was satisfied with being able to breed some good birds, and I was proud of their success at the shows, although I got for them something which was almost nothing. I sold both these birds for under ten shillings. I never asked any fancy price. I bred them for my own fancy, and was content if I got a small trifle more than the dealers would give me. Two such birds now would easily fetch ten pounds, as I have never seen a better than one of them was, and I have had a few good ones since. I can safely say he was as good a cinnamon-marked yellow as any I have ever bred, and it is over twenty years since.

The Cinnamon-marked Yorkshire was then only in its infancy as a recognised variety of the Yorkshire, the Yorkshire Union having included it amongst the Yorkshire breeds, and got a few societies to make classes for them. Where no classes were provided, they had to go amongst the green-marked birds and not in the A.O.V. classes as they were usually shown.

For my success on the show bench, I must give a good deal of credit to my son. I am sure I should never have dreamed of staging a bird myself. He was very much elated by the sucess of the birds I parted with, as I sold lots that won in the keenest competition. Reading the show reports in "Fur and Feather," and seeing the constant winnings of these birds, my son had an idea that we ought to do the showing and win the honours for ourselves. I told him I knew nothing whatever of getting a bird ready for show. I said they would have to be washed and such like, and it was no easy matter to get to know how the job was done. Nine-tenths of the successful exhibitors at that time kept you in the dark as much as possible. You could get next to no information concerning the staging of birds; you had to experiment on your own. I often brought up the subject in an off-hand sort of manner to see if I could get to know anything of advantage. Although I had sold, or practically given away winning birds to a prominent exhibitor, when I moved on to this subject, however, I could get no satisfaction whatever from him, and nothing that would enlighten the novice in the least on this question.

I knew of an old Canary breeder, however, who had taken "Cassell's Book of the Canary," by Mr. Blakston. I asked him if he had kept the various parts, and what he wanted for them. He had them all straight and clean, so I bought them and got them bound into book form. This bird washing was the great difficulty. Now Mr. Bexson gives a very useful and instructive lesson on bird washing in Cassell's book. My son read and studied the work, till he found (in his mind) that it was the easiest thing in the world to wash a Canary.

We had lots of birds to practice on, so for a trial I let him have one that was of little value. I must say the experiment did not at all prove successful, as the bird was dirtier after it had gone through the process than before. This put a damper on the job. Birds must be very clean and straight for showing, so I told my son I had come to the conclusion we must give up the idea of showing birds, and leave it to those with more skill. I could see this did not pacify him; he argued that others had had a beginning; this I was forced to admit was so. I told him if we bred any fit to show next summer, we would show them at first feather shows. They would need no washing.



These magnificent trophies belong to Mr. E. Baker, of Cowes, Isle-of-Wight, and have been secured by his Norwich Plainheads, which for many years have been at the "top of the tree" at all the leading shows.

A Remarkable Experience.

We were lucky enough to breed a good one the following summer, and we exhibited it at Bradford in 1892, where he scored second prize. He won a few seconds afterwards, but not a first, being beaten generally by a yellow, he being a buff bird. It was very nice to have prize cards to hang up in the bird-room, with the prospects of a topper when moulted out. That was, however, to come, far from our expectations, for he moulted out a clear, although he had been marked in both wings, eyes, and a little back of head. This was beyond my experience; I had seen them moult out ticked, but for a good marked bird like that to moult clear was as unexpected as surprising. I have had another since, but they are very rare exceptions. I may say after that I could never fairly rely on them, till I saw them moulted.

Most Curious of them all.

Cinnamon-marked breeding is the most curious of all the Yorkshires. You never know what may turn up, a self cinnamon occasionally, a nest of clears, or, maybe, four a. They are a most treacherous breed, and I advise those who have not a long line of patience not to go in for this class of Yorkshire, or their stay in the field of Canary breeding will not be of long duration. Still, it is the most interesting of all the Canary tribe, the great disappointments seem to be relieved by the odd good one or two, which spur you on to try and attain greater and more brilliant success.

I generally find that if a new beginner happens to "hit on" the first or second season, and does wonderfully well, he is, on an average, not long in the Fancy. He will have a reverse, and it comes to him with such a shock that he sells out, not having acquired the patience necessary to all Canary breeders. I like to see a novice get on, but not too fast. He should climb the pole by degrees, for I find those who have gone steady are our best fanciers.

There is another interesting point I would like to mention, a point that has been raised scores of times by the most successful breeders, the law of dark-eyed and pink-eyed breeding. I have heard experienced judges and breeders say, you could not breed a cinnamon-marked cock from a green-marked cock. I have proved this not to be correct. The yellow cinnamon-marked cock first at the Crystal Palace in 1901 was bred from an even-marked green cock and a clear pink-eyed hen; the cock bird having a good percentage of cinnamon blood in him. I have never been able to prove what percentage a green-marked bird must have in it to breed cocks; some say 75 per cent. on the cock side to breed cinnamon-marked cocks.

(To be continued.)

The Musical Box of the Canary Family:

How the Roller Canary is Trained to Sing.

By J. TOMLINSON (Newcastle, Staffs.).

ANOTHER breeding season is over, having brought in its train the usual amount of pleasure, anxiety, and worry, affecting the spirit of the fancier in a greater or lesser degree, according to his temperament. Those who have scrutinised their CAGE BIRDS will have seen many new ideas depicted, also easier ways of doing things recommended, all of which tend towards the welfare of the stock, not to mention pleasure and profit to their owner.

The old adage, "Penny wise and pound foolish," is never better exemplified than when a bird fancier misses his Journal during that period of the year, which he is pleased to call the "Off-season," meaning the time when there are no show reports, and the advertisements are not up to the complement.

This is the season for the edification of the fancier, as the space hitherto given over to show reports, etc., is then filled with useful articles touching on all branches of the fancy. I am not making this remark in the spirit of light literature, as many will be able to testify, but for its utility to the fancier, as we can vividly recall to memory those times when a specialist journal did not exist.

The "Fortunate" Fancier

The reports to hand of the year's breeding of the Roller Canary are again varied. Some have had good results, extending in a few cases to being overstocked. Some have done badly; whilst again there is the fortunate fancier who says he has finished up the season moderately well. The experienced fancier will say that the name "fortunate," as applied to the latter is no misnomer, as he has a better opportunity of giving the young cocks a better tuition.

Faulty songsters have to be sorted out, and eyes and ears are needed in detecting the culprits. The work is thus more simplified when a moderate number only are in training. Of course, it is a comparatively easy matter to observe faults in a crowd, but it is most difficult to detect the actual offender at once, and in the meantime a detrimental influence is being imparted to the other youngsters.

Choice of a Training Room.

It is necessary to train Rollers properly that they should be removed from the breeding room as soon as they can care for themselves; away from the calls of the breeding hens, and songs of the stock cocks.

A cosy, moderately lighted corner of the living kitchen makes an excellent position, as a training room. I am aware that some fanciers do not agree with my choice. They opine that the members of the household, when passing the birds' cages, cause the youngsters to break off singing during their rehearsals. I contend, on the other hand, that the early removal from the breeding room to an ordinary living kitchen has a very beneficial effect in steadying them, and before they are old enough to sing any recognisable tours they become quite indifferent to the various movements taking place in their vicinity, a training invaluable to birds intended for exhibition purposes. Steadiness is also a valuable asset to a pet bird.

When the young birds are able to crack freely the ordinary canary seed, pick out the hens and transfer them to their winter quarters. This position is determined by the available space at the fancier's command, but it is imperative to good training that the hens be isolated from the young cocks. The staple diet of the latter is best German summer rape seed; extras, such as egg-food, mixed seed, or plain canary, can be given alternately, and in reasonable quantities, up to the period when the birds are nearing the completion of the moult. It is about this time that the different tours will gradually enrol themselves into a recognisable song; but more on this subject anon.

Choosing the Schoolmaster.

During the season the thoughts of the fancier will naturally have turned to the choice of the most suitable bird for a tutor. The decision should rest upon an even mellow-toned singer having the best variety of tours, without any imperfections. Where this is not possible, the faults to be allowed must be counterbalanced by the number and value of the good tours. Consideration must be given to the faulty notes, as some of the imperfections will terminate at that fault, whereas others are conducive to a secondary fault.

Illustrating those which are the most common, I commence with the high bell tour. This is an unpleasant and noisy one, and a bird singing it will nearly always bring out his flutes sharp or nasal. I have given careful thought to the subject of the bell tour, and, in all sincerity, I do not consider it worthy of a place in our birds' repertoire. In its best form it is only credited with two points on the show bench. In the hands of a novice fancier no milder term than dangerous can be applied to it, and it taxes the ingenuity of the experienced fancier in his endeavours to keep it to its normal tone.

The Aufzug is a fault that is not likely to be conducive to another fault, but should a bird singing it be given too much stimulating food, and allowed too much light, the imperfection would probably get worse, and would be known as a hard aufzug, then sounding as a miniature siren whistle. The most lenient of us cannot tolerate this. If the flutes are sung high and quickly, they are classed as sharp flutes, and when given in the "Uncle Sam" twang, are then called nasal flutes.

The hard schwirre is an imperfection that is not so common as the high bell, sharp, or nasal flutes; neither do I think it a stepping stone to a secondary fault. Personally, I have yet to be convinced that there is such a tour as a high schockel. Other imperfections are schnatter, zitt, and the chop. I am now pleased to write that the schnatter is rarely heard, and the chop and the zitt can be summarily dismissed by stating that neither of them is allowed in the song of the high-class Roller.

The trainer will thus observe that it is necessary to use his finest judgment in choosing a bird to act as a tutor. Faultless singers are about as rare as a glimpse of the sun in the Midlands this summer. Neither are they cheap to purchase, so the fancier has to make the best use of the bird which is the most convenient for him. Anon I will give a few methods of using to the best advantage a faulty songster for a schoolmaster.

Touching on the good tours our birds sing, we get the hollow roll in straight and in different keys, rising and falling. This latter way of delivering the hollow roll is a pretty and highly valued one, commencing in a low, wavering voice, then gradually rising, without a break, barely a semitone, afterwards gently falling back again to the original. Another good tour is the hollow bell, and its beauty is enhanced when delivered consecutively in two or more different keys. Glucke and water glucke are eagerly sought for at the present time. Water roll, bell roll, deep bubbling water tour, and bass roll, these are all good tours, although they are liable to deteriorate in their value. They are not even then classed as bad tours or rolls.

Management of the Tutor.

Having advised the beginner in the way of choosing his schoolmaster, a few hints on its management will not be out of place to enable him to maintain it at its present standard of excellence in song. Bird nature can be classed in many respects as similar to human nature. Some will copy and repeat a great deal of what they hear, while others will go on in their own sweet way, refusing to be led or driven.

(To be continued.)

Through a Bird-room Window

This article on Quaker Parrakeets is No. 28 of the new series of personal birdy experiences related by that eminent aviculturist the Rev. C. D. FARRAR.

No. 28.—MY QUAKER PARRAKEETS.

BOSWELL is careful to tell us that it was a "dull County Magistrate," who irritated the Doctor by a long and tedious account of four convicts whom he had sent to transportation; and drew down upon himself the dreadful response, "I heartily wish, sir, that I were a fifth." I sometimes think I shall some day incur a like wish, and that with my continual coming, I shall weary my long suffering readers. The Editor, however, tells me otherwise; and as the country woman said of the doctor who had attended her husband in his last moments, and who had unfortunately died as the result of his attentions, "he should know as he knowed what 'e gived 'e."

At the time of which I am going to write, retrenchment was in the air. It is all very well to talk of retrenchment. It reminds me of the story of the Duke of Buckingham, who when finance difficulties began to thicken around him manfully resisted all proposals of retrenchment, and when a friend, foreseeing disaster, suggested that it was superfluous to keep, as well as a French chef and an English roasting cook, an Italian confectioner, exclaimed with generous force, "Good gad! Mayn't a man have a biscuit with his glass of sherry." Well, I didn't go quite as far as that, but I must confess that the suggestion for retrenchment was not uncalled for in my case, for at the time I had got two hundred birds of one sort and another, and I was daily adding to their number. It is always well to secure a rare specimen, as you never know when another will turn up. However, at the moment, I was really a little bit frightened at the size of my avian family, and had quite made up my mind to add no more thereto at any rate for the time; but alas, they used no tact in dealing with me. I can be led anywhere, but I won't be driven. I can at times be as stubborn as a mule. They rubbed me up the wrong way by telling me that I was getting old, and ought to take more care of myself.

A Lesson in Tact.

"Remember," they said, "you are no longer as young as you were, and you can't stand going out in the damp grass in all weathers." Here was what I distinctly call an instance of want of tact. An admiring writer once said to Archbishop Longley, when on a visit to Addington, "Dear Archbishop, everybody knows that you have the most wonderful tact in the world. How would you define it?" Here is his Grace's answer. "Not so long ago a clergyman wrote to me politely, asking for a living. He began the letter thus: 'Knowing your Grace's advanced age and increasing infirmities, I can no longer delay to put my wishes before you.' That was not tact." Was it tact to say to a strong and vigorous man of six and forty that he must no longer go out in the damp weather? I determined to show in a practical way that I could, and I would. I hadn't very much money at the time, or else I would have invested in something rare; I therefore did the next best thing, and bought four Quaker Parrakeets, which I saw offered for the modest sum of 15s. Had I known at the time all I learnt subsequently I should have thought them dear at any price.

May not a "Merry" Month.

The time when the advertisement caught my eye was May. Mays have always been disagreeable, except apparently in Chaucer's day, as all readers of the Canterbury Tales will remember. Maybe his description of May was a Canterbury Tale. Matthew Arnold notes a dull first of May in 1863, and in May, 1869, he writes that in this wild east wind everything looks harsh and gloomy. May 22, 1867, was Derby Day, and Hermit won his famous victory with snow lying on the course. In May, 1873, Bishop Wilberforce wrote: "The marks of the frost on the 20th are very sad, large oaks with every leaf shrivelled up, and black as if they had been burnt." I felt that in buying my friends there was a certain amount of risk, but then all the books I consulted told me that Quakers were very hardy. In fact, I had just read a lovely story of how some Quakers escaped in mid-winter, and thoroughly enjoyed themselves in the snow, and kept themselves warm, I presume, by digging great holes in the thatch of a neighbouring barn. It didn't say what the farmer thought of them. In Yorkshire he would have got out his shotgun and ended their career incontinently.

When they came to hand I saw clear marks of their destructive propensities in the gnawed and dilapidated state of the box they had come in. Indeed, I think that if their stay therein had been much longer prolonged I should have received the box without any inside passengers. There was a nasty ugly look about their grey beaks that kept me at a distance, and I opened the box with a long chisel and without any unnecessary handling.

The Voice of the Quakers.

I had only a rather bleak open wire run, covered over with corrugated iron, in which I could put them, so I carried the box out, put it on the floor, prized off the lid, and let them walk out as they liked. They emerged in a few seconds one after the other, and they presented a very ragged appearance, for their tails were a good deal damaged. Not so their voices, for of all the hideous noises I ever heard I think these Quakers took the supremacy. I once had a pair of Solomon Island Cockatoos in the garden, and, at our station a mile away, you could hear them talking to each other, but they talked as African natives say, "with a sweet mouth," compared to these Quakers. The noise they made was ear splitting, and I would defy anyone to speak or think or keep their temper, while they were engaged in conversation. Their cry was a loud piercing scream that seemed capable of going on for ever, world without end.

After looking them well over I concluded that I had got a cock and three hens. There was not much in it, but one looked bolder and more masculine, was cleaner in his white and seemed decidedly the master spirit. I accordingly caught up two of the supposed ladies and caged them, as I knew that more than one lady to a house usually leads to unpleasantness.

A Nest Threatens the Roof.

My next great longing was to see one of the wonderful Quaker nests of which I had read so much. These I was led to believe were as big as haystacks, and composed of sticks that if used by human beings would be as large as ten foot oak beams. Aviculture is a field of liberal proportion, and the labour of those who till it is enriched by many exciting discoveries. In this case I found that, although there had possibly been a little pardonable exaggeration on the part of the writers, there was a very large substratum of truth. Although perhaps Quakers did not build nearly as big as the average haystack, and though they did not use broomsticks to construct it with, they certainly did get together an amazing store of material for so small a bird. My first care was to get a solid foundation for the coming structure. To this end I bought a Tate sugar box, and fastened it up near the roof, and then I went out into the garden and broke off all the poplar branches of about two feet in length I could get hold of. They are nice and soft, and pliable, and do not break. I threw about a barrow load of these on the floor, and then considerately retired for the night. The next morning I was up betimes, and my first look at the floor showed me that all the sticks were gone. The floor was as bare as Mother Hubbard's celebrated cupboard. On going inside I looked into the box, and it was filled nearly up to the top. I said to myself, these are the birds I have been looking for all my life. These are creatures that know how to build, and have no silly modesty about them.

Why Hopes Failed to Materialize.

Visions of medals began to float before my eyes. In fact my next medal seemed something like a dead cert, as the tipsters say. Alas, I little knew these Quakers. They were merely pulling my leg. Day after day I threw in fresh sticks, and day after day they used them up, and still, like Oliver Twist, kept asking for more. Higher and higher grew the structure until I began to think it would force the roof off if it got much bigger, and still nothing happened. Day by day I used to look for eggs, but day after day only to meet with disappointment, and day after day these birds toiled on, as if their very existence depended on it.

Did the Birds Laugh Too?

One day a friend came to see me, and I took him to see the Quakers, and I asked him what he thought was the matter. Had I failed in any respect, and if so, would he kindly point out my shortcomings? My friend is a man who can conceal his feelings usually; he looks at you volto sciolto, pensœra stretti, a frank and open countenance with a prudent and reserved interior. This time, however, his feelings quite got the better of him, and he burst out laughing. I asked him what he found amusing in the situation. "Only my dear chap," he replied, positively rocking with suppressed laughter, "They are two cocks!" and then I remembered how Brahms had once said, "It is as hard to find a wife as to write an opera, I shall attempt neither," and I wished I hadn't, for clearly I knew little about Quaker configuration.

I felt very small, but still I tried to put the best face on the matter, and I invited my friend to come and view the wonderful nest. He apparently could see little to admire, and he even ventured to think that I had placed the sticks in the box and dubbed it a nest. He said it reminded him of the church in Langham Place which was described by the Irish bricklayer "as built according to Mr. Nash's positive orders."

For weeks these wretched birds went on with their building. First they filled the box with sticks, then some fine morning they would pull them out again and commence de novo.

Disturbers of the Peace.

One morning a brilliant idea occurred to me. I would turn out the other two Quakers, and see what would happen. I did it, and you never heard anything more like a pandemonium than the row that ensued.

The noise was something like that which made Hadyn, on hearing the singing of a Presbyterian congregation, exclaim, "Ach! Gott is merciful." Their vocal performances reminded me of the story told to H.M.I. at a certain school. Excuse me, sir, we don't take part singing. The fact is we kind of holloa it together. So dreadful did the nuisance become that my long suffering parishioners threatened to summons me for a nuisance. They said they could neither eat, sleep, nor pray, because of these birds.

Accordingly I was forced to get rid of them. I inserted a little advertisement in the paper. Four Quaker Parrakeets, sex unknown, always building; price 15s. the lot. They went off like hot cakes. I believe I could have sold a score. I often wondered (though I never heard) what was the after life of these birds. Did they live long, and perhaps rear young, or were their necks twisted incontinently at the hands of an irate owner? On the day that they left our station I registered a solemn vow that Quaker Parrakeets should never again enter my doors, and so far I have kept it inviolate.

Just a Word in their Favour.

I can say one thing in favour of Quakers, they are perfectly hardy. I believe that nothing would ever kill them but open violence, and with so many delicate birds about this is surely an advantage. They will thrive on any sort of seed, and if you like nest building they will always gratify your tastes, but if you "seek peace and ensure it," never be tempted to buy a Quaker, no matter at what price he may be offered.

I felt quite like the old rustic who had never been wed as these birds steamed out of our station. True I had failed to get them to nest, and I had (I own with difficulty), refrained from killing them, but as he quaintly remarked to his vicar, "I've been spared the marrying expenses, and that's summat." I've been spared the burying expenses, and that's summat.

Moulting and Exhibiting the Border Fancy Canary.

A lecture by Mr. J. JOHNSTONE, of Wallsend.

(*Concluded from page 731*).

I strongly believe in giving something tasty in the way of mixed seeds to brace them up. My mixture is composed of equal parts dandelion, thistle, shepherd's purse, plantain, gold of pleasure, lettuce, and maw seeds; it might appear to you rather a tall order this, but I gather most of them myself, so to me it is not so expensive as it is good.

When sending birds to a show I put a teaspoonful of this mixture in their cage so that when they are opened out at the other end there is a nice pick-me-up there for them. Of course that is provided some of our clever railway officials have not turned them upside down before they get to the end of their journey. They get the same mixture when they get home, with the addition of a little heated milk to drink.

The Bath at All Times.

After they have had a feed, if they arrive home in the morning, on goes the bath, let it be sunshine or rain, frost or snow, I don't care which, nor do the birds; how they do enjoy it, in fact they are ready for another bath a couple of hours after. Of course there are times that we might have a bird catch a bit of a cold during its outing; in that case I would withhold the bath and give it a tea spoonful of egg food slightly dusted over with cayenne pepper, and half a teaspoonful of equal parts whiskey and glycerine to two tablespoonfuls of water.

I think everyone here will have read over and over again what is laid down to us as the standard of excellence, and will have studied our Mother Club's Model, the one adopted by us, so it is not at all necessary for me to attempt to tell you something you already know. But I might say that so long as our present model remains unaltered it is our duty to try and breed to it. More than that, there is no judge but who ought to judge to it, and then breeders would know what was really wanted to win. Not as it is at present, some going in for short chubby birds (Miniature Norwich), others for slim straight up and down birds like (Miniature Yorkies). A Border must be proportionately made, and a sort of intermediate between the Norwich and Yorkshire, and should not exceed 5½ inches.

The Show Points of a Border.

The head must be small and neatly rounded from all points of view. You may have seen a bird with a head nicely arched, and some would say it has a nice round head. They appear to only look at it over the top. When viewed face on it may be quite snipey looking, on account of it being not properly filled in on cheeks, but flat; a head of this description is quite as bad as one that is flat on top. Beak nice and fine, a lot of otherwise good birds are simply spoiled on account of having a coarse heavy beak. To me this is an eye-sore, and if allowed any scope will ruin all.

Eyes full, bright, and well set in the head; it sets a bird off does a good eye. Neck inclined to be fine; this is a point where a lot of our would-be Border judges fail, they want them full in the neck, and a bird answering to our standard in neck has to take a back seat.

Back must be nicely rounded; many birds are weak here, having a slight squareness or flatness across the shoulders, which makes the bird appear to be pinched in front, and others have a decided hollow at the bottom, which gives the impression of its being hunch-backed. It must be well filled in, and run in a straight line from the gentle rise of the shoulders right down to the tail.

Chest also must be nicely rounded; just full enough to take the Yorkie look from the bird, but not so prominent as a Norwich, just sufficient to hide the butts of the wings with a gradual sweep all the way, giving the bird a wedge-like appearance. Wings well laid on, that is meeting all the way down the back and terminating at the tail. Quite a lot of birds have wings just meeting at the tips, but which appear as if they had had a piece cut out of them just above the rump; this is another bad fault. Tail a nice length harmonising with the body and neatly folded, carried well up to the wings, and don't forget well filled in at the base; failing that it spoils the bird of that nice graceful sweep we all admire.

Where Colour-feeding is Barred.

Legs of medium length, showing a little thigh set, and fine, not coarse, feet, neat and in harmony. Plumage as close as ever you can get it, and also rich and soft in colour, which must be natural, as you are all aware we are colour feeding in our variety.

Position. Standing at an angle of about 45 degrees, not straight up and down like a Yorkshire, nor as low down as a Norwich, but a bit in between. In fact a Border Fancy is a sort of go-between the two all the way.

Such, gentlemen, is my own opinion of what a good Border ought to be. I now beg to thank you one and all for your patient hearing. I hope everyone will express views on anything I have said, as I am not merely here to-night to teach any of you, but to open out a friendly discussion, as it is in an exchange of opinions that we are likely to learn far more than by lecturing.

We hear that owing to increased trade, Mr. W. Cottingham, of 9, Peveril Street, Nottingham, has had to take additional premises at No. 7, and intends running the two shops, with one of the largest and most up-to-date stocks of birds, seeds and foods, cages and appliances, in the Midlands, and under the old business motto of "Straightforward dealings."

The handbook of the Norwich Plainhead C.C. is as neat in get-up as usual. It contains the rules of the club, the points of an exhibition Plainhead, the list of shows (10) at which the Club's patronage will be given during the coming season, a list of members, and other useful information. The balance-sheet shows a credit balance of £1 6s., but this is inclusive of £2 7s. 6d. outstanding.

Will you kindly state, asks Mr. Robinson, Hon. Sec. Hanley and Dist. C.B.S., that we have got the Patronage of the Midland Counties Yorkshire Canary Club, both in open and novice. It would be a help to others if you could ask exhibitors when sending for schedules not to use an envelope with a note inside, with only a halfpenny stamp for postage. I received one such this morning. Fortunately, I caught sight what it was and gave it the postman back. I was sharp enough to see on the note schedule, Brownson, Spennymoor, but I did not get the proper address.

The principal item in the September issue of the "Avicultural Magazine," the journal of the Avicultural Society, is the first instalment of a most interesting account of the breeding of the Black Redstart, by Mr. Teschemaker, B.A. Mr. Frank Finn gives some practical advice on "The Transport of Birds." An entertaining account of the keeping of the Paradise Flycatcher is written by Mr. Stuart Baker. Mrs. Currey writes on the importance of "Fresh Air for Birds." The series "Practical Bird-keeping" is continued this month by Mr. St. Quintin by an account of the keeping of various Game birds in captivity.

To Club Secretaries.

We have made arrangements where-by a large and comfortable room at our offices, 154, Fleet Street, E.C., will be at the disposal of Specialist Societies, Fancier's Societies and Clubs, etc., wishing to use same for the purpose of meetings, gatherings, etc. The only stipulation we make is that due notice be given the Editor of CAGE BIRDS in good time before the room is wanted, together with the specified hour and date. The room will be at their disposal entirely free of any charge except where the meetings are to be held at night-time, when a nominal charge of 2s. 6d. will be made to defray cost of electric lighting and caretaker's expenses. We hope secretaries will take advantage of CAGE BIRDS' original idea.

Dispersal of a Famous Collection of Birds.

We have an item of news to convey this week which will come as a surprise to aviculturists, and be received, we think, with no small amount of regret. It is that the famous collection of birds brought together by Mons. Pauwels, of Everberg, Belgium, is to be dispersed. With the magnificence of the range of aviaries and birdrooms erected by M. Pauwels and the glorious birds he has collected therein, most of the readers of our journal will be acquainted. By the aid of Mr. O. Millsum, the well-known English aviculturist (late of Swindon) during the last few years there has been gathered together at Everberg a superb assemblage of the gems of the avian tribe, probably unsurpassed by any other private collection in the world. The many unique examples M. Pauwels has exhibited at the chief London shows, to the delight of all bird-lovers here, will be readily recalled—the Cock of the Rock, the Fairy Blue Bird, the Blue Budgerigars, and the Birds of Paradise come at once to the mind.

It will be readily realised that it is not without a pang that M. Pauwels gives up his birds, or Mr. Millsum severs his connection with them. But Mr. Millsum has been led to the latter decision in the interests of his wife and children. M. Pauwels, though he deeply regrets the severance, admits that he (Mr. M.) has decided aright, and in view of the nature of his collection of birds, and that he cannot replace Mr. Millsum's services under similar conditions, has reluctantly come to the conclusion that he had best dispose of all his stock, excepting, maybe, the inmates of the largest British Bird aviary. As Mr. Millsum practically founded the collection, he is, at M. Pauwels expressed wish, to stay at Everberg until he has disposed of it. A catalogue of the stock is in course of preparation, and will be ready in a week or so's time; those desirous of securing one should apply to Mr. Millsum, Everberg par Cortenberg, Brabant, Belgium (postage—postcard 1d., letters 2½d.)

Mr. J. R. Meikle, Secretary, Scottish Metropolitan (Open Derby) O.A., requests us to state that he has received an entry form, with three exhibits thereon, but member has forgotten to put his name and address. Birds are entered as follows: One in class 3, £20, and two in class 7, £20 each. If the exhibitor will bring or send his exhibits to show hall, the class and name labels will be put on cages, as they are ready.

OBITUARY.

Mr. G. WALTON (Birmingham).

It is with great regret, writes Mr. J. Sheppard, Small Heath, that I have to report the death of one of our most popular members of the South Birmingham O.S., Mr. G. Walton, who passed away after a short illness on Thursday last, the 19th inst., at his residence, Maine Street, Sparkhill, Birmingham. In him, the Society lose a great helper. He was a cage-maker of no mean repute, showing at all the leading shows, and his cages were always admired. The Society was represented by Mr. E. Hall at the funeral, and sent a beautiful wreath. To the widow, in her sad bereavement, the members one and all tender their deepest heartfelt sympathy.

Mr. TINNISWOOD MILLER (London, S W.)

It is with the deepest regret that we find it devolves upon us to announce the death of that prominent London bird-lover, Mr. Tinniswood Miller, under circumstances of a particularly distressing and painful character. The deceased gentleman was found dead at his office on September 19; he had shot himself with a magazine pistol. The reason for this act would seem to have been worry over the depreciation of investments, owing to the pressure of latter-day taxation; but in a letter left by Mr. Miller it was stated that his wife's income would be about £400 per annum. A pathetic feature emphasising Mr. Miller's great love of his birds, lay in a document he left giving at length directions for their treatment. Mrs. Miller, to whom we tender our heartfelt condolences, and to whom will go out the respectful sympathy of all bird-lovers, is also very fond of birds, and a patron of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE.

The late Mr. Tinniswood Miller took an active interest in the cage bird hobby, and many of the beautiful and rare foreign birds owned by his wife and himself were to be seen at the chief London shows, usually figuring high in the prize list. Mr. Miller was for a time chairman of the London Cage Bird Association, and worked hard to ensure the success of the great Horticultural Hall shows held under the auspices of that body. He was also prominently identified with the work of the Foreign Bird Club (acting at one time as honorary treasurer), and was a Fellow of the Zoological Society. The deceased gentleman was of a genial, kindly disposition, and had endeared himself to a wide circle of birdkeepers, by whom his loss will be sincerely mourned.

Mr. Wesley T. Page, hon Editor of the Foreign Bird Club's monthly magazine, writes: "This terribly sad event hits me very hard indeed—I have lost a cordial and valued friend—as indeed it must even those who had but a passing acquaintanceship with Mr. Miller. I have known him for over six years, during the greater part of which he has been a valued colleague in the work of the Club. Mr. and Mrs. Miller were childless, and the care usually lavished on a family was in this instance bestowed on their birds—no trouble was too arduous to secure their well-being. In some instances, with certain species, the cage trays were cleaned thrice daily. Mr. Miller's death will come as a sad blow to his fellow-members of the Foreign Bird Club."

The Bold Missel Thrush.

To distinguish the Missel Thrush from the Song Thrush is not a very difficult matter. The Missel is larger, greyer in colour, and lacks the nut-brown colouring of the more accomplished singer, he is also more profusely spotted, particularly on the flanks where the spots are bold and very regular. He flies higher with big sweeps of the wings, and looks almost as large as a pigeon.



SCOTCH FANCY NATIONAL DERBY (Glasgow).

Annual show and competition, held in the Grand National Halls, Main Street, Gorbals, Glasgow, Sept. 21, amid genial weather conditions. The hall was well lighted, and the genial sunlight which shone in during the afternoon lent a pleasing aspect to the tiers of cages, and must have been a great help in the work entailed on those responsible for the placing of the awards. The bird of the Scotsman was well represented here, both in quantity and quality, and we noticed the presence of many well-known fanciers of the bird o' circle. While the membership was slightly less than the previous year, entries were up, which, notwithstanding the bad breeding season experienced by many, may be taken as very satisfactory. Mr. Baird, the secretary, knows his book; he is courteous and obliging to all, and the work proceeds as methodically and silently as the tick of the clock. That his services are much appreciated goes without saying. The Hon. President, Mr. Wm. Hart, is the genuine article, while President R. Wright and Vice-president County Councillor Jas. Hogg are both men of high renown in the Scots Fancy cult. Messrs. Paterson, Edinburgh; Borland, Galston; Watson, Glasgow; and Price, Barrhead, made the awards, and there was little grumbling to be heard. The Derby winner is a clinking specimen, and a popular win, hailing from the famous McClure stud, as likewise did the runner up, and best of opposite sex to cup winner. Willie had donned his best smile, and may well be envied as well as congratulated upon his success. We heard many expressions of regret over the untimely demise of the respected late hon. sec., Mr. T. Smith.

The Critique.

CL. OR FOUL YELL. CK. (24): 1, Brown, massive cl., in fine trim, grand depth through, A1 top end, and clean cut away below; 2, Montgomery, grand foul, fine reach and good top end, not just so thick as leader, but a fine free worker, and a good trier for 1st; 3, McClure, nice size, fairly good shape and style, but not just up to the scratch line yet; 4, Main, in fine trim and nicely set down, a good one, hard on the run for higher honours; 5, Muir; 6, Stewart; 7, Fulton; 8, Vernall. YELL. CK., PIED. OR GREEN (23): 1, McLennan, massive built, and deep through, nice reach and style, not quite ready yet, but should take some shifting ere the season closes; 2, Muir, smaller in build, but very stylish, and a free worker, wants a little more depth, otherwise good; 3, Stewart, similar in size to 2nd, nice top end, fine reach, shapely, but could do with more size; 4, Fulton, nice one for size and shape, looking a bit soft when we saw it; 5, Campbell; 6, Dalgleish; 7, Jackson; 8, McMillan. BUFF CK., CL., OR FOUL (29): 1, 2, Brown, leading with a grand nervy foul, nice top end and determined drive, free to work; a well made showy specimen, 2nd, again a good one, shapely and stylish, failing a little to leader in shoulder; 3, Dalgleish, rare size and depth, well under perch, in grand condition; not quite the style of those in front, still a good 3rd; 4, Fulton, quite a nice one for size, substance and quality; 5, McClure; 6, Jardine; 7, Lyle; 8, Thornton. BUFF COCK, PIED OR GREEN (25): 1, and best opposite sex to cup winner, McClure, real nervy free working exhibit, capital top end and drive, and fine substance, in capital condition, wins in grand fashion; 2, McLennan, real good one, steady as a rock, and takes the position at once, running well up on leader for top place; 3, Muir, good thick made typical specimen, in fine condition, gives way to leaders in point of reach; 4, Slater, really a good one, in fine form, fine in shape, style and reach, deserves its position here; 5, Wilson; 6, Dalgleish; 7, Wilson; 8, Fulton. YELL. HEN, CL., OR FOUL (30): 1, 2, Brown, leader a grand high coloured cl., in faultless condition, and possessing rare qualities throughout, a topper, 2nd, nice one for shape and style, fails in size to leader, and is not quite finished yet; 3, 8, Stewart, 3rd, nice size and girth, in good condition, a trifle more reach would make big difference; 4, McClure, lacks the size and substance of leaders, still a nice one in capital trim; 5, Muir; 6, Neil; 7, McIlwain. YELL. HEN, PIED OR GREEN (21): 1, Menzies, massive pied lady, plenty of size and substance here, nice quality and deep through, reachy and prominent in drive, one of the right sort; 2, Jardine, another pied, of fair size, but not quite the same stuff as leader, and barely ready yet; 3, Maxwell, smallish green, nice in shape and style, good action, just wants substance to make up something nice; 4, Muir, similar in size to 3rd, in nice trim, but beaten here; 5, Renfrew; 6, Wilson; 7, Thornton; 8, Gibb. BUFF HEN, CL. OR FOUL (30): 1, McClure, capital cl., shown in faultless condition, fine reach and drive, deep made and a stylish free worker, wins well; 2, Brown, another nice one for type and size, but not quite so thick through as leader, still, a good trier for the top; 3, Orr, another fine specimen, well up for type and quality, and not much to choose between for 2nd place; 4, Dalgleish, still well to the front for quality and shape, features which in this class were more consistent than in any other in the show; 5, Main; 6, Thornton; 7, Beattie; 8, Moore. BUFF HEN, PIED OR GREEN (34): 1, and cup, McClure, here we had a taste of real Scotch, not one of the largest, but all there for type and quality, capital shape and rare reach and drive, and staged to win; 2, Gray, large and shapely exhibit, slow to work, and could be better in reach, looked just scarcely ready yet; 3, McLennan, a real sweet one, looking very fit when we saw it, capital shape and reach, with just a little more depth would be a tickler and would not have disgraced the 2nd ticket; 4, 5, Dalgleish, 4th, very fine exhibit, nice style and action, looking very fit, not just the size of those in front, but one the right kind; 6, Brown; 7, Stewart; 8, Moore.

I have been a reader of CAGE BIRDS for nearly two years now and have gained much useful information from its pages, to which I owe much of my success this season, writes Mr. R. W. Campbell (Cambridge).

I was pleased, on reading report of the L. and L.F.A. meeting, to note the great satisfaction expressed at the Lancashires and Lizards having been again catered for at Sheffield show, after an absence of some years, writes Mr. T. Bishop, the secretary, and beg to thank Messrs. Maitland and Vickers for their special prizes. In all, we have seventy-two classes, with prize money and money specials to the amount of £100. The patronage of the Y.C.C., C.M.Y.C.C., O.N.P.C., L. and L.F.A., L.C.A., N.B.B.M.C., Y.C.B.B.M.C, and F.B.C has been secured, and exhibitors' instructions will be carried through by a committee of thorough practical fanciers.

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Sympathy.

It is with sincere sorrow that I have to open my notes of this week by recording that one of our patrons, Mrs. Tinniswood Miller, has suffered the worst affliction that may happen to any woman, the death of her husband. Mr. Tinniswood Miller, whose untimely death is referred to in another column, was well known to all of us who take especial interest in the foreign birds which form such an attractive section of our shows. Mrs. Miller was herself responsible for the exhibition of many of the exquisite specimens shown, and in the perfection in which they have always been staged there was evident the touch of a lady's hand, but Mr. Miller was as well known to the experts who delight to gather around the foreign birds, as was Mrs. Miller herself, and the birds were one of his greatest pleasures. His death has come as a violent shock to a very wide circle of friends. To Mrs. Miller in her sad bereavement I tender heartful sympathy, in which I am sure I shall be joined by all CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE members.

Cage Bird Fund for the Distress in Norwich.

With the £11 18s. 6d. acknowledged last week, our fund in aid of the distressed Canary breeders of Norwich now amounts to £12 5s. 6d., the undermentioned amounts having been received since our last and up to the time of writing, Wednesday, Sept. 25. There must be many CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE members who are intending to subscribe to this very worthy object, the relief of fellow fanciers in distress, and I hope that all these will be kind enough to send along their contributions without delay, so that our committee of good friends at Norwich who have promised to see that the funds are judiciously administered in alleviation of real necessity may get to work. The amounts received since the last list are: 2s. each, Mrs. Spooner and H. Whyte; 1s. each, W. O. March, D. Storran, and "Carmarthen."

For particulars of membership, coupon, etc., see page 743 of last week's issue.

HENRY J. FULLJAMES,
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We have again secured the Masonic Hall for our show on Nov. 2, writes Mr. Cameron, secretary Bo'ness and Dist. F.A., and I think there is no better hall in Scotland for the purpose. Bo'ness is situated on the North British Railway, and has access from all parts. Late trains run on Saturday night at 7.50 and 10.40 to suit connection to all parts.

The September issue of "Bird Notes," the organ of the Foreign Bird Club, opens with an account by Mr. Herbert Bright of the foreign birds in his ontdoor aviaries at Liverpool. The Rev. J. M. Paterson contributes an interesting account of the nesting of the Amethyst Sun bird in an Indian garden. Mr. Hopkinson continues the series, "Birds of Gambia." Dr. Gosse writes of the breeding of Malabar Mynahs in his aviary. Mr. Shore Baily tells of a hen Starling in his aviary which received visits from a wild male which went to and fro through a small hole, with the result that she hatched three young. The Rev. G. H. Raynor writes of the Senegal Parrot, his old favourite the Meyer's Parrot, and the very rare Aubry's Parrot, which latter will grace the show bench at the next Palace Show, thus making a first appearance at a bird show. Miss Hartley describes the breeding of a Hybrid between Swainson's Loriket and the Chattering Lory. Not the least interesting item in the issue is an account of a clever performing Ring-neck Parrakeet belonging to Mr. Ezra. This talented bird does quite a number of tricks,

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Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mule and Hybrids—**G. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.H.S., &c., Wild Bird Life—**H. Norman.**

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

TEMPERATURE OF DRYING CAGE (Border).—I have not really taken the temperature inside an ordinary drying cage in which birds are dried before a fire after washing. You should easily be able to utilise your own discretion in this matter, as everything naturally turns upon the condition of the fire in the grate. As a general guide for the first 10 or 15 minutes, whilst the birds are wrapped up place them near enough to feel a good warm glow on the back of your hand, but not in any sense a blistering or even uncomfortable degree of heat. When they are unwrapped place them a little farther back, but still where a quite comfortable glow will fall upon them, say, if there is a nice clean glowing fire in the bars at a distance of 2½ft. to 3ft. As soon as the birds begin to move about on the perches and shake out their feathers, put them still a little farther back from fire, or if the plumage still seems very full of moisture leave them in the same place a little longer, but throw a light linen or thin muslin cover over the front of cage to temper the heat a little, and a quarter of an hour or so later draw cage farther back. It is not wise to try to dry the birds too quickly. For fullest details of washing you should get Part IV. of "Our Canaries."

OUTSIDE AVIARY (Caxton).—The fact of your boards being tongued and grooved does not alter the thickness of them, which is the essential part, and the fact remains that there is but a bare half inch betwixt your bird's sanctuary and the raging or blazing, as the case may be, elements outside, and you are doubtless aware how long it will take a blazing sun or a piercing frost to make itself felt through such slight walls. If you know this you should be able to foresee the immense and rapid fluctuations the birds may have to endure. You should really make an effort to line the inside with thin boards, and fill in the space between with saw-

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2), or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

dust or wool waste. I note you say it is nicely sheltered from the wind, and if this also includes shelter from rain and snow to a fair extent, it is quite possible that hardy Canaries raised under quite normal conditions of temperature would thrive there all the year round without heat, as it stands, without the suggested alteration, but there would doubtless be a certain amount of risk. How much, I cannot say, as it depends solely upon the local conditions. In any case the present is a bad time to put out birds for the first time. It would be much safer to keep them in a cold room indoors until next March. Norwich Plainheads would be a very good variety to begin with for this class of work.

COLD AND SINGING (Donco).—(1) See that the bird is in a fairly equable temperature, quite free from cold draughts, and the fumes of burning lights in the evenings. In addition to the usual seed diet give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion, well mixed in it every second day for a fortnight. On the alternate days give a pinch of equal parts maw, inga, and gold of pleasure seed, and a spray of green food. In the drinking water add 20 drops of whisky, five each of Ipecacuhana wine and oxymel of squills, and two of eucalyptus oil, and shake well together, every second day for a fortnight. For full details of feeding get the No. 5 Nutshell Booklet, or No. 10 if your bird is a Roller. (2) Yes, the Canary has a natural song of its own, which it will sing intuitively, so to speak, without the aid of a tutor. But if you want a really good songster it is quite as important to provide good tutors as to breed for them. Tuition is absolutely essential for high-class songsters. Your bird, to be properly taught, should have been under a tutor quite two or three months. (3) The song of a highly trained Roller would probably be corrupted by the presence of Lark and Blackbird. But in the case of an ordinary songster it would not, in my opinion, suffer any deterioration. It is, however, just a matter of personal taste.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

SEPARATING FLUFF FROM SEED (Open to Learn).—A method largely adopted to separate thistle seed from the "fluff" is to drop it into a shallow pan of water. The seed sinks leaving the fluff and rubbish floating at the top. Drain away the water, and spread the seed on paper in the sun to dry. Note also letter in correspondence columns this week.

A THRUSH'S CLOGGED NOSTRILS (G. Hedges).—Wash out the nostrils with warm water to which a few drops of Condy's fluid have been added. When the deposit has been softened, pass a tiny feather (or camel-hair pencil brush) into the nostrils, first soaking it, of course, in the warm solution of Condy's fluid. Two or three drops of the latter should be stirred into the bird's drinking water (fresh twice daily) for a short period.

CUTTING YOUNG BLACKBIRD'S TONGUE (A. White).—Surely there cannot be people in Birmingham so ignorant as to tell you that a young Blackbird won't sing unless its tongue is cut? It seems incredible. Are you sure they were serious; or were they only "pulling your leg"? I can only say that it would be an act of gross cruelty to cut any Blackbird's tongue, and that the person guilty of it ought to suffer imprisonment. How do the Blackbirds of the fields get their tongues cut, I wonder? Yet they manage to sing. No bird's tongue needs cutting, either for singing or talking; the barbarous operation, in fact, has no effect.

THE CASE OF A THRUSH (W. Draper).—Your feeding of the bird may not be correct—i.e., not nutritious and digestible. Consult the "Nutshell" booklet on the Song Thrush (post free 2½d.), or the bird may be troubled with parasites (in which case consult CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL). You do not say anything at all concerning your methods of management. Does it have regular opportunites of bathing? You could try applying once daily, with your finger, gently, and rubbing the way the feathers should lie, just a little of a mild sulphur ointment, which any chemist would supply.

A BULLFINCH (W. H. B.).—Doesn't the bird show any sign of moulting? Spray him very lightly once daily with a solution of boric acid (half an ounce in a pint of water). A scent spray can be utilised for this purpose. Don't make the bird very wet and bedraggled; direct the solution chiefly on

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

the bare parts. If this has no effect, write me again in about a fortnight's time. Providing your stock mixture does not contain hemp, you seem to be feeding the bird on correct lines. I expect he has not moulted, or his condition would hardly have been so bad.

A CLUTCH OF SEVEN (Dr. E. Sprawson).—(1) The room will hold five pairs providing they are selected so as not to "clash," as it were. (2) The four hen Bullies would be certain to quarrel. Two would be the outside allowance; even then there might possibly be trouble. (3) The eggs would most certainly be better under foster-mothers (hen Canaries), but occasionally a hen Finch will rear her young, the Greenfinch being the likeliest of all. I have known hen Goldies, Redpolls, Siskins, and Linnets to succeed; but the reverse is usually one's experience. (4) Yes; Hybrids from Siberian parents compete in the same classes as Hybrids bred from British parents. (5) They could be moulted together, but it is necessary to remove them out of sight and hearing towards the end of January. It is a well-known dodge, however, to hang a male of the same species as the hen, on the front of the aviary or cage, when the hen is showing signs of nesting, the idea being to induce her to "call" to him and allow the male bird she is paired with to take advantage of the opportunity thus presented to him. (6) I have always found it more difficult to get Siberian hen Bullies and cock Goldies to breed than their English relatives. (7) Size is the only advantage accruing from the Siberian parentage; an extremely valuable item, however.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

SEXING PARROTS (J. S.).—The species of Parrots are legion, and until you tell me what kind of Parrot your bird is, I cannot reply to your query.

HOW MANY, ETC. (A.B.C.).—Your aviary will accommodate about two dozen birds of the small Finch type, but I should content myself with six pairs to secure best results, this will leave some accommodation for any young birds reared. Note: It is best to keep only one pair of each species in the same enclosure. You already have two pairs, and I suggest the following four as likely to give good results, viz., Zebra Finches, Avadavats, Bronze Mannikins, and Silverbills. Supply canary, white millet, millet sprays, and a little wild Finch mixture; also green food, and when they are feeding young a little soft food daily. Bird grit (not sand), and cuttlebone must be regularly supplied. "Foreign Birds for Beginners," 1s. 1½d., post free, from our Manager, would greatly assist you in keeping and treating the above species.

SEXING MADAGASCAR LOVEBIRDS (Geo. J. Anson).—There is no difficulty at all in sexing these birds. The hen is an uniform green, while the head and neck of the cock is a pale lavender-grey. Your diet is about right, but I should give the millet and canary in equal parts; supply a little green food daily, and let them take what they require; lettuce will be the mainstay as soon as frost really sets in. If they will nibble up a little ripe apple, supply this regularly. Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone in the cage or aviary, and supply bird grit (not sand) regularly. A tablespoonful of crushed oats and a millet spray about twice a week make a wholesome change.

RED MITE (E. A. B. N.).—The probability is that the red mite is in the cage, and only troubles the birds at night. The cage must be thoroughly sterilised. Paint it thoroughly inside and out with a 10 per cent. carbolic solution, well searching all crevices; allow to stand in open air for a few hours, then thoroughly swill every part with boiling water; finally swill thoroughly with cold water, and leave in the open (under cover) till dry; distemper the inside, and it will be ready for use. In the meantime, continue to give the birds the quassia bath, but also catch each bird as gently as possible, and rub or blow a little insect powder into the plumage, particularly under the wings, base of neck, and lower back. By the time the cage is ready the birds should be free of the pests. Get fresh perches, natural twigs, and well boil all food utensils and hoppers.

IN POOR PLUMAGE (B. Margratti).—It would appear that there is something constitutionally wrong with this bird. Continue to give the magnesia and byno-phosphates, also the diet you are at present giving. In addition, supply boiled maize, boil till soft, but the corn should be left whole though soft, drain all water away, and dust with flowers of sulphur; if you can get it to take this, it should benefit the bird greatly, but it will be slow work getting its condition up, and the recovery of the plumage can only be slow. It might be a good plan to remove the seed over night, and then first thing give the the boiled maize, and not put in the seed till it has satisfied its first hunger with the maize; after a time or two of this I should say it would acquire a taste for the maize. If the bird is tame and will let you handle it, give it 5 drops of cod liver oil daily from a quill. Report progress in a month.

GREY PARROT (Long Sett).—(1) There must be no sudden change in the diet. Continue to supply the boiled maize, but keep a tin of the seed mixture in the cage. You can also put a little seed mixture under the boiled maize; the boiled maize must be continued till the bird is eating heartily of the dry seed. When this occurs, gradually discontinue the maize; also supply the other items of the diet mentioned in the booklet. (2) Cease giving the chalk, but spot 10 drops of byno-phosphates over the boiled maize before supplying to the bird—give this daily for the present. Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone hanging in the cage. Dusting the maize twice a week with flowers of sulphur will help. (3) Get some parrot grit, but only give it cautiously at first. Later, when it has become accustomed to it, a small tin of this may be kept regularly in the cage. The sand you refer to will do excellently to cover the cage tray with, and the pinch of grit can be sprinkled on top of same. (4) This is a young bird and I should not offer it a proper bath till next spring, but about noon on a warm, genial day, give it a light spraying (use a mist sprayer) with tepid water—once or twice a week will be often enough during the cold months—keep strictly out of draught till dry.

AILING RIBBON FINCH (R.S.C.).—I do not think the trouble is serious, though she may be troubled with egg-binding. If the latter be the case she will appear swollen around the vent, and you must anoint the vent with castor-oil, but do not put on sufficient to run among and grease the plumage—a feather is a good utensil to use—also give two drops of castor oil direct to the beak: if this does not enable her to get rid of the egg in the course of a few hours, then steam the vent by holding the bird over a jug of hot water, afterwards putting her in a small cage in some warm position, when the egg should soon be passed. You are feeding the bird correctly, but the green food must be given fresh daily; you should also get a packet of bird grit (not sand), and sprinkle a pinch of this over sand tray daily, also keep a piece of clean cuttlebone hanging in the cage. Keep a few mealworms by you, and give each of them one or two daily. If there are no traces of egg binding, then give a dose of magnesia (Dinneford's) every fourth day, so long as the voidings are not watery loose, and on the other days (that is, when not giving the magnesia) put half a teaspoonful of byno-phospbates in the usual supply of drinking water. If the trouble does not yield to the above treatment in, say, 14 days, repeat query with the fullest details you can give me as to symptoms, etc.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

W. E. Atkins.—Yours is certainly an ingenious idea; but unfortunately we find it hard to believe that it will work.

W. J. Bell.—Your letter has been duly forwarded.

G. Reynolds.—Many thanks for the interesting cutting. It goes in at the first opportunity.

John Watson.—We are afraid that the story you send of the King and the Hawk is too well known to justify reproduction in our pages.

H. O. Barraclough.—Your query has been sent to Mr. St. John to be answered in his columns.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

Novice.—Septic fever.

A. F. Willett.—Liver disease accompanied with inflammation of the bowels.

THE CHOOSING & PREPARATION OF SHOW BIRDS.

A lecture given by Mr. J. Burke to the members of the S. Birmingham O.S.

A meeting of the S. Birmingham O.S. was held September 11, at headquarters, the Sydenham Hotel. The chair was taken by Mr. Willmott before an excellent gathering of members. Messrs. Longmore and Shepperson elected members. Chairman welcomed them on behalf of the members, and hoped that they would do their best to attend every meeting on the second of each month. He also congratulated the society that the total membership of the society was now 64. The young stock show business was put back until the October meeting, when a washing exhibition will be held; a well-known expert being engaged. Specials have already commenced to come in for the young stock show, which will be held on a Wednesday at the end of October or first week in November. The Chairman then introduced Mr. Burke to the members to give his lecture on the preparation of show birds, and Mr. Burke spoke as follows:

My title, "Preparing birds for Exhibition," covers a rather long period, for during the whole of the time the birds are moulting you are preparing them for exhibition. Starting from the time the birds are near the finish of the moult, you will soon gather what birds you have got that give promise of being good enough to exhibit. All these you will have to place in separate cages, and you will still continue to give colour food, but in reduced quantities, three times per week will be plenty.

For the staple food use plain Spanish canary seed, and twice a week give mixed seed. I use the following mixture: 1lb. of German rape, 1lb. of gold of pleasure seed, and 1lb. of linseed. Give also a piece of boiled carrot about twice per week, plenty of fresh water, and baths on all bright days. If you follow this treatment you will have your birds healthy, and it is all that is necessary, as common sense and strict attention is far better than pampering them.

What a Good Yorkshire is Like.

I will now try and give you my idea of what is wanted in a show Yorkshire, as your time and trouble is wasted unless you have got the bird to start with. It is no good having a bird good in parts; it must be good all over, and each part must be in proportion, or it will not be properly balanced. Starting from the beak, this should be small; the head rounded from side to side, and oval from front to back; the eyes not too high, or it will make the bird look flat-headed; the neck rather long, and nicely fitted on the shoulders, which should be round, not showing any squareness at the butts of the wing; the back full with no signs of any hollowness down the middle; the breast round, but not bulky, and free from frill; wings good length, neither crossed or open, but just meeting all down the back; legs of good length but not stilty; tail long and closely packed, and carried up to the tips of the wing, not showing any space between wings and root of the tail. I like them as large as I can get them, so long as they are in proportion all over. If you have a few, or even one bird, after something I have described, you are well on the way.

Now to speak of getting them in condition. The best of Yorkshires will not stand much chance on the show bench unless in high condition. If they come naturally in condition with the ordinary treatment, let well alone. If you cannot get them in robust condition, the following mixture will be found useful: sixpennyworth of sherry, one pennyworth of honey; dissolve honey in the sherry, then take an ordinary sponge cake as stale as possible, cut in about one inch squares, pour the sherry and honey on same, as much as it will soak up; give a piece to each bird twice or three times per week, and about three drops of dandelion juice in each tablespoonful of water about twice a week.

Training your birds is an imperative necessity. They may be perfect in shape, but unless they can be shown in good position and with style they will be of little use on the show bench. You must make a practice of running them in the show cage for a short time every day, handle them very gently, scratch the bottom of the cage until they stand erect and fearless; if they are very nervous leave them in the show cage for a day now and then. A wash is a good steadier, but as a washing exhibition is part of next month's programme, I will conclude.

The lecture was followed by a discussion, during which Mr. Burke answered several questions put to him by the members.

Questions and Answers.

Mr. Hughes: Are you in favour of pulling the tails of young birds? Mr. Burke: I am strongly against this process. I have had over 16 years of the Fancy in Yorkshires, and have found by experience that no good comes of this; it produces a very bad waist and drop tails. I only pull the tail out if the tail feather is broken or if the bird has a slight inflammation, in which case it does some good. I am always of opinion that it puts the bird out of proportion; you only get, at most, a quarter of an inch added to its length.—By Mr. Sheppard: Had Mr. Burke a good remedy for a bird which in the show cage was always jumping on to the end wires, as a bird in top condition was always shifty? Mr. Burke said patience was the only remedy, although a piece of shaped cardboard, placed inside the show cage at each end just to reach to the middle cross wire, and the bird left in for half-a-day was a fine steadier. He must warn members against the use of glass; he himself had tried it with very bad results. It was useless, and often drove the bird very wild, and spoilt it for the show season.

Mr. Adcock: Could Mr. Burke recommend anything more successful than sulphate of iron for fixing the colour? Mr. Burke replied that he always used citrate of iron and ammonia. It should be kept in an airtight bottle, and a little put in the drinkers, say three times per week, was far more suitable and produced greater results than the old sulphate of iron.

Mr. Andrews: Did Mr. Burke like the bird with soft feather or short, hard feather? Mr. Burke: Undoubtedly the bird with the short hard feather was far superior for the show bench, and the washing of that kind of bird was no trouble. He had washed birds with soft and with hard feather, and the former took sometimes three hours to dry, but the latter would dry and be to all appearance fit to show in one hour.

As time was getting late, Chairman Willmott spoke shortly on the capital information they had all obtained, for himself all new. He was the real novice of the society, and he hoped the secretary would have more of these interesting and sociable table chats. He was sure all would be better able to turn out a real good bird, after Mr. Burke's lecture. He should therefore propose a most hearty vote of thanks. This was seconded by Mr. Southon, and given most heartily. We hope all will come to the October meeting, and learn how to wash their birds and also bring a good sample to wash, one that has had a flight to moult in.—J. Sheppard, Sec.

Club Reports.

ANNFIELD PLAIN C.B.S.

Meeting held at Mr. Lumley's, Sept. 14, with Mr. S. Foster in the chair, and a good turn up of members. Decided to start the table shows again next meeting night, with the following classes: Nor. Vell., Yorks. Vell., Border Vell., A.O.V. Can., and a class for Redpolls, Mr. J. Snell, of Stanley, to be judge. Decided to have 38 classes at annual show. Ten cock Canaries are promised for gift class, and prize drawing, which speaks well for our members, as we are just a small society. R. Peart, Sec.

ATTERCLIFFE AND DIST. C.B.S.

Meeting held Sept. 12, Mr. Havenhand presiding, at headquarters, Horse and Jockey. Some important items were dealt with, and we decided to add three extra green classes for the coming annual show. The following gentlemen will judge at the first of our three table shows for specials: Messrs. Perry (Yorks.), Richinson (Nor.), and Welbon (Brit.). I hope members will make these shows a success. There was a washing competition and demonstration billed for this meeting, but as no birds were brought, Mr. Perry gave us some valuable hints concerning bird-washing instead of the demonstration. It must be discouraging to Mr. Perry and others when they come prepared to give us the benefit of their valuable experience, and find such a poor audience awaiting them. I do hope that our members will do their utmost to attend the monthly meetings better, and that we shall have a splendid muster next meeting night.—W. A. Hailstone, Sec.

YORKSHIRE UNION OF C.B.S.

Meeting of Council held at Market Tavern, Bradford, Sept. 21, Mr. F. Armstrong (President) in the chair. A splendid attendance of delegates was recorded. Brighouse C.B.S. wishing to withdraw from Union shows owing to financial difficulties, the Council granted them permission on condition that they paid their share of Judges' fees, like the other societies who have previously withdrawn. The Secretary of the Bradford National Show applied to the Union for patronage and support for the next annual show, Dec. 6th, 7th and 9th, when the profits will be handed over to the fund for the poor children of the city. The President made a splendid appeal, asking one and all to lend their whole-hearted support to this most deserving show. Mr. Armstrong said that the Union was in a position to make or mar this show. The result was, the Council decided with a unanimous vote to allow their competitions to be extended to the National show. The question of the use of closed rings was brought forward by one of the Union societies in respect to next year's shows (the Union having debarred rung birds from competing at Union shows for the present show season). This very knotty question brought forth a very hot discussion, the President giving every delegate present the opportunity of voicing his opinion on the subject; and, after a good hour's discussion it was wisely proposed that the question be referred to each society by its delegates, and that after the same had been thrashed out by the Union, that representatives from the various specialist clubs should be called together to settle the question between them.—H. Hill, Secretary.

BRADFORD EAST O.S.

I would like to draw the attention of members and friends to the excellent winter syllabus of lectures, etc., for the ensuing session, printed on Page 32 in the Yorkshire Union Handbook. This series of lectures, etc., will be notified through the Fancy Press in due course. Everyone is heartily invited to attend any of the meetings. The meeting-room is nice, cosy and warm, and everybody has an equal chance of airing his views on any subject relating to birds. We open on Tuesday, October 1st, with a meat-pie supper, served at 8.30, by the President. Members are requested to note that the meeting is called for 7.30 prompt in order that business can be got through in good time. No specified charge will be made. The plate will be passed round, and you can pay according to your own satisfaction. I would specially draw the attention of Y.U. members to annual open show, November 16th. The schedule is printed on page 30 in the Union Handbook; anyone desirous of obtaining a schedule can have a copy on application to me; 35 classes, under patronage of the Y.C.C. Cup and Junior Novice Competitions, the N.G.M.Y.C.C., and the Y.C.B.B. and M. Club. We are looking forward to a record show, with Mr. H. W Battye (Huddersfield) as the official Union judge On behalf of the Society I once again appeal for that loyal support which has been meted out to us in the past, when I can assure those who put their trust in the good management of this show that they shall not be in the least disappointed. The Bradford East Rose Bowl will be competed for, for best unflighted Yorks., bred by the exhibitor, in Classes 5 and 6. Meetings are held in Park Chapel Schools, New Cross Street, West Bowling. —H Hill, Sec. (15, Settle Terrace, Thornton Lane, Bradford).

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NORTH WALES C.B.S.

A committee meeting of the above was held on Friday evening, there being present Messrs. James Jones (chairman), George Jones (vice-chairman), R. E. Griffith (treasurer), Edward Jones, J. L. Sweeney, R. Green, R. W. Taylor, and J. Wynne Parry (hon sec). Mr. Cowgill, Bradford, was selected judge for the open show on Dec. 7.—It was decided to hold a draw on Nov. 28, in aid of the open show. The results will be published in CAGE BIRDS.

NEWCASTLE C.B.S.

Meeting held Sept. 19. Mr. T. C. Crawhall in chair. Quotations were read from printers for schedules and catalogues. Miss Mary Baxter Ellis will open show. There will be music at intervals on the pianola. There will perhaps be a judging competition. Stewards were appointed. There was a splendid response to the appeal of the secretary for specials, a large number being received; so, intending exhibitors, get your birds ready and send them along to show on October 18 and 19. Schedules will be ready this week. Anyone not receiving one, please write, and I will forward. We hope to break another record this year. Tickets for drawing are now ready. Will every member do his best to sell them. Remember, that the more he does for the society the better it is for himself.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

WHITBURN AND DIST. C.B.S.

Committee meeting held Baillie Institute, Sept. 23rd. Mr. Ludivic Laing presided over a fair attendance. The Secretary reported that Mr. Robt. Martin (Kirkintilloch) would judge Norwich; Mr. Joseph Thompson (Newtongrange), Borders; and Mr. James Strachan (Bathgate), British. Five classes have been added to Norwich, making 16 classes in the section, 4 to Borders, making 13, and there are 23 classes for Brit. and two novice classes. As far as could be gathered from those present the breeding season has not been a successful one, so far as quantity goes; yet a few of the members were not without hope as to quality. As in past years, the Green and Cinn. Border breeders expect to appear to advantage at the leading shows, while many of the British bird men mean business this year.—Robert Lambie, Sec.

CARDIFF AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held at Maskell's Hotel. In the absence of chairman, Mr. F. Slocombe presided over a poorly attended meeting. We have now finished classification, having 73 classes, Mr. Ford again guaranteeing the Blackbird, etc., class. Mr. McIhuish has again promised to lend all boards necessary for staging. Secretary was instructed to book Queen's Hall, which is in the town centre, and close to the three railway stations. I appeal to the members to attend the next two meetings to make final show arrangements, as it is not the secretary who makes a show a success, but the combined effort of the whole of the members of the society. I have 15 names as guarantors for open show fund, also Mr. Simon volunteered to act as a night steward. We are giving eight Canaries away, the same as last year. I have four promised by Messrs. F. Slocombe, W. Morgan, J. Deigmore, and A. Simon. I want four more. Will members let me know by next meeting what specials they can give, also all specials collected, also look through their stock to see if they can spare a songster? It was decided that Mr. Vardy take Norwich, Crests, and Sell. Classes, Mr. Mundell Yorks., Border, and Scotch, Mr. Longden Mules and British. Messrs. Beyon and Bale were elected members.—E. Thomas, Sec.

WALKLEY AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Meeting held Westmorland Mission Room, Sept. 12, Mr. T Ridal in the chair. Classification for annual show arranged as follows: Members' Yorks. 6, young birds members' Norwich 6, Nov. York. 6, Nor. 6; old birds, 6 classes in each variety; For. 2, Brit. 3, A.O.V. 1, Selling 1, Prizes 4s., 2s., 1s. Several specials were promised. Mr. J. C. Barnes judge. Show to open at 1 o'c. by the Hon. President, Dr. Jones, who is very interested in the well-being of the Society. As an inducement to members, a ticket will be given everyone who sells 6, also a catalogue to every member exhibiting. In connection with the above a draw for Canaries has been arranged. Books were given out at the meeting. We have ten birds promised already, and hope to make it more. For the sellers of the most and next most tickets 2s. and 1s. are promised. Decided, to have a tea and prize distribution at headquarters after Dec. Some prominent man to be asked to present prizes, point specials, also specials won at the series of table shows. Something like 30 prizes will be given. Don't forget October meeting, table show, young birds, 9 classes. Judges, Yorks. J. G. Cowley, Nor. J. Scott, Brit., W. Dalton. Make this as big a success as the previous ones have been. Schedules will be given out at this meeting. Also nomination of officers for 1913.—C. Tomlinson.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Special general meeting, held 6, The Broadway, on September 23, to make certain arrangements in consequence of the sudden bereavement suffered by the secretary, Mr. H. Smith, in the sad loss of his son. A heartfelt message of condolence and sympathy was sent to Mr. Smith by those present. Mr. J. Carson kindly acted as secretary pro tem. The Chairman, Mr. Stoakley, having explained that he had received a letter of resignation from Mr. Smith, who felt that the business of the show to be held in November would, under the circumstances, be too much for him, and that the committee had held two meetings to consider the situation, said he was glad to inform them that Mr. Smith had been prevailed upon to retain the secretaryship on condition that he be relieved from the clerical work entailed in connection with the show. They were under great obligations to Mr. Smith. The committee thought the meeting should appoint Mrs. M. M. Owen as assistant sec.—who would be a very capable assistant—and engage a paid official to do the clerical work in connection with the show; all of which suggestions the meeting unanimously agreed to. Five ladies and gentlemen were nominated for membership, and certain matters pertaining to the annual show were referred to the committee for consideration at a meeting next Monday evening. Decided to have judging competition at the monthly meeting, October 7th, for Norwich Canaries, Mr. P. Rorke to be the final judge, and a silver spoon to be given as a prize to the owner of the winning bird.

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Annfield Plain C.B.S.—Sept. 28, Mr. Frieck's, 7.30.—J. W. Christon.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Oct. 1, Onward Hall, 8. Annual show business; delegates' report of amalgamated show (cage making competition, see syllabus).—J. Spencer.

Adwick-le-Street C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Foresters' Arms, 7. Inter-club business and other very important business. Subs. now due.—G. H. Robinson.

Ashton-under-Lyne and Dis. O.S.—Oct. 1, P.S.A. Rooms, 7. Washing exhibition by Mr. Jas. Mellor, and novices' washing competition; entry fee 2d. bring your own birds.—J. R. Colville.

Barnet F. and F.S.—Oct. 2, 35, Wood Street, Barnet, 8. Schedule for annual show. Prize money will be paid for young stock show.—F. Chandler.

Barnsley C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Clarence Hotel, 7.45. Final arrangements for members' shows; selection of judges.—F. C. Sims.

Blaydon and Dis. C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Co-op., Library, 7.30. Make final arrangements for annual show and other important business.—Geo. Havver.

Bolton C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Joiners' Arms, 8.30. J. Gerrard.

Border City (Carlisle) O.S.—Oct. 2, Headquarters, 8.15. Last meeting prior to show.—John C. Bell.

Bradford East O.S.—Oct. 1, Park Chapel Schools, 7.30. Important show business, distribution of Union handbooks, and a meat pie supper to be served at 8.30 by the president. A hearty invitation to all fanciers and friends.—H. Hill.

Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Staffordshire Knot, 8. Appointing stewards and other open show business.—A. Wood.

Bury C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Textile Hall, Bury, 8. Autumn show and amalgamated Lancashire show.—H. Jamesou.

Chester-le-Street C.B.S.—Sept. 28, 7.30 p.m. Annual show schedule.—Jas. Hedley.

City of Bradford O.S.—Sept. 28, Flying Dutchman Hotel. Members' show, Yorkshires, Norwich, Brit.; judges, P. Mason, Windhill, and H. J. Chittenden, Bradford. Birds staged 2.15.—F. Rhodes.

Chopwell F.S.—Sept. 28, Club Hall, 2.30. Very important.—Joseph Brown.

Colinton and Currie Parishes O.S.—Oct. 5, Drill Hall, Juniper Green, 7. General business and allocation of specials for first annual show.—James Napier.

Coventry O.S.—Oct. 2, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Show business, subs. now due.—A. J. Barratt.

Crewe O.S.—Oct. 1, Brotherhood Institute, 8. Classification for next show.—E. Jaycott.

Derwent Valley.—Sept. 28, Headquarters, 7.—Lindsay and Marsh.

Dunfermline C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Co-op. Hall, 7.30. Balloting of specials. Lecture by Adam Kilpatrick, "Hybrid Breeding."—Robt. T. Campbell.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Sept. 28, Hutton's Schools. Eccleshill and Windhill combined members' show. All birds to be staged by 2.30 p.m. prompt. Entries to be made on Friday night, Sept. 27. Judges, Messrs. W. Cruise and T. Ogden.—W. Nettleton.

Eccles C.B.S.—Oct. 2, Diamond Inn, 8. Business important; resignation of secretary.—J. Hall.

Edinburgh N.C. and M.B.S.—Oct. 3, Hall's, High Street, 8. Forthcoming show, club patronages, and estimates for show staging, and other important business.—John Welsh.

Edinburgh Western O.S.—Oct. 3, Reigo Street Hall, 8. Final show arrangements.—Robert Lile.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Oct. 2, Lockharts, High Street, 7.30. Hall, opening of show, foreign bird classes.—J. G. Greason.

Glasgow and Western Counties C.B.S.—September 28, 122, Ingram Street, 6.30. Annual show business.—W. Connelly.

Grimsby and Cleethorpe Roller C.S.—Sept. 28, 119, Cleethorpes Road, 7. Show business. Members are requested to bring a bird or two.—H. Mason.

Halifax O.S.—Sept. 28, Plummet Line Hotel. Members' show. Birds staged 2.30. Judge, Mr. W. Speak. See syllabus for classification. Entries taken before show.—Harry Clegg.

Hanley C.B.S.—Oct. 2. To arrange for stewards, etc., for open show.—J. Robinson.

Hebden Bridge and Calder Valley O.S.—Oct. 3, White Horse, 7.30. Table show. 5 classes, all hens. Judge, Mr. T. Meadowcroft.—A. Pickles.

Hornsey Wood Green C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Mr. Bedford's, 165, High Road, Wood Green, 8.30. Table show and washing exhibition, by Mr. Geo. Gardner.—P. Brooks.

Holmfirth C.B.S.—Oct. 4, headquarters, 8. Member,' show; 3 classes. Judge, R. Greenwith.—Tom Smith.

Hyson Green (Nottingham) C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Cricket Players' Hotel, 8. Wm. Cottingham.

Jarrow Hebburn C.B.S.—Oct. 2, Lockhart's Cafe, 7.30. Show business. W. Ayer.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Oct. 2, Railway Hotel, 8. Business important. Will all members who have not got their Union handbook please attend for same? J. E. Hudson.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Oct. 5, Public Hall's, 7. Schedules for annual show. Jas. Pollock.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Oct. 1, White Swan, 8.30. Special show business.—A. Freestone.

Leicester C.B.S.—Oct. 2, Saracen's Head Hotel, Market Place, Leicester, 8.15. Table show. Any variety Nor. buff unflighted, open; ditto novice; judging competition; fanciers invited.—J. Cook.

Llandudno C.B.S.—October 1, Cobden Hotel, 8. Officials for monthly show; subscription reduction —F. S. Berry.

Longton C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Castle Inn, 8. Members' entry forms.—Geo. Lea.

Mid Rhondda C.B.S.—Oct. 2, White Hart Hotel, Tonypandy, 6. General show business. Members kindly note change of meeting nights from Thursday to Wednesday.—Arthur H. C. Legg.

Middlesbrough and Tees-side C.B.S.—Sept. 28, Crown Hotel, 7.30. Business open show.—Arthur Wake.

Morpeth and Dis. C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Earl Grey Hotel, 7.30. Final arrangements for show.—E. Cowling.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S.—Oct. 3, 65, Grainger Street, 7.30. Final arrangements for show.—J. W. Reed.

New Stevenston and Dis.—Oct. 3, Masonic Hall, 7.30.—Jas. Lamb.

Paisley Tannahill O.S.—Oct. 5, Lockie's, 2, St. James' Street, 7.30. Business of importance, etc.—John Stewart.

Pelton Fell C.B.S.—Sept. 28, Enoch Waugh's, 6. Drawing up of schedule for annual show, and other important business. Now, members, rally up; also anyone who wishes to join us.—Wm. Forster.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Sept. 28, Old Boar's Head, Corporation Street, Manchester, 6. Show business. —Andrew Percival.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—Oct. 2, Wareing's Dining-rooms, 7.30. Business for Old Bird show and washing exhibition.—W. Picknp.

Redhill C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Lindsey's Hotel, 8. Preparing schedule for annual show and judges to be selected.—A. W. Bacon.

Rochdale O.C.—Sept. 30, Club Rooms, 8.30. Committee meeting.—R. Blincoe.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Sept. 28, College Inn, 8. Fixing members' classes.—B. Bailey.

Sale C.B.S.—Sept. 30, Volunteer Hotel, 8. Open show business.—Royle and Wood.

Sheffield C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Wentworth Cafe, 8. Table show and arrangements for members and open shows.—A. Hobson.

Sheffield O.S.—Oct. 1, Rose and Crown Hotel, Waingate, 8. Washing exhibition by Mr. W. H. Spencer, also novice washing competition for prizes; arrangements for members' December show; fanciers and friends invited.—T. Bishop.

Shipley O.S.—Oct. 1, Prince of Wales, 8. Subscriptions are now due.—A. Tillotson.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—Oct. 1, Liberal Club, 8. Business regarding members and open show.—James Hird.

Stocksbridge C.B.S.—Oct. 5, headquarters, 8. Final arrangements for November show.—G. L. Sampson.

Stockton-on-Tees C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Leeds Hotel, 8. Open show.—J. W. Lowes.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Sept. 28, Fawcett Street Cafe, 7.30. To revise show rules.—J. Jeffrey.

South Shields C.B.S.—Sept. 28, 7.30. All specials must be in and placed.—W. L. Smith.

Vale of Leven C.B.C.—Oct. 3, Village Schoolroom, Alexandria, 8. Show business.—A. H. McLean.

Wallasey C.B.S.—October 3, Fairhaven Institute, Scaview Road, Liscard, 8. Lecture on "Wild Plants Most Beneficial to Cage Birds,' by Mr. George Barker.—Thomas Edwards.

Walsall and Dis. C.B.S.—Oct. 2, White Hart Hotel, Caldmore, 8. Details of open show. "Management of Cage Birds"; very important.—F. Price.

Walthamstow F.A.—Oct. 3, Trinity Schoolroom, 8. —H. Cooper.

Watford C.B.S.—October 2, Headquarters, 8.30. Lecture, "Foreign Birds," by Mr. R. J. Watts.—W. Rackley.

Wigan C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Legs of Man, 8. Will members please attend.—H. Young.

MARKET DRAYTON (Salop).

This thirteenth annual exhibition was held in connection with the Agricultural Show on September 19th. The entries were very good indeed for the time of the year. The birds were nicely staged on one side of the cheese tent. Mr. Podmore is a most obliging secretary, and the arrangements were carried out in first-class style. We think if this show was advertised more a really fine entry could be obtained. Messrs. Victor Williams and A. Brotherhood had good teams out, which were shown in fine condition. Mr. Hy. Tams judged, and very little fault could be found with his awards.

The Critique.

NOR. (9): 1, 2, Brotherhood, leader stylish cl. buff, splendid size and shape, coming into lovely trim, fine colour and quality, 2nd variegated, rare type and style, neat head and neck, nice short wings and tail, lovely colour and quality; 3, hc (2) Williams, splendid clear buff, grand colour and quality, rare head and neck, very cobby shape, hardly the substance of leaders; c, Windsor. YORKS (7): 1, 2, c, Williams, winner handsome eye and wing mkd., splendid length, style, and position, nice head and neck, tail and wings well carried, lovely colour and quality, 2nd stylish, typical, cl. buff, capital col. and type, coming into grand form, splendid length and position, close up; 3, Brotherhood, splendid cl. yell., neat head, rare length, capital col. and quality, well braced wings, lovely condition and feather; hc, Windsor; c, Beard. A.O.V. (4): 1, 2, Windsor, good shapely Nor. Cinnamon, nice size and shape, grand colour and quality, excellent feather and condition, closely followed by nice Dark Goldie-Can. in rare trim, good colour and size, nice markings; 3, c, Jackson, Goldie-Can., not quite so large, good in quality, fair col. and condition. BRIT. OR FOR. (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Victor Williams, leader noted Cornish Chough in lovely feather, beautiful sheen, marvellous coloured beak and legs; 2, Caledonian Parrakeet, in splendid feather, lovely colour and markings, 3rd the noted Magpie, splendid markings, lovely colour and bloom; hc, Dean; c, Jackson. SELL. (10s.) (7): 1, 3, hc, Windsor, variegated Nor. and wing-marked; 2, Brotherhood, wing-mkd. yell. Nor.; vhc, Walker; c, Hickman. LOCAL. These classes contained some really fine birds which were in forward condition for the time of the year. NOR. (11): 1, spl, Barnett, typical cl. buff, good colour and quality; 2, Walker, capital eye and wing mkd.; 3, hc, Burn, rare shaped cl. buff; vhc, Farnell; c, Whittingham. YORKS. (7): 1, spl, Barnett, long stylish cl. yell., in rare order; 2, Walker, also nice yell., grand quality and feather; 3, Chesters, head mrkd. yell., grand colour, nice length; vhc, Cage 49; hc, Tildesley. A.O.V. (9): 1, spl, Madeley, smart typical Bullfinch, nice colour, cap and bars; 2, Edwards, Redpoll, in grand feather, good size; 3, Barm, Green Nor. cock, nice col; vhc, Barnett; hc, Maydew. SELL. (15s.): 1, spl, Chesters, cl. buff Yorks.; 2, Walker, Cinn.-mkd. Yorks; 3, Hickman, cl. buff Yorks; vhc, Barnett; hc, c, Podmore.

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The Enamelling of Wooden Cages.

Sir,—Would some one of your readers kindly inform me on the following point: Is it necessary, before enamelling new wooden cages, to give the wood a coat of paint or size? I am told that the enamel will peel off if applied direct to new wood.

W. H.

Society for East Calder (Mid Lothian).

Sir,—A meeting of fanciers was held in the Institute Hall, East Calder, when it was decided to form a society, open to six miles raidus from East Calder, name of society, Calder and District Bantam, Pigeon, and Cage Bird Society. Officials were appointed and decided to hold show on Jan. 11, 1913. Next meeting on Thursday, Oct. 3.

DAVID ANTHONY, Hon. Sec.
Mill Bank, East Calder, Mid Lothian.

Strange Hatching Results.

Sir,—I would like Mr. Evans to know that I have also had Bantams hatched in a curious way, not by Doves, but by Pigeons. On June 17 I had two Black Rosecomb bantams (both cocks) hatched by a pair of flying Homers. The pigeons fed them by food vomited in front of the chicks, and the latter picked it up. On the ninth day I had to take them away from the pigeons, for they used to get out of the nest among the other pigeons, and they ill-used them. They are now strong, healthy birds.

W. DICKSON.

[As the above letter bears on the matter mentioned by Mr. Evans, we publish it, though not exactly a cage bird item.—EDITOR.]

The Management of Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S. Show.

Sir,—Owing to my business arrangements, I shall be unable to carry out my duty in the management of our annual show fixed for Nov. 5th next. Mr. L. J. Richardson, the well known exhibitor of Norwich P.H.'s and a hard-worker in the interests of our Society, has very kindly come forward and is undertaking this duty, with the assistance of Mr. J. S. Fairman. May I appeal to our members through your columns to rally round Mr. Richardson, and give him a bumper entry, and to ask fanciers generally to help him by paying a visit to the show. Any fanciers joining the society at once, will be eligible to compete at the show.

W. HUDSON, Hon. Sec.

Unprolificacy in Canaries.

An Appreciation.

SIR,—You have a most interesting contribution in this week's CAGE BIRDS from Mr. J. Steel. It is a subject that will set us all thinking and talking. He has certainly "touched the spot." How continually, breeding season after breeding season, one hears the complaint, *nothing from my best birds*, but plenty from the wasters. We all have this experience year after year. The question as to quality or quantity will certainly be asked, i.e., is it quantity or quality that is required by the exhibitor?; he will say at once, quality, one from the best pair is worth twenty from the pair of wasters. It is here where the exhibitor comes in. Artificial selection and nature's laws do not work well together; they pull in opposite directions. It would be better for reproductive purposes if we could work more in the direction of nature's laws. Personally, I thank Mr. Steel for raising this important question.

J. CUTMORE.

Getting the Seed Out of Thistle Heads.

Sir,—I should be glad if any of your numerous readers would inform me through your columns of the best way of obtaining the seed from thistle heads.

A. HUBBARD.

[This matter has been frequently dealt with in our columns. The following appeared in "Timely Hints" some short time back: "Gather all heads when white, almost ready to burst. Put them into kitchen oven, and shut the door for twenty minutes. Then you will find the heads have turned 'outside in,' and the oven will be full with seed and down. If you apply a lighted match, the down will go off like powder, so quick as to do the seed no harm. Take out the remains and put into a basin of water. The seed will sink and leave the rubbish on top. Then empty off water and rubbish and put seed into the oven, or in the sun, to dry. If you have no oven, put the heads on the fire shovel and set shovel on red fire. Same result: "ont side in." The seed keeps one year to my knowledge. Lots of other wild seeds can be extracted in similar manner."—EDITOR.]

Does Hemp Seed Ruin Canaries?

Last week a correspondent made the serious charge that it caused old birds to go out of condition and young birds to "go light."

Hemp a "Fatal Seed."

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Canning re "Hemp Seed," I beg to state this fatal seed has caused me to lose three young ones, and I have one at present suffering; all four being out of one nest. The trouble has been caused through parent birds going off egg-food, and my having substituted crushed hemp. My birds had the same symptoms as Mr. Canning speaks of, and I thank him for his remedy, which I will try, and hope to benefit the one living.

ARTHUR W. NEWTON.

Used Liberally and no Harmful Effect.

SIR,—I was much interested in Mr. Canning's article appearing in last issue of CAGE BIRDS—"Does Hemp Seed Ruin Canaries?" During the past five seasons, I have supplied a liberal quantity of this seed to hens feeding young, and can trace no harmful effects to its use. I do not put up more than six pairs, as space at my disposal is limited, but with these I have had fairly good luck, rearing on an average thirty young each season, and I never take more than two nests from each hen. During that time I have only had four young "go light," and have had no cases of looseness in the hens, which Mr. Canning mentions. I am always very careful to supply good sweet hemp, and throw all musty or unsound seeds out when filling the hoppers. I give them whole, not crushed, as this keeps the hens off longer, and gives the young a good airing. I understand poultry suffer somewhat from this or a similar disease.

PERCY HUNT.

A Lot Almost Sure to Kill.

Sir,—I have been a breeder of Norwich Canaries for over thirty years, and it is my firm opinion that if Canaries are given a lot of hemp it is almost sure to kill them. It is sure to cause looseness in the bowels, and it will also make Canaries go pale in colour. Many years ago I could get plenty of young birds reared till they were from about seven to nine weeks old; then they would go light and waste away. I found out I was giving them too much hemp seed. I began to give them less, and I have never had any trouble since I stopped giving them so much. This is how I feed my birds, and I never have a bad season, always getting a good share of young birds, and I never think of losing any birds in the moult. When my birds are feeding young I give them canary seed, and just a pinch of hemp mixed with it; also egg-food and a pinch of maw seed mixed with it. Some hens won't feed without a little hemp. My young birds, when first taken from their parents (that is, when about four weeks old) I give egg-food, also a very little crushed hemp and plenty of crushed canary seed. As soon as they can crack seed I take hemp seed away from them entirely, but I give them the egg food with a little maw seed in it all through the moult. I am not in favour of hemp; far from it. I think if any one tries my way he won't be far wrong, as my birds do well.

SAMUEL PRATT.
Leicester.

The Quality of the Seed Questioned.

Sir,—The letter from Mr. Canning will cause many and many a fancier to wonder "Where he are." We have been used to having egg-food blamed for almost all the ills we experience in the breeding-room; and now it would appear that we have an even worse enemy in hemp seed. I hope some of our well-known breeders will come out of their shell and give us the benefit of their views. Hemp seed has been used by bird-breeders for more than a sufficient number of years to show whether it is a bad thing or a good one. Personally, I have never suspected it of being the chief cause of the troubles Mr. Canning mentions; and I have bred birds (chiefly Canaries and Mules) for over twenty years, with a decent average amount of success. I remember (I think) the article referred to by Mr. Canning, but I thought the chief point made by the expert in question was that great care was necessary in the selection of hemp seed used, so many very bad samples being offered for sale. I quite agree with this. Nobody should use hemp until he has crushed and examined a sample, no matter from which source it comes. If the kernel is not white and "milky," it should be rejected as a veritable poison to birds. The three chief points of bad hemp seed are: (1) A dried-up kernel, i.e., not "milky"; (2) a discoloured kernel, i.e., varying from a light brown to a reddish-brown; (3) a discoloured "skin" (brown instead of greyish-green) under the shell. In a thoroughly bad sample all three faults will be found. Now hemp seed which is unfit for use is much more common than the majority of bird-keepers imagine; let them, therefore, take care. Of course, I do not for a moment insinuate that Mr. Canning does not know good hemp from bad. I only wish to say that I have not experienced the wretched results of which he speaks, when I used hemp seed which has been above suspicion.

O. GEORGE EDWIN.

No Hemp and No Water.

Sir,—I beg to corroborate the substance of Mr. John Canning's letter relating to the above. For several seasons I have had losses through "Diarrhœa" and "Going Light," and at the end of the season 1911 I came to the conclusion that the use of hemp seed was the cause of the ailments referred to, although I had endeavoured to counteract the relaxing nature of the seed by a judicious use of maw. This year I discarded the use of hemp altogether, and the result has been a decided success. I have not had a single loss from the above cause, and my stock was never in better condition than at present. If fanciers would only give their young birds no water to drink (the moisture in the egg-food being quite sufficient) until about eight weeks old and discard the hemp, I think losses in the respect named would be reduced to a minimum.

G. REVNOLDS (Oldham).

A Question of Temperature.

Sir,—The answer depends a good deal upon whether you use artificial heat or not. For a "hot" room very little is required, but for a cold room you can use a good deal to advantage. I have been a breeder of Canaries for the last fifteen years, and for the last five years I have been breeding them in a shed outside the house, without any artificial heat whatever. I use a good deal of hemp seed, and I have strong healthy youngsters. I only lost one young bird this season out of 27. In my opinion, the more variety of seed you use, the better they thrive. I give my Canaries plenty of green food (watercress) and never have any trouble with the hens feeding their young. In my opinion, the only thing your correspondent has proved is that it is possible to breed Canaries without hemp seed. It may be possible also to breed them without using canary seed.

J. EVANS.

Wished All His Hens would Use Hemp.

Sir.—The answer, from my own experience, is "No," for I have been a breeder of Yorkshire Canaries for eleven years and I have used hemp seed most liberally througout the breeding season each year. In fact, I have had hens that would feed almost entirely upon hemp, and by the way their youngsters have grown, I have often wished my hens would all feed upon it. I have seen no ill-effects from its use. I might say I commence giving it when the young are three or four days old (this is plenty soon enough), and I discontinue it when I take them away from their parents. I do not crush the seed, as it finds the hen something to do, thus keeping her off the young, so that they may get some air. Besides, I think the seed is more liable to go rancid when crushed. In winter, my hens are put into a large flight, and I give them plenty of hemp seed in the coldest weather and some niger seed, and they come out in splendid breeding condition. I am pleased to say I have never had a hen egg-bound. My breeding results have been fairly satisfactory, rearing from 70 to 80 young with fifteen hens in practically two rounds, as I don't bother much with a third round. As to "going light," I have had just one case this year. At our meeting of the Great Horton O.S. on Saturday night, I asked the members present their opinion on the above, and every one spoke well of hemp seed. Two of our members present had reared 150 and 130 respectively with twenty hens each, and they use hemp seed just as I have done. Surely there cannot be the danger our friend Mr. Canning speaks of; but I do believe that if one gets hold of a bad sample it will kill both old and young, and that Mr. Canning got hold of a bad sample is the opinion of

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A Greenfinch-Chaffinch Hybrid Bred Near Birmingham.

Sir,—It may interest readers of CAGE BIRDS to know that I have this season reared a hybrid from Greenfinch cock and Chaffinch hen, after a few disappointments. It is a cock bird, and what I believe to be a good specimen. Anyone wishing to see it, or know particulars of the rearing, can call at my address any night between 5 and 7, or Saturday 12 till 7.

S. FAIRBAIRN.
9, Stone Street, Smethwick, nr Birmingham

Specials for Novices at the London & Provincial O.S. Show

Sir,—I am offering at our L. and P.O.S. annual autumn show, as special prizes, CAGE BIRDS for twelve months post paid to two winners in certain classes in the novice section. When I know the names of the winers I shall have much pleasure in handing you the 13s., with names and addresses, so that you may post your Journal to them weekly till the twelve months expire. I think every member of every society should make a practice of taking CAGE BIRDS regularly, as the cost is so small.

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C. W. LAW, Hon. Sec.

Canaries Not Too Old at Ten.

The Experience of a Noted Lizard Breeder

Sir,—I note in CAGE BIRDS an inquiry as to whether Canaries are too old at three years old. I should certainly reply, from my own experience, that, given birds to be healthy and in good condition, they will breed much longer than three years. During the past season I have been breeding with a Gold Lizard cock which is ten years old. He has been with three different hens, and he has fertilised every egg, about 25 altogether, and I am looking forward to a good one or two from him. I only started breeding with him when five years old, and he has never missed me a winner yet, the two first prize winners at the Crystal Palace in 1911 being bred from him. I also bred with a Gold cock this last season eight years old, and two or three more at five years. My diploma Palace winner in 1908 was also bred from a seven-year-old Silver cock, and a young hen. I should say your correspondent's birds must have been out of condition, or they should have been giving best results at three years old. I might add that the two old birds mentioned above are nearly finished moulting, and look at present in the pink of condition.

JOHN RUKIN.

Suggested Cage Bird Society for Buckinghamshire.

Sir,—On taking up my CAGE BIRDS, I see that your correspondent Mr. Pullman suggests a Cage Bird Society for Bucks, and also a meeting at Maidenhead show in November I should like to point out to Mr. P. that, in the first place Maidenhead is in Berks and not in Bucks. Also that Aylesbury show is two weeks in front of Maidenhead, being on October 17th, and will be advertised in CAGE BIRDS next week. I believe I am right in saying that last year Maidenhead gave four classes for cage birds, while Aylesbury gave 27. This year we are putting up 25, four being open and 21 confined to members (several for novices). As our membership radius is 25 miles, which takes in the whole of the Bucks and part of Herts, Berks, Beds., Northants, and Oxon, I fail to see the necessity of another society. If Mr. Pullman and the other cage bird fanciers would join us (our entrance fee to the society is 1s., and the annual subscription only 2s. 6d.) we should be only too pleased to put on more classes, when they fill the 25 already practically open to 25 miles radius, and also more open classes. We have one of the best halls in England, and unrivalled railway service, and shall be pleased to meet Mr. Pullman and any other fanciers here on October 17th, when we shall have our old friend, Mr. Geo. Gardner with us in the capacity of judge.

F. RAYNER, Hon. Sec.
Aylesbury and Dis. F.S.

Sir,—We notice a correspondent in your issue of the 21st raises the question of a C.B. Society for Bucks. We have advocated this for some time, and would do all in our power for the advancement of same. But, Sir, if a cage society is to be formed, why not let it be a Cage Bird Society only. As to shows, surely they can be run without being mixed up with poultry, etc., and at considerably less expense, we are assured. As to the number of fanciers in Bucks, they are legion, if they would only send out and show who and what they are made of. We know not who friend Pullman may be, but would like to hear further of him; also from anyone else interested in the above. Aylesbury will always find us.

F. and T. BOWLER.

A Good Year and a Good Deal.

Sir,—I should like to tell you about the successful breeding season I have had this year. This is the second year I have tried breeding Yorkshires. I started with ten pairs, and have reared over 80 good birds. I did not know what to do with them, until I saw an advertisement in your valuable and interesting paper, Cage Birds, which I may say I have taken in since I started and found very helpful, and on answering it, I had Mr. Newley, of Stockwell Green call on me, and in less than ten minutes we had a very satisfactory deal for seventy birds. I sent them to the new place he is opening in Manchester, and am pleased to say they got there in good condition, none dead; so I hope to have another deal with him in the future.

Toddington. Geo. Moore.

Are the Reputed Siskin-Bullfinch Hybrids Authentic?

Sir,—I may say for the information of Mr. Herbert Walsh and others that I understood my name and address were sent to Cage Birds by the fancier who called on me and inquired if I had any objection to him sending to Cage Birds. I replied, "Not in the least." I was astonished when I got a copy of Cage Birds on the 31st August, to see that my name and address were deleted. Regarding the nom-de-plume, "Happy Result," used by this fancier, I knew nothing about it until I saw it published. The two young Siskin-Bullfinch Hybrids are in splendid condition, and I have them housed in a very large cage, where they can use their wings, and they are using them to some purpose. They were hatched on Sunday, 21st July last, and the result was published in the "Edinburgh Evening News" on the 2nd September, and the "Dispatch" on the 3rd Sept. I invited all the Edinburgh bird fanciers and those of the surrounding country to see them. I had scores of visitors, both ladies and gentlemen, on the first three days they were shown. In conclusion, I may say that the two young birds are not showing much colour; nor do I expect them to do so until after they moult, and I do not think that I will have long to wait. I enclose the two cuttings from the Edinburgh newspapers. Thomas Hill.

40, White Horse Close,
31, Canongate, Edinburgh.

Mr. Hill is under a misapprehension; his name and address were not deleted from "Happy Result's" letter. "Happy Result" certainly gave them, but on a separate sheet of paper, on which was written: ". . . . not given for advertising purposes"; from which we concluded, of course, that they were not intended for publication. In view of "Rabbie B.'s" letter of last week, stating that he had heard fanciers saying the birds in question were doubtful (one good judge remrkng that he could find no trace of the Bullfinch parentage) we feel sure that fanciers all over the United Kingdom would be deeply interested to read the opinions of those Edinburgh fanciers who took advantage of Mr. Hill's kind offer to show the birds to callers.—Editor.]

Merely a Foreign Bird.

Sir,—I have read with interest the letters of "Happy Result" and "Rabbie B.," in reference to the reputed Siskin-Bullfinch Hybrids. "Rabbie B." appears to have his doubts about the genuineness of those rarities which are said to have been bred in Edinburgh. Perhaps the following true story may interest "Rabbie B." and others. Some few weeks ago an advertisement appeared in a paper (not Cage Birds) offering a Siskin-Bullfinch Hybrid for sale, and as it was advertised by a well-known party, and "Hybrid price" (several pounds) was asked for it, a friend of mine forwarded the necessary deposit for the bird to be sent on approval. The Siskin-Bullfinch Hybrid duly arrived, also a letter giving particulars as to where and by whom it was bred, etc. Well, to cut a long story short, it was simply a Foreign bird, the same as are being advertised as Sulphury Seedeaters; they rather resemble the Green Singing Finch in colour, but are much larger. Some of the colours are certainly suggestive of the Siskin, but it would require a wonderful imagination to discover any trace of a Bullfinch. I hope the Edinburgh bred Siskin-Bullfinch Hybrids will show some trace of both parents, or "Happy Result" may have to indulge in another grumble about judges not being able to recognise and appreciate rare Hybrids.

Interested.



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Wake Up, Traders!

Sir,—I am in sympathy with Mr. G. Oglesthorpe. During the three years of my interest in the bird Fancy, I have many times over met with experiences just such as he names in his letter of Sept. 14. I wrote to dealers who were advertising for birds, as I had more than I could nicely accommodate; not one replied, although, in most cases, I enclosed a stamp, which they kept. The first week in August I sent an order and money for three pairs of birds to a dealer, who advertises from three of our large towns. After waiting a week and receiving neither birds nor any acknowledgment of my order, I wrote again. Two pairs of birds were eventually sent. One bird had scarcely a dozen feathers on, and died shortly after I received it; three out of the four birds were suffering from what is generally called "Going Light." Two died, and a third will not last much longer. One pair of birds are still owing to me, and have not appeared on the scene yet, although I have written twice after them and got no reply whatever. When the dealer sent the 4 birds he said he would forward others next week. That is now more than a month ago. Do you think, to a stranger this kind of dealing has an honest look? I say it does much harm to the Fancy.

L. A. Knight.

[We think this correspondence may now very well close. We hope it may have served a good purpose by bringing home to those dealers who do not give business-like attention to orders received, or who do not deal justly with customers, the fact that they are doing their own trade incalculable injury and crippling the hobby upon which they depend for their livelihood.—Editor.]

South Wales and Mon. Federation of F. and F. Societies.

A Good Commencement.

Sir,—I would be much obliged if you would kindly give me a little space to record the success this Federation has attained since its formation. Whit Monday last saw the initiation of the Federation, and there are now sixteen societies affiliated, comprising, besides poultry, pigeon and mixed societies, two cage bird societies, which means that all sections of the Fancy are catered for. The clashing of eight or ten shows this season has been avoided, and this was one of the principal objects in the formation of the Federation. The attainment of this prevention of clashing must to a large extent be accorded to the fancier-like spirit shown by the societies affected. Societies, after having fixed their dates, readily agreed to alter same for the purpose of preventing the losses that would accrue by two or more societies holding their fixtures on the same date. With such feeling shown by the Societies, combined with the help offered by our President, S. W. Thomas, Esq., Swansea, and influential gentlemen who act as vice-presidents, and who are united in furthering the interests of the Federation, who include Messrs. J. N. Bant (Cardiff), Buckley, Roderick (Llanelly), E. H. Simon (Pembroke) W. G. Camden (Swansea), and Norris Sair (Neath), only one result can be expected, and that is success. There are a number of societies not yet affiliated, and we want all societies to benefit. We want better balance-sheets at end of season, better facilities for exhibitors, and better chances of prize winners being paid their prize money. This can only be done by a combined effort on the part of the societies. We are combating no persons or societies, but combating the disastrous results that too often occur at the end of the season. Mr. A. E. Silk, of Whitstable, has presented the Federation with a silver cup to be competed for at all affiliated societies' shows who cater for cage birds. It will go to the novice who gains the most points at the end of the season, the said novice to be a member of an affiliated society. We return thanks to Mr. Silk for this cup, and hope it will considerably increase the entries in the shows where it is competed for. Novice exhibitors when sending in their entries, must insert in entry form "Novice-cup." I shall be pleased to give any information to societies not yet affiliated, if required. We are holding an executive meeting at Cardiff on Saturday, Sept. 28th, at five o'clock, to further discuss the desirability of purchasing four cups this season to be competed by members of affiliated societies.

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The Type of the Present-day Norwich Plainhead.

Sir,—It is amusing to read the result of the Norwich meeting, convened for the purpose of abolishing those birds—or, rather, to stop them from winning in Norwich classes—which were obliged to be shown under the Crestbred and the Lancashire flag. To judge from the enthusiasm shown, and the result of the previous meeting, one would have thought that the fanciers in Norwich were unanimously in favour of the smaller type of bird winning, and I might say that feelings akin to consternation assailed me when I heard the result of this later meeting. It was totally unexpected. As to the wisdom of the decision, it depends a great deal on the capabilities of the man engaged to adjudicate. Will he put a bird up simply because it is a big one, or will he insist on having true Norwich properties in proportion to its size? Personally, I confess to a sneaking regard for a big one, but a good one; and bringing back to mind many of the big winners I have seen in late years, I don't remember any of them as being over the limit—6½ inches. But still, I don't see why—as Mr. Payne said at the meeting—a bird that is just a trifle over the 6½ inches should be passed if it conforms to the standard in all other respects, i.e. good head, quality of feather, broad chest and back, good colour, and tail stuck in at the right angle. Every fancier will admit that such an one is much harder to breed than one of smaller proportions, and when one is fortunate enough to breed one, he should meet with his just reward. But if the judges in Norwich are going to judge for mere size alone, without considering the defects that usually accompany size., i.e. harsh feather, over-hanging eyebrows, long hinge tail and narrow chest, then—well, all I can say is, it is a good job that the decision does not affect the districts outside Norwich. After all, I have a deal of faith in the capabilities and discretion of the majority of our judges. While on the subject of Norwich Plainhead, might I draw the attention of novice Plainhead fanciers to the splendid competition provided by the Norwich Plainhead Club. They are offering two cups, value £5 and £3, respectively, for novices alone. This is a splendid opportunity for them, and I hope they will take advantage of it. The competitions begin at Huddersfield next week, where six classes are provided for novice Plainheads alone. Now novices, take advantage of the unique opportunity to win one or both of these cups by sending your 2s. 6d. to the secretary now.

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In the Courts.

Catching in Closed Districts.

Harry Smith, 41, Rylston Road, Fulham, was summoned at Kingston for having in his possession a number of Linnets and Goldfinches, contrary to the Wild Birds' Protection Act 1881, at Cobham, on September 5.—A constable deposed that on the evening of the 5th he saw defendant in company with a man, who gave the name of Baxter. They were carrying bundles (produced) and on witness asking them what they had there defendant replied, "Two or three birds." Altogether there were 61 birds, mostly Linnets and Goldfinches, and the men said they had got them from the district of Andover, where they had been for a week. On the 7th inst. witness got a magistrate's order and released the newly-caught birds. The man Baxter could not be found.—Defendant said he met a gipsy who told him he could take him to a place where they could find some birds. It was the first time he had been bird-catching.—Supt. Marshall stated that the man Baxter gave a false address.—Defendant was ordered to pay the costs, 9s. 6d., and the call-birds and appliances were confiscated, though defendant pleaded for the return of three of the birds which belonged to his father.

George Ensby, Joseph Dean, and William Tripp, all of Hayes, were summoned at Uxbridge for taking wild birds, and also with cruelty to some.—P.S. James Charman said that about 10.30 on Sunday, August 18, he was on duty in plain clothes, in company with P.C. Gray, and at Dawley Brickfields he saw defendants, Tripp and Den, sitting down. Tripp was working nets from lines. When told they would be summoned, Tripp said: "They are not my nets; I'm only holding them for him," pointing to Dean. Dean said: "I've only just come." He then discovered two other men working a further set of nets. On his approach they ran away. After another search the witnesses discovered four Sparrows and two Greenfinches tied down by apparati (which were produced in Court), the tackle also consisting of cages containing recently caught birds, mallets, pegs, etc.—P.C. John Gray corroborated.—Fined 10s. each, and the tackle to be confiscated.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Norwich. October 10, 11, Corn Hall. Judges, Messrs. Greeves, Robson, Vardy. 64 classes: Canap., Nor., 6; Crest, 3; C.B., 2. Prizes, 10s., 6s., 4s., 2s. Fee 1s. 6d., members 1s. 3d. Amat., Nor., 6, Crest., 3; C.B., 3. Prizes, 6s., 4., 3s., 2s. Fee 1s., members 9d. Open Nor., Clin., 2; Crest 1912, 2; Nor. Unlight., 4; Nat. Col., 2; Limit, Nor., 8; Pairs, 1; Crest, 2; C.B., 2; Lynn-mkd., c; A.O.V., 1; Mule, 2; Brit., 6; For., 1. Prizes, 10s., 6s., 4s., 2s. Fee 1s. 6d., members 1s. 2d. Breeders, 4. Prizes, 5s., 4s., 3s., 2s., 1s. Fee 9d., members 6d. Entries close Oct. 5, to R. Roll, 62, Ashby Street.

Derby.—Oct. 11 12, Albert Hall, Wardwick. Judges, Messrs. J. H. Roe, G. Colledge. 36 classes: Nor., 8; Nov., 3; Crest, 3; C.B., 2; Yorks., 6; A.O.V., 1; Mule, 3; Sell., 2; Brit., 7; For., 1. Prizes, 10s., 3s., 2s., 1s. Fee 9d., members 6d. Entries close Oct. 7, to Wharam and Barnsley, 23, Macklin Street.

Ayleshury. Oct. 17, Town Hall. Judge, Mr. G. Gardner. 4 open classes: Nor., Yorks., Brit., For. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee 2s., members 1s. 6d. 21 members' classes. Entries close Oct. 8, to F. Rayner, 27 Ardenham Street.

Torquay.—Oct. 17, Bath Saloons. Judge, Mr. Topp. 13 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks. 4, Mule 1, Sel. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee 1s. 6d. 15 members' classes. Prizes, 3s., 2s., 1s. Fee 6d. Ent. close Oct. 7, to A. Walker, Cremdon, Innerbrook Rd., Chelston, Torquay.

Selkirkshire O.F.A.—Oct. 12, Union Hall. Judge, Mr. J. Paterson. 21 open classes: Borders 10, Nor. 2, Mule 2, Brit. 5, For. 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. Entries close Oct. 5, to Jas. Robertson, 4, Green Terrace, Selkirk.

Morpeth. Oct. 12, Town Hall. Judges, Messrs. Battye and Brown. 26 open classes: Nor. 9, Clin. 3, Bord. 4, Yorks. 2, Nov. (except Nor.), 1, A.O.V. 1, Mule 1, Sell. 1, Brit. 3, For. 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s., 1s. Fee 1s., members 9d. 13 members' classes. Prizes, 5s., 2s. 6d., 1s. 6d., 1s. Fee 6d. Ent. close Oct. 5, to T. Cowing, Market Place.

Bromley and West Kent F.A.—Oct. 23, 24, Drill Hall, Bromley. Judge, Mr. H. Norman. 34 open classes: Nor. 8, Yorks. 8, Crest or C.B. 3, Bord. 2, Liz. 2, Brit. 4, For. 1, Mule 2, Dyb. 1, Sell. 2. Gift 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. Fee 1s. 6d., members 1s. 3d. Entries close October 14 to A. T. Bellinger, 26, Nightingale Lane, Bromley.

Singing Contests.

SALFORD.

Members are requested to attend the meeting for the purpose of settling the final business of the club on September 29th, at 7. The full report of the proceedings will be given in CAGE BIRDS at a later date. B. Wharton, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS.

Weekly contest for quality held at the Old Bird House, King's Head, Shannon Street, Leeds, Sept. 21, when 16 birds sang for three good prizes, given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson. 1 Butler, 2 Richardson, 3 Kelley. Judges, A. Jennings, S. Hardcastle, W. Naylor. Also Sept. 22, when 24 birds sang for four good prizes. 1 T. Johnson, 2 H. Wigfield, 3, 4, Butler, the winner running and turning like a German Canary. Judges, S. Hardcastle, W. Simons, W. Naylor. —Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Weekly contest for quality held at the Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, Leeds, September 22, when 14 birds competed for three good prizes, given by Mrs. Saynor. Result: 1 J. Clarke, 2 P. Madden, 3 Playforth. Judges, Messrs. C. Lorriman and J. Smith.—J. Smith, Sec.

Linnet contest, Skinners' Arms, Bishopthorpe, Sept. 21st; 21 birds were hung. 1, Sellers; 2, Madden; 3, shared Ward and Wigfield. Judges, Clayton and Lowman. Also Sept. 22; 15 birds were hung. 1, Sellers; 2, 3, Ward. Judges, Summers and Biss. Next sing, Sept. 28.—C. W. Smith, Sec.

CASTLEFORD LINNET CLUB.

General meeting, Sept. 14, at the George and Dragon Hotel, Bridge Street. Annual report and balance sheet were read. The report shows we have had 36 members and 2,402 birds have been entered in contests. Prize money won amounted to £36 15s., and a few specials. Income was £15 7s. 3d., and expenditure £8 7s. 1d., leaving a balance of £7 0s. 2d. in hand. The principal prize winners throughout the season were: W. Nelson, 41 firsts, 28 seconds, 14 thirds; E. Smith, 14, 6, 10; J. Brindley, 9, 7, 12; A. Sweeting, 6, 8, 7; J. Kirk, 3, 5, 4; A. Towler, 2, 3, 4; B. Nelson, 1, 6, 6,; W. Ratcliffe, 1, 6, 6, The following were elected officers for 1912-13: J. Smith, President; Mrs. Parker, Treasurer; W. Dobson, Secretary; J. Brindley, Assist. Secy; Messrs. W. Nelson, E. Smith, J. Ranskill, W. Ratcliffe and S. Morley, Committee. Mr. L. Parker presented the Parker Challenge Cup and medals to the winners. He said he had great pleasure in presenting the cup to Mr. E. Smith, also the gold and silver medals for the longest break of the year, and he hoped he would try to make the cup his own by winning it again other three times. He also presented Mr. W. Nelson and Mr. B. Nelson with a running-up medal each. He said he felt sorry for Mr. W. Nelson, who has been first for the cup for many weeks, to just get beaten in the last two contests, but he hoped it would make him more determined to win it next year. Mr. F. Smith responded, and said he was very pleased to be the first member to win the cup, and, as Mr. Parker said, he would try his best to make the cup his own. He would like to propose a vote of thanks to Mr. Parker for coming to present the cup and medals. Mr. B. Nelson seconded, and said he was very pleased to be one of the runner-up, and thought the cup had never all members very keen. He said he was very glad that it had been a very close finish, because it had got the members to come every week. He said Mr. E. Smith ought to feel very proud that night when he went home with the cup, and two medals had been by one bird, but he would try his best again next year to beat him, and he hoped all members would stick together and try to make the club a bigger success than ever. It was decided to sing all the year round, so anyone who would like to become members may bring their birds any Saturday or Sunday; first pair of birds in the window on Saturdays at 3 p.m., Sundays 1 p.m.—Walter Dobson, Hon. Sec.

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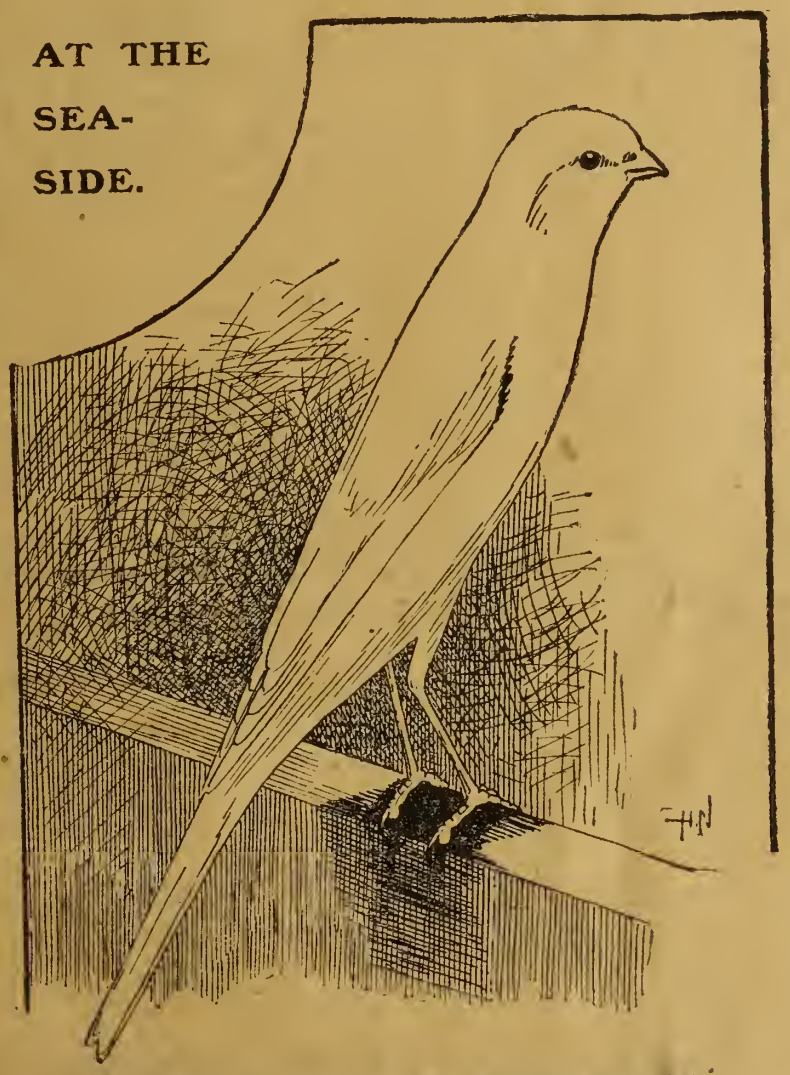
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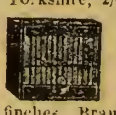
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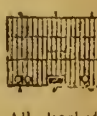


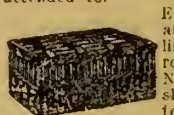
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PAIR unflighted Yorkshires, yellow and buff, from grand parents, 10/6: G. F. Clarkson, Northallerton.

PAIR clear Yorkshires, cock coming on song, 10/-; odd clear hen, 3/-: Smith, 31, Hitchin Hill, Hitchin, Herts.

YORKSHIRES, cocks from 6/-, hens 2/6, pairs from 8/-: F. Eardley, 3, Nelson st., Miles Platting, Manchester.

HIGHEST class show or stock Yorkshires; no rubbish offered; state wants; approval: Judge Silk, Whitstable.

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J. G. BARNES, 119, Northfield Road, Walkley, Sheffield. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Long, practical experience. Terms moderate.

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C. A. HOUSE, Briardene, Idle, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and other Cage Birds.

J. R. HOUGHTON, 21, Hatfield Road, Gloucester. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds; specialist in Norwich; terms moderate.

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J. H. PAYNE, 17, Northgate Street, Gloucester Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Cage Birds.

C. E. SILK, The Aviaries, Emsworth, Hants. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience.

HENRY TAMS, Orchard Place, Longton, Staffs. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Birds. Twenty-five years Breeder and Exhibitor.

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Entries close

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October 15 & 16.

Entries Close Oct. 5.

Five Money Prizes, Fee, 1/6. Patronage C.C.C., S.N.P.C., S.Y.C.C. and Silk Cup. Schedules—THOS. POPE, 98, Embankment Road, Plymouth.

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OCTOBER 18th and 19th. 80 OPEN CLASSES.

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CAGE BIRDS ONLY!

76 Classes. # KELTY & BLAIRADAM SAT., OCT. 19.

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L. & P. O. S. Open Show of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds, October 23rd and 24th, at the Holborn Hall (late Holborn Town Hall), Gray's Inn Road. Entry fee 2/-. Entries close October 14th. Same classification for Novices as for Champions. Four Money Prizes in each class. Judges: Messrs. T. Heath, J. Robson, and Allen Silver. Schedules now ready.—C. W. Law, Brimley House, Woodhouse Road, N. Finchley, London, N.

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Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Entry fee 1/6.
83 Classes, 120 Specials,
17 Cups and Trophies,
6 Gold and 17 Silver Medals.

Judges: S.F., J. Black; Borders, T. Arnott; Yorks., J. Ford; Crests, J. McLay; Nor., J. Sinclaton; Mules, Brit., and For., J. F. Dewar.

Entries Close Oct. 7.

Schedules from: W. Grewar, Sec., 7, Park View, Lochgelly.

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Open and Members' Show. Good Classification; 4 Money Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-, 1/-. Entry fee 1/-.

Specials Every Class.

Judges: Messrs. H. W. Battye and A. Brown.

Entries close Oct. 5.

Schedules from: E. Cowling, Y.M.C.A., Market Place, Morpeth, Northumberland.

Pontardawe

Entries short; first post Monday, October 7th, accepted.—Wm. Jenkins, 5, Dyffryn Road.

AYLESBURY OCTOBER 17th. Entries close October 8th. Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, Cage Birds. Judges: Geo. Gardner, and F. J. S. Chatterton. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6; entry 2/-. Schedules, F. Rayner, 27, Ardenham Street, Aylesbury.

BLACKWOOD (MON.) 20 miles' radius. Show of Poultry, Pigeons, and Cage Birds, will be held on Thursday, October 17. Good classification. Cage Birds judge, E. J. Davies (Cardiff). Entries close October 12. Schedules ready. Apply, W. H. Coleman, Sec., Blackwood, Mon.

Great Open Show!

CITY OF GLASGOW

The 59th Annual Exhibition and Competition of Scotch Fancy, Belgian, Norwich and Border Fancy Canaries; Mules; British and Foreign Birds, will be held in Drill Hall, Stirling Rd., Glasgow, on Friday and Saturday, 18th. and 19th. October. (Entries close 12th October.) Specialist Judges each section. 90 Classes. Prize money, 36/- per class, fully guaranteed. Numerous cups, medals, and valuable specials.

Schedules.—Scotch Fancy and Belgian: John Young, 80, High Street, Rutherglen. Norwich, etc.: R. Heggie, 27, McLennan St., Mount Florida, Glasgow.

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Oct. 17th, 1912.

Canaries, British and Foreign.
46 Classes; numerous Specials.
7 Norwich, 8 Yorkshires, 3 Mules, 5 British, 1 Foreign, Open.
4 Novice Norwich and 4 Novice Yorkshires.

Judge: A. Hirst (Accrington). Patronage of the M.C.Y.C.C., both in open and novice.

Schedule now ready; apply: C. J. Robinson, 44, Cromer Street, May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent.

TORQUAY, Oct. 17.

13 Classes. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6; fee 1/6. Cash Specials. Judge, Mr. R. B. Tope.—A. Walker, Hon. Sec., Crendon, Torquay.

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26th Annual Open Show, Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, Brit. and For. Birds, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 18 and 19, in Fulledge Conservative Assembly Rooms, Oxford Road. Under the patronage of the N.P.C. 33 classes. Judges, J. Trengove and J. H. Roe. Prize money, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Entry fees, 1/6.

Entries close on Tues., Oct. 15.

Specials in galore! Schedules from F. Cunliffe, Secretary, 19, Lark Street, Burnley.

MIDDLESBRO'

Oct. 19th, 1912.

Annual Show Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds. 43 classes. 4 money prizes and specials in every class. Entry fee 1s. Well-known judges. Schedules, apply Arthur Wake, 128, Princes Road, Middlesbrough.

BURTON-ON-TRENT

Saturday, October 19th, 1912.

6th Annual Open Show

Canaries, Mules, Albino, British and Foreign Birds.

Judge: J. Robson, Esq.

Patronage of Cinnamon Canary Club.

46 Classes. Numerous Specials.

Schedules from A. Wood, 10, South Oak Street Burton-on-Trent.

EAST LOTHIAN C.B.S. 2nd Annual Show, Sat., Oct. 19, in the Corn Exchange, Haddington. Canaries; Mules; Brit. and Foreign Birds. Patronage S.B.B. and M.C., and E.F.C.C. Schedules: J. McHolms, Cherry Tree Cottage, Haddington.

JOHNSTONE

Cage Bird Show.

19th October.

9 Classes. Judge, Mr. A. McMeeking, Glasgow. Schedules from D. P. Ritchie, Brookfield, Johnstone near Glasgow.

BROMLEY AND WEST KENT

Annual Show of Cage Birds, Oct. 23 and 24, under the patronage of the K.C.C.B.A. 35 Classes to Cage Birds. Cups and Specials. Judge, H. Norman Esq. Schedules, A. T. Bellinger, 26, Nightingale Lane Bromley, Kent.

HAYLE (Cornwall) 9th Annual Show, Oct. 23 and 24. Cage Birds (confined to Cornwall). A1 classification; numerous Specials, Challenge Cups, Medals, etc. Prize Money 8/-, 5/-, 3/-, 1/6. For schedules, etc., apply: A. Coombe, Hon. Sec., 17, Mount Pleasant.

STAMFORD

C.B.S.

Thursday, October 24th, 1912.

5th Annual Show of Canaries, Mules, Albinos, British and Foreign Cage Birds. 36 Open Classes. £4 4/- cash for most points. 10/6 cash for best exhibit, and other specials. Judge, Mr. John Robson. Schedules ready.—A. Harrison, 7, New Street, Stamford.

17th Annual Open Show.

LEWES

October 24 and 25.

30 Classes for Cage Birds. Judge: C. A. House, Esq. Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-; entrance 1/6. Numerous Specials.

Entries close Oct. 11. Schedules:
J. Martin, Hon. Sec., 4, East Street, Lewes.

South Shields

10th Annual Open Show,

October 25 and 26.

Four Money Prizes, 1/6 entrance fee. Class Specials, and 10/6 cash sectional specials. Judges: J. Wilcock and F. Marwood. Novices well catered for. J. Wilcock will judge Canaries and F. Marwood remainder. Schedules: W. L. Smith, 3, Queen St. South Shields.

AYR and DISTRICT

5th Annual Open Show of Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th.

Under patronage of Y.C.C.S., and B.F.C.C. 51 Classes. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, and 2/6., and Specials. Entry fee 1/6. Judges: Canaries, James F. Dewar (Edinburgh); British, James Mason (Peebles). Schedules ready about Oct. 9th, from James Sloan, 19, New Bridge Street, Ayr.

DERWENT VALLEY

C.B.S. Sixth Annual Open Show of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds, in the Church Hall, Hamsterley, Saturday, October 26th. 36 Open Classes, good Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6 for 1/6 entrance fee. Money Specials. Judges: W. Reid and G. Wilson. Entries close Saturday, Oct. 19th Schedules will be sent to all last year's exhibitors Others please apply to Lindsay and Marsh, Railway Cottages, Westwood, Hamsterley Colliery, Co Durham.

KIRKCALDY

C.B.S. 6th Ann. Open Show,

October 26th.

in Pioneer Hall, Carlyle Road. Patronage, B.F.C.C Open and Novice, also Shield. 3 cups, medals, and numerous specials. Judges: S.F., D. Low; Crests G. Arnott; Brdrs. and Yorks., J. Hutchieson; Nor., W. Hampton; Brit., etc., J. W. Adams. Entries close October 21st. This show is under new management. Schedules from: Chas. Rae, 15, Anderson St., Kirkcaldy.

NOTTINGHAM & Dist.

Permanent O.S., Saturday, October 26th. Open Show of Canaries, Mules, British, Hybrids and Foreign. Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Numerous Specials. Schedules, J. Bunn, 81, Ena Avenue, Sneinton Dale, Nottingham.

Hartlepools'

October 26. Patronage of Y.C.C., N.Y.C.C., N.C.N. and C.C.C., and N.B.B. and M.C., and F.B.C. 18 Classes. Specials galore. Judges, Messrs. Battye and Maddison. Schedules and particulars from Messrs. Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Road, West Hartlepool.

PERTH

October 26th.

Judges: W. Grewar, T. Arnott, and J. R. Mackie. Schedules ready shortly: Secretary, James Kerr, 18 James Street, Perth.

BARNSTAPLE

and North Devon C.B.S.
October 29 and 30.
87 Special Prizes. 4 Silver Cups. 37 Classes. Judges, T. Heath, R. J. Blackmore (Belgians). Entries close Tuesday, October 22. Schedules from J. D. Horrill, Hon. Sec., Exhibition Office, High Street, Barnstaple.

CHELTENHAM

OCTOBER 30th and 31st.
Patronage of C.C.C., S.N.P.C., S.Y.C.C., Champion and Novice, E. and W.B.F.C., N.B.B. and M.C.
78 Open Classes.
Judges: Messrs. W. E. Greeves, A. W. Battye, J. Frostick, M. Jacquemin.
Schedules posted October 10th.
Show Manager: W. Pounsett, 5, Whitecross Square, Cheltenham.

GRIMSBY

and Dis. O.S. 6th Annual Open Show of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds.
WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, OCT. 30th and 31st, in the King's Hall, Cleethorpes Road, Grimsby. Specials, 10/- best Hardbill, 10/- best Softbill. Judge, J. H. Roe. Schedules in a few days.—Towl and Smith, Hon. Secs., 205, Welholme Rd., Grimsby.

Ramsgate

C.B.S. Open Show.
Oct. 30th and 31st.
59 Classes. 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Many Specials. Entries close October 21st. Judge, Mr. G. Gardner. Schedules October 7th.—A. Afrigan, Hon. Sec., 21, Thanet Road, Ramsgate.

GRANTHAM

C.B.S. Second Annual Open Show,
Thursday, Oct. 31st.
Good Classification and Specials.
Judge: J. C. Barnes. Schedules: W. E. Allen, Sec., 119, Alexandra Road, Grantham.

PALACE OF THE PEAK. **MATLOCK**

11th Annual Exhibition of Cage Birds will be held in the Victoria Hall, on
Thursday, October 31st, 1912.
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At the unanimous invitation of the Societe Ornitho'ogique de 'est de la Belgique Monsieur Pauwels and myself, writes Mr. O. Millsum, have promised to adjudicate upon the whole of the exhibits at their annual show in January next. Considering their entries last show were well over 500, the task promises to be no light one.

Owing to the great demand for my birds and cages (as per my advt.), I was compelled to dispatch orders in rotation, writes Mr. Sam Haworth (Ashton-under-Lyne), so that will those who were late in receiving same (delay being unavoidable) kindly accept this as an explanation. I had replies from all parts, including three from Ireland. This speaks volumes for CAGE BIRDS as an advertising medium, and I wish it every success.

Wild Birds Wearing Rings.

A Bullfinch was caught at Hale, near Altrincham, on Sept. 15th, writes Mr. Jones, wearing one of Messrs. Witherby's metal rings on its leg, numbered K766.

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Twitterings.

Mr. F. E. Hawkes, 30, Marlborough St., Liverpool, will be glad to receive from hon. secs. schedules of forthcoming shows.

By a printer's error, the review of Derby schedule was incorrectly printed in our last issue. A correct review appears under "Review of Schedules" this week.

Owing to early dates of shows, secretaries will oblige by applying for Ramsden's specials, enclosing coupons with application, at as early a date as possible.—(Advt.)

Owing to a printer's error in schedule, writes Mr. W. Grewar, Lochgelly, C.B.S., it is stated that in Class No. 56 there is no entrance money. This should be Class 57.

I have removed to more central premises at 355, London Road, Sheffield, writes Mr. E. Broadbent; the change, I am glad to say, being necessitated by largely increasing business.

Mr. E. R. Ridley, 19, Lambton St., Hull, Secretary Hull C.B.S., writes: In connection with our open show on Nov. 15 and 16, we are sending out 1,200 schedules to known fanciers.

I am reluctantly compelled to give up Canary breeding, after over twenty years, owing to ill-health, writes Mr. H. J. Lake, of Ipswich, and am advertising my stock (mostly Norwich and Crests) in this issue.

Mr. H. J. Fulljames finds himself unable to fulfil his engagement to judge at Clapham show, writes Mr. A. R. Coe, Hon. Sec., and although at the time of writing I am unable to name his successor, doubtless a satisfactory substitute will have been found long before this appears in print.

Visitors to Longton show are invited to see the very interesting special display of showcages, sprays, baths, and other goods required by exhibitors, which will be made in three large windows of the establishments of Mr. Enoch Tams (two doors from the show-room). —Advt.

Will you kindly state in your next issue, writes Mr. J. P. Carr, joint Hon. Sec. National British Bird and M.C., that Mr. Plumbridge has tendered his resignation as joint secretary, and I have consented to carry on the work of the Club until the end of the year.

Members who were not present at our last meeting, writes Mr. Levi Booth, Sec. East Bowling B.F.A., should note that the society are offering a rosebowl for competition at next four members' shows. The first four classes in both sections, open and novice, to count for same.

Kindly draw the attention of Secretaries who have been granted the patronage of the Southern Norwich Plainhead Club and the Fancy in general, writes Mr. G. F. Crawford, Bermondsey, to the fact that a printer's error has crept into the S.N.P.C. Booklet for 1912. My initials are G.F. and not W.S., as printed.

The support of the Crested C.C., writes Mr. J. Tyson, Hon. Sec., has been voted to Plymouth, Oct. 15-16; Cheltenham, Oct. 30-31; Nottingham, Nov. 9-11; L.C.B.A., Nov. 28-30; Gateshead, Dec. 13-14; and the Crystal Palace, Manchester, Oct. 25-26, will be the Club Show, where the ten guinea bowls will be in competition. The newly-adopted show cup is now ready.

The officials of the Bournemouth C.B.A. (founded 1890), have arranged a very attractive classification for their forthcoming show, Nov. 19-20; as this is their twenty-first annual exhibition, they are making special efforts to excel all previous shows, and ask fanciers generally to rally round them to help make this "Coming of Age" event a bumper.

It was with genuine surprise, on lifting my CAGE BIRDS last Friday morning, writes Mr. G. Brown, Leith, that I saw depicted on the front page my winning foul buff cock. He has always been in the money wherever exhibited, and I consider him one of the best I have ever bred. He has now got nearly over the moult, after a hard breeding season. I have reared some very nice youngsters from him. I thank you for giving me such an honour in your valuable paper.

Will members of York C.B.S., writes Mr. H. Sayles, Hon. Sec., please notice that classes 4, 8 and 12 should read yell. or buff hen, and not unflighted, as in schedule.

Mr. J. C. Rhodes, Bradford, writes that he has sold at a good figure the clear unflighted buff cock, first in novice section City of Bradford Show, Sept. 30, and sp. for best bird in show.

Reading and Dist. C.B.S. show will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 20th, writes Mr. W. H. Pyke, Hon. Sec. Judges: Messrs. J. Robson and H. D. Astley, M.A., F.Z.S. Twenty open classes, including four foreign; 28 members' classes, with fixed prize money.

Mr. W. H. Gibb, Hon. Sec., writes that classes will be made in the annual open show at Brighton, Nov. 14-15, for Crest, Clear Body, Dark Crest; Crest, A.O.V.; Crestbred. Also for non-colour fed Yorks., ditto Nor. Messrs. C. A. House and J. Robson are the judges. Schedues will be ready shortly.

Mr. J. Clempson, of Hurley, near Atherstone and myself, writes Mr. W. C. Wells, Erdington, have gone into partnership, and in future our birds will be exhibited under the style of Wells and Clempson. Will secretaries, particularly those of societies having patronage of Midland Counties Y.C.C., please note?

Mr. Morton, Hon. Sec., Birkenhead Canary F.A., writes that Mr. J. Cutmore, of the Liverpool Museum, has promised to give a lecture at their next meeting, Oct. 15, on "Hereditary Breeding and Pedigree." All members and their friends of the Liverpool and district societies are most welcome to hear Mr. Cutmore on this most interesting subject.

We hear that the Llanelly and Dis. Cage Bird Society are adding a class for Hawfinches in their next schedule. A class will also be provided for mounted cages (bird and cage) furnished with the most natural surroundings appropriate to the bird shown. In this class the cages and decorations will be judged and not the birds, and prizes will be given for suitability and artistic merit of the decorations. Any bird, British or Foreign, may be shown singly or in pairs. The date of the show is Nov. 26.

In our schedule, writes Mr. A. T. Bellinger, Hon. Sec., Bromley and W. Kent F.A., 3rd prize money should read 2s. 6d., not 2s., as stated. We have put on seven classes for novices. They keep wanting same, so we shall see if they will help us. The K.C.C.B.A. cups are as follows: Silver challenge cup each for most points in Norwich, British, Lizards, Border, and Mules, and challenge bowl in Yorks. No. 1, 3, 4, 5, to be competed by birds bred the current year. All cups to be won three times before becoming the property of the exhibitor. Competitors to nominate not more than two birds in each section for cups and bowl, the exhibitor making the highest points throughout the year at shows patronised by the K.C.C.B.A. to be adjudged the winner. Particulars as to these were not in time for publication in our schedule.

The handbook of the Yorkshire Union of Cage Bird Societies is to hand, and quite sustains the reputation gained by its predecessors. The portraits of the President, Mr. F. Armstrong, and the Secretary, Mr. H. Hill, are given in the opening pages. The book contains the rules of the Union, show rules and regulations, and a list of Union shows, together with the classification of each. "Points worth noting" are given for the benefit of secretaries, exhibitors, and members generally, with a prominent note that birds wearing closed rings will be debarred from competition at Yorkshire Union shows. The names and addresses of members of affiliated societies are given under the various society headings, with particulars as to the place of meeting of each society. The balance-sheet shows £27 9s. 8d. in hand, a drop of £7 13s. 3d. from last year, a notable item on the expense side being the large amount of £20 10s. 6d. expended for medals for competition amongst the members. The handbook, for which the printing bill amounts to £16 2s., is an exceedingly useful compilation, and much pains must have been taken by the popular secretary, Mr. Hill, in gathering together such a mass of information.

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NPROLIFICACY IN CANARIES:

By D. STEEL, (Dalkeith).

A well-considered and intensely interesting article which will cause Canary Breeders to think.

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Two Extreme Examples.

N proof of my assertion that a deterioration has followed this system of selection, I will take those types which are hest removed from the common stock, i.e., possessing ures which could only have been produced by human uence; such features probably having their origin in a *ts nature* perpetuated and elaborated by human selection, h deliberate intent. The Scotch Fancy and Crest provide with two extremes, to obtain and maintain which prolifi- y would, as I have alleged, be sacrificed.

The most optimistic breeder of these varieties would reely deny that the decline in maternal instinct alone such as to make their perpetuation dependent on the use a less cultivated stock as foster parents, and that, not- hstanding the best attentions of these fosters, the death e is abnormally high during the nestling stage. That rility is very common in both sexes I have indubitable of, and could name quite a few prominent and experi- ed breeders who have suffered a decrement in their stock ring the past three seasons through this alone, and this, spite the greatly improved methods of treatment due in small measure to such a paper as CAGE BIRDS.

The average Scotch Fancy breeder of some thirty years o rivalled Chin Lee, of Chinatown, in the simplicity and dity of his methods. Half an egg, placed where it could come most contaminated, constituted his ideas of egg-food d its receptacle. His knowledge of seeds was confined to ose procurable, hemp and canary of the one shop quality. is horror of cleaning a cage during the breeding season as only equalled by his contempt for red mites; indeed, have repeatedly heard these old fanciers express their ap- eciation of the abundance of red mite as a good sign. et the results, from a numerical point of view, were such would induce the modern breeder to shake hands with mself.

Are They Deteriorating?

The price demanded for good specimens of these varieties significant, inasmuch as neither the Scotch nor Belgian to-day in such a transfigurative stage, as would perhaps stify such prices as £50 each being paid for specimens hich were a step nearer the ideal set up. On the con- ary, I have the opinion that these types have passed their enith, and a deterioration in the quality of substance has ecome manifest, and these enhanced prices are indicative f an attempt to retain qualities. Granted normal prolificacy, he numbers, of even the best, would have greatly increased, ith the result that they would either have depreciated in onetary value, or the standard would have been raised by aking the qualities of colour and plumage as essential in hese as in other varieties.

Significant also, that while other varieties have merited steady increase in classification at most of the important hows, these types have suffered a diminution, and in many ases abolition of classes. If further proof be wanting that decadence in reproductive power is manifest in these ypes, such may be seen in the fact that a considerable umber of once keen enthusiasts have ceased to keep them, ither because of this unprolificacy, or because of the prohibi- ive price which scarcity commands.

Inbreeding Not a Primary Cause.

The fact that my own stock, to which I have referred, was an inbred, or sib, led me to make the common error of attributing this unprolificacy to such inbreeding. That inbreeding with unprolific stock will accentuate the ten- dency to unprolificacy in the offspring there can be no doubt, but I am quite convinced that a high standard of repro- ductiveness is quite possible with an inbred stock. I have proved this with my own stock, but have no hesitation in saying that elimination of the unfit is absolutely necessary to the maintenance of prolificacy in an inbred stock. Apropos of this, I may state that the extreme of inbreeding which I have seen existed in a poultry stock which originally numbered one male and four females, and for thirty years not a drop of strange blood had been introduced; yet the stock was remarkably prolific. I questioned the owner, Mr. C. Graham, of Skipmyre, Lochmaben, as to how he main- tained the standard. His answer meant *elimination.*

My experience with unprolific birds induced me to experi- ment with a view to ascertaining whether, by ignoring all other features and eliminating those which revealed a ten- dency to unprolificacy, I could engender a prolific stock; whether, by crossing the progeny from an unprolific with a prolific, there could be produced offspring which would inherit the good or evil qualities of their parents. If, on the whole, an improvement were resultant, my theory of elimination would be greatly weakened, inasmuch as a solu- tion and remedy would have been found which would be much less drastic than elimination. My first proceeding was to ascertain the fecundatory powers of a male Canary. The results were so surprising as to be almost beyond belief. The results were so surprising as to be almost beyond belief, but there were quite a few fanciers who witnessed the ex- periment and who can vouch for the accuracy of this report.

Mormonism.

I chose a mongrel cock, three years old, which had proved his stock-getting qualities when paired in the ordinary mono- ganic manner (one hen), and selected also six healthy hens, mongrels all, which had been proved reliable feeders. I first set myself the task of proving beyond a shadow of doubt that one copulation fertilized an entire clutch of eggs, by allowing him only one access to the hen. The theory being new to me, I verified it by repeating the experiment time and again, and so firmly was I convinced that further copulation was only a needless waste that I adopted that system for the remainder of the season, the only exception being that, as I was not aware how long a period might be allowed as a maximum between copulation and laying, I placed this maximum at four or five days; then if a hen did not lay at the expiry of that period, I permitted another copulation.

My method was to place him for a time in close proximity to those hens which by flapping, calling, and building, showed a desire for his attentions. Placing both cages on the table, I ran him in with the hen, and if copulation took place at once, I removed him, and marked date on cage; if not, I just ran him out, and marked date of the hen's refusal, and allowed a day or two to elapse before repeating the experiment. I seldom had any trouble, as I took the precaution of making sure she was prepared to accept his advances, and there were no other cocks in my room to cause voice pairing troubles. I think those hens recognised the futility of playing any "chase me Charlie" games, and I soon had them all set, while the cock, like Oliver Twist, apparently wanted some more.

A Lucky Dog!

I gradually increased his harem, and created some amuse- ment among my brother fanciers by looking for bad ones, i.e., hens which, though healthy, had been proved to be bad feeders, bad sitters, etc.; I wanted such young as I could get from them for next year's experiment. Ultimately, my feathered Sultan was the proud possessor of sixteen hens, not counting another which a brother fancier brought so that he might witness one copulation, and take his hen away to test the truth of my assertions (this hen had four chicks, laying her first egg three days after copulation). At the end of the season my bird was the parent of almost eighty young, exclusive of a few that died after hatching.

In pursuing my experiment, I found that if an egg were laid the day following copulation, such egg proved invariably unfertile, the probable reason being that it was too advanced in development to be impregnated.

I have no doubt that some who have experimented could state the possible maximum period between copulation and the laying of fertile eggs. That this period is longer than is generally supposed may be the reason of many rumours of clear Mules and Chaffinch or Bunting Canary Hybrids, and the following happening describes my maximum.

Among the hens was one which was sent with the reputa- tion of being barren, a reputation which she sustained for three months after I got her, inasmuch as her actions did not justify any attempts to breed from her, but at length, noticing that she was carrying material, I tried the cock; she refused him, but a day or two later I tried him again and copulation took place. She then started to sit without laying, and continued to do so for about four days. I again allowed copulation, but four days later found that she still had failed to lay. Having three eggs from another hen, I placed them under her, and an examination three days later showed that she had not added to that number; that made seven days from copulation. An accident which temporarily deprived me of my eyesight prevented me ascertaining when she actually laid, but eight days later my wife found that she had increased the clutch to eight, and, acting on my in- structions, removed the first three, which were well advanced in incubation. Just to keep her occupied, she was allowed to sit, but to my surprise all five of the eggs were fertile and hatched out. Thus, judging by the time of hatching, 13 or 14 days must have elapsed between copulation and lay- ing the fifth egg. But this is a digression.

(To be continued.)

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CINNAMON markings will come out unexpectedly, and I have been deceived many times. It is now difficult to experiment on this, for you can scarcely find a Yorkshire to-day that has no cinnamon blood in it. I find them always hens when bred from two dark-eyed birds. I always advise a dip into the green blood occasionally; it improves type, and establishes more depth of cinnamon colour. I have seen cinnamon-marked birds so light and faint that they were almost fawn in colour. These birds want a dip into the green to regain depth of cinnamon colour.

One great drawback to crossing with the green blood is that you lose markings, usually breeding a number of splashed birds. You have to chance the markings to gain the colour.

Simplicity in the Diet.

The feeding of my birds has always been simple. I always use best Spanish canary seed as their staple food, and during the breeding season hard-boiled eggs, with home-made bread with a little granulated biscuit; summer rape, niger, and crushed hemp seed, about equal parts. A little dandelion, or lettuce as green food, supplies all that is necessary for the hen to rear her young. Some hens will not feed, no matter what you try them with, others will take to one particular food, and when I find this the case I let them have plenty of it. I find it the best way, and there can be good robust youngsters fed on scarcely anything but seed and green food.

Egg-food should not be made too rich; it is too strong for the young birds, and in lots of cases it is through the strong rich diet that so many youngsters are lost every season.

A very trying time for Canaries is when they are from five to seven weeks old—the time they are weaning from the egg-food on to hard seed. The breaking off from the soft food to the hard seed sometimes sets up inflammation of the bowels or diarrhœa. Either of these complaints is bad enough to deal with. I always let them have a good supply of summer rape when a month old, giving it in a separate vessel inside the cage. They soon begin to pick amongst it and will crack it by the time they are a little over a month old. I then sprinkle a little white canary seed on top of the summer rape, and they usually wean off from the egg-food by degrees.

I always have the outside seed hopper filled with white seed, sprinkling some summer rape on top. I would rather have rape seed given as you buy it, than soaked; I have tried both, and have found it best to give it dry. I add to their drinking water four or five drops of tincture of gentian; this is a fine thing for young birds.

Are They Worth a Guinea a Box for Birds?

If any of the youngsters show any signs of slackness, I give them milk sop. I catch them and examine them to see if it be inflammation of the bowels. If it is that complaint, the lower part of the abdomen will be a dark red colour, and a trifle swollen. My best remedy for this is a Beecham's pill, cut in four pieces and pushed, one by one, down the bird's throat, giving it a whole pill. I find this, if taken in time, seldom fails to cure.

Castor-oil should never be given to young birds, it is too strong for them turning them very sickly; they give over eating, and soon dwindle away. Diarrhœa is the worst com- plaint of the two, and very difficult to cure; once you get it going amongst a lot of birds, you are sure to lose a good lot of them before you can stop it. Parrish's Chemical Food in the drinking-water and prepared chalk in the egg-food is as good as anything I have tried.

When about nine or ten weeks old, I begin to give them a little colour-food, increasing it to the desired quantity by degrees. Colour-feeding is not so much of a mystery as it used to be; any novice can colour-feed Canaries if he follows the directions given him by the colour-food vendors. Regu- larity is the most important feature in producing a nice level colour. They should not be missed three or four days every week, and then expected to moult out a proper colour. Some fanciers are apt to be a bit careless in this respect, and very often spoil all their birds.

A great many fanciers are of the opinion that colour- feeding is injurious. I am of opinion it is in some cases; I mean with the very heavy feeding we have to do to be up to the times. When you have to take their seed away till they eat it, then is the injury done, as the birds get down in condition owing to their aversion to the stuff, and you can scarcely ever get them back again. They are moping about the cage, seeking something they cannot find, and usually get drooping wings and never lose that slovenly kind of carriage.

Color-feeding Difficult to Abolish.

I do not see how we are to do away with colour-feeding so long as we see yellow pepper advertised for feeding natural coloured birds. If we made natural colour classes, there would always be a few that would risk a pinch of colour; then the judges would have to decide which were fed and which were not.

Some natural coloured birds carry a deep colour, and may possibly be thrown out for having had that pinch, whilst on the other hand birds may pass through all right and still have had the pinch all through the moult. Judges ought not to allow colour to weigh so much in their awards. Type, quality, and condition are more difficult to obtain than a bit of good colour.

My advice to the beginner in the Canary Fancy is to practice on a moderate pair the first year by way of ex- periment to get into the management, and to try at breeding. Then, if he should think of going in for better class, he has a little experience behind him.

How to Become a Successful Fancier.

The best method for him is to go to a reliable fancier and buy a set of good birds, a set comprised of two hens and one cock. I know of a good many novices who have been very successful in their first or second season, but they have got the right stuff to begin with. Providing they have a good breeding season, they have every chance of success. There is another method of becoming a successful exhibitor, but you must have a long purse, and not be afraid of dipping deep down into it. This is by buying the birds from the show bench. I should not advise this method for a novice, as he would have to depend on someone else to get his birds ready for the show bench, he himself not being experienced enough to place them down as they should be. I prefer to climb by degrees, and get worn to the hobby by practical experience. A fancier in good financial circum- stances, can, of course, succeed much sooner than his brother fancier who has only limited means, and who has to depend on selling one season's stock before he can speculate further.

In conclusion, I may add there is no more interesting hobby than the breeding of Canaries, the cinnamon tick in par- ticular. Its peculiarities in breeding back for generations, give the breeder an idea of the difficulties to be contended with, before the coveted ideal is produced. Every breeding season being built up by faith. I hope that an eye-opener will spring up from the carefully-selected stock you have matched to the best of your knowledge and ability.

How to Cater for Small Softbills.

By R. C. TOUT (Portsmouth).

A lecture given before the members and friends of the Portsmouth C.B.S.

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How Does the Tail Wag?

THE favourite haunts of the Redstart are ivy grown rocks, ruins, old walls around gardens and orchards, plantations, shrubberies, scattered open woodland with ancient trees, groves of Birch, and wild commons or poor rocky ground, strewn with bramble and bracken. It is generally distributed throughout the country, though locally scarce. The flight of the bird is irregular, jerky, and not especially rapid.

It has been said that the action of a Redstart's tail is vertical, and not lateral. But certainly, to my eye, it is lateral, and not vertical, and I have watched it for an hour or more in my aviary. Its action bears no resemblance to the Whinchat or Stonechat, but consists of a sudden lateral springiness and expansion of the feathers.

The nest is built in a hole in a tree or wall, sometimes in a hollow gate post (an old tin pot is sometimes chosen), and is usually not far from the ground. The nest itself is externally carelessly constructed of dry grass, rootlets, moss, and sometimes a little wool, the interior being carefully lined with hair and feathers. The eggs number from 5 to 8, and in colour much resemble the Hedge Sparrow's, but are slightly paler and more glossy.

A Liking for Cockroaches.

Every morning I put a demon-beetle trap in the aviary, with a few of the smallest beetles left in, and the Redstart is the first bird to fly down amongst the evil-smelling captives; seize one and fly off to eat it. No sooner is the first one swallowed than he is back for another, and so on till he is satisfied. The feeding of this bird is exactly the same as for the Nightingale, with the exception that he is fond of a few red or white currants, and in the autumn a little apple or pear.

As an exhibition bird, he is much sought after, and care should be taken when selecting one for the show bench to choose a large bird full of rich colour, as this generally indicates age. The show cage should be about the same size as the Nightingale's, only in colour I prefer pea green instead of turquoise blue.

The Blackcap, and Its Nest.

The next bird I will deal with is the Blackcap Warbler. The Blackcap is also a migratory bird, and a delightful one. This bird generally arrives with us about the middle of April, and leaves again in September. The general colour, in breeding plumage, is of a smoky grey, and the upper part of the head is jet black. The female differs from the male in its rufous-brown cap, and generally somewhat browner colouring. A young male bird in its first plumage resembles the female, but acquires the black cap in the autumn, without a moult.

The Blackcap delights in wild, dense uncultivated land, almost inpenetrable thickets, tangled hedges and plantations where hawthorn bushes alternate with straggling brambles, nettles, and honeysuckle vines. Its nest is strongly built, though sometimes the walls are not very thick. It is firmly attached to the stems of the hawthorn, bramble or other low-growing vegetation in which it is located. In form, it is a neatly-rounded cup, with walls externally composed of fine dry tufts of grass and internally of fine grass, root fibre, and horse-hair. The eggs number from four to five, and the variety of colour is such that it is hard to describe it. Some I have collected have been of a brownish-buff ground tint. The surface is more or less densely spotted, blotched, or streaked, with soft greyish olive.

An Easily-kept Songster.

Next to the Nightingale, the Blackcap is certainly our finest songster. Its song is at one time rich and clear as that of the Blackbird, then soft and mellow, then again brilliant and plaintive as a Robin's notes. It can copy perceptively the notes of many birds, even some portions of the Nightingale's song, but it is almost too loud in its utterance to produce the latter in its purity.

This bird is about the best one for a beginner, as it is easily kept, the diet consisting chiefly of fruit. I have kept them entirely on banana and pear. In the wild state, it plays great havoc in the gardens where are plenty of currants and goose berries, and Blackbirds and Thrushes get the blame for what the Blackcap has done. As a show specimen, the Blackcap requires to be large, with a good and well defined jet black cap. The show cage should be about the same size as the Nightingale's, only in colour I prefer cream, to show the bird to its best advantage.

Haunts of the Whitethroat.

The Lesser Whitethroat is another of our summer visitors, arriving with us in April or early May, and leaving again in September. The adult male has a crown smoky grey; back, wings, and tail, greyish-brown; throat and chest white. It frequents the margins of dense woods, copses, plantations, shrubberies, uncultivated hedges (especially those which border little frequented lanes), and thickly planted gardens. When disturbed, it either slips away into a dense shrub or flies up into the branches of some lofty tree, where it hops restlessly from twig to twig.

The nest is constructed at any time between April and June, but I have found more in May than in either of the other months. It varies considerably in its height from the ground, being sometimes placed among the upper twigs of a tall hawthorn hedge, and sometimes in brambles a foot or two from the ground. It is also occasionally found in furze bushes, but I have taken most of my eggs either from hedges on the outskirts of a wood or in country lanes. The nest is a pretty little cup formed of stout bents and rootlets, and firmly interlaced with the twigs, among which it is fixed. It is interwoven here and there with a little fine wool, and is lined with fine bents, root fibre, and a little horsehair. The number of eggs is four to five. In colouring, the eggs vary much, but in average eggs the ground colour is whitish cream, the marking diffused olive brown, with underlying silver-grey, or pale slate spots.

A Fruit-eater.

Like the Blackcap, the Lesser Whitethroat is very fond of fruit. The diet should consist of about the same amount of stock mixture and live food as for the Nightingale, with a good supply of banana, pear, soft berries, and other small fruits, more particularly currants and cherries. As a cage bird, the Whitethroat is very interesting, although its song does not recommend it.

As a show specimen, the Lesser Whitethroat requires to be large, with a rich grey head and a pure white throat and chest and a very sprightly bird is more likely to take the judge's eye than one which is over steady. The show cage should be about the same size as for Nightingale, with an olive-green background.

As I have dealt so fully with the feeding and management of the birds generally, I find that I have not much time to dwell upon them individually as I should have liked, so I have chosen the four mentioned as being the most suitable for the occasion. These birds are to be very easily kept, as their diets are very plain and can easily be supplied.

In closing, I should advise all beginners to commence with a bird that will eat plenty of fruit, as they are more likely to be successful with such than with any of the more delicate species. Probably on some future occasion, if it is the wish of the members of this society, I shall have the great pleasure of dealing with the other species which I have been successful in keeping.

A CHAT ABOUT YORKSHIRE CANARIES.

Notes upon a lecture delivered by Mr. G. Gardner before the Hornsey, Wood Green, and District C.B.S.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—As to the ideal Yorkshire, many fanciers want a long bird; but long and big is not necessarily a good bird. Try to breed good, medium birds; 6¾ inches is plenty long enough for a standard-size; a 7-inch bird is generally a little awkward in gait, or tail, or has some other little fault. Let your birds be gradually tapered right through, wings with plenty of length, but not to cross at tips, nice neck, but not too long, good round head (but not like a marble), beak not too big (not like a Goldfinch nor yet like a Wren; there are more bad beaks than good ones). You want to get plenty of "swagger." A bird should move to and fro on the perch, and have good head play. Many people try to get the head play by using a Belgian, but it will take three seasons to breed them from a Belgian, and then probably you will not succeed in getting the head play necessary, and your time is wasted.

Breed also for quality as well as shape. Do not put too much importance on colour. There have been some remarkable results from double-lutting in Norwich, but that is no use in Yorkshires, nor is double yellowing. If you want a bit of colour try a yellow-green; that is the best. There is no loss in style by using the Green. A Yorkshire must have style or it had better be left at home. A good bird should have a bold, bright eye, plenty of rump behind the leg, well tapering off, but no "breeches" feather, legs fairly long, and thighs long and well covered (not damaged by fingers or tweezers); if there is a dark feather don't pull it out, but leave it and call it a ticked bird), and it should stand at an upright angle, like a guardsman. I lay great stress on shape, but a good bird should also be clever in action and full of life and go, and I would impress on you the necessity of training your birds. A well trained bird will be 25 per cent. ahead on the show bench. A Yorkshire that comes right into position at once and catches the judge's eye will take a lot of beating. A good many birds on the show bench to-day want such a lot of working by the judge to get into position that the chance of a prize is often lost, so train a bird all you can, by patient and careful handling, so that when it is shown it will stand up well.

Be careful in breeding not to get too much feather; there are two sorts of buff, a boxwood buff and a normal buff. You run the risk of getting too much feather if you double buff. In breeding I think it most important to get the hen for style and feather; this is not so absolutely necessary in the cock. The transference of colour is just as likely from the hen as from the cock, and the general opinion that the shape comes from the female and the colour from the male is all moonshine. Get both parents good in shape if possible. There is no royal road, by either male or female, to breeding for shape or colour, etc.

In conclusion, do not be in too much of a hurry to condemn young stock; adopt the popular catch phrase, "wait and see." Don't sell a good bird cheap because it does not seem to have come just as you thought. Be patient, and wait till it has its winter jacket on, then you can judge what class of bird has resulted from your careful efforts. Above all things, study the antecedents of your stock, and it will bring you both credit and profit.

At the close of the lecture several questions were asked and ably answered, and a very hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Gardner.—P. BROOKS, Hon. Sec.

HINTS ON YORKSHIRE CANARY BREEDING.

A lecture by Mr. W. Gilbert before the London and Counties A.C.B.

At the meeting held September 7th, at headquarters, The Earl Cathcart, Osnaburgh-street, N.W., the schedule for the autumn show was gone through and carried, and Mr. W. Shakespeare appointed to act as judge. It will be a one-day show, on November 2nd, at The Earl Cathcart. It was proposed to have a table show of Canaries, bred 1912, and a class for British, any variety, at the next meeting. The chairman then called on Mr. W. Gilbert for his "Hints on Yorkshire Canary Breeding."

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen, The cages want to be 20 inches high, 18 inches wide, and 11 inches deep from back to front, with the perches low down, so as to give the birds plenty of head room and to keep their heads well up (two perches in each cage). Some fanciers like a perch along the front of the cage, for the birds to feed from, but I think it is best to do away with that, and you will make him search for his food. The best birds to breed with are those with a nice round head and a rounded back, and they should run straight from the back of the head to the tip of the tail; also have long and evenly carried wings, and the breasts nicely rounded and smooth, cutting away neatly to the tail, which should be long and closely folded. I do not like birds to drop their tails, as it is a bad fault with the Yorkshire. They should have long legs, showing the thigh nicely. If birds do not get long enough the first year keep them another year; that is, if there are any good points in them. Large stock birds are not always the best to breed with; 6¾ inches is a good length. The most objectionable points in the Yorkshire Canary are a broad head, eyebrows, hollow neck, hollow back, crossing the wings, dropping the tail, and a frill on the chest. If you can breed birds without one or other of these defects, you will be very lucky.

When starting, it is best to see an old fancier, tell him what you want, and ask him if he can fix you up with two pairs; or have a pair from him, and a pair from another fancier, and pay what you can afford. Breed with them the first year, and the next year cross their young. But before you pair them up it is best to have advice, if you can get it.

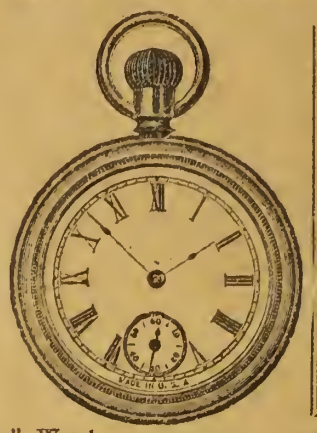
In the month of February give a little inga seed, as it prevents egg-binding; also give a little mixed seed—that is, a little German rape, millet, linseed, maw seed, and a few hemp seeds, all mixed up together. Give a half teaspoon to each bird. Give watercress once a day. In the first week in March start to give a little egg food, one slice of stale bread to one hard-boiled egg, and give one teaspoon for each bird, once a day; but be sure it is fresh. In the first week in April, if the birds are in condition, you can pair them up and they will soon get to work. When the hen is sitting stop all mixed seed and feed on Canary seed only. I like to take away the cock bird, as I find the hen will hatch her eggs and bring up her brood all right. On the 13th day I give a little egg food and a very little hemp seed. I give the white as well as the yolk, but two parts egg to one part breadcrumbs. Increase the bread after the fifth day. On the third day give a little watercress.

If you are anxious to know whether the eggs have hatched out, you can soon tell by putting your ear to the cage very gently, so as not to disturb the hen. You will hear the call of the young "chip," "chip." When the young are about eight days old, give watercress twice a day, and twice a week give a little mixed seed. Two or three days before the young ones leave the nest, put back the cock bird and he will take to them all right, and will feed them. When they have been out a day or two put them in the nursery cage and give them some egg-food and crushed seed, put it in an egg-pan on the bottom of the cage. Put water on the outside of the nursery cage. Give the hen plenty of nesting material, and a clean nest pan. Start running the young ones in the show cages all you can, and they will soon learn to hold themselves up and get steady. When the first brood is about 10 or 12 weeks old start a little colour food every day and increase it in strength gradually, about every two days, until you give a teaspoon of colour to two teaspoons of egg-food. When they are half-away through the moult it is a good plan to draw their tails, as young birds do not shoot their tail feathers the first year, and you want them nice and long for the shows, and they look better. A red paper blind up at the window will keep out the strong light, and is very good to keep in the colour. A piece of carbonate of iron about the size of a pea in the water about once a week will help to set the colour fast. A good thing to get that shine on the feathers is a little linseed in the water, or a little linseed meal in with the food; as a rule, they will not eat much linseed. When the moulting is done, pick out what you think are the best birds and put them in cage by themselves, and give them all a little colour food once a week, for if a feather or two come out they will not look patchy.

A little discussion took place, and questions were asked and answered. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Gilbert for his kindness in giving such an interesting and entertaining lecture.

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„ 5	**PAISLEY** (*Renfrewsh.*) (*Forfar*)	15		J. Kelly, 1, Underwood Lane.
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„ 5	*Huddersfield (*Yorks.*)	—	A. Hirst, J. H. Payne	F. J. Sykes, 40, Imperial Rd., Edgerton, Huddersfield.
„ 9	Exeter (*Devon*)	32	J. Lashbrook	W. A. Cornish, 90, Regent St., St. Thomas, Exeter.
„ 9-10	**CLAPHAM** (*London*)	60	J. Robson, C. A. House, H. Norman	A. R. Coe, 18, Caldervale Rd., Clapham.
„ 10	Pontardawe (*Glam.*)	—	D. A. S. Longden	Wm. Jenkins, 5, Dyffryn Rd.
„ 10-11	**NORWICH ALLIANCE**	64	W. E. Greeves, J. Robson, W. Vardy	R. Roll, 62, Ashby St.
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„ 12	**LEEDS**	35	J. H. Roe, W. Mundell.	Wharam and Bamsey, 23, Macklin St.
„ 12	**MORPETH** (*Northumb.*)	56	H. W. Battye, A. Brown	W. A. Wilson, 75, Bayswater Mnt., Roundhay, Leeds.
„ 12	**LOCHGELLY** (*Fife.*)	83	J. Black, T. Arnott, J. Ford, J. McLay, J. Sneaton, J. F. Dewar	E. Cowling, Y.M.C.A., Market Place.
„ 12	Selkirk	—	J. Patterson	W. Grewar, 7, Park View.
„ 12	Hyson Green (*Notts.*)	—		
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„ 12	Loanhead (*Midlothian*)		W. McAdam, T. Spence	H. Grange, 44, Silk St.
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„ 6	Woolston (*Hants.*)	26	G. Gardner	Allan Loggie, Rose Cottage.
„ 6-7	**NEWPORT (Mon.)**	60	C. A. House, D. A. S. Longden	W. Priest, 6, Orchard St.
				R. T. Campbell, 7, James Place.
				G. Mitchell, Coaltown of Balgonie, Markinch.
				J. Napier, Stuart's Bdgs., Juniper Green, Midlothian.
				A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon St.
				King and Joiner, 80, Stubbington Avenue.
				T. J. Keegan.
				F. G. Etheridge, "Meteor," Newtown Rd.
				J. Hammett, 56, Millman St.

Date.	Show.	Approx. No. of Classes.	Approx. Judges.	Secretaries.
„ 6-7	Dover	35	W. R. Miles	Abbott and Austen, 13, Lee Rd.
„ 7-8	**LEYTON** (*Essex*)	—	J. Robson, A. Frostick	Forse and Son, 31, Thornhill Rd.
„ 7-8	**BANBRIDGE** (*Ireland*)	46	A. Livingston, J. Hartley	A. McCagherty, Belmont Terrace.
„ 8-9	**OLD SHILDON** (*Durham*)	—	Gray Bros.	J. H. Elwell, 55, Church St., Shildon.
„ 8-9	**WEST STANLEY** (*Durham*)	35	A. Brown, F. Marwood	W. Elliott, 15, Pafford Terrace.
„ 8-9	Whitehaven (*Cumb.*)	—	H. Davidson, J. H. Roe	W. J. Douglas, 2, Croft View, Prospect, Whitehaven.
„ 8-9	*Halifax (*Yorks.*)	—	W. A. Cowgill, A. G. Davis	H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Alt., Halifax.
„ 9	**FORFAR**	32	A. Sloan, A. Peters, W. Bishop	D. Kerr, 15, Green St.
„ 9	**HAMILTON CADZOW OAKS** (*Lanark*)	53	J. Smeaton, J. Hamilton, R. Bald	C. Marlin, 29, Glebe St.
„ 9	**WARRINGTON** (*Lancs.*)	39	H. W. Battye, A. Wellings	G. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Rd.
„ 9	Ashington (*Northumb.*)	—	J. Stanger	W. Hall, 107, Rosalind St., East, Morpeth.
„ 9	Leith O.S. (*Scotland*)	—	R. Lambie, J. Thomson, J. F. Dewar, J. Carlaw, A. Hamilton, C. Campbell	G. Brown, 89, Henderson St.
„ 9	Amble (*Northumb.*)	—	J. Dippie	J. T. Cracknell, 20, Simonside Terr., Chivington Drift, Broomhill.
„ 9	Grangemouth (*Stirlingshire*)	—	A. Chalmers, J. Winter, P. McQuiston	J. Woodhouse, 63, Marshall St.
„ 9	Blyth (*Northd.*)	—	A. Hay	W. Rowell, c/o J. Kenlyside, Blyth
„ 9	Wallsend (*Northumb.*)	32	A. G. Cameron, J. Maddison.	Evans and Macdonald, 16, Laburnum Av.
„ 9-11	**NOTTINGHAM**	80	T. Heath, W. Vardy, G. E. Weston	G. E. Wilkinson, 86, Lenton Boulevard.
„ 12	Dartmouth (*Devon*)	8	C. Walker	C. Benyon, Newcomen Rd.
„ 13	**ALNWICK** (*Northumb.*)	30	A. Hay, J. Maddison	R. Forster, 42, Bondgate Without.
„ 13	West Bromwich (*Staffs.*)	—	J. H. Payne	W. G. Andrews, 1, Hayes St., Carter's Green.
„ 13-14	**SWANSEA** (*Glam.*)	66	J. Robson, J. F. Dewar	S. H. George, 32, Fisher St.
„ 13-14	Donabate (*Ireland*)	—	A. Wellings	T. Walters, 12, Earl St.
„ 14	**STOKE-ON-TRENT** (*Staffs.*)	38	H. W. Battye	J. Pitchford, 218, London Rd.
„ 14	**DERRY** (*Ireland*)	26	S. Hadwin	M. Kerr, 99, Foyle St., Londonderry.
„ 14	Merthyr (*Glam.*)	18	J. H. Jones	J. Thomas, 30, Gilfach, Cynon.
„ 14	Ystradgynlais (*Brecon*)	6	— Messer	Dan Evans, Brecon Rd.
„ 14-15	**BRIGHTON AND HOVE** (*Sussex*)	40	C. A. House, J. Robson	W. H. Gibb, 19, Bond St.
„ 14-15	Bangor (*Co. Down*)	—	J. W. Metcalfe	W. J. McConaghie, 102, Abbey St.
„ 15-16	**HULL**	50	J. Robson, H. W. Battye	E. R. Ridley, 19, Lambton St.
„ 15-16	**PRESTON** (*Lancs.*)	42	J. H. Roe, A. Wellings	J. P. Leeming, 40a, Westcliff.
„ 15-16	**CODNOR PARK AND EASTWOOD** (*Derby.*)	32	J. C. Barnes	J. H. Mitchell, South St., Greenhill Lane, Alfreton.
„ 16	**COWDENBEATH** (*Fife.*)	81	J. Patterson, J. W. Bruce, C. Campbell, G. Arnott, W. Rodgers, L. J. Arrighi	J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland Place.
„ 16	**GALASHIELS** (*Selkirks.*)	38	G. Fulton, T. Brown, A. Gilchrist, A. Hay	J. Brown, 156, Croft St.
„ 16	Coventry O.S. (*Warwickshire*)	—	W. Vardy	A. J. Barratt, 38, Craven St.
„ 16	Stirling (*Scotland*)	—	R. Martin, J. Hamilton, P. Pettigrew	W. Clubb, 10, Bayne St.
„ 16	Belfast	—	J. W. Metcalfe	S. Bamford, 13, Adelaide Avenue.
„ 16	*Bradford East (*Yorks.*)	35	H. W. Battye	H. Hill, 15, Settle Terr., Thornton Lane.
„ 16	Vale of Leven (*Dumbartonshire*)	65	G. Hislop, D. Holden, J. H. Adams	A. H. McLean, Milton Grove, Balloch.
„ 16	Avonbridge (*Stirlingsh.*)	—	P. McKenzie, A. D. Duncan	P. Gentleman, Cowan's Buildings.
„ 16	Edinburgh N.C. & M.B.S.	—	W. Grewar, J. F. Dewar, D. Hamilton	J. Welsh, 67, Raeburn Place.
„ 19-20	**BOURNEMOUTH**	47	J. H. Payne	J. A. Crawshaw, 28, Gerald Rd.
„ 19-20	**WIMBLEDON** (*Surrey*)	51	H. Norman, J. Robson, R. Halliday	H. Smith, 115, Merton Rd.
„ 20	Brighton	20	H. D. Astley, J. Robson	W. H. Pyke, 102, Radstock Rd.
„ 20-21	**CARDIFF**	65	W. Mundell, W. Vardy, D. A. S. Longden	E. Thomas, 48, Craddock St.
„ 21	Wivelscombe (*Som.*)	12	W. G. Elsmore, E. Sprankling	Hill and Dascombe, Wivelscombe.
„ 22-23	**DONCASTER**	38	H. W. Battye, W. Vardy, J. Wilcock	G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion St.
„ 22-23	**ROCHDALE O.C.** (*Lancs.*)	56	C. A. House, W. Mundell	R. Blincoe, 180, Drake St.
„ 22-23	**HALTWHISTLE** (*Northumb.*)	36	J. Dixon, A. Holden	Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate.
„ 22-23	**GLASGOW AND DIST. C.B.A.**	74	J. Holmes, R. Lambie, Dr. Syson, R. Bald, S. Ward	Wm. Hutchinson, 163, Hospital St.
„ 22-23	**HOLYWOOD** (*Co. Down*)	50	A. Wellings	Jno. Dunwoody, jun., 42, Church St.
„ 22-23	**LURGAN** (*Armagh*)	—	J. McLennan, A. Hirst	S. McCollum, Drumgor.
„ 23	**CRAMLINGTON** (*Northumb.*)	20	A. Hay, H. Seeley	J. R. Chestney, Quarry Cottage.
„ 23	**HINCKLEY** (*Leicester*)	20		A. H. Ridgway, Priesthills Rd.
„ 23	**BLAIRGOWRIE** (*Perthshire*)	25	J. F. Dewar	M. Irvine, 17, Brown St.
„ 23	**UDDINGSTON C.B.S.** (*Lanarks.*)	55	D. Holden, A. Cant, J. Goodfellow	Jas. Corgrove, 2, Croftbank Terr., Bothwell.
„ 23	Inverurie (*Aberdeen*)	—	Jas. Sandison.	Jas. Simpson, 27, High St.
„ 23	Buckhaven (*Fife*)	—	A. Walker, J. Smeaton, R. Bald	R. Haggard, 93, Denbeath, Methie. Buckhaven.
„ 23	Stockton-on-Tees (*Durham*)	—	J. Robson, J. Maddison	J. W. Lowes, 17, Canning St.
„ 23	Beamish (*Durham*)	31	W. Reid	W. Knowles, 3, Alma Place, Grange Villa, S.O. Durham.
„ 23	Gt. Horton (G.I.) (*Yorks.*)	27	C. A. House	H. Gornall, 34, Surrey St., Bradford.
„ 23	Cockermouth (*Cumb.*)	—	J. W. Bruce	G. Oglethorpe, Lorton, Cockermouth.
„ 23	Leigh (*Lancs.*)	—	J. W. Metcalfe	R. Charleson, 12, Lloyd St.
„ 23-25	**ILKESTON** (*Derby*)	58	J. C. Barnes, C. Houlton	Thos. Smith, 5, King St.
„ 26	**LAUNCESTON** (*Cornwall*)	25	J. H. Payne	N. H. Reed, Launceston.
„ 26	**LLANELLY** (*Glam.*)	55	W. Vardy, J. Frostick	D. John, 9, Pottery Place.
„ 27	Swindon (*Berks.*)	—	J. H. Payne	W. J. Moran, 2, Brunswick St., Swindon.
„ 27	Tavistock (*Devon*)	14	Thos. Pope	J. Young, 1, Church Lane.
„ 27-28	**BRISTOL F.A.**	39	C. A. House, J. H. Roe	G. T. H. Magge, 9, Trinity St., Newtown, Bristol.
„ 27-28	**PORTSMOUTH F.S.**	50	Rev. G. W. Joyce, C. Prior	W. E. Tyrrell, 38, Commercial Rd.
„ 27-28	Deal, Walmer F.S. (*Kent*)	—		W. H. Thompson.
„ 27-28	Gravesend (*Kent*)	—		H. Ibbotson, 58, Old Rd. West.
„ 27-28	Sittingbourne (*Kent*)	—	G. Gardner	B. Tidy, 13, High Street.
„ 27-28	**PENTREBACH** (*Glam.*)	20	G. Gardner	A. E. Brown, 68, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil.
„ 28	**SOUTH COUNTY DUBLIN (Kingstown)**	—	W. Mundell	D. Smyth, 21, Eden Terr., Kingstown.
„ 28-29	**L.C.B.A.**	—	J. Bailey, J. Robson, W. Booth, T. J. King, E. J. Lamb, D. A. S. Longden, A. Silver, and five others.	W. H. Mugford, 1, Stratheam Rd.
„ 28-30	**SALE** (*Cheshire*)	—	C. Houlton, A. G. Davis	Wimbledon.
„ 29-30	**DARLINGTON C. & B.B.F.A.**	32	J. H. Roe	A. Royle, 99, Harley Rd.
„ 30	**COVENTRY GODIVA**	33	H. W. Battye	A. Walker, 47, Montrose St.
„ 30	**HARROGATE C.B.S.**	20	W. Mundell	H. Saunders, 31, Vernon St.
„ 30	**CITY OF DUNDEE**	50	R. Whitton, J. Holmes, W. Mossie, G. McArdle, etc.	G. H. Barnwell, 20, College Rd.
„ 30	**MUSSELBURGH**	50	J. McLay, T. Arnott, R. Bald	A. Miller, 3, Park Avenue.
				W. Nisbet, 101, High St.

Questions and Answers.

For rules see page 704 last week.

THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of **ADVISORY EXPERTS.** Queries must in no case be addressed to any of them individually, but to the Editor.

Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mule and Hybrids—**G. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.H.S., &c., Wild Bird Life—**H. Norman**

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

A FICKLE DAME (Crest).—The hen in question is clearly one of those whimsical abnormalities which cannot be dealt with by any rule of thumb, neither do I think she is ever likely to prove a reliable breeder. Some individuals are most conservative in their habits, and I have myself had them resent the very slightest changes in their food. But for a hen to desert a young chick simply through being given a little hemp, and to follow this up by deserting the next brood solely on account of adding a pinch of maw to the egg-food, should put her out of court as a breeder, when she has no exceptional qualities to recommend her, and seems to limit her broods to units. I do not advise you to trouble with her another season. Better get a healthy robust, and right-minded young hen to replace her. The soft-shelled egg showed that the lower portion of oviduct was not in proper working order. A little old mortar smashed up and strewn on cage floor, or a teaspoonful of limewater in the drinking vessel when she was about laying, might have prevented it. The dietary you mention in "Canary Breeding for Beginners" will do excellently for rearing Rollers. The supply of hemp being advised to be given in finger draw should show that only a very small quantity is meant at this stage; say, not more than a small teaspoonful, which is gradually increased as the young brood grows.

YOUNG BIRDS GOING LIGHT (E.B.).—There is probably something wrong with the digestive apparatus. There is really no necessity to deprive birds of good sound hemp. It is only when it is stale and rancid that this seed is really dangerous to a bird's health. Try the following treatment for a month. First see that birds are free from cold draughts and fumes of burning lights in the evenings. Keep cage and perches very clean, and the floors strewn with clean gritty sand. In the hoppers give a staple seed diet of two parts canary to one part summer rape. Every second day for a fortnight give each bird a piece of bread the size of a hazel nut soaked in cold milk, drained, two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and dusted with soft sugar. On the intervening days give alternately a half-ripe plantain stalk and a pinch of equal parts hemp, inga, millet, and teazle, and a spray of chickweed and a pinch of equal parts maw and gold of pleasure seed. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a three-penny-piece for two days, and then every second day for the remainder of a week. After this give four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight.

DYING IN MOULT (A. G. M.).—You should have given more particulars about your feeding and where the birds are kept. See that they are quite free from cold draughts and sudden extremes of heat and cold. There should be no necessity to give bread and milk when you are giving egg food with colour daily. Keep cages and all food and water vessels scrupulously clean. Give a staple diet of plain canary, and allow a small teaspoonful of egg food per bird with the colour daily. In addition to this give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, millet, black rape, teazle and linseed twice a week, and sprinkle the egg food with maw three times a week. If the bowels are normal, give a half ripe plantain stalk or spray of chickweed three or four times a week, but do not give this if there is any undue looseness. Keep cage floor strewn with clean gritty sand, and stick a cube of hard common salt in the wires for birds to peck at occasionally. See that your hemp is sound in the kernel, and do not add anything in the way of linseed meal or crushed linseed to your egg food. Add six drops of syrup of buckthorn to the water for two days, and afterwards 20 drops of Chemical Food for a week or so. In case any young are now going "thick," after giving the above aperient for two days add 20 drops of whisky, and six of tincture of gentian to the water for two days, then go on with the above method of treatment. Both samples of seed are of very good quality.

NINE-YEAR-OLD CHICK (J. H. Fowler).—Your feeding is by no means very good, and now the bird has been in such plumage for so long, I fear that his age is too great for him ever to quite recover perfect plumage. Keep him fairly warm, but do not overdo it, and see that the temperature is fairly equable and free from draughts or fumes from burning lights. Keep cage strewn with clean gritty sand, and stick a cube of hard common salt between the wires for him to peck at until he has quite finished moulting. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed. Every second day give separately half-a-teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake, or an equivalent quantity of bread and milk. In either case drop on it two drops of cod liver oil emulsion and twice each week dust it slightly with flowers of sulphur and lastly with a slight spoonful of soft sugar. On the alternating days give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, millet, teazle, linseed, rape and maw. Four times a week give a green plantain stalk, or small spray of some other green food. Adhere closely to this dietary in kind and quantity for a month at least. In the drinking water add 20 drops of whisky, five of syrup of saffron, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepennypiece every second day for a week. After this time omit the saffron and substitute five drops of tincture of gentian, and continue the mixture every second day for another fortnight. If not considerably better at end of month, please write again and report.

SEED AND COLOUR-FOOD (A.W.H.).—(1) Both samples of canary seed are of very nice all-round quality, and there is but little to choose between them. No. 1 however, has what preference there is, being a little better in flavour and also, perhaps, slightly better refined. It is certainly worth a little more than No. 2, though the difference should not be considerable. (2) It will be quite right for you to mix the proper proportion of colour with sufficient of the prepared food you mention to last a week in order to ensure the birds having the proper strength whilst you are away from home. Blend and work it well together so that the colour is thoroughly distributed, but do not add any moisture in the mixing of it.

PROLONGED MOULT (Treaty).—Your letter seems to suggest that the bird moulted flights when you thought the moult should have been near or at the end. If so, this is certainly unusual as the flights and tail should be dropped first in the adult moult. It is not unlikely the near proximity of the oil lamp has had a detrimental effect upon the moult, and if the bird is hung high up it will also injure its health in time to keep it in that position. Move it now to a place quite free from draughts and great fluctuations, where there is a fairly comfortable temperature. See that the cage is quite free from red mites, and keep floor strewn with clean, gritty sand. In addition to usual seed diet, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed. On the alternate days give a pinch of equal parts hemp, inga, millet, teazle and black rape. Give a spray of green food four times a week, and offer a bath several times a week in mild weather. In the water add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn for two days, and afterwards six drops of tincture of gentian and three of tincture of steel every second day until feathers cease dropping. Glad to hear by treating old aviary as advised you have been quite free from red mites this season.

GREENHOUSE AVIARY (S. B.).—Your greenhouse appears to be very nicely arranged, and in a good position for adapting part of it to the use of your birds, and as it is also fitted up with hot-water pipes, I do not think there is any necessity for boarding over the whole of the glass. The heat you will probably use for protecting the plants in one portion will doubtless keep the bird section fairly equable, and also at a suitable temperature, i.e., somewhere between 45 and 50 degrees, which will be quite ample for the birds. In these circumstances I would not advise you to board over any of the glass permanently. If you keep the top covered with matting—except the two windows—and make movable wooden shutters to fit over two-thirds of the end and front for use during the winter, it will provide ample protection for the birds. These shutters could be dispensed with in the Spring, and in case a hot summer comes along you should easily control fluctuations by making the windows on top to open, and, if necessary, add another window in the glass portion of front. Cover all window spaces inside with firmly fixed wire netting—half-inch mesh—to guard against cats and possible escape of birds.

PECKING WIRES AND GLASS (J. A. D.).—I suspect this bird is being pestered with red mites. If it appears restless at night an hour or two after settling down to roost, this is practically certain to be the case. See reply to "T. H. L." on Sept. 21 for this trouble. The bird hanging in the window is another probable cause of trouble. You should move it to a more suitable place, where it is less likely to be exposed to cold draughts and extremes of heat and cold. Having seen to these points, feed the bird for a month as advised to "Treaty" in this issue, but give in addition, if available, a mealworm each day, and stick a cube of hard common salt in the wires for it to peck at. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb, and as much Epsom salts as will cover a three-penny piece, every second day for a week, and in the next week substitute four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day. Strew the cage floor with gritty sand. It is only necessary to supply this material in a pot when the floor is covered with sawdust. Get No. 10 Nutshell booklet for full particulars for feeding Rollers.

YOUNG DYING (E. Hambrook).—The cause of the young birds dying, as you say, was due to taking them off soft food too early. Of this there is no shadow of doubt. You would be well advised to equip yourself for next season with one of our helpful handbooks—House's "Manual," or "Canary Breeding for Beginners." If you would get "Our Canaries," you would be prepared for any emergency. Follow directions in any of these works, and you will not make the same mistake again. As soon as the birds are quite through the moult you should turn all the hens into the large flight for the winter, but keep the cocks caged separately, which will bring them in song earlier. Remove cage from window however, as this is too risky a situation. Give a staple diet of plain canary. Every second day add a pinch of rape per bird. Twice a week give a little egg food, or some other soft food, such as bread and milk. Three times a week a spray of green food or morsel of sweet fruit, and offer a bath twice a week.

LOSING YOUNG (J. Wager).—Your letter leaves me uncertain whether you really have any birds ill just now or not. If you had given some particulars of your treatment and symptoms shown by birds, I should have been better able to help you. I suspect the root of the trouble is that you take the birds off soft food too young, or too suddenly. If you have any ill now, keep the cages and perches scrupulously clean, and strewn with clean, gritty sand, and see that all your seeds, soft food, and water are quite sound, sweet, and fresh. Especially keep water vessels quite sweet and clean. Give a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and dusted with soft sugar daily for a fortnight. Every second day give a pinch of maw and a spray of chickweed or half ripe plantain stalk, and on the alternate days a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, teazle, millet and broken groats. In the drinking water give six drops of syrup of buckthorn for two days, and afterwards 20 drops of chemical food every second day for a fortnight. If birds do not quickly improve under this treatment, write again and give full particulars as indicated above.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Baltye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

WHAT PARROT? (Horncastle).—It is very difficult to define the Parrot tribe, as they mature slowly and often, after a couple of moults, change the colours of their plumage very materially. The description you send is that of the Golden-crowned Conure (Conurus aureus), and unless the plumage changes materially at the next moult, it certainly is that species.

WHAT BIRD (C. Brown).—The body of the bird sent me last week (green and red) was that of an immature Pintail Nonpareil; but the body just to hand (brown and blue) is quite a different species, viz., an ordinary Cordon Bleu. As regards the former, while in their nestling plumage Parrot Finches and Pintails (both belong to the genus Erythrura) would be very similar and a mistake easily made between the two species—at the same time I do not think I was in error in defining it as a Pintail Nonpareil, but it was too "nosey" to permit of a lengthy examination, and the Cordon Bleu reached me in the same condition.

AILING BUDGERIGARS (E. M. M.).—If the cere round the nostrils is always blue it is a male, but if it (the cere) becomes brown at any portion of the year it is a female. I can add but little to my former reply. Try 3 drops Friar's Balsam in the water daily for a week. If it gives the bird any relief, continue it for another week, then resume treatment already advised in our previous reply. Lack of wing exercise is apt to interfere with the free action of the respiratory system of Budgerigars. At the slightest sign of "lits," give the treatment advised for same at once and your pet may be with you for a long time yet.

SICK AMAZON (Bird Lover).—The first thing to be done is to give its cage a thorough cleansing with boiling water, seeing that all crevices are thoroughly scarched. Treat food hoppers and perches the same way. The tea was unwholesome, but I do not think it was responsible for the trouble, which was most probably the sudden development of some latent infection, contracted during importation. Your treatment was as good as you could give in the emergency, and if the diarrhœa still continues, you could give two more doses of the Tincture of Opium, with a one day's interval between the doses. If the bird will eat biscuit, give it some arrowroot biscuit, as much as it cares to eat. Also supply cuttlebone and add a pinch of grit (not sand) to the daily supply of seed mixture. If the bird is thin you had better give a little boiled maize. Boil to soft, drain off all water and dust with flowers of sulphur before supplying to the bird. It only keeps fresh one day. The dietary should consist of seed mixture, ripe fruit, arrowroot biscuit, nuts, with boiled maize every other day. Half a teaspoonful of Byno-Phosphates in the drinking water will be a help, but you must not use a metal drinker while giving drugs. Keep the bird warm, quiet, and out of draught. Remove the voidings from cage at once, burning them if possible.

BLACK-TAILED PARRAKEET (S.T.).—Bathe the eyes with warm water, then dry with cloth, and then again bathe with a dilute solution of rose-water and zinc, which any chemist will supply. It is important that the bowels should move quite freely, but the feces should not be allowed to remain watery loose. An occasional dose, say twice weekly, of Dinneford's Magnesia, one teaspoonful in the usual (daily) supply of drinking water, should be sufficient, and on other days—that is, when not giving the magnesia—put half a teaspoonful of Byno-Phosphates in the daily supply of drinking water. For this winter it is important that this bird shou'd be kept quite free from draught, and while its quarters should be well ventilated, fresh air admitted on all suitable occasions, a minimum temperature of 50 to 55 degrees should be maintained. The kind of weather we have been experiencing has made the acclimatisation of newly imported specimens very difficult and uncertain—special care is necessary during the prevalence of raw, cold, wet periods. At the same time, heat is not required, merely warm, well ventilated quarters, free from draught and damp.

A FEATHER-PULLER (H. E. W.).—You give me no idea as to how you are feeding and treating this bird, thus making it impossible for me to form any opinion as to cause—you had better send me the above information. In the meantime, every fourth day put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia into the usual quantity (daily supply) of drinking water, but you must not use a metal drinker, and on the intervening days put half a teaspoonful of Byno-Phosphates into the water. If the bird will allow you to handle it, dip your finger into paraffin and rub this into the area the bird is in the habit of plucking, but do not use sufficient to materially grease the surrounding plumage. On receipt of further details I will try and assist you further. Our Nutshell, the "Grey Parrot," would materially assist you as to food and treatment, 2½d. post free from our Manager.

SWELLING AT EYE (A. Oliver).—An over-heated room is bad for bird or human. I note your remark "take cage off the hook." The cage should never hang above the level of gaslight. Continue the fomenting with warm milk and water but after each fomentation dry with a cloth, and then bathe with a dilute rosewater and zinc solution, which is procurable from any chemist. This bird should be kept in as even a temperature as possible and quite free from draught. Bathing the nostrils with diluted glycothymoline soon checks the running. I should also keep the bowels moving freely with an occasional dose of Dinneford's Magnesia and put the bird on a course of Byno-Phosphates. For quantities see other replies. At the same time, while anything approaching constipation must not be permitted, the voidings must not be allowed to remain watery loose. Our Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot," will tell you how to feed and treat, 2½d., post free.

COCKATOO WITH SWELLING (A. W. Evans).—It is impossible to correctly diagnose such a case by correspondence. You can give relief by fomenting with hot (not hot enough for discomfort) water daily, or twice daily and keep it warm and quiet, reporting on its development a little later. However, the only proper course is to call in a vet., who should be able to pronounce an opinion at once as to whether there was any chance of successful treatment, and if not, he would painlessly destroy it. If you live near London and will send me a stamped addressed envelope per the Editor, I will name a vet. who has studied bird diseases and would undertake such cases. There is also our P.-M. expert, Mr. Yates. I certainly should not destroy while hope remains, but treatment should not be delayed. A week has been lost waiting for this reply. If in the provinces, call in a vet. and be guided by him in this respect.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Acadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154 Fleet St., London, E.C.

OWING TO THE SEVERE PRESSURE ON SPACE SEVERAL ANSWERS HAVE HAD TO BE HELD OVER UNTIL NEXT WEEK.—EDITOR.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

RARITY OF TWO HYBRIDS (W. Higham).—The Canary-Bullfinch is not a particularly rare Hybrid, as a good number have been bred during the last five years, and in the region of a dozen may generally be seen at the big London shows—the Crystal Palace, in particular. A genuine Siskin-Bullfinch Hybrid, on the other hand, has never yet been exhibited.

COLOURS OF SHOW CAGES (Lorton).—It is entirely a matter of individual opinion as to which is the best colour for the show cage of any particular British bird or Hybrid. The tint I myself think the best might quite likely be cavilled at by the very next exhibitor you question on the point. In Scotland, for instance, one particular shade of green is favoured for the majority of our British seed-eaters, and seems to answer quite well. However, coming to your list, my fancies are: Goldie, Brambling-finch, and Corn Bunting, dark green; Linnet and Chaffinch, medium green; Redpoll and Twite, Goldfinch-Canary Mules, and the Goldie-Greenie Hybrid, turquoise blue (or the medium green); Yellowhammer, dark blue or green; Greenfinch, light green (all sorts of colours, from rose-pink to black are used for this bird).

THE CASE OF A GOLDFINCH (F.P.).—You ask my opinion on your method of feeding; but if you have read my columns for any length of time you ought to know that my answer will be that it is incorrect. Goldies do not want egg-food and bread and milk as regular items of diet. Further, you do not mention that you ever give him any green-food or wild seeds. You would find full information on these points in the "Nutshell" booklet on the Goldfinch (only 2½d., post free, or 2d. from most bird and seed shops). I note what you say concerning the conditions under which the bird is kept. Does he get the opportunity to bathe; or do you spray him? You cannot expect perfection of plumage otherwise. Anoint the bare place once daily for a week with a very little Kerol ointment; apply gently with the tip of a finger, the way the feathers should lie.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1): "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

TWO ITEMS (Kingskerswell).—Two of your questions relate to Canaries, so kindly refer to Mr. St. John's column next week for a reply to them (note the rules). The all-the-year-round food of the Goldfinch is described at length in the "Nutshell" booklet, which deals with this bird (send to our publisher for No. 1, 2½d. post free). You will get a lot of fine hints from it. It is not a very easy matter to get a cock Goldfinch and a hen Bullfinch to breed; although, of course, plenty of Hybrids have been produced of this parentage. The young generally have to be reared by hen Canaries, as, maybe, you already know. Goldie-Bullie Hybrids are not good songsters (that is, judged by the standard of Linnet-Canary and Goldie-Canary Mules), but they have a pleasing jerky little ditty, which they are continually uttering; further, they have many lovable little mannerisms.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

H. Lewis.—We stand corrected. The point you raise certainly did not occur to us.

Allan Campbell.—You must surely know that the law of libel will not permit the publication of a letter of such a character as the one you send. We know nothing, of course, as to the truth or otherwise of the allegations. But may we ask: how would you proceed to prove them if you were sued for damages? That is the point. Remember that the writers of letters of a libellous nature are liable to be sued in the courts.

R. Peart.—Thanks for drawing our attention to this matter, which we certainly will endeavour to keep to rights in the future.

Syntax.—We think the address you want is 34, Cockburn Street.

Goldfinch Specialist.—We had a gentle little laugh at your sketch. It goes in at the first available opportunity, and will no doubt amuse readers.

Fancier.—We cannot take any notice of anonymous communications. If you want your enquiry attended to repeat it and attach your name and address.

Club Reports.

BONNYRIGG C.B.S.

A meeting was held, Foresters' Arms, Sept. 28. Mr. Alex Jardine, President, occupied the chair. It was agreed that the committee arrange about extra staging, if required; all entries for show must be in by Oct. 19th, The Secretary was instructed to write various firms for quotations for bills; etc. It was agreed to have three gold medals all the same for the various sections. Next meeting, Oct. 19.—James Hamilton, Sec.

PELTON FELL AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Meeting held Sept. 28th at Mr. Enoch Waugh's, Colliery Inn, Pelton Fell. The schedule suggested of 32 classes for our annual members' show was agreed to, entrance fee to be 6d. There must be four entries in a class to claim 1st prize money, if less than four only 2nd and 3rd money paid, and if only one, we pay 3rd prize money. Decided, that the printing matter be left in the secretary's hands, and that the show-room be left for Sec. and Chairman to look after.—Wm. Forster, Sec.

HIGH WYCOMBE F.S.

Annual meeting held Sept. 25th, Mr. J. Howard in the chair. The balance-sheet for the year was passed as satisfactory, and officers for this year elected: President, Sir C. A. Cripps, M.P.; S. C. Pearce, hon. sec.; W. Rinetts, assist. sec. (Mr. Stevens resigning on account of ill-health); Mr. W. L. Hall, treasurer; J. Howard, auditor. Decided to hold the annual show Dec. 27th, the sec. being asked to book the Oakley Hall. Next general meeting Oct. 9th.—S. C. Pearce, Hon. Sec.

GUILDFORD AND DISTRICT F.S.

Committee meeting, held at Messrs. Folker and Horton's, New Chambers, The Quadrant, on Monday, September 23rd. Present, Messrs. Galford (chair), Gaue, Gould, Killick, Lympass, Pope, Prior, Stevens, Turner and three secretaries. Nine new members elected. Classes arranged for annual show, January 14, 1913. Will those members who are willing to guarantee classes or entries kindly write to the Hon. Secs., G. Russell-Cox, 34, Quarry Hill, E. Stevens, 7, Manor Road, Assistant Hon. Sec., S. W. Barter, 34, Quarry Hill. Latest date for receiving advertisements from members for the Manual and Year Book, Monday next, October 7th.—G. Russell-Cox, Hon. Sec.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

Committee meeting, followed by a general, held at headquarters, Sept. 25, when details of the 3rd annual show were arranged. Mr. C. A. House will judge Yorks., Brit., and members classes, and Mr. J. Reborn Nor., Miscel. and For. Various specials were offered and will appear in schedules, which will be ready middle of October. Prize money of 10s., 6s., and 4s., with vhc 1s. 6d. added in large classes, was decided on, also model prize cards. Classes for non-colour fed were also made. The large Lecture Hall, North Road, has been booked, and a record show is expected. It was decided to hold a table show on Oct. 16, at headquarters. Classes, Nor., Yorks. (champion), Yorks. (novices), Goldfinch and Bullfinch, A.O.S. Brit. Judge, Mr. H. James. The judging competition for members will be resumed.—Will H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

WOLVERHAMPTON C.B.S.

Meeting held September 28, at the Duke of York, Princess Street, when Mr. F. J. Weaver presided over a good attendance. The chief business of the meeting was the discussion of the special prizes, which it is very interesting to note are very good up to the present, but the secretary is dogging about and is anxious to hear of any fellow member who can get one. The special prize fund last year was a large one, but this year we have increased it. In previous years we gave a special over a number of classes, this year we are giving a good one every two classes, so I hope to see fanciers supporting us again and keep up our reputation, for several of the members have sacrificed their holidays for the show. We also finished the classes, which run as follows: Two nat. col. Nor., which are new classes. Fanciers who believe in natural colour should support these. Ten champion Norwich, which include two new classes; buff Norwich hen, and variegated or green; 4 novice Norwich, an increase of one; old buff cock, instead of yellow or buff; 6 champion, 4 novice Yorks., which is certified by having the M.C.Y.C.C. patronage; 2 Crest, 3 Borders, 1 A.O.V.C., 2 selling, 3 Mules, in which there is a very fine special for most points, a pair of buffalo horns mounted on carved oak, presented by Mr. J. A. Tonks, of Wednesbury; 6 British, 2 Foreign, making in all 46 open classes. After the meeting was over, a chat was held on birdy matters, and several who have got their birds finished decided to send to Longton, so I hope to see the North Staffordshire men support us. Next meeting will be on Thursday, Oct. 11th.—J. Gibbons.

COWDENBEATH C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held in the Arcade Temperance Hotel, September 21. Mr. Alex Anderson, vice-president, in the chair. There was a good turn-out of members. The secretary read a letter from Mr. J. Steel, Dalkeith, and stated the arrangements the committee had made for his lecture, which were approved. Letters from Messrs. R. Hyde and Co. and T. Sandiford read, granting their specials for the open show. The secretary also intimated that we had been granted the patronage of the Border F.C., the Scottish Y.C., the Scottish P.C., the Fife and Kinross P.C., and the Scottish B.B. and M.C.



Mr. Alex Garrioch's offer for the supply of model cards was accepted. Letters were read re advertising in our schedule and catalogue, and the secretary was instructed to deal with this matter. The amended offer of Mr. Fraser Simpson for the open show printing was accepted. Stewards for the open show were appointed as follows: Scotch Fancy, Messrs. J. Paterson and J. Muir; Border, Messrs. G. Sinclair and R. Smillie; Yorks., Messrs. A. Cunningham and H. Geddes; Norwich, Messrs. A. Simpson, J. Holms, and P. Langan; Crest and C.B., Messrs. Jas. Baxter and J. MacKiver; Mules and Brit., Messrs. A. Robertson, J. Jackson, and J. Beattie. Mr. Alex Anderson's offer to look after and provide food for the soft-billed birds, was gratefully accepted. Special meeting on October 9 for the allocation of specials, etc. All collecting books to be in the hands of the secretary the Saturday previous. A hearty vote of thanks to the chairman brought the meeting to a close.—Joseph R. Reid, Sec.

STRATFORD & E. LONDON F.A.

At last meeting schedule for members' 25th annual young stock show, Oct. 24th, was drawn up. Judge, Mr. Geo. Gardner. Resolved, that exhibits must be in the show room not later than 6 p.m. (Any arriving later may be too late for competition.) Judging to commence 6.30 prompt. Show to be open from 7.30 to 10. Admission 2d. Several sterling silver spoons were promised as special prizes in the various sections. Members are requested to note that there will not be any meeting October 10th (Dairy Show week.) The Secretary will be glad to hear from any member who can get to the show room about 5 p.m. to give a hand to pen exhibits, etc. (A little help is worth more than a lot of pity.) Fanciers joining now can compete at both Young Stock show and annual. Full particulars gladly sent to intending members.—W. Maxey, Hon. Sec., 16, James Place, Poplar.

STOCKPORT B.F.A.

Special meeting held Sept. 24 at the Boar's Head Hotel, Market Place. Mr. T. Mason presided, and after the usual business was done a discussion took place on how to build up the society to its former strength of a few years ago, and with this object in view it was decided to commence a course of lectures, washing exhibitions, etc. The first will be a washing competition on Oct. 8, at the above hotel, open to all novices in Stockport and district, for a prize of 5s. for the best washed bird, washing material provided, no entry fee, to commence at 8 prompt. Mr. J. Raynes, Manchester, will judge, and give a lecture on the Norwich Canary. We cordially invite every fancier in the district to our meetings, this night especially, and novices, whether members or not, come and try to win the prize.—W. Stafford.

LEIGH AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

A good muster of members attended the meeting on Sept. 25th, Mr. Taylor in the chair. Business being soon over, it was decided to have a paper discussion. Each member wrote a question on a piece of paper and threw them in a hat, then all drew one each, and had to answer them, starting at the Chairman. Several good questions were asked and answered, and the discussion that followed tended to instruct the members generally. The meeting concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Taylor for keeping the discussion moving whilst in the chair. At next meeting, October 9, Mr. Taylor, Vice-president, has kindly consented to give us a bird-drying exhibition, using two different methods, one the ordinary way of drying in front of the fire, and the other in a drying apparatus. I should like to see as many members and friends there as possible, so that they will see which method they like best.—R. Charleson, Hon. Sec.

CODNOR PK. & EASTWOOD C.B.S.

The general meeting called to take place at the Queen's Head on Sept. 28 was adjourned to Saturday, October 12, at the Queen's Head, at 6.30 p.m., owing to the lack of members attending. The only business carried out was the schedule for the open show. Now, members, are you going to support your secretary through this show? Also, where are the committee? Only four turned up at the meeting out of a working committee of 14. Surely this isn't a fancier's spirit. I appeal to all members of this society to attend our next meeting, Oct. 12th, and get to business and pull together again, as we used to be twelve months ago. Don't let about six of us rule this society; come yourselves, and have a word in the management. The business is most important to all.—J. H. Mitchell, Sec.

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REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Clapham.—Oct. 9-10, St. Anne's Hall, Venn-street.—Judges, Messrs. J. Robson, C. A. House, H. Norman, and another. 64 open classes: Nor. 13, Yorks. 13, Crest and C.B. 4, Bord. 3, A.O.V. 1, Mules 5, Brit. 19, For. 4, Sell. 2. 25 members' classes. Prizes in open classes, 12/-, 6/-, 3/-. Fee, 2/-. Entries close Oct. 2 to A. R. Coe, 18, Caldervale-road, Clapham Park, S.W.

Barley.—Oct. 17, Town House. Judge, Mr. C. A. House. 1 open class (£3 limit), Nor. Can. Prizes 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 9 to M. Hayes, Smith End, Barley.

Hanley.—Oct. 17, George and Dragon Hotel. Judge, Mr. A. Hirst. 35 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks 8, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 2, Mule 3, Brit. 5, For. 1, Nov. Nor. 4, Yorks 4. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 14 to C. J. Robinson, 44, Cromer Street, May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent.

Johnstone (Glasgow).—Oct. 19, Town Hall. Judge, Mr. A. McMecking. 9 open classes: Bord. 2, Nor. 2, Mule 1, Brit. 4. Prizes 12s., 6s., 3s. Fee 2s. Ent. close Oct. 12 to D. P. Ritchie, Brookfield, Johnstone.

Derwent Valley.—Oct. 26, Church Hall, Hamsterley. Judges, Messrs. W. Reid, G. Wilson. 36 open classes. Prizes 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 19 to Lindsay and Marsh, Westwood, Medomsley, R.S.O., Co. Durham.

Derby.—Oct. 11, 12, Albert Hall, Wardwick. Judges, Messrs. J. H. Roe, G. Colledge. 36 classes: Nor. 8, Nov. 3, Crest 3, C.B. 2, Yorks. 6, A.O.V. 1, Mule 3, Sell. 2, Brit. 7, For. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee 1s. 6d., members 1s. Ent. close Oct. 7, to Wharam and Ramsey, 23, Macklin Street.

Wallsend.—Nov. 9, Cafe Hall, Station Road. Judges, A. G. Cameron, J. Maddison. 52 open classes: Nor. 10, Crest 4, Cin. 2, Yorks. 7, Bord. 13, Liz. 2, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 2, Mules 2, Brit. 8, For. 1. Prizes not given in schedule. Fee 6d. Ent. close Nov. 6, to Evans and Macdonald, 10, Laburnum Av.

Plymouth (W.C.O.S.).—Oct. 15th, 16, Corn Exchange. Judges, T. Heath, J. Robson. 51 open classes: Yorks. 12, Nor. 10, Crest. 11, Cin. 1, Bord. 2, A.O.V. 1, Mules 3, Brit. 5, Sell. 3, For. 2, Stock 1. Prizes 10s., 5s., 3s. 6d., 2s., 1s. 6d. Fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 5, to T. Pope, 98, Embankment Road.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Attercliffe C.B.S. Oct. 10, Horse and Jockey Hotel, S. First table show for specials. Tickets for next feather show not sold to be brought in this meeting.—W. Hinlestone.

Anfield, Everton C.B.S.—Oct. 14, headquarters. General meeting. Washing exhibition by Geoff. Benson, Esq. Lecture on seeds for wild birds, George Barker, Esq. Half-yearly balance-sheet. Final arrangements for show to be held Nov. 16.—R. B. Wright.

Bradford Nat. Show Committee.—Oct. 9, Market Tavern, Bradford, 8. Election of committees and very important show business.—H. Hill.

Barrow C.B.A.—Oct. 9, headquarters, 7.30. Washing exhibition by Mr. W. Ireland, and schedule for back-end show.—Jas. S. Fleming.

Bolton Roller C.S.—Oct. 8, Joiner's Arms Hotel, 8. Show business.—William Massey.

Boldon Colliery F. and F.S.—Oct. 5, Store Buildings, 7.30. Members bring your ticket books and let me know if we want any more printed; other important business.—A. Widdowfield.

Barrington and Choppington C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Social Club, 7.30. To arrange for annual show and general business.—Thos. Griffiths.

British Roller C.C.—Oct. 8, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martin-le-Grand, 8. Important business.—J. W. Norris.

Bournemouth C.B.A.—Oct. 17, Quadrant Restaurant 8.30. Demonstration by Mr. H. Goodland, "Washing and preparing Canaries for show." All cage bird fanciers invited.—J. A. Crawshaw.

Birmingham South O.S.—Oct. 9, Sydenham Hotel, 8.30. Classes, etc., for young stock show; washing exhibition by Geo. Russell, Esq. All members please bring a bird and a new fancier.—J. Sheppard.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—Members' show, Victoria Hotel. Birds staged at 2.30 p.m. Judge, Mr. J. Wilcock, junr. Entries Friday evening, Oct. 4, 8 to 10.—M. Skerrow.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—Oct. 9, Arcade Hotel, 7. Allocation of special prizes. All books to be in by Oct. 5.—J. R. Reid.

City and County of Perth O.S.—Oct. 7, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, 8. Final arrangements for open show and other business.—James Kerr.

Consett, Blackhill F.S.—Oct. 5, Co-operative Buildings, Consett, 7.30. Approval of schedule for show on Nov. 23.—J. Hedworth Coupland.

City of Bradford O.S.—Oct. 5, Flying Dutchman Hotel, 8.—F. Rhodes.

Cumnock C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Co-operative Hall, Auchinleck, 7. Important business relating to forthcoming show.—Alex. Wyper.

Chesterfield C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Welbeck Inn, 6.30. Fixing monthly show dates. New members and anyone interested in the Fancy cordially invited to attend. Subscription 2s. 6d. per year.—T. Booker.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Black Bull, 7. Final arrangement of open schedule, rules, etc. Will members please bring list of specials and adverts., so that same may be inserted in schedule.—G. Bescoby.

Dobmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Oct. 6, Dobmire Workmen's Club, 10.30. To arrange for stewards for annual show.—B. Robinson.

Dewsbury C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Little Saddle, 7.30. Resignation of secretary.—S. Shaw.

Edinburgh North Eastern O.S.—Oct. 7, Free Gardeners' Hall, Abbeymount, 8. Arrangements for show.—Robt. S. Spence.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Oct. 5, Fountain Inn, 8.30. Balance sheet for combined show, and general business.—W. Nettleton.

Great Horton O.S.—Oct. 5, Club House, 8. Special meeting.—J. Holroyd.

Gt. Harwood C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Dan McNally's, 8. Arrangements for members' show.—W. T. Mattinson.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Oct. 9, Lockhart's, High Street, 7.30. Show business and specials.—J. G. Greason.

Gainsborough C.B.S.—Oct. 5, No. 1 Mess Room, 7. Arrange classes for show.—J. E. Conway.

Grangemouth O.S.—Oct. 9, Rechabite Hall, 8. Arrangements for annual show.—John Woodhouse.

Gt. Horton Good Intent O.S.—Oct. 12, Congregational Schools. Business very important.—Hy. Gornall.

Halifax O.S.—Oct. 5, Plummet Line Hotel, 8. Old show business; important.—Harry Clegg.

Haltwhistle.—Oct. 7, Mr. Nicholson's, 7.30. Open show business. Printing, tenders, etc.—Nicholson and Tallantyre.

Hebden Bridge Inter-Club Shows.—Oct. 10, White Horse Hotel, Hebden Bridge, 8. Delegates' meeting to draw up schedule for shows and select judges.—P. Sunderland.

Irvine C.B.S.—Masonic Hall. Mr. E. Barron (Glasgow) will lecture on the Norwich Canary. All interested are cordially invited.—H. B. Young. (No date or time given.—ED.)

Keighley C.B.S.—Oct. 8, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Selecting stewards for members' show.—J. Binns.

Kent County C.B.A.—Oct. 9, Barton R.A. School, 8. Correspondence, patronage, etc.—H. Wood.

Liverpool B.B.A.—Oct. 10, Oldham Hall, 8. Washing exhibition and discussion on same. Please bring clear birds for washing.—F. Eccleston.

Lancaster C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Market Hall Coffee Tavern, 7.30. Selecting specials for annual show.—J. Bostock.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Greyhound Hotel, 7. Schedule and other matters for our next show.—Daniel John.

Leigh C.B.S.—Oct. 9, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Bird drying exhibition, two different ways, by Mr. H. Taylor (Vice-President). Friends invited.—R. Charleson.

London and Counties A.C.B.—Oct. 5, The Earl Cathcart, Osnaburgh Street, N.W., 8. Mr. F. Harrison will give a demonstration on cage making. Visitors and friends invited.—W. Gilbert.

Littleborough C.B.S.—Oct. 9, Coffee House, 8. Show business, printing, etc.—H. Woodhead.

Leyton C.B.A.—Oct. 7, Grange Park Hall, Leyton, 8. Washing exhibition and competition; also annual show business.—Forse and Son.

Leeds Roller C.C.—Oct. 5, 55, Briggate, 7.30. Show business. All members requested to attend.—H. L. Davis.

Loanhead C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Mason's Arms, 7. Final arrangements for show. Specials and entries.—W. B. Smart.

L.C.B.A.—Oct. 9, The Feathers, Great Chapel St., Westminster, S.W., 8. General business. A draw of questions to be answered.—W. H. Mugford and Knight.

Leith O.S.—Oct. 12, Liberal Club, Hope Street, 7. Distribution of schedules. Final arrangements for show.—George Brown.

Lowestoft C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Fox and Hounds, 8.30. Final arrangements for annual show and other business.—Fredk. Rackham.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S. Oct. 7, Deansgate Hotel, 7.45. October show business, etc.—H. Boothman.

Morley C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Sycamore Hotel, 7.30. Important.—J. Rhodes.

Manningham C.B.A.—Oct. 5, headquarters, 8. Final arrangements for open show. Union handbooks ready.—H. Grange.

Northern Border and S.F.C.—Oct. 7, Pillars Cafe, Pink Lane, Newcastle-on-Tyne, 8. Washing exhibition by Mr. A. Montgomery, Wallsend. M. C. Potts.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Oct. 8, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, Harpurhey, 8. November show business; amalgamated show report. Will members please pay their subs. so as to enable them to compete for specials at the November show. John Davey.

Ormskirk C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Church House, 8. Show business.—T. H. Tiffen.

Oldham C.B.A.—Oct. 8, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. Show business, etc. Meetings held every week now until show.—James Cope.

Pudsey Stanningley C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Fleece Hotel, 8. General business.—Hugh Bairstrick.

Pontypridd F. & F.S.—Oct. 5, Victoria Hotel, 7. Important business is to be transacted.—A. A. Gordon McLucas.

Rycroft and Rawmarsh.—Oct. 5, Queen's Hotel, 8. Special meeting.—W. Wilshaw.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Oct. 5, College Inn, 8. Special meeting; show business.—B. Bailey.

Rochdale O.C.—Oct. 7, Club Rooms, 8.30. Open show business; advertising, etc.; also quarterly meeting.—R. Blincoe.

Rawtenstall F.S.—Oct. 8, Mission Room, Hall Street, 7.30. Show and meeting. Six classes. Judge, Mr. J. W. Ormonde. All fanciers cordially welcomed.—H. Kershaw.

Stockport B.F.A.—Oct. 8, Boar's Head Hotel, 8. Washing competition; lecture, etc.—W. Stafford.

Stoke-on-Trent.—Oct. 7, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Open show arrangements.—A. Pitchford.

Sittingbourne C.B.S.—Oct. 7, headquarters, 8.30. Table show for Canaries, British and Foreign. Judge, F. J. Wickham, Chatham. All fanciers are welcome.—B. Tidy.

Scottish National C.B.S.—Oct. 10, 142, High Street, Edinburgh, 8. Committee meeting.—J. R. Meikle.

Smallbridge C.B.S.—Oct. 7, I.O.G.T., 7.30. Back-end show. Lecture by Mr. J. Lees, of Rochdale.—W. Lanyon.

Springburn Possil Park C.B.C.—Oct. 9, Reid Hall, 7.30. Washing competition champions.—J. Waugh.

Southend and Southern Counties O.S.—Oct. 9, headquarters, 8 p.m. General meeting. All members requested to attend. Last meeting before November show.—C. Tapper.

South London Col. and F.A.—Oct. 10, "Royal George," Tanners Hill, Lewisham, S.E., 8. General meeting. Election of new members. Select new points cup.—George F. Crawford.

Spen Valley C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Commercial Hotel, Cleckheaton, 7.30. Entries to be taken for show and general business.—John Bamford.

Swansea C.B.A.—Oct. 8, Market Coffee Tavern, 8. Important meeting regarding specials and show matter.—S. H. George.

Tong C.B.S.—Oct. 8, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.45. Members' show, Oct. 5, at Hand and Shuttle Inn. Birds to be staged at 3. Judge, Mr. J. Bailey, Bfd.—W. Walker.

Wandsworth F.A.—Oct. 10, the "Red Lion," 8. Business of the open show of Nov. 27 and 28.—W. Lightfoot.

West of Scotland O.S.—Oct. 7, Nelson's Temperance Hotel, 7.30. Usual monthly meeting and washing exhibition by Mr. C. Hunter. Annual subs. now due.—W. Hutchison.

Wolverhampton C.B.S.—Oct. 11, Duke of York, 8. Presentation of schedule and further discussion of show.—J. Gibbons.

Windhill C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Final arrangements for open show and other important business; subscriptions now due.—J. Taylor.

Walkley C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Mission Rooms, Westmoreland Street, 8. Table show, members and novices. Nomination of officers for 1913.—A. Lawton.

West Stanley C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Co-operative Hall, 7.30. Schedules and annual show business; subs. due.—W. Elliott.

Wallsend and Mid Tyne C.B.A.—Oct. 9, 7.30 Station Hotel. Show business, specials, tickets, new members and subscriptions.—John M. Macdonald.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Oct. 8, Dartmouth Hotel, 8. Allotting specials for show; subs due.—W. G. Andrews.

Wimbledon C.B.S.—Oct. 7, 6, The Broadway, 8. Revision of schedule for annual show. Judging competition of Norwich, final judge, Mr. P. Rorke.—H. Smith.

York C.B.S.—Oct. 9, All Saints' Room, 6.15. Members' show. Special for best bird champion classes. Birds to be staged 6.30. Judge, Mr. H. Todd (Darlington).—H. Sayles.

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Correspondence.

Song After the Moult.

Sir,—Would any of your readers kindly give a few hints on how to get Linnets and Chaffinches on song after the moult?

Amateur.

Birds Travelling at Owner's Risk.

Sir,—I would be obliged if some of your readers would let me know if they have had a similar experience to this, and if I have a case for a claim? On Sept. 19 I sent a consignment of nine birds from Tain to Alnwick on approval. Three of the birds have been taken out, or otherwise lost. I learn from the gentleman I sent them to, that the box showed no signs of being tampered with. Birds were sent at owner's risk.

Border.

[When goods are consigned at owner's risk, no claim for loss or damage in transit can be sustained.—Editor.]

The Bell Tour in Roller Canaries.

Sir,—In your admirable article on the "Musical Box of the Canary Family—the Roller," in last week's issue, it is stated by the writer, that he does not consider the bell tour worthy of a place in the bird's repertoire. Will you permit me to endorse this view, and to add that as far back as March, 1911, in an article written by me for the British Roller Canary Club, I advocated the sacrifice of this tour, realising that the two points allowed were not worth the danger involved in producing it.

F. E. Fisher.

The Enamelling of New Wooden Cages.

Sir,—First give one coat of paint, fairly thin. When dry, sandpaper well, and putty all holes and cracks, then repaint. Sandpaper again when dry, and give another coat of paint. After a couple of days, sandpaper lightly, and give a fairly good coat of enamel, well spread.

R. M.

Sir,—I have pleasure in replying to your correspondent, "W.H." re the "Enamelling of Wooden Cages." This is my first year of Canary breeding, and the two cages I put up I enamelled. It is necessary to paint the cages before enamelling, owing to the enamel having no "body" in it; the paint supplies the necessary foundation. Your correspondent will also prove that if he puts a good coat of paint of a rather lighter shade than the enamel he wishes to use he will have very satisfactory results. He will also, at the same time, be taking a very big step to protect his birds from red mite, provided he fills up all the cracks and crevices with the enamel. With a good coat of paint, one coat of enamel, if laid on level will suffice. Trusting this little information will be useful.

F. Laundon.

Partick and Dist. C.B.C. Have a fine Day's Outing.

Sir,—It came to pass in the days of good weather, when the rain had ceased to fall, that the men of Partick and the district round about congregated together, and said to their leaders; "Let us leave the city of our habitation and take with us food and water (?) and drive into the country, which is beautiful and not far off." The leaders agreed, and they hired a chariot and four horses, and at a given signal the men came together from all parts, from the north and from the south and from the east and from the west, and the names of the men were too numerous to relate. When all was ready, Jehu did drive his horses and chariot outside the city walls and by green fields and flowing rivers until they came to a place called Glen o' Campsie. Here the men said; "Let us climb the hill and descend into the valley at the other side." Then they found a shady place where they did eat and drink and make merry. At this part up came David with his camera, and with him one Brown (which being interpreted means Cage King) and they did take a picture of the brethren assembled. Then one Maxwell, of the tribe of Plainheads, said: "I must cross over the brook." And lo, when he had reached the middle, at a part which is called a stone, a great splash was heard, and all the men lifted up their voices and cried: "Save him." And when they had saved him and dried his raiment, he was exceeding glad, and did return to the chariot where the good wine was kept. There was found David, the son of Ashenhead, in the best of spirits—he was the man appointed to keep the bag—and when the company had roamed over the fields and woods, and the day was far spent, they drove back to the place called Partick and did meet women and children in their tents and did in course to them of the beauties of the place to which they had gone.—XYX

Does Hemp Seed Ruin Canaries?

A correspondent has made the serious charge that it causes old birds to go out of condition and young birds to "go light."

Bad Hemp Does—Good Hemp Does Not.

Sir,—As the correspondence on this subject appears to me to have arisen out of an article of mine which you published over twelve months ago, I should like to point out that the article in question referred particularly to the time when it was published. At the time it was written, I had ample proof—which, it may be remembered, was corroborated by your enquiries before you published the article—that the condition of the great bulk of hemp which was then on the market was such as to call for some sort of publicity in the interests of fanciers generally. But this does not necessarily apply to the conditions to-day, although it is well to be aware that at the fag end of the season, just before the new crop comes in, much old, rancid seed is apt to be met with. It is no exaggeration to say that bad hemp is one of the most unwholesome and dangerous foods for Canaries, but, given a good sound and sweet seed, there are few, if any more valuable and wholesome items of the Canary's diet, particularly when young are being reared, though it should be used at all times with reasonable moderation. I do not condemn the seed, and have never done so, because that which is bad is a danger to health, for this would be analagous to condemning good honest roast beef because one had eaten with disastrous results a steak in which decomposition had set in. Then, apart from the question of quality of seed, I have no doubt in my own mind that hemp is often made objectionable by crushing and smashing the kernel and husk together and keeping it many hours in this condition. The practice of crushing hemp is a comparatively recent one, and one of which personally I do not approve sufficiently to adopt it. The most that should be done is to lightly crack the husk, avoiding as far as possible injury to the kernel. I note one correspondent says "It is sure to cause looseness in the bowels." I am afraid he is somewhat at sea. Bad hemp will set up looseness, I admit, but a good sound quality has a decidedly opposite tendency.

Claude St. John.

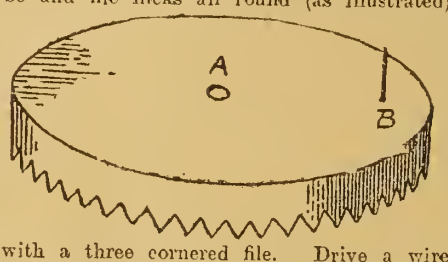
In Praise of Exercise.

Sir,—From experience, my answer is: No, not with stock birds. I myself think the old phrase "What is one man's meat is another man's poison" holds good in this respect to birds. Last season I bred sixty young, the mothers all being young hens; the stock mixture from October until March being half canary and half hemp seed, twice a week a teaspoonful of lettuce seed to each bird, the birds being in a cold room facing due east. I found this mixture beneficial to them, and during the whole of the severe winter, I never had a bird go wrong, neither during the breeding season did I have any of my hens egg bound, and I consider this due to the excellent condition of my birds through being liberal with hemp seed. I used no egg-food during the breeding season, but fed entirely on bread (brown) and milk and hemp seed, not cracked. I may tell you how my birds were housed, as I consider this is a vital point in breeding any live stock. I had six hens in two flight cages—60 by 18 by 12—only two perches in. To get from seed to water they had to fly four feet, plenty of exercise; also a bath once a week; the cocks in separate cages measuring 18 by 18 by 9, plenty of room. My birds were all imported Rollers, and I had not the faintest idea as to what they had been fed on. I can only conclude by saying if all fanciers will see to their birds having roomy cages, they need not fear of using hemp seed. Not with Roller Canaries, anyhow. Celery tops make an ideal green food in winter; I also give apple, and a little carrot.

Jim Adams.

A Circular Saw from a Coffee Tin.

Sir,—A cheap circular saw for cutting out round cage doors may be useful now that the show season is upon us and many novices will be making show cages. To obtain perfectly round doors, get a lid of a coffee tin (or other lid) the size you wish the doors to be and file nicks all round (as illustrated)



with a three cornered file. Drive a wire nail in the centre (A) when cutting out your door. A nail near the edge (B), with the head on the inside forms the handle. Press the tin lightly with thumb and finger when turning and you get perfectly round doors in quick time.

W. E. Atkins.

How Can We Make Our Shows Pay?

Reader Says: "No Shows, No Birds."

Sir,—I was disappointed not to see the correspondence under this heading continued last week. To my mind, it is a subject that ought to interest every fancier, considering that were there no shows, the price of Canaries would depreciate until they reached that of the common singing variety. In fact, there would be no demand, and consequently no necessity to breed the exhibition varieties of the Canary. The great industry of British bird-catching and retailing would receive a blow that would be disastrous, and many a man who earns an honest shilling in the winter months, when he is often enough unable to follow his regular employment, would be deprived of the means by which he keeps the body and soul of his family together. Fanciers must know that it is the shows which create the demand for exhibition stock, and the greater the number of shows, the greater the demand for stock, hence the larger the price fanciers are able to get for them. One or two of your correspondents' statements I don't agree with. Where one says that four classes for each variety are sufficient, I cannot agree. Societies should give a reasonable classification. Neither do I agree that the specialist club's patronage is a doubtful asset. I know that often enough where a powerful specialist club is giving their patronage, the society loses a little in entrance fees, but they must not forget that fanciers will travel a long distance to visit a show when the know that the cream of the variety are on view, and many a show is made to pay through its gate. I quite agree that societies have too heavy a printer's bill; and the suggestion that the schedule be advertised for a fortnight previous to the show is the most practical that has been made. I think it would reduce the printing and postage bill more than two-thirds. I notice that many pigeon societies have their schedules printed in the journal devoted to their hobby, and it is a suggestion worthy the adoption of our cage bird societies. It would only mean a couple of extra pages in Cage Birds, and the Editor is always willing to provide a little extra space for a consideration. What? Another point in the societies' favour is: The schedule would be brought to the notice of every fancier in the country at a much reduced expense. I have in mind one or two societies which have been very hard hit the last few years. Small classes and fewer visitors have depleted their funds, and in one case I know that they were openly ragged for stopping their classes at eight (half prize money). I for one don't blame them, and fanciers who do should remember that the men who run the shows are running them to benefit the Fancy generally, and not themselves; and that they are mostly working men, who can't afford to get their hands down very deeply, in order that outside fanciers may be paid their prize money. I know of one Society who, when they desired a class to stand at eight, instead of sending an outside fancier's entry back, they made one of their own members stand down in the same class. That is worthy the consideration of other societies. Good luck to 'em.

Sub Rosa.

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Late Breeding of House Martins.

Sir,—To-day (Sept. 27) while on a nature ramble with a friend, at Brandon, Warwickshire, I found a Martin's nest under the eaves of a house, and saw the old birds feeding some young ones. As it is so late in the year, I thought it might interest some of your readers, as it did me. Thanking you for the many useful hints I have got out of your paper, both for keeping birds, and nature notes.

Charles MacDonald.

Getting the Seed Out of Thistle Heads.

Sir,—I think my own device will beat hollow the idea of either filling the oven with thistle-heads, and burning the fluff when dry, or dropping the seeds, etc., into a shallow basin of water, as indicated in your last issue, and thereby avoid a "scene," which may possibly result when the good lady finds the said fluff blowing all over the house, as the fluff is left where it grew, and only the clean seed taken home. Readers will be more than surprised at the amount of seed they will be able to gather in a few hours. It will enable them to obtain a good supply of thistle-seed for winter's use. I guarantee to gather over 1lb. of seed in two hours. First you want a linen "bag," open at either end; or an old shirt sleeve will do equally as well. Then make a square wooden frame that will just fit inside the sleeve or bag, and wire this with cage-wire, set a quarter-inch apart (to form a kind of grid). Sew the wired frame into one end of the old sleeve, and tie a piece of string round the other end, when the appliance is complete. To gather the seed, take hold of the thistle-down, when the seed will come away on it, and rub this across the wire frame. Result, the seed drops into the bag, and the down is thrown away.

E. W. Humphrey.

A Good and Cheap "Down" Quilt.

Sir,—In removing thistle seed from the head, why waste the down, as this has a market value? Now that summer (alleged) is over and the time is at hand when the "flue" stalketh abroad, with the fog and drizzle, why not use that thistle-down to make a down quilt for your virtuous couch to keep you warm and snug at night? My method is this: we gather the heads, either white topped or just as they are turning drab colour. Then I borrow a bed sheet from my old stocking mender, and also her assistance to help me put it in position in the attic opposite the window. We first tie a length of cord at each end and another length in the middle of each side. Then I knock half-a-dozen nails in suitable positions for stretching and holding up the sheet. In the meantime we have had the bags containing the thistle heads resting on the top of the kitchen range or hung in front of the mantle shelf; this helps to mature them, but I do not care to allow them to get too hot. When the sheet is ready, and the heads ready for the sheet, we empty the bags, and let sun and time do the rest. The result is seed in fine condition by turning the mass of heads over on the sheet every couple of days until all is garnered. Separate the shells from that precious down, now well dried and ready for those deft fingers found in every household for this kind of job. I have gathered sufficient thistles around Manchester this season to make us a good thick quilt.

W. Downing.

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SIR, Re your correspondents' letter (Messrs. Bowler), I quite agree with them in holding a Cage Bird Society on its own, as I believe there are plenty of fanciers in the above district capable of managing a show for cage birds. Perhaps Messrs. Bowler could give us a start by acting as secretaries, so that we may start at once. I should like to suggest a yearly subscription of 3s. 6d. Will Messrs. Bowler suggest a time and place of meeting, so that we may see about commencing. I think there should be a possibility of holding a show later this year, providing, of course, there is sufficient membership to make a fair start, as we must walk before we commence to run.

T. W. FRYER.

Youngster Hatched when Week Overdue.

SIR,—Kindly allow me a little space in your valuable paper, which I have taken since its first issue. I have been a breeder and exhibitor for half-a-century. I had a hen Canary that laid me three eggs in succession on my last round. She sat the time, thirteen days, and hatched two young ones out of the three eggs. When they were a week old, I took the other egg out, and as I thought it was an unfertile one, I smashed it. To my surprise there was a live young one in the egg. I picked the shell from it, and put it along with the other two in the nest, and the mother brought it up, and it is one of the finest birds I have bred this season. I wonder if any one has ever done the same? If any one wishes to see it, they can do so at 56, Kent Street, Bolton, Lancashire.

W. N.

Badges for Fanciers.

SIR,—I shall be very glad if you will kindly allow me a little space in your esteemed paper to put before your readers, an idea which, I think, would be very useful to bird-keepers generally. I suggest that all fanciers, or anyone interested in the hobby of bird-keeping, should, whenever possible, wear a small badge or token to show this. If this was done, fanciers, when visiting strange places for business or pleasure, could readily find out if they were meeting with brother fanciers or not. Probably if this idea is taken up by readers, the Editor would be willing to supply suitable badges for a few pence each. A suitable engraving or inscription would be "C.B.F.," that is, Cage Bird Fanciers. Having made the suggestion, I hope some abler fancier will give his views on the matter through the columns of CAGE BIRDS.

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Canaries that Save Life.

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G. POMFRET.



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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

The list of patrons and vice-presidents will be found on page 763 of our last issue.

The Filling Up of Our Coupons.

Among the large number of signed coupons that continue to come in by every post, there are still a proportion which have been insufficiently or improperly filled up. Several readers have sent just one signed coupon, together with five names and addresses on a separate slip of paper. Others, again, send six coupons, but fill them all up themselves. The conditions are very plain, and easily fulfilled, and it is surprising that any misunderstanding could possibly arise. However, it seems that it does exist, and I have, therefore, once again to point out that badges will only be sent to those who strictly follow the instructions so plainly set out on the coupon.

The number of applications for registration as Associates of the LEAGUE is so great that they cannot always be attended to the same day as received. Will those who do not receive their badges by return of post please note that applications are dealt with in the order received, and that all receive attention at the earliest possible moment.

Overdue Subscriptions.

I have again to announce that a very large number of LEAGUE MEMBERS are forgetting that they have been members for more than a year, and that their renewal subscription of one shilling is overdue. It will be esteemed a great favour if members will be kind enough to send along a postal order for one shilling, to save the trouble and expense of making separate application by postcard.

"Cage Birds" Fund for the Distress in Norwich.

Our fund in aid of those who suffered so disastrously through the late floods in Norwich amounts to £12 12s. 6d., the following amounts having been received since the last list: C. St. John 2s. 6d., P. Johnstone 2s., J. H. Hills 1s. 6d., W. Downing 1s. The fund is now due to close, and I should be glad if all those intending to subscribe will be kind enough to forward their contributions without further delay, so that we may put in hand the distribution by the committee who have kindly undertaken the task the money subscribed by CAGE BIRDS readers in aid of their fellow fanciers who are in distress. One of our committee of voluntary helpers, Mr. F. Cullington, writes that they are still hearing of bird rooms that were flooded out, and in another letter, Mr. Cullington sends the sad news published in our obituary columns this week, in which he says that the sad bereavement which has fallen upon Mr. Wigger was directly due to the effects of the devastating flood. Members of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE, and readers generally of our organ, CAGE BIRDS, may depend, of course, that every penny received will be put to practical use and applied to cases of real necessity only.

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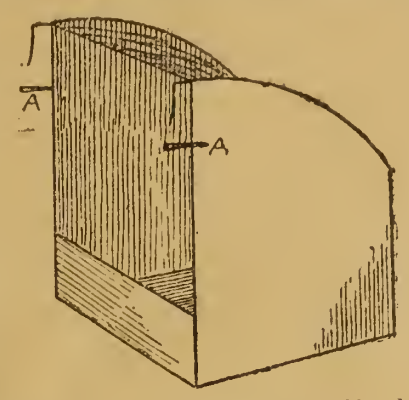
Every "Illustrated Idea" used in this column will entitle the sender thereof to a postal order for two shillings and sixpence.

No 610.

Safeguarding the Bath.

Sent in by A. E. Huyton, 2, Byron Road, Blundell Sands, near Liverpool.

To prevent birds from being trapped in the bath, where a sliding cage-door is used,



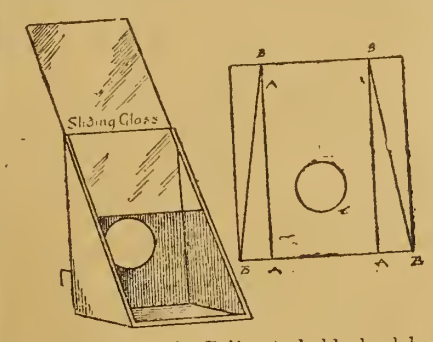
two pieces of cage wire should be soldered on, as shown in the illustration at A A. These prevent the door slipping down.—A. E. HUYTON.

No. 611.

Preventing Waste of Seed.

Sent in by J. Smith, 24, Clipsley Lane, Haydock, near St. Helens.

The seed-hopper illustrated prevents the wasting of seed, and can easily be made. Out of a tin (such as a biscuit tin) cut a 6in. square and mark off 1½in. at sides, from top to bottom, as shown at A. Then cut corner off, as shown at dotted line, B, and fold over at the dotted lineA, leaving a



little overlap on the B line to hold glued back in place. Then solder on a piece of cage-wire at top and bottom to prevent the glass from falling inwards. Turn a piece of the tin under to form the bottom, trim it, and solder. Use a pair of compasses when cutting out the hole for the bird's head. Then slide in the glass.—J. SMITH.

How to become an Associate.

Many readers of CAGE BIRDS have written to say that they would like to join CAGE BIRDS' LEAGUE, but cannot afford the subscription. To meet their wishes we have decided to form, in connection with the LEAGUE, a body of Associates. All we ask of these Associates is that *they will promise to give every possible attention to the wants of their birds.* And they must induce others to see that their birds are kept happy and contented.

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CLUB REPORTS, continued from page 783.

BOURNEMOUTH & DIS. C.B.A.

At a committee meeting held last week, Miss Penrice very kindly offered a silver cup for competition, as a perpetual trophy, at the annual First Feather shows. This should prove a valuable stimulant to the entries at these interesting functions. Miss Penrice's offer was gratefully accepted.—G. W. Jones.

PROVINCIAL ROLLER C.C.

Monthly meeting at the Old Boar's Head, Corporation-street, Manchester, Sept. 24th. Decided to support the International Show which is to be held in London Feb. 7th and 8th, 1913. Messrs. Lyons, Massey, Wareing and Jacquemin were elected judges for the next annual contest to be held at the Old Boar's Head, Jan. 17th and 18th, 1913.—Andrew Percival, Hon. Sec.

HIGHGATE, HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

Special general meeting held Sept. 26th at Spencer Hall, when the members unanimously approved of the appointment of Mr. J. Hyde as secretary of society. Annual show was fixed for November 8 and 9. Mr. Geo. Gardner will judge. Three new members were elected, Messrs. Norden, King, and Kent. A most successful meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the vice-chairman, Mr. R. T. Dann. —J. Hyde, Hon. Sec.

CHESTER C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Nag's Head Cocoa Rooms, Sept. 24, Mr. F. C. Parker presiding. The four handsome cups to be won outright at annual show were on view. They were approved by all members present. The cups will be awarded to Yorkshires (kindly presented by Mrs. Way, President of the Society); Norwich, Novices, and British, respectively. The schedule was completed, and will be in members' hands in a few days. Messrs. J. L. Pike, Windsor, and Huxley were enrolled as members. Those intending joining can have full particulars from hon. sec. Membership open to United Kingdom.—R. L. G. Simpson, 35, Clare Av., Hoole, Chester.

CITY AND SUBURBAN ASSN.

Meeting held Sept. 23, at 59 and 60, Paddington Street, W. Mr. W. Shepherd in the chair. There was a good attendance of members, and after the usual business, Mr. Marley and Mr. A. C. Rudd were unanimously elected members of the association. A judging competition in the Norwich Plainheads took place, there being fourteen birds staged for the occasion, Mr. Curtis being the final judge, who, with his usual kindness, explained his reasons for placing the cards, and gave some very useful information in the selection of exhibition birds. Mr. Burton was elected to judge Yorks. in the competition for Oct. 28. A vote of thanks to Mr. Curtis for his valuable services, also to the chairman, closed a very interesting meeting.—F. Knight.

ANFIELD, EVERTON C.B.S.

Adjourned general meeting, held headquarters September 16. As the Hon. Sec. has suffered two bereavements in his family, and his father is lying dangerously ill with cancer, Mr. Rawsthorne acted in his stead. A new schedule was drawn up, not quite satisfactory to the novices, and a committee meeting has been held to consider this matter, and others arising out of a number of questions that were asked of the chairman. Satisfactory explanations have been given, and things are in a thoroughly sound condition. These matters are (according to the rules), invested in the committee, as they are the governing members of the society. Mr. Young was in attendance to deliver his promised lecture, but as there was not time, it had to be omitted. There are a number of subscriptions now due, and I would remind members, and those intending to join, that these must be in before the next show, November 16th, otherwise they will be too late to stand a chance to win any cups, etc. Next meeting October 14th.—R. B. Wright, Hon. Sec.

SCOTTISH CRESTED C.C.

Committee meeting held in Neilson's Temperance Hotel, Ingram Street, Glasgow, September 14. In the absence of the President, Mr. Adamson (Kilmarnock) occupied the chair, with a fair attendance of members. Correspondence was read from Messrs. Whitton (Broughty Ferry), Dewar (Edinburgh), and McNaughton (Larbert). Several applications for patronage were considered, and the following were successful, viz., Scottish National, and City of Dundee (conditionally). Secretary read communication from Scottish National Executive in which they agreed to give four classes for young birds at their forthcoming show. It was therefore decided to place 2 gold medals for young birds (confined to members of S.C.C.C.), and also to solicit and place as many special prizes as possible, and it is hoped that members will take advantage of the increased classification granted by the "National," and endeavour to make those classes a complete success. Secretary had a quantity of new club drinkers at meeting for distribution, and any members who wish supplies should send in their orders as early as possible.—John Young.



TWITTERINGS. Continued from Page 778.

Grantham C.B.S. schedules are now ready. Arrangements, we hear, have been made for all birds entered at both Sheffield and Grantham shows, to be forwarded on, so as to reach same night.

As I have received numerous applications for schedules, writes Mr. Mugford, Hon. Sec. London C.B.A., would you kindly inform fanciers that the same will be ready in November, when a copy will be sent to those who have applied.

Mr. Charles Boulton, St. Helens, writes Mr. H. R. Macdonald, Hon. Sec. Thatto Heath O.S., has kindly promised to give us a lecture at our next meeting, Oct. 7, at 8 o'clock. All members and fellow fanciers are particularly requested to attend.

We have pleasure in congratulating Mr. A. R. Coe, the Hon. Sec. of Clapham C.B.A., upon the well got up schedule which he says is the first he has ever compiled or helped to compile. The schedule certainly shows no trace of a novice's hand, and is quite a credit to the society.

Mr. G. Morton, 35, Paterson St., Birkenhead, Secretary of the Liverpool Amalgamated Show, will be pleased if the secretaries of the Booth's and Garston Societies will send him the names and addresses of their delegates for the next show, as he wishes to call a meeting.

OBITUARY.

Last week it was our painful duty to announce the sad death of Mr. Tinniswood Miller, and we have received the following letter from Mrs. Miller:—"I desire to thank you (also your readers) most gratefully for your sympathy with me in this great trial, and for your appreciation of my late husband. His last thoughts were for me and the birds we both loved so well."

I am very sorry, writes Mr. F. Cullington, to have to inform you of the death of Mrs. Wigger, wife of Mr. R. Wigger. When your Mr. Weston came to Norwich at the time of the great flood, he saw Mr. Wigger and mentioned in CAGE BIRDS the sorry plight he was in at the time, after having more than five feet of water in his house. No doubt the damp and worry were the cause of her death. Mr. Wigger is well-known and greatly respected by all the fanciers in Norwich, and we one and all deeply sympathise with him in his sad bereavement.

Mr. W. Urquhart, Paisley.

I regret to announce the death of Mr. William Urquhart, at the age of 64 years, writes Mr. John Stewart, Paisley. He was for many years president of the Paisley Tannahill O.S., and was up till a short time ago an enthusiastic breeder of the Scotch Fancy Canary, and was a well-known winner at all the principal shows. He leaves a widow and family of grown up sons, to whom the deepest sympathy of fellow fanciers is extended.

In connection with the Lancashire Amalgamated Societies, writes Mr. J. Cope, Sec., Oldham C.B.A., a meeting will be held at Smallbridge, Oct. 12, at 3.30, when I shall be pleased to see all delegates attend. Business will be classification for show, selection of judge, entry fee, and other important matters. It is hoped that all societies will be fully represented.

Mr. Wilfred Dean, the popular financial secretary, of the Matlock F.S., makes his debut as judge of Norwich at a local show to be held at Stanton-in-the-Peak, Derbyshire, Oct. 5, writes Mr. Tom Boden, Chairman. We hope to hear more of Mr. Wilf adjudicating at cage birds' shows in the near future, and we all wish this most ardent Norwich fancier every success. Mr. J. S. Cooper, another Matlock fancier, is taking British birds.

An enviable reputation amongst exhibitors and bird-keepers generally has been acquired by Messrs. W. A. Rudd and Co., of 180, Bishopsgate Street, London, E.C., whose seeds and foods are recognised as being of the highest possible quality at the keenest possible prices. The firm has built up a big trade amongst those who know a good article when they see it, and a perusal of their advertisement on another page should be undertaken by everyone.

Mr. A. R. Coe, Sec., Clapham C.B.S., 18, Caldervale Road, Clapham Park, S.W., asks us to notify that he will accept entries up to Saturday evening, Oct. 5, the date of this issue, but no later under any circumstances, as the catalogue must be in the hands of the printers on Monday morning. St. Anne's Hall, Venn St., Clapham, where the show will be held, is two minutes' walk from Clapham Rd. station and one minute from Clapham Common Electric Station. Electric trams pass the road from Victoria, Waterloo, Westminster and Blackfriars. It is also well served by motor buses.

Having been appointed secretary of the Spen Valley C.B.S., writes Mr. J. Bamford, all further correspondence must be addressed to me at 4, Clarence St., Westgate, Cleckheaton.

Littleborough C.B.S. have engaged Mr. Jas. Hoyle, of Dearnley, to judge their show to be held in the Parish Church School, Nov. 9, writes Mr. H. Woodhead, Hon. Sec.

I have secured the Queen's Hall for our open show, writes Mr. E. Thomas, Sec., Cardiff C.B.S. A new hall in the centre of the City, also in the main street. Cars pass the hall. It will be much better for visitors.

I have received numerous applications for schedules for our forthcoming show on Nov. 13 and 14, writes Mr. S. H. George, sec., Swansea and Dis. C.B.S. The same will be forwarded to the various applicants at our very earliest.

We are asked to notify the following changes of addresses:—J. E. Davies, from Higher Brinksway, Stockport, to Moss Hall, Outwood, Handforth, Cheshire; J. H. Nelson, to 81, Bury New Road, Bolton; A. Chambers, from Hill Wootton, Warwick, to Fordington House, Dorchester; E. J. Whittome, from 61, Ellerby St., Fulham, to 90, Acre Lane, Brixton. W. Baxby, from Coal Aston, to 6, Chesterfield Road, Dronfield.

Scotch Fancies on Tyneside.

"Canny Toon" writes:—"Ask Jimmy Little, and he will tell you when the Scotch Fancy was as popular on Tyneside as the Norwich, Yorkshire, or Border is to-day. It has declined, but there are some keen fanciers still left who intend to revive its popularity, and have made a bold bid at the forthcoming Newcastle show. In addition to the prize money, there is a special of 5s. on every class and a 10s 6d. special for best Scotch Fancy, as well as a guinea for best bird in show; so if this won't do it, what will? Mr. Chapman, who has been the moving spirit in this attempt to revive one of the noblest of the Canary tribe, tells me that he hopes this will induce the breeders in Scotland to send their birds."

Singing Contests.

LEEDS.

Open contest for quality, held at the Old Bird House, King's Head, Shannon Street, Leeds, Sept. 28, when 22 birds sang for four good prizes given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson. 1, 2, C. Ward; 3, 4, Butler. Judges, S. Hardcastle and W. Naylor. Also Sept. 29, when 25 birds sang for four good prizes. 1, A. Butler; 2, H. Wigfield; 3, T. Johnson; 4, Richardson. Judges, S. Hardcastle, A. Jennings, and W. Naylor.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Linnet contest, Sept. 28, Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe, 14 birds were hung. 1, 2, Sellers; 3, C. Clayton. Judges, Turner and Lorriman. Also Sept. 29, 18 birds were hung. 1, 2, Sellers and Ward; 3, Sellers. Judges, Summers and Clayton.—C. W. Smith.

Singing contest at Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, Sept. 29, when 18 birds competed for three good prizes given by Mrs. Saynor. 1, Playforth, 2 3, shared by Chippendale and Madden. Judges, C. Lorriman and Turner. Four of our members sang their birds again, the winner to take the lot, P. Madden being the successful competitor. Judges A. Binns and A. Lorriman.—J. Smith, Sec.

SALFORD.

Final meeting held at the Boat House Hotel, on Sept. 29, and the members decided for the future to transfer the club to the Butchers' Arms, Union Street, Pendlebury, owing to it being more central for the Linnet fanciers. A meeting will be held on Oct. 6th, at Pendlebury, at 7.30 prompt, for the purpose of election of officers and future business. Every fancier in the surrounding district is specially invited to attend. Any information will be given by Mr. E. Hickman, secretary pro tem, 13, Park Lane West, Pendlebury.—B. Wharton, Hon. Sec. Salford L.C.

YORKSHIRES—Continued from page 776.

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We have an item of news to convey this week which will come as a surprise to avieulturists, and be received, we think, with no small amount of regret. It is that the famous collection of birds brought together by Mons. Pauwels, of Everberg, Belgium, is to be dispersed. By the aid of Mr. O. Millsum, the well-known English avieulturist (late of Swindon) during the last few years there has been gathered together at Everberg a superb assemblage of the gems of the avian tribe, probably unsurpassed by any other private collection in the world. The many unique examples M. Pauwels has exhibited at the chief London shows, to the delight of all bird-lovers here, will be readily recalled—the Cock of the Rock, the Fairy Blue Bird, the Blue Budgerigars, and the Birds of Paradise come at once to the mind.

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EXCHANGE Norwich Canaries for house-moulted cock Goldfinches: Palmer, 138, Church-rd., Battersea.

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WHAT offers in surplus Norwich for one dozen new breeding cages: Naylor, Police-st., Brighouse.

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HAND lockstitch sewing machine, equal new, 25/-, exchange Canaries: Thornton, 154, Barlby-road, Ladbroke-grove, London.

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GRAMOPHONE, with large flower horn and 12 records, 17/6, worth double; or exchange: Roberts, 16, Castle-st., Conway.

SALE. Best little Black and Tan Terrier rat killer living, 20/-; wanted Canaries: E. White, High Flat, Crook, Durham.

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WHAT offers in Budgerigars for six performing tumblers and five hen Canaries?: Arthur Turner, High-st., Astwood Bank.

WHAT offers in Canaries for Fox Terrier bitch pup, 4 months, good pedigree; approval: Thomas, 7, Cromwell-st., Merthyr.

TWO outside large shop lamps, as new, cost £9; suit tailor, outfitter, draper, etc., £3; exchange: Young, Secretary, Frome.

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GENT'S gold ring, Border hen, 2 show cages, fishing rod and reel, exchange phonograph: F. Hird, Biskey Howe, Windermere.

LETTUCE plants, 100 6d.; plantain, full-seeded spikes, 150 6d.; free; wanted young Yorkshire cock: Rowe, Hagley-rd., Halesowen.

EDISON Standard phonograph, 25/-; mandoline and case, 10/-, or exchange anything useful: J. Seale, 27, Tatton-st., Salford.

PAIR horse clippers and treacle canister, with tap, both nearly new, exchange exhibition British: G. Notley, King's-place, Bedford.

SALE. Splendid outdoor aviary, sectional, 10ft. 6in. by 6ft. by 2ft. by 6, 35/-; offers exhibition British: Stead, 97, Guilford-st., Grimsby.

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FIELD-GLASSES in sling case, 15/-; approval; exchange cock Mules, Canaries, Goldfinches, etc.: Traveller, 25, Glendish-rd., Tottenham.

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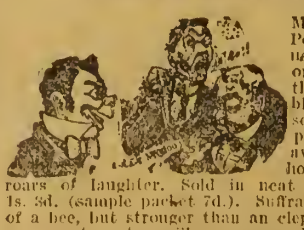
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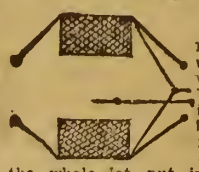
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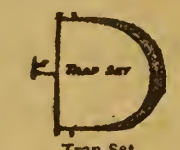
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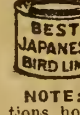
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Warranted cock Linnets, 8d. each, six for 2/6, 4/6 dozen; cock Larks, 6d., 4/- dozen; cock Goldfinches, 1/6, 2/- each, or 18/- dozen; hens, 9d.; Redpolls, 4d. each, 3/- dozen; cock Siskins, 2/6 each; cock Blackcaps, 5s. each: John Mace, Exchange St., Sheffield.

GOLDFINCHES, LINNETS, LARKS.

Young cock Goldfinches, 1/6 and 2/- each, 3 for 4/-; warranted songsters; white-legged cock Goldfinches, sure winners, 2/6 and 3/6 each; young cock Linnets, 9d. each, 3 for 2/-; all fully guaranteed and packed free; dealers supplied, catalogue free: Bairstow Bros., Naturalists, Ormskirk-rd., Preston

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Redpolls, Larks, etc., real 1912 English cock Goldfinches, sex guaranteed, 1/6, three 4/-, six 7/-; large, specially selected for showing, muling, singing, 2/-, 2/6, three 4/6, six 8/-, 15/- doz.; hens, 1/-, three 2/-, six 3/-, 5/- doz.; cock Bullfinches, 1/6, 2/-, three 4/-; hens, 1/-, three 2/6; large Lancashire cock Linnets, 8d., three 1/6, six 2/6, 4/- doz.; specially selected cock Linnets, for showing or muling, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6, same as supplied to G. Wilson, Frizington, the Pride of Cumberland, 1st prize Crystal Palace 1910, as a field-mounted Lark; warranted cock Larks, three 1/-, six 1/6, 2/9 doz.; singing, caged off, 1/- each; Redpolls, 6d., six 1/6, 2/6 doz.: Matt Hopkins, Bird Specialist and Cagemaker, 11, Fylde-st., Preston. Est. 1895.

CANARIES.

Border Fancy.

FOR Border Fancies, see my advertisement on page 795: Rudd.

CAREFULLY bred Borders, good birds, 7/6 a pair: Berry, 8, Montpelier, Edinburgh.

PRIZE-BRED yellow and buff cocks and hens, 1912 birds, ready to show; cheap: J. Logie, Park-rd., Brechin.

ROBERT Young, 177, Warton-terrace, Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne, has some good borders for sale, stamp reply.

FINE lot Borders, cocks 5/-, hens 3/-, matched pairs, 7/6; case with three show cages, 6/6, clearing: Brown, 14, Mid-street, Cardenden, Fife.

WINNING Borders! For the chief show points of the Border Fancy Canary and how to develop them, see "Nutshell No. 23," 2½d. post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C., or 2d. from agents (list published frequently).

Cinnamons.

YORKSHIRE hen 10/-; 3 Norwich cocks, 15/-; grand birds; call: Bradley, 88, Westbourne-st., Sloane square, S.W.

Crests and Crestbreds.

FOR best and cheapest Crests and Crested-breds, see my advertisement on page 795: Rudd.

WANTED, Crests and Crestbred hens, young birds, cheap for cash: R. Litchfield, 38, Marple-st., Nottingham.

BARNETT'S strain; Green Crested cock, buff Crestbred hen, beautiful type and feather, 20/- pair: Chisholm, Bayswater-rd., Birmingham.

FANCIERS wanting genuine Crests and Crestbreds state requirements; list free; easy payments arranged: R. Hanford, Derby.

THE cream only in Crests and Crestbreds; no cheap wasters advertised, prices on application; state requirements: Judge Silk, Whitstable.

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CRESTS and Crestbreds for disposal, my own breeding, prices reasonable, seen Saturday afternoons by appointment: Cant, 30, Henslowe-rd., East Dulwich.

NOTICE! Several grand Crests and Crestbreds for show or breeding; prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

HIGH-CLASS Crests, early batched, through moult, from best of stock, now is the time to get good young birds; approval: T. Billington, Hambleton, Poulton-le-Fylde.

THREE Crested cocks, 3 Crested hens, 2 Crestbred cocks, 4 Norwich hens, all big, healthy birds, thrice house-moulted Linnet, 1 cock and hen Mule, 70/- the lot; inspection invited: Walker, 240, Kingston-rd., Hampton Wick.

C. ROBERTS, Stannah Hey, Newton Drive, Blackpool, breeder and exhibitor, some of the best Crests and Crestbreds ever seen on the show bench, has several ready for sale; state wants, and price you wish to give; approval.

MAGNIFICENT pair correctly matched high-class Crests, very heavily feathered, rare type, quality of feather, certain to breed winners, Barnett's Palace winning strain, only 21/-, honestly worth £2; genuine bargain; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-road, Norwich.

CHAMPION Crests and Crestbreds for stock or exhibition, cocks and hens from 10/6 to £5 each, judiciously matched pairs from 17/6 to £10 a pair, large and very heavily feathered, rare type and quality of feather, Barnett's Palace winning strain; all strong, healthy and vigorous, cold-room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich.

CAN offer following exceptional value in highest-class Crests, Crestbreds, Barnett's strain: monster variegated dark Crest cock, perfect crest, 22/-; massive heavy feathered wing marked ditto, grand crest, 18/-; massive feathery variegated dark Crest cock, large neat crest, 15/-; monster variegated dark Crest hen, perfect crest, 22/-; massive feathery wing-marked ditto, grand crest, 15/-; monster variegated Crestbred cock, grand skull, 20/-; massive feathery green ditto, broad head, 15/-; clear ditto, gem, 12/6; monster feathery green Crestbred hen, bundle of feathers, 20/-; massive feathery variegated ditto, grand skull, 15/-; ditto good head, 12/6; few typical matched pairs, from my winners, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 35/-; bargains; approval with pleasure: Miss Stone, Fleet, Belper.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO CREST FANCIERS

All my champion stock of Crests to be sold, consisting of 14 Crested hens and C.B. hens, and 10 Crested cocks and C.B. cocks. Most are show birds. Would like one purchaser for entire stock, if possible. Inspection invited. Nearly all young birds: A. Lazarus, 55, Old Compton-st., London, W.

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WILL exchange 4 Lancashire show cages and case, good condition, for 2 cock Canaries: West, Tweedale-st., Rochdale.

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GRAND Norwich Greens, show or stock birds; approval; inspection invited: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes.

WANTED, real good pair large young Norwich Greens; exchange two good pairs Norwich and little cash; yours first: Down, 125, Harvist-rd., Kilburn, London.

BIRDS of type and colour, Yorkshire and Norwich Greens, are now a possibility for every fancier. Stock birds and birds for crossing; learn all about them and their general management, from "Nutshell No. 24," "The Green Canary." If you aspire to show honours you should get it at once. Post free 2½d., from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C., or 2d. from our nearest agent (see list frequently published).

Lizards.

TWENTY Lizard hens, gold and silvers, 1 year old, colour-fed, best cash offer gets them: A. Hordern, 8, Fern Cotts, Shaw.

ALL my Lizards for sale, grand show birds, prices reasonable; approval: Whipp, 483, Rochdale-rd., Crompton, Shaw, Oldham.

Norwich.

BREEDER'S CARD.

W. H. BUTLER, Breeder and Exhibitor, of Champion Norwich; state wants; reasonable; approval: Rosebank, Tyne-rd., Stanley, Durham.

J. HODDER, Norwich breeder, expert, and specialist. Winner of several championships. Show and stock birds; reasonable; approval; stamp: 6, Banner Street, St. Lukes, London, E.C.

FRANK F. LAWSON, Breeder and Exhibitor of Champion Norwich; state wants; stamped inquiries solicited.—14, Pugin St., Carlisle.

JUDGE SILK, Breeder, Exhibitor, and Judge of Champion Norwich. The finest strain living; grand specimens always on sale; state requirements.—Aviaries, Whitstable.

FOR best and cheapest Norwich, see my advertisement on page 795: Rudd.

WANTED, any quantity of Norwich Canaries: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr.

1911 COCK, 4 hen Canaries, yellow and buff Norwich, 15/-: Samuel Goodyear, Salcombe.

1912 COCKS from 5/-, hens from 2/6; clears and variegated; approval: Dr. Allen, Ambleside.

NORWICH, 6/- pair; Crested, 7/- pair; good hens, 2/6.—Bolton, 2 Beamsley-place, Cardigan-rd., Leeds.

NORWICH Canaries, 3 1912 cocks for sale, over moult, singing, 5/- each: Hunter, 2, Spital-rd, Lewes.

NORWICH Canaries, colour-fed cock, singing, 5/6; hens, 2/-; fine plumage: Gurney, Rickford's, Aylesbury.

TWO pairs first-class Norwich Plainheads for sale, 12/- lot; two breeding cages, 3/-: Clark, Foulsham, Norfolk.

CLEAR yellow Norwich cock, 1912, vhe card sent, 10/-: H. E. Farnell, 4, Great Hales-st., Market Drayton, Salop.

GRAND Norwich from 10/- pair, half value to clear, approval, cash or deposit: Calam, 59, Baxtergate, Whitby.

STRONG, healthy 1912 Norwich songsters, cocks on song, 6/-; hens, 2/6; approval: Gater, 6, Jones-square, Treedyrhiw, Glam.

LOOK here, Good Norwich hens, on feed, only 2/- and 2/6 each: overstocked: William Gordon, 16, Wallfield-place, Aberdeen.

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, pairs from 10/-, or single birds, on approval; inspection invited: Watson, 49, Clapton-avenue, Halifax.

TWO pairs handsome Norwich, early hatched birds, 5/- pair; good value: Chambers, 64, Green-lane, Whitwick, near Leicester.

TWO large 1912 Norwich Cocks, two Hens, surplus stock, 15s., or separate: Norrington, 82, Northumberland Park, Tottenham.

HIGH Class Norwich Buff Hen, through moult, bred from winners, approval willingly, 5/6: Ellis Chambler, Thurgoland, Sheffield.

STRONG, healthy (1912) Norwich, 11 cocks 4 hens, 2 hen Mules, also 1 (1910) hen, first P.O. for £2 10/- gets them: Davies, 9, Bond-st., Newport, Mon.

CAN now spare a few good Norwich, Yellows and Buffs, prices from 5/- upwards; approval: A. Pickles, Post Office, Wadsworth, Hebden Bridge.

WANTED, large clean healthy typical Norwich Plainheads, any quantity bought for prompt cash; approval: Roberts, 39, Gloucester-st., Norwich.

HANDSOME Norwich cocks, grand songsters, 4/-, 4/6; hens 2/6; pairs 6/-, 6/6; exceptional value; approval: W. Hatton, Curzon Aviaries, Fleet, Belper.

FOR immediate exhibition, bouncing pair of Norwich Canaries, winners, 13/6; true bargain, approval: Spilsbury, Station-road, Winsford, Cheshire.

ABOUT 20 Norwich, 1911 and 1912, colour fed, 6/- couple; 2 nice buff hens, 7/6 each; approval if deposit; inspection invited: Bielby, Holbeach, Lincolnshire.

THREE cock Norwich Canaries, bred from winning strain, two ticked yellows, one clear buff, 1911 birds, 7/6 each; approval: Ryan, Ballinacarrow, Ballymote, Sligo.

ONE Pair of Norwich, big Buff Cock, and Yellow Hen "Thomas's Bulldog Strain," and double breeder, will sell, £1: G. Matthews, 40, Westgate, Mansfield, Notts.

NOTICE! Grand lot Norwich for show or song, some sure winners; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

PRIZE-BRED Norwich Plainheads, about 20 yellows and buffs, will sell in one lot, or part, also cages, etc., a grand chance for a beginner: Spinner, Leslie Park-rd., Croydon.

GRAND massive clear buff cocks, fit for any company, 15/- each; yellow cocks, 20/-; buff hens 5/- each; cash, approval: Girling, Wellington Bakery, St. Giles, Norwich.

EXHIBITION Norwich! A few grand pairs, including fine Cinnamons, at bargain prices: Eckersley's and Baker's strains only: Chisholm, 30, Bayswater-rd., Birmingham.

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, early hatched young, through moult, colour-fed to perfection, several can win in best company; approval: T. Billington, Hambleton, Poulton-le-Fylde.

HAVE now ready some of the finest Norwich flying, winners in hottest competition; state requirement; the strain which wins every year at all leading shows; approval: Judge Silk, Whitstable.



2 FIRSTS, 1 SECOND, 3 THIRDS.

My birds have again opened the show season with a striking success in hottest competition, thus proving the reliability of the strain. **(See report of Huddersfield Show).**

I have now for sale a number of **Grand Lengthy Yorkshire Cocks,** feathered to perfection, and on full song, at 6/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6 each upwards. Hens, smart, erect, racy birds, and feathered like wax, at 3/-, 4/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each upwards, Matched pairs, correctly mated for breeding winners, at 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/- per pair upwards. Clears, Ticked, Marked, Greens and Cinnamons in stock, ready for immediate delivery.

NORWICH PLAINHEADS.

Grand birds, with good heads and plenty of substance, at same prices as Yorkshires.

WINNING YORKSHIRES.

I have a few real gems, ready for immediate benching, sure winners for small shows, at 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/- each; cocks and hens.

These can win their cost in prize money.

I have also a few real toppers, suitable for the hottest competition. Kindly state wants.

EXHIBITION NORWICH.

THE BULL DOG STRAIN needs no bounce. It **has made a name for itself.** I have a few real **beauties, bred from my winners, now ready for small shows, at 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-,** each, either cocks or hens. Also a few for hottest competition at reasonable prices. Kindly state wants.

I also have some real good specimens in **Crests, Bordera, Mules, Scotch Fancies, Rollers, etc., etc.**

REMEMBER this please—I send every bird on approval for 7 days at my risk.

I guarantee absolute satisfaction or cash returned in full to every customer.

Genuine Fanciers can have birds on my **EASY PAYMENT SYSTEM.** I invite all Fanciers to call and inspect my stock on any day but Sunday. Come and see them for yourself if at all possible, but if not, don't forget to **send a P.C. for my Free Illustrated Catalogue.**

JOE THOMAS, Breeder, Exhibitor, & Exporter, AMBLER THORN, HALIFAX.
Established over 34 years.

GIVING UP, 30 Norwich and Yorkshires, cocks from 7/6, hens 4/-, or offers for the lot, cages and two aviaries; pairs for breeding from 10/6 upwards; inspection invited: Gathercole, Spring Bank, Silverdale, Lancs.

I AM now booking orders for my champion Norwich. Have had splendid seasou and shall be able to spare some birds that will make names for their lucky owners; J. Eckersley, 51, Francis-road, Edgbastou, Birmingham.

HIGH class Norwich; I have several stock and show birds, through moult, ready for immediate exhibition; state wants; stamp reply; approval, deposit; satisfaction guarauteed: Woodall, Carlton-rd., Sheffield.

BIG bouncing Yellow Hen only shown once, 1st, 30/-; heavy variegated Yellow Cock, lovely condition, red hot, 1911, bred from Yellow Green, 25/6; Ticked Yellow, grand show bird, 1911, sure winner, 35/-: Colledge, Kilburn, Derby.

GIVING UP, 2 Yellow Cocks, 7/6, 5/-; Buff Cock, 7/6; 3 Yellow Hens, 2/6 each; 3 Buff Hens, 3/- each; 2 good crest bred Hens, 6/- each; Yellow Budgerigar Cock, 5/-; approval deposit: B. Blackburn, 7, Grafton-street, Clitheroe, Lancs.

STOUT cobby yellow Norwich cock, 10/6; grand cobby buff hen, 6/-, 15/- pair; large cobby buff Norwich cock, beauty, 10/-; lovely stout yellow hen, 6/6, 15/6 pair; from my winners; bargains for beginners; approval gladly: Miss Stone, Fleet, Belper.

STRONG, healthy Norwich cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, smart hens 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; pairs, matched for breeding, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards, approval; state requirements and avoid disappointment; full list free, easy payments arranged: R. Hanford, Derby.

HAVING more birds than I can attend to, am offering the following at low prices to effect quick sale; evenly-marked buff cock, clear buff cock, and marked buff cock, all unflighted, 10/6 each; marked buff hen, 5/-; others from 2/6: Pargeter, Grimsbury, Banbury.

C. ROBERTS, Stannah Hey, Newton Drive, Blackpool, the noted breeder of show Norwich, has supplied more winners to leading exhibitors this last 20 years than any one breeder, can supply champions from 30/- to £10 10/-; stock pairs from 20/- to 60/-; single birds from 10/6; all on approval.

CLEARANCE Sale, Champion Norwich, about 20 first-class birds, also cages and carrying cases, in one lot or separate, clean moulted and fit for show; no reasonable offer refused; seen any evening after 4, or by appointment: Luff, 47, Winstanley-road, Clapham Junction, one minute from Clapham Junction Station.

COMPULSORY sale; must sell all Canaries, cages and appliances, at great sacrifice. All birds natural colour, not colour fed, grand condition, cold room: 60 Norwich Plainheads, mostly 1911 bred, Buffs, Yellows, and Variegated, grand breeding stock. All same price to effect quick sale; cocks, 4/6, hens 1/6; matched pairs, 5/-; cost treble this price; also 3 pairs nice Yorkshires, same price; approval, cash or deposit; genuine bargains; seen any time: Tom Slott, 89 Park Road, Elland, Yorkshire.

CHAMPION exhibition yellow cock, grand type and quality, large head and full neck, rare depth of chest, feathered like silk, sure winner in keenest competition, only 50s., honestly worth £4; also monster exhibition buff cock, rare type and quality, grand colour and substance, feathered like silk, only 45/-, can soon win his cost; also grand exhibition yellow hen, rare head and neck, grand colour, type, and quality, sure winner in good company, only 35/-; honestly worth £3; also extra choice exhibition buff hen, real model for type and quality, perfect gem, win anywhere, only 30/-, simply given away at the price; also many others now ready for immediate exhibition, prices reasonable, all cold room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich.

CUP WINNER AT WIMBLEDON, 1911

H. Dixon.—Owing to business taking me away from home, I am selling the whole of my champion Norwich, comprising 50 birds. These are no surplus stock, but good exhibition and stock birds. Several now ready for early shows; will sell single birds, pairs, or the whole lot, also cages; stamp reply: 14, Claremont Avenue, New Malden.

PURE NORWICH

Have some grand specimens ready, clean moulted, direct from our noted strains; winner of 5,000 prizes, championship, diploma Crystal Palace, N.P.C. challenge cup two years in succession, gold medal International Show. Grand yellow or buff cocks, from 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-; hens, 5/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-; not exhibiting, so all spare birds for sale; any on approval. I guarantee to please you. Breeder 30 years: Sandiford, Canary Judge, Preston, Lancs.; also 89, Selater-st., Bethnal Green, London.

CHAMPION NORWICH PLAINHEADS

Superb clear yellow cock, rare head and deep chest, can win anywhere, 50/-, worth £4 4/-; clear yellow hen, real clinker, very large, full of quality, make big winner, 45/-, worth £4; slashing clear buff cock, immense size, broad head, deep chest, certain winner wherever shown, 25/-, worth £2 2/-; lovely clear buff hen, 20/-, worth 35/- for breeding; clear yellow and buff cocks, superb specimens, 10/6, 15/-, 21/-, 25/- to £4 4/- each. Few splendid clear yellow and clear buff hens for exhibition or breeding, 7/6, 12/6, 17/6 to £4 each; give me a trial; you cannot get better birds elsewhere at double and treble the money; approval, deposit: Charlie Cubley, Gedney, Holbeach, Lincolnshire.

Champion Exhibition Norwich

Monster exhibition clear yellow cock, large broad head, deep chest, rare type and quality, one of the best seen this season, sure winner in keenest competition, only £3, honestly worth £5; also massive exhibition marked yellow, immense head and neck, rare depth of chest, grand colour, type and quality, truly a gem, only 55/-, honestly worth double; also monster stock yellow cock, rare size and substance, champion stock bird, only 30/-, recently cost £3; also slashing exhibition clear buff cock, real model for type and quality, make a champion, only 50/-; can soon win his cost; also monster exhibition marked buff cock, massive head and neck, immense depth of chest, grand type and quality of feather, only 45/-, dirt cheap; also monster stock buff cock, immense size, only 30/-, honestly worth £3 for stock alone; also champion exhibition yellow hen, immense size, perfect type and quality, grand colour and depth of chest, one of the best hens living, only £4; also monster exhibition clear yellow hen, grand size, substance, type, quality, and colour, sure winner in keenest competition, only 50/-, cheap at £5; ditto marked yellow hen real clinker, only 45/-; also monster exhibition yellow and buff hens, both of rare size, grand type and quality, rare depth of chest, sure winners in good competition, only 25/- each; also champion exhibition buff hen, real model for type and quality, grand size and colour, sure winner in keenest competition, truly a gem, only 50/-; simply given away; also monster exhibition buff hen, immense size, grand colour, type, and quality, feathered like silk, only 35/-, honestly worth £4 for stock alone; also several monster yellow and buff hens, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/-, to £4 each; also massive yellow and buff cocks, 12/6, 15/-, 21/-, to £6 each; judiciously matched pairs at 21/-, 25/-, 30/-, to £10 a pair, including many winners, rare chance for beginners, or breeders wishing to improve their stock. All the above are strong and healthy, and in perfect condition; all cold-room bred. Hundreds of uncolicited testimonials received from well-known breeders and exhibitors. Many noted winners, including Palace and other leading shows have been supplied by me, and for size, type, and quality I defy competition. State your requirements fully, and I will guarantee to give you full satisfaction; approval, cash or deposit: Leonard Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich.

Rollers & Singing Canaries

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ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England.

WANTED, any quantity Rollers: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr.

SEIFERT Rollers, 1912 birds; cocks 7/6, hens 3/6; approval: Dr. Allen, Ambleside.

FOR best quality and cheapest Hartz Mountain Rollers, see my advertisement on this page: Rudd.

TWO 1911 rung Seifert Rollers, schoolmasters, over moult, in full song, 12/6 each: Dew, 41, Leicester-rd., Lewes.

GIVING UP the fancy, Rollers 1912 Cocks, parents cost 30/-, 6/- each to clear: Cave, 65, Eastleigh-road, Leicester.

HIGH-CLASS Seifert Rollers, cocks 7/6, hens 2/6; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: H. Nickless, 59, Mill-st., Crewe.

WANTED, offers in good Germans, for English lever watch, 40/-; no rubbish; mutual approval: H. Hepworth, Gawthorpe, Ossett.

SEIFERT Roller cock, cost £2; January, good variety and length, take 17/6: Barratt, 148, Maineroad, Moss Side, Manchester.

WANTED Hartz Rollers; exchange Yorkshire bitch, medium size, 11 months, pedigree, great pet, sell 25/-: S., 23, Newmarket-rd., Norwich.

ROLLER Cocks, singing, 6/-; Hens 1/6; cold room bred, all 1912 birds over moult: T. Bent, 97, Hamilton-street, Rochdale-road, Manchester.

HIGH-CLASS Roller cocks, buy from the breeder, nicely on song, 3/6 each, 2 for 6/-; satisfaction guaranteed: Flowers, 18, Bank-st., Ossett.

PURE Seifert Rollers, 1912 birds, coming well on song, 6/6, 7/6 each; week's approval: E. Wilson, 38, Warwick-gardens, Harringay, London.

I have still 4 young Roller cocks left, Glucke strain, will make schoolmasters, at 3/- each to clear, letters only: J. Stanley, 159, Mary-st., Canon Hill, Birmingham.

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I WILL spare three more of my Hummel Roller cocks, guaranteed this year's birds, singing nicely, 3/6 each, 6/- for two; and bear in mind no more at this price; P.O. for week's approval: Tom Clews, Ada-rd., off Cape Hill, Birmingham.

HARTZ Roller, guaranteed cock Canaries from finest contest winning strains, March, full song, nothing better, 6/-; unsatisfactory, willingly exchanged, May, good birds, singing, 3/6, hens 1/6: Mrs. Tyson, 34a, Hotham-rd., S. Wimbledon.

C. A. LUER

Sole agent in the United Kingdom for Gebrueder. Bringmann, Bilskausen; Hartz, Germany; Hartz Mountain Rollers, cock Canaries, on 7 days' approval, 5/-, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, and 15/- each; hens on same terms, 1/6, 2/6, and 3/6 each; a few rough in feather, 1/- each; free delivery in London; deposit cash with Editor: C. A. Luer, 32, East-st., Walworth-rd., London, S.E.

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First arrival 1912, real German Rollers, real beauties; cocks, singing grand, 4/6, 5/6 each; two 0/-; hens, 1/6; two, 2/6; Roller box cages, 2/-, with shutters, 2/9; enamelled, etc.; for every other kind of birds, send for catalogue; thousands testimonials; established 1879; patronised by every 1912 Crystal Palace judge: Sandiford, Bird Specialist and Judge, Preston, Lancs; also 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

REAL ROLLERS

Just received a few first-class St. Andreasburg Rollers, trained under the best schoolmasters in Germany, prices 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each; hens, 2/-; guaranteed in every way; beautiful box cages, enamelled sand drawer, etc., 2/-; shutters, 2/9. Mr. Davis, Stockport, winner firsts, championship diploma Crystal Palace 1912, writes: Send me six of your wonderful Rollers. Enclose cheque £3. Send for catalogue and testimonials; established 1879: Sandiford, Bird Specialist and Judge, Preston, Lancs.; also 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

LARGEST IMPORTER
IN THE NORTH

Just received my first consignment of Hartz Mountain Rollers, in full song. Prices, 5/6, 7/6, and 10/6 each; Hartz hen Canaries, 2/6 a couple, or 13/- a dozen; dealers supplied; stamp for reply: Walter Smith, 98, Tib-st., Manchester.

WALSH'S
Genuine Trained Rollers.

Pure St. Andreasburg Rollers. Perfectly trained cocks, with wonderful length and variety of song, by day and gaslight, **10/-, 12/6, 15/-.** Selected Schoolmasters, **20/- each. Seifert Hens, 3/6 each. Hartz Mountain Roller Cocks,** in full song, **6/6** and **7/6 each. Hartz Hens, 2/-. All birds on 7 days' approval. Metal Roller Cages, 2/6. Cabinets for same, 2/6. Roller Box Cages,** with **folding doors, 5/-. Patent Roller Box Cages, 8/-. Hanging Cages, 4/-. Walsh's Mixed Roller Seed, 4d. lb., 7lbs. 2/-. Special Roller Rape,** as used by all **the Principal Roller Fanciers, 5d. lb., 7 lbs. 2/6. Illustrated Catalogue Post Free on application.**

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Tel. 947.

Scotch Fancies.

WANTED several pairs Scotch Fancy, must be reasonable: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

FOR sale, several Scotch Fancies, yellows, buffs, and buff piebald cocks and hens of the late Hendry Hoggan: 23, Barley-hill, Bonnybridge, Scotland.

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

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OGDEN BROS., breeders, exhibitors, exporters, of the best Yorkshires the world has ever produced. Dudley Hill, Bradford.

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YORKSHIRE BREEDERS' SOCIETY.—High-class Yorkshires for show or stock purposes.—Secretary, 40, Spring Cliffe, Manningham, Bradford.

FOR best and cheapest Yorkshires, see my advertisement in column 3: Rudd.

YELLOW hens, 8/-; pairs, 15/-; 7in. cocks, 10/-; worth double: Clay, 7, Beech-rd., Bowes Park.

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But to the Point.

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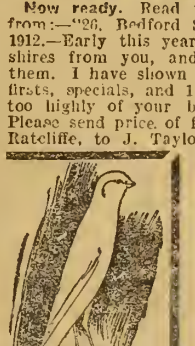
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NORWICH hens, 2/6 each; cock Linnets, picked birds, 1/6, 2/- each; exchange rabbits, anything: F. Hales, 88, Park-rd., Irthlingboro', Wellingboro'.

GENT'S solid silver watch, in good order, and a good timekeeper, sell 12/6; or exchange anything: Saunders, Groengrocer, 2½, Clarence-st., Gravesend.

EXCHANGE two Linnet Mules, clean moulted Linnet song, for pullets, or anything useful; yours first; approval: Bennett, 4, Casterton-st., Hackney.

COCK Greenfinch and Yorkshire hen, bred Mules this season, 4/-; pair Foreign Finches, 3/-; cock Java Sparrow, 2/6; exchange: Howland, Ockendon, Essex.

WILL exchange Edison Gem phonograph, and 12 records, in case, for cock Canaries. What offers? Letters only: Albert Self, 3, Granville-st., Anlaby-rd., Hull.

JOHN BULL 2/6 records, 10in. double-sided, new, for cast-off clothing, repairs to same no object; records approval: Algar, 16, Bedford-st., Sunderland.

PLUMBER'S and tinner's solder, 14 lbs.; 10 gross of gas hooks, different sizes; offers Roller or Yorkshire hens, 1912: Croudson, 21, Reform-terr., Hunslet, Leeds.

EDISON Standard Phonograph, big horn, 24 records, 50/-, or offer; stock Norwich Plainheads, must be good: McKail, Hill-st., Withington, Manchester.

TWO violins, bows and cases, 40/- and 12/6; black Pom. bitch and three puppies, eight weeks, 25/-: Hunter, Rose Cottage, Spendmore-lane, Coppull, Chorley.

EXCHANGE lovely prize bred Silkies, grand layers, tinted eggs, for Canaries, lantern slides, stereoscope, rug, anything: Bennett, Quorn, Loughborough.

PAIR binocular field glasses, cost 35/-; pair oil paintings, cost £2, exchange Canaries, Parrot, anything useful: Haines, 19, High-street, Aston, Birmingham.

SIX show cages, 2 cases; 8 British birds, all aviary moulted; also pen O.E.G. Bantams; exchange good cycle or anything useful: Broadbent, James-st., Thornaby.

CONDITION seed for Goldfinches, Linnets; 1,000 hardheads 1/6, 2,000 2/6; exchange 5,000 for Norwich hen; hen first; all carriage paid: Jones, Tynyffynon, Llangollen.

DOUBLE harness, 60/-; top boots, cost 55/-, 35/-: painter's outfit complete, £10; shopkeepers' price tickets; exchange single harness, Canaries: Cypher, Bedwas, Mon.

GENT.'S superior quality new boots, black or tan, 16/6 pair; ladies', 12/6; boys' and girls', 7/6: gent.'s and boys' suits; exchange birds to value: Wressell, Crowle, Doncaster.

EXCHANGE Fox Terrier bitch, by Ch. Gipsy Joe, in whelp to good dog, kill anything, for Norwich or Yorkshire Canaries, sell 15/-: Deighton, 31, Lord Nelson-st., Tyne Dock.

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EAST HAM F.S.

Young stock show will be held at the Recreation Hall, Romford Road, Manor Park, E., on October 19th, 2 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Mr. W. L. Rae will judge cage birds. Entries to be sent not later than last post 12th inst to H. Rutter, Sec., 126, Altmore Ave., East Ham.

FRASERBURGH.

At meeting held Dalrymple Cafe, Fraserburgh, on September 24, it was unanimously agreed to hold a one-day show of cage birds, etc., on December 25. The following were appointed office-bearers:—President, Mr. Jas. Yeats; vice-pres., Mr. Edward Hendry; sec., Mr. Robert Bruce, 48, Charlotte St.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Fortnightly meeting held Sept. 28, Mr. Swan presiding. Show rules were revised and condensed. Next meeting Oct. 12, will be devoted to questions. Novice members invited. I should be glad to receive unpaid subscriptions, and to hear of any specials or guarantees for open show.—J. Jeffrey, Sec.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

At the usual monthly meeting, there was a fair turnout of members. Stewards, runners, and other officials for annual show were appointed. Secretary announced that the society had again secured the patronage of the N.B.B.M. and F.B.C. Club. Owing to one or two of the distant members not having forwarded specials lists it was decided to adjourn the meeting until October 12, when all specials will be drawn for.—Geo. Havver, Sec.

PAISLEY TANNAHILL C.S.

Monthly meeting held in Lockie's, 2, St. James Street, Oct. 5, Mr. R. Neil presiding before a meagre attendance. The following were elected officers for the ensuing year:—Pres., Mr. R. Neil; vice-pres., Mr. T. Hamilton; treas., Mr. A. Ferguson; sec., Mr. J. Stewart; auditors, Messrs. A. McDonald and J. Gillies; amalgamation delegates, Messrs. T. Hamilton and H. Powell. Members are requested to have all entries in by the meeting held Oct. 19, when a large attendance is expected.—John Stewart, Sec.

NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS. O.S.

Meeting held Mechanics' Institute, Oct. 8, R. Rhodes, Esq., in the chair. A good attendance of members. Schedule of open show was passed, and the special prize list arranged. We are offering eight silver-plated teapots for most points in each section and a good special for best bird in each section. All members who have paid subs. for 1912 will be admitted free to the open show. Good special prizes for members. Meetings will be held weekly up to show date. Next meeting, Tuesday, Oct. 15.—J. G. Royce, assist. hon. sec.

GRIMSBY AND CLEETHORPES ROLLER C.S.

Meeting held Sept. 29, Mr. Ives presiding over a fair attendance. Nine birds were brought by members, all of them breaking into song, and causing an interesting discussion on the quality, faults, etc. It was unanimously agreed that all members of this society should support the International Roller Show, to be held in London on February 7 and 8, 1913, and no other on those dates. The hon. sec. was pleased to inform the members that the B.R.C.C. had promised their patronage at our forthcoming show. Having previously obtained that of the P.R.C.C., we should have no anxiety as to the success of our second attempt. Next meeting will be devoted to drawing up the schedule, and members are requested to attend, or advise the hon. sec. of any specials they have to offer.—H. Mason, Sec.

OLDHAM AND DISTRICT C.B.A.

Social held Sept. 28, at Headquarters, when tea was on the table at 5.30. Although we were not overwhelmed numerically, we spent a very enjoyable evening. We had as artistes Mr. Tom Highton, who sang in good style, also Messrs. Hulton and Addison. We were once again favoured with our old friend, Mr. Hargreaves, at the piano, while Mr. Green, who was deputising for Mr. Turner, made a capital M.C. Mr. Fred Steeple gave us selections on the concertina. Just before our party came to a close, Mr. Steeple moved, and Mr. Sharples seconded, a vote of thanks to our host and hostess for the splendid manner in which they had catered for us, also to the artistes for the manner in which they did their duty. Mr. Sharples hoped that at our next party all would bring a friend, and I would be glad to see his wish carried out.—Jas. Cope, Sec.

S. WALES & MONMOUTHSHIRE FED. OF F. AND F. SOCIETIES

Executive meeting held at Cardiff, Sept. 28. It was decided to purchase cups to be competed for at affiliated societies by affiliated members. Mr. W. J. Davies (Trebarris) kindly promised to present one of the cups, the affiliated societies purchasing the other three. There will be now two cups to be competed for at all the affiliated societies by affiliated members for cage birds (that is, where cage birds are catered for); one given by Mr. A. E. Silk, Whitstable, in the Norwich Novice Section, for most points gained at end of season, and the other the Federation Cup, for most points gained at end of season in the cage bird section. These specials ought to increase the number of entries considerably. The rules of the Federation were also distributed. Secretaries are asked to take note of the points gained by their members, and send a return of same to the Federation secretary at end of season.

NATIONAL BRITISH BIRD & M.C.

Committee meeting held at headquarters, the "Feathers" Hotel, Gt. Chapel Street, Westminster, September 26. Present: Messrs. Robson, chairman, Dewhurst, Puck, Shepherd, Trower, Maxwell, Askew, Marley, Grahame, Mortlock, and Carr. Letter read from the Sheffield C.B.S. stating that they had extended their classification, and asking for further patronage. To meet this Mr. Marley very kindly gave a silver medal for most points in the Hybrid and British section. Letter read from Mr. G. Lawrance respecting the allotting of a gold medal he presented to the club. Decided to allot this for most points in the British and Hybrid sections at Sheffield, Leicester, and Nottingham shows. Mr. Plumbridge wrote tendering his resignation as joint secretary. Under the circumstances stated in Mr. Plumbridge's letter, the committee had no alternative, but to accept his resignation with the deepest regret. Decided, that a letter should be written to Mr. Plumbridge conveying a very hearty vote of thanks for his past valuable services, and that it be signed by the officials and committee of the club. Mr. Carr consented to carry on the work until the end of the year. Decided to offer a gold medal for the member introducing most new members, and a silver for the second most. Not less than six new members for the gold, and three for the silver. A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the meeting.—J. P. Carr, Hon. Sec.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

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England.

Oct. 11 & 12.—**Derby.**—(Wharam and Bamsey, 23, Macklin St.). J.H.R., G.C.
Oct. 12.—**Leeds** (W. A. Wilson, 75, Bayswater Mount, Roundhay.). J.H.R. and W.M.
Oct. 12.—**Morpeth.**—(E. Cowling, Market Place.) H.W.B., A.B.
Oct. 15 and 16.—**Plymouth (W.C.O.S.).**—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd, Plymouth). J.R., T.H.
Oct. 17.—**Hanley.**—(C. J. Robinson, 44, Cromer St., May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent). A.H.
Oct. 18 & 19.—**Burnley.**—(F. Cunliffe, 19, Lark St.). J.H.R., J.T.
Oct. 18 & 19.—**Newcastle.**—(J. W. Reed, 218, Ladykirk Rd., Benwell). J.C.B., J.C., J.S., J.P., A.S.
Oct. 19.—**Burton-on-Trent.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.). J.R.
Oct. 19.—**Middlesbrough.**—(A. Wake, 128, Princes Rd.). W.V.C., F.M.
Oct. 23 & 24.—**London and P.O.S.** (C. W. Law, Brimley House, Woodhouse Rd., N. Finchley). A.S., J.R., T.H.
Oct. 24.—**Stamford.**—(A. Harrison 7, New St.). J.R.
Oct. 25 & 26.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—Belle Vue.—(H. Boothman, 10, Parker St., Levenshulme.)
Oct. 25 & 26.—**S. Shields.**—(W. L. Smith, 3, Queen-st.) J. Wh., F.Md.
Oct. 26.—**Derwent Valley.**—(Lindsay and Marsh, Railway Cottages, Westwood, Medomsley, R.S.O.). W.L., G.W.
Oct. 26.—**Hartlepools.** (Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Rd., W. Hartlepool). H.W.B., J.M.
Oct. 29 & 30.—**Barnstaple.**—(J. D. Horrill, 17, King Edward Street). T.H.
Oct. 30.—**Torbay O.S. (Paignton).**—J. N. and J. Jeffery, "Sartor House," Winner Street, Paignton.) J.H.P.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Cheltenham.**—(A. S. Treasure, Idahoe, Oakland Ave.) W.G., H.W.B., J.F.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Grimsby.**—(Towl and Smith, 205, Welholme Rd.). G.G.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Ramsgate.**—(A. Afrigan, 21, Thanet Rd.). G.G.
Oct. 31.—**Grantham.**—(W. E. Allen, 119, Alexandra Road). J.C.B.
Oct. 31.—**Matlock.**—(G. Poyser, Wilmot Road, The Dimple, Matlock.). W.V.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Sheffield O.S.**—T. Bishop, 69, Alexandra Road.). W.M., C.H., W.V., J.N.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Wolverhampton.**—(J. Gibbons, 64, Napier Rd.). J.R.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Liverpool.**—(Metcalfe and Deacon, 68, Brunswick Rd.). H.W.B., J.W., J.W.C., F.B.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Blaydon-on-Tyne.**—(Geo. Havver, 1, Theresa St.). W.A.C., C.A.H.
Nov. 2 & 4.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street). J.H.P., R.J.H.
Nov. 5 & 6.—**Portsmouth.**—(King and Joiner, 80, Stubbington Av.). J.H.R., H.N.
Nov. 6 & 7.—**Newport, Mon.**—(J. Hammett, 56, Milman St.). C.A.H., D.A.S.L.
Nov. 7 & 8.—**Leyton.**—(Forse and Son, 31, Thornhill Rd.) J.R., J.F.
Nov. 8 & 9.—**Old Shildon.**—(J. H. Elwell, 35, Church Street, Shildon). Gray Bros.
Nov. 8 & 9.—**West Stanley** (W. Elliott, 15, Fairford Terr.). A.B., F.M.
Nov. 9 & 11.—**Nottingham.**—(G. E. Wilkinson, 86, Lenton Boulevard), T.H., W.V., G.E.W.
Nov. 9.—**Warrington.**—(G. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Rd.). A.W., H.W.B.
Nov. 13.—**Alnwick.**—(R. Forster, 42, Bondgate Without).
Nov. 14.—**Stoke-on-Trent.**—(J. Pitchford, 218, London Rd.). H.W.B.
Nov. 14 & 15.—**Brighton and Hove C.B.A.**—(Will. H. Gibb, 19, Bond St.). C.A.H., J.R.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Hull.**—(E. R. Ridley, 19, Lambton Street.) J.R., H.W.B.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Preston.**—(J. P. Leeming, 40A, West Cliff.) J.B.R., A.W.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Codnor Park and Eastwood.**—(J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton). J.C.B.
Nov. 19 & 20.—**Bournemouth.**—(J. A. Crawshaw, 28, Gerald Rd.). J.H.P.
Nov. 19 & 20.—**Wimbledon.**—(H. Smith, 115, Merton Rd.) H.N., R.H., J.R.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Doncaster.**—(G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion Street). H.W.B., W.V., J.W.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Rochdale O.C.**—(R. Blincoe, 100, Drake Street). C.A.H., W.M.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Haltwhistle.**—(Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate.) J.D., A.H.
Nov. 23.—**Cramlington.**—(J. R. Chestney, Quarry Cottage). A.H., H.S.
Nov. 23.—**Hinckley.**—(A. H. Ridgway, Priesthills Rd.)
Nov. 23 & 25.—**Ilkeston.**—(Thos. Smith, 5, King-st.). J.C.B., C.H.
Nov. 26.—**Launceston F.A.**—(N. H. Reed, Launceston). J.H.P.
Nov. 27-28.—**Bristol F.A.**—(G. T. H. Maggs, 9, Trinity St., Newtown, Bristol).
Nov. 27 & 28.—**Portsmouth F.S.** (W. E. Tyrrell, 38, Commercial Rd.). G.W.J., C.P.
Nov. 28, 29 & 30.—**L.C.B.A.**—(W. H. Mugford, 1, Strathearn Rd., Wimbledon, S.W.).
Nov. 29, 30.—**Sale C.B.S.**—(A. Royle, 99, Harley Rd.) C.H., A.G.D.
Nov. 30.—**Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.**—(A. Walker, 47, Montrose St.). J.H.R.
Nov. 30.—**Coventry Godiva.**—(H. Saunders, 31, Vernon St.) H.W.B.
Nov. 30.—**Harrogate C.B.S.**—(G. H. Barnwell, 20, College-rd.). W.M.
Dec. 3, 4.—**Tonbridge.**—(Percy Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow Rd.).
Dec. 4, 5.—**Birmingham.**—(J. H. Jones, 169, Church Lane, Aston, Birmingham.)
Dec. 6, 7, & 9.—**Bradford National.**—(H. Hill, 15, Settle Terr., Thornton Lane.)
Dec. 7.—**Rotherham.**—(B. Bailey, 47, Craven Street, Parkgate, nr. Rotherham.) J.C.B.
Dec. 11.—**Luton.**—(E. Bloomfield, 22, Hitchin Rd.) J.B., J.P.
Dec. 12.—**Frome F.A.**—(C. I. Young, 8, Palmer St.). H.N.
Dec. 13 and 14.—**Gateshead.**—(J. G. Greason, 24, Newman Terrace). G.H., J.C.B., J.R., J.M., W.C.D.
Dec. 14.—**Sheffield C.B.S.**—(A. Hobson, 66, Langsett Avenue) J.R., H.W.B.
Dec. 14.—**Winstord.**—(S. S. Brooks, 157, Station Rd.) C.H.
Dec. 26.—**Anfield, Everton.**—(R. B. Wright, 15, Worcester Drive, Clubmore, Liverpool). A.W.
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Jan. 11.—**Yarm, Eaglescliffe.**—(T. W. Wilson, High-st.)
Feb. 7, 8, 10, 11.—**Great National (Crystal Palace).**—(J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Av., Brixton, S.W.).

Scotland.

Oct. 12.—**Lochgelly.**—(W. Grewar, 7, Park View).
Oct. 18, 19.—**City of Glasgow.**—(Scots. Fancy and Belgian, J. Young, 80, High St., Rutherglen; remainder, R. Heggie, 27, McLennan St., Mount Florida.) A.G.C., A.H., T.A., G.H., A.P., D.F.W, A.W.W., J.L.
Oct. 19.—**Kelty and Blairadam.**—(A. Dickson, 37, Adams Terrace). J.Sn., W.D.H., R.H., H.R., R.M., R.V.R.
Oct. 26.—**Perth.**—(Jas. Kerr, 18, James St.). W.G., T.A., J.R.M.
Oct. 26.—**Kirkcaldy.**—(C. Rae, 15, Anderson St., Pathhead.). D.L., G.A., J.H., W.H., J.W.A.
Oct. 26.—**Ayr and Dist.**—(J. Sloan, 19, New Bridge St.). J.F.D., J.M.
Nov. 2.—**Soness.**—(T. Cameron, 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans).
Nov. 2.—**Brechin.**—(G. Mitchell, 118, Montrose St.) A.H., W.Me., J.F.
Nov. 9.—**Fortar.**—(D. Kerr, 15, Green St.). A.S., A.P., W.B.
Nov. 9.—**Hamilton Cadzow Oak.**—(G. Marlin, 21, Glebe Street.) J.Sn., J.Hn., R.B.
Nov. 16.—**Cowdenbeath.**—(J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland-pl.) J.P., J.W.B., C.C., G.A., W.R., L.J.A.
Nov. 16.—**Galashiels.**—(J. Brown, 156, Croft St.). G.F., T.B., A.G., A.H.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Glasgow and Dis. C.B.A.**—(Wm. Hutchison, 163, Hospital Street.) J.H., R.L., Dr. S., R.B., S.W.
Nov. 23.—**Blairgowrie.**—(M. Irvine, 17, Brown St.)
Nov. 23.—**Uddingston C.B., etc., S.**—(Jas. Corgrove, 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell.)
Nov. 30.—**City of Dundee.**—(A. Miller, 3, Park Ave.)
Nov. 30.—**Musselburgh.**—(W. Nisbet, 101, High St.). J. McL., T.A., R.B.
Dec. 4.—**Forres and N.O.S.**—(W. Cumming, 28, North Rd.). J.L.
Dec. 7.—**Cupar.**—(Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar.)
Dec. 14.—**Broxburn.**—(W. M'Laren, Church Street). J.McL., A.C., G.H., R.V.R., J.Gw.
Dec. 14.—**Kilsyth.**—(A. D. Duncan, "Chronicle" Office.)
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Jan. 1 & 2.—**Paisley O.A.**—(W. Lambie, 25, Caledonia Street.)

Wales.

Nov. 13 & 14.—**Swansea.**—(S. H. George, 32, Fisher Street). J.R., J.F.D.
Nov. 20 & 21.—**Cardiff.**—(E. Thomas, 48, Craddock-st.) W.M., W.V., D.A.S.L.
Nov. 26.—**Llanelly.**—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) W.V., J.F.
Nov. 28.—**Pentrebach.**—(A. E. Brown, 66, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil). G.G.
Dec. 4.—**Pontypridd.**—(A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser-st., Maesycoed).
Dec. 11.—**Mid Rhondda.**—(A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwyncelyn, Porth.)

Ireland.

Nov. 14.—**Derry.**—(M. Kerr, 99, Foyle St., Londonderry). S.H.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Holywood and Dist.**—(Jno. Dunwoody, jun., 42, Church-st.).
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Lurgan.**—(S. McCollum, Drumgor). J. McL., A.H.
Nov. 28 & 29.—**South County Dublin (Kingstown).**—(D. Smyth, 21, Eden Terr., Kingstown.) W.M.
Dec. 6 & 7.—**Ulster O.A. (Belfast).**—(R. Trimble, 11, Waring St., Belfast.) J.F.D., W.V.
Dec. 12 & 13.—**Larne.**—(T. Mayne, 35, Barnhill.)

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BLACKWOOD (MON). A 20 miles radius show, Thurs., Oct. 17. Pitry. Pgns. and Cage Birds. Judge of C.B., R. J. Davies (Cardiff). Specials all classes, also cup for best cage bird exhibit, to be won 3 times. Entries close Sat., Oct. 12. —W. H. Coleman, Sec., Blackwood, Mon.

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ENTRIES CLOSE OCT. 14th.

Judge: Mr. A. Hirst. Send for Schedule at once, from: C. J. Robinson, 44, Cromer Street, May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent.

TORQUAY Oct. 17

Entries short; accept first post Saturday. See review of Schedule, Sept. 28 issue.—A. Walker, Crendon, Torquay.

HELLO! HERE WE ARE AGAIN.

BURNLEY

26th Annual Open Show of Canaries, Mules, and Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds.

Fri. and Sat., Oct. 18 and 19.

in the Fulledge Conservative Assembly Rooms, Oxford Road.

33 CLASSES. SPECIALS IN CALORE.

Under the patronage of the N.P.C. Judges, J. Trengove and J. H. Roe. Prize money, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Entry fee, 1/6..

ENTRIES CLOSE TUESDAY, OCT. 15th.

Schedules from: F. Cunliffe, Secretary, 19, Lark Street, Burnley.

Great Open Show!

CITY OF GLASGOW

The 59th Annual Exhibition and Competition of Scotch Fancy, Belgian, Norwich and Border Fancy Canaries; Mules; British and Foreign Birds, will be held in Drill Hall, Stirling Rd., Glasgow, on Friday and Saturday, 18th, and 19th, October. (Entries close 12th October.) Specialist Judges each section. 99 Classes. Prize money, 36/- per class, fully guaranteed. Numerous cups, medals, and valuable specials.

Schedules.—Scotch Fancy and Belgian: John Young, 80, High Street, Rutherglen. Norwich, etc.: R. Heggie, 27, McLennan St., Mount Florida, Glasgow.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne

THE SHOW OF THE NORTH.

Cambridge Hall, Northumberland Road,

Oct. 18th & 19th.

Entries close October 12th (Monday's post in time): J. W. Reed (Sec. and Treas.), 218, Ladykirk Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

OPEN TO UNITED KINGDOM.

Great Horton

O.S. Annual show of Canaries, under the patronage of the C.M.Y.C.C. and N.G.M.Y.C.C., in the Congregational Schools, High Street,

Sat., October 19th.

29 Classes. See review of schedule this issue. Prize money, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/6, 2/- per class; entry fee, 1/6. Judges: H. Sutcliffe and T. Bennett.

ENTRIES CLOSE TUESDAY, OCT. 15th.

Schedules: J. Holroyd, 27, Kingswood Street, Great Horton, Bradford.

MIDDLESBRO'

Oct. 19th, 1912.

Annual Show Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds. 43 classes. 4 money prizes and specials in every class. Entry fee 1s. Well-known judges. Schedules, apply Arthur Wake, 128, Princes Road, Middlesbrough.

BURTON-ON-TRENT

Saturday, October 19th, 1912.

6th Annual Open Show

Canaries, Mules, Albino, British and Foreign Birds,

Judge: J. Robson, Esq.

Patronage of Cinnamon Canary Club.

46 Classes. Numerous Specials.

Schedules from A. Wood, 10, South Oak Street, Burton-on-Trent.

Singing Contests.

PENDLEBURY LINNET CLUB.

First meeting Oct. 6, at Butchers' Arms, Union Street, when a fair number of Linnet fanciers attended. Besides the old members of Salford Club, other new members were enrolled, and before long we hope to have a good sound club. The following were elected officers: J. Siddall, pres. and treas.; E. Hickman, sec.; Messrs. J. Green, G. Bate, A. Marshall, S. Harrison, and J. Clarke, committee. It was decided to hold our first contest, open to all Manchester and district, for time, Sat., Oct. 12, first pairs to be up at 3 o'clock. Intending members are specially invited to attend.—E. Hickman, Sec.

LEEDS.

Owing to the resignation of Mr. E. Wood from position of secretary to the Newtown Linnet Club, the position is taken by Mr. J. Smith, and all members of the club, writes Mr. Smith, wish to tender their thanks to Mr. Wood for the able way in which he has done his work.

Usual weekly contest for quality held at the Old Bird House, King's Head, Shannon Street, on Oct. 5, when 15 birds sung for three good prizes given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson. 1, 3, Ward; 2, Butler. Judges, S. Hardcastle and W. Naylor. Also Oct. 6, when 24 birds sang for four good prizes. 1, Butler; 2, 4, Ward; 3, Witfield. Judges, A. Jennings, Naylor, and Hardcastle. Open contest for quality will be held every Saturday. Mr. Wm. Tillotson will give three good prizes. First pair of birds to be hung at 2.30 prompt.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Contest held Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, October 6th. 24 birds competed for three good prizes. 1, Binns; 2, Clark; 3, shared by Playforth and Smith. Judges, Messrs. C. Lorriman, A. Turner, and T. Soloman.—J. Smith, Sec.

Contest October 5, at Skinner's Arms, Bramley-thorpe. 12 birds were hung. 1 Sellers; 2, Hulian; 3, Clayton. Judges, Lorriman and Grainger. Also Oct. 6, 14 birds were hung. 1 Sellers, 2 Tomlinson, 3 Sellers. Judges, Sumners and Clayton. Next contest Oct. 12.—C. W. Smith, Sec.

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BROMLEY OCTOBER 23 & 24

Judge: H. Norman, Esq. K.C.C.B.A. patronage, and cups for competition.
35 CAGE BIRD CLASSES, 7 FOR NOVICES.
Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6; entry fee, 1/6. 6 cups for Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Lizards, British, and Mules. N.B.—Class 13 should read any age.
ENTRIES CLOSE OCT. 14th.
To: A. T. BELLINGER, 26, Nightingale Lane, Bromley, Kent.

MUMBLES (GLAM.)

Open Show, October 24th. (South Wales Fed.). Cage Birds, 22 classes, 15 specials. Welsh Cage Bird Club patronage. Points for Leach Challenge, Norwich Plainhead, and Silk's Cups, and Sandiford's Special, count at this show. Judge, D. A. S. Longden, Esq. Schedules: E. C. Bevan and W. D. Elcy, Secs., Dunns Cottage, Mumbles, Glam.

CHATHAM

and Dis. Fanciers' 22nd Annual Show of Cage Birds; Poultry; Pigeons, and Rabbits (open to Kent). Oct. 24th and 25th. Judge, S. E. Eastmead, Esq. 5s. cash special for most points in Norwich and Yorkshire Classes. Schedules ready: H. Wray, Glencoe Road, Chatham.

South Shields

10th Annual Open Show,
October 25 and 26.
Four Money Prizes, 1/6 entrance fee. Class Specials, and 10/6 cash sectional specials. Judges: J. Wilcock and F. Marwood. Novices well catered for. J. Wilcock will judge Canaries and F. Marwood remainder. Schedules: K. L. Smith, 3, Queen St., South Shields.

AYR and DISTRICT

5th Annual Open Show of Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds.
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th.
Under patronage of Y.C.C.S., and B.F.C.C. 51 Classes. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, and 2/6., and Specials. Entry fee 1/6. Judges: Canaries, James F. Dewar (Edinburgh); British, James Mason (Peebles). Schedules ready. Write for same to: James Sloan, 19, New Bridge Street, Ayr.

BRAINTREE

12th Annual Show of Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cage Birds, etc., October 26th (30 miles radius, £5 limit). Good classification. Numerous specials. Popular judges. Entries close October 14th. Schedules, etc., apply: F. A. Hunnable, London Road, Braintree.

Hartlepools'

October 26. Patronage of Y.C.C., N.Y.C.C., N.C.N. and C.C.C., and N.B.B. and M.C., and F.B.C. 48 Classes. Specials galore. Judges, Messrs. Battye and Maddison. Schedules and particulars from Messrs. Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Road, West Hartlepool.

KIRKCALDY

C.B.S. 6th Ann. Open Show,
October 26th.
in Pioneer Hall, Carlyle Road. Patronage, B.F.C.C. Open and Novice, also Shield. 3 cups, medals, and numerous specials. Silk's Cups for Open Norwich "Novice" competition. Judges: S.F., D. Low; Crests, G. Arnott; Brdrs. and Yorks., J. Hutchieson: Nor., W. Hampton; Brit., etc., J. W. Adams. Entries close October 21st. This show is under new management. Schedules from: Chas. Rae, 15, Anderson St., Kirkcaldy.

CITY AND COUNTY OF PERTH

Annual Open Show,
October 26th.
Most central show in Scotland. Grand Train Service from every part of the country.
47 Classes and Numerous Specials. Judges: Crests, J. Young; Norwich, W. Grewar; Borders, T. Arnott; Mules and British, J. Mackie.
Schedules and all particulars from: JAMES KERR, 18, James Street, Perth.

NOTTINGHAM & Dist.

Permanent O.S., Saturday, October 26th. Open Show of Canaries, Mules, British, Hybrids and Foreign. Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Numerous Specials. Schedules, J. Bunn, 81, Ena Avenue, Sneinton Dale, Nottingham.

SOUTH-WEST LONDON

The 16th Annual Members' Show will be held Saturday, Oct. 26th, at the New Guild Hall, 638-649, Wandsworth Road (a few doors from Queen's Road tram terminus).—H. Freeman, Hon. Sec., 105a, Bolingbroke Grove, Wandsworth Common.

BARNSTAPLE

and North Devon C.B.S.
October 29 and 30.
87 Special Prizes. 4 Silver Cups. 37 Classes. Judges, T. Heath, R. J. Blackmore (Belgians). Entries close Tuesday, October 22. Schedules from J. D. Horrill, Hon. Sec., Exhibition Office, High Street, Barnstaple.

MANCHESTER

(Belle Vue), OCTOBER 25th and 26th.
Under the patronage of all the Specialist Clubs. Crested C.C. Club Show, and Cinnamon C.C. Club Show. Over 100 Open Classes, Novice Classes for Yorkshires, Norwich, Crests, and Cinnamons. Prize Money, 12/-, 8/-, 4/-, and 2/-. Specials in every variety.
Judges: Messrs. Compston, Mundell, Booth, Battye, Johnston, Colledge, and Houlton. Entries close Oct. 19th. Exhibitors making four or more entries receive free ticket to Belle Vue and the Show. Belle Vue is the most attractive place of entertainment in the country. Best collection of animals and birds outside the Zoo. Endless amusements, Dancing, Boating, Figure 8, etc., and after close of show the finest display of Fireworks in England. Cheap railway excursions from everywhere. Admission to Belle Vue, 6d. each; after 4 on Saturdays, 1/- To the show, 3d. extra. Tickets 6d. each if purchased beforehand, admit to both show and Belle Vue at any time on either day. All schedules are being sent out on Thursday; anyone not receiving one by Saturday, Oct. 12th, please apply to H. Boothman, 10, Parker Street, Levenshulme, Manchester.

DERWENT VALLEY

C.B.S. 6th Annual Open Show of Canaries,
Mules and Hybrids; British and Foreign Birds; to be held in The Church Hall, Hamsterley,
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th. 36 OPEN CLASSES.
Good prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, for 1/6 entrance fee. Money Specials. Judges: W. Reid and G. Wilson. Entries close Saturday, Oct. 19th. Schedules being sent to all last year's exhibitors; others please apply to: LINDSAY & MARSH, Railway Cottages, Westwood, Hamsterley Colliery, Co. Durham.

CHELTENHAM October 30th & 31st

Under Patronage of C.C.C.; S.N.P.C.; S.Y.C.C., champion and novice; E. and W.B.F.C.; N.B.B. and M.C.
16 Crests, 10 Norwich, 12 Yorkshires, 7 Borders, 2 Rollers, 1 A.O.V., 14 British, 7 Hybrid, 4 Foreign, 4 Selling, 22 members' classes.
Judges: Messrs. W. E. Greeves, H. W. Battye, J. Frostick, M. Jacquemin.

Entries Close Oct. 23rd.

Show Manager: W. Pounsett, 5, Whitecross Square, Cheltenham.

SHEFFIELD, Nov. 1st & 2nd.

O.S. Great Annual Show of Canaries, Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds.
OPEN TO THE WORLD.
In the Temperance Hall, Townhead Street, under the patronage of the Y.C.C., C.M.Y.C.C., O.N.P.C., L. & L.F.A., L.C.A., N.B.B. & M.C., Y.C.B.B. & M.C., F.B.C.
72 OPEN CLASSES, 12 Champion Yorks., 4 Novice, 8 Champion Norwich, 4 Novice; 6 Champion Crested, 2 Novice; 4 Lancashire; 4 Lizard; 3, Selling; 13 British; 5 Hybrid; 6 Foreign. Judges, Messrs. W. Mundell, W. Vardy, J. Nadan, Chas. Houlton.
Prize Money, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-; Foreign Section, 12/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-; entry fee, 1/6.
£11 CASH SPECIAL PRIZES.
Novice Yorkshire Silver Challenge Cup won outright; 8 Silver Cage Bird League and other Gold and Silver medals. Schedules now ready, from T. BISHOP (Sec.), 69, Alexandra Road, Sheffield.

HOW DYER DO, SIR? THE NUTS ARE OUT AGAIN FROM

WOLVERHAMPTON on Nov. 1-2

with same old Judge, same old Hall, same old Committee. Schedules apply J. GIBBONS, 64, Napier Rd.

WINDHILL

Annual Open Show OCT. 28th under Yorkshire Union rules. 15 Open Yorkshire Classes. Judge, J. C. Barnes. Entries close Oct. 22nd. Schedules from J. Taylor, Sec., 36, Aireville Road, Frizinghall, Bradford.

"BORDER CITY" O.S. CARLISLE.

4th Annual Show of Canaries; Hybrids; British and Foreign Birds, will be held in King's Hall, on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 30th and 31st. Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. entry fee, 1/6. Judges: Jno. Robson, A. Brown, and W. Nicholson.
ENTRIES CLOSE SATURDAY, OCT. 26th.
Schedules from John C. Bell, 23, Botchergate, Carlisle. Railway Terminus for L. and N.W.R.; M.R.; N.E.R.; C.R.; N.B.R.; G. and S.W.R.; M. and C.R.

GRIMSBY

and Dis. O.S. 6th Annual Open Show of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds.
WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, OCT. 30th and 31st, in the King's Hall, Cleethorpes Road, Grimsby. Specials, 10/- best Hardbill, 10/- best Softbill. Judge, J. H. Roe. Schedules ready, from: Towl and Smith Hon. Secs., 205, Welholme Rd., Grimsby.

Ramsgate

and Dis. C.B.S. First Open Show,
OCTOBER 30 and 31.
Judge, Geo. Gardner. 59 Classes; prize money, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-, and money specials. Entry fee 1/3. Schedules ready. Entries positively close Oct. 23rd.—A. Afrigan (Hon. Sec.), 21, Thanet Road, Ramsgate.
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GRANTHAM

C.B.S. Second Annual Open Show,
Thursday, Oct. 31st.
Good Classification and Specials.
Judge: J. C. Barnes. Schedules: W. E. Allen, Sec., 119, Alexandra Road, Grantham.

PALACE OF THE PEAK. MATLOCK

11th Annual Exhibition of Cage Birds will be held in the Victoria Hall, on
Thursday, October 31st, 1912.
Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6; entry fee 1/6. Judge of Cage Birds, W. Vardy, Esq. (Huthwaite). Schedules to last year's exhibitors. No amalgamation. Prize Money guaranteed. Entries close Thursday, October 24th. Schedules ready from C. Poyser, Wilmot Road, The Dimple, Matlock.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE

C.B.S. 9th Annual Open Show, Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds, United Methodist Free Church Schoolroom,
Friday & Saturday, November 1st & 2nd.
82 Classes, under the patronage of Y.C.C., N.Y.C.C., N.L.C., N.C.N., and C.P.C., N.B., and S.F.C. Cups, Medals, and Grand Specials. Popular Judges: W. A. Cowgill and C. A. House (Bradford). Send for schedule: Geo. Havver, Sec., 1, Theresa Street, Blaydon-on-Tyne.

CLEATOR MOOR

F.S. Show. Pitry, Pgns, and Cage Birds, Sat., Nov. 2nd. Popular judges in all sections. Cage Birds judge, C. A. House (Bradford). Entries close Oct. 26th. For schedules, apply to: Jas. E. Byrne, 110, Birks Road, Cleator Moor, Cumberland.

LIVERPOOL

The Show for the Novices!
Nov. 1st and 2nd
Judges: Battye, Cleminson, Brunskill, Jeff. Walsh. Schedules, sent to last year's exhibitors and members specialist clubs. Others, apply, if you don't receive one by Oct. 18th.
NONE OF THE CRACKS OR SPECIALIST CLUBS AT THIS SHOW, SO HERE'S YOUR CHANCE
—METCALFE AND DEACON, 68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool.

BO'NESS

and Dis. F.A. Annual Show of Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds, in the Masonic Hall, November 2nd,
under distinguished patronage. 60 classes. Judges: Norwich, Mr. Grewar; B.F., Mr. G. Brown; Brit., Mr. P. McQuiston. Open Membership, 2/6. Schedules from T. Cameron, Sec., 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans, Bo'ness.

BRECHIN

C.B.S. 49th Grand Annual Show of Norwich, Borders, British and Foreign Birds, SAT., NOV. 2nd under the patronage of the B.F.C.C. Two handsome cups, medals, and numerous specials. Splendid classification and good prize money. Judges: Norwich, A. Harris; Borders, Wm. Mossie; British, etc., J. Fyfe. Schedules from Geo. Mitchell, 118, Montrose Street, Brechin

MARKINCH

20th Annual Show of Cage Birds, in the Masonic Hall, Markinch, Sat., November 2nd. Judges, Messrs. Watson (S.F.); Chalmers (Nor.); Bennet (Brdrs), Connelly (Brit.). Schedules from: C. Mitchell, Sec., Coaltown, Markinch.

LEICESTER

Hand-in-Hand C.B.S. 13th Annual Open Show,
November 2nd & 4th.
Patronage N.B.B. and M.C. Grand Classification and Heap of Cash Specials. Judges, J. H. Payne and R. J. Howe. Schedules: A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street, Leicester.

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PORTSMOUTH C.B.S.

Third Annual Show,
November 5th & 6th.
at Long's Memorial Hall, St. Paul's Sq., Southsea.
For Cage Birds only.
Under the distinguished patronage and support of the E. and W.B.F.S., the S.Y.C.C., the N.B.B. and M.C., the F.B.C. Specialist Judges: J. H. Roe, Esq. (Canaries), and H. Norman, Esq. (British and Foreign). Open Champ. Classes: 5 Norwich, 5 Yorks., 4 Borders, 2 Mule and Hybrid, 1 each Crest, Crest-bred, and Cinnamon, 7 British Hardbill, 4 Softbill, 4 Foreign, 3 Selling, 30/-, 20/-, 12/6, open to all. Open Novice Classes: 5 Norwich, 6 Yorks., 2 Borders. Good Prize Money and Magnificent Specials galore.
Entries close October 31st.
King and Joiner, Hon. Secs., 80, Stubbington Avenue, Portsmouth.

WINDSOR

5th Annual Open Cage Bird Show,
NOVEMBER 6th, 1912.
THIS IS THE SHOW FOR NOVICES.
Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, and 2/6. 6 Yorks.; 6 Yorks., novice; 6 Norwich; 3 Norwich, novice; 3 Borders; 1 A.O.V.; 2 Mules; 8 British; 3 Foreign; 1 Selling. Entrance Fee 1/6. Judges: D. Seth-Smith, Esq., F.Z.S., and H. Norman, Esq. Schedules from: E. A. Stickland, 36, Alma Road, Windsor.

WOOLSTON F & F Assn.

Open and Members' Show (Hants only), Nov. 6 and 7. Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, and Cage Birds. Judges, R. Bowker, Geo. Gardner. Entries close Oct. 22nd. Schedules, F. G. Etheridge, "Meteor," Newtown Road, Woolston.

SPALDING Nov. 7, 1912.

£5 LIMIT.
14 Classes Cage Birds. Schedules: Elviss and Money, Station House, Spalding.

BANBRIDGE

Cage Bird and Pigeon Association's Show, to be held on
THURSDAY & FRIDAY, 7th and 8th NOV.,
Under patronage of Yorkshire Canary and Cage Bird Society of Ireland. 56 Classes for Cage Birds; 12 for Pigeons. Judges: A. Livingston (Paisley); J. Hartley (Bingley); J. W. McIlhagga (Belfast). Schedules from: A. McCagherty, Hon. Sec., Belmont Terrace, Banbridge, Ireland.

LEYTON

Great Open Show,
THURSDAY & FRIDAY, NOV. 7th and 8th.
Patronage of S.Y.C.C. and N.B.B. and M.C. Full prize money guaranteed. Specials Galore! Judges: J. Robson, Esq. (Canaries); J. Frostick, Esq. (British and Foreign). Schedules ready shortly.—Forse and Son, Hon. Secs., 31, Thornhill-rd., Leyton, N.E.

OLD SHILDON

Workmen's Club C.B.C., 2nd Open Show,
Nov. 8th and 9th, 1912.
30 Classes; Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, 1/-. 1/6 entrance. Good Specials.
Schedules apply: J. H. Elwell, 35, Church Street, Shildon, Co. Durham.

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WEST STANLEY

Open Cage Bird Show, on Nov. 8th and 9th, in the Hibernian Hall, Station Road. 33 open classes, 35 members' classes. Judges: A. Brown and F. Marwood. Prize money 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Money specials each class. Entry fee, 1/6. No cancelling; no amalgamating. Entries close Sat., Nov. 2nd. Schedules now ready. Send for one to: W. Elliott, 15, Fairford Terrace, West Stanley, Co. Durham.

FORFAR

C.B.S. Annual Open Show, Saturday, November 9th. Under patronage of S.N.P.C.; B.F.C.; S.B.B. and M.C. Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, and 2/-. Two handsome cups; medals, and a great many other specials also splendid classification. Judges: Norwich, A. Sloan; Borders, A. Peters; British, etc., W. Bishop. Entries close on Nov. 4th. Schedules from: D. Kerr, 15, Green St., Forfar.

ALNWICK

NOVEMBER 13th, 1912.
24 Open Classes. 4 Money Prizes; numerous Specials; entry fee, 1/-. Judges: A. Hay and T. Maddison.—Sec., R. Forster, 42, Bondgate Without, Alnwick.

BRISTOL

C.B.S. Sixth Annual Show, to be held on
Wednesday, Nov. 13.
Schedules ready shortly.—Hon. Sec., Beatrice L. Pool, 37, Manor Road, Bishopston, Bristol.

SUPPORT
Londonderry
2nd Open Show,
14th NOVEMBER.
26 Classes; 3 Silver Cups; 30 Specials. Schedules ready.—M. Kerr, Sec., 99, Foyle Street, Londonderry.

BRIGHTON
and Hove Cage Bird Association 3rd Annual Open Show, November 14th and 15th. Judges, Messrs. C. A. House and J. Robson. Good Classification, Specials, Model Prize Cards. Prize Money, guaranteed, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-; vhc 1/6 added in large classes. Entries 1/6, close November 6th. Schedules of Will H. Gibb, Hon. Sec., 19, Bond Street, Brighton.

CODNOR PARK
And EASTWOOD C.B.S. 3rd Annual Open Show
NOVEMBER 15 and 16.
32 Classes. Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, and good specials. Entry fee, 1/6. Judge, J. C. Barnes. Send for Schedules: J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton.

Prize Money posted at the close of show.
HULL
Friday and Saturday, November 15th and 16th.—Ernest R. Ridley, 19, Lambton Street, Hull.

DONCASTER and Dist. C.B.S.
Great Open Show, Nov. 22-23. 46 Classes. 3 popular Judges.—G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion St., Doncaster.

GALSTON (AYRSHIRE), Scotch Fancy Borders, British Birds, Dec. 7—Alexander Frew, Sec., 26, Duke Street.

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Twitterings.

Mr. C. Houlton will judge at Winsford Show, Dec. 14.

Mr. C. E. Silk, Emsworth, is judging at Newport (Mon.), Dec. 24.

Mansfield C.B.S. holds its annual show on Oct. 19, writes Mr. B. Gabbitass, and the schedules are now ready.

There are specials in all classes at Blackwood, Oct. 17, writes Mr. W. H. Coleman, Secretary; also a cup for best bird, to be won three times.

We hear from Mr. Bishop, hon. sec., that Dr. W. Craig is giving a challenge cup to be won outright in Novice Yorks. Section at Sheffield on Nov. 1 and 2.

Owing to early date of shows, secretaries will oblige by applying for Ramsden's specials, enclosing coupons with application, at as early a date as possible.—(Advt.)

The New Cross and Dis. C.B.S., write Messrs. Barton and Barton, joint hon. secs., 8, Amersham Grove, New Cross, have fifteen silver spoons, and two cups to be won outright, besides several other specials, at the 2nd annual show, Nov. 7.

We are asked to notify the following changes of addresses: Mr. Jas. Bunting, from Black Lane to Moss Lane Cottage, Moss Lane, Macclesfield; D. Smyth, Eden Terrace to 14 Tivoli Terrace, N. Kingstown, Dublin; T. Groves, No. 20, to 39, Adelaide Street, Brierley Hill.

Irish exhibitors please note, write Messrs. Metcalfe and Deacon, Hon. Secs., 68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool, that there is a cup given for most points gained by exhibits from Ireland at Liverpool show, Nov. 1-2. Send for a schedule at once. Special arrangements for exhibits if sent.

Mr. F. G. Bale, of Barnstaple, the well-known breeder of Crested Canaries, writes:—The Roberts' Cup, valued £25, the property of the Crested Canary Club, will be in competition at the Barnstaple and North Devon show, Oct. 29 and 30. This is the first time the trophy has been competed for at Barnstaple, and should be the means of rousing keener interest amongst breeders of the variety. Particulars were not in time for publication in our schedule.

Hayle Show will be held Dec. 4th and 5th, and the officials hope exhibitors will support them, as, owing to clashing with other shows, they have had to alter the date.

The judges for Scotch Fancy at our open show on Nov. 30, writes Mr. A. Miller, Sec. Dundee C.B.S., are Mr. Jas. Strachan, Arbroath, and Mr. Robt. Thomas, Dundee.

At a Committee meeting of the Bedford C.B.S., it was decided, writes Mr. Wiggins, the secretary, to have a string band to play during the show, Oct. 17. Members are requested to send their entries early.

In Kelty and Blairadam show schedule, special No. 4 (Hyde's) is confined to a two miles radius, writes Mr. A. Dickson, Secretary. We hope for the same good support as formerly in this, one of the best managed shows in Scotland. We mean to still deserve it.

There will be a judging competition at Newcastle show, Oct. 18-19, writes Mr. J. W. Reed, Secretary. First prize 10s., 2nd 5s., 3rd 3s.; entrance fee 3d. Will members who have tickets for drawing, return same before 4 p.m., Oct. 19. Mr. R. Patterson will give duck for best Border in members' classes as an extra prize.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Thomas Wright

It is with regret that we hear from Mr. R. B. Wright, Clubmoor, of the death of his father, Mr. Thomas Wright, J.P., one of the finest sportsmen in that part of the country, and a great lover of birds and animals. Mr. Wright was a very fine judge, a devoted and loving father, and was considered one of the finest scientific agriculturists in Cheshire on a large scale. He leaves a widow, a son and four daughters to mourn his loss. The cause of death was cancer of the stomach.

Mr. J. Smith (Coldstream).

I am sorry to inform you, writes Mr. J. W. Bruce, of the death of Mr. J. Smith, Orchard House, Coldstream, on October 3rd, at the early age of twenty years. Although quite a young man, the deceased was a great lover of, and a well-known exhibitor of the Border Fancy, and last year was very successful at all the large shows, which was all the more credit to him, as all the birds he exhibited were of his own breeding. Never having been in very robust health, and being unable to do anything during the last four years, the Fancy was his pastime, and he always looked forward for the show season to relieve the monotony of his frail existence. While visiting Sunderland show last season, he received a severe chill, which seems to have never left him. His last wish was for his father to be sure and keep the birds. Members of the B. and C. Club will regret to hear of his early decease, and we tender our deepest sympathy to his father and sisters and brothers.

We are notified that schedules of the following shows have been sent out. Exhibitors desiring copies should write the respective secretaries, see show advts.: Hartlepools, Oct. 26; Manchester, Oct. 25-26; Blackwood, Oct. 17.

Having to undergo an operation, writes Mr. A. Lazarus, the well-known breeder and exhibitor of Crests, I shall have to part with all my stock, knowing no one to undertake the responsibility in my place, and am advertising the same this week.

The secretary of Plymouth Show, writes Mr. A. Walker, Torquay, has arranged that any exhibits entered from Torquay will be forwarded by midnight train from Plymouth, due at Torquay at 4 a.m., so that exhibitors can enter for both shows easily.

The North Eastern Railway are running the following half-day excursions with bookings to Middlesbro' on Oct. 19:—Tynemouth, Newcastle, etc.; South Shields, Sunderland, etc.; Middleton-in-Teesdale, Barnard Castle, Winston and Darlington; Leeds, Bradford, Harrogate, Thirsk, etc.; West Cliff, etc., and Boosbeck.

I am glad to inform the cage bird fanciers of Wales, writes Mr. Daniel John, Sec., that the old chairman of the Llanelly and Dis. C.B.S., Councillor D. R. Jones, has once again accepted the office of chairman after a twelve months' grace. I am also proud to say that the society is in a flourishing condition; six new members this season. Our balance at the bank to commence the next show stands at £5 19s. 1d.

In the "Avicutural Magazine," the organ of the Avicultural Society, for October, Mr. Teschemaker concludes his very interesting account of the rearing of Black Redstarts in captivity. Dr. Gunther writes of the breeding in captivity of the Red-backed Shrike. Mr. F. Finn contributes an article, illustrated with a coloured drawing by Mr. Goodchild, on the two Nonpariels. Other items are, "August, 1912," by Miss E. M. Hincks; The Transport of Birds, Mr. F. Finn; Practical Bird-keeping (Cranes), Mr. R. Cosgrave; Bird Notes from the Zoo, by the Curator, and the usual correspondence and reviews.

SENSATIONAL RUMOUR FROM HUDDERSFIELD SHOW.

Reported Missing Entries and Fees.

A rumour has reached us of somewhat sensational character concerning Huddersfield show, held last Saturday. The fixture is the first on the season's programme of the Yorkshire Union. The rumour is to the effect that a large number of entries and fees are missing, not having reached the officials of the society—we are given to understand that at least fifty entries are affected, having apparently been "lost in the post." Mr. Frank Sykes, the secretary of the Huddersfield O.S., is dealing with this serious occurrence, and has promised to supply readers of Cage Birds with a full explanation of the mystery when the matter is cleared up, which everyone will hope may soon prove to be the case.

Messrs. Richardson and Fairman write thanking donors to prize fund for the Dulwich and Peckham show, on November 3rd, and would like to hear from all friends by return, as the committee meet on Tuesday next to allot specials. They are hoping for a record show.

Will fanciers please note, writes Mr. Will H. Gibb, Hon. Sec., 19, Bond St., Brighton, that added prize money is being given in the non-colour-fed classes at the Brighton show, Nov. 14-15, making it 12s. 6d., 7s. 6d., 5s.; Mr. G. Chaude having kindly given the additional 5s. per class. Classes have also been made for Borders, also Novices, Yorks, and Nor. Schedules will be sent to any fancier writing. See this week's advt.

The numerous friends of Mr. Fred Hammond, the deservedly popular Bradford fancier, and treasurer of the Yorkshire Union, will be deeply sorry to hear that Mrs. Hammond has been seriously ill and under the doctor's constant care for the last fortnight. It is a great pleasure to us to be able to say that the latest report is more favourable than hitherto given, and we trust it marks the turning point to speedy and complete recovery.

We are adding to our classification this year, write Messrs. King and Joiner (Portsmouth C.B.S.) two special test classes, one for non-fed Norwich and the other for Cinnamons. If these are supported, we shall be encouraged to increase same next year, as we are doing this year with Borders. We are having six classes, including two for novices, open, instead of two; also five open novice Norwich, and six open novice Yorks. Our worthy treasurer's wife has kindly promised this year, as last, to have a cup of tea, etc., in readiness about 4.30 each day of our show, at which our exhibitors and visitors will be heartily invited.

One of the best-managed and oldest-established fixtures in the country is Plymouth Show, held Tuesday and Wednesday next, Oct. 15 and 16, and exhibitors should note that entries are extended, owing to the poor number received. Those sent to reach on Saturday (Oct. 12) will be in time, and if the senders have not a schedule, the secretary, Mr. T. Pope (98, Embankment Rd., Plymouth) will classify them if the birds are duly described. The entry fee is only 1s. 6d. and there are no fewer than five money prizes (10s., 5s., 3s. 6d., 2s. and 1s. 6d.) and a grand lot of special prizes in addition—very liberal treatment. Further, full prize-money is paid first day of show, and no amalgamation of classes is practised. Exhibitors should rally round Mr. Pope and his fellow-members.

Entries Extended.

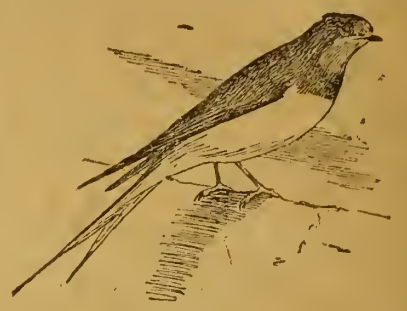
Exhibitors should note that entries are short at the following shows, and that the date of closing has been extended:—Bedford, Blackwood (average not one per class), Plymouth, Torquay, Newcastle.

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Wild-Bird Life.

Swallows and Martins.

At last we are having a spell of fine weather, and, although the autumn tints of the woods remind us that we are soon to witness the fall of the leaf, every fine day is one to be enjoyed in the open as much as our occupations will allow. The Swallows and Martins are still with us, and while these remain we feel that it is not yet winter. During the day they wheel and twist about the buildings and down the streets as joyously as they did in the early summer, but sometimes the nights are cold, and in the early morning they can be seen upon the roofs of houses facing the east, seeking a little warmth from the sun, struggling through the mist. They have not the bright alert look of other birds, but appear numbed and dazed, and one wonders why they are so loth to leave our fickle climate. Although



THE SWALLOW.

they are at all times most interesting birds to watch, they appear to be unusually so in the autumn, when they gather in their hundreds preparatory to the journey southwards. To such strong winged birds as these, a jaunt of a few hundred miles can mean very little more than a day's flight. One would think that few would perish on the journey, yet from year to year we can see no difference in the numbers that spend the summer with us. They may have deadly enemies in other lands that sadly reduce their number during the winter.

OUR "SHOW GUIDE."

Fanciers should note the following additions and corrections to the "Show Guide," published last week.

Mr. R. J. Blackmore judges Belgians at Barnstaple show, Oct. 29 and 30; Mr. Heath the remainder. At Doncaster show, Nov. 22 and 23, Mr. J. Wilcock is one of the three judges, and not Mr. J. Walsh. Nov. 20, "Brighton," should be altered to read, Nov. 20, Reading.

Additional fixtures:—

Oct. 16, Witham (Essex); (20 mile radius).
Oct. 23, St. Austell (Cornwall).
Oct. 23 and 24, Hayle (confined to Cornwall).
Oct. 26, Braintree (Essex).
Oct. 26, Swindon (Berks).
Oct. 31, Northwood (Middlesex); Treharris (Glam.).
Nov. 2, Cleator Moor (Cumberland).
Nov. 6, Windsor.
Nov. 6, Bodmin (Cornwall), Maidenhead (Berks.).
Nov. 12, Haverfordwest.
Nov. 20, Cirencester.
Nov. 28, Chichester.

Rat Plague in France.

Rats are again devastating certain agricultural districts on the Eastern frontier of France, and the French Government has made a special grant of £8,000 to be spent on their destruction, which is being effected by the application of Danysz Virus in liquid form, prepared by the Pasteur Institute, Paris, who are at present sending out several hundred quart bottles of Danysz Virus daily. This same preparation can, of course, be obtained at the Danysz Virus Depot, 52, Leadenhall Street, London; it is regularly advertised in our columns, and has been very highly spoken of by bird-breeders.

New Cross Going Ahead.

It may interest some of your numerous South London readers to know that the New Cross and Dis. C.B.S. have decided to hold their annual members' show, writes Mr. G. Burton, the vice-chairman, at the People's Hall, Tanner's Hill, Deptford, on Nov. 7, and have engaged Mr. Norman to judge. Fanciers joining at once will be eligible to compete. This society caters specially for the novice, and is rapidly going ahead; a glance at the list of specials would astonish other societies with a much larger membership. We have also decided to set aside a sum for advertising the show, as we are alive to the fact that no show can succeed without this is done, and Cage Birds reaches a larger number of fanciers than any other paper.

The Musical Box of the Canary Family :

How the Roller Canary is Trained to Sing.

By J. TOMLINSON (Newcastle, Staffs.).

(Continued from page 761).

SOME birds may be kept in bad company during certain seasons of the year, and still refuse to sing a fault. I have heard it said that there is no probable danger of a bird learning any imperfection after its song is fixed, that is, about the age of nine months, when it has learned all it is likely to be taught. The only possible chance of it acquiring fault is during the moulting season, when itself out of song, is within hearing of the faulty. Yet I maintain an idea in contradiction of my statement as to the similarity of natures, when I assert that the percentage of faultless singers that come out of the breeding room at the close of a season's work, after being in bad company, is exceedingly small.

Do Not Procrastinate.

If the fancier has a bird with a good variety of tours, and say only one fault, while the rest of his cocks have the same fault coupled with another, or perhaps others, let him at once isolate this cock out of hearing of all his other singers. I have had several valuable birds' song spoiled through procrastination under the same circumstances. Yet again I have had others that have proved "White Hens," but I should add they had not a whole season in the breeding room.

The owner should study the temperament of his best songster, and, if after being given a little stimulating food (mixed seed, egg food) the bird is inclined to get excited, and to raise the tone of its voice, or sing short broken snatches of song, the diet must be cut down to the staple of best summer rape. The amount of light previously allowed daily should also be curtailed.

Placing the Young Under Tuition.

Coming to the question, "When should the tutor be placed in the training room?" I believe all will agree this should be done as early as possible, so that the youngsters can gain some benefit from the tutor's singing before he begins to moult. Should he continue his song during the moulting period, it will be a great advantage to his scholars. Place the tutor in such a position that his song will be easily recognisable to his pupils. He should not be allowed to song at his own sweet will all day long, but should be placed in a song cabinet, and the doors opened about twice each day, if oftener, the intervals when full daylight is given should be curtailed.

The above old-fashioned way of using the tutor is advantageous to the fancier whose occupation necessitates his absence from home for long periods; but it is likely to have a detrimental effect on the song of the tutor. It hears the calls of the young cocks; it will answer them, and repeatedly break into song on this inducement when the cabinet doors are closed. It would sing in a subdued tone of voice when closed up, but, I maintain that in the old-fashioned way of training, more tuition is given than is necessary.

I would advise the fancier who has the necessary time at his disposal, to introduce the tutor into the training room twice each day, and allow the bird to have full daylight during the period it is with the young cocks. When it is isolated again the cage doors can be kept closed.

How to Dodge Faulty Notes in the Tutor.

Instances may occur when a fancier, for various reasons, may be unable to provide a bird which has the necessary song qualification to merit its use for tutoring. Cases of this kind can readily be sympathised with as very disheartening, as it is our ambition to produce a paragon, or, at least, something better than we have had previously. A way out of the dilemma is to tutor with a bird that sings his faults only at the end of his song, as such songsters can be easily found. Let the fancier make himself thoroughly conversant with the bird's song, so that he will know the precise moment when it will break off from its good tours to the faulty ones. He can then bring the bird into the training room, taking up a position close to the cage with its doors opened, and when the bird has sung all its good tours, and is on the point of breaking away to the imperfections, gently but quickly raise the hand to the front of the cage. This interruption prevents it singing the faults.

After singing a few times, the bird should be removed from the room, and the process should be repeated on the same day, or on the following and succeeding days. It is obvious that if this procedure is strictly followed the young birds will only hear that which will be beneficial to them. I am fully cognisant that this modus operandi is a tedious one. I failed in its use myself some years ago, being unable to give the necessary time to its application, but I have recorded it, trusting that others may profit where I failed.

I have utilised considerable space in detailing the choice and care of the tutor, my excuse being I consider it so very important a subject to all who have a good strain of stock birds.



A Chip of the Old Block.

Mr. A. W. Spillman, a son of that highly-respected West-country Norwich Plainhead enthusiast, Mr. W. Spillman (Devonport). Mr. Spillman, junr., is also a great lover of birds. The photograph was taken in London, where he has been studying for an exam.

Combating Three Troubles.

To return to the young birds. After they are able to crack canary and mixed seeds, trouble will sometimes appear. As a rule, the first is inflammation of the bowels, then feather plucking and red mite. I believe everyone knows the first aid for the former—the bread and milk diet. If no benefit is derived from this, remove the seed and water, and substitute milk for a drink. One not acquainted with the ailment will notice on examination that the stomach is red and swollen. As the trouble becomes acute, the colour becomes deeper, red veins showing. Later, the outline of a large bowel can be easily traced—which is filled with a quantity of watery matter—proceeding in an almost direct line along the stomach, from the termination of the breast-bone to the vent.

An effective remedy, used effectively by myself as well as others I have advised, is brandy and glycerine, mixed in equal proportions. The dose is three or four drops administered directly into the beak from the end of a quill. Repeat the dose after an hour's interval. When an improvement is noticed in the bird's condition the doses may be given at longer intervals.

I think all know the remedy for feather plucking—isolation for the culprits, as also the victims. As for the red-mite plague, it is not everyone who is able to give the necessary time to that frequently advised camel-hair brush and bottle of some obnoxious-smelling stuff, so, to obtain the maximum of effect with a minimum of labour, it is advisable to use red-mite trap perches. Elderberry wood yields itself readily to the making of these, the pith being easily removed to a depth of one and a half inches from both ends of the perch. In making them, cut the perch long enough to project through the wire front one inch from the cage; cut out a socket from the perch to allow the punch bar to fit into it; this will hold the perch firmly, and by means of the finger-hold obtained in the outside projection, it may be easily removed, tapped over a fire, or a bucket of water, and replaced without putting the hand inside the cage. Small cracks in the woodwork should be filled with putty, allowed to dry, and then receive a good coating with enamel.

(To be continued.)

Unprolificacy in Canaries

By J. STEEL (Dalkeith).

(Continued from from page 779).

A well-considered and intensely interesting article which will cause Canary breeders to think.

THE second, third, and fourth year my experiments were confined to ascertaining whether prolificacy could be engendered by crossing the offspring of prolific with unprolific stock, and I found that the tendency to unprolificacy far outweighed the better quality. This I have verified by experiments since, and, taking careful note of results, I have no hesitation in saying that only by absolute elimination of the unprolific can a standard of reproductive power be maintained.

My experiments proved that by adopting this method prolificacy can be engendered to a degree which is astonishing. I have myself bred seventeen Mules in one season from a hen which was itself bred from a sixth generation of stock bred for prolificacy by eliminating the unfit. Mr. J. Black, of this town, bred no less than 19 Canaries from her female offspring in one season. Bad feeding in the hens became so exceptional that I very seldom found occasion to apply the closure to a hen's career on that account.

Blamed for Eliminating the Unfit.

That my method was drastic I will not deny, and many blamed me for being cruel; I reasoned that it would be more cruel to bring a bird into existence so devoid of maternal instinct as to sit unconcerned while its helpless progeny starved to death. More cruel to bring into existence a lot of unhealthy birds whose life could only be a torment to themselves and a source of worry to anyone who had the misfortune to possess them. Let those who condemn my methods on the ground of cruelty involved, go into the fields and woods and see how nature holds the balance level. Her ways are more cruel than mine, aye, a thousandfold.

That success with a cult is in a great measure dependent on suitable conditions every breeder is aware, but a prevailing tendency to look on diet and accommodation as the Alpha and Omega of management leads to some peculiar reasons being advanced as the cause, when certain evils become manifest in a stock.

Thus, unprolificacy is often attributed to the way the wind blows. Who has not heard the unfortunate fancier whose hens have either failed to lay, or have been troubled with egg-binding, or have laid unfertile eggs, or eggs of which the majority failed to hatch, attributing all these calamities to the wind being from the east. The fact that some brother fancier is at the same time wondering where he is going to put all his young birds, so prolific is his stock, is lost on the unfortunate fancier, he sees no lesson in such direct contradiction of his wind theory.

Take him to where the flimsy nest of the delicate Sedge Warbler hangs on the reeds and sways in the breeze. Compare the species with a Canary, and contrast its exposure with the comforts of his own snugly sheltered stock. Tell him that thousands of Canaries every winter withstand climatic conditions which would kill these delicate migrants in a few moments, and still he will not be convinced that he must find a more tangible cause for unprolificacy than air in motion.

How many British birds do we find dead on the nest by reason of a failure to survive the task of parturition? How many British birds have clutches of sterile eggs, or eggs the embryo of which perish before or after hatching? Watch a Wren or Tit foraging for insects wherewith to feed a family of ten or twelve. Does she give up the task in disgust? Contrast her labours with those of a hen Canary which has every requirement supplied, and which receives high praise if she feeds half of that number.

Quality versus Quantity.

In making of bird-foods there is no end. I have visited bird-rooms where the owner was at his wits' end to invent some new form of food, having exhausted all forms from pudding to nuts, in a vain endeavour to induce his hens to feed. And all the while a brother fancier was rearing brood after brood and shouting the praises of—dog biscuits! I have seen (in a mirror) the budding enthusiast, on the strength of his success with a common, and prolific, stock, launch forth as a full-fledged breeder of Exhibition Canaries. He knew he could breed them, but what a falling off was there, my countrymen! Four young out of eight pairs, and a tale of mortalities which would have provoked the sympathies of an undertaker. No doubt he got good advice from an expert, but the value of that advice may be calculated by that expert's own results, two seasons later, three young from eleven pairs. *He had been improving the quality of his stock.*

Some fanciers attribute unprolificacy to providential intervention, or luck, and accept such with a stoical resignation which never fails to command praise in the results column, with hopes for a better season next year. But what course does he adopt to prevent a repetition of such unprolificacy? I could sum up all the remedial measures I have ever heard proposed as cures for inherent unprolificacy, and give instances of their failure, when applied, with the exception of that I have here proposed, and which cannot be termed a remedial, but a preventive or check on deterioration. I will now deal with a few of those manifestations of unprolificacy, beginning at zero, the barren hen.

Whether the term barren should be confined to those hens which never lay, or should include those which lay eggs which invariably prove sterile, is an open question. I think the term is often applied to birds which do not merit the epithet. Many fanciers are unaware that the vital spark of ability or the desire to reproduce may, for some reason beyond human understanding, remain undeveloped for a period of time equal to that at which reproduction would cease. Thus the failure of a hen to lay for a period of even six years is not conclusive proof of sterility, as I have seen hens which proved more or less reproductive after four or five years of that state which Sir Walter Raleigh described as maiden meditation.

Curiosities of Sex.

The difficulty of recognising hermaphrodism in the birds is the reason why so few instances of its occurrence in the Canary have been recorded. Such a specimen would simply be regarded as a sterile individual of what ever sex it most resembled in external appearance or characteristics. I have possessed one, and seen another, which provided good grounds for the belief that they were such, inasmuch that all attempts to sex them proved futile.

Mine appeared to be a female in everything short of laying eggs, and would brood and feed foster eggs and young notwithstanding that she did not lay. Being a well marked four point, I kept her for three years in hopes of her latent powers becoming developed. To my surprise her actions underwent a change, and her attitude towards other hens were characteristic of a male, inasmuch as she would drop her wings, and sing and dance round a forward hen, and never failed to get a good drubbing. I never saw a hen offer to receive her advances.

To sum up, barrenness in a hen may be described as a failure of the generative organs to perform their functions, either because of a malformed or diseased state of same, inherent or acquired.

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NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

AVIARY (T. D. X.).—The aviary you propose building is really only a good size flight cage, and is much too small to accommodate two cocks and four hens for breeding. One cock and two hens would be ample to stock it, and even with this number in the space at disposal I cannot promise you certain success, as the hens would be apt to make a hash of the business by interfering with each other's domestic arrangements. You could utilise this space to far greater advantage by having four single breeding cages, each 20in. long, arranged in two tiers. Then you could run a hen in each cage, and use two cocks to mate alternately with two hens each. You would require another flight to which to transfer the young broods when able to do for themselves. Sorry I cannot tell you the best way to make front of the aviary if you decide to go on with it, as this naturally depends upon the position the aviary occupies. But the wire fronts now on the market are practically unbeatable taken all round, and they can be got made to measure to fit any place or size.

LIZARD-NORWICH CROSSING (C. H. F.).—If you will pardon the "bull," the best way to introduce Lizard blood into the Norwich is to leave it severely alone. In the old days of the small, chubby, tight-feathered Norwich the Lizard was often introduced to improve colour, but in these days the cross would be worse than useless, as it would only put you back and cause you the trouble to breed it out again. It is not unlikely that the person you refer to had introduced a Lizard cross—plenty of fanciers living to-day have done the same thing—but I seriously doubt such an introduction of late years. For information about both useful and detrimental crosses you should get Part XIV. of "Our Canaries," which our Manager could send you.

LIKE A FOOT ROT (W. Clay).—This seems a very peculiar case. It is not very uncommon for some old birds to peck off the scales of their feet whilst moulting, and sometimes even cause a little bleeding, but for the feet to peel as you say, and bleed so freely, is not very common. Have you been using any strong insecticide about the ends of perches, or bathing the feet in anything? Anyway, try the following, and if not considerably better after a week or so, write again, and give fuller particulars. Keep floor and perches of cage scrupulously clean. Catch bird gently, and bathe feet for a few minutes daily in a lukewarm solution of extract of wych hazel, say a teaspoonful of extract in a teacupful of warm water. After bathing absorb moisture from them with a wad of soft linen, but do not wipe or rub them at all. Then gently anoint with a little lanocylin.

YOUNG CRESTS COUGHING (John Hannaford).—There is certainly a fair chance to cure five-months-old birds of coughing, but they ought not to be troubled in this way. Judging from condition of the first-named hen I fear you are keeping them under very unfavourable conditions. Look well into the matter and see that the birds are not exposed to cold draughts, damp, or rapid extremes of heat and cold, and do not allow them to hang near or over burning lights in the evenings, nor high up near the ceiling. Keep them for the present in a comfortable and equable temperature, but not necessarily an overheated one. In addition to the usual seed diet give a half teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake in which you have mixed four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion, and sprinkled with maw seed, every second day for a fortnight. On the alternate days twice each week give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, millet, black rape, teazle, and broken groats, and a spray of green food four times a week. In the drinking water give six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece for three consecutive days. After this give 20 drops of whisky, five each of ipecacuanha wine, and oxymel of squills, and two of oil of eucalyptus well shaken in the water two days in every three for a week, and every second day afterwards for another fortnight if necessary. Treat both birds alike, and remember that the preventive measures indicated are of much greater importance than any amount of dosing with drugs and nostrums.

SEED SAMPLES.—Two querists this week, "Avis" and "An Anxious One," refer to samples of canary seed sent with query. Only one sample reached me in a bullfish-white paper bag such as seedsmen use to weight out small quantities of a pound or so of seed and no mark to show to whom it belonged. The seed varies a good deal in size, but is clean, sweet, well ripened, and a good all-round quality. Querists should always pack samples very carefully, and place their non-de-plume on the wrapper.

MOVING BIRD OUTDOORS (W. H.).—You would certainly make a mistake in moving the bird at this season from a warm living-room to an unheated outdoor aviary, and just as it is starting to moult, too. The room, from your description, is not an ideal place for the bird by any means, but to place it outside would be almost certain to bring much greater trouble. If you can manage it, transfer the bird to another room within doors, where no fires are kept, but see that it is free from cold draughts and damp impure air. Keep it there until a mild spell of weather next March, or end of February, when you may place it in the aviary outside without running any grave risk of doing it harm. The sunflower seeds it filched from the Goldfinch when in the aviary before would be beneficial rather than otherwise.

FOR SINGING AND BREEDING (J.L.).—I think a well-trained Scifert, or a St. Andreasburg Roller would be most likely to give you full satisfaction. The pure, deep hollow Rollers, of which the class you mention is one, are not always so well appreciated as they might be unless one has a cultivated ear, so to speak, and the particular type you mention is not the best for keeping its song pure and uncorrupted. The novice practically always looks for greater variety of song than is usually found in these birds, and this you can get in the varieties recommended. There is practically no difference in a bird's ability to withstand our climate, whether it is bred in England or Germany. Yes, feed and treat the bird generally as advised in No. 10 Nutshell booklet on "The Roller."

BIRD SHELLING SEED (Avis).—It is usually done by birds in a very low condition, and is probably due to a fickle appetite. Give a staple of three parts canary to one part summer rape in the seed-box. For a week give fresh each day a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, dusted with soft sugar. Every second day give a pinch of equal parts inga, teazle, and maw, and on the alternate days a spray of seeding chickweed or green plantain stalk. In the drinking water add every second day six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece. In the next week give the bread and milk every second day only, the mixed seed, with one part of hemp added, on the alternate days, and in the water add four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day. The latter may be continued for a fortnight if necessary. See reply under heading "Seed Samples."

ALMOST LIKE BALLOONS (Old Ebor).—You should have been a little more definite in your description of the blown-out appearance. Is it merely the feathers that are puffed out loosely, or the skin that seems to be blown out around body? If the latter, it is blown by an accumulation of air underneath, and requires pricking with a perfectly clean needle to let off the air. In any case, treat any future cases the same as advised to "Avis" two or three weeks, and when they are first seen going puffy mix together two parts of brandy to one of syrup of buckthorn, and give one drop of this mixture in the beak morning and evening for two days. Should any more die, you would be well advised to send a body to Mr. Yates for post-mortem.

MECHANICAL TUTOR (T.W.W.).—The Queck Roller organ which you may often see advertised in our columns during the proper season, or one of a similar type, is the only instrument worth troubling with for teaching young Rollers to sing. I think the price is about £3 10s. Cheap organs or flutes and similar contrivances at a shilling or two are worse than useless for teaching good Rollers to sing. One or two good schoolmaster birds are an invaluable aid to an organ for tutoring. Young cocks should have been under tuition long before this time.

YOUNG DYING (An Anxious One).—See reply under heading "Seed Samples." If the sample belonged to you, it is certainly dear enough at the price you name, but you must remember it is getting rather dear now, owing, it is said, to scarcity of supply. You should have given fuller details of your system of feeding the young during the period when the deaths occur. Possibly you take them entirely off soft food a little too soon. I'm afraid your present treatment will not be of much advantage. When you feel tired of it, try what the following will do. Staple diet plain canary. Every day give a pinch, per bird, of summer rape separately, and a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with maw seed. Give this daily for a week, and then every second day for another two or three weeks. Every third day give a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, millet, teazle, and black rape, and a spray of seedy chickweed, or green plantain stalk three times a week. Stick a cube of hard common salt in the wires for a few weeks. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece for three days, and afterwards four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a week or fortnight as may seem necessary.

A TRIO (Invicta).—(1) A three-compartment breeding cage is certainly a very convenient and useful medium for running one cock with two hens, but I do not go so far as to say it is the very best way. Other methods often succeed quite as well, and much depends upon the owner making the most of any opportunities that offer. In using a three-compartment cage you should keep the cock in the middle compartment, and a hen in each end. When ready for mating run the cock in with each hen on alternate days, or if both hens are very forward run cock in each end for a couple of hours each day. When hens have laid and begin to sit, limit cock to the middle compartment until his services are again required. (2) As a songster pure and simple, the Lancashire cannot be deemed a great success. Compared with the Roller the song is more full, deep, and mellow—hoarse some might term it—and is more like a warble than a sustained rolling cadence. To use a simile, the song of the Lancashire is to that of the Roller about the same as that of Chaffinch to that of the Linnet. (3) I do not think there is any real cure for the deformity shown in your sketch. The best thing is to tie the toe alongside the middle toe, and keep it so. Part VI. of "Our Canaries" contains illustrations showing how to treat this particular deformity, and Part I. would give you full information about cages.

GROWTH ON HIND TOES (T.W.G.).—What you imagine to be growth on the toes is undoubtedly a mass of hardened dirt and sand, which has been collected from the cage floor, and formed a hard solid mass on the toes. Get a saucer of quite warm water, catch the bird, and hold the feet immersed in water for a minute or two. Then remove and try if the lumps are softened sufficiently to be easily removed. If not, continue the soaking a little longer, and try again. Do not use any force to pull it away, nor try to do so until it is well-soaked, or you may injure the toes. When sufficiently soaked it will come away with the greatest ease. Then wash the feet clean, dry them, and anoint sparingly with vaseline before returning bird to cage.

MOULTING AND WHEEZING (C.B.).—(1) If the bird keeps in good health and active condition I do not advise you to try to force it into moult. If you must do so, however, cover over cage, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cage, lightly dusted with flowers of sulphur and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternating days add 20 drops of whisky, five of syrup of saffron, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece to the drinking water. Offer a bath daily in mild weather. If the bird is now in a warm temperature move it to a cold one, and vice versa, but see that it is free from draughts. (2) The most important point is to see that this bird is kept free from the exciting causes of the bronchial trouble. Give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, for a few days when wheezing is troublesome, and add 20 drops of the following mixture to the water daily for a week or so at a time. Mixture: Two drams each of glycerine and oxymel of squills, one dram each of ipecacuanha wine and chlorodyne, and eight grains of iodide of potassium. You will do well to avoid breeding with it again.

LOST USE OF LEGS (E.O.).—It is quite possible the hen might have received some injury to the back or legs, which did not seem apparent to you, or it may have some disease in the ovary. Either of these would produce effects such as you describe. But I am rather inclined to think she was simply troubled with constipation. It is a pity you did not send the body to Mr. Yates for post-mortem, and make sure what it was. If another similar case occurs, separate bird and give one drop, direct in beak, of a mixture of two parts brandy to one part syrup of buckthorn every morning and evening until the bowels move quite freely.

INFLAMED FEET (Tender Feet).—See that cage is free from red mites. These pests are apt to be overlooked in an all-wire cage, which is just as likely to become infested as a box-cage. Also see it is kept out of cold draughts. Give a rather thick perch with a flattened surface to stand on for a time. Keep perch and cage as clean as possible. Once a day, until feet are well, bathe them for a few minutes in a warm solution of wych hazel extract—say a small teaspoonful of the extract mixed in a saucerful of warm water. After bathing, dry the feet, and paint on them a little of the strong extract with a small feather or a camel-hair brush, and allow this to dry on.

INJURED WING (H.J.F.).—It is not unlikely the wing may be broken, but I cannot say positively without seeing it. Had you placed the bird in a small low cage with perches near the floor, and kept it perfectly quiet for a week or two, as soon as you noticed the injury it would probably have come all right again. After this lapse of time it may require the wing binding in its proper position, with the ends of the fracture, if one exists, fitting neatly together, for a few weeks. This requires skilful handling, and is scarcely a job for one not well versed in the anatomy of the wing. As you value the bird it would be much better to ask a vet. to do it for you. You may, if you like, try the low cage and rest first—one about eight inches high, and the perch or perches two inches, not more, from the floor, seed and water inside. Keep in quiet place, so that bird may be induced to rest as quiet as possible. If you see the wing is held up in something nearly approaching its proper position when bird is at rest, continue this negative treatment, and the wing will come right. Keep bird as advised until it begins to move about voluntarily and preens its wings.

AVIARY QUESTIONS (Jay Bee).—(1) Providing only that the position is free from damp, it will do admirably for Canaries, and as you are starting with aviary-bred birds, they will thrive perfectly well all the year round without any heat. (2) An unlimited supply of Canary and rape in separate hoppers, with mixed seed and soft and green food, given separately as required, is the best method of feeding in such an aviary. Egg or other soft-food, give two or three times a week, according to season, and daily when your young broods are about, green food in variety, daily, except in very wet, and snowy, frosty weather in winter, when you may substitute a little sweet fruit three times a week. A seed mixture in small quantities two or three times a week—or daily when young are being reared, and in severe weather in winter and spring. This mixture may consist of two parts each hemp, millet, black rape, and broken groats, and one part each inga, linseed, teazle, and maw. (3) You could try for mules, of course, by introducing cocks only of one or two species, say, one or two cock Goldfinches, and ditto Linnets or Siskins. But this is an unsatisfactory way of mule breeding, and apt to lead to many mistakes of identity. (4) Judging from style of aviary, I take it you mean the birds to fly loose. In this case the aviary will accommodate from 45 to 50 birds, as its full capacity. For breeding one-third of this number is quite sufficient—say 12 hens and 3 or 4 cocks. You do not require an equal number of sexes. (5) Try following treatment for cock for a month. See cage is free from red mites. Keep in comfortable temperature; keep floor strewn with clean gritty sand, and stick cube of hard common salt in wires. In addition to staple diet give half teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with equal parts maw and gold of pleasure seed every second day. On alternate days give a pinch only of above seed mixture, and spray of green food. If available, a mealworm a day would be beneficial. In water add six drops of syrup of buckthorn every second day for a week, and afterwards four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of columba, and aromatic sulphuric acid, every second day for a fortnight.

OUTSIDE AVIARY (Taffy).—(1) If the aviary is fairly sheltered, and the site free from damp or water-logging, I see no reason at all why you should not breed birds there quite successfully without any heating apparatus. All you need do is to be careful to get hardy stock bred and kept under normal conditions of temperature to begin with. (2) It is not easy to advise as to the number of birds you can keep for breeding without a sketch of the place showing all measurements, and position and size of doors and windows, and any other fitment. Assuming the door is in one end, and the window in front, you should be able to arrange twelve single breeding cages 20ins. long and 16ins. high, in three tiers, along the back, starting at 18ins. from the floor, and three flights, one above the other, 5ft. long, 16ins. high, and 20 to 24 ins. wide at the end opposite the doors. Then you could breed with twelve pairs, and transfer the young to the flights as they became able to do for themselves. (3) Cocks at 10/6 each, and hens of same strain at from 2/6 to 3/6 each, should make suitable stock to begin. A tutor at 20s. or 25s. should suit you. It is always safer to have two tutors to provide against one going out of song at a critical time, and both should have the same type of song. You could make the schoolmasters if you wished, but it is best to avoid doing so when convenient.

CANARY QUERIES

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (1d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

SHRUBS FOR AVIARY (F.B.).—Privet, Euonymus, Box, Fir, and common Laurel all do well in aviaries, and ivy is a good evergreen climber, but it will only be throwing away your time and money planting living bushes in an aviary containing Budgerigars, especially in so small a one as yours. Budgerigars simply strip off the leaves, and nip off the ends of the shoots, without eating any of them, and give trees and shrubs no chance at all. You had better furnish your aviary with plenty of natural branches, leaving the centre of it fairly open for flight, and sow the ground with coarse grasses and cerea's. All other details you should find in the booklets.

MANNIKINS AND WAXBILLS (M. F. L. S.).—(1) Usually about the middle of our summer, but Waxbills are rather shy feeders under any conditions, save in a roomy natural aviary. The same applies in a lesser degree to the Mannikins, though Bengalese, Silverbills, Bronze and Magpie Mannikins and Java Sparrows (white variety) are probable breeders in a cage. I am afraid those you name are very improbable breeders, but nothing is impossible, and the unexpected often happens, but I think there are only about three records of Orange-cheek Waxbills rearing young in this country. The Mannikins should commence nesting about spring. (2) As you are keeping your birds in a cage, space is a desideratum, and coco-nut shell nests would be better than husks, being smaller, yet fully large enough for Waxbills. Hay will be all they require for nesting material. Zebra Finches and Cut-throats are usually almost certain breeders in a roomy cage, the former for preference.

WHAT CAN I KEEP? (Frederick).—In the first place you cannot put birds out-of-doors at this time of year, unless you procure them from some outdoor aviary, where they have been all the summer; otherwise you must wait to stock your aviary till the spring. I take it that you are quite a beginner with Foreign species. If so, you would do well to procure "Foreign Birds for Beginners," 1/1½, post free, from our Manager. Again, it would be better for you to begin with the most hardy species and add the others as you gain experience. Get half-a-dozen pairs to begin with—Zebra Finches, Cutthroats, Red Avadavats, Silverbills, Green Singing Finches and Gold-breasted Waxbills would form a handsome series for you to start with; all are seed-eaters and most of them should be easily procurable from private outdoor aviaries.

RING-NECK PARRAKEET (Parrakeet).—Seed mixture: One quart each canary, white millet, and oats; one pint each hemp, paddy rice, and wheat; half a pint each shelled nuts, dari, maize, and sunflower seeds; one gill each grit (not sand), and chilies; well mix the whole and keep a supply continually in the cage. Do not give any tea, coffee, or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever. As it likes a little moistened bread, get some byno-phosphates or chemical food, take half a teaspoonful, add a tablespoonful of hot water, sweeten with a little sugar, and moisten a piece of bread or plain biscuit therewith. Also occasion it to ripe fruit, and give an occasional piece of dry biscuit, and a fresh lettuce leaf. Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone in the cage. Yes, it should talk, but it is hardly likely to do so till it has lost its timidity—it will ultimately imitate what it hears, words, calls, cries, etc.; you must also teach it by constant repetition of words, etc., as soon as it is quite tame.

A SMELLY STOVE (F. G., Leicester).—The objectionable fumes given off by burning oil stoves are undoubtedly injurious, sooner or later, to the health of the birds. Placing camphor or vinegar in oil is absolutely useless to remedy the evil. The only way of combating it is to exercise the most scrupulous cleanliness about the stove, and give it unremitting attention. Never fill the oil tank to quite its full capacity; always use the smokeless wicks, and see that they are absolutely dry before being first placed in burner; discard the old wicks and put in new ones reasonably often; never miss trimming the wicks properly and cleaning the burner and top of tank of every atom of dirt or charred wick morning and night when stove is burning constantly, or every night if only used at night; when lit, never turn the flame on full until the burners have become heated, then turn them to the required height, but see that this is well below the smoking point; and, finally, never allow them to stand in a draught. Given attention to these essential points, next get a cover made of tin or sheet iron to go over the stove entirely, somewhat extinguisher fashion, but a few inches larger than extreme dimensions of stove, and with sufficient ventilation apertures round the bottom to supply the wicks with air for combustion. Into the top of this cover fix a small flue-pipe leading to the outer air, with a cone-cap over the end to prevent down-draught. This pipe will carry off the quite unavoidable fumes of the stove, and leave the air in room comparatively pure, and reduce the objectionable features of stove to a minimum.

WHAT BIRD (Dora).—It is an Australian species, viz., Pennant's Parrakeet, and its value at the present time, if in good feather, is about 80s. As a rule this group are not talkers, though there is scarcely a group of Parrots in which isolated specimens do not talk a little, but I have never come across a talking Pennant; these birds are usually kept in aviaries for breeding purposes, and as cage pets principally for their gorgeous colouring. A seed diet, the bulk of which is Canary and white millet seed, with oats, hemp, and sunflower seeds in small proportions, green food, fruit, cuttlebone and grit, with water for drinking and bathing, will suffice to keep this bird in excellent health.

AILING BARBARY DOVE (E. N.).—Age has something to do with it, also probably over-fatness. Put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in about 3 tablespoonfuls of water, and let this form the drinking water daily till the voidings are quite loose, then only give it every fourth day for a month, then only as required to keep the bowels moving freely. Do not give egg, and the other items are permissible, but the main dietary should be Dove mixture and some canary and white millet seed in equal parts. Do not omit cuttlebone and grit. Examine its mouth and if it is badly furred, put a little honey and borax on its tongue twice daily. Whenever you notice signs of excitement presaging a fit, dissolve 5 grains of bromide of potassium in a little syrup, and give the bird ten drops of this at hourly intervals during the day. By this means you may check the frequency of their occurrence. While there should not be extreme looseness, you must not allow the bird to become at all constipated. Report progress about a month hence, and give full details, as I do not retain queries by me. „

GREY PARROT ("Smudge").—Your supposed Grey Parrot is a Roseate Cockatoo! As a rule, many of these do not make good talkers, but I have met several really talented birds of this species, and if you take pains with your bird on the lines given in the Nutshell, your bird should prove responsive to some extent. It is a matter of time taming these birds, but it will ultimately respond and become quite familiar. Canary seed will not hurt it, but I should add some white millet to it, but the mixture given in our reply to "Parrakeet" in this issue, should about meet the case—the Nutshell will give you all other details of treatment, and will fully meet the needs of this species. As regards the

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perch, instead of the ordinary fixed perch, give it a piece of natural branch with the bark on; this can be removed as often as it is chewed up; the chewing up of wood is very wholesome for the bird. It should take a bath, but till it is tame enough to come out of the cage, give it a light spraying twice a week with tepid water, during the winter months; do this at mid-day, and choose a genial day for the purpose, and guard against a chill till it is dry. It will be better to take out the grating. Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone in the cage.

WHAT PARROT TO GET (A.P.).—Considering fully the conditions of your query, I should say get a young Blue-fronted Amazon, by quietness and kindness win its confidence. You can then begin to train it, by talking continually in its presence, and by constant repetition of words and phrases, especially when it is quiet and restful. It will pick up many things for itself which it hears going on around it, and also mimic laughing, crying, and other calls and cries which it hears. A Grey Parrot is perhaps the most accomplished, generally speaking, and takes less teaching than an Amazon, but they are more costly, and a newly-imported Grey is a risky purchase indeed, and as a rule there are several annoying losses before one is acclimatised. Get our Nutshell, the "Grey Parrot," 2½d. post free, from our Manager, and read it up.

GRENADIER WEAVER (W. T., Tulse Hill).—Canary and millet seed will form the main dietary, green food should be regularly supplied, and a couple of live insects (mealworms, etc.) per bird daily. It should have access to grit, and so long as it can be got free from frost and sound, flowering heads of grass to pick over. These will be safe to give for another month yet, if gathered at mid-day and kept indoors for a good hour before being supplied to the bird. Some individuals are fond of a piece of sweet apple to peck at during the winter months, when green food in scarce, but lettuce is usually available. It will delight in an occasional millet spray, and also a few crushed oats to pick over. Its cage ought to be roomy enough to allow it to take exercise, with a twiggy branch for perching accommodation at each end.

GREY AFRICAN PARROT (H. Coveney).—(1) Dust the bird's plumage with insect powder, especially under the wings, and rub a little paraffin oil with the finger over any bare areas there may be, but do not use sufficient to run among and grease the plumage. Give every fourth day, so long as the voidings are not watery loose, one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in three tablespoonfuls of water in lieu of the ordinary drinking. When not giving the magnesia, put half a teaspoonful of hyno-phosphates in the daily supply of drinking water. You must not use a metal drinker while giving the above. (2) I think it is not infectious; most prohably it merely arises from a heated condition of the blood, but there may be microscopical parasites on the bird. Spray it once a week with a dilute quassia solution, but keep carefully out of draught till dry, and well swill the cage (especially all crevices), perches and food vessels with boiling water. (3) Seed mixture: one quart each canary and white millet seed; 1pt. each hemp and oats; ½pt. each shelled nuts, dari, paddy rice, wheat and sunflower seeds; one gill each chilies and grit (not sand), well mix and keep a supply in the cage. Also supply ripe fruit, plain biscuit, or stale crust of household bread, and cuttlebone. Keep it where it will get plenty of light and air, yet be out of reach of draught. Do not give tea, coffee or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever. Our Nutchell "The Grey Parrot" should help you, 2½d. post free, from our Manager.

PEKIN ROBINS (Invicta).—(1) This very frequently happens with caged birds, and as there is no likelihood of their attempting to breed in a cage, I should suggest keeping them in separate cages, or better, make an exchange with your present hen for another cock, but if you want song, do not keep them together. (2) I should not give the hemp; you can give a teaspoonful of white millet twice a week, but their main diet must be Insectile mixture (those you are using will suffice), ripe fruit, and live insects. (3) Fine pent moss litter, earth, or sand. Note: Spiders are rather plentiful just now, and several of these per bird daily will be appreciated.

SEXING PARROTS (J.S.).—Your query is still a bit obscure, but if I have not gripped your meaning you must repeat it. A ready means of sexing the Grey Parrot is by the shape of the area of bare skin surrounding the eye. This is somewhat pear-shaped at the back of the eye in the male, and more or less rounded in the female; the bill of the male is longer and stouter than that of its mate, but this latter distinction is not great. There is so much individualism in Parrots that I cannot give you a definite answer as to which is the best talker. Some swear by one, and some by the other; it must suffice to say that I have come across talented birds of both species, and in about equal numbers.

A FEATHER PULLER (G. Barker).—As there is some improvement there is certainly hope for the bird; you must persevere with the treatment already advised, but diet your bird as under: Get one quart each canary and white millet seed; one pint each hemp, oats, and paddy rice; half a pint each wheat, shelled nuts and sunflower seeds; a gill each chilies and grit (not sand), well mix the whole together and keep a supply in cage. Also supply ripe fruit, plain biscuit, or stale crust household bread; a small leaf of lettuce may be given as opportunity offers. Keep a piece of cuttlebone hanging in the cage. If the bird will let you handle it, dip your finger in clean parraffin oil and rub this over the bare areas, but do not use sufficient oil to run among the plumage and grease it. Its a work of time and patience checking feather-pulling.

LOSING PLUMAGE (F. W. Murfill).—Providing the bird is not pulling out its plumage, I should not take much notice of this. Confine its diet to seed mixture (see reply to G. Baker in this issue), ripe fruit, plain biscuit, and green food. Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone in the cage. So long as the voidings are not watery loose, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the usual supply of drinking water, every fourth day, and on the intervening days half a teaspoonful of hyno-phosphates also in the drinking water, permitting it to have clear water once a week. Continue this treatment for two months, longer if necessary. Do not use a metal drinker while giving drugs. Do not give any tea, coffee, or milk slops, table scraps, nor any kind of animal food whatever. A light spraying once a week with a dilute quassia solution would keep its plumage clear of parasites if there are any, but you must guard against its taking a chill while the plumage is damp.

WINTERING BIRDS (Avis).—All the birds you name should be successfully wintered in your greenhouse. A reasonable comparison to make is, observe our native Sparrows, etc., and if your foreign species do not appear to feel the cold more than these, you can safely leave them where they are; but if they appear more uncomfortable than our native species under the existing weather conditions, then they certainly should be taken indoors. The Whydahs most certainly do need a little protection in the winter, chiefly, I think, owing to their moult taking place during that period; all the other species you name I have successfully wintered out of doors, both in Warwickshire and Surrey. As the Napoleon Weaver has only just been put out, it should be caged again and taken indoors at once. You can materially increase the warmth of the birds' quarters by tacking (temporarily) bass matting or roofing felt over the glass on the N. and E sides and roof of the portion of the greenhouse given up to the birds. If the birds have been in their present quarters the greater part of the summer, they should not suffer where they are, save the exceptions given above.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

A WILD PLANT (W. Hartshorn).—The seeds and heads you send are those of the burdock. I have not found British Finches at all partial to burdock seed, and never trouble to gather it.

A HAWFINCH'S BEAK (Blue Beak).—The blue beak denotes high (breeding) condition. To obtain it you will have to feed your bird up well, giving him a little hemp (let it be good and sound) now and again, in addition to the sunflower. Sunflower heads out of the garden (containing ripe seed) are excellent; so is beech-mast; likewise the various nuts, especially the shelled kinds sold (mixed) at shops catering for vegetarians; while berries (black, privet, hawthorn, mountain ash, etc.), are very valuable. Don't too, forget two or three mealworms daily. You can't expect any bird to acquire a blue beak a few days after he has been moulted.

A LARK FOOD (J. Little).—I do not use this kind of food for my own Larks, but the ordinary kind of insectile mixture (as used for Nightingales, etc.), so cannot very well express an opinion as to its song-producing qualities. I am aware, however, that it is a kind of food very popular amongst Lark-keepers, and as they get plenty of music from their birds it obviously must answer very well. The basis is pea-meal, and there are also present crushed biscuit, crushed seed of various kinds (hemp, canary, millet, etc.). It is not, however, the food known as "German paste." Larks will eat it either dry or moistened with a few drops of water.

A LINNET'S TROUBLE (E. Eagles).—The seed diet would not cause the feathers to drop out. Thousands of Linnets are fed on "black and brown," with the addition of a little "white" (canary seed). The bird cannot have moulted yet, surely. Probably it was kept under unhealthy condition by its late owner (in a small cage in a hot, stuffy room, for instance), and may be troubled with red-mite. I presume you are managing the bird better now. If the skin has a healthy (normal) look, just rub it once daily for three or four days with a very little boric ointment, applying it with the tip of a finger and rubbing gently the way the plumage should lie. If the skin has an unhealthy look (dry or scurfy), use Kerol ointment. I have found this treatment successful, and several correspondents have written me stating that they have had good results follow its adoption.

IN A GREENHOUSE (E.O.).—Birds as a rule do not do well in a greenhouse along with plants, the atmosphere being two moist (damp) and heavy, while in the summer such a place tends to get oppressively hot. You seem to have done all that is possible to make the place satisfactory; you could whiten the roof when the hot weather approaches (or, rather, the season for it). Cats, I may say, can be a terrible nuisance on glass roofs! Their appearance there may send the birds into a panic, causing great damage to plumage, and even more serious injury. I should never have plain (clear) glass in the roof of any of my own bird-houses if there was any chance of a cat getting thereon. I think, too, you would find it safest and best to fit wired frames (half inch mesh) over the ventilator openings.

A SKYLARK (Learner).—Get one ounce of syrup of buckthorn from a chemist and stir half a teaspoonful into the bird's drinking water (two to three tablespoonfuls), for one or two days. This will soon bring the excrement to a normal state, and put a stop to the twitching." Don't, of course, give it for too long a period—i.e., make the excreta very loose and watery. I have often said that I do not care for Lark food that is composed almost entirely of pea-meal. If people will use it, I can't help it; they are, of course, entitled to their own opinion. Pea-meal is not an easily digested food-stuff. I have on occasions found it in the excrement, apparently unchanged; so it could not have been doing the birds much good, could it?

SEED SAMPLES; AND TWO OTHERS (J. E. Wood).—(1) I don't think the rape is all of the "German summer" brand; it varies remarkably in size, and some of it is very "mustardy" to the taste when chewed. I should say it is a mixture. The

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylork," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

teazle seems to be very big, clean, and good. (2) It does not matter in the least whether the hen Bullie eats live food, so far as the laying of eggs is concerned; she will lay right enough, when the spring comes round, mealworms or no mealworms, providing she is in good breeding condition. I think, however, that her taste in the matter of live food will alter when the breeding season comes round—and before, if you can get her to taste a mealworm. If she is tame, cut the head off a mealworm and "plague" her with the body, causing her to bite at it—once she tastes the juicy morsel she will eat it with as much joy as I swallow oysters (when I can afford them). (3) The best way undoubtedly is to pair a cock Canary to a hen Bullfinch.

A GOLDIE AND A LINNET (J. Dalland, or Holland).—Evidently you are quite a beginner at bird-keeping, and you would gain much useful information at very trifling cost by reading the "Nutshell" booklets on the Goldfiuch and the Linnet. Our publisher would send both for 5d., post free. A brass Canary cage is not a good cage for a fresh-caught Goldfinch, neither is the inside of a window a good position in which to hang him. It is his wildness that causes him to be always trying to get his head through the wires. He would be better in a proper Finch stock cage (illustrated in the "Nutshell" booklet) until he steadies down. An all-wire cage is not a suitable cage (in my opinion) for any Goldfinch, though a very steady, house-moulted Finch would be unlikely to come to much harm in it. The young Linnet may pick up an odd note or two from the hen Mule, and strictly speaking, this will certainly not do his song any good, but it will make no difference to his singing his own (the Linnet) song, as they will only be additional notes. One of my own young Linnets has, I notice, picked up the call of a cock Goldfinch Mule.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

GENERAL.

Answered by The Editor.

J. Andrews.—Have previously illustrated a similar notion.

H. Hill.—Your club notice did not reach us until after we had gone to press.

A. A. Vickers.—Nos. 1 and 2 we have utilised before; will try to find room for No. 3 in due course.

Well Wisher.—After due consideration we must ask to be excused the publication of your letter. Parts of it, in any case, were quite unprintable.

G. Mitchell.—Thanks for the excellent photo, which we will reproduce in the near future.

Cymro.—Your question will be found answered in Mr. Weston's query columns.

Jas. Jefferies.—We will find a corner, with pleasure, for your photograph in one of our forthcoming special issues.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Ayr C.B.C.—Oct. 16, Academy Hall, 7.30. Washing exhibition by Mr. R. McKay. Stewards, etc., for open show. Friends invited.—James Sloan.

Anfield Plain C.B.S.—Oct. 12, Mr. Lumley's, 7. Table show, Nor. Yell. Bord. Yell., Yorks. Yell., A.O.V. Can., and Redpoll. Judge, Mr. J. Snell. Important business. Subs. due.—R. Peart.

Ashton-under-Lyne O.S.—Oct. 12, P.S.A. Rooms, Final table show for points specials. Nor. 5, Yorks. 5, Brit. 4. Staged at 3; open 5; admission free.—J. R. Colville.

Annfield Plain F. and F. C.B.S.—Oct. 12, Smith Arms, Catchgate, 7.30. Important.—J. W. Christon, Sec.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Oct. 15, Onward Hall, 8. Annual show business; allotting specials. Sharp practice debate.—J. Spencer.

Brighton and Hove C.B.A.—Oct. 16, Headquarters, 8.30 sharp. Table show. Classes: 1 Yorks. (Champ. 2 Yorks. (Nov.), 3 Nor., 4 Gold. or Bullfinch; 5 A.O.V. Brit. Judge, Mr. H. James. The judging competition will be resumed. Annual show particulars will be ready.—W. H. Gibb.

Bristol C.B.S.—Oct. 14, City Hotel, Wine Street, 8. Final reading of schedule, allotting specials, and general business.—Mrs. B. L. Pool.

Bramley O.S.—Oct. 14, Old Union Inn, Bramley, 8. Monthly meeting and October show business. W. H. Steel.

Bradford East O.S.—Oct. 15, Park Chapel Schools, 8. Lecture and debate by Mr. L. Briggs. Allotting of members' specials for 1912.—H. Hill.

Bankfoot C.B.S.—Oct. 15, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Lecture, "A Novice's Advice to Beginners." Arrangements for members' show, social and dance, and other important business. F. Gelder.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Oct. 12, Shoulder of Mutton, Girlington, 8. Business of members' show, held Oct. 16 in club rooms. Birds to be staged by 9 a.m.; entries taken the night prior. Judge, R. Halliday.—Killburn and Western.

Blaydon-on-Tyne C.B.S.—Oct. 12, Co-op. Library, 8. Drawing of specials, etc.—Geo. Harver.

Birkenhead C.F.A.—Oct. 15, Ablett's Cafe, Market Street, 8. Lecture on pedigree and hereditary breeding by Mr. Cutmore. Fanciers and friends invited. —Geo. Norton.

Bermondsey and Rotherhithe F.A.—Oct. 17, Jolly Gardeners, 8. Payment of prizes and specials. Annual show business, etc.—John Clark.

Coventry O.S.—Oct. 16, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Presentation of schedule; all specials must be in.—A. J. Barratt.

Chester-le-Street C.B.S.—Oct. 12, 7.30. Show business.—J. Hedley.

Cardiff C.B.S.—Oct. 17, Markell's Hotel, 8. Final show arrangements; all specials to be in and other matter for schedule.—E. Thomas.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Oct. 14, Church Institute, 60, Paddington Street, Marylebone, W., 8.15 Washing exhibition. Interested visitors warmly welcomed.—H. W. Dickinson.

Darlington C.B.S.—Oct. 16, Labour Hall, 7.30 November show business. Members' subscriptions are due to compete for specials.—H. Todd.

Derwent Valley.—Oct. 12, 2, Victoria Terrace Hamsterley Colliery, 7. Final arrangements for show.—Lindsay and Marsh.

Denton C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Brotherhood Rooms, 8 Show business; entry forms ready. Subscriptions due.—W. Hopwood.

Edinburgh and Dist. C.B.S.—Oct. 15, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie Road, 7.30. Annual show business; table show, and judging competition, confined to novices. Borders 3 classes, Norwich and Crests 3, Scots, Fancy, Mule and Hybrid 1 each.—J. I. Mackie.

Eccles C.B.S.—Oct. 16, Diamond Inn, 8.30. Interesting discussion; the future welfare of our club.—Thomas Peters (pro. tem.).

East Bowling B.F.A.—Oct. 12, St. John's School, 2.45. Meeting and show. Judge, Mr. F. Allen (Cleckheaton).—L. Booth.

Garston B.B.A.—Oct. 17, Club Room, 8. Arrangements for old show.—A. T. Mullock.

Great Horton O.S.—Oct. 12, Butchers' Arms, 8.—J. Holroyd.

Haltwhistle C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Mr. Nicholson's, 7.30. Open show business. Will members please try and get all specials in for this meeting.—Nicholson and Tallantyre.

Halifax O.S.—Oct. 12, Plummet Line Hotel, 8. Special meeting for old show business.—Harry Clegg.

Hyde C.B.S.—Oct. 14, St. George's School, 8. Important show business.—T. Allsop.

Jarrow, Hebburn C.B.S.—Oct. 16, Lockhart's Cafe, 7.30. Special meeting.—W. Ayers.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Oct. 19, Public Hall, 7. Receive entries for annual show.—J. Pollock.

Leicester C.B.S.—Oct. 16, Saracen's Head Hotel, 8.15. Table show: Nor. Yell., Unflighted, Open and Novice. Washing exhibition by Mr. J. Heighton. Fanciers invited.—J. Cook.

Lancashire and Lizard F.A.—Oct. 12, Old Boar's Head Hotel, Manchester, 6.30. General business.—John Rukin.

London and Provincial O.S.—Oct. 17, The Raglan, St. Martins-le-Grand, 8. Washing competition for members; judge, Mr. T. Heath. Members please bring own birds. Visitors welcome.—C. W. Law.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Oct. 15, White Swan, 8.30. Clearance night. Schedules ready.—A. Freestone.

Middleton C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Old Boar's Head, 8. Back-end show and important business.—J. Oldham.

Musselburgh O.S.—Oct. 19, Cossar's Tea Rooms, 5.30. Show business.—W. Nisbet.

Macclesfield C.B.S.—Oct. 17, Daybrook St. School, 7.45. Washing exhibition by Mr. C. Cross, and show business. Special meeting.—Fred. Broadhurst.

Middlesbrough and Tees-Side C.B.S.—Oct. 12, Crown Hotel, 8. Business very important; open show.—Arthur Wake.

Nottingham and Notts. O.S.—Oct. 15. Show business; important.—J. G. Royce.—(Time and place not stated.—Ed.).

National Green-Marked Y.C.C.—Oct. 12, Manningham Show, 5. Classification at the Palace.—E. Clegg.

North London C.B.A.—Oct. 16, headquarters, 8. Yorks. judging competition.—P. W. Jeffries.

Plumstead and Woolwich C.B.S.—Oct. 17, headquarters, Beresford Street, Woolwich, 8. A washing exhibition by Mr. H. Newnham, followed by a competition, when medal is offered for novices. Friends invited.—E. Meades.

Pendleton and Salford O.S.—Oct. 14, Irwell Castle, Lower Broughton. 8. Important show business. Members joining will be in time for November show. —Critchley and Metcalfe.

Portobello C.B.S.—Oct. 15, Masonic Hall, 8. Show business, entries, etc.—J. Davideon.

Sale and Dist. C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Volunteer Hotel, 8. Open show business.—Royle and Wood.

South Shields C.B.S.—Oct. 12, Cyprus Hotel, 7.30. Final show business.—W. L. Smith.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Oct. 12, Fawcett St. Cafe, 7.30. Question night.—J. Jeffrey.

Skipton C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Globe Coffee Tavern, 8. Arrangements for Nov. show and other important business.—E. Gill.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Oct. 12, Wharfe Hotel, Sowerby Bridge, 7. Show of unflighted birds: judge, Mr. Wm. Spencer (Hebden Bridge).—Sutcliffe and Walker.

Ushaw Moor Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Oct. 12, 7. Business, show schedule.—H. Briggs.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Oct. 12, Horse and Groom, 6. Members' show; judge, Mr. T. Beutley. Meeting at 8. —H. C. Crossley.

Wombwell B.F.A.—Oct. 19, Park Street School, 7. Very important business.—Thos. Eames.

Walthamstow F.A.—Oct. 17, Trinity Schoolroom. 8. Important business re annual show.—H. C. Cooper.

Winsford C.B.S.—Oct. 11, Club Room. Business of importance.—W. E. Tomkinson, Assist. Sec.

Wakefield O.S.—Oct. 12, Crown and Anchor, 8. Arrangements re members' show, etc.—J. Isherwood.

Correspondence.

New Society for Keith (Scotland).

Sir,—We have formed a club, to be known as the Keith Cage Bird Association, and have decided to hold a show, with 38 classes, on Wednesday, Dec. 11. We have secured the services of Mr. Jas. Sandison, Aberdeen, as judge.

Alex. Rhind, Secretary.

Song After the Moult.

Sir,—I found the following plan answer well with a Thrush which was slow to come into song after moulting. Put the bird in the same room with other singing birds, if you have any; also play and sing on the piano to him, or whistle tunes close to the cage. Miss B. W.

The Y.C. and C.B.S. of Ireland's Forthcoming Show.

Sir,—I am surprised to see by last week's Cage Birds the Y.C. and C.B. Society's show down to take place on Oct. 31st and Nov. 1st next. Is this correct? Knowing that nearly all the Committee had resigned, including the President, I was under the impression the show was defunct. Any information on this point will be thankfully received. Early Closing.

Redpoll Mule and Crested Canary Both in One Clutch.

Sir,—Has any reader had a similar experience to this? I mentioned the matter to an appliance maker to-day and he states it is not possible, and that both birds must be Canaries. I have given him the opportunity of seeing the birds for himself. The Redpoll cock (caught last October) was mated with the Crested hen and filled four eggs, but he ate them after the hen had been sitting eight or nine days. I caged him off after that little lot and paired the hen to a Plainhead cock, but they did not settle down to my liking so I changed again. I ran the Redpoll with her night and morning after the first egg was laid. She had a clutch of four eggs—result was one Crested cock Canary, one Dark Mule (cock), which he helped to rear. G. Mossop.

A Cage Bird Section for Appleby Show.

Sir,—During the past three years the Appleby Fanciers' Society have held a very successful show at Appleby and after persistent requests have secured a cage bird section. We are offering good money prizes: 10s. first, 5s. second, and 2s. 6d. third, for Borders, Crests, Norwich, Yorkshires and British. The show will be held in the Public Hall on Nov. 7th. I am sure that in this district there is a real good opening for a cage bird section. I hope that the cage bird fancy will send along their entries and that this section of the show will prosper and that we may in time establish a cage bird society in this district.

T. T. Balmer.

[Our correspondent should see that the show is advertised in Cage Birds by the Secretary and thus brought to the notice of all exhibitors. We shall be glad to receive and review a schedule in due course. We hope Mr. Balmer's wishes may materialise.—Editor.]

How Can We Make Our Shows Pay?

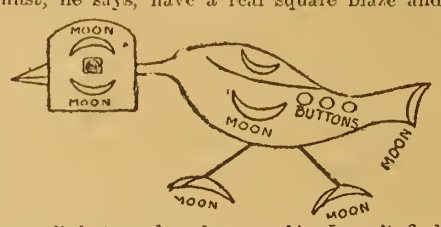
Sir,—Like "Sub Rosa," I was disappointed that my letter of the 14th Sept. had not brought some discussion. There is no doubt that if there were no shows the value of our hobby must decrease, while the occupation of others vanishes entirely. It therefore behoves us to make our shows a success. I am glad "Sub Rosa" agrees with me on some points. Where do we differ? (1) I said 4 classes were sufficient for Yorks. and Norwich in ordinary shows. My friend looks at this from an exhibitor's point of view. Ah! he likes that easy win in the variegated class; so do I, but does it pay the Society? That is my point. (2) I said that the Specialist Club patronage was a doubtful asset, and he thinks he does not agree, yet proves by his statement he does. He says, "given this, the society often loses a little in entrance fees, but this is made up in gate money." Now there is a 3 to 1 chance in my favour. For every 1s. 6d. entry that is kept away the society must get three visitors. Do they get them? I think not. Even if they do, what they lose on the swings they find on the roundabouts, and it has not benefited them. They must have 2s. worth of visitors for that lost entry. Truly a doubtful asset. Yes, that printer's bill must be kept down, and to advertise the schedule in Cage Birds will do it with no trouble to secretary, no wrappers to buy, no schedules to go astray, no stamps to lick, and no trouble to exhibitors. They will see the schedule and post entries before they have time to change their minds. I see the 2s. entry fee is out again this year. Must have it, they say. Ask Plymouth, they know how do do it. I say again it is absurd. It may suit a few, but it is too much for the working man. Who will it pay you best to please, the one or the many? There were other questions I raised, but, as you said, Mr. Editor, I answered them. Am I right? We shall see at the end of the season, when another society or two have gone under. Is it to be yours, or one of those I am interested in? "Wait and see" may be good enough in the House of Commons, but it won't suit the Fancy. To drift with the tide is easy, but, alas, fatal.

Ex Show Manager.

The Up-to-date (!) Exhibition British Goldfinch.

How it Should be Marked.

Sir,—I have enclosed you a sketch of a Goldfinch which a gentleman has sent me, requesting me to send him one like it. It must, he says, have a real square blaze and



be well buttoned and mooned! I can't find such a bird in my collection, but perhaps some of your readers may possess one; if so, I should like to hear of same.

Weymouth Fancier.

The Suggested Cage Bird Society for Bucks.

Sir,—I saw a letter in your last issue from Mr. T. W. Fryer of the above subject. We are very busy at present, but in order to make a start, will be willing to do a little writing till a meeting can be arranged. We are of opinion that the meeting, time, place, etc., should be left to the majority of the fanciers who join; we mean that, should say a dozen be willing to join from Aylesbury, and a less number from either Wycombe or Slough, send in names, then hold the meeting at Aylesbury, or at whichever place is likely to produce the most members. We refrain from settling on Aylesbury, owing to residing there ourselves. The great advantage we have is the splendid railway service running into the town from all parts of the country, which has above a twenty-five miles radius. We should be pleased to hear from anyone willing to join. If they would send their names and addresses, together with suggestions as to time and place, we shall be happy to arrange a meeting in due course.

F. and T. Bowler.

80, New Street, Aylesbury.

The Bell Tour in Roller Canaries.

Sir,—I was pleased to see in your last issue a letter from that sterling fancier, Mr. Fisher. He was the first, I believe, to criticise the merits of the bell tour. I was proud to think that one had raised an objection, and had advocated the sacrifice of a tour, at a time when there was an all-round cry of shortness of variety and monotony of song. I seconded the proposal, and one other letter appeared on the subject, and I thought it regrettable that the idea should have then been allowed to drop. When so many meaningless names are used to further the sale of the German Canary, will you allow me to point out, for the benefit of the uninitiated, that the term "Glucke strain" is no misnomer. For the present it is suitable for us to divide the Glucke strain into "Glucke" and "Water Glucke." The former is easily recognised by its similarity to the clucking of a broody hen—"Glucke-luck-luck." A resemblance to the "Water Glucke" is given off by the sound emitted when emptying a bottle of water; the bird delivers it more rapidly, but the sound is less distinct. The consonants in both tours are guttural—Latin "Guttur," the throat—and delivered with a closed beak. I am very much interested in that excellent article, "Unprolificacy in Canaries," by Mr. Steel. It is gratifying to note that this has not yet made itself noticeable to any extent in the Roller Canary. We can supply each year the steadily increasing demand. It will be noticed that I advised a similar method of using the tutor, though on a much lesser scale, to the one described under the heading of "Mormonism," by Mr. Steel.

J. Tomlinson.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

The Late Despatch of Show Catalogues.

Sir,—Now that the show season has commenced, I should be very glad if you would give me a little space in your valuable paper and fanciers' friend, Cage Birds, to draw the attention of secretaries holding open shows to what I think is one of the causes why open shows do not pay, and are a loss to the societies. It is the dispatch of the catalogue of awards to exhibitors who send their money for same. What is more disappointing to a novice who sends his money for a catalogue, so that he can see how his birds are going on before he gets them back, to find that he receives the birds before the catalogue. I think it is a shame he cannot get it at the latest by the morning post following the day of judging. I know that I shall not send for a catalogue, unless I specially want one for my own purpose, as I have had to wait two to four days; in fact, this year I sent money for one, and it had not come up to Sunday. I know that secretaries have a lot of work at these times, but I think one of their members should go through the entry forms and make out the wrappers and see that they are posted to exhibitors as soon as possible. It would lessen the secretary's work and worry, and be pleasanter to all concerned.

H. T. Kelsall.

The Enamelling of New Wooden Cages.

Sir,—In reply to "W.H.," re the above query, I should like to point out to him that the use of size for an undercoat for enamel is one of the worst things imaginable. The reason is that the size must be sufficiently thick to stop all suction of the wood, so that if kept in a dry place it would crack and peel off. The proper way would be to prepare the work with an undercoat of paint, tinted to the nearest possible shade of the enamel. A quicker way, and nearly as satisfactory, is as follows: Get some "Hall's Washable Distemper," give the wood work two coats of this (near the tint of the enamel), when dry apply the enamel direct on the top of this. It is much better if "W.H." is not an expert enameller, to apply two thin coats, instead of one thick coat; he will make a much better job. The use of glass paper between each coat will make a much neater finish. If "W.H." will take my advice, he will not use a camel hair brush for enamelling, but get a small hog hair (flat) brush from any colour shop, price about 6d. This is very much stiffer and will allow the enamel to be spread much more evenly over the surface Don't do the enamelling in a cold room. Stand your brush in a small quantity of turps. when you have finished with it.

Foreman Painter (C.G.L.I.)

The Conveyance of Live Birds at Owner's Risk.

Sir,—In reply to your correspondent "Border," I should like to ask whether the birds were actually sent at "Owner's risk" rate, as stated. Although I am a railway servant, I have not heard of birds conveyed otherwise than at "Company's risk." As you are aware the railway companies made an increase of 50 p.c. carriage on live birds, and, at that rate they acknowledged liability in case of mishap, to the magnanimous sum of 5s. each bird. At any rate, there is no such thing as "Owner's risk" with the company by whom I am employed. If "Border" paid the usual rate of 4d., plus 50 per. cent for the package of birds, the weight of which did not exceed 2lbs., then he can claim 5s. for each bird lost in transit. I hope this will help "Border" to get the compensation to which he is entitled, if I am not mistaken. Coinage Hey.

[The writer of the letter stated that the birds were consigned at "Owner's risk."—Editor.]

Sir,—I notice you say no claim can be sustained, but you are wrong for once, as I have quite recently had a claim paid for a Bramblefinch sent from Handsworth Wood Station to Sidmouth. After eleven week's correspondence, I received the value of the birds and threepence for correspondence up to the time I made the claim; but I wrote lots of letters before I received the 1s. 6d. During the time of waiting, I received two or three nasty letters from my customer, although I had assured him the matter was having my attention. If this should meet his eye, I hope he will lose no time in acknowledging the receipt of 1s. 3d. for bird and an additional 3d., which I sent to pay for the very nice letters he sent me. Of course this case is rather different to "Border's," as the entire consignment was lost in my case, and no trace whatever could be found of it after leaving our station. "Border" would have to prove to the satisfaction of the railway company that nine birds were dispatched, and this would want a bit of doing. This raises another point: Who is the owner? I consider that the moment the seller received the cash the goods became the purchaser's property although he had a perfect right to return them at seller's expense, if wrongly described, or, in the case of live stock, if unhealthy; but for any other reason he must pay all expenses incurred. For instance, say they were not what he thought they were, then he returns them and pays carriage both ways, etc.

H. Lewis.

[Did Mr. Lewis sign a special "Owner's risk" consignment note, or were the birds sent under the usual condition, i.e., that 50 per cent. excess carriage was to be paid?—Editor.]

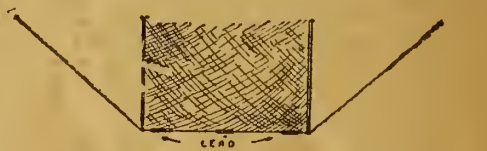
Is the Scotch Fancy on the Decline?

Sir,—As a visitor to Paisley Scots Fancy bird show on Saturday last I was more than disappointed to learn from some of the members present that the show had seemed to have lost to a good extent the sympathy and support that was accorded it in the past. Not only has Paisley cause to lament this state of affairs but others have equal cause to complain. As a regular attendant at the shows during the season for the past two or three years I have been surprised to find in some of our County shows classes for all varieties except Scotch Fancies, and all have the one answer to the query—Why not have Scotch Fancy classes? "No use, we can't get any support to warrant us in doing so," is the general reply. Why this state of matters should be I fail to see. Scotland, to whom belongs the credit of breeding the "Bird of Circle," and one of the most graceful and stylish of the Canary family, i.e., the Scotch Fancy Canary must surely be on the decline, and for what reason I certainly do not see, unless it be the high prices in demand for good breeding birds. To buy a fair pair of such at the present time certainly means pounds; up to £100. In fact, it is far beyond the reach of the average man's purse to begin with Scotch Fancies, and the result is that, being determined to go into the Fancy, he joins the ranks of the Norwich and allied breeders, where he can purchase a breeding pair and not feel the pinch so badly on his income. Unless these big prices come down with a thump the result will be that the Scotch Fancy Canary in a year or two will be like the Dutch Frilled Canary, once the pride of our friends over the border but now a breed of the past to a very great extent. I shall be glad to have the opinions, Mr. Editor, of some of your Scotch friends. Is the Scotch Fancy Canary on the decline and what in their opinion is the reason?

Norwich Ck.

A "Tip" for Users of Small Clap-nets.

Sir,—I think this will prove useful to fanciers who capture their own birds with small clap-nets, etc. If the net is not pegged exactly square it is very likely that when same is pulled over it will not fall flat to the ground, especially if it is set in long



grass. Now if some pieces of sheet lead are bent round the poles, etc., as shown in sketch, they will hold the net flat on the ground and prevent the escape of birds near the edge of the nets. I hope it may prove useful to some of our readers.

W. J. Williams.

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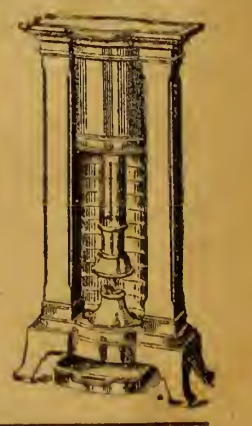
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Does Hemp Seed Ruin Canaries?

Sir,—It will be interesting to know how the young bird of Mr. Newton's is going on. If he has saved it from the terrible "going light" disease, my note of warning will not have been sounded in vain. Fanciers can take it that the seed which caused my birds to go wrong was a very good sample. Good hemp weighs heavy and lies in a very small compass, but the best way to test is to eat some. Samuel Pratt says, give them a pinch and it will do them no harm. I quite agree with him but that pinch must be small, say about two grains every 24 hours. Good hemp causes copious excrement and when this is so there is always the danger of nesting diarrhœa. A hen that is bringing up a brood of young by herself is attempting a strenuous task and anything that tends to looseness is neither good for her nor the young. How can young Canaries be as sound when fed upon hemp as those that are fed upon Spanish canary? The value of the former in nutritive, nourishing and sustaining properties, is far below that of the latter and the young birds are bound to be weaker. Canaries are exceedingly fond of hemp, and if you only give them a little they will knock the other seeds all over the room looking for more. Good hemp causes nesting diarrhœa and many a valuable hen I have lost through using this popular seed. As for giving it hens whole, so as to keep them off the young, I will say this: hens that have to have such remedies applied to them are not much use. A hen that is worth its keep knows the time she should enter and leave the nest, and those that sit upon the young when they are restless and hungry are a great source of worry to the fancier, and the young are apt to take after them; such hens are never allowed in my birdroom. A good few of the large fanciers when giving their experiences to members of clubs rarely mention hemp, and when they do, put up the "red flag" and say, use very carefully and in small quantities. The expert I referred to in my letter was Mr. E. S. Lugg, and it was published some time before that of Mr. Claude St. John. Mr. Lugg gave us the various useful properties of different kinds of seeds and to say that he put hemp very low in the scale of useful seeds is drawing it mildly and if I am not mistaken he said it was a dangerous seed to use. I am only giving my experiences. Those who are doing well with hemp, keep on with it, and those who are not, let them try a season without it and I am satisfied they won't regret it. I agree with Jim Adams about celery tops; give them the stalks as well, Jim, they are very fond of them, and I am a great believer in celery.

JOHN CANNING.

In the Courts.

WELL-KNOWN LONDON DEALER FINED UNDER THE NEW ACT.

At Bow Street, London, on Oct. 7, Cecil Isaacs, a naturalist, of Shaftesbury Avenue, appeared in answer to summonses charging him with ill-treating a Thrush, two Linnets, a Goldfinch, and six Hedge Sparrows, which, it was alleged, had been kept in a filthy condition in small cages, with inadequate supplies of food and water. Mr. Harry Wilson supported the complaint on behalf of the Society for the Protection of Birds.

Defendant said there had never before been any complaint of negligence or cruelty against him or any of his predecessors during the eighty-one years the business had been in existence.

He declared that all the birds were perfectly healthy, except two which were moulting. It was not true that one of the birds had a broken wing; but it was a common thing for birds in captivity to break their wing and tail feathers. The Hedge Sparrows were for the purpose of "steadying" other birds which it might be necessary to keep in an outdoor aviary for a time for the purpose of improving their plumage.

The defence was that the birds were well cared for, but were moulting. A policeman said he saw little wrong with them, and a bird fancier gave similar evidence.

Sir Albert De Rutzen, in giving his decision, said in the course of a very long experience he had never had a case of exactly the same sort as this before him. The cruelty alleged was not the cruelty of catching wild birds and keeping them in confinement, but the complaint arose out of the way in which they were alleged to have been kept. With regard to the two Linnets, the Thrush, and the Goldfinch, he thought there was sufficient evidence to warrant him in saying that there was cruelty, both with respect to the want of food and water and the state in which the birds were kept. He proposed to take a very lenient course, but he hoped the case would be a lesson to others, because it was a very cruel thing—although it might not be cruelty in the eyes of the law—to catch these wild birds and put them in cages hardly big enough to hold them, in which they knocked themselves about. He ordered the defendant to pay fines and costs amounting to £3 11s.

Defendant: When this case is reported, hundreds and thousands of birds will be killed because they are not in perfect condition, and therefore it will not be safe to keep them. The effect of this will be that you must not keep a bird unless it is absolutely in show form.

The Magistrate: I have not said so.

TIMELY HINTS.

Two prizes of 2s. 6d. each (cash or our books to value, at option of winners) given weekly to the senders of the two best Hints. All hints must be WRITTEN ON POSTCARDS, *with sender's name and address at foot, and reach us by Monday's post.*

A Cure for Diarrhœa.

A cure for diarrhœa in Linnets, Canaries, and other birds, is to put as much catechu in the water as will cover a sixpence (the catechu should be crushed to powder after it has been obtained from the chemist). The water will take it up in about an hour.—J. Belsham (Pemberton, Wigan).

Quick Way of Cleaning Cages.

[Winner of Half-crown Prize.]

When you have the cage drawer nice and clean, get a piece of paper that will just fit into drawer, and put the sand, etc., on top. Then when you want to clean out the cage again you have only to lift the paper with sand, etc., on top, and put in fresh in its place.—Cecil Yorke (Waterworks, Dosborough).

Glue as Substitute for Enamel.

I have found a cheap way to make show cages like new. For the outside get and use a pennyworth of Brunswick black. For the inside get two-pennyworth of white glue. Dissolve the glue in hot water and colour this with a little blue. Put it on, while warm, with a paint brush. It will do several cages, is equal to enamel and far cheaper.—W. Heal (St. Luke's, E.C.).

Wormwood as a Mite Destroyer.

[Winner of Half-crown Prize.]

My method to keep clear of red mite where the cages are placed on top of each other is to get a supply of wormwood and place some between each cage; also bore a small hole in the end of each perch and stuff some in the hole; likewise place some under the sand-tray. It won't do the birds any harm, and no insects can live where it is, as it is certain destruction to all kinds of such vermin.—Wm. Welsh (Jarrow-on-Tyne).

To Keep Paint Brush Soft.

When you commence to either paint or enamel your cages, and you find out that you cannot finish them in one night, don't wash out the brush in turpentine, just take and put it in a jar with sufficient cold water to cover the bristles. You will find this will keep the brush soft; then when you are ready to use it just take it out of the jar, shake the water off, and it will then be ready for use.—C. Oates, (241, Pitsmoor Road, Sheffield).

A Trap Perch.

My method of keeping down the red mite in perches is to use a straight piece of green elder, without knots, for the perches. Burn out the pith with a piece of thin iron rod, heated in an ordinary fire, so as to make the perches hollow. Burn with the same iron small holes on the top and bottom, about four inches apart, so the insects can get into the hollow of the perches by day. Take your perches out at night and push the heated iron through the stick, killing all the insects inside.—L. Woollacott (Kingkerswell).

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

A Note About Our Medals.

I have had several enquiries lately as to whether Associates of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE are entitled to win medals given for competition among members of the LEAGUE. I would, therefore, once more point out that the medals will be for competition among members only. Competitors need not necessarily be members of the society holding the show, the idea being to benefit societies which are entitled to the medals, by attracting entries from LEAGUE members generally, but winners of the Medals must be paid members of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE at the date of the show, and must put the letters C.B.L. against their entries when filling up their entry forms.

A Dealer Convicted of Cruelty.

In another column, under the heading "In the Courts," appears an account of a case heard at Bow Street on Tuesday last in which a bird-dealer was heavily fined for having, as alleged, kept several birds in dirty cages, and without sufficient food and water. If the facts were as alleged, and the prosecution convinced the magistrate that it was so, no member of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE will have any sympathy with the defendant, and his statement that when the case was reported "thousands of birds will be killed because it will not be safe to keep them" must be taken for what it is worth. If there are bird-dealers who keep their stock in circumstances which render it possible for a prosecution to succeed, then the sooner they are taught the ordinary principles of humanity the better. There are, fortunately, very many bird-dealers whose shops are kept in such a way that they have no fear of the success of any prosecution which may be brought against them, and those dealers who do not bring themselves into line will have only themselves to thank for the consequences. They may rest assured that they will be reached under the new Act, and no bird lover will have any sympathy with them. The unfortunate part of the matter is that cases such as these afford a handle to those who fling accusations of cruelty to right and left against everyone who keeps a bird, and a success such as the last one atones in their mind for the many failures experienced by the over officious individuals who see cruelty where none exists, and who subject quite innocent bird-dealers to the indignity and expense of a prosecution.

Badges for Fanciers.

In the correspondence columns last week there appeared a letter from an old reader who suggests that if bird lovers would wear a small badge or token whenever possible, the badges would serve as a means of introduction between one bird lover and another. This is exactly what I have time and again pointed out in these notes. Many hundreds of bird lovers in all parts of our islands, and abroad, are already wearing the neat badge of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE, and I know that the badges have been in very many cases the means of setting up a friendship between bird-lovers who would otherwise have remained strangers to each other.

The badges are not for sale. They are supplied only to members of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE, or to Associates of the LEAGUE. CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE members are supplied with Rolled Gold Badges upon payment of their subscription to the LEAGUE, but button badges are provided, without any payment at all, to those who will take the trouble to sign the coupon which is to be found each week at the foot of these notes, and to get five of their friends each to sign a similar coupon. All that is then necessary is to send the six coupons to me, together with a penny stamp, and an enamelled badge will be sent in exchange.

Many hundreds of readers of our paper are already in possession of these badges, and the number of people who have signed the promise to treat their birds with kindness runs into thousands. This is a scheme which should appeal to all bird lovers, and I am exceedingly gratified that it has been so widely taken up during the short time in which it has been in existence. There are plenty more badges in stock, and I hope that the letter to which I have referred will be the means of a raid being made upon the large number which are ready for sending out.

For particulars of membership, badges, etc., see page 785 of last week's issue.

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How to become an Associate.

Many readers of CAGE BIRDS have written to say that they would like to join CAGE BIRDS' LEAGUE but cannot afford the subscription. To meet their wishes we have decided to form, in connection with the LEAGUE, a body of Associates. All we ask of these Associates is that *they will promise to give every possible attention to the wants of their birds.* And they must induce others to see that their birds are kept happy and contented.

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REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Kelty and Blairadam.—Oct. 19, Gothenburg Hall, Kelty. Judges, W. D. Hogg, J. Stevenson, A. Hunter, F. Robertson, R. Martin, R. V. Raine. 76 open classes: Scots Fancy 10, Bord. 10, Yorks. 7, A.O.V. 1, Common 1, Crest 9, Nor. 16, Mules 3, Brit. 15, For. 4. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 14, to A. Dickson, 37, Adam's Terrace.

Barnstaple.—Oct. 29, 30, Market Hall. Judges, Messrs. T. Heath, R. J. Blackmore. 40 open classes: Belgians 4, Yorks. 4, Nor. 6, Crest 8, Scots Fancy 1, A.O.V. 1, Pairs 1, Nov. 1, Sell. 3, Mules 2, Brit. 5, For. 4. Prizes 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 22, to J. D. Horrill, Exhibition Office, High Street.

City of Glasgow.—Oct. 18, 19, Drill Hall, Stirling Road. Judges, Messrs. Wm. Rodger, J. Dalgleish, A. Nisbet, G. Fulton, J. Park, J. Ward, A. G. Cameron, A. Harris, W. Paul, D. F. Webster, T. Arnot, G. Hislop, A. W. Watson, J. Livingstone. 90 classes: Scots Fancy 19, (2 Sell.), Belg. 2, Nor. 18 (2 Nov., 2 Sell.), Crest 5, Bord. 12, Yorks. 7, A.O.V. 1, Mules 8, Brit. 15, For. 3. Prizes, 15s., 10s., 5s., 4s., 2s.; fee 2s. Ent. close Oct. 12, Scots Fancy and Belg. to J. Young, 88, High Street, Rutherglen, remainder to R. Heggie, 27, McLennan Street, Mt. Florida, Glasgow.

Middlesbrough.—Oct. 19, Victoria Hall, Linthorpe Road. Judges, W. A. Cowgill, F. Marwood. 30 open classes: Yorks. 6, Nor. 6, Cinn. 1, Crest 2, A.O.V. 1, Mule 2, Sell. 3, Brit. 8, For. 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s., 1s.; fee 1s. Ent. close Oct. 14 to A. Wake, 128, Princes Road.

London and P.O.S.—Oct. 23, 24, Holborn Hall, Gray's Inn Road. Judges, Messrs. T. Heath, J. Robson, A. Silver. 58 classes: Champ. Nor. 5, Yorks. 5, Crest 2, Bord. 1, Cinn. 1, A.O.V. 1, Nov. Nor. 5, Yorks. 5, Crest 2, Bord. 1, Cinn. 1, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 3, Brit., open 10, Novice 4; Mules, open 4, Nov. 3; For. 4. Prizes, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-; fee 2/-. Ent. close Oct. 14, to C. W. Law, Brimley House, Woodhouse Road, N. Finchley.

Hartlepools.—Oct. 26, St. George's Hall, West Hartlepool. Judges, H. W. Battye, J. Maddison. 36 open classes: Yorks. 10, Nor. 8, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 3, Mule 2, Brit. 10, For. 2. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s., 1s.; fee 1s. Ent. close Oct. 21, to Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Road, W. Hartlepool.

Ct. Horton O.S.—Oct. 19, Congregational Schools, High Street. Judges, Messrs. H. Sutcliffe, T. Bennett. 29 open classes: Yorks. 25 (8 Nov.), Sell. 2, Nov. Nor. 2. Prizes, 10s., 6s., 4s., 2s. 6d., 2s.; fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 15, to J. Holroyd, 27, Kingswood Street.

Chatham.—(Open to Kent), Oct. 24, 25. Queen's Hall, Military Road. Judge, Mr. S. E. Eastmead. 19 open classes: Nor. 4, Yorks. 3, A.O.V. 1, Mule 2, Brit. 6, For. 2, Sell. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; fee 1s. 9d. Ent. close Oct. 19, to H. Wray, 22, Glencoe Road.

Border City (Carlisle).—Oct. 30, 31, King's Hall, Globe Lane. Judges, Messrs. A. Brown, W. Nicholson, J. Robson. 65 classes: Scots. Fancy 2, Bord. 14, Nor. 10 (2 Sell.), Crest 2, Yorks. 10 (2 Sell.), Mules 4, Brit. 18 (1 Local), For. 5. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 3s., 2s.; fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 21, to J. C. Bell, 23, Botchergate, Carlisle.

Braintree F.A.—Oct. 26, Corn Exchange. Judge, Mr. G. Gardner. 13 classes: Nor., Crest, Yorks., 1912, A.O.V., Sell (2), Nov., Mule, Brit. (3). For. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s.; fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 14, to F. A. Hunnable, Selbannuh, London Road.

Swindon.—Oct. 26, Bridge Street Club (20 mile radius). Judge, Mr. W. Dutch. 7 open classes: Nor., Yorks., A.O.V., Mule, Brit., For., Sell. Prizes, 7/-, 3/-, 1/6. Fee, 1/-. Ent. close Oct. 18, to R. Burge, 13, Edgware Rd.

Newcastle-on-Tyne.—Oct. 18-19, Cambridge Hall. Judges, Messrs. J. C. Barnes, J. T. Clark, J. Stewart, J. Patterson, A. Silver. 82 classes: Nor. 13 (2 Nov.), Cinn. 2, Crest 4, Yorks. 15 (3 Nov.), Scotch Fancy 4, Bord. 15 (2 Nov.), Liz. 2, Sell. 4, Mules 4, Brit. 19 (2 Nov.), For. 6. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 11, to J. W. Reed, 218, Ladykirk Rd.

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The excellent show committee is composed of Messrs. E. Sexton, A. C. Askew, G. J. Warley,—Osborne, W. J. Silverthorn, and H. Yeoman. The feeding, etc., of the various sections was seen to by the following stewards: Messrs. C. T. Maxwell (For. birds), W. H. Vale, A. C. Askew, W. Francis and J. Brighty (Brit.); W. H. Vale and E. Sexton (Hybrids); A. C. Askew, A. S. Healey, G. J. Warley, H. Yeoman and W. J. Silverthorn (Canaries). Mr. A. R. Coe made a most admirable secretary, and by his geniality, as also by his energy, did much to further the success of the fixture. He received excellent assistance from that old war-horse, Mr. A. C. Askew, who for a long time has been a great worker in Clapham birdy circles. The weather was exceedingly favourable on both the Wednesday and the Thursday, and there was a great gathering of bird-lovers to view the record collection brought together, the high quality of the fare being much appreciated. The excellent hall looked at its best.

Some of the Canary classes drew phenomenal entries, champion and novice sections being pretty much alike in this respect. There were 37 in the champion buff Nor. hen class; 46 in the novice unflighted class; while classes of over 20 were frequent in the Yorks. section, 33 unflighted birds being benched by the novices, 27 by the champions.

British birds were undoubtedly a good lot, especially for an early season show. The numbers were excellent, and the quality quite up to standard. The Goldies, Greenies, and Yellow Buntings were somewhat disappointing, but the Linnets, Redpolls, and Brambles made up for any shortcomings in the others. The Brambles were a very fine lot, level and good all through. The winner, owned by Mr. Brotherhood, was a most charming specimen, of good size and grand in colour, spangling, and polish; in fact, a very taking exhibit. The winning Linnet was also a real good one, and should annex more honours during the season. The Softbills were well up to standard, particularly the larger varieties, although the smaller Warblers were well represented, Mr. Frostick again securing honours with his well-known Dartford Warbler.

The judges were Messrs. C. A House (Yorks.), J. Robson (Nor., Bord., Crests and Hyb.), H. Norman (Hardbill Brit., Soft. and Memb. Hyb.), and A. Silver (Softbill Brit. and For.). The latter gentleman deputised for Mr. Fulljames, who was unable to fulfil his engagement. They had an excellent light, got through their work in good time, and we heard very little fault finding with the awards.

The Canary Section.

NOR. YELL. (12): 1, spl, Spillman, very neat and shapely, lovely col., and feather, good wings and tail; 2, hc, Baker, rather larger, grand head, shoulders, and chest, may be a shade longer, but close up; 3, Richardson, grand bodied bird, capital colour and feather, drops tail; 4, Silk, good body shape, nice head, very good colour and feather; vhc, Ellis, takes Sandiford's special; c, Taylor. BUFF (12): 1, c, Baker, very bold, sturdy bird, rare col. and style, good wings and tail; 2, Ellis, plenty of size and col., good head, wings, and tail, not tightened up yet; 3, Hodder, very short and compact, grand body, wings, and tail, full of quality; 4, Thomas, nice type and col., good feathers, not so stout in head; vhc, Gill and Pethick; hc, Wickham. TKD., YELL. (9): 1, Cubby, tkd. on head, very neat and shapely, nice style and shape; 2, Mettara, not so close and fine in feather, nice col. and size; 3, Cook, eye and cap marked, lovely feather and col., very neat and stylish; 4, Gill and Pethick, very hot, cap and wing marked, grand shape and style; vhc, Gunnell; hc, Baker; c, Ellis. BUFF (5): 1, 3, Baker, neck tkd., very stout bodied bird, plenty of col., grandly mealed, not quite ready, 3rd wing tkd., not so much col., fine bold bouncing bird, very showy and stylish; 2, Gill and Pethick, gem of a cheek tkd., beautiful qual., round even col., rare shape and style; 4, Follwell, neck tkd., good shape and col., not so level in front; vhc, Hodder; hc, Houghton; c, Ellis. HEN (27): 1, Baker, grand col. buff, very stout body, good style; 2, Gill and Pethick, not so deep in chest and wide in shoulders, lovely qual. of feather, nice style, paler; 3, Ellis, smart little buff, good feather and style; 4, Hodder, magnificently shaped yell., wonderful qual., rare style; vhc, Richardson; hc, Tringham; c, Martin. UNFLIG. YELL. (29): 1, Houghton, very neat in shape, lovely feather, carries a wealth of col., in grand form; 2, 3, Baker, grand col. and shape, plenty of style, 2nd loses to 1 in head, and 3rd is not tightened up yet; 4, Spillman, very shapely, grandly feathered, not so hot in colour; vhc, Ellis; hc, Pearce; c, Richardson. BUFF (37): 1, Wren, neck tkd., plenty of size, very showy and stylish, good head, but just a trifle browy; 2, Houghton, eye and wing marked, grand qual. of feather, rare style, not so stout in head; 3, Richardson, cheek, wing, and tail marked, grand silky feather, nice col., good type, fails a bit in head; 4, spl, Wickham, very neat grizzled cap, nice type, needs burnishing a bit; vhc, Hodder; hc, Spillman; c, Allsopp. NOV. YELL. (5): 1, Mrs. Williams, very typical, capital col., grandly feathered, neat head, compact wings and tail; 2, Ward, grand shape and style, nice col., not so tight in chest; 3, Small, longer in body, not quite so neat in head, nice col. and feather; 4, Ayling, good shape and style, but rather slack in feather. BUFF (9): 1, Goss, capital shape and col., nice wings and tail, very stylish, rather slack at thighs; 2, Tomsett, good type, short and chubby, nice col.; 3, Small, very shapely and stylish, not ready; 4, Cooper, nice stamp of body, but fails a bit in head; vhc, Taylor; hc, Evans; c, Cole. TKD. YELL. (1): 1, O'Niell, very nice quality variegated col., not stout enough. BUFF (5): 1, Brumhill, neat bodied, stylish, close feathered, nice col., cap mkd.; 2, Cole, good qual., variegated, not quite so compact in body; 3, Elliott, good, shapely, nice-headed bird, just a bit slack in feather; 4, Small, nice little bird, but very unsteady; vhc, Lynn. HEN (20): 1, Elliott, shapely, well feathered, stylish, well mealed buff; 2, Ward, grizzle-headed buff, very typical, splendid col. and qual., we liked; 3, Cobb, very smart and stylish in body, not quite so stout in head, good col.; 4, Evans, very nice, eye and wing marked, capital col., nice feather, loses in head; vhc, Pope; hc, sp, Lewis; c, Miss Edwards. UNFLIG. (46): 1, Elliott, high qual. yell., beautiful col. and feather, nice style, good wings and tail; 2, Tensdale, very pretty, neat bodied buff, short wings and tail, nice style, good feather; 3, Marshall, nice close feathered buff, stylish and good col., not so stout in head; 4, Goss, good type and feather, nice col., bit long in head; vhc, spl, Wade; hc, Hatter; c, Cooper. A.O.V. (6): 1, 4, Andrews, two nice sized, shapely, even coloured yell. cinns., capital quality; 2, 3, Baker, quick actioned, good positioned pair of Belgians, the buff leading; vhc, Leech; hc, Stirling. YORKS, YELL. (17): 1, hc, and three spls, Hawes Bros., long, well drawn clear, lovely col. and feather, neat head, grand back, flights, and tail, full of qual. and grandly staged; 2, Pilcher, better shaped head, lovely feather, very stylish, good shapely body, not so long on leg, neck tkd.; 3, Jones, beautifully modelled, lovely head, back, wings, and tail, but not such a good shower, wants a bit of handling; 4, Mrs. Owen, very smart, stylish clear, grand shape, nice col. and feather, not quite fit; vhc, Venere; c, Stoakley. BUFF (20): 1, Atkins, splendid length and carriage, nice length of side, lovely qual., good head, wings, and tail, nice col., not quite ready; 2, 3, Rorke, wonderful feather, splendid carriage, very neat head, well balanced wings, trifle shorter on leg; 3, splendid shape, length, and carriage, nice col., grand wings and tail, not so neat in head, and not so tight in front; 4, Easterling and Carson, lovely feather and carriage, very nice head, wings, and tail, bit stouter; vhc, Jones; hc, Harris; c, spl, Easterling and Carson. MKD. (17): 1, Jones, head, eyes, and wing buff, grand shape and style, plenty of length, lovely feather, stands well up, in nice form; 2, Rorke, eye and wing mkd. yell., splendidly modelled body, not quite so neat in head, grand wings and tail; 3, Skinner, heavily mkd. yell., splendidly shaped body, grand head, wings, and tail, trifle shorter on legs; 4, Davis, mkd. head, wings, and tail, grand shape and feather, but very unsteady; vhc, Atkins. hc, Hawes Bros.; c, Easterling and Carson. UNFLIG. YELL. (23): 1, Johnson, cinn. mkd. on cheeks and wings, magnificent col. and qual., grand head, back, wings, and tail, wonderful style and nerve; 2, Mock, sweet cl., lovely head, neck, and shoulders, rare wings and tail, splendid quality and col. plenty of nerve, not quite so neat at thighs; 3, Burton, very long stylish clear., grand head, back, wings and tail, not quite so tight in front; 4, Steer, lovely slim varieg., rare shape and style, neat head, splendid shoulders, grand wings and tail, not so tight at thighs; vhc, Foxen; hc, Crisp; c, Easterling and Carson. BUFF (27): 1, Boyce, grand length and shape, splendid length of side, well up on leg, grand head, shoulders, wings and tail, full of style and qual.; 2, Smith, splendidly modelled, neat head, well balanced wings and tail, not quite so rich in col., and hardly so well burnished; 3, Williams, grand shape and style, lovely head, wings, and tail, neat and smart, but hardly ready; 4, Penton, grand shape and length, neat head, not so good in neck, will look better in a fortnight; vhc, c, Easterling and Carson; hc, Rorke. HEN YELL. (22): 1, Burton, rare shape and style, lovely head, shoulders, wings, and tail, grand qual., level col., well finished; 2, Crisp, wonderful shape and carriage, beautifully balanced wings and tail, grand feather, needed a wash; 3, Fullford, long, slim, neat body, nice length of leg, capital feather, not so steady when handled; 4, Hawes Bros., good head, capital shape, nice feather, not quite so steady; vhc, Mrs. Owen; hc, Easterling and Carson; c, Knight. BUFF (27): 1, and 3 speciale, Jones, very sweet hen, lovely quality of feather, neat head, grand back, shoulders, and wings, full of style and nerve; 2, Ayers, grandly modelled, beautiful feather, very nicely balanced wings and tail, a really grand bird, but not well staged; 3, Atkins, long, slim, well modelled body, grand wings and tail, nice style, not through on head; 4, Mock, grandly feathered, wing mkd., rare shape, col. and style, not quite so long on leg; vhc, c, Rorke; hc, Hawes Bros.; wrong class, 6, Vences. 15, Fullford, both yellows.

NOVICE YELL. (16): 1, spl, second best, Montgomery, long, slim, stylish bird, capital wings and tail, in the best form; 2, Clarke, eye and wing mkd., grand shape and style, not so close in feather; 3, Bush, nice shaped, stylish clear, not so fine in feather; 4, Tebbs, good length and style, not so neat at thighs; vhc, Beresford; hc, Bennett; c, King. BUFF (14): 1, sp best, Salter, not overdone with col., but lovely qual. of feather, grand shape and style, nice leg, good shoulders and wings; 2, Miss Hall, rather more col., grand shape and carriage, not quite through moult on head and cheeks; 3, Bush, grand col. and qual., splendid carriage, not so long sided; 4, Tebbs, grand shape and carriage, but needs washing, and could do with handling; vhc, Montgomery; hc, Etheridge; c, Bennett. MKD. (11): 1, Styles, heavy mkd., splendid head and shoulders, well balanced wings and tail, a bird of quality, but little col., in nice form; 2, Tebbs, eye and wing mkd., plenty of col., grand shape and style, not so silky in feather; 3, King, eye and wing mkd., smart and stylish, very nice col., hardly so neat in head, good legs; 4, Clarke, marked head, neck, and wings, plenty of col., nice style loses in head; vhc, sp, King; hc, Stares; c, Tebbs. UNFLIG. (33): 1, Hunt Bros., very heavily mkd. yell., grand head, neck and shoulders, very neat wings and tail, lovely feather, plenty of nerve; 2, Rogers, long straight buff, wonderful qual. and style, grand wings and tail, close up; 3, King, nearly green yell., nice head and neck, splendid wings and tail, full of style, not quite so close in front; 4, Bush, grand qual. cl. yell., nice style, good wings and tail, stouter in waist; vhc, Tebbs; hc, Barker; c, Salter. HENS, YELL. (16): 1, spl, second best hen, King, very handsome cl., beautiful qual. of feather, full of nerve and style, rare wings and tail, nice col.; 2, Hunt, grand shaped, stylish cl., lovely wings and tail, not so close in feather; 3, Warman, very hot cl., grand slim body, plenty of leg, bit wild, needs handling; 4, Bush, grand carriage and feather, splendid head, stouter body, and pale in col.; vhc, Mrs. Inglis; hc, Etheridge; c, Starce. BUFF (14): 1, sp, best hen, Hunt, wing tkd., a little gem, lovely silky feather, neat head, grandly balanced wings and tail, feathered like a Java, and rare carriage; 2, Frisby, grand shaped cl., beautiful feather and style, rather stouter in build; 3, King, very finely modelled cl., grand head, wings and tail, not quite so level in back; 4, Bennett, variegated, rare shape and style, nice head, wings and tail, not so silky in feather; vhc, Blackman; hc, Barber; c, Tebbs. BOR. YELL. (13): 1, Sampson, lovely little cl., rare head, back, wings and tail, beautiful feather and style; 2, Cubby, most lovely green, splendid shape, full of nerve, grand wings and tail; 3, Bennet, very handsome neck tkd., grand shape and feather, full of nerve and style; vhc, Owen; hc, Bacon; c, Moore. BUFF (15): 1, Wood, grand shaped eye tkd., lovely qual. of feather, neat head, splendid wings and tail; 2, Hawkins, beautifully feathered cl., grandly shaped body, but does not handle quite so well; 4, Cubby, rather larger cl., very neat and shapely, nice carriage, not so silky in feather; vhc, Sampson; hc, Owen. UNFLIG. (29): 1, 4, Bennett, smart stylish cl. buff, feathered like glass, neat head, beautifully balanced wings and tail, shown in the pink of condition; 4th, another real spanking buff, hardly so smart in carriage, but wonderful qual.; 2, Burton Bros., cheek, neck and wing tkd. yell., very smart and stylish, plenty of nerve, lovely feather; 3, Mrs. Salter, grandly feathered buff, rare shape and style, not so neat in head; vhc, hc, Soames; c, Mrs. Thynne. CRESTS (7): 1, sp, Pickard, dense, well drooped grey, nice body, just a trifle spiky in centre; 2, 3, 4, Slade, good qual. green, nice droop and radiation, trifle open in centre; 3rd, nicely feathered cl., good front, not so even at back; 4th, variegated, rather narrow; vhc, Mrs. Litchfield; hc, Ford; wrong class, No. 3, Mrs. Litchfield, a grand yell. C.B. C.B. (6): 1, sp, Pickard, heavily feathered variegated, nice back and front, plenty of browing, grand body feather; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Slade, nicely feathered variegated, not so much substance of skull; 3rd, good quality green, rather short of front; 4, Ford, variegated, lots of feather, but not enough substance. BRED 1912 CRESTS (3): 1, 2, 3, Slade, very nice team, a green, a nearly green, and a grey, the winner has the best droop and radiation; 2nd fails a little at side, and 3rd in front. C.B. (3): 1, 2, 3, Slade, useful looking lot, they carry plenty of feather, but need a bit more substance of skull.

Hybrids, British, & Foreign Birds.

GOLDFINCH (8): 1, Jones, nice size, clean cut blaze, well up in col. for the season, capital wings, fine condition; 2, Maxwell, lovely qual. and col. throughout, good rich blaze of nice shape, unfortunately lost some wing feathers, or might have won; 3, Emms, grand size and shape, good wide blaze, with nice top, hardly fit yet; vhc, Walsh; hc, Cooper; c, Prior. BULLFINCH (10): 1, Burr, bonny bird of grand size and depth of col., bold, well filled front, a fairly easy winner; 2, Cooper, good bold type, splendid cap, nicely polished, beaten in col. only, nice exhibit; 3, Francis, another good one, nice Bullie type, well polished cap, neat wings, well barred, capital qual.; vhc, Acland; hc, Wren; c, Lawrence. LINNET (20): 1, Heal, stormer for size and col., well pencilled throughout, upstanding, bold bird, shows himself to perfection, a beauty; 2, Howard, another good one, well pencilled, capital size and shape, in fine fettle, beaten for col. only; 3, Burr, nice type, good head and front, rich col., stands well, in fine fettle; 4, vhc, Marley, big bird, shapely, nicely rounded, well pencilled, fine condition; hc, Rees; c, Sadler. SISKIN, Etc. (17): 1, vhc, Francis, fine bold Mealy leading, rare size and shape, well laced, in grand order, a bonny bird; 2, Casemore, good Siskin, nice size, very shapely, good sound col., very dense markings, capitally laced; 3, Jones, nice sized Twite, rich sound col., well pencilled throughout, bonny exhibit; hc, Pearce; c, Prior. REDPOLL (22): 1, Francis, stormer for size, beautifully laced, good sound col., grand wings, a real good one; 2, 3, hc, Marley, leader a beauty for size and col., in A1 condition, hardly so well laced so winner, but still a good bird, 3rd another good one, rare size and shape, lovely tone of col., fine condition; vhc, Jeffreys; c, McLoughlin. CHAFFINCH (11): 1, Marley, bold bird, nice even col., good cap, grand wings, capital size and shape, rare fettle; 2, Jeffreys, quite as large, very shapely, good head, just beaten for col., rare condition; 3, Maxwell, another bold bird, with good front, grand depth of col., well shown; vhc, Lawrence; hc, c, Francis. BRAMBLE (17): 1, Brotherhood, real beauty for col. and polish, capital size, beautifully spangled, well laced on thighs, a good win; 2, Ford, big, bold fellow, grand front, rare depth of col., well laced and shown; 3, Francis, another beauty, very close up, good size and shape, good wings, lovely tone of col.; vhc, hc, c, Marley. GREENFINCH (7): 1, Marley, shapely bird, good col. and shown in fine condition, pressed by 2, vhc, hc, Francis, bigger and good shape, but hardly so tight in feather, will improve, vhc nice clean yell., grand col. and condition, beaten size; c, Maxwell. HAWFINCH (7): 1, Marley, bonny bird, rare size and shape, grand tone of col. throughout, good bib and wings; 2, Lawrence, big bold bird, grand col., fine condition, hardly so shapely as winner; 3, Francis, nice size and shape, grand bib and wings, good bird; vhc, Jones; hc, Lean and Sons; c, Acland. YELL. BUNTING (4): 1, Lawrence, good bird, rich col., nicely laced, well marked head, good size; 2, Heal, big bird, good shape and col., hardly so well laced as winner; 3, Gunnell, smaller, nicely laced and marked, good rich col., close up; vhc, Francis. A.O.S. (9): 1, Martin and Co., grand Corn Bunting, rare size and shape, beautifully marked, as steady as a rock; 2, 3, vhc, Francis, lovely Snow, wonderful size and condition, very steady, a nice exhibit, 3rd good Lapland, very shapely, nice size, in lovely feather; hc, Miss Bousfield; c, Grahame. HENS (18): 1, Marley, fine Hawfinch leading, wonderful col. for a lady, rare size, good bib and wings, a beauty; 2, c, Francis, grand Corn Bunting, lovely exhibit, beautifully marked, and sound col.; 3, Lane, big bold Bramble, wonderful size, good colour, shown in tip-top fettle; vhc, Jeffreys; hc, Gibb. THRUSH, ETC. (8): 1, 2, Marley, grand Blackbird leading, lovely depth of col., rare size and condition, bonny bird; 2nd, a good Song Thrush, shapely and nice size, well spotted on flank, shown in fine fettle; 3, Maxwell, good hen Starling, with a wealth of spangling, grand size and polish, must have pressed; vhc, Clissold; hc, Askew; c, Oliver. 'GALE, ETC. (7): 1, Swain, grand 'Gale leading, wonderful size and shape, grand tone of col., good carriage, rare fettle; 2, Puck, good big Blackcap, rare shape, very rich col., capital spreading cap, a real good one; 3, Eastmead, another 'Gale, good col. and shape, loses size to winner; vhc, Mortlock; hc, Bousfield; c, Vale. LARK, ETC. (5): 1, 3, vhc, Lott, a bonny Skylark, bold fronted bird, grand size, beautifully spangled, very steady; 3rd, good Shorelark, shapely bird, beautifully marked, a good specimen; 2, Maxwell, lovely Pipit, nice size, good sound col., nicely laced, in fine condition. MAGPIE, ETC. (3): 1, Martin and Co., bold Mag., clean cut bird, grand wings and tail, in very fine condition; 2, Bowler, good Jay, rare size, beautiful wings, grand bold bird; 3, Askew, big Jackdaw, good shape, grand depth of col., in fine condition. SMALL (6): 1, sp, 2, Frostick, lovely little Dartford Warbler, little beauty for col. and condition, a charming bird; 2, good spec. Common Wren, shown in a cage very tastefully decorated with ivy, etc., a good exhibit; 3, Tout, nice Goldcrest, good size and shape, in fine condition; vhc, Puck; hc, Maxwell; c, Adams. LARGE (5): 1, 3, Marley, very fine Grey Shrike, grand size, deep rich blacks, wonderful condition, a good one; 3rd, bold Missel, rare size and shape, full of spotting, a beauty; 2, Bousfield, fine Waxwing, good size and col., in faultless condition; vhc, Maxwell; hc, Tout. RARE FEATHERED (1): 1, Martin and Archer, Yellowhammer, grand size, and shown in wonderful condition.

PARROTS (14): 1, 3, vhc, Maxwell, two lovely exhibits, shown in Mr. M.'s usual condition, winner a real beauty; 2, hc, Miss Clare, grand Golden-shoulder-ed Parrakeet, wonderful col., a beauty for markings, much admired; vhc, Davey, Edmunds, Ezra; hc, Rev. Raynor; c, Edmunds. SEED-EATERS: 1, 2, Watts, beautiful exhibits, pair of grand Golden-breasted Waxbills leading; 2nd, a real good Diamond, in lovely feather; 3, Maxwell, very fine pair of Cordon Bleus in grand col. and condition, must have pressed; vhc, hc, c, Williams; vhc, Miss Blagg, Beresford, Mortlock, Watts; hc, Rose; c, Martin and Co., Frostick. A.O.S.: 1, Buckingham, grand feathered Crimson Finch, nice size, lovely col. and shape, a beauty; 2, 3, vhc, Ezra, grand exhibits, nice pair of Vinaceous Finches leading; 3rd, a good Chilian Siskin, the latter in wonderful feather and depth of col.; vhc, hc, Maxwell; hc, Hose; c, Williams. INSECTIVOROUS: 1, 2, 3, Maxwell, wonderful team, Sunbird, Sugarbird and Barbet, the latter a very interesting exhibit, all shown in wonderful feather; vhc, Ezra; hc, Puck, Clare, Walsh.

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SCOTTISH METROPOLITAN (Open Derby) O.S.

The annual show of young Scotch Fancy and Belgian Canaries promoted by the above society was held on Sept. 28 in the Buccleuch Parish Hall, Edinburgh. This event, we heard, is still making good headway, the membership roll being a heavy one, and a good display of birds was brought together, despite the poor season's breeding many fanciers record having experienced. It was a favourable day, and the excellent hall looked at its best, while a very fair number of bird-lovers put in an appearance to look over the exhibits and talk about passing events. The judges—Messrs. Brown, Fulton, Hamilton, Keen, and Park—had a hard task in many of the classes, for the birds were very close together in point of merit, but their awards were very well received indeed. The cup and gold badge for best bird fell to Mr. W. McClure, and many congratulatory comments were heard on this addition to the Glasgow success of the previous week. Mr. J. D. Brown was the runner-up. The Belgian Cup was carried off by Herr J. Verlhies, who sent over a fine lot of birds from Antwerp. The management was sound and up-to-date. In Mr. J. R. Meikle the association has a first-rate secretary, who carries out his duties pleasantly and well; while the other officials, including the President, Mr C R Drysdale, and Vice-president, Mr. W. Thornton, make a splendid working committee.

SCOTCH FANCY, YELL., ETC., CK. (32): 1, Tait; 2, 4, Brown; 3, Stewart; 5, Dalgleish; 6, Cain; 7, Drysdale; 8, Martin. BUFF: 1, 7, Brown; 2, Dalgleish; 3, Stewart; 4, 5, McLennan; 6, Thornton; 8, Barrie. PIEBALD OR GR. CK. YELL. (23): 1, Dalgleish; 2, McLennan; 3, Jardine; 4, Stewart; 5, Thornton; 6, Thomson; 7, Strathearn; 8, Brown. BUFF (30): 1, McLennan; 2, McClure; 3, 5, Dalgleish; 4, Munro; 6, Menzies; 7, Wilson; 8, Hawden. CL. OR FOUL HEN, YELL. (33): 1, 2, Brown; 3, Clark; 4, Stewart; 5, Dalgleish; 6, Pennywick; 7, McNiven; 8 Park. BUFF (30): 1, Brown; 2, McClure; 3, Dalgleish; 4, Clark; 5, Buchan; 6, Thornton; 7, Menzies; 8, Main. YELL. PIEBALD OR GR. HEN (30): 1, Menzies; 2, Munro; 3, Higgins; 4, Rodgers; 5, 6, Paterson; 7, Brown; 8, Cook. BUFF (36): 1 cup and badge, McClure; 2, McLennan; 3 6, Dalgleish; 4, Brown; 5, Stewart; 7, Thompson; 8, Pennywick. BELG. CK. (7): 1, 3, 4, Verlheis; 2, White. HEN (7): 1, cup, 5, Verlheis; 2, Hendry; 3, Baker; 4, White; 6, 7, Greig.

ENTRIES CLOSE.

Oct. 12.—**Glasgow City.**—J. Young, 80, High Street, Rutherglen.
Oct. 14.—**Hanley.**—C. J. Robinson, 44, Cromer Street, May Bank, Stoke.
Oct. 14.—**Kelty.**—Adam Dickson, 37, Adams Terrace.
Oct. 14.—**L. & P.O.S.**—C. W. Law, Brimley House, Woodhouse Road, N. Finchley.
Oct. 14.—**Braintree.**—F. A. Hunnable, London Road.
Oct. 15.—**Stamford.**—A. Harrison, 7, New Street.
Oct. 15.—**Burnley.**—F. Cunliffe, 19, Lark Street.
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HUDDERSFIELD'S SUCCESS.

Great Entry of Norwich Plainheads: 36 Buff Hens!

This show was held Oct. 5, in St. Peter's Street Assembly Rooms, and proved a great success, the entries, considering the earliness of the season and the backward condition of the birds generally, coming up quite well. The quality was also first class all round. The eight champion classes for Norwich totalled 163 entries, and amongst them were many high-class exhibits, combining, as they did, size, with type, colour, and quality of feather. The Amateur Section also contained many excellent specimens, which did their owners credit. Yorks. were a good lot, the competition being very keen in the majority of the classes. These were staged in the centre of the hall, and the Norwich in tiers, four deep round the one end and side, and made an imposing display. The hall is well lighted, and absolutely free from any draughts. All the exhibits had the best of attention from a genuine body of fanciers. The hon. sec., Mr. F. J. Sykes, had everything in smooth running order, and was most affable and courteous to all. He received valuable assistance from his assistant, Mr. J. Jackson. Mr. A. Hirst judged Yorks., and Mr. J. H. Payne Norwich.

The Critique.

CHAMPION: NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (12): 1, sp. best old cock, 3, Davies, good size and shape, rare head, rich level colour, well carried flown flights and tail, clean at thighs, well braced wings, in the pink, 3rd good col., nice back, well packed wings, full neck, not quite the carriage; 2, Harland, lovely qual., good shape, neat head and tail, full neck, not so rich in colour; 4, Beswick, good shape, nice qual. of feather, neat tail, good head, a bit pale in col; vhc, c, Howe; hc, Heap. BUFF (22): 1, Davies, rattling size and shape, close feather, of good texture, nice full neck and head, wings well braced, tail closely folded, rich under col., good one; 2, Heap, lovely shape, col., and qual., neat tail and wings, well braced, not quite so full in head; 3, Vardy, another grand shaped one, good wings and tail, nice round head and chest, well up in quality; 4, Cook, good shape, rare head and neck, nice back, well packed flights, good col.; vhc, Hulse; hc, Johnson; c, Howe. TKD. OR. VARIEG. YELL. (9): 1, 2, Davies, beautiful qual. of feather, grand back, wings and tail, rare head, rich colour, a bit fat on chest, marked wings, breast, and neck, 2nd mkd. head and wings, full of col., nice back and neck, neat tail, not the qual. of feather; 3, Wrigley, nice shape and qual., neat wings and tail, nice head, close up, wing tkd.; 4, Moss, mkd. head, wings, and check, nice head and back, good col., shade longer; vhc, hc, Thomas; c, J. and J. Hopkins. BUFF (16): 1, 3, Cook, wing tkd., real model, great depth through, as round as a ball, short flights and tail, good feather and col., 3rd mkd. wings, neck, and eye, grand shape, full of qual., nice head and neck, good col. and feather; 2, Wrigley, mkd. cheeks, rump, and wing, grand shape, nice col. and quality., neat tail and wings, well braced, capital carr.; 4, Johnson, wing and rump tkd., lovely qual., and good shape, neat tail and short flights; vhc, Beswick; hc, Mercer; c, Collier. YELL. HEN (19): 1, Heap, grizzle capped, lovely shape and full of quality; short flights and tail, clean waist, well filled back; 2, J. Thomas, mkd. eye, head, and wings, good shape and col., nice head, wings and tail, well packed, not quite so cobby; 3, Howe, beautiful texture of feather, nice shape, short flights and tail; 4, Mallinson and Son, nice shaped body, good qual., neat tail and good head; vbc, Hulse; hc, Mercer; c, Morris. BUFF (36): 1, sp. best hen, Heap, grand shaped cl., rare fronted one, lovely qual. of feather, nice under col., well mealed, wings and tail, short and well packed, good back, wide shoulders, a gem; 2, Vardy, mkd. head, cheek, and wings, grand shape and qual., tight fitting jacket, neat tail; 3, 4, McMillan, two good clears, well up in col., and capital shape, full necks and neat heads, 4th just beaten on back; vhc, Marsh; hc, Collier; c, Whittaker, a grand class, from which two sets of winners could easily have been found. UNFLIG. YELL. (27): 1, Marsh, cl., good size and shape, rare head and neck, good back, wings, and tail, level, but not hot in col.; 2, Waters, clear, lovely col., deep and well carried through, nice shape, flights, and tail; 3, Collier, grand shaped variegd., good feather and col., nice wings and neat tail; 4, Mattinson, mkd. left wing, nice shape and feather, neat head, wings and tail, in good form; vhc, Cook; hc, Thomas; c, Vardy. BUFF (22): 1, sp., 3, Whittaker, cl., well up in size, grand shape and feather, good back, neck, wings, and tail, stands well across perch, 3rd good shape, tight feather, of good qual., nice head and neck, short flights, well packed, and neat tail; 2, Hulse, beautiful qual. of feather, nice shape and full of col., good wings and tail, not quite so thick set as the leader; 4, Harland, mkd. wings, eye and neck, grand qual., nice wide back and shoulders, level col., loses only on head; vhc, Nickson; hc, Hargreaves; c, Anderton. AMATEURS: YELL. NOR. (7): 1, hc, Proctor, nice shape and qual., neat head, wings, and tail, level col.; 2, Brewer, nice shape, level back, not quite the qual.; 3, vhc, Bell, good col. variegd., shade longer; 4, Barton, nice qual. cl., neat head, good neck and back; c, McKail. BUFF (18): 1, Proctor, clear, grand one, good size and shape, nice deep, well rounded chest, nice under col., and frosting, well across perch; 2, Bell, wing tkd., capital shape, well up in col. and qual., nice flights, back, and tail, close up; 3, Hitchen, heavily variegd., rattling shape, short full neck, nice back, well feathered, neat tail and well packed flights; 4, Blease and Son, hot col., good feather, not quite so shapely; vhc, Huggins; hc, Knowles; c, Hayward. YELLOW (10): 1, McKail, variegd., grand shape and feather, nice round chest, and short, well packed flights and tail, neat round head, pale in colour; 2, Fielding, wing tkd., nice shape and feather; 3, hc, Davis, shapely variegd.; 4, Hayward, neck tkd., nice shape and feather; vhc, Bradley; c, Hopwood Bros. BUFF (11): 1, Belsall, grand shaped, cl., nice feather and frosting, good head, chest and back; 2, Blease and Son, lovely qual. cl., capital feather, nice col., not quite so stoutly built; 3, Fowler, good shaped variegd., nice feather, capital carr.; 4, Davis, good shape and colour; vhc, Barton; hc, Bradley; c, Hayward. UNFLIG. YELL. (15): 1, Huggins, hot coloured head ticked, nice shape and feather; 2, Barton, grand shape and well up in size, nice quality; 3, Blease and Son, variegd., nicely cut away, good shape and col., well over perch; 4, Hitchen, head and wing mkd., grand col. and good shape, inclined to drop tail at times; vhc, Tinkler; hc, Scott; c, Fielding. BUFF (16): 1, Bell, nice shaped cl., good feather, col. and qual., nice flights and tail; 2, Scott, eye and neck mkd., nice shaped body, good col., well packed flights and tail, shade long in neck; 3, Barbutt, wing mkd., lovely qual. of feather, nice back, shade longer; 4, Tinkler, hot col., grand qual.; vhc, Bradley; hc, Hopwood Bros.; c, Fawcett. YORKS. CL. YELL. (6): 1, Ogden Bros., hot col., good length, narrow shoulders, nice qual.; 2, Dykes, well up on leg, rare length, shade stronger than the winner; 3, Thomas, rare length, nice feather, just a bit soft; 4, Allen, extra length, good position, shade stout; vhc, Beaumont; hc, Charlesworth. BUFF (11): 1, Simonett, grand type, long and slim built, good quality of feather; 2, Bailey, hot colour, extra good feather, not quite ready; 3, Thomas, longer, well up on leg, not quite so smooth; 4, Jepson, nice colour and size, close up; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Jenkinson; c, Haigh. TKD., ETC., YELL. (6): 1, Dykes, wing mkd., stands like a soldier, stylish, good flights and neat tail, well drawn out; 2, Wilson, thigh tick, feathered like marble, well braced wings and tail, just beaten in position; 3, Thomas, another grand one, well up in size; 4, Lawford and Son, mkd. head and wing, nice qual. and style; vhc, Parkes; hc, Beaumont. BUFF (12): 1, Allen, wing tick, stylish, grand feather, like glass, well braced wings and pipe tail, a gem; 2, Rigg, head mkd., red hot col., well drawn out and stylish; 3, Ogden Bros., eye and wing mkd., nice boxey feather, rare length, stands well; 4, Bailey, pale col., head mkd., grand length, rare wings, back and tail, feather just a bit slack at shoulder; vhc, Jepson; hc, Lister; c, Radley. YELL. HEN (14): 1, Thomas, cl., rare good feather, very stylish, good back, wings and tail, really grand hen; 2, Moss, eye and wing mkd., stands well up, beautiful qual., takes spl. for best member's; 3, Burdekin Bros; 4, c, Rigg, both nice hens, and close together; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Pearson. BUFF (27): 1, Ogden Bros., wing and neck mkd., rare shape, nice feather and position; 2, 3, Peel, clears, both long and slim built, grand type; 4, Whitley, wing and eye ticked, nice qual. and size, close fitting jacket; vhc, Tyas; hc, Jenkinson. YELL. UNFLIG. (7): 1, Thomas, clear, good qual., well up in size, stands well; 2, Whitley, more col., equal length, not so well up on his pins; 3, Moss, plenty of col. and length, well drawn out, fails in position; 4, Allen, mkd. eye and wings, nice bird; vbc, Ackroyd; hc, Lawford and Son. BUFF (11): 1, Burdekin Bros., red hot col., slim built, extra good qual., and full of style; 2, Self, cl., grand shape, well filled neck, long and slim, not quite ready; 3, Blackburn and Mitchell, clear, well braced wings and neat tail, good length; 4, Dykes, close up; vhc, Mason; hc, Jepson; c, Gledhill. CINN. TKD., ETC., HEN (8): 1, hc, Allen, mkd. head and wings, nice back, well on leg, not quite fit yet; 2, Moss, yell., mkd. check and wings, grand length, nice feather; 3, Ogden Bros., yell., mkd. wings, nice qual. of feather; 4, vhc, Bailey, buff, full of quality, nice markings, beaten only in size; c, Lawford and Son. NOVICE, CL. YELL. YORK. (7): 1, Mosley, hot col., rare length; 2, Ogden, E., nice length, better in front; 3, Quarmby, lengthy bird, not yet fit; 4, Sykes, hot col., fails in front; vbc, Binns; hc, Beaumont; c, Race. BUFF (10): 1, Boulton, rare length; 2, Hutchinson, close up; 3, Saville; 4, Hirst, hot col.; vhc, Tyas; hc, Munn; c, Mosley. UNEVEN YELL. (5): 1, Quarmby, neck ticked, nice qual., lengthy; 2, Bower, neck and wing mkd., nice qual.; 4, Wood, head and wing mkd., nice type, pale col. BUFF (12): 1, Cawtheray and Son, wing tick, good col., well drawn out; 2, Hylton, head marked, rare length; 3, Wood, variegd., rare feather; 4, Quarmby, wing mkd., fair length and style. YELL. UNFLIG. (22): 1, Radley, wing ticked, good shape and full of style, nice flights and tail; 2, Hellawell, clear, long raking bird, well up; 3, Saville, wing mkd., nice feather and col.; 4, Sykes, head and wing mkd., nice position, good feather; vhc, Lee; hc, Wood; c, Binns. BUFF (21): 1, Radley, neck mkd., rare length, good position and style, nice feather; 2, Tasker, head mkd., good length and position, capital feather, close up; 3, McLaughlin, nice stylish bird; 4, Beaumont, wing mkd., grand quality; vhc, Mottram; hc, Bashley; c, Cawtheray and Son. HEN (22): 1, Rhodes, clear, slim built, grand feather, full of style; 2, Mottram, clear, full of col., grand tight fitting jacket of good qual.; 3, Bower, nice shapely good feathered cl.; 4, Bushby, neck and wing mkd., lovely qual., good length, shape and style; vhc, Naylor; hc, Mitchell; c, Sandford. BUFF (23): 1, Naylor, lengthy cl., good feather and style, pale col.; 2, Lodge, cl., rare shape and feather, beaten only in length; 3, Hutchinson, grand length and col., not very fit yet; 4, Beaumont, clear, grand hen, bit mouldy on head yet. NOR. COCK (5): 1, vhc, Birkbeck, buff, plenty of substance, rare neck and deep chest, wins well; 2, Pearson, yell., nice cl.; 3, Airton, unflig. buff, cobby, nice col.; 4, Rhodes, buff, full of col., beaten in type. HEN (5): 1, Airton, nice cobby cl. yell., good type and feather; 2, 4, Birkbeck, neck ticked buff, grand shape and quality; 4th, nice typical variegd.; 3, Pearson, slashing cl. buff when fit.

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BROUGHTY FERRY (N.B.)

Is there too much clashing of dates amongst Scottish fixtures?—Well-Managed Show.—A Light Mule Problem.

Eighth annual show held Oct. 5, in the Good Templars' Hall, a splendid place for the purpose, being well lighted all round. The whole of the staging was covered with a screen, which protected the birds from draught, while the staging was well arranged, which left plenty of room for visitors to inspect the exhibits. We are sorry to say that entries were down, numbering something like 330. This was partly owing to birds not having finished moulting, and also to the clashing of other shows, which unfortunately is quite common, the whole of the season, and must surely result in serious loss to many societies. Scotch Fancy were about the usual average as to numbers, 7 per class, and the quality fairly good. Crests were very disappointing, only 33 in seven classes, and were of average quality. The Norwich were also poor, both in quality and numbers, not averaging six per class. Borders were really the best feature of the show, being about 10 per class. The British were about seven per class, but the classification here could easily be improved, and would certainly bring more entries. The management was all right, the president, Mr. R. Carmyllie, being a real good old fancier, while the vice-presidents, Messrs. W. Keill and J. Campbell, worked hard to make the show a success, and Mr. R. Whitton, the hon. sec., had all his arrangements up to time and in good order. It is a pity that he had not more scope for the exercise of the abilities which he undoubtedly possesses, and we hope another year to find the entries largely increased. The officials and members thoroughly deserve it. Cup for best Scotch Fancy, bred 1912 by a member, was won by Mr. Henderson (Tayport), with a nice buff cock; cup for best young Crest or C.B. by Mr. Whitton, with a very good Crest. The Crest Club medal was won by Mr. J. Herschell with a good Crestbred hen; Hyde's spl. by Mr. A. Miller (Dundee). The judges were: Scotch, Mr. W. Beattie (Dundee) and Mr. T. Thomson (Markinch); Crests and Plainheads, Mr. C. Campbell (Glasgow); Borders, Mr. T. Arnott (Kirkcaldy); and British, etc., Mr. R. Baird (Bathgate); and their awards were generally well received, one exception being the winning light Mule, which was well examined by a great many visitors, who seemed unanimously of the opinion that it did not clearly bear out its reputed parentage, viz., as a light Linnet Mule.

The Critique.

SCOTCH CL. YELL.: 1, sp., Danskin, grand size, fine broad shoulder, good action; 2, 3, sp., Stenhouse, neat head, good droop, stands well up, 3rd smaller, takes good position, good quality; 4, Keill, good one, fine style, fails only in wing carriage; 5, Strachan; 6, Melville. YELL. PIED GREEN: 1, 3, Black, grand size, good bold action, nice front, 3rd similar, nice size, fine droop, stands well on perch; 2, Danskin, nice length, fine top end, good drive; 4, Wood, good length, nice shoulders, fails in thickness; 5, Curtis; 6, Thoms. CL. BUFF: 1, cup, 4, Henderson, leader very nice, grand shape, good size, stands well on perch, will improve; 2, Keill, fine style and action, very nervy; 3, Thoms, good one, good size, ready action, scarcely finished, 4th not so thick through, good length and position. BUFF PIED OR GREEN: 1, Melville, good size, fine bold head, excellent quality; 2, 3, Ramsay, good length of side, nice top end, drives well, 3rd similar, bold head, good shoulder; 4, Black, fine size and quality; 5, 6, Thoms. YELL. HEN: 1, Stenhouse, grand size and quality, fine reach, takes good position; 2, Carmyllie, good hen, of fine quality, and substance; 3, 4, Keill, good style, fine reach, loses only in wing carriage; 4th good size, nice breadth of shoulders, still in moult; 5, Curtis; 6, Carmyllie. YELL. PIED OR GREEN HEN: 1, Black, taking style, nice size and substance, good quality; 2, 4, Thoms, fine size, good bold head, nice easy action; 3, Melville, nice size, good top end, not well covered at thigh; 4th good one, in nice order; 5, 6, Wood. BUFF CL., ETC., HEN: 1, sp., Henderson, grand size and quality, fine reach, back well filled in; 2, Strachan, good size and substance, easy action, nice head; 3, Keill, nice size, fine quality; 4, Curtis, good size, top end, nice wings; 5, Ramsay; 6, Brown and Whittet. PIED OR GREEN HEN: 1, Strachan, good size, fine action, in grand order; 2, Ramsay, fine head, good quality, takes grand position, just beaten condition; 3, 4, Fotheringham, very stylish, good shoulders and size, nice condition, 4th fails slightly wings and tail; 5, Black; 6, Keill. SELL., CK., 20s.: 1, Fotheringham; 2, 4, Keill; 3, Ramsay; 5, Melville; 6, Strachan. Hen, 20s.: 1, Strachan; 2, Ramsay; 3, Keill; 4, Carmyllie; 5, Nicoll; 6, Robertson. CREST, CK.: 1, Sharp, good D.C., of fine leafy feather, and good formation, not quite finished; 2, Gray, big D.C., well radiated, fine droop, nice length of feather; 3, McNaughten, very good, just beaten in crest; 4, Whitton, good size, nice drooping feather; 5, Mason. HEN: 1, sp., Miller, foul green, grand formed, well centred crest, nicely drooped; 2, Cameron, good quality, fair size, nice crest. CRESTBRED, CK.: 1, sp., Whitton, green, grand size, good body, rare broad skull, well lashed, good entrance; 2, McNaughton, nice feather, good broad skull; 3, Blythe, nice one, good head, well lashed. HEN: 1, sp., S.C.C. medal, Herschell, rare size and substance, fine lashing, broad skull, good feather; 2, McMaster, well filled in body, good head, nice entrance; 3, Herschell, good one, fine size and quality; 4, Fox, well lashed, good big head and body, long feather; 5, Sharp; 6, McDonald. CREST (bred 1912): 1, Blythe, good green, fine size, crest of nice formation, well filled in, excellent body, will improve; 2, cup, Whitton, variegd., nice size, good crest, in grand order; 3, sp., Brown, nice one, scarcely so good in crest, fine quality; 4, Bewick, grand Crest, very restless; 5, Brown; 6, Whitton. CRESTBRED (bred 1912): 1, Bewick, variegd., good size and substance, grand bold head, well lashed, wins; 2, Herschell, capital size, good quality, good head, nice entrance; 3, Whitton, another good one, fine style, grand bold head, fine lashing; 4, McNaughton, good size and substance, well filled in body; 5, Fox. SELL., 20s.: 1, Fox; 2, Miller; 3, Whitton; 4, Mason; 5, Cameron. NOR. CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, Capt. Collier, good wing mkd., plenty of size and substance, nice front; 2, Kidd, tkd. head, fair size, scarcely ready. HEN: 1, Kidd, nice one, fine quality, good feather. BUFF: 1, sp., Anderson, stands well up, good front, rather too much neck, in grand condition; 2, Sharp, good head, nice quality; 3, sp., Kerr (Perth), good head, fine quality, very wild; 4, Greig, good one for size, nice quality; 5, Capt. Collier. HEN: 1, Adams, fine size and substance, nice front, capital wings, in grand order; 2, Aitken, good quality, thinner; 3, McKenzie, nice bird, fine quality, good substance; 4, Capt. Collier, real good bird, fine size and quality; 5, McNaughten; 6, Sharp. YELL., VARIEG. OR GREEN: 1, Kerr (Dundee), great size, good quality, rare bold head, good wings; 2, Capt. Collier, excellent size, grand quality; 3, Marr, nice bird, good wings, fails head; 4, Sharp, smaller. BUFF: 1, Capt. Collier nice eye and wing mkd., excellent quality, fair size, good head and wings; 2, Kerr (Dundee), nice one, fine size, good bold head, rare quality, scarcely finished; 3, Milne, fair good bird, nice size, good wings, capital condition; 4, Anderson, the correct type, rare quality, stands well up; 5, Marr; 6, Jones. YELL. HEN: Cancelled. BUFF VARIEG., HEN: 1, sp., Milne, an old winner, looking well, rare wing carriage, good type and quality; 2, Kidd, good size and substance, nice wings and tail, in fine order; 3, sp., Black, rattling good size and full of quality; 4, McKenzie, fine head and wings, nice size, very typical; 5, Bowman; 6, Sharp. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, Smart, good bull, not big, but fine quality, nice wings; 2, A. Chalmers, similar, good quality of feather, nice back and wings; 3, sp., Kerr (Perth), larger than leaders, good front, nice quality; 4, McNaughten, good size and substance, nice wings, well filled in back; 5, Greig; 6, Capt. Collier. HEN: 1, 3, Adams, excellent size and substance, fine quality, good wings and back, wins; 2, Chalmers, smaller, in fine condition, good head and wings; 3, Bowman, good buff variegd., rare deep front, grand wings, and well filled in back; 4, Jones, taking hen, good size and substance, full of quality; 5, Milne; 6, Taylor. SELL., 15s.: 1, Black; 2, Chalmers; 3, Jones; 4, Collier; 5, Taylor; 6, Sharp. A.O.V.: 1, sp., Thomson, very nice gold Lizard, clear cap, well defined; 2, 4 Malcolm, both good Lanrs. coppies; 3, Keill, really nice Belgian; 5, Carmyllie; 6, Chalmers. BORDERS, CL. YELL.: 1, sp., Peters, grand type, rare wings and tail, in perfect condition; 2, Munro, another beauty, fine size, splendid wing carriage, good head, well put down; 3, Craig, tkd. head, still another good one, rare close feather, well laid on wings, good head, fine carriage; 4, Crabbe and Finlayson, nice cl., good size, rare style, capital wings; 5, Dargie; 6, Tolmie. HEN: 1, 5, G. Bennet, wee beauty, in shining order, feather like wax; 2, Munro, another topper, rare condition, good size, grand wings, tail; 3, Peters, good, nice head, fine quality, grand colour; 4, Craig, one of his usual sort, a real good one, any of these four could have led a good class; 6, Hutchison. CL. BUFF: 1, H. Bennet, gem, grand type and quality, well laid on wings, beautiful condition; 2, Hutchison, nice model, teeming with quality, grand wings and tail; 3, G. Bennet, good size, sound colour, fine head and wings, well put down; 4, R. Lambie, fine shape, good style, well laid on wings; 5, Peters; 6, Munro. HEN: 1, Hutchison, sweet hen, rare quality, nicely moulded, grand carriage; 2, Peters, good one, capital type, fine quality, nice wings, well put down; 3, Munro, very taking, good quality; 4, H. Bennet, nice one; 5, Craig; 6, G. Bennet. UNEVEN MKD., ETC., YELL.: 1, Lambie, green, good style, beautiful markings, nice wings and tail; 2, Rea, nice variegd., good quality, grand style; 3, sp., Lumsden, nice type, good wings and tail, rare quality, well staged; 4, Auld, another good one, nicely moulded, grand jaunty carriage; 5, Richmond; 6, Fairweather. BUFF: 1, Henderson, nice model, excellent colour, good quality, rare carriage; 2, Nairn, fine size, good quality, nice head and front; 3, H. Bennet, splendid model, like wax, good head and wing carriage; 4, Lambie, good type, nice front, head, and wings; 5, Richmond; 6, Dargie. YELL. HEN: 1, Lambie, real good style, nice wing carriage, well put down; 2, Henderson, fine size, good quality, rare carriage; 3, Campbell, good colour, nice quality of feather, well carried wings and tail; 4, Fairweather, nice hen, scarcely finished, will improve. BUFF HEN: 1, sp., Hutchison, nice clun. mkd., good size, grand wing carriage, rare quality; 2, Henderson, another good one, grand quality, well put down; 3, Nairn, good head, nice wings and tail, spotless; 4, H. Bennet, grand style, perfect wings, good front; 5, Crabb and Finlayson; 6, Craig. SELL., 7s. 6d.: 1, Hutchison; 2, Lambie; 3, Henderson; 4, Gibb; 5, H. Bennet; 6, Fairweather. HYBRID: 1, Nicoll, Linnet-Bullfinch, well-known winner, looking better than ever, in grand condition; 2, 5, Muir and Herman, Goldfinch-Twite, nice bird, shows parentage of Twite, with good buttoned wings, in fine order, 5th similar, but smaller; 3, Baird, Linnet-Bullfinch, good colour, nice size; 4, Fyfe, Greenie-Siskin, very tidy bird. CANARY MULE: 1, sp., Baird, said to be lightly variegd., Linnet Mule, opinions differed, some thinking it looked like a small lightly variegd. buff Norwich; 2, 3, spl, Roy, grand Goldie-Canary, big winner last year, splendid colour, fine size and quality, 3rd very good Greenie Mule, nice size, grand deep colour; 4, Buchanan, nice Linnet Mule, good size, fine condition; 5, Watson; 6, Morton. GOLDFINCH: 1, Cranna, neat size and shape, nice blaze, fine wings; 2, Whitton, capital size and shape, scarcely up in face yet, will improve; 3, Ferguson, good bird, nice condition, restless. BULLFINCH: 1, sp., McQuiston, grand size, good cap, nice wings and bars; 2, Cranna, good size, fine breast colour, dense cap, well cut, good back colour, in grand order; 3, sp., Carstairs, nice field-moulted one, good size, splendid breast colour, good cap and wings; 4, Anderson Bros., another good one; 5, Lees. LINNET: 1, sp., McQuiston, grand size and shape, nice body colour, well pencilled, in grand condition; 2, Baird, good size, fine condition, not colour of winner; 3, 4, McMaster, nice pair, well shown, 3rd slightly better mkd.; 5, Buchanan; 6, Morton. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Campbell, capital Mealy Redpoll, rare size, grand bib, good body colour; 2, Milne, Siskin, grand colour, good cap and bib, fine size and shape, last year's winner colour-fed, in splendid order, presses hard; 3, sp., Morton, nice Twite, fine colour, well pencilled, good condition; 4, McQuiston, good Redpoll, well put down; 5, Dargie; 6, Fox. A.O.V.: 1, sp., Sykes, Bramblefinch, well-known winner, very much improved, in faultless condition, often described; 2, McQuiston, another grand Bramblefinch, splendid size, good depth of colour, beautifully spangled, well put down; 3, sp., Law, another good Bramblefinch, fine size, well spangled; 4, Fox, still another good one; 5, Small; 6, Sturrock, really a grand class, every bird a credit to its owner. SMALL SOFT-BILL: 1, sp., 3, Towns, 1st beautiful Redstart, last year's Dundee winner, looking better than ever, shining condition, grand colour, and markings, 3rd grand Blackcap, well put down; 2, Sykes, fine Meadow Bunting, good size, nice colour, first-rate condition; 4, McQuiston, good Corn Bunting, but wild. SMALL FOR.: 1, 5, Arnott, beautiful Nonpariel, grand colour, faultlessly staged; 2, Towns, grand Blackfaced Gouldian, well coloured, like paint, nicely put down; 3, sp., Welsh, good Paradise Whydah, hardly full colour, well staged; 4, Lees, good pair Yellow Budgerigars; 6, Clark.

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Longton Commences the Record Breaking

The show-room packed with high-quality exhibits: Two fine young Norwich bred in the Potteries: Curious incident in the Hybrid section.

Fifth annual show Oct. 5, in the Assembly Room of the Swan Hotel, a change from former years, the original place (the Old Free Library) not being available. The entry was splendid, over 400, an average of 11 per class throughout—a record for the society. The room proved none too big to stage all the exhibits comfortably; indeed, it was taxed to its utmost capacity. An entry such as this was very gratifying to the hard-working officials, and if this early show is to be taken as a criterion, then we may safely predict a fine time for cage bird exhibitors this season. Not only was the entry good, but the quality of the exhibits was magnificent, especially among the Norwich. This section contained some fine specimens of the breeder's art; size was well maintained without any degree of coarseness in feather. The winner in the unlighted yell. class was a topper. Nor was the winner in the unlighted buff class far behind, and both birds were bred, we understand, within the area of the Potteries. The Yorks. were close on the heels of their chubby brethren, some typical examples of the long, racy ones, old faces and new ones, standing at attention. Mules and Hybrids were certainly a very select lot, and here a curious incident arose, a Canary-Bullfie standing at the head of two classes, incorrect wording of the schedule rendering this cross eligible for either class, therefore, in justice to the exhibitors the judge had no option but to let them in. The British section was well filled, though many of the exhibits were requiring a little more time to come into bloom and colour. This section was curtailed somewhat from former years, thereby causing such birds as Bullfies, Chaffies, Buntings, etc., to battle against such birds as the Clough and the smaller Goldbills. This, we understand, will receive attention another year. The open novice section was simply grand, especially the Norwich; a finer lot of novice exhibits, we never saw. We heard of £5 being offered the owner for one exhibit, which offer, by the way, was refused.

Of the management, we cannot speak too highly. A better set of stewards we never wish to meet. Although somewhat handicapped in the matter of room, they made the very best use of the space at their disposal. The way they looked after the exhibits entrusted to their care was indeed worthy of the highest commendation. We noticed some cases of birds which had been delayed in transit, not arriving until past mid-day, and these were given immediate attention, and their classes held back to give them a chance of competing. Also, while taking our notes we heard the order go forth in an unmistakable tone: "Pipes out; no smoking, gentlemen, please." Such actions of thoughtful officials will, we feel sure, meet with the highest appreciation from exhibitors. The secretarial reins were held by Mr. H. George, and right well did he handle them, having every detail at his finger tips, and nothing being too much trouble to receive his immediate attention, any reasonable request being readily complied with. Catalogues with awards printed in the margin, were on sale in an incredibly short time after the last slip was handed in. Members' special for best unlighted Yorks., ditto for best bird in open novice classes, and Hyde's spl., were captured by Mr. Ratcliffe; members' spl. best Canary in open champion classes, by Mr. Bagshaw; Sandiford's colour spl., Mr. Parker. Mr. J. H. Roe judged.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. YELL. (6): 1, Mason, medium size, grand shape, colour, and quality, nicely cleaned out, good head and tail; 2, Hathaway, larger, not so warm, nice full head and chest; 3, Cundiff, fair size, shape, and col., rare quality, well cut away; vhc, Dipple; hc, Taylor; c, Bescoby and Righton. BUFF (10): 1, Brotherhood, rare size, grand shape, col., and qual., fine head, in nice forward condition; 2, Yates, shade larger in body, good head, nice short tail, rare substance, hardly the qual.; 3, Heaton, very nice size, delightful shape, short wings and tail, good col. and qual., hardly so forward; 4, Dipple, rare size, and shape, good col.; vhc, Springall; hc, Elliott; c, J. M. Williams. TKD., ETC., YELL. (7): 1, Rathbone, uneven, grand size and type, rare head and chest, well cleaned out, lovely col. and qual.; 2, 3, 4, Hathaway, leader grand size and shape, uneven mkd., hardly so broad in skull, fine qual. and col., followed by wing mark, rare size, hardly finished yet, 4th uneven, loses in head, still a good one; vhc, James; hc, Heaton. BUFF (11): 1, Hall, uneven, good size and type, rare full head, and body, short wings and tail, fine qual. and substance; 2, Brotherhood, cap mkd., rattling size, grand shape, well cut away, nice head and qual., hardly ready yet; 3, Senior, wing and check mkd., nice size and type, rare qual., loses little in head; 4, Elliott, head tkd., rattling size and shape, not so forward; vhc, Hathaway; hc, Bescoby and Righton; c, Rathbone, Bowyer. HEN (13): 1, Turner, cl. buff, grand size and type, good head, rare chubby body, good carr. and condition; 2, Lees, mkd. yell., good head, fine size and shape, grand qual. and bloom; 3, Brotherhood, uneven mkd. buff, short and stout, full head, round as a ball, wonderful qual.; 4, Senior, neck mkd. yell., very nice hen, bit unsteady; vhc, James; hc, Elliott; c, Rathbone. UNFLIG. YELL. (15): 1, Yates, grand sized cl., lovely shaped body, fine substance, correct head, well cleaned out, rare col. and qual., wins; 2, Gibbons, very cobby in shape, nice short tail, good carr. and head, not so hot in col.; 3, Bowers, cl., delightful shape, good head, short wings and tail, grand col. and finish, nice one; 4, Hathaway, uneven mkd., good size and shape, nice head, well cut away, rare col. and condition; vhc, Elliott; hc, Hall; c, Dipple. BUFF (20): 1, Hall, uneven, fine size, grand type, rare chest and back, nice head, and short tail, splendid qual. and condition; 2, Turner, cl., very hot col., lovely shape, nice full head and neck; 3, Whetstone, cl., equally good shape, hardly so good in head, short and compact, nicely cleaned out, gets well across perch; 4, Dipple, very good cl., bit wild yet; vhc, Rathbone; hc, Bowers; c, Cundiff. YORKS., CL., YELL., cancelled. CL. BUFF (5): 1, Dykes, good size, and shape, well cut away, nice carriage and style, coming well into bloom; 2, Baxter, good length and position, not so boxey in feather; 3, Windsor, good size and shape, hardly ready yet; 4, Hawley, rare size, good qual., very warm in col.; vhc, Woodall. TKD., ETC., YELL. (5): 1, Pike, grand length and col., well filled back, nice head, neat waist, good bloom and position; 2, 3, Dykes, hardly so big, but grand type and feather, well cut away, very stylish, full of bloom, 3rd uneven mkd., grand length, sweet shape, neat head, nice boxey feather; 4, Clegg, neck mkd., grand length and col., hardly so tight; vhc, Hemmings and Brereton. BUFF (6): 1, Clegg, medium size, grand shape and style, good back and carriage, best of qual. and finish; 2, Victor Williams, well-known check mkd., grand shape, col., and quality, lovely order, bit loose at waist, which probably kept it back, 3rd wing and neck tkd., grand length, nice position, rare carriage and style; 4, Andrews, nice check mkd., hardly ready yet; vhc, Dykes; hc, Baxter. HEN (15): 1, Dykes, head and wing mkd. yell., rare length, sweet shape, stylish, nice qual. and condition; 2, Ellis, wing tkd. buff, good shape and feather, nice head and position, very tight in feather; 3, Victor Williams, cheek mkd. buff, rattling length and shape, good back and carriage; 4, Pike, lengthy buff, good length and qual.; vhc, Clegg; hc, Hawley; c, Dureton. UNFLIG. YELL. (10): 1, Brotherhood, lovely cl., well drawn, nice head, well filled back, neat at girth, grand style and qual.; 2, Dykes, wing tkd., rattling length, nice shape, rare quality and style, hardly so well finished; 3, Wright, cl., nice length, good head and back, good wing and tail carr., not go leggy; 4, Nickson, very lengthy cl., nice shape, loses wings; vhc, he, Deviston; c, Elkins. BUFF (15): 1, Ellis, shapely cl., nice length, good wedge shape, well packed tail, nicely cut away, good style and qual.; 2, Dykes, wing mkd., grand length, well up on good legs, nice back and waist, bit open on front; 3, Nickson, wing tkd., nice length, neat head, well filled back, good feather and pose; 4, Victor Williams, head mkd., hot col., not so tight; vhc, Deviston; hc, Hawley; c, Jeffrey, Pass. BORDER (7): 1, 3, hc, c, Hancock, stylish cl., yell., grand qual. and carr., neat shape, nice bloom, followed by another cl. yell., of nice shape and feather, hardly so well packed in wings; 2, 4, vhc, Lloyd, very neat cl. buff, sweet shape and carr., fine bloom, close up, 4th stylish uneven buff. SELL., 20s. (19): 1, Hathaway; 2, George; 3, Springall; 4, James; vhc, Windsor; hc, Hemmings and Brereton; c, Rathbone. DITTO, 12s. 6d. (7): 1, Hathaway; 2, Windsor; 3, Sutton; 4, Bennison; vhc, Baxter; hc, Hall; c, Dunn. CAN. MULE, LIGHT (7): 1, vhc, Tams and Son, head and wing mkd. buff, Greenie Can., grand size, well known, looking very fit; 2, Simpson, six point buff Gold.-Can., fine size, nicely balanced marking, lovely quality and bloom; 3, Walsh, very fine uneven buff Gold.-Can., excellent size, nice face, very warm in col., in grand order; 4, J. M. Williams; hc, Johnson; c, Hemmings and Brereton. DARK (7): 1, Davis, Canary-Bullfie, fair size and col., good feather, shows cross nicely; 2, Rees, Gold.-Can., rare size, nice face and wings, good shape and condition; 3, Tams and Son, yell. Siskin-Can., very good size, grand col., stylish, in rare trim; 4, Hemmings and Broreton, good Linnet-Can.; vhc, Walsh; hc, J. M. Williams; c, Morgan. HYBRID (5): 1, Walsh, topping Can.-Bullfie, fine size, ablaze with col., best of condition; 2, Johnson, Gold.-Bullfie, nice size and shape, rare flush and bars, shown in rare order; 3, Riley, Linnet-Greenie, grand size, exquisite feather; 4, Tams and Son; vhc, Davis. BRITISH GOLDFINCH (14): 1, 2, Davis, leader, nice size and shape, full square-cut face, blaze coming well down, good bars and buttons, grand col., back, and breast, coming into nice bloom, followed by another equally good though hardly so deep in tanning; 3, 4, Lovatt and Mason, rattling size and shape, blaze shade deeper than first, nice bars and polish, we liked, 4th very good Finch, will be heard of later; vhc, Child; hc, c, Tams and Son. LINNET (19): 1, c, Davies, good size and shape, lovely col., grandly laced right through, good whites, carries profusion of bloom; 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc, Tams and Son, grand team, leader nice size, fine col., not quite so distinct in lacing, followed by another of grand size and Norwich shape, lovely col., grandly laced, in fine trim, we liked for 2nd; 4th good size, col., and lacing. GREENFINCH (7): 1, 3, c, Tams and Son, monster yell., grand shape, nice bars, well-known face, coming into nice bloom, followed by another yell. of nice shape and feather, hardly so large; 2, Walsh, very good size yell., red-hot col., grand bars, rare condition, beaten only in shape; 4, Gibbons, nice bars, not so warm in col.; vhc, Baseley; hc, Jeffreys. SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, nice Twite, good size, well laced, hardly up in bloom yet; 2, Davies, Siskin, grand col., well broken cap, good flank lacing, sweet exhibit; 3, Jeffreys, Redpoll, grand size for a Lesser, nicely laced, good bib, nice bloom; 4, Bowyer, Mealy Redpoll, rattling size and shape; vhc, Tams and Son; hc, Blincoe. A.O.V. BRIT. (11): 1, 2, Victor Williams, leader fine Chough, legs and bill of magnificent col., carries a delightful sheen, very steady, followed by well-known Magpie, looking as well as ever, very pure in col.; 3, Bootb, very fine Grey Wagtail, grand leather, steady; 4, Jeffrey, Wryneck, good size, and nicely marked, will do better yet; vhc, Davies; hc, Bootb; c, Johnson. FOR. cancelled.

OPEN NOVICE: NOR. CL. YELL. (7): 1, Taylor, nice size, type, and col., good head and carr; 2, Moon, equally good shape, loses only a little in head; 3, Filkin, rare size, good head and leather; 4, Clay; vhc, Ling; hc, Roberts. BUFF (13): 1, Bonsall, rattling size and shape, rare good head and neck, good col. and qual.; 2, Riley, nice one, good head and body; 3, Rhodes, well up in size, good body and wing carr., loses in head; 4, Howarth, very nice cobby bird, close up; vhc, Rowley; hc, Marlin; c, Goodwin. TKD., ETC., YELL. (7): 1, Bonsall, very good size and shape, neck tkd., nice exhibit; 2, Parker, shade smaller, nice type, well cut away, good col. and qual.; 3, Moon, variegated head, hot col.; 4, Sutton; vbc, Lang; c, Hickman. BUFF cancelled. HEN (21): 1, Bennison, shapely cl. buff, nice head and body; 2, Robinson, tkd. buff, good size and type, nicely mealed; 3, Freeman, eye and wing mkd. buff, good head, well cut away; 4, Filkin; vhc, Wood; hc, Williamson; c, Woodfin. UNFLIG. YELL. (15): 1, Martin, grand cl., rare size and shape, nice head and feather; 2, Robinson, grizzle back, lovely shape and qual., paler in col.; 3, Rhodes, heavily variegated, nice shape, head, and col.; 4, Wilkinson; vhc, Moon; hc, Harrison; c, Woodfin. BUFF (24): 1, 4, Sutton, uneven, lovely col. and type, grand head and qual.; 2, Hall, rare chubby cl., fine col., not so neat in head; 3, Parker, good cl., rare type; nice head and carr.; vhc, Howarth; hc, Clay; c, Siddall. YORKS. CL. YELL., cancelled. BUFF (7): 1, Cockram, nice length and shape, close in feather, sweet head and pose; 2, Glover, well drawn, bit loose yet; 3, McMurtric, nice upstanding bird, good wing carr.; 4, Taylor; vhc, Beckett; hc, Shaw; c, Walker. TKD., ETC., YELL. (6): 1, Creasey, grand length and shape, well up on legs, hardly ready; 2, Ratcliffe, variegated, shade smaller, neat shape; 3, Walker, head and wing mkd., soft when we took our notes; 4, Windsor; vhc, Glover; hc, Taylor. BUFF (7): 1, Swetman, neck mkd., rattling length, gets nicely up, good qual. and col.; 2, Harriman, very nice shape, good style, carr., and boxey feather; 3, 4, Taylor, 3rd lengthy head, tkd., well up on legs; vhc, Hickman; hc, Hall. HEN (13): 1, Ratcliffe, cinn. mkd. buff, nicely drawn, neat head and waist; 2, vhc, Salt, cl. yell., nice length, good shape and qual.; 3, Ratcliffe, cl. buff, nice head and position, good qual.; 4, Davis; hc, Hall; c, Clay. UNFLIG. YELL. (14): 1, Salt, thigh tkd., nice length and shape, well cut away, stylish, good col. and qual.; 2, Ratcliffe, lengthy cheek mkd., very neat in girth, stylish; 3, Hibbitt, good length, hot col., nice feather; 4, Shaw; vhc, Cockeram; hc, Barns; c, Farrall. BUFF (12): 1, Shaw, cl., well drawn, nicely filled back, good carr.; 2, Salt, neat, hot col. cl., bit smaller; 3, 4, Ratcliffe, shapely cl., well packed tail; vhc, Robinson; hc, Taylor; c, McMurtrie. BRIT. GOLD. cancelled. LINNET (7): 1, Poyser, nice shape and size, good col., full of work; 2, Rees, rare size, col., and shape, well pencilled, good order; 3, Wooldridge, nice shape and col., more open in pencilling; 4, c, Leadbeater; vhc, Child; hc, Siddall. Other Novice Brit. classes cancelled.

STAMFORD AND DIST. C.B.S.

Members' show held Oct. 5. About 90 birds were entered, and some very good specimens faced the judge, Mr. J. Hibbett, Oakham. NOR. YELL.: 1, Wright; 2, Woods; 3, Eunals. BUFF: 1, Fancourt and Harrison; 2, G. Grimes; 3, Spriggs. A.V., HEN: 1, 2, B. Grimes; 3, Welsh. A.V., 1912: 1, B. Grimes; 2, Wright; 3, Laughton and Son. YORKS., COCK: 1, 2, 3, Fancourt and Harrison. HEN: 1, 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Laughton and Son. 1912: 1, Giles; 2, Wright; 3, Fancourt and Harrison. MULES: 1, Baker; 2, 3, Swanson. GOLDFINCH: 1, Parker; 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Brown and Locke. BULLFINCH: 1, Terry; 2, 3, G. Lee. GREENFINCH: 1, Baker; 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Brown and Locke. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Terry; 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Baker. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE.: 1, Baker; 2, Ennals; 3, Swanson. HENS: 1, 2, A. Baker; 3, Fancourt and Harrison.—A. Harrison.

ECCLESHILL AND WINDHILL.

Members' inter-show, held Sept. 28, with an entry of 130 birds. Most points for season's special prizes are now as follows:—Champion Section: J. Halliday, 49; J. Taylor, 46; J. Chippendale, 43; Sutcliffe and Son, 39; H. Long, 14; E. Halliday, 6. Novice: E. Shepherd, 73; W. B. Atkinson, 54; H. Bryant, 35; A. M. Craven, 33; J. Pullan, 30; A. Spencer, 28; G. Boocock, 21. Most points starred birds: E. Shepherd, 38; W. B. Atkinson, 35; Sutcliffe and Son, 32; J. Taylor, 26; J. Halliday, 25; J. Pullan, 23. Special for best champion bird was won by Sutcliffe and Son, and best novice bird by H. Bryant. Other specials were won by E. Shepherd, A. M. Craven, H. Bryant, and J. Pullan.

CL. YELL: 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, 3, Lee. BUFF: 1, Chippendale; 2, Long. TKD. BUFF: 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, Halliday; 3, Elsegood. GREEN MKD. YELL.: 1, Halliday; 2, Long. BUFF: 1, Lee; 2, Chippendale; 3, Elsegood; 4, Wilcock. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, Studd; 3, Halliday; 4, Chippendale. BUFF: 1, Chippendale; 2, Wilcock; 3, 4, Studd. YELL. HEN: 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, Halliday; 3, Chippendale; 4, Elsegood. BUFF: 1, Studd; 2, 3, Chippendale. CINN. MKD. HEN: 1, Taylor; 2, Wilcock. YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, Wilcock; 4, Halliday. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Wilcock; 4, Halliday. BUFF NOR. Hen: 1, Chippendale. NOVICE GREEN YORKS.: Atkinson; 2, Shepherd; 3, Sparks; 4, Clark. BUFF: 1, 2, Shepherd; 3, Pullan; 4, Close. GREEN MKD. YELL: 1, Shaw. BUFF: 1, Craven; 2, Pullan; 3, Pearson. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Bryant; 2, Ellis; 3, Fretwell; 4, Pullan. BUFF: 1, Atkinson; 2, Shepherd; 3, Wilman; 4, Fretwell. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Bryant; 2, Craven; 4, Sparks. BUFF: 1, Pullan; 2, Ellis; 3, Craven; 4, Shepherd. CINN. MKD. HEN: 1, Craven; 2, Fretwell. NOR.: 1, 3, Pearson; 2, Simonette. HEN: 1, Clark; 2, 4, Pearson; 3, Simonette. SELL. COCK: 1, Spencer; 2, Halliday; 3, Taylor; 4, Sutcliffe and Son. HEN: 1, Bryant; 2, Atkinson; 3, Halliday; 4, Wilcock.—J. Taylor, Secretary.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.

Members' show held September 28, at the Flying Dutchman Hotel, Leeds Road, when a good entry of 109 birds was staged. Mr. P. Mason, Windhill, judged Yorks., and Mr. H. J. Chittenden, Bradford, Norwich and British, and gave every satisfaction. Some good birds were benched, but it is rather early yet for them, but with another week or two some of them will hold their own in open competition.

OPEN YORKS. CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Bateman; 2, vhc, Hodgson; 3, Helliwell; 4, Rhodes; hc, Horsfield. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Ludbrook; 3, vhc, Helliwell; 4, c, Hodgson; hc, Rhodes. VARIEG. CK. (GREEN) (5): 1, Ludbrook; 2, Helliwell; 3, Lingley; 4, Naylor; vhc, Hodgson. CINNAMON (4): 1, 2, Clark; 3, Hodgson; 4, Birbeck. CL. or TICK YELL. HEN (6): 1, 3, Birbeck; 2, Ludbrook; 4, Helliwell; vhc, Rhodes; hc, Naylor. BUFF (8): 1, Horsfield; 2, hc, Helliwell; 3, Rhodes; 4, Ludbrook; vhc, Hodgson; c, Lingley. VAR. HEN (GREEN) (3): 1, Helliwell; 2, Ludbrook; 3, Rhodes. CINNAMON (1): 1, Birbeck. NOV. YORKS. CL or TICK YELL. COCK (6): 1, Rhodes; 2, 4, McEwan; 3, Hylton; vbc, Hunter; hc, Farrer. BUFF (5): 1, Rhodes; 2, Hylton; 3, Hunter; 4, Rhodes; vhc, Brown. VAR. COCK (GREEN) (7): 1, Rhodes; 2, Farrer; 3, Brown; 4, Hunter; vhc, Fletcher; hc, McEwan; c, Bower. CINNAMON (1): 1, Brown. CL. or TICK YELL. HEN (7): 1, Rhodes; 2, 4, Bower; 3 McEwan; vhc, Hunter; hc, Brown; c, Hylton. BUFF (6): 1, Hylton; 2, Smith; 3, vhc, Fletcher; 4, McEwan; hc, Rhodes. VAR. HEN (GREEN) (2): 1, Smith; 2, Farrer. CINNAMON (1): 1 Fletcher. OPEN NOR.; CL or TICK COCK (2): 1, Birbeck; 2, Clark. VAR (2): 1, 2, Clark. A.V. COCK UNFLIGHTED (3): 1, Birbeck; 2, 3, Roe. HEN (4): 1, 4, Birbeck; 2, 3, Roe. NOV. NOR. CL. or TICK COCK (2): 1, Farrer; 2, Hunter. VAR. (3): 1, Hunter; 2, 3, Farrer. A.V. UNFLIGHTED COCK (1): 1, Hunter. HEN (4): 1, 3, Lythell; 2, Hunter; 4, Farrer. BRIT. (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Lane. A.O.V. CAN. or MULE (8): 1, 2, 3, hc, Moreiment; 4, Kaberry; vhc, Clark.—J. Horsfield, Assist. Sec.

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Backward Birds Affect Dysart's Entry.

Good Show in Fifeshire despite the fact that Scotland's exhibition birds are not yet quite ready for the fray.

Fifeshire opened the show season on October 5, in good style, and fanciers were well represented at Dysart. Considering the backward season the exhibits were in grand order and some of the classes were keenly contested. Scotch Fancies opened the programme, but they were rather few in numbers. The quality all round was better than in former years, all the exhibits being well up in size, and several could hold their own in keen competition. The judge, Mr. Angus, was very painstaking, and after his awards were announced nothing could be found fault with. Borders were well represented, still we expected to see more forward, this being the first show of importance, and a splendid classification being given. The clear classes were the best, but where were all the variegs. and unevens? Are breeders just going in for clears at present? I know personally that many breeders won't have a variegs. in their room, and the field is being left open for a few good ones of this variety. The medal was awarded to a buff cock, well shown, by Mr. Patterson, Chirneside. The classes were judged by Mr. J. Craig, the well-known Brechin breeder, and his awards generally were well received. Crest and C.B. classes were all cancelled, but the Plainheads were forward in good numbers, especially the unflighted. There was to be seen one of the best bred in Scotland for years, a grand yellow hen, lovely size, monster for substance, and short in shape and beautifully staged by Mr. Simpson, of Airdrie. Variegs. were a nice collection, and all were carefully judged by Mr. J. McLay, who was exceedingly happy in his selections. Mules and Brit. were the outstanding feature of the show, all the classes being very keenly contested. Old warriors and new faces were out doing battle. The sp. for best Brit. was won by that noted warrior, the Song Thrush, "Border Queen," staged to perfection by Mr. J. W. Bruce, Coldstream, looking at its best, and as fresh as ever. Owing to pressure of business, Mr. L. J. Arrighi was unable to judge, and his place was ably filled by our old respected friend, Mr. J. Brown, of Edinburgh, who we were pleased to see now on the way to recovery after his recent severe illness. After Mr. Brown finished his task, comments were conspicuous by their absence. The society possesses an enthusiastic and hard-working committee, everything being in applepie order, no confusion, and all the birds staged comfortably; awards up as soon as slips returned, and all the exhibits carefully fed and watered by the various stewards. Mr. Russell, the energetic Secretary, is the ideal for a cage bird show, quiet and businesslike being his motto, while the worthy treasurer Mr. Harris, was a prominent figure in the management. The hall is a good one, being well lighted, and free from draught. The show was well patronised, and we hope to hear of a financial success. Messrs. Morton and Nesbit's birds arrived too late for judging.

Mr. John Angus' Classes.

SCOTCH FCY., CL. OR FOUL, COCK (3): 1, Leslie, good one, plenty substance, hard up on top end, nice reach and quality of feather; 2, Fulton, fails somewhat in position to winner, very sweet style, lengthy and free, scarcely the depth across; 3, Pratt, beaten here in top end and substance, good all round qual. HEN (3): 1, Nairn, good one, hard up, nice depth throughout, grand length, fine top end and reach; 2, Pratt, fails a bit top end, but very stylish, good length side, sweet action, easy worker, nice order; 3, Gilmour, good top end, massive throughout, a shade slow, otherwise a good one, nicely put down. BUFF COCK (5): 1, Cairns, grand drive, grips perch close, and rare drop, good depth throughout, fine snaky head, extra good position; 2, Shoolbread, neat size, good mover, free and stylish, a shade slim across, but nice top end and reach; 3, Leslie, smaller in build, but all there for style, fine depth throughout, well placed; vhc, Douglas; he, Pratt. HEN (4): 1, Cairn, wins, grand shape, lovely action, splendid top end and reach, A1 head and neck, very good exhibit, in rare trim; 2, Douglas, fails top end, but fine depth, good length of side, nice reach, could be heavier across, well placed; 3, Shoolbread, sweet all round, free and stylish, only fails a little in size; vhc, Watson; a good class. YELL. PIED OR GR. COCK (3): 1, Watson, nice type, free and full of style, nice depth, good shoulder and reach; 2, Gilmour, close up, shade slimmer, but plenty of go, good length of side; 3, Thomson, very neat, again on the slim side, but reachy and full of nerve. HEN (3): 1, Gibson, good one, fine style, plenty of action, very nice top end and reach, good depth across, in rare trim; 2, Cairns, sweet shape, good qual., not so prominent on shoulders; 3, Watson, nice stamp, shade, slimmer in build, very stylish and full of action. BUFF, CK. (6): 1, Nairn, clear win, a hot one, grand substance throughout, rare top end and reach, fine length of side, free, in full bloom; 2, Beattie, neat one, good shape and stamp, not so massive as winner, but all there for style; 3, vhc, he, Gilmour, beaten here in style and length, good depth, nice top end, a shade slow; vhc, c, Fulton. HEN (4): 1, Nairn, nice stamp, good top end and reach, fair depth, nice length of side, and snaky in appearance; 2, no name, good shape, not so long in reach, but hard up on shoulders, sweet quality throughout; 3, Beattie, well up on top end, but a shade slimmer in build, grand mover, fine order; vbc, Gibson.

Mr. J. McLalay's Classes.

CRESTS and C.B.: All classes cancelled. NOR. CL. or TKD. YELL COCK (4): 1 Cameron, good all round, plenty substance, fine quality, good front and head, A1 style; 2, Christie, fails a shade in head to winner, bold front, short wings, in fine order; 3, Lawson, beaten in size, finely moulded, good head, very sweet in style; vhc, Lister. HEN (5): 1, Cameron, sweet one, grand shape, lovely texture of feather, nice head, good front, well up in size, well put down; 2, Harris, good chubby shaped, rare front, sweet head, scarcely so massive as winner, in full bloom; 3, Thomson, fails in pose to winners, but neat size, and good qual. of feather; vhc, Logan; he, Thomson. BUFF COCK (9): 1, Mitchell, hot one, rare size and quality of feather, good bold head and front, nicely moulded, sweet wing carriage, wins; 2, Gibson, close up, another hot one, plenty of col., rare finish, very neat shape, good front; 3 Naismith, beaten front, grand head and neck, neat wing carriage, fine position, sweet all round; vhc Christie; he, Blyth; c, Cameron. HEN (7): 1, Cameron, gem, grand shape and colour, lovely size for a lady, well rounded, in full bloom, bold front, rare head and wing carriage, well staged; 2, Stewart, neat head tick, beaten finish, but grand front, well up in size, could have won in non-fed class; 3, Skinner, fails in head, warm shade of colour, but a bit thinner in body, good size and order; vhc, Taylor; he, Nelson; c, no name. VARIEG. COCK cancelled. HEN (8): 1, Ramsay, romping buff, splendid shape, grand head and well rounded, neat wing carriage, very sweet qual.; 2, Gibson, good yell., nice texture, bold front, well balanced all round, not so well up in head as winner; 3, Nelson, nice buff, a shade smaller than winner, but good stamp, and very sweet shape, neat head, front, well placed; vhc, Lister; he, ...gall; c, Kirk. UNFLIG. YELL COCK (15): 1, Watt, nice bold head and front, well balanced, inclined to cross wings at times, in full bloom; 2, Ramsay, var., well up in size, good bold head, neat wing carriage, nice qual.; 3, vhc, Harris, sweet one, well burnished up, good head and flights, nicely balanced, in rattling trim, well placed; he, Peters; c, Dempster. HEN (12): 1, 2, Simpson, yell. foul, a stunner, rare size and shape, grand full head and neck, lovely short wings, well carried, nice short pipo tail, extra short and close in feather, a real gem and no mistake, well put down; 2nd, sweet broken green, round in shape, good head, very nice wing carriage, sweet qual. of feather; 3, Thomson, yell. foul, beaten size, but all there for finish, very neat front, nicely balanced, put down in rattling order; vhc, Saunders; he, Peters; c, Stewart. UNFLIG. BUFF COCK (15): 1, Simpson, head tick, good shape, well up in size, round as possible, short in feather, well balanced wings, in lovely order, well staged; 2, Adams, sweet buff, fails head to winner, but short in build, plenty front, good wing carriage, nice qual. of feather; 3, Henderson, good one, sweet shape, grand action, very neat size, lovely wing carriage, quality A1, will improve yet; vhc, Moffat; he, Mahon; c, Fleming. HEN (22): 1, Scaife, a romping buff var., grand front, A1 head, very neat in wing carriage, good cut, well put down; 2, Fleming, nice cl., scarcely so massive as winner, but nicely rounded, bold head, rare neck and back, good shape, well drawn; 3, Murray, tick, well up in size, scarcely so bold in front as winners, but well rounded, in very nice trim, well placed; vhc, Cameron; he, Harris; c, Muir. NON-FED YELL. COCK (3): 1, Lawrie, nice var., well up in size, good shape and qual. of feather, nice bead, well balanced wings; 2, Thomson, good one all round, plenty size, bold front, nicely drawn; 3, Harris, shade smaller, but tight in feather, very shapely. HEN (4): 1, Lawrie, a good var., well up in size good head and front, nice qual. of feather; 2, McLaren, good stamp, fine qual., good wing carriage, a shade plainer in body; 3, Harris, var., well up in size, beaten in finish by winners. BUFF COCK (8): 1, Skinner, good green, well rounded bold head and front, A1 size, lovely qual. of feather, well drawn bird; 2, Lawrie, cl., nice size, good front and wing carriage, fine full chest, shade weak in head; 3, Harris, var., well up in size, good front, neat wing carriage, falls little in head, sweet exhibit, good class; vhc, Stuart and Dalling; he, Naismith; c, Moffat. HEN (5): 1, Mitchell, tkd. buff, good size, fine head and front, inclined to cross wings at times, lovely close feather; 2, Arnot, sweet green, fine qual. throughout, very neat head and front, shade on the long side; 3, Adams, buff, nice shape, good feather, slimmer in front, good bead and wing carriage; vhc, Lawson; he, Harris.

Mr. J. Craig's Classes.

BORD., CL., TKD., YELL. (13): 1, Spence, good stamp, nice head and front, and well balaneed wings, sweet shape and grand finish, well put down; 2, Watt, finer finish, broken colour, and also broken in vent a little, grand position, well balanced wings and good all round; 3, Wood, grand body and finish, a shade pinched in head and neck, but as tight as wax, well shown; vhc, Murray; he, McCrae; c, Lumsden. Hen (7): 1, Spence, wins, best type in class, sweet head and front, good wing carriage, very neat all round exhibit; 2, Bryce, slimmer build, and a shade paler in colour, good body and wing carriage, and very stylish, shown in nice trim; 3, Crabb and Finlayson, not so well burnished up, sweet size and good head; vhc, Dryburgh; he, Connachie; c, Hutchinson. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (16): 1, B.F.C. medal, Patterson, rare order, grand mould, nice round body, good head and wing carriage, inclined to drop tail a shade, otherwise all there, full size, wins on quality; 2, Watt, soft a shade when taking notes, good head and wing carriage, paler in col.; 3, Grubb, slimmer in build than winners, but tight in feather, and well put down, nice head and wing carriage, and very free style; vhc, J. and A. Duncan; he, Muir; c, Rodger. HEN (11): 1, Patterson, wins on type, lovely size and rare mould, as round as a marble, neat head and neck, grand carriage, a shade rough in feather; 2, Beveridge, paler colour, equal in quality of feather with winner, shade longer, but finely drawn, and good position; 3, McCrae, longer in shape and slimmer, fine free pose and good carriage, nicely balanced wings; vhc, Lumsden; he, Hutchison; c, J. and A. Duncan. EVEN MKD. (2): 1, Patterson, best markings, good eye and wings, and fine quality of feather, clear win, a buff; 2, Aitchison, buff, fails eyes to winner, good in finish, fine size and shape. UNEVEN YELL. (6): 1, vhc, Beveridge, good order, sweet shape, well rounded, grand head and wing carriage, and nicely marked, in full bloom; 2, Crabb and Finlayson, beavy marked bird, sweet quality, neat front and wing; 3, Bryce, slim, but good shape, nice pose and quality of feather; bc, Campbell; c, Patterson. HEN (5): 1, Wilson, good stamp, nice balanced wings and good head and front, steady and well shown; 2, Bryce, not quite so well burnished up, and just a shade heavier in front, good head and well drawn; 3, Hutchison, slimmer and rather nervous, good shape and nice size and well forward. UNEVEN BUFF (8): 1, Lumsden, wins, grand order and fine type, grand head and lovely wing carriage, sweet all round, well staged; 2, Hutchison, beaten in body, not so well moulded, grand carriage and neat wings, a little open in tail yet, will improve; 3, Bryce, same style; vhc, Murray; he, Hazzard; c, J. and A. Duncan. HEN (9): 1, Hutchison, rare cinn. tick, lovely quality of feather, sweet, jaunty carriage, and A1 front, as tight as wax, real model, grandly put down; 2, Shanks, stronger in front than winner, but well rounded and clean cut out, fails a little in head and neck, good quality; 3, J. and A. Duncan, beaten finish of feather, but nice stamp, a shade plainer on back, but good style; vhc, Aitchison; he, Wilson; c, Hazzard. GREEN OR CINN. (6): 1, 2, Wilson, yell. Cinn., grand shape and good quality of feather, nicely pencilled, fine head, and good carriage, 2, yell. green, pure in col., and well pencilled, nice head and front, and good all round, but well shown; 3, Patterson, yell. Cinn., shade smaller than winner, good grouud colour, and fine type; vhc, Peters; he, Lambie; c, Forrest. HEN (6): 1, vhc, Wilson, yell. Cinn., good shape and plenty of col., a shade on the dark side, and markings a little heavy on back, good quality of feather; 2, Campbell, nice Buff green, grand shape and well pencilled, sweet lacing on back and flanks, and rare feather; 3, Lambie, buff green, good one, fine markings and type, scarcely ready yet; he, Forrest; c, Frew. A.O.V. BORD. (3): 1, Thomson, Golden Lizard, grand, all round, finely laced, and good cap, lovely col. and well staged; 2, Johnston, buff Cinn., nice size and quality; 3, Russell, Lancashire, some thought might have gone 2nd, plenty size and good shape, and well put down. COMMON CAN. (9): 1, J. and A. Duncan, grand green Bord., lovely col. and size, well pencilled and rare shape, could have been well up in open class; 2, Hatton, small Nor. type, good quality of feather; 3, Dewar, similar to 2nd, good heavy var., in nice order; vhc, Russell; he, Ritchie.

Mr. J. Brown's Classes.

DARK CAN. MULE (10): 1, Bell, Jonque Linnet, grand size, col. and pencilling, well finished, good one, well put down; 2, McGraw, sweet yell. greenie, could be better in size, but grand col., and nicely finished, lovely texture of feather and depth of col., very well placed; 3, Storrar, Jonque Siskin, sweet shape and well laced, and nice depth of col., good cap, fine size, well finished off; vhc, Nicoll; he, Jamieson; c, Watson. LIGHT (6): 1, Jamieson, romping 6 point buff Goldie, clean moulted, just a shade weak in face, grand shape, and in full bloom, well staged; 2, McLaren, hot faced, heavy var. Goldie, dense col., and very well burnished, good all round; 3, vhc, Purves, lightly var. yell. Greenie, good stamp, in lovely order, fine colour, bold head, should make a good one, quite a baby; he, Whitelaw; c, Wright. LINNET (12): 1, Nicholson, good one, well laced, lovely col., grand body and head, rare breast markings, well polished up, steady as a rock, a good one; 2, Thomson, a shade blurred on front perhaps, grand head and shape, not so pure in wing flights as winner, but nice stamp and good finish; 3, Bell, a romper, rare size and extra good in shape, lovely col., beaten a little in lacing on front, good wing flights, lighter shade than winners, will improve yet; vhc, Sykes; he, Watson; c, Philip and Son. GREENFINCH (15): 1, McGillivray Bros., small, good quality of feather, nicely fed, good wing flights, sweet shape, steady and well shown; 2, Logan, larger, beaten finish by winner, good wings, and nice bold head, inclined to be a shade soft to-day; 3, Sharp, neat one, fine quality of feather, good bold front, chubby in shape, neat wings, well up in bloom; vhc, Spittal; bc, Thomson; c, Russell. SISKIN (9): 1, Nicholson, wins, grand bloom, fine cap, neat bib, lovely wings, grand depth of col. throughout, extra good all round; 2, Sykes, fails bib to winner, but sweet tone of colour, well up in size, nice wings and cap, well put down; 3, Bell, good all round, fails a little in cap and bib, nice body col., grand finish and quality; vhc, Nicoll; he, Connachie; c, White, a good class. LESSER REDPOLL OR TWITE (16): 1, Bruce, good Redpoll, lovely quality of feather, nice tone of col., rare bib, grand size, in full bloom, well-known winner; 2, Bell, Twite, sweet size, grand col., nicely pencilled, fine finish, well put down; 3, Leach, 'Poll, nice bib and lacing, good quality of feather, sweet all-round bird; vhc, Calder; he, Pringle; c, Sykes. MEALY REDPOLL (13): 1, Cummings, rare size, dense markings, grand flank, fine cap and bib, pure in ground colour, and extra good in finish, well polished up; 2, Campbell, close up, another monster, sweet size, rare front, not so large in head as winner, but equal in markings, good bib; 3, Scotland, good one, nice quality, well pencilled, fine shape, grandly finished off, a shade smaller; vhc, Bell, well known winner; he, McGillivray Bros.; c, Laing; a grand class. GOLDFINCH (BRIT.) (6): 1, Nicholson, full bloom, dense blaze of purest colour, nice whites, good cap and nap, looks like having never moulted this year; 2, Pringle, loses in blaze and size to winner, but good front and nice bars, and well buttoned; 3, Black and Lumsden, behind in colour a shade, but sweet shape and nice size, will make a good one; vhc, Mackie; he, Watson. BULL FINCH (BRIT.) (6): 1, Bell, grand size, cobby shaped bird, nice broad cap and good bib, and well up in col., in good trim; 2, Thomson, sweet type, on the thin side, nice body col. and good bars, not so bold in head as winner; 3, Nicholson, good stamp, sweet quality, and well up in colour, fails in skull and size to winners; vhc, Colville; he, Black and Lumsden. GOLDFINCH, FOR. (2): 1, Stuart and Dalling, wins, best blaze, grand depth of col., rare wings, fine checks and polish, in extra good bloom; 2, Pringle, beaten in finish here, not so well up in face, good body colour and grand size, looks like making a good one. LARGE BRIT. (4): 1, Sykes, Bawfinch, a good one, rare size, lovely bib, bold head, pure in col., steady and exceedingly well put down, a hot one; 2, Nicol, Thrush, sweet shape, well up in markings, good quality, steady and well shown, 3, Storrar, Starling, well spangled, in full bloom, a shade on the small side, nicely staged; vhc, Bissett. SMALL SOFTBILL (4): 1, Lawrie, yellow Wagtail, good one, fine size and rare col., nice crescent and perfect in feather, well put down; 2, Poulter, Bearded Tit, good one, fine cheeks, and pure in col., steady and well staged, sweet, taking exhibit; 3, vhc, Lawrie, Skylark, well up in size, very nicely marked, good ground colour, perfect order. SMALL HARDBILL (9): 1, Allan, nice Bramble, well up in colour, good flank markings, nicely spangled on back, fine shape, lovely quality, in full bloom; 2, Lister, Chaffinch, nice one, dense colour, sweet head, good pure whites, well up in size, steady and nicely staged; 3, Sharp, Bramble, shade smaller than winner, but good colour and lacing, steady, nice all round Finch; vhc, Leach; he, Thomson; c, Lawrie. FOR., BULL.: Cancelled. FOR. (2): 1, Bruce, Crimson Finch, in nice order, good size and quality. HEN BRIT. (3): 1, sp., Bruce, Thrush (Border Queen), in full bloom, grand size and shape, well spangled, steady as a rock, well-known winner; 2, Bissett, Missel Thrush, good size and shape, nicely marked, inclined to run a shade one side, steady and grandly put down, old face. BUNTING (6): 1, Nicholson, Corn Bunting, nice size, well pencilled, good colour and quality, well put down; 2, Nicol, Yellowhammer, sweet head markings, good eye, fine body col., well up in size, in rare trim; 3, Haxton, Yellowhammer, not so large or clearly defined in markings as winner, but good colour and shape; vhc, Poulter, he, Ping; c, Watson, a gem of an Ortolan, unfortunately had stripped the flights of one wing. YORKS. CK. (4): 1, Clelland, nice yell., well drawn, good wings, very neat in front, full length, and shows to perfection; 2, Rizzi, buff, a hot one, fine mould, lovely head and wing carriage, well drawn, grand fronted bird, worth its place; 3, Clayton, bulf, beaten a little in front, but plenty length, sweet quality; vhc, Reid. HEN (3): 1, Clayton, yell. Cinn., tkd., a shade rough in feather to-day, grand length, finely drawn; 2, Clayton, good buff, sweet shape, lovely feather, not so free in pose as winner; 3, Rizzi, var. huff, good quality.

A Further Slump in Scotch Fancies.

PAISLEY'S SPECIALIST SHOW

Our representative regretfully records another fall in the entries. An enjoyable exhibition otherwise.

Twentieth annual exhibition competition of Scots. Fancy Canaries, held in the George A. Clark North Minor Hall (one of the finest halls in Scotland), October 5, under distinguished patronage. Office-bearers,: Hon. Pres., Mr. Francis Percy; president, Mr. Niel O'Donnell; vice-pres., Mr. T. Hamilton; secretary and treas., Mr. John Kelly; committee, Messrs. A. M. Baird, John Kennedy, Wm. Neil, Jas. Paterson, Robert Neil, A. Kennedy, H. Powell, Andrew Livingstone, D. Kennedy, John Hart; judges, D. Caldwell, Bailliston; Andrew Ferguson, Renfrew; J. Hannah, Dumfries; J. Hunter, Irvine. The weather conditions were all that could be desired; the hall was in every way excellent for show purposes; ample classes were provided, and good prize-money, including cup, gold badges, and silver medal; yet with all these inducements there was a falling off compared with the previous year, which itself showed a decline. Some of the classes failed to fill, entailing reducing the prize-money in these classes to one-half, a disappointing result to exhibitors, and management alike. From the President to the secretary, the management is all that could be desired, comprising as it does gentlemen who are noted and well known in birdie circles. What became of our Edinburgh friends who made themselves conspicuous by their absence on this occasion? Although lacking in numbers a shade, the quality of the birds staged was excellent, some really fine, typical Scotch Fancies being forward. Secretary Kelly had everything in apple-pie order, being backed up by a hardworking committee. The buff pied hen belonging to Mr. Wm. Gray, cup and gold badge winner, was a gem of the first water, and was followed closely by Mr. John Muir's yellow piebald cock, so much so it took the judges some considerable time to come to a decision, but ultimately the cup and badge fell to the hen. These two birds are sure to figure on the prize list many times this season, and will be hard to beat. There was a fair turn out of visitors, especially in the afternoon. The judges' awards seemed to give all round satisfaction, no grumbling being heard. The following were the awards:

The Critique.

YELL., CL. CK. (14): 1, Wm. Gray, nice body and wing, fine reach, nicely set up, good size, drives well; 2, Allerdice, nice head and neck, nice shoulder, good body and wing, looking well; 3, Fritton (Paisley), nicely set up, good back, shade plain to others; 4, sp., O'Donald, plenty of size, but a shade plain to those in frout; 5, Neil; 6, sp., W. Gray; 7, 8, Main; 9, Slater. PIED (8): 1, McAdam, nice head and neck, good reach and droop, fine top end, and nicely set up, typical bird; 2, sp., Muir, nice size, well set up, grand reach and droop, sweet head, good body and wings, looks well, winner of silver medal and gold badge for best young bird opposite sex to cup winner; 3, Fleming (Renfrew), grand size, falls a little in top end, nice stylish exhibit; 4, Stirling, fair bird, well set up, fails in substance a shade to those in front; 5, Stewart; 6, Gray; 7, Briggs. FOUL (7): 1, Montgomery, grand reach, lovely top end and head, nicely set up, plenty of style; 2, Allerdice, fine droop, neat head, nice long side and wing, better size than winner, close up; 3, Fleming (Renfrew), loses in reach and droop, good size and quality; 4, Stewart, fair, nicely set up; 5, sp., Ferguson; 6, Muir; 7, Neil. GREEN CK. (11): 1, Montgomery, buff, full, fluffy front, fair size, nice head and droop, good back, body and wing, very stylish; 2, Kennedy, yell., well set on pins, neat head, fine reach, good back and wings, nice depth through; 3, sp., Slater, good size, and fair all round; 4, McIlkenny, a very fair bird; 5, McMillan; 6, Strathearn; 7, Neil. BUFF CKS. (9): 1, Montgomery, old bird, good all round quality, looking in the pink of condition to-day; 2, Caldwell, nice frame and head, good droop and drive, rare top end, nice long side and wing, close up; 3, Strathearn, plenty of style, hard up, and neat, good action, good value for its place; 4, Gray, nice head and quality, well set up; 5, Fulton; 6, Wilson; 7, Maxwell; 8, McKinlay. BUFF PIED CK. (9): 1, Smith (Honwood), grand size, lovely reach and head, good shoulder and depth through, a topper; 2, sp., Maxwell, nice reach and shoulder, good size, erect and plenty of style; 3, Slater, all right for size, loses in style only to those in front, good all round bird; 4, Kirk, very fair bird, but not quite the style of winner; 5, Wilson; 6, Hendry; 7, Main; 8, Hunter; 9, Fulton. YELL HENS (9): 1, sp., Montgomery, fine head and neck, nice size and depth through, capital reach and length of wing, very stylish; 2, McClure, nice reachy neck, and depth through, not so determined in reach as first; 3, Price, hard up, and splendid qualities all round, nice typical bird; 4, sp., Adam, well set up, good head; 5, Stewart; 6, Neil; 7, Slater; 8, Brown. YELL. PIED HEN (7): 1, Higgins, nice type, grand reach, very neat head, looked a shade thin on neck featber; 2, Caldwell, better type, and on points all round we thought should have been first; 3, Powell, nice size and depth through, good length of side, stylish exhibit; 4, Paterson, a very fair bird, but a shade plain to those in front; 5, Stewart; 6, Jackson; 7, Hendry. FOUL HEN (6): 1, Maxwell, buff foul, of all round merit, very stylish exhibit, value for its place; 2, Neil, another good foul, but close up to first; 3, Jackson, nice style, good back and body; 4, Simpson, fairly good type, shade plain; 5, Main. GREEN HEN (12): 1, Slater, buff, nice size, neat head, good reach and droop, fine long side and wing; 2, Bryce, very erect, fine size, plenty of style and reach, well set up, very close up; 3, Edgar, another good typical bird, but not quite so good in reach as first or second; 4, Caldwell, nice size, plenty of substance; 5, Hunter; 6, McMillan; 7, Slater; 8, Burgess; 9, Neil. BUFF HEN (10): 1, McClure, full in front feather, nice and hard up, grand reach and droop, fair size, nicely set on spar; 2, spl., 4, Ferguson, not so full in front, fine head and reach, nice droop, good body, very close up, 4, nice top end, and body, but fails in style to winners; 3, Strathearn, fine size, and depth through, splendid reach and droop, nice long side and wing, grand style and quality; 5, Maxwell; 6, sp., Wilson; 7, Montgomery; 8, McKinlay. BUFF PIED HEN (13): 1, McClure, a past winner, a good all round merit, looking well to-day, very stylish bird; 2, Gray, silver cup and gold badge winner, exceptional all-round merit and quality, looking well; 3, Stewart, fine style, good reach and droop, nice body, tail well under, good bird; 4, Jackson, well set up, good head and body; 5, sp., Allerdice; 6, 7, Price; 8, Brice Brown; 9, Fleming. SELL., CK.: 1, sp., Keunedy; 2, Moore; 3, McDonald; 4, sp., Neil. HEN: 1, Edgar; 2, sp., Allison; 3, Neil; 4, Paterson.

Opening of the Northern Season.

CHOPWELL'S GOOD SHOW.

Society breaks away from other sections and is well rewarded.

This society again led off the Northern show season, the event, as usual, taking place in the Workmen's Club Hall. Previous shows have always been held in conjunction with the fur and feather sections, but this year the cage bird section decided to hold their show by themselves, and their enterprise may be regarded as having proved a distinct success. The entry totalled 353, which may be considered good, all sections being well supported. Yorks. totalled 77 in 6 classes, and, although many of the birds were hardly ready, they made a very creditable display. Norwich averaged over 13 in 5 classes, and here again many of the birds were not quite cleaned up. Borders were about the pick, this variety appearing to be in a more forward condition than the colour-fed varieties. They averaged just over 12 in five classes, and were, on the whole, a very smart lot. British were well supported, the average being about 10 per class. Several well-known winners were staged, and the section all through was very good in quality and condition. The show hall is well adapted for the purpose, nice light, freedom from draughts, and plenty of room for visitors to get about, while the arrangements for staging, etc., were admirably carried out, and reflected the greatest credit on the officials in charge of the arrangements. The society is evidently well favoured in the matter of hard working officers, who comprise the chairman, Mr. M. Simpson; treasurer, Mr. W. Carr, and a committee of Messrs. Christer, Clement, Charlton, Stoddart, Betton, Robson, Flint, and Mason, all of whom gave of their best, and we feel impelled to give an extra word of praise to Mr. Flint, who got through any amount of work, and was here, there, and everywhere looking after the arrangements. In Mr. W. Tomlinson the society possess a very efficient secretary, painstaking and obliging, and although new to the position, he got through his work in an excellent manner, and no doubt under his supervision the society will make considerable progress. A word of praise must also be given to Mr. W. Christer, whom we again found hard at work assisting in the secretarial duties, and the value of his services cannot be over-estimated. The show was well patronised by visitors, and should prove a financial success. The judges were: Mr. A. Holden (Gateshead), Canaries; and Mr. J. Stanger (Pelton Fell), British and foreign.

The Critique.

YORKS., YELL. (5): 1, Tindale, cl., grand length, nice position, hot col., neat shoulders, good wing and tail carriage; 2, Pyman, cl., scarcely so well rounded as leader, yet a nice one for length and position, gets well up on leg; 3, Moffitt, cap mkd., trille thicker, straight up, nice length, well braced wings and tail; 4, Johnson, cheek mkd., good length, nice style and position, not quite finished off yet; vhc, Jones and Owens. BUFF (9): 1, Tindale, cl., good one, nice length, straight as a rush, well rounded back, nice col. and quality, neat head, beautifully braced wings and tail, finished to perfection; 2, Stewart, cl., nice length, hardly so erect as might be, slim, with neat shoulders, yet some preferred 3, Ridley Bros., grand quality, beautifully drawn, neat narrow shoulders, nicely rounded, good position; 4, Wigglesworth, trifle shorter, yet nice position and style, good wings and tail; vhc, Forster; he, Hutler; c, Pyman. 1912 (25): A nice lot, 1, Tindale, cl., yell., hot col., slim and well rounded, nice length, straight as a gun barrel, well braced wings and tail, not quite at his best yet; 2, Dix, yell., grizz., left wing, very slim and upstanding, beautifully drawn, grandly braced wings and tail, a trifle snakey in head, otherwise a good one; 3, Johnson, nice col., grand length, gets well up, neat wings and tail, trifle unsteady, which prevents him showing to advantage; 4, Stewart, cl. buff, nice col. and quality, well rounded, nicely tapered, grand wings and tail, scarcely so good in position as leader, yet not far behind; vhc, R. Johnson; he, Pyman; c, Wigglesworth. HEN (12): 1, Tindale, neck tkd. yell., neat, slimly built bird, beautifully drawn, grand shoulders and waist, gets straight up, grandly braced wings and tail; 2, F. Johnson, yell., not quite so neat in head as leader, yet a good one for length and position, slim and well rounded, nicely drawn, grand col. and quality; 3, Mather, Buff, nice stylish hen, good position, neat head and neck, good wing carriage, not quite tightened up yet; 4, Wigglesworth, mkd. cap and right wing, yell., trifle stouter than leaders, well rounded, gets well up, grand wings, nice quality; vhc, he, Pyman; c, Stewart. NAT. COL.: Cancelled. YORKS., COCK, NOV. (17): 1, 2, Moffatt, cl. buff leading, nice length, beautifully drawn, grandly rounded back, neat, narrow shoulders, well tapered, straight as a soldier, grand wings and tail; 2, yell. tkd. left wing, slim and upstanding, hot col., well drawn, well braced wings and tail; 3, vhc, R. Johnson, leader yell., grand quality, gets well up on perch, slim and well rounded, good col., close up; 4, Metcalfe, cl. yell., grand length, hot col., nice style and position, neat shoulders, fails a trifle only in wing carriage; he, c, Deighton. HEN (9): 1, Moffat, cl. buff, good length, grand position, neat, narrow shoulders, finely drawn, well braced wings and tail; 2, Ward, lightly var. yell., good col., nice length, finely drawn, good style and position, shade weak in neck; 3, R. Johnson, var. yell., good col., grand length and position, nice wing carriage, trifle thicker at waist than leaders; 4, Walton, var. buff, good position, scarcely the length of leaders, slim and straight up, gets wings over a bit; vhc, he, Reelly; c, Deighton. BORD., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (6): 1, Smith, gem for shape, grand col. and quality, lovely close feather, grandly packed wings and tail, appears to have been a trifle plucked on head; 2, Peel, scarcely so well finished as leader, yet a good one for shape, nice col. and quality, neat head, well rounded back, nice wing and tail carriage; 3, vhc, Whittaker, grand one for col., wonderful quality, neat head and neck, nicely rounded body, fails a trifle to leaders in wing carriage; 4, Nicholson, shade longer, good col. and quality, neat round head, well braced wings and tail; he, Wilson. BUFF (13): 1, Peel, model for shape, grand col. and quality, sweet head, well rounded back, beautifully braced wings and tail, well cleaned under; 2, Betton, we could not find, probably in members' classes; 3, Elliot, sweetly moulded, well-rounded body, grand col. and quality, neat head and neck, just beaten a trifle in wing carriage; 4, Whittaker, shade heavy in build, nice shape, neat head and neck, rare wings and tail; vhc, Nicholson; he, Herring; c, Smailes. HEN (17): 1, Saint, cl. yell., real model, sweet head and neck, beautifully rounded body, good col., feathered to perfection, a sweet hen; 2, Craig, even mkd. yell., fine shape, nicely rounded, neat head, nice wing and tail carriage, a trifle rough in feather; 3, 4, Bates, sweetly moulded buff leading, fine shape, good col. and quality, neat head, wings and tail, 4, very sweet yell, fine shape, well rounded, neat head, just loses in col. to leaders; vhc, Elliot; he, Smith; c, Fisher. MKD, CK. (8): 1, 2, Nicholson, two beauties, leader magnificent even clun. mkd. yell., close boxey feather, delightful sheen, lovely col. and quality, beautiful shape and style, a real gem, 2, even mkd. buff, another topper, rare shape, beautifully rounded, grandly clothed with exquisite feather, sweet head, wings and tail; 3, Peel, saddle mkd buff, beautiful shape, lovely feather of grand quality, neat head, well finished, gets wings across a bit, otherwise a topper; 4, no name, another saddle mkd., nice shape, good feather, similar to 3, but not quite so rich in col.; vhc, Smith; he, Kirkpatrick Bros.; c, Elliot. GREEN OR CINN.: Cancelled. NOVICE (17): 1, c, Pape, cl. buff leading, beauty for shape, grand quality, close boxey feather, grandly rounded body, sweet head and neck, well braced wings and tail, a good one; 2, Quigley, var. yell., rare shape, good col. and quality, nicely rounded, good wing and tail carriage; 3, Greason, cap mkd. yell., trille stout, yet grand shape, beautiful col. and quality, neat head, lovely wings and tail; 4, Hillary, cl. yell., grand col., sweetly moulded, neat wings and tail, nice carriage; vhc, Brown; he, Saint. SCOTS: Cancelled. CREST or C.B.: Cancelled. NOR. YELL. (5): 1, Bainbridge, tkd. on neck, rare size, hot col., good head and neck, but plenty long enough, and a little open in feather; 2, Wilson, better shape than leader, rare size, thick head and neck, short chubby body, loses only to leader in col.; 3, Charlton, slimmer build, hot col., neat head, well cleaned under; 4, Nicholson, wing mkd., nice shape, good col., full head and neck, trifle slack in feather; vhc, Barkas. BUFF (11): 1, Curry, rare size, nice shape, good col. and quality, thick head and neck, nice wing and tail carriage; 2, Wilson, trifle longer in body, and rather heavy behind, good col., nice carriage; 3, Smailes, scarcely so full in chest as leader, yet nice shape, good col. and quality, well carried wings and tail; 4, he, c, Kirkpatrick Bros., cap mkd., smaller, but nice shape, neat wings and tail, nice col. and quality; vhc, Peirson. 1912 (28): A good class: 1, 2, c, Crass, leader, cl. buff, grand shape, nice size, good head and neck, nice chest, grand col. and quality, good carriage, well cleaned under; 2, cl. yell., nice size, fine shape and col., sweet head, good wing and tail carriage, clean under; 3, he, Bainbridge, cl. yell., scarcely so stout in body as leaders, yet nice shape, good col. and quality, neat head, wings and tail; 4, Laidlaw, cl. buff, grand size, good col. and quality, nice head and neck, trifle heavy behind; vhc, Smailes. HEN (19): 1, Geggie, var. yell., correct type, good col. and quality, neat head, good neck and chest, nice wings and tail; 2, Hope, grandly moulded buff, extra shape, grand col. and quality, neat head, neck, and chest, fine carriage, must have pressed winner close; 3, Fletcher, var. yell., good shape, nice col. and quality, neat wings and tail, looked a bit soft when we were taking our notes; 4, Smith, cl., nice shape, grand quality, neat head and chest, fails a trifle in wing carriage; vhc, Richardson; he, Peirson; c, Wilson. NAT. COL. (5): 1, Simpson, cl. yell., rare size, grand col and quality, plenty long enough; 2, Barkas, cl. yell., Letter shape than leader, neat head, good wings and tail, loses to leader only in size and col.; 3, Wilson, cl. buff, fine size, good col. and quality, neat head, neck and chest, good carriage; 4, Mason, cl. yell., plenty of size, good head, carries a bit too much feather behind; vhc, Anderson. SELL., 15s.: 1, Barkas; 2, Crass; 3, Bowerbank Bros.; 4, Fletcher; vhc, Moffatt; he, Hands; c, Jones and Owens. 10s. (8): 1, Smith; 2, Peirson; 3, Clark; 4, Barkas; vhc, Hands; he, Wilson; c, Gardiner. GOLDIE, ETC. (11): 1, Davidson, lovely Bullie, medium size, lovely breast col., pure and level all over, grand back and bars, nice shaped, dense col. cap; 2, Waters, Goldie, good size, nice dense col. blaze, clean cut, nice tannings, good wings and buttons; 3, Curry, Bullie, larger than leader, lovely col., good back, grand cap of good shape, scarcely so well tightened up as leader, yet little to choose between them; 4, Bates, lovely little Goldie, not the size of 2, but very pure in col, nice blaze, grand condition and polish; vhc, Reed and Collins; he, no name; c, McGuire. GREENFINCH, ETC. (10): 1, 4, Tomlinson, both Brambles, leader beauty for size and shape, grand col., lovely spangle, well laced, 4, nice one for size and col., but scarcely as distinct in spangling as leader, good condition; 2, no name, another Bramble, larger than winner, grandly laced, nice col., loses a trifle in spangling, lovely condition; 3, Boyd, Chaffie, in the pink, grand close feather, nice col., good wings and bars; vhc, Jamieson; he, Clark; c, Davidson. LINNET (14): 1, Davidson, gem, grand size and shape, beautifully pencilled, clear and distinct all over, grand col. and as steady as a rock, a real topper; 2, Pettersen, nice size and shape, good col. and polish, grandly pencilled, although scarcely so profuse on breast as leader; 3, Waters, another good one for size and shape, nice colour, beautifully pencilled, shows plenty of whites in wings, a trifle unsteady; 4, Charlton, another nice one, well pencilled, but scarcely so level in col. as leaders; vhc, Tomlinson; he, c, Scott. SISKIN, ETC. (12): 1, Boyd, Redpoll, a beauty for shape and col., well laced, grand polish and condition; 2, 3, Todd and Son, leader very smart yell. Siskin, rich col., neat cap, nicely laced, lovely feather, 3, Redpoll, nice size and shape, good col., nicely pencilled, loses only in polish and condition to leader; 4, Aston, buff Siskin, fine shape, nice cap, dense in col., grandly laced, not far behind; vhc, Forster, Fletcher; c, Dixon. HEN FINCH (6): 1, Scott, grand Hawfinch, rare size and col., good bib, grand wings, lovely condition; 2, Davidson, Bramble, lovely size and shape, good col. and spangling, shown in perfect feather; 3, Barkas, Bullie, nice feather, good size, fine cap and wing bars, a good one; 4, Forster, Chaffie, good feather, nice size, rather unsteady; vhc, McGuire; he, Curry. SOFTBILL (8): 1, 2, Scott, leader Chough, lovely feather, grand beak and legs, lustrous col. and condition; 3, Magpie, beauty, good size and col., lovely condition; 3, Davison, lovely Waxwing, shown in exquisite trim, nice col., good waxes, lovely sheen; 4, Welsh Bros., Tree Creeper, lively, nice feather, staged in grand order; vhc, Curry; he, Davidson; c, Parnaby. LIGHT MULE, ETC.: Cancelled. DARK (8): 1, vhc, Bowerbank Bros., Goldie Canary, nice size and shape, good col., nice wings; 2, Todd and Son, Linnet Can., a good one, rare size and shape, grand col., well pencilled, good condition; 3, he, Nicholson, Siskin-Can., nice exhibit, good col., well laced, nice wings; 4, Crass, Linnet-Can., not quite so large as 2, good col. and shape, nice feather; c, Davidson. FOR., LARGE: Cancelled. SMALL (7): 1, 3, Young, leaders lovely pair of Cordon Bleus, beautiful condition, 3, pair Diamond Sparrows, in grand feather, shown to perfection; 2, Petterson, St. Helena Waxbill, lovely feather, shown in grand condition; vhc, c, McDonald; he, Christer; 4, no name. GIFT (7): 1, Carr; 2, Charlton; 3, no name; 4, Tomlinson; vhc, Christer; he, Simpson; c, Simpson. MEMBERS; YORKS. (3): 1, 3, Simpson; 2, Charlton. NAT. COL. (4): 1, Charlton; 2, Oxley; 3, Robson. NOR. (9): 1, 3, Uresswell; 2, no name; 4, Charlton; vhc, he, Barkas; c, Simpson. NATURAL COL. (3): 1, Barkas; 2, Simpson; 3, Mason. BORD. (7): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Betton; 4, he, Clement; c, Robson. CREST OR C.B. (1): 1, Clement. GOLDIE, ETC. (4): 1, no name; 2, Charlton; 3, 4, Tomlinson. LINNET (5): 1, Charlton; 2, 3, Tomlinson; 4, Simpson; vhc, Robson. A.O.V. BRIT. (7): 1, 3, Tomlinson; 2, Barkas; 4, Simpson; vhc, Flint. MULE (1): 1, Tomlinson. FOR. (3): 1, 3, Christer; 2, Flint.

GT. HORTON (Good Intent) O.S.

Members' show, Sept. 28. Mr. T. Mountain gave the awards with satisfaction. CLEAR or TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Brock and Oldfield; 2, Bradshaw; 3, Gornall; 4, Pedder; vhc, Kaberry. BUFF: 1, Holden; 2, Gornall; 3, Wright; 4 Bartle; vhc, Morley; he, Ackroyd; c, Kaberry. EVEN, ETC., YELL.: 1, Bartle; 2, Bradshaw. BUFF: 1, 2, Wright. CL. or TKD., YELL YORK HEN: 1, A. Holden; 2, 3, Hanson; 4, Wright; vhc, c, Sharp. BUFF: 1, 3, Bartle; 2, Holden; 4, Hanson; vhc, Brook and Oldfield; he, Sharp; c, Wright. EVEN, ETC., YORK HEN: 1, Ackroyd; 2, Morley. A.V. STOCK BIRD: Wright. A.V. NOR.: 1, vhc, Kaberry; 2, 3, 4, Jowett. BRIT.: 1, 3, Jowett; 2, Kaberry. SELL., CK. CAN.: 1, Holden.—H. Gornall, Sec.

HALIFAX O.S.

Members' show, held at the Plummit Line Hotel; 61 birds faced the judge, Mr. W. Speak, who gave every satisfaction. Messrs. Burdekin Bros. won special in champion section, and Mr. E. Saville in Novice. YELL. YORKS. void. BUFF: 1, 2, Burdekin Bros.; 3, Ross; vhc, Dunn. YELL. YORKS. HEN: 1, Burdekin Bros.; 2, Ross; 3, Dunn. BUFF: 1, Ross; 2, Dunn; 3, Burdekin Bros. NOV. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Saville; 2, Holroyd; 3, Wild; vhc, Gelder. BUFF: 1, Saville; 2, Jefferies; 3, Holroyd; vhc, Gelder; he, Ogden; c, Tinkler. MKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Saville; 2, Mann. BUFF: 1, Holroyd; 2, Sladdin; 3, Lord; vhc, Tinkler; he, Lord; c, Wilkinson. YELL. HEN: 1, Saville; 2, Mann; 3, Horsman; vhc, Barron; he, Jefferies; c, Crosley. BUFF: 1, Ogden; 2, Munn; 3, Wilkinson; vhc, Ogden; he, Gelder; c, Wild. YELL. NOR.: 1, Saville; 2, Dewhirst; 3, Tinkler. BRIT.: 1, Macpherson; 2, 3, Benn.—H. Clegg, Secretary.

SANDY.

A capital little show of cage birds was held Oct. 3, in connection with the Sandy and Dis. F. and F.S. The arrangements were in the hands of Messrs. Kent and Milliner (the two hon. secs.), assisted by Mr. F. W. Western, and other members of the committee. Mr. T. J. Ambrose was the judge. NOR. COCK: 1, Wilmot, very smart, typical yellow, of very rich col., wins easily; 2, res, hc, W. Thurley, nice qual. buff, res smart heavily mkd. yell.; 3, c, Godman, cl. yell., good col.; vhc, Searle. HEN: 1, cp. best Can., 2, Wilmot, fine, big, well proportioned buff, lovely qual., 2nd a smart tkd. yell., rich col; 3, vhc, he, Thurley, very nice, short cobby mkd. yell., good quality.; res, Godman, nice qual., cl. buff, fails, a little in head. A.O.V.: 1, Godman, smart little Bord. SELLING: 1, 2, 3, Thurley; res, Wilmot; vhc, Godman. GOLDFINCH: 1, Wilmot, smart bird, with nice blaze, hardly ready. MULE: 1, Wilmot, excellent Linnet Mule, in prime order; 2, Godman, pretty light Goldfinch Mule, wants another month before being fit. LINNET: 1, Wilmot; 2, Thurley, neither of them through moult.

NORTH-WEST LONDON F.S.

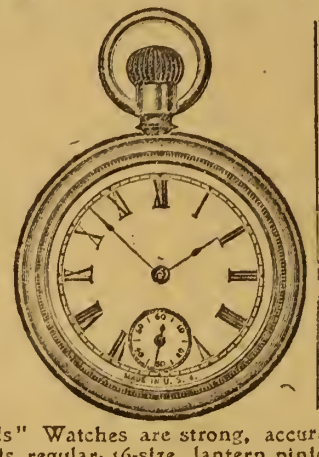
Young stock show held at Stag's Head, Camden Inn, September 28. Mr. J. R. Young, hon. sec., made excellent arrangements, and the stock entered showed a marked improvement in point of numbers and all-round quality upon that at the first show held a few weeks ago. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged. NOR., A.V.: 1, sp. best in show, Stiefle, a very fine feathered, grand shaped buff hen, a good one; 2, Jones, another clear buff, not so rich in quality or good in head, but rare body, wings, and tail; 3, vhc, McConkey, good quality, trifle free in feather; he, Miss Sowerby; c, Brown. YORKS.: 1, King, stands up well, nice and nervy, rare leg, back, and feather; 2, Clewley, good position, but needs brightening up a bit; 3, vhc, Byott, the former finely drawn, close in feather, but hardly the length and fails in head and neck. A.O.V.: 1, McConkey. BRIT., A.S.: 1, Stiefle, grand shape, colour, and marking, should do well; 2, Clewley, a good size, but beaten in richness. MULES: 1, 2, Foster, Goldie-Canary cross, the winner a good one; 3, King. SELLING, 10s.: 1, 3, McConkey; 2, Brown.

TONG AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

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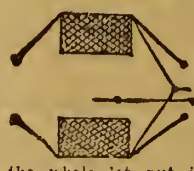
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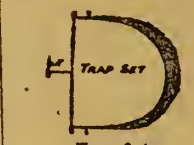
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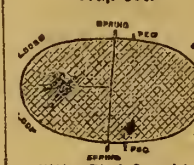


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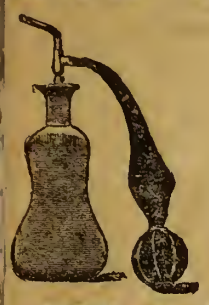
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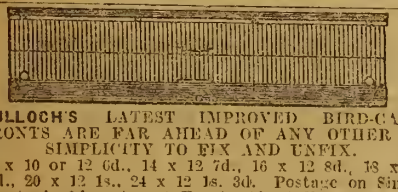
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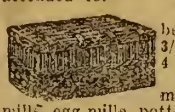




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CERTAIN winner, British Bullfinch cock, like wax, perfect clean cut cap and bars, 5/-; approval: Laidlaw, Painter, Langholm.

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NICE cock Goldfinches, picked birds, 2/-, three 5/-; safe delivery guaranteed, or money returned: John Lavelle, Ballina, Mayo.

CATCH your own; large double compartment trap cage and call Finch, all complete, only 1/3 lot: Broxup, Whittlefield, Burnley.

TWO good cock Goldfinches, one hen, one cock Linnet, 4/- lot, cash or deposit: P. Jenner, Eastern-rd., Haywards Heath, Sussex.

FINE large cock Goldfinch, splendid colour, and make a winner, 6/6; three days' approval: G. Manders, Salop-rd., Welshpool.

WARRANTED cock Goldfinches 2/6 and 3/- each; cock Linnets, 9d. and 1/- each: Howard, Stanley-place, Mount Pleasant, Swansea.

COCK brown Linnets, Yellowhammers, grand colour, three 1/3; wanted customer take 10/- mixed British weekly: Elsworthy, March, Cambs.

GOLDFINCH, father of Mules, Linnet ditto: hen Bullie, laid eggs, three Linnet Mules, sex unknown, 15/- the lot: J. Hewitt, Mulharton.

WARRANTED cock Linnets, 3/- dozen, six, 1/6; cock Greenfinch, 1/- dozen: Hobden, Ivy Cottage, Winchelsea-rd., Norway, Eastbourne.

LINNET, house-moulted, just finished, in full song, suit catcher, mule, or singer, 5/6; full week's approval: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton.

EXHIBITORS. Some grand British, good enough for anybody and anywhere, including winners, overstocked: Coe, 18, Caldervale-rd., Clapham.

BULLFINCHES, young hens, 1/-, three, 2/6; cocks, 1/6, three 4/-; all birds well on seed before sent out: Barson, 41, Victoria-rd. East, Leicester.

GOLDFINCH cocks, 2/-, hens, 6d.; Bullfinch cocks, 1/6, hens, 9d.; extra large, 1/-; Linnets, 6d. each, three for 1/-: Alcock, 52, Pearce-rd., Ipswich.

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EXHIBITION cock Chaffinch, teeming with colour, splendid specimen, 1/6; others, 3/- dozen; Redpolls, 3/- dozen: Fromant, 240, Woolwich-rd, Charlton.

EXHIBITORS. Twice house-moulted cock Corn Bunting, steady, colour fed, 20/-; approval, cash, deposit: Morrison, Johnstone (North), Renfrewshire.

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LINNETS, Linnets; good healthy cock brown Linnets, well on seed, 2/- dozen: selected, 2/6 dozen: Walton, Catcher, 6, Kelk's-yard, Count-st., Nottingham.

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FEW selected cock Linnets, good size, colour and markings, 1/- each, 3 for 2/6; house-moulted cock Linnets, in full song, 5/-; approval: A. Butler, 25, Compton Row, Leeds.

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Mr. Hedges, Eastbourne, writes, September 13th,—"Send me special selected cock Goldfinch, Linnet, Greenfinch, and hen Bullfinch for enclosed 10/-: Goldfinch I got from you two years ago won six 1sts and specials; the one I had last year won 3rd, but I lost him." Mr. Veitch, Jedburgh, writes: "Send cock Goldfinch, 3/-, two hen Bullfinches, 3/-. Glad to say Goldfinch purchased from you won me two 1sts Hawick, 1st and special Kelso, 5th Edinburgh (class 33), 3rd Galashiels, twice 2nd at our show." W. Jones, Altrincham, December 6th. "Send two cock Linnets and two cock Siskins. Am pleased to say I won 2nd and 4th at Altrincham open-class with birds purchased from you." Mr. Ewan, Kirn, writes: "Goldfinch arrived safe, and won 1st and special at our show." Mr. Woodall, Winsford, Jan. 30: "Send another good Bullfinch. Glad to say last two have won 1st and 2nd every time shown. Unfortunately best one just died; other won 4th large class at big Crystal Palace Show." Walter Dyke, Longridge: "Send cock Goldfinch and hen Bullfinch. Glad to say Hybrid which I bred from Goldfinch and Bullfinch purchased from you has won 1st Leeds (class 19), 2nd Halifax, 1st Leek, 2nd Hamilton, 2nd Hinckley, 1st Portsmouth." Scores like above every year. Show cages, 2/-, three 5/-. Est. 1879. Send for catalogue.—SANDIFORD, Bird Specialist, and Judge, Preston. Also 80, Selater Street, Shoreditch, London.

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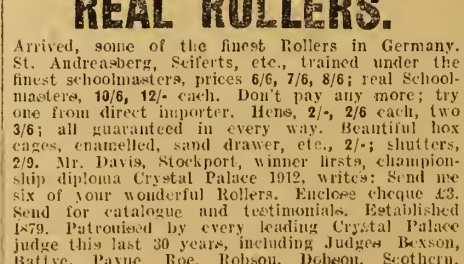
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WANTED, Norwich, Plainheads, and Crests; also Cinnamons: W. Powick, Eastfield-cottage, Dewsbury.

WANTED, all breeds of cock Canaries in full song; state prices: Manager, 104, Kirkgate, Wakefield.

WANTED fishing rod; exchange pair Norwich Canaries or sell, 15/-: Brown, 28, Harlestone-rd., Northampton.

WANTED, Blackbirds, Thrushes, Skylarks; young hand-reared birds; no rubbish: Austin, 156, Graham-rd., Hackney.

WANTED, few old caught, good coloured cock Goldies; exchange large Norwich: P. H. Richards, 36, New-st., Exmouth.

WANTED, Norwich cocks, songsters, unflighted, colour-fed: H. Sadler, Sir Thomas White Hotel, White-st., Coventry.

WANTED mixed British Hardbills, give pair Canaries or hens to value: Morrison, 7, Stone-lane, Millfield, Peterborough.

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WANTED, any quantity of hen Canaries, 1/- each, German, 1/3; Norwich and Yorkshire: Manager, 104, Kirkgate, Wakefield.

WANTED, Norwich, fed; exchange N.P.C. cages and cases, new; offers: Wilgid, 139, High-st., May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent.

WANTED large Yellow Norwich cock; exchange two h.m. cock Greypates: E. Howells, Hawthorn Villa, Haverfordwest.

WANTED, Canaries or British birds, in exchange for 12 flying homers, 12 tumblers: Franklin, 3, Wellington-st., Coventry.

WANTED, Canaries, Goldfinches, exchange cages, wire fronts, etc.: Cage Works, 68, Grosvenor-st., Ladywood, Birmingham.

WANTED, 1912 Rollers, exchange pair 1911 Crests; sell 30/-; mutual approval: Peters, 170, Manchester-rd. West, Little Hulton.

WE exchange cages of every description for Canaries, British birds; see list; state wants: B. Savory, Grt. Hampton-row, Birmingham.

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WANTED, good exhibition Yorkshire and Norwich Crest cocks, cash or exchange cages: Martin, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas.

WANTED, Linnet Mule, pure Linnet song, give large Norwich cock and two hens, 1912; approval: G. Wells, Sepulchre-lane, Kendal.

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WANTED, good phonograph, or lady's cycle, value about £2; exchange Canaries, cocks 5/6, hens 2/6: Gunton, 221, St. Albans-rd., Watford.

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WANTED, young buff Yorkshire cock, in exchange for Whiteley's developer and chart: Evans, Providence-cottages, Hemingfield, Barnsley.

WANTED, offers in Goldfinches for four Yorkshire show cages and hamper; Goldfinches first: E. Chisholm, Glenurquhart-rd., Inverness.

WANTED, Canaries, Siskins, Chaffinches, Pigeons, Doves, Cavies, Bantams, young Rabbits, 4/- per dozen: Foster, 187, Richmond-row, Liverpool.

WANTED exhibition Linnet-Bullfinch, give unflighted Norwich cock, Barnes' strain, no rubbish wanted none given: Whalley, Lenardgate, Lancaster.

WANTED Canaries, anything useful; exchange poultry, gas fire, wire netting, black mourning coat, trousers, boots: Bennett, Quorn, Loughborough.

WANTED, Guinea Pigs, Monkeys, Rats, Birds, Parrots, Pigeons, Poultry, Dogs, Rabbits, etc.; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich.

WANTED any quantity hen Canaries, all breeds, for spot cash; state breed and price; strictly honourable dealings guaranteed: Gore, Gooch-st., Birmingham.

EXHIBITION British or Foreign Seedeaters, exchange prize-bred Borders or Norwich Canaries; mutual approval: Wilson, Wybrow-ter., Workington.

NOTICE, wanted Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Ferrets, Fowls, Mice, Canaries; cash, exchange pigeons; state price: Brain, 288, Lichfield-rd., Aston, Birmingham.

NOTICE; wanted from catchers, weekly supply Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Siskins, etc.; state prices: Hollinshead, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport.

WANTED, good gramophone and records: exchange high-class Yorkshires or Seifert Rollers, or part cash; approval: Tupman, Bootmaker, Camden-st., Middlesbrough.

WANTED for cash, Canaries, Goldfinches, Mules, either sex, state lowest price, if colour fed: Trask, Bird Specialist, Chesham House, Broadway, Deptford, S.E.

WANTED, Canaries, in exchange for watches, clocks, anything for home; state wants, and what you can offer: D. Coombes, 18, Bangor-st., West Hartlepool.

GOLDFINCHES, Bullfinches, Canaries, etc., wanted weekly, large or small quantities for cash; replies ignored unless price stated: George Vanner, 6, Redheugh-rd., Gateshead.

WANTED, Linnets, Larks, Chaffinches, Redpolls for cash; or exchange cages; see Miscellaneous column last week; particulars: Leigh, 26, Netherfield-rd., South Liverpool.

PAIR Red Cardinals, hen Grey, Red Crested; pair Red-headed; out-door aviary bred: Walsh, Spitalcroft, Knaresborough.

NOTICE! Will give 6/- per pair for large Norwich and Yorkshires, colour-fed preferred, 10/- per pair, for Crests; also wanted Scotch Fancy: McKeand, Hamilton Place, Castle Douglas.

WANTED, Canaries, exchange new gent's, lady's, children's boots and shoes, gent's and boy's clothing, reliable quality; fair exchanges; state offers and requirements: Wressell, Outfitter, Crowle, Doncaster.

CATCHER who can supply 2 to 6 dozen Goldfinches, Siskins, Bullfinches per week. I would take a few dozen Linnets with Goldfinches each week; write giving price wanted: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton.

WANTED, house moulted Soft and Hardbills, British, steadiness and plumage most essential, give cash or exchange exhibition colour-fed Yorkshires or Norwich, from 15/- pair: Hawkes, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone.

EXCHANGE Company, of Chippinghouse-road, Sheffield, invite offers of Canaries, British, and cages, for cash, or in exchange for boots, blankets, sheets, etc., cutlery, tools, electro-plate, etc. Letters only giving full particulars and lowest price. All birds must be on approval.

WANTED

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Mainly British.

FOR sale, or exchange; giving up British; 18 twice moulted Skylarks; what offers: 14, Monast, Liverpool.

TWO cock Bullfinches, perfect pets, 2/6 each; or exchange Hartz Roller cock in full song: Cockram, Tatworth, Chard.

EXCHANGE good cock Twite for house-moulted Linnet for catching: George Colbourn, 18, Boundry-place, Roundhay-rd., Leeds.

GIANT cock brown Linnet, size Greenfinch, 2/6; exchange gent's left off clothing, anything useful: Ernest Whiteley, Crowle, Doncaster.

SELECTED aviary moulted cock Bullfinches, 2/6 and 3/6 each; or exchange hen Bullfinches, Goldfinches: Tupholme, Union-rd., Bourne.

CAMBRIDGE cock Linnets and Larks, three, 1/-, six, 1/9, dozen, 3/-; mixed birds, 1/6 dozen or exchange: Casey, 19, Coldham-lane, Cambridge.

EXCHANGE exhibition Dark Siskin Canary Mule for exhibition Bullfinch or Brambiefinch; approval: Hemmings Brereton, Delamere-st., Over, Winsford.

SELL or exchange for Canaries, Redpolls, Linnets, Chaffinch, Greenfinch, Bunting, Hawfinch, Brambles: Dutt, High-st., East Grinstead, Sussex.

WANTED, clean moulted, steady British, in exchange for high-class colour-fed Canaries; see Yorkshire and Norwich advertisements: Hawkes, Leytonstone.

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NOTICE! will exchange all kinds British birds for show, muling, contest-singing, for any variety Canaries, Mules, and foreign birds: state wants: Hollinshead, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport.

FOR sale or exchange, exhibition H.M. Linnet, winner, 8/6; H.M. Goldfinch, 7/6, with show cages: H.M. Goldfinch, 5/-; big yellow H.M. Greenfinch, 3/6; all bred Mules; travelling case and four Yorkshire show cages, 7/6 to clear: Percival, 43, Woodfield-rd., Ellesmere Port.

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Mainly Canaries.

YOUNG cock Canaries, sell or exchange poultry; offers, yours first: Andrews, Bowling-rd., Ware.

EXCHANGE 1912 Norwich cock for British or Norwich show cages: Finigan, 36, Bircham-st., Stanley.

TWO good Norwich hens, 5/- each; Sparrow, with white feather in wings, what offers: Pepper, High-st., Dunmow.

COCK Bullfinch, healthy, fit for show, 2/-; cock Canary, full sung, 4/6; approval: Hughes, 5, Salop-rd., Oswestry.

FEW pairs large, healthy, well bred Canaries, cocks in full song, 6/- per pair: Taylor, Sunningdale-terrace, Bideford.

FOUR small hens and Crestbred hen for good Yellow Norwich hens: E. Blake, 24, Forest-rd., Cheshunt, Herts.

SEVEN inch Yorkshire cock, 15/-; two good hens, 5/- each; exchange large Norwich: Poulson, 170, East-st., Walworth.

1912 bred Seifert Roller cocks, coming nicely into song, 4/6 each, or useful exchange; no rubbish: Heatherley, Rugeley.

TWO pair Yorkshires, pair Crests, large Crystal Palace aviary, 25/-; or useful exchange: Dean, 31, Mirabel-rd., Fulham.

PRIZE bred, 1 pair Yorkshires, 1 pair Norwich, 1 pair Borders, 10/6 per pair, approval: The Grove, Penygroes, N. Wales.

COLOUR fed Norwich, reasonable; exchange sheets; some good yellow hens, 5/6, 7/6 each: Small, 67, Western-rd., Brighton.

1912 NORWICH hen, Yorkshire hen, German cock, Border cock, five crossbreds, 30/-; exchange: Allard, 38, Cemetery-rd., Crewe.

TWO large buff Norwich hens, 30/-; exchange for stout yellow variegated hen; approval: Smith, 102, Russell-st., Northampton.

SELL or exchange 4 good singing Canaries, guaranteed cock birds, 1912, or sale £1: Bundell, 16, Union-st., Weston-super-Mare.

SIX healthy hen Canaries; exchange Mule breeding Goldfinch and cock Siskin or offers: W. Steel, Manor Lodge, Tendring, Essex.

HOUSE-MOULTED cock Brown Linnet and Green hen Canary; exchange good cock Canary: Harris, 351, Berridge-rd., Nottingham.

"OUR Canaries," complete, good condition, unbound, for good unflighted Yellow Norwich hen: Menzies, 60, Dundee-road, Forfar.

PAIR Crests, valuable birds, 30/-; pair Yorkshires, 10/-; exchange for good Parrot and cage: Wilkinson, 17, Leonard-place, Bingley.

EXCHANGE matched pair Cinnamon Borders for clear yellow Yorkshire cock, must be good: Jones, 28, Warwick-st., Birkenhead.

EXCHANGE a Buff Yorkshire stock cock for a square Parrot cage or 10in. records; yours first: T. Brown, 21, Foxhouses, Whitehaven.

EXCHANGE pair Norwich for good Yellow cock Siskin or good cock Bullfinch or any other good British: Godfrey Lomas, Tideswell.

CRESTS, cock, two hens, exchange for good Yorkshires, yours first; on approval: W. Clarke, "Riching's Park," Colnbrook, Bucks.

YELLOW Yorkshire cock, Buff hen, four young, lot 20/-; exchange whippet bitch: Gosden, 17, Attwood-ter., Wolsingham, Co. Durham.

EXCHANGE typical hardy Yorkshires, seen any time, for photographic materials and sundries, etc.; offers: Schoolkeeper, Moreland-st., E.C.

YORKSHIRE, cock, 7/6; exchange Borders, yellow green Border, cock, 7/6; exchange buff green; anything: Pearce, 231, Cathedral-rd., Cardiff.

COCK Canary and breeding cage for 2 inner tyres, 28 by 1¾, and 2 outer covers, same: C. Hodson, 54a, Spring Gardens-rd., Longton, Stoke-on-Trent.

WILL exchange high-class colour-fed Norwich or Yorkshires, for house-moulted Bullfinch, Goldfinch or Bunting: Hawkes, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone.

WHAT offers in Canaries for suit length, good tweed, any colour, same as I sell at 25/- the suit length: McKeand, Hamilton Place, Castle Douglas.

ELEVEN new, superior made Norwich P.H. show cages; exchange Norwich songsters; also new Thrush's store and show cages cheap: S. Closs, Cromwell-st., Glos.

NORWICH, 3 cocks, 5 hens, 8 young, believe 4 cocks all colour fed, best cash offer accepted, or exchange exhibition British: Watson, 517, Abbeydale-rd., Sheffield.

GENUINE Rollers, direct from the Hartz Mountains, pure Seifert, trained by musical instruments, a rare bargain, particulars: Goodbourn, Walgrave-st., Hull.

SEIFERT Roller, schoolmaster, very low pitched, every note perfect, 24/-; would exchange common songsters; approval anywhere: Clarke, 82, High-st., Sydenham.

NORWICH hens, home bred (1912), plain or variegated, 1/6 or two for 2/9; all cocks sold; or will exchange; no dealers: White, 53, Danbrook-rd., Streatham.

EXCHANGE Lancs. coppy cock, and ditto hen, for clear yellow York cock and buff hen, must be good: Fred Taylor, No. 2 Woodbine Passage, Littleborough, near Rochdale, Lancs.

FIVE pairs of Yorkshire Canaries; exchange for gramophone and records or cycle; anything useful or sell, 12/6 a pair; approval both ways: A. Smith, 12, Park-ter., Greenhithe, Kent.

SELLING off. Six two years old Linnets, full song, in call cages, three Goldfinches, Mule, pair clap nets, Lark net, rabbit net, gun and Lurcher dog: M. Hatton, 23, Carlton-hill, Brighton.

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REAL good Norwich Canaries in exchange for Siberian cock Goldfinches or Bullfinch hens, or British birds for show or hybrid breeding, cage-moulted preferred: Daniel, 71, Station-rd., Ossett, Wakefield.

HAVE you something to offer in exchange for Canaries? If so I will exchange high-class Yorkshires and Norwich for anything but livestock; particulars to: Wressell, Bird Specialist, Crowle, Lincolnshire.

TWO grand 7in. cock Yorkshires, one genuine, hand-reared hen Bullfinch, H.M., has laid; H.M. cock Linnet and hen Goldie, sell 16/-; or exchange 10in. disc records, or bedding (no rubbish): W. Brown, Ightfield, Whitchurch, Salop.

WILL exchange one large well shaped yellow Yorkshire hen, worth 25/-, for good exhibition H.M. British, also six good Norwich hens, for sale at 3/6 each, or exchange: Bowen, "Belmont," Crumlin, Monmouthshire.

GRAND pair Yorkshires, both winners, good breeders and feeders, 40/-; another pair, 30/-; few good unflighted cocks, from 7/6, or exchange drapery, clothing, dress material, boots, or anything useful: Soper, Vernon-rd., Sutton, Surrey.

EXCHANGE pair Yellow Budgerigars for pair young Seifert Rollers, cold-room bred or sell, 7/6; also exchange three young hen Canaries for large Yellow, 1912, Norwich hen, or ditto cock, or Yorkshire hen; cold-room bred: Ernest Stinchcombe, Wem.

THIRTY-TWO Canaries, 20, as bred this year; others, the parents, 13 of them crested; large Crystal Palace shape aviary, sell cheap, part exchange, gent's gold albert, overcoat, fit man 5ft. 9in., 40 chest; anything useful: Dixon, 226, Mount Pleasant-rd., Tottenham.

GRAND buff variegs. Yorks., 12/-; another clear buff and yell. cocks, 7/- each; 3 clear buff hens, 5/- each; 2 unflighted yell. cocks, 6/- each; 2 unflighted yell. and buff hens, 4/- each, all colour fed; or exchange any, or all to value for Norwich, with good heads and size; yours first: Wm. Forster, 18, Grange-terrace, Pelton Fell S.O., Co. Durham.

Mainly Foreign.

PAIR Saffron Finches, h.m.; exchange Goldfinches or Lizard hens; offers, sell 7/6: George Patrick, East Wemyss, Fife.

PAIR Green Budgerigars, sell 6/-, exchange Siskin cocks, or offers: W. Stamp, 3, Victoria-terrace, Kirton Lindsey, Lincolnshire.

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Miscellaneous.

WE buy or supply anything alive: Royal Menageries, Greenwich.

DALMATIAN black spotted bitch, three months, exchange or sell, 10/-: Adams, Retford.

GENT'S silver lever watch, 12/6; offers in Rollers to value, no rubbish: Clark, 177, South-st., Braintree.

HANDSOME drawing room aviary on table, 15/-; exchange £1: Manners, 21, Ram-sq., Wandsworth.

PAIR 26 by 1¾ wheels and tyres, little used; what offers in Canaries: Mills, 38, High-st., Thornton Heath.

ALL kinds of British and foreign birds, exchanged for all kinds of dogs: Walter Smith, 98, Tib-st., Manchester.

FOX terrier, two lovely dog puppies, six weeks, 0/- each or good exchange: Quincey, 93, Church-st., Warrington.

TWO joiner-made breeders for Norwich cock, also four back cages; offers: Kent, 116, Oldfield road, London, N.

TWO pairs of prize bred racing homers, accept 4/6; or would exchange: Bingham, West-st., Long Sutton, Lincs.

EXCHANGE flight cage, Canaries, or sell 15/-, 5ft. x 3ft. 3in. x 1ft. 6in.: Manns, 33, Motley-street, Battersea.

WILL give silver wristlet watch for h.m. cock Goldfinch, singing; yours first: Pepperell, 16, Rutland-st., Pimlico, S.W.

EXCHANGE great dame bitch, for pair of real good Norwich or foreign seedeaters: Julan, 88, Oliver-st., Northampton.

WIRE haired fox terrier bitch pup, splendid breed, 20/-; exchange cycle or birds: Amery, Fieldside, Crowle, Doncaster.

EXCHANGE "Perfection" oil heating stove for small Foreigners, or sell, 10/-; yours first; offers: Wright, Limpsfield.

SALE, Airedale dog, £1; exchange Roller cocks no rubbish wanted or offered; birds first: Forrest, 9, Belfort-place, Leeds.

EXCHANGE for common Rollers one pair new boots, size 11, cost 13/6; offers invited: Bennett, Queen's-ter., Bacup.

6ft. FLIGHT cage, rack holds 12 double cages, strong Parrot cage; exchange Canaries: Russon, 8, Colville-st., Burnley.

THREE large exhibition cock Linnets, 2/- each; charlock or mixed wild seed, 1/6 stone; exchange: Frith, Crowle, Lincs.

EXCHANGE, mandoline harp, 72 strings, few British, and cash for ½-plate modern camera: Hart, Kingsley-road, Ellesmere Port.

PHONOGRAPH, Edison bell gem and records, valued 25/-; exchange Canaries: Furner, 27, Conley-st., E. Greenwich, S.E.

A smart, wire-haired Fox Terrier dog, 5 months, all white, 12/6; offers in other breed or birds: Holt, Ironmonger, Bacup.

EXCHANGE pair opera glasses, in case, for good Roller, must be good songster; yours first: A. Hodgson, Cockfield, co. Durham.

EDISON gem phonograph nearly new, 40 records, £2; exchange birds, offers: Howard, Station-rd., Burnham Market, Norfolk.

EXCHANGE violin bow and case for fresh caught cock Goldfinches, good tone, yours first: Burnett, 78, Ockford-rd., Godalming.

TWO Goldfinch Canary Light Mules, good birds; offers exchange, bike tyres wanted and air tubes: Ousley, Stokecanon, Exeter.

WILL exchange colour-fed Norwich or Yorkshires, for anything useful; see heading Norwich and Yorkshires: Hawkes, Leytonstone.

HAND and stand camera, ½-plate, cost 15/-; exchange pair Norwich; offers, anything useful: J. Rickett, Ancaster, Grantham.

EXCHANGE, liver and white spaniel puppy bitch, 4 months, for Norwich or Yorkshire cock, or a good watch: Williams, Baker, Flint.

WILL give gent.'s gold ring for pair Roller Canaries or Norwich Plainheads: Jones, Bod-Iorwerth, Greenfield, Rhosddu, Wrexham.

CONDITION seeds; Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Linnets, 1,000 hardheads, 1/6, 2,000, 2/6; dock seed, quart 4d.; carriage paid; exchange hen Canaries: Jones, Tynyffynon, Llangollen.

EXCHANGE potting Hyacinths, Tulips and Narcissus or Roses for good Canaries: Wright, 11, Mancering-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow.

EXCHANGE 4 single breeding cages, 18 x 18 x 9½, for 2 young Roller cocks, or sell, 10/-; yours first: Oakley, 104, Cherrytree, Elsecar.

EXCHANGE pedigree Scotch Terrier for Bull dog pup and cash; what offers: Joseph Sutherland, 1a, St. Albans Avenue, East Ham.

BANJO, "Lady Stewart," 15/-; exchange for clear yellow Norwich hens or British; offers: W. Daley, 2, Baron-st., Collyhurst, Manchester.

BABY'S high chair, good, sell 10/-; exchange two cocks or four hen Canaries, British offers: Caretaker, 33, Moseley-st., Birmingham.

VIOLIN, very good instrument, value £2, bow, case, music; exchange Canaries, Budgerigars or offers: 65, Ewart-rd., Nottingham.

MILLER'S "Excelite" plated cycle oil lamp, new condition, cost 5/9; exchange birds, anything useful: H. Teat, Ancaster, Grantham.

SMALL black and tan toy Terrier, clean, fond of children, 15/-; wanted Canaries; offers: J. Leighton, Sandringham-rd., Crook, Durham.

PAIR blue Dragoons, prize breed, exchange for three 1912 cock Goldfinches; approval; yours first: Denman, Isfryn, Talysarn, Carnarvon.

NINE healthy racing homers of exceptional pedigree, four alone cost, 52/6; exchange for cage birds: Ingleton, 129, Sommerville-rd., Bristol.

WHAT offers in Canaries or British birds; pen Duckwing Bants, 4 pullets and cockerel, May batched: Powly, 14, St. Andrews Plain, Norwich.

SPLENDID 1912 cock Goldfinch Mule, 7/6, exchange phonograph records or anything useful: J. Rawlings, 284, Oundle-rd., Peterborough.

TRICOLOUR cross collie and sheep dog, 12 months, good companion, no vice; exchange Parrot or birds; anything: 30, Richard-st., West Hartlepool.

CANARIES, Pullets, Foreign Birds, Pigeons, Dogs, Parrots, given in exchange for other Fancy; state requirements: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich.

SALE or exchange gramophone and 17 records, mostly double sided; also large doll's carriage, good condition: Richard Whiley, Lingdale, Boosbeck.

YORKSHIRE terrier, 20 months, make good stud dog, 30/-; exchange for good Roller organ or suitable offer: Thwaites, 63, Pontefract-lane, Leeds.

CONCERT clarionette, 14 keys, cost 63/-, grand condition, 35/-; concertina, 20 keys, best quality, 8/6; exchange anything: Bugg, Stonemason, Holbeach.

COINS, 100 different old British and foreign, exchange winning Yorkshires or British; also old foreign stamps: Smith, 35a, Wells-st., Inverness.

SOLID silver English lever watch, in perfect going order; exchange good 1911 Rollers, in full song; approval: A. Weedall, 110, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire.

EXCHANGE, one large gramophone, very clear, in perfect order, for African Grey Parrot; approval: Geo. Hy. Burkhill, The Cross, Buckley, near Chester.

PATHE phonograph, 30 Edison records, sell, 30/- or exchange Canaries, anything useful; approval: D. Radley, Saville-rd., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield.

PEDIGREE black toy Pom, slightly marked, sell, 30/-; or exchange for good camera or anything useful to value: C. Birks, Sefton-rd., Normacot, Staffs.

ST. BERNARD Retriever dog, four months, 30/-; dulcimer, 10/-; exchange Parrot, disc records or offers: J. Griffiths, The Aviaries, Long Sutton, Lincs.

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UDDINGSTON AND DIST. C.B.S.

Meeting held in reading rooms, Oct. 10th. There was a fair attendance. President Campbell gave a very clever exhibition of washing Canaries for the show bench. Meetings will be held every Thursday up to date of annual open show.—J. Cosgrove, Hon. Sec.

FALKIRK (Good Intent) C.B.A.

Meeting held Oddfellows' Hall, September 28, Vice-president J. Hunter in the chair. Mr. Andrew Gillespie was appointed treasurer in room of R. Gardner, who is going to Australia. The members here wish to thank him, and wish him every success in the land of his adoption. Next meeting, October 26, when a good attendance is requested. Business: Appointing stewards for the annual show.—Walter Clarkson, Sec.

COLINTON AND CURRIE PARISHES O.S.

Monthly meeting, Drill Hall, Juniper Green, Oct. 5. Mr. Begbie in the chair. Secretary intimated having received a cup from Major Hope, M.P. for Midlothian, for annual competition, and read communications granting specials for annual show, which were considered very satisfactory. A long discussion took place as to which sections the cups were to go to, and it was finally decided that the Hope cup go for best Scotch Fancy, and the Mitchell cup to best Border. It was left to the committee to allocate the rest of the specials, which number over 40. Decided to make an old bird class for each section. entry 3d. per cage for all old birds be charged, the entry money to go for a sweepstake. All entries not later than Oct. 26.—Jas. Napier.

LANCASHIRE & LIZARD F.A.

A meeting held Old Boar's Head, Manchester, October 12, only a moderate number of members turning up. Secretary read correspondence regarding Sheffield Show, and much satisfaction was expressed at the liberal way the Lanes. and Lizard sections were being treated in the way of specials, about 30s. being given in the eight classes from the society. There is also 2s. 6d. best bird in each of the four Lancs. classes, generously given by Messrs. Maitland and Vickers, and silver medal best novice Lizard, by Mr. J. Rukin. As this is a kind of a test for our varieties at Sheffield, it is to be hoped every member will do his utmost to make it a success. Secretary's action in giving our patronage to Grantham for Lizards only was confirmed. This show is held Oct. 31st, and Messrs. Lockton, chairman of the society, and W. P. Barnes, have guaranteed to forward all birds from Grantham on the Thursday, to reach Sheffield same night. Mr. Bishop, the Sheffield sec., has made arrangements to have the birds met, unpacked, and cared for, so that they will be rested before the judging on Friday. Decided that sec. write all Lizard members, giving particulars as to Grantham and Sheffield shows. Mr. W. Kay, Macclesfield, was elected a member. Next meeting at Hyde, Nov. 16, when it is proposed to discuss our annual club show, as to time, place, etc., and a good muster of members is required. I should be pleased to hear from any members who are willing to give specials at any of our patronage shows.—John Rukin, Hon. Sec.

HULL C.B.S.

The last monthly meeting was a very busy one, about 50 members being present, Mr. D. D. Longhorn giving a washing exhibition, which was closely followed by all present. A small members' show also was held. Mr. Longhorn judged Norwich as follows: YELL.: 1, 2, Harland. BUFF: 1, 2, Harland. Mr. A. Clayton judged Yorks. as under: YELL.: 1, vhc, Gilson; 2, Walker; 3, Stamford. BUFF: 1, Walker; 2, Barwick; 3, Stamford; vhc, Gilson. After the judging the two Norwich classes were amalgamated, and the chairman, Mr. Stamford, added three more entries, and the two Yorkshire classes were amalgamated, and the judges going over the birds again, a judging competition took place. Norwich section, Mr. W. H. Riley was the winner, having placed the first four birds in the same position as the judge. Yorks. section: No result, five members tieing for first place; decided to give prize-money to the special fund for open show, November 15th and 16th. It will be of interest to see how the members stand as regards points cups: Champion cup, Harland 145, Walker 117, Stamford 64, Frith 38, Stone 38, A. Clayton 24, Pepper 13, Mason 9, Barwick 8, Gibson 9, Douse 8, Prentice 8, Girling 5. Novice cup: Norwich: Sutton 40, C. W. Ware 30, Ridley 13, Calvard 13, Potter 11, Hope 10, Beckett 9, McKay 9, Cross 7, Clark 6, P. Potter 5, Heseltine 4, Thirsk 3, Longhorn 3, Riley 1. Yorksbire: W. E. Sowden 28, Chas. Ware 26, Smith 11, Girling 10, Murrey 10, Gilson 10, C. W. Ware 10, Oaks 8, Parkes 7, Horsley 4, Kemp 1. A.O.V. Can.: Ridley 7½, Howes 7, P. Potter 6½, W. E. Sowden 5, Cross 3. British: Riley 81½, Thirsk 36½, P. Potter 37, McKay 20, Lambert 11, Howe 9, Heseltine 8, Parkes 8, Beckett 9, Cross 6, Calvard 2.—E. R. Ridley, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Oct. 3 at Wentworth Cafe, Mr. F. Jones (President) in the chair. There was a good turn-up of members, and a very interesting meeting was held. Business in connection with open show, Dec. 14, and final members' cup show, Oct. 26, was further dealt with. The allocation of specials will be dealt with by the committee on Oct. 21, when the secretaries will sit at headquarters from 8 to 9 p.m. to receive all entries for members' show (please note rule re cup birds); the number of birds for the gift class at the open show are adding up, Messrs. Hemming, Waters, Simmonite, Bingham and Furniss promising birds in addition to those already published. Stewards for members' show are Messrs. Curley and Simmonite. Members who are having a breeder's card either in schedule or catalogue are requested to send in at once to our sec., Mr. A. Hobson. The novice rule, as recommended by the delegate meeting, came in for a good deal of discussion, and it was eventually decided to refer it to the annual meeting. Decided, that the definition of a novice at our open show be one who has not won three firsts in open novice classes or limit classes. Mr. G. Dodd, Whittington Moor, was elected a member. A very fine table show of young birds was held, the number staged being 80; some very promising youngsters were amongst them. Novices came up fine, and some good birds were staged, Mr. Simmonite being to the fore in both classes. Mr. G. Browning, of Rotherham, judged. CHAMP. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 3, c, Champion; 2, vhc, he, Drabble and Bennett; 4, Furniss. BUFF: 1, vhc, Furniss; 2, Thompson; 3, 4, Drabble and Bennett; hc, Jones; c, Tomlinson. NOR. YELL.: 1, 4, Waters; 2, vhc, Cowley; 3, Woolhouse; hc, Hobson. BUFF: 1, 4, Cowley; 2, Hobson; 3, vhc, hc, Woolhouse. NOV. YORKS. YELL.: 1, hc, c, Simmonite; 2, Webster; 3, 4, Lorsby and Billard; vhc, Wordley. BUFF: 1, Simmonite; 2, Webster; 3, Chadwick; 4, vhc, c, Lorsby and Billard; hc, Jennett. NOR. BUFF: 1, 3, Marcroft; 2, Sissen; 4, Woolhouse; vhc, hc, Curley; c, Bailey. BRIT: 1, 2, 3, Walding; 4, vhc, Bailey.—J. Woolhouse, Assist. Sec.

WEST STANLEY C.B.S.

Meeting held Oct. 5; Mr. W. Butler, chairman. A good lot of members turned up to receive schedules for annual open show November 8 and 9. Stewards were picked for show. Will members bring all specials in on next monthly meeting night, November 2, on which date our entries close for show. Members please bring entries with you at next meeting. Our schedules are now ready, and those who do not get one can have same by writing.—W. Elliott, 15, Fairford Terrace, West Stanley, Co. Durham.

GLASGOW & W. COUNTIES C.B.S

Monthly meeting Sept. 28, in Good Templars' Hall, Mr. David Knox presiding before a good turn-out of members. The chairman read replies from judges, and the following gentlemen have accepted appointments at annual show on December 7: Mr. James Kerr (Perth), Canaries; Mr. R. V. Raine (Cathcart), the remainder. Classification was next gone into, and it was arranged to give 56 classes, a slight alteration from last year. Matter re prize cards and advertising was left over till next meeting. The following were elected members: Messrs. R. G. Clubb (Langside), J. Campbell, A. Findlayson, and J. Lilico (Alexandria). Mr. James Clark, Ascog, Rothesay, will lecture on Wild Seeds and Berries, at next meeting, Oct. 26. There will be over 100 different varieties of seeds and berries on view, and we trust there will be a good turn-out of members and friends.—Walter Connelly, Sec.

GATESHEAD AND DIST. C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, held Oct. 9, Mr. Almond in the chair. Committee's proposition re acceptance of Burt Terrace Drill Hall for annual show was accepted. Decided to have foreign classification as last year. Mr. Kelly will do the printing as in previous years. We are endeavouring to get catalogues ready as soon as possible this year by printing members' awards on separate slips, to be had on application to the secretary. We hope to have Ald. Gillies, J.P., to open the show. Popular judges have been engaged: Messrs. Harland, Norwich; Baines, Yorks.; Robson, Crests, Cinnamons, Lizards and foreign; Duncan, Borders, Mules and Hybrids; Maddison, British; Messrs. Robson and Duncan will judge Scotch Fancy jointly.

Special meeting will be held at headquarters Oct. 22, re specials and other show business. Members please make an effort to get specials as early as possible. Mr. Tindale's proposition to accept Mrs. Taylor as a member in place of her late husband was carried unanimously. Members kindly help the Secretary by sending in subscriptions as early as possible.—J. G. Greason, Sec.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Meeting held Crown Hotel, Oct. 2, Mr. Broadhurst in the chair. Two nominations for membership were received. Offer of the M.C.Y.C.C. patronage at our open show was accepted for both champion and novice Yorks. sections. The oak smoking cabinet was on view and should cause keen competition at young stock show on 23rd inst., while, in addition to several cash specials, Mr. Jeffreys offers a Nightingale for second most points. Classification for open show, Dec. 4th and 5th, submitted by Committee, was passed after slight alteration. Nineteen championship Can. classes are provided, and 10 novice, 2 sell., 2 Mule, 4 Brit., 1 Foreign; also 5 members' £2 limit classes. Mr. J. Robson, judge. British Soft'bill class, birds not larger than Thrush, is guaranteed by Mr. Jeffrey. A few specials were given, and these will be largely added to. A resolution was passed regretting, in view of the inter-club cup competition, no Crest classes had been provided by our neighbours for Crests at their open show. We are pleased to see that at a later meeting (not then reported), the Crest classes were added, so that our resolution was really unnecessary. We look to our Crest fanciers to see that these classes are well filled.—J. H. Jones, Hon. Sec. (per J. H. de M.).

SCOTTISH NATIONAL C.B.S.

Committee meetings held Sept. 19 and Oct. 10. Mr. James Winter, President, presiding over very good attendances of members. The following names were added to list of Committee.—Messrs. Charlton (Pres. of Edin. Dist. C.B.S.), Stormont and Murray; to Hon. Prov. Committee, Mr. J. P. Baxter, Broxbarn (late of Leith). Correspondence was read from the following Specialist clubs who had granted patronage and which were approved, namely:—Cinnamon C.C., Border Fancy C.C., Foreign B.C., National British B. and M.C., Yorkshire C.C., Green C.A., Open Norwich P.C.C., Yorkshire C.C. of Scotland, Scottish British B. and M.C., Scottish Crested C.C., Scottish P.C., U.K. Belgian C.A. We thank the above clubs for the liberal way in which they have given us this support, making a record in patronage to our society. Further particulars anent all the above will appear in schedules. Additional classes added to those already published:—Young birds—Yorks. 2, Crest 2; one class added to the Cinnamons for novices. Staging will be by Mr. D. Kinlayside, prize cards Mr. Garrioch, Edinburgh, posters Leith Printing and Publishing Co. One or two pages in schedules and catalogues will be given for Breeders' Cards at 2/6. Next Committee meeting Oct. 24 for allocation of classes to Judges and other very important items.—J. R. Meikle, Secretary.

SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Monthly meeting held headquarters, Sydenham Hotel, Oct. 9. Mr. Wilmott took the chair before a splendid gathering of members; another new member elected, the Society still keeping up its record for new members at every meeting held since Jan., 1911. A vote of deep sympathy was passed to the widow of the late G. Walton. Classification, rules, judge, etc., were passed for the young stock show, Oct. 26, all birds to be at the room not later than 5.30. Numerous specials presented, although no appeal was made owing to the nearness of the members' winter show. The Chairman makes a special appeal for all to be present at the November meeting, as a very heavy agenda is down for discussion relating to show matters. Mr. Russell was introduced to those who had not previously made his acquaintance, and he again gave a brilliant exhibition of the correct way to wash birds. He has no equal in the Midlands in this capacity, and the Society are indeed fortunate in securing such a splendid expert. Questions were soon showered upon him, and his answers were all practicable and instructive. The Chairman, in proposing a very hearty vote of thanks, said that the winter programme was being carried out in every detail, and he hoped for better attendances at the meetings, although he was afraid that evening very few more could have been accommodated in the room. Mr. Russell suitably responded, thanking all present for the attention that had been given, and said it would always be a treat to him to assist any member of the South Birmingham Society, champion or novice.—J. Shepard, Sec.

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T. BENNETT, 14, Cumberland Rd., Lidget Green, Bradford. Judge of Cage Birds. Long and practical experience.

A. G. DAVIS, 110-112, Tib Street, Manchester. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Specialist Norwich judge.

J. W. BRUCE, Coldstream. Judge of all varieties of cage birds; Border and British Bird specialist. Terms moderate.

S. HADWIN, 56, Richmond-row, Liverpool, judge of cage bird, all varieties; 25 years' practical experience.

J. R. HOUGHTON, 21, Hatfield Road, Gloucester. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds; specialist in Norwich; terms moderate.

JEFFERY JEFFERIS, Beck Lodge, High Road, Hayes, Middlesex. Judge of cage birds. Life experience. Terms moderate.

J. W. METCALFE, The Yorkshire Aviaries, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. Judge of Cage Birds; specialist, Yorkshire and Norwich.

R. B. TOPE, West Hoe Terrace, Plymouth. Judge of Cage Birds, Rabbits, Cats, and Cavies; 40 years' breeder and exhibitor.

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THE CITY OF Birmingham

C.B.S. The annual **Young Stock Show** will be held at **Crown Hotel, Hill St.,** on **Wednesday next, Oct. 23rd.** Judge: J. H. Roe, Esq. **37 Classes.** Show opens to public 2 p.m., closing at 9.30. **Admission Twopence. Fanciers heartily welcomed. J. H. Jones, Hon. Sec.**

BROMLEY

Oct. 23 and 24. Entries very short. Entries extended to Oct. 19.—A. T. Bellinger, 26, Nightingale Lane, Bromley, Kent.

MUMBLES (GLAM.)

Oct. 24. (South Wales Fed.) **22 Classes Cage Birds.** Judge, D. A. S. Longden. **Entries very short.** Now, then, cage bird men, enter from review in bird papers. Grand pavilion, free from draughts, and your birds shall be well looked after. **This is a genuine appeal from Bevan and Eley, Secs., Dunns Cottage, Mumbles, Glam.**

STAMFORD

Thursday, October 24th.

36 Open Classes (see Review of schedule in this issue). **£4/4/- Cup for most points (to be won outright), 10/6 for best exhibit.** Full Prizemoney guaranteed in Mule and Hybrid classes. Entry fee: 1/6 per cage. Judge: John Robson. **Entries extended to October 21st. A. Harrison, 7, New St., Stamford.**

South Shields

October 25 and 26.

Show of Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds, in the **Congregational Hall, Ocean Rd. Four money prizes: 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-,** for 1/6 entry. **2/6 class specials, and 10/6 sectional specials.** Judges: J. Wilcock (Canaries), F. Marwood (remainder). **Entries close Oct. 19** (Monday's post in time).—**W. L. Smith, Sec., 3, Queen-st., South Shields.**

EXHIBITORS, DON'T FORGET.

Ayr & District

C.B.C. 5th Annual Open Show

OCTOBER 26th.

Academy Hall, Fort Street. Under patronage of Y.C.C.S. and B.F.C.C. **51 Classes:** S.F. 1, Cr. 1, C.B. 1, Nor. 10, Yorks. 8, Borders 7, A.O.V. 1, Mules and Hybrids 2, British 13, Foreign 3, Gift 1, Selling (7/6) 2. **Prize-money, 10/-, 5/-, and 2/6, and specials.** Entry fee, 1/6. Judges: Jas. F. Dewar and Jas. Mason. **ENTRIES CLOSE OCT. 21st (TUESDAY'S POST IN TIME).** Schedules from—**James Sloan, Sec., 19, New Bridge St., Ayr.**

Hartlepools'

October 26. Patronage of Y.C.C., N.Y.C.C., N.C.N. and C.C.C., and N.B.B. and M.C., and F.B.C. **18 Classes. Specials galore.** Judges, Messrs. Battye and Maddison. Schedules and particulars from **Messrs. Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Road, West Hartlepool.**

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October 23rd and 24th.

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CHELTENHAM October 30th & 31st

Under Patronage of **C.C.C.; S.N.P.C.; S.Y.C.C., champion and novice; E. and W.B.F.C.; N.B.B. and M.C.**

16 Crests, 10 Norwich, 12 Yorkshires, 7 Borders, 2 Rollers, 1 A.O.V., 14 British, 7 Hybrid, 4 Foreign, 4 Selling, 22 members' classes.

Judges: Messrs. W. E. Greeves, H. W. Battye, J. Frostick, C. Roehl.

Entries Close Oct. 23rd.

Show Manager: **W. Pownsett, 5, Whitecross Square, Cheltenham.**

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OPEN CLASSES entrance fee, 1/6 per entry.

Norwich Plainheads.—1, Cl. yell., Champion; 2, cl. buff, do.; 3, tkd. or unevenly marked (yell. or buff), do.; 4, hen, A.V., except evenly marked, do.; 5, A.V. unflig., 1912, do.; 6, cl. yell. or buff, Novice; 7, tkd. or unevenly marked (yell. or buff), do.; 8, A.V. unflig. 1912, yell., do.; 9, A.V. unflig. 1912, buff, do.; 10, A.V. natural colour, non-fed, do. **Yorkshires.**—11, Cl. yell., Champion; 12, cl. buff, do.; 13, tkd. or unevenly marked, yell. or buff, do.; 14, hen, A.V., except evenly marked, do.; 15, A.V., unflig., 1912, do.; 16, yell. cock, cl. or tkd., Novice; 17, buff cock, cl. or tkd., do.; 18, marked or variег., yell. or buff, do.; 19, unflig., yell. or buff, cl., tkd., marked or variег., do.; 20, hen, yell., A.V., do.; 21, hen, buff, A.V., do. **(The Novice classes are under the patronage of the S.Y.C.C.) Crests and Crest-bred.**—22, Crest, A.V.; 23, Crest-bred, A.V. **Border Fancy.**—24, A.V. yell. ck., Champion; 25, A.V. buff ck., do.; 26, A.V. yell. hen, do.; 27, A.V. buff hen, do.; 28, A.V. yell., Novice; 29, A.V. buff, do. **(The Border classes are under the patronage of the E. and W.B.F.C.)** 30, Cinnamons, A.V. **Mules and Hybrids.**—31, A.V. Mule or Hybrid, Light; 32, A.V. do., Dark. **British (Hardbills).**—33, Goldfinch; 34, Bullfinch; 35, Linnet; 36, Greenfinch; 37, Redpoll, Lesser; 38, Siskin, Mealy Redpoll, Twite; 39, A.O.V. Finch or Bunting. **British (Softbills).**—40, Blackbird, Song Thrush, Starling, Missel Thrush, Redwing, Ring Ousel, Fieldfare; 41, all species Chats; Redstarts, Wagtails, Pipits, Flycatchers, Robins and Nightingale; 42, all species of Warblers; Wrens, Tits, Whitethroats, Tree Creepers, and Bearded Reedlings; 43, Dipper, Shrike, Nuthatch, Waxwing, Wryneck, Larks and Lesser Spotted Woodpeckers, Wheatears. **(The Brit. classes are under the patronage of the N.B.B. and M.C.) Sell. Classes**—44, A.V. Canary (pair, ck. and hen), not to exceed **30/-;** 45, A.V. Cage Bird, except Foreign, not to exceed **20/-;** 46, A.V. Cage Bird, except Foreign, not to exceed **12/6. Foreign.**—47, All species Parrots, including Parakeets, Lovebirds, Cockatoos, Maeaws, Lorries and Lorrikeets; 48, Common and Green Avadavats; St. Helena, Grey, Orange-cheeked and Golden-breasted (or Zebra) Waxbills; Parson, Diamond, Ribbon and Zebra Finches; Silverbills; Spice Birds; Java Sparrows; Black-headed, White-headed, and Bronze Mannikins; Common, Orange, and Napoleon Weavers; and Common Combassous; 49, all species Seed-eating Finch-like birds not in above; 50, all species, not in above, including insectivorous and fruit-eating birds and Doves. **(The Foreign classes are under the patronage of the F.B.C.) Roller Classes (under the patronage of the B.R.C.C.)**—Judge: C. Roehl, Esq.—Class A, open class, birds any age; Class B, young birds' class, bred 1912 by exhibitor and B.R.C.C. rung. "Specials" for these classes are being collected by F. Brown, Esq., and will be announced at earliest.

To enable exhibitors to patronise both shows, Portsmouth and Leyton (relabelled). Exhibits will be forwarded direct to Leyton by the 4.50 p.m. from Portsmouth, November 6th. Exhibitors have simply to forward labels and carriage for same.

Here are a few of our magnificent specials (see photo. this issue):—

OPEN SPECIALS.

400-Day Clock (C. H. Marshall, Esq.), for most points in Classes 1 to 10; pair of Oak Panel Framed Pictures (Fanciers), for most entries in Classes 1 to 10; E.P. Cruet "Crystal Cut Glass" (A. M. Streton, Esq.), for most points Classes 11 to 21; Solid Walnut Coal Cabinet (Messrs. Fraser and White, Ltd.), for most entries Classes 11 to 21; Fruit Bowl in E.P. Stand (F. Fielder, Esq.), for most points Classes 22 and 23; Epergne (Jenkins, Esq.), for most entries Classes 22 and 23; pair Vases, large (S. M. Silverman, Esq.), for most points Classes 24 to 29; Hall Set (J. S. Matthews, Esq.), for most entries Classes 24 to 29; Bedroom Timepiece "30 Hour" (Messrs. Stapleford and Son), for most entries Class 30; Art Pot (Messrs. Broadway and Sons), for most entries Class 10; Set of Jugs (P. Alywin, Esq.), for most points Classes 31 and 32; E.P. Jam Dish (C. Spacey, Esq.), for most entries Classes 31 and 32; Copper Kettle (6 pint) (F. Joiner, Esq.), for most points Classes 33 to 39; China Tea Service for 6 persons (H. Lockhart, Esq.), for most entries Classes 33 to 39; Pair Opera Glasses (Messrs. Knight and Co.), for most entries Classes 40 to 43; Solid Walnut Medicine Cabinet (Messrs. A. Lane and Co.), for most points Classes 40 to 43; Dinner Set for 6 persons (Messrs. Welsh and Sons), for most entries Classes 47 to 50; Jam Dish in E.P. Stand (J. Palmer, Ltd.), for most entries Classes 47 to 50; Acetylene Gas Lamp (Beal, Esq.), for most entries Classes 44 to 46.

All exhibits must be at the hall on Monday, 4th Nov., by 10 p.m. Long distance exhibits should be dispatched Sunday evening or early Monday morning. **Complete list of Specials on application.** If you don't want the bother of sending for schedules, **enter from above.** Schedules may be had from **King and Joiner (Secs.), 80, Stubbington Avenue, Portsmouth.** DON'T FAIL TO SUPPORT ENGLAND'S GREATEST NAVAL PORT.

MATLOCK OCTOBER 31st.

Entries Close October 24th

The 11th Annual Exhibition of Cage Birds in the Victoria Hall. Judge, W. Vardy, Esq. (Huthwaite). Entry fee, **1/6.** Prize money, **10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.,** guaranteed; no amalgamation. Open classes:—71, Norwich, cock, yell., cl., tkd., or variег.; 72, do., hen, yell., cl., tkd., or variег.; 73, do., cock, buff, cl., tkd., or variег.; 74, do., hen, buff, cl., tkd. or variег.; 75 do., unflig., yell. or buff, cock or hen; 76, Yorkshire, cock, buff or yell., cl., tkd., or variег.; 77, do., hen, buff or yell., cl., tkd., or variег.; 78, A.V. Mule or Hybrid, cock or hen; 79, A.V. British Finch (excluding Hawfinch), cock or hen; 80, A.O.V. British Seed-eater; 81, A.O.V. British Softbill, not larger than Blackbird; 82, A.V., Cage Bird, cock or hen, 10/6 selling, to include cage.—Enter at once to **G. Poyser, Wilmot St., Dimple, Matlock.**

LIVERPOOL

November 1st & 2nd.

St. Martin's Hall, Scotland Road.

12 Novice Classes. Schedules posted to-day. Good prize-money, paid day of show. £10 Cup and a side of Bacon for most points. Plenty of good, serviceable specials. **Long distance birds leave hall before 4 p.m.,** others all away 6 p.m. **Can you beat this? Metcalfe and Deacon (Secs.), 68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool.**

EDINBURGH

and Edinburgh Western O.S. Point Show. Scotland's largest show of young birds, in Grindlay Street Hall, on Sat., Oct. 26th. Doors open at 1 p.m. **Admission 6d.—A. Stavert and R. Lile, Joint Secs.**

DERWENT VALLEY

C.B.S. 6th Annual Open Show of Canaries; Mules and Hybrids; British and Foreign Birds, in the **Church Hall, Hamsterley,**

Saturday, Oct. 26th.

36 Open Classes. Good Prizemoney, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, for 1/6 entry. **Money specials.** Judges: W. Reid and G. Wilson.

Entries Close Saturday, Oct. 19th

to Lindsay and March, Railway Cottages, Westwood, Hamsterley Colliery, Co. Durham.

KIRKCALDY

C.B.S. 6th Ann. Open Show,

October 26th.

in Pioneer Hall, Carlyle Road. Patronage, B.F.C.C. Open and Novice, also Shield. 3 cups, medals, and numerous specials. Silk's Cups for Open Norwich "Novice" competition. Judges: S.F., D. Low; Crests, G. Arnott; Brdrs. and Yorks., J. Hutchieson: Nor., W. Hampton; Brit., etc., J. W. Adams. Entries close October 21st. This show is **under new management.** Schedules from: **Chas. Rae, 15, Anderson St., Kirkcaldy.**

LARKHALL

C.B.S. Annual members' Cage Bird Show. Y.M.C.A. Hall, Sat., 25th Oct. Judges, Messrs. Acton and Holden.—J. Pollock, Sec., 18, Marshall Street, Larkhall.

NOTTINGHAM & Dist.

Permanent O.S., Saturday, October 26th. Open Show of Canaries, Mules, British, Hybrids and Foreign. **Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Numerous Specials.** Schedules, **J. Bunn, 81, Ena Avenue, Sneinton Dale, Nottingham.**

CITY AND COUNTY OF PERTH

Annual Open Show. October 26th.

Most central show in Scotland. Grand Train Service from every part of the country. 47 Classes and Numerous Specials. Judges: Crests, J. Young; Norwich, W. Grewar; Borders, T. Arnott; Mules and British, J. Mackie. Schedules and all particulars from: **JAMES KERR, 18, James Street, Perth.**

BARNSTAPLE

and North Devon C.B. Society Show,

Oct. 29 & 30.

Under Patronage of U.K.B.C.A. and C.C.C. **Roberts' Cup, valued £25. 87 Special Prizes. 4 Silver Cups.** Judges: T. Heath, R. J. Blackmore (Belgians). **Entries close, October 22nd. J. D. Horrill, Hon. Sec., Exhibition Office, High St., Barnstaple.**

Liskeard

F.S. (Open to Cornwall), October 30th. Judge: E. White, Esq. **Entries close Oct. 22nd.** Exhibitors kindly enter in good time, as printers will not undertake to get Catalogue ready if copy is late. **Schedules ready: H. Jones Robins (Hon. Sec.) Liskeard.**

WISBECH

OCTOBER 30th.

28 Classes Cage Birds. Schedules from—**C. Ward, Kilmorie Park Road, Wisbech. Entries close Oct. 23.**

GRANTHAM

C.B.S. Second Annual Open Show,

Thursday, Oct. 31st.

Good Classification and Specials.

Judge: J. C. Barnes. Schedules: **W. E. Allen, Sec., 119, Alexandra Road, Grantham.**

PAIGNTON

Torbay O.S. 6th Annual Open Show, Wednesday, Oct. 30th. No cancelling or amalgamating. Schedules sent out. If overlooked, kindly apply—**J. N. and J. Jeffery, "Sartor House," Paignton.**

FANCIERS, DON'T FORGET

RAMSGATE

and Dis. C.B.S. First Open Show, Oct. 30th and 31st. Popular judge, Geo. Gardner, Esq. **69 Classes for Cage Birds only.** Entrance fee, **1/3. Prize-money, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Numerous Cash Specials.** Write for schedule. **Entries positively close Oct. 24th.—A. Atrigan, Hon. Sec., 21, Thanet Road, Ramsgate. Rally round, fanciers, and give us a good entry for our first venture.**

EVESHAM

Chrys. Soc., OCT. 31. 5 classes Birds. Judge: Mr. J. H. Payne. **Two Specials.** C.B.U. rules. **Entries close Oct. 20.** Schedules: **Mr. G. Witts, Evesham.**

"BORDER CITY" O.S. CARLISLE.

4th Annual Show of Canaries; Hybrids; British and Foreign Birds, will be held in **King's Hall**, on **Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 30th and 31st. Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-.** entry fee, 1/6. Judges: Jno. Robson, A. Brown, and W. Nicholson.

ENTRIES CLOSE SATURDAY, OCT. 26th.

Schedules from **John C. Bell, 23, Botchergate, Carlisle. Railway Terminus** for L. and N.W.R.; M.R.; N.E.R.; G.R.; N.B.R.; G. and S.W.R.; M. and C.R.

GRIMSBY

and Dis. O.S. 6th Annual **Open Show** of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds.

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, OCT. 30th and 31st,

In the King's Hall, Cleethorpes Road, Grimsby.

Specials, 10/- best Hardbill, 10/- best Softbill. Judge, J. H. Roe. **Schedules ready, from: Towl and Smith Hon. Secs., 205, Wellolme Rd., Grimsby.**

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE

C.B.S. 9th Annual **Open** Show, Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds. **United Methodist Free Church Schoolroom,**

Friday & Saturday, November 1st & 2nd.

82 Classes, under the patronage of Y.C.C., N.Y.C.C., N.L.C., N.C.N., and C.P.C., N.B., and S.F.C. **Cups, Medals,** and **Grand Specials. Popular Judges:** W. A. **Cowgill** and C. A. **House** (Bradford). Send for schedule: **Geo. Havver, Sec., 1, Theresa Street, Blaydon-on-Tyne.**

BO'NESS

and Dis. F.A. Annual Show of Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds, in the **Masonic Hall, November 2nd,**

under distinguished patronage. **60 classes.** Judges: **Norwich,** Mr. Grewar; **B.F.,** Mr. G. Brown; **Brit.,** Mr. P. McQuiston. **Open Membership, 2/6.** Schedules from **T. Cameron, Sec., 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans, Bo'ness.**

BRECHIN

C.B.S. **49th Grand Annual Show** of Norwich, Borders, British and Foreign Birds, **SAT., NOV. 2nd** under the patronage of the B.F.C.C. **Two handsome cups, medals, and numerous specials. Splendid classification and good prize money.** Judges: Norwich, A. Harris; Borders, Wm. Mossie; British, etc., J. Fyfe. Schedules from **Geo. Mitchell, 118, Montrose Street, Brechin.**

CLEATOR MOOR F.S. Show. Pitry, Pgns, and Cage Birds, Sat., Nov. 2nd. **Popular judges in all sections. Cage Birds judge, C. A. House** (Bradford). **Entries close Oct. 26th.** For schedules, apply to: **Jas. E. Byrne, 110, Birks Road, Cleator Moor, Cumberland.**

MARKINCH 39th Annual Show of **Cage Birds,** in the **Masonic Hall, Markinch, Sat., November 2nd.** Judges, Messrs. Watson (S.F.); Chalmers (Nor.); Bennet (Brdr.); Connelly (Brit.). Schedules from: **G. Mitchell, Sec., Coaltown, Markinch.**

MUIRKIRK SHOW, 2nd NOV.

11 Classes for Borders, 2 British Birds. Judge, Wm. Haddow. Schedules from **Allan Loggie, Glasgow Rd., Muirkirk.**

LEICESTER

Hand-in-Hand C.B.S. 13th Annual **Open Show,**

Saturday and Monday, Nov. 2nd and 4th.

Patronage, N.B.B. and M.C. Classification for Norwich: Yorks.; Lancashire; A.O.V.; British; Hybrids and Foreign Birds. **3 Novice Classes.** Judges: **J. H. Payne** (Canaries), **R. J. Howe** (Hybrids; British and Foreign). **Prizes: 10/-, 5/-, 2/6.** Entry fee: 1/6. **Finest List of Cash Specials ever issued. No Cancelling or Amalgamating of Classes. Prize Money guaranteed.**

Entries close Oct. 26th

Schedules: **A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon St., Leicester.**

BODMIN

November 6th.

Judge: Mr. J. Davies. **No amalgamation or cancelling of classes. Entries close October 29th. A. E. Jago, Secretary, 1, Robartes Road, Bodmin.**

WINDSOR

5th Annual **Open Cage Bird Show, NOVEMBER 6th, 1912.**

THIS IS THE SHOW FOR NOVICES.

Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, and 2/6. 6 Yorks.; 6 Yorks., novice; 6 Norwich; 3 Norwich, novice; 3 Borders; 1 A.O.V.; 2 Mules; 8 British; 3 Foreign; 1 Selling. Entrance Fee 1/6. Judges: D. Seth-Smith, Esq., F.Z.S., and H. Norman, Esq. Schedules from: **E. A. Stickland, 36, Alma Road, Windsor.**

Lowestoft

November 6th and 7th

Show of Canaries; British and Foreign Birds. **Confined to Cambridgeshire, Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex.** Judge: Mr. W. E. Greaves. **Entries close October 26th.** Schedules from: **E. L. A. Crow, London Road, Lowestoft.**

Nov. 1 & 2. ## SHEFFIELD **Nov. 1 & 2.**

O.S. GREAT ANNUAL SHOW of Canaries, Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds, OPEN TO THE WORLD, in the TEMPERANCE HALL, TOWNHEAD STREET. Under the Patronage of the Y.C.C., C.M.Y.C.C., O.N.P.C., L. & L.F.A., L.C.A., N.B.B. & M.C., Y.C.B.B. & M.C., F.B.C. 72 Open Classes, 12 Champ. Yorks, 4 Novice, 8 Champion Norwich, 4 Novice, 6 Champion Crested, 2 Novice, 4 Lancashire, 4 Lizard, 3 Selling 13 British, 5 Hybrid, 6 Foreign. Judges: Messrs. W. Mundell, W. Vardy, J. Naden, Chas. Houlton. Prize-money, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Foreign Section, 12/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Entry Fee, 1/6. £11 Cash Special Prizes. Novice Yorkshire Silver Challenge Cup, won outright. 8 Silver Cage-Bird League, and other Gold and Silver Medals. Schedules now ready, from **T. Bishop, Secretary, 69, Alexandra Road, Sheffield.**

WOLVERHAMPTON

NOVEMBER 1st and 2nd.

Grand classification, grand cash specials, and grand special prize, all open. Schedules apply—**J. Gibbons, Hon. Sec., 64, Napier Road, Wolverhampton.**

CRYSTAL PALACE OF THE WEST.

Newport (Mon.)

on **November 6th and 7th,** under the patronage of the W.C.B.U. Judges: C. A. House, D. A. S. Longden. **Prize-money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6.** Entrance fee 1/6. Send for schedules to—**John Hammett, 56, Milman Street, Newport, Mon.**

LEYTON Great Open Show Thurs. & Fri., Nov. 7 & 8.

Patronage S.Y.C.C. and N.B.B. and M.C. **Prize-money guaranteed in 7 days.** Judges: **J. Robson, Esq.** (Canaries), **J. Frostick, Esq.** (Mules, British and Foreign). **Prize-money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6.** Entrance fee, 1/6. **All cash specials in open classes. Entries close Oct. 31st.** Schedules now ready.—**Forse and Son, Hon. Secs., 31, Thornhill Road, Leyton, N.E.**

NOTTINGHAM CAGE BIRD SHOW.

November 9th and 11th.

Under patronage of the C.C.C., N.P.C. (cup show). N.B.B. and M.C., F.B.C., L. and L.F.A., L.C.A. **65 Open Classes. Three Specialist Judges. Cups, Medals, Diplomas, and other Valuable Specials.** Schedules from Hon. Assistant Secretary—**J. G. Royce, 29, Tennyson Street, Nottingham.**

Bournemouth

NOVEMBER 18th and 20th.

21st Annual Great Open Show of Canaries and other **Cage Birds.** Fanciers, write or wire for the most attractive schedule of the year. Handsome specials all sections. Full prize-money guaranteed. —**Show Manager, 156, Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth.**

Portsmouth

Fanciers' 26th Annual Show.

NOVEMBER 27th and 28th, 1912.

The Show of the South.

Full Prize-money guaranteed. No amalgamation, and a show run by fanciers. **Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. 50 Cage Bird Classes.** Specialist Club, English and Welsh Border Fancy Canary Club. **Specials to value £50. Specialist Judges:** Rev. G. W. Joyce (all Canaries and Hybrids), C. Prior, Esq. (all British and Foreign). For schedules apply—**W. E. Tyrrell, 38, Commercial Road, Portsmouth.**

L.C.B.A. Royal Horticultural Hall NOV. 28th to 30th. Great Novice Classes.

Annual Exhibition of Canaries, British, Hybrids, and Foreign Birds. 140 Open Classes. Quantity of specials. **Prize-money, 12/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-.** Twelve Specialist Judges. Schedules will be sent to exhibitors at last L.C.B.A. and Palace Shows. **Entries close Nov. 21st.—Messrs. Mugford and Knight, 1, Strathearn Road, Wimbledon, S.W.**

MAIDENHEAD

GRAND OPEN SHOW OF CAGE BIRDS.

NOV. 6th and 7th.

Popular Specialist Judges; schedules: **E. A. Bristow, Hon. Sec., 36, King St. (G.W. Rly. Main Line).**

OLD SHILDON

Workmen's Club C.B.C., 2nd Open Show,

Nov. 8th and 9th, 1912.

30 Classes; Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, 1/-. 1/6 entrance. **Good Specials.**

Schedules apply: **J. H. Elwell, 35, Church Street, Shildon, Co. Durham.**

HALIFAX

O.S. Annual Open Show of Canaries and British Birds, **November 8th and 9th,** in the **Friendly and Trades Hall, St. James's Road, Halifax.** Under Yorkshire Union of C.B.S. Rules, and the patronage of the N.G.M.Y.C.C., G.C.A., O.N.P.C., Y.C.B.B. and M.C. Judges: W. A. Cowgill and A. G. Davies. Schedules now ready. Apply—**H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax,** or **F. Burdekin, 20, Tennyson St., Lee Mount, Halifax.**

WHITEHAVEN

November 8th and 9th. 46 Classes for Cage Birds. Judges, Messrs. J. H. Roe and Harry Davidson. Schedules, apply—**W. J. Douglas, 2, Croft Villa, Prospect, Whitehaven.**

DUNBAR SATURDAY, NOV. 9th.

8th Annual Great Open Competition for Poultry, Pigeons, and **Cage Birds.** Under the patronage of all the leading clubs. **Prize-money guaranteed, and 5 Specialist Judges.** 16 Poultry, 36 Pigeons, 26 **Cage Birds. Entries close 2nd Nov. Magnificent specials, challenge cups, and medals.** Schedules to be had from—**M. Gilmooly, Hon. Sec., 73, High St., Dunbar.**

BASLOW

and Dis. Fanciers' Show, on Nov. 7. Cage Bird Judge, Mr. Barnes. Good prize-money and specials. Schedules—B. Sheldon, Sec., Baslow.

DOVER SHOW

Nov. 6th and 7th, 1912. Judge, W. R. Miles, Esq. Under patronage of K.C.C.B.A. **Entries close Oct. 30th.** Schedules.—**Abbott and Austen, Essex Villa, Eric Road, Dover.**

BANBRIDGE

Cage Bird and Pigeon Association's **Show,** to be held on

THURSDAY & FRIDAY, 7th and 8th NOV.,

Under patronage of Yorkshire Canary and Cage Bird Society of Ireland. **56 Classes for Cage Birds;** 12 for Pigeons. Judges: A. Livingston (Paisley); J. Hartley (Bingley); J. W. Mellhagga (Belfast). Schedules from: **A. McCaghcrty, Hon. Sec., Belmont Terrace, Banbridge, Ireland.**

Warrington.

November 9th.

Judges: Wellings and Battye. **Silk's cup for Novice Norwich. Classification for all. Plenty of specials.—G. M. Nelson, Sec., 466, Knutsford Road, Warrington.**

FORFAR

C.B.S. Annual Open Show, Saturday, November 9th. Under patronage of S.N.P.C.; B.F.C.; S.B.B. and M.C. **Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, and 2/-. Two handsome cups; medals, and a great many other specials, also splendid classification.** Judges: Norwich, A. Sloan; Borders, A. Peters; British, etc., W. Bishop. **Entries close on Nov. 4th.** Schedules from: **D. Kerr, 15, Green St., Forfar.**

ABERTILLERY (Six Bells, Mon.)

5th Annual Open Show of P. Pgns., **Cage Birds,** and Rabbits, on **Wednesday, November 13th. Cage Bird Judge, Wm. Mundell** (Bradford). Schedules **Ed. Churchill, 29, Tillery St., Abertillery, Mon.**

ALNWICK

NOVEMBER 13th, 1912.

24 Open Classes. 4 Money Prizes; numerous Specials; entry fee, 1/-. Judges: A. Hay and T. Maddison. **Sec., R. Forster, 42, Bondgate Without, Alnwick.**

SWANSEA

Great Open Show, 13th Annual, on

November 13th and 14th.

Two great Judges: J. Robson, Esq. (Canaries), **J. F. Dewar, Esq.,** Edinburgh (Mules, Brit. and Foreign). **60 Classes, open to all; 2 Silk'n Cups.** Schedules: **S. H. George, 22, Fisher St., Swansea.**

SUPPORT

Londonderry

2nd Open Show,

14th NOVEMBER. Judge, Mr. S. Hadwin (Liverpool) 26 Classes; 3 Silver Cups; 30 Specials. Schedules ready.—M. Kerr, Sec., 29, Foyle Street, Londonderry.

MERTHYR TYDVIL

Nov. 14. 17 Classes for Cage Birds. Entrance 1/6. Judge, J. H. Jones, Esq. (Merthyr). Schedules **from—J. Thomas, 30, Gilfach Cynon, Merthyr.**

BRIGHTON

and Hove Cage Bird Association 3rd Annual **Open Show, November 14th and 15th.** Judges, Messrs. C. A. House and J. Robson. **Good Classification, Specials, Model Prize Cards. Prize Money, guaranteed, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-; vhc 1/6 added in large classes. Entries 1/6, close November 6th.** Schedules of **Will H. Gibb, Hon. Sec., 19, Bond Street, Brighton.**

CODNOR PARK

And EASTWOOD C.B.S. 3rd Annual Open Show

NOVEMBER 15 and 16.

32 Classes. Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, and good specials. Entry fee, 1/6. Judge, J. C. Barnes. Send for Schedules: **J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton.**

Prize Money posted at the close of show.

HULL

Friday and Saturday, November 15th and 16th.—Ernest R. Ridley, 19, Lambton Street, Hull.

Cowdenbeath.

C.B.S. Second **Open Show** on **Saturday, 16th November. 80 Classes, Cage Birds only. 12 Cups, 130 Specials. 6 Specialist Judges.** 1,000 schedules will be posted next week.—**Joseph R. Reid, Sec., 7, Woodland Place, Cowdenbeath.**

Galashiels

Ornithological Society's 52nd Annual Show will be held on

NOVEMBER 16.

Entries close Nov. 12th. Scotch Fancy judges: T. Brown (Duns) and Geo. Fulton (Partick); Border Fancy, A. Gilchrist (Coldstream); Norwich, British, and Foreign Birds, A. Hay (Tweedmouth). Schedules from **John Brown, 156, Croft Street, Galashiels.**

PENTREBACH (Glam.)

28th November. affil. S. Wales Fed. Patronage Welsh C. B. Club **Federation Cups,** also **Mr. Silk's Novice Norwich Cup.** Schedules from: **A. E. Brown, 66, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil.**

SOUTHAMPTON

24th Annual Show. **NOVEMBER 20th & 21st.** Open to United Kingdom. **£5 limit.** Guaranteed prizes, over 100 specials. **Entries close November 12th.** Schedules.—**A. L. Kiddle, "Homslands," Bitterne, Southampton.**

HALTWHISTLE

and Dis. C.B.S. Second Annual Open Show, **Friday and Saturday, Nov. 22nd and 23rd.**

Patronage, N.C.N. and C.C., B.F.C.C., and N.B and S.F.C. Judges, Mr. J. Dixon and Mr. A. Holden. **Prize-money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-, and 1/-.** Entry fee 1/-. **Grand array of specials.** Schedules ready shortly from—**Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate, Haltwhistle, Northumberland.**

WIVELISCOMBE (SOM.)

Canaries; Mules; British and Foreign. **Nov. 21. Entries close Nov. 9.—Secs., Hill and Dascombe, Wiveliscombe, Som.**

BLAIRGOWRIE.

NOVEMBER 23rd.

29 Cage Bird Classes. Gold and Silver Medals. Judge, J. F. Dewar, Esq.—**Sec., M. Irvine, 17, Brown St., Blairgowrie.**

HETTON B. and C.B.S. 2nd Annual Open Show, Sat., Nov. 23rd, in **Workmen's Club Hall, Hetton-le-Hole.** Judge, Jas. Stanger. **Prize-money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-.** Entry fee, 1/-. **Entries close Sat., Nov. 16th.** For schedules apply—**Notley, Sec., 1, Minor Street, Hetton-le-Hole, Durham.**

GALSTON (AYRSHIRE), Scotch Fancy Borders, British Birds, Dec. 7 —**Alexander Frew, Sec., 26, Duke Street.**

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All matter intended for publication must be written or typed on one side of paper only.

Twitterings.

We hear that Leek C.B.S. hold a 15-mile radius show on Dec. 28.

A good briar pipe for best Crest-bred was omitted from Grantham show schedule, writes Mr. W. Ratcliff.

In Huddersfield show report, writes Mr. H. T. Kelsall (Ashton-under-Lyne) my name was spelt "Belsall."

R. A. Newly is "the" man for show cages. Order early. Address: 24, Stockwell Green, London, S.W.—[Advt.]

Huddersfield report, in amateur Norwich buff hens, reads vhe Barton. This should be A. Bradley, New Mills.

Will members of Cumnock C.B.S. kindly note, writes Mr. Alex. Wyper, sec., that last date for paying subs. is October 30th.

Huddersfield report credits Messrs. Mallinson and Son with 4th in open Nor. Yell hens. This should have been: 4th, D. Clegg.

We are asked to notify the following change of address: Mr. R. Watson, from Fisher St., to 34, Edmund St., Dennistown, Glasgow.

Mr. J. Pitchford, the well-known Stoke-on-Trent fancier and dealer, informs us that business prevents his attendance at shows held on Saturdays.

In our Guide to the Shows, the date of Bristol show is given as Nov. 6, with Mr. Keegan, as Sec. The date should be Nov. 13; the Sec. is Mrs. Pool, 37, Manor Rd., Bishopston, Bristol.

For Stoke-on-Trent show, held Nov. 14, we are informed that a grand room has been engaged (not on licensed premises) and that no stone will be left unturned to make the fixture one of the finest in Staffordshire.

We are notified that schedules of the following shows have been sent out. Exhibitors desiring copies should write the respective secretaries, see show advts.: Old Shildon, Brighton, Halifax, F.C. and C.B.S. of Ireland.

Mr. J. H. Harrison, 17, Regent-street, Hebden Bridge, writes that he has been appointed secretary of the Sowerby Bridge, Hebden Bridge, Calder Valley, Heptonstall, Todmorden Inter Shows. All communications should be addressed to him.

Our hall, writes Mr. B. Coffin, assist. sec. Portsmouth F.S. is absolutely the best in Portsmouth, capable of holding 5,000 exhibits and all exhibits at our show, Nov. 27-28, will receive the attention and care of well-known cage bird fanciers.

Through a printer's error in our schedule, writes Mr. C. Rae, sec., Kirkcaldy C.B.S., Class 43 should read, cl. or tkd. yellow hen, instead of cock. Also our special numbers are two out of place, and will be sent out according to the section they belong.

It was an agreeable surprise to me to see my winning Yellow Cock at Clapham Show depicted on the front of our valuable journal, Cage Birds, also the photo of my son, writes Mr. W. Spillman (Devonport). I am sure it will be a red letter day in bird history for him.

Members of the Partick and District C.B.C. writes Mr. Priest, secretary, should note that entries close October 30th. Schedules for open Yorks. classes have been posted to all known fanciers. Anyone wishing one can have same by applying to the secretary at 6, Orchard-street, Partick.

Notice of the following additional fixtures has reached us:—Woodside (Aberdeen) Nov. 30, 46 classes, judges: Messrs. A. Chalmers, W. Bishop; Windsor, Nov. 6, judges, Messrs. D. Seth Smith, H. Norman; Consett, Blackhill, Nov. 23; Halifax, Nov. 8-9; judges, Messrs. W. A. Cowgill, A. G. Davies; Southampton, Nov. 20-21.

There will be six money prizes, writes Mr. Gibb, sec. Brighton and Hove C.B.A., in most of the British classes at the forthcoming open show, Nov. 14-15, 10s., 6s., 4s., 3s., 2s., and 1s., Major F. Johnson, a keen fancier, having promised the additional prizes. There are also two specials for Bullfinches, 5s. best field moulted and 5s. cage-moulted, kindly offered by Mrs. Partridge, a lady fancier of the Bullfinch. Additional prize money is also offered in the non-colour-fed classes, by Mr. G. Claude.

Mr. W. P. Barnes, of Grantham, has been engaged to judge the cage bird section at Spalding.

Stamford Show, the exhibitors' opportunity. Entries extended. See large advertisement. —(Advt.).

Will show secretaries please send on schedules, writes Mr. Wm. Hornby, 17, Noster St., Beeston, Leeds.

In our "Guide to the Shows" we have Mr. J. Wilcock down as one of the judges at Doncaster Show, Nov. 22 and 23; this should be Mr. J. Walsh, of Blackburn.

Leigh show, held Nov. 23-24, is only for members, writes Mr. R. Charleson, the secy., but I have had some applications for schedules from outside fanciers.

I have opened new premises at 401, Ashton Road, Openshaw, writes Mr. F. Washbourne, with a large selection of British birds, seeds and all requisites for the Fancy.

The Leith Jubilee Ornithological Society's 25th annual show will be held in Kinnairds Hall, Leith, Saturday, 2nd November, Messrs. J. Dalgleish (Trinity) and J. Carson (Easthouses) acting as judges.—(Advt.)

Will you kindly announce, writes Mr. H. Boothman, sec., that there is an extra special at Manchester Belle Vue Show, that is not in the schedule, viz., 10s. cash, for best Yorks., given by Mr. W. E. Kearns, Rawtenstall.

Mr. R. Grainger writes: Will the gentleman who enquired for me on Wednesday evening, Oct. 9, at Darlaston Green, please communicate with me at 3, The Oaklands, Richard St., the Green, Darlaston, as I think he was wrongly informed, and sent to a man of the same name as my partner (viz., Harper).

OBITUARY.

Mr. A. C. ALLAWAY (N. Shields).

You will hear with regret that Mr. A. C. Allaway, the well-known fancier of North Shields, passed away on Oct. 6, writes Mr. W. Hunter. He will be known almost all over the world as a great exhibitor of Larks. From what I can gather, he first showed at the Crystal Palace about 33 years ago, and he, or birds procured from him, have won first at the Palace about 29 times, including only this year (1912)—truly a record in itself. As a judge of British birds, few were his equal, and only a little while ago when in conversation with him he told me that he could judge a show himself, consisting of Canaries, British birds, rabbits, cavies, and machinery. To his widow we tender our sincerest condolences.

Mr. C. W ALTRY (South Shields).

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. W. L. Smith, hon. sec., South Shields C.B.S., that I have to announce to his many friends the death of Mr. C. W. Altry. His mortal remains were followed to the grave by a large number of mourners: the day was of the very worst, but it did not deter the many that knew him as a man, as a friend, and as a fancier, to pay their last respects to one of the very best of nature's gentlemen. Mr. Altry will be sorely missed. He always got through a lot of work for this society, and none will miss him more than your humble servant. He was a good ticket seller, grand collector, and a hard worker at the show, ever ready to do what he could for everyone. The society sent a beautiful wreath suitably inscribed.

Mr. W. Reid, of Pallion, near Sunderland, is engaged to judge the Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S. annual members' show on Dec. 7, writes Mr. A. J. Notley, the Sec.

The prize-money at Old Shildon show is good, and we guarantee specials for every class, writes Mr. J. H. Ewell, the sec. We hope fanciers will give their best support to this fixture.

The third annual members' show of the Croydon and Dist. F.A. has been fixed for Nov. 6th, in the large Public Hall, George Street, Croydon, writes Mr. F. W. Capell, hon. sec. Schedules have been sent to all fully paid up members.

Please express to readers my regret at delay in sending out schedules, writes Mr. A. Harrison, Hon. Sec., Stamford Show. Owing to a misunderstanding, we were unable to get the entry forms until Oct. 11. Shall be glad to send one to anyone overlooked.

The Holborn Hall (formerly Holborn Town Hall) where the L. and P.O.S. show is being held next Wednesday and Thursday (see advertisement) is most central. Motor 'buses and trams from all parts pass the door. From Victoria, take a Leyton 'bus No. 38. 'Bus No. 18 is most convenient from Paddington, Marylebone, Baker St., Euston, St. Pancras, King's Cross, as it passes the door. This service also applies to visitors from London Bridge and Cannon St. From Liverpool St., the Central London Tube to Chancery Lane is most convenient. From Waterloo Station, take the tram from the Embankment.

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Through my last advert. in CAGE BIRDS I had offers from all parts of England, and Wales.—Lovell (Long Buckby).

Having received too many replies to my advert re Exchange in "CAGE BIRDS" to answer individually, I should be obliged if you would thank those who sent offers, through your valuable paper.—Mr. H. Simmonds.

Pleased to inform you (writes Mr. J. Martin, Castle Douglas) of the good sale I am having for show cages, etc., through my advts. in "CAGE BIRDS." It is the best birdy paper for results that I have come across. I wish "CAGE BIRDS" every success.

I advertised in "CAGE BIRDS" the stock of a gentleman who is going abroad (writes Mr. R. J. Witton (Colchester), and I am very pleased to tell you I had a splendid response. I could not answer all the postcards, but I answered all the letters, and I must say I found some very straightforward, honest customers. I wish "CAGE BIRDS" all the success it deserves.

At Bodmin annual show, 6th November, the Committee have very wisely arranged to stage the birds in a separate room, which will prove much warmer and cosier than in former years, writes Mr. A. E. Jago, the Hon. Sec. This is the twentieth consecutive show, and the Society has a substantial balance at the Bank.

The Entry at Newcastle Show.

Mr. J. W. Reed, sec., writes:—Entries to Tuesday night number 1,600.

Prize Money Paid.

We are notified that prize-money, etc., has been paid for the following shows; anyone overlooked should communicate with the respective secretaries: Broughty Ferry, Longton, Leeds.

Well-Known Judge's Indisposition.

We very much regret to hear that Mr. J. Patterson, of Chirnside, is laid aside with influenza and will not be able to judge the Borders, etc., at Newcastle Show this week-end.

Norwich Inter-club Championship.

At the inter-club competition held at the annual show of the Norwich Alliance C.B.A., the Hand-in-Hand won with 273 points. Nine clubs competed. The interest in the competition is very keen in "Canary City."

To Walworth Bird-lovers.

We learn that Dr. A. E. Read, the well-known Roller Canary enthusiast, of Walworth, is a candidate for the Borough Council in the St. Peter's Ward. We are sure that all bird-keepers in this area will be anxious to support so excellent a fancier.

Remember Harrogate this Time.

The Harrogate C.B. Society's Hon. Sec., Mr. G. H. Barnwell, is, we hear, spending a lot of time in trying to save expense for the Society by copying schedules with a copying block. They were at a great loss with their show last year, and they are trying to recoup this, and hope fanciers will rally round this time and give them a bumping entry.

Cage Birds League Medals.

The Sheffield O.S. are offering for competition at their All England Show, Nov. 1 and 2, 8 silver Cage Birds League medals, one each for most points in the following sections —Yorkshires, Norwich, Crests, Lancashires, Lizards, British, Hybrids, Foreign. Members of the League should not overlook this very important offer; also through the generosity of Messrs. A. J. A. Marley and G. Lawrence further medals will be offered in the British and Hybrids. Messrs. P. Walsh and T. Dawn kindly guarantee a class for Albino and Rare Feathered British Birds, and Mr. J. Rukin gives a silver medal for Novice Lizards.

Portsmouth C.B.S.'s Big Effort.

The officials of Portsmouth C.B.S. are anticipating a big success for their open show on Nov. 5th and 6th. The enterprising secretaries, Messrs. King and Joiner, have been busy among local people, and have got together a splendid list of "specials," a photograph of a selection of which appears on another page. They make a fine array, and 90 per cent. of them, including a 400-day clock, are "open to all." Messrs. King and Joiner, too, are giving splendid publicity to the event. The result is the large announcement among the show advertisements in this issue, which, giving the full open classification and specials, will no doubt be read with interest by all exhibitors. The efforts of Portsmouth C.B.S. are certainly worthy of recognition by all aspirants to show honours, especially as there are so many good things going. There is a fine list of open classes, and the hall is second to none in the South. Entries, which close Oct. 31, may be made from the advertisement, or schedules may be had from Messrs. King and Joiner, 80, Stubbington Avenue, Portsmouth. Now, exhibitors, let them have big post-bags during the next few days.

Wild-Bird Life.

Autumn Songsters.

The hedgerows and woods have lost much of their density, for the leaves are falling fast. Autumn tints prevail, and the countryside is as beautiful now as at any time of the year. With the continued fine weather, wild birds are rapidly recovering from the moulting sickness, and here and there we hear joyous music that reminds us of summer days. That persistent singer, the Skylark, flutters overhead, making wide circles in the blue, and only coming to earth after a considerable period of delightful music.

The Song Thrush is another of our autumn performers. Many have passed the recording stage, and sing quite lustily; one near the writer's garden is a charming singer. Perched upon a bare branch in an old elm tree he has passed much of the daylight in



The Perky Little Wren.

practising, and even when the sun has gone down and the usual evening mist overspreads the landscape, he competes with the Robin for the last passage before retiring for the night. Although he is a young bird (being reared on the premises, so to speak) his notes are wonderfully tuneful and mellow, and at present he appears to possess only the rich wild notes of the open.

That independent little wanderer, the Common Wren, has now left the woods, and mostly frequents the hedgerows and gardens. Although such a tiny creature, he is a delightful little fellow to watch. How he hunts the rose trees on the walls and the standard fruit trees for stray insects; but his chief hunting ground is the rubbish heap of the garden.

THE NORWICH FUND.

Subscription List in Aid of the Sufferers in the Recent Floods Closes Next Week.

Since our last list of subscriptions in aid of the fanciers who suffered in the recent disastrous floods at Norwich was published (page 785), amounting to £12 12s. 6d., we have received, and have pleasure in gratefully acknowledging, sums of: 7 Stirling C.B.S. members—Messrs. Bishop, Cooper, Auld, Parker Denny, Summers, Neil and Clubb, 1s. each; Mr. J. Shiers 2s.; Mrs. West 1s.; bringing the total up to £13 2s. 6d.

In addition, we have to acknowledge a most generous gift from a lady bird-lover—Miss H. Hall, of Lewisham—who very kindly offered 14 Canaries (seven pairs) for distribution amongst the Norwich sufferers. These were duly packed and despatched on Friday last by Mr. G. E. Weston, and their safe receipt has been duly acknowledged by Mr. F. Cullington, who has been good enough to take charge of them until their disposal can be arranged. We are sure Miss Hall's generosity will be deeply appreciated.

We purpose closing this fund next week and therefore shall be glad if those readers who care to support this very worthy object will let us have their subscriptions, etc., at once. Any amount, however small, will be most acceptable.

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Fifty Years of the Yorkshire Canary.

Some instructive answers to pertinent questions arising out of Mr. Mallinson's paper read before the London Cage Bird Association.

A full report of the lecture appeared in our issues of Sept. 14, Sept. 28, and Oct. 5.

AT the conclusion of the reading of Mr. Mallinson's paper, several points were raised among the members present, and the Chairman announced that Mr. Crisp had in anticipation addressed some questions to Mr. Mallinson, and had received replies. These Mr. Crisp had sent to be read, as he had found himself unable to be present. The questions and answers, which were read by the Chairman, were as follows:—

(1) What is the difference between the Yorkshire of fifty years ago, and the present-day birds?—Answer: The present-day Yorkshire Canary is a very different bird to the Yorkshire of fifty years ago. The old-fashioned Yorkshires, I may venture to say, were a mixture of Lancashire and Belgian blood. They were nice lengthy birds, showing the Belgian very much about the head and shoulders; in other respects they were equal to our present day specimens. They had fine length of wings, with tail carried to perfection, but when you get to the shoulder then you find the difference between them and our present-day birds. The birds of to-day may be a bit better in quality of feather, being more silky and of finer quality. The old bird had too much of the Belgian and Lancashire to show the extra fine silky feather that we see to-day.

The Value of Outside Crosses.

(2) What are the advantages of the various crosses used in building up the present-day Yorkshire?—I do not think that the Norwich has played any part in the building up of the present-day Yorkshire. Years of careful breeding and the drawing up of the various standards during that period have brought the present-day Yorkshire into the beautiful bird it is. I have never introduced the Norwich into my Yorkshires, or any birds I thought touched with Norwich blood. In my opinion, there is little to gain by its introduction, except colour, and may be quality of feather. But in getting these advantages you lose length, one of the main features, get bulky bodies, and large heads, with heavy thick beaks, also bad position. The Norwich stands too much across the perch. Whoever may have used the Norwich to better the Yorkshire will have made a sorry mess of it.

On the other hand, the Lancashire has no doubt played a great part in building up the Yorkshire. We used to go to Littleborough and all about there for our large stock birds, and they were Lancashires. Some of them were nice feathered birds. These suited the Yorkshire fancier to break in for length. To obtain length to-day we do not go to the Lancashire, but we use long cocks, with plenty of wings and tail. You must have carriage, no dropping of the tail or leaning over the perch. This latter, in my opinion, is the worst fault you can find in a Yorkshire, and should always be avoided.

I do not advise running small hens, however large the cock bird may be. I like a good lengthy hen, with fine quality of feather. I think it best to have good quality in the hen to tone down the raw material of the long stock cock. I have never had much success with small hens, and seldom use them. To keep up length you must avoid these small light-boned birds, or you will soon get on the small side, which it is so easy to do.

Belgian blood has been introduced to get position, and birds that are touched with it will have beautiful position and carriage, that is if it is the right sort of Belgian. I have known it introduced and it has spoilt any number of birds. These were the faulty, bad-positioned birds that might be used to advantage in breeding Scotch Fancies; but for Yorkshire breeding it is disastrous, and you get the tail-dropper, a common fault we see in hundreds of Yorkshires to-day.

The Most Difficult of All.

If a fancier should go in for a bit of Belgian blood direct, he should be very careful not to get this class of bird, or he will be worse off by 50 per cent. Whenever I have introduced Belgian blood it has usually been on the hen's side. I think it does not appear so prominently in the offspring as when the cock bird is used.

(3) How are Cinnamon marks bred?

Cinnamon-marked breeding is the most difficult of all to tackle. I have bred hundreds of well-marked birds, some real eye-openers, others just the reverse; and I may say I could not give any guarantee which is the best method of pairing to produce good marking. They are so treacherous; one nest may be extra good and the next nest from the same pair may be the opposite. I have bred well-marked birds from marked cock and clear or slightly ticked hen, but my very best show birds I bred from clear cocks and marked hens.

The cock we sold to Mr. Crisp was bred from a buff cinnamon-marked hen and a clear pink-eyed cock. The hen was a big winner, and out of the same nest as my yellow cinnamon-marked cock which won two firsts and a second during three years at the Crystal Palace.

I never had much luck with any of my best yellow-marked cocks in the way of breeding winners from them. I do not advise double-marked breeding. Get marked cocks and clear or ticked hens, or vice versa.

Good marking can be got either way; I do not mind which, so long as I have good position and quality combined, though I like one to run a bit on the heavy side, so long as I know how it is bred. It keeps one more in touch with the markings. I have bred lots of winners from birds on the heavy side, but it was usually the heavily marked hen that I used. I am of the opinion you do not get so many variegated youngsters that way as by using a dark cock.

(4) Are the cinnamon or pink-eyed birds more delicate than the green- or black eyed birds?—I am of opinion that they are.

(5) What are the most difficult points to obtain, and faults to get rid of in a Yorkshire?

The most difficult faults to deal with in Yorkshires are of position, head qualities, length, and a breast frill. The latter it is a very difficult job to avoid, and I do not think anyone has ever done it yet. No matter how good your stock, you will breed a few of these frilled birds, and usually they are not bad ones if the frills were not there.

Pointed breasted birds that have plenty of Belgian blood in them will breed this sort of bird, and if not too bad it is not so difficult to deal with. There are double-frilled birds, those in which the frill runs right under the neck. I never like them to breed with, and should advise anyone to give a wide berth to this fault, as you can do nothing with it: it is most difficult to breed out.

I always think cinnamon blood is an advantage for producing colour and good quality of feather. It is often used to obtain quality in the dark-eyed Yorkshire.

In cinnamon-marked breeding you have the markings to deal with, and this is the most difficult task of all. You have to put the good marks on to the right bird, which is no easy matter. You may get an extra well-marked bird, and as likely as not he is either too small or too bulky, bad in position, or with some such fault. On the other hand, you may get a really fine specimen of a Yorkshire, except that he is too heavily marked. This has been my experience all through my life.

I have known fanciers who have been very successful with the clear and green ticked birds, and they thought they could breed cinnamon marks as easily, but most of them have been satisfied with two seasons of it. They don't like the off-markings, which always have to be dealt with in breeding cinnamon marks. Fanciers may buy good birds, and may be successful with clears and dark ticks, but those who think they can breed winning cinnamon marks all at once are sure to be disappointed. They have to be worked for, and it is no use throwing up the sponge because of a few "darkies." I have bred scores in my time, and am not afraid of trying to breed the most beautiful of all Yorkshires because of a few dark-coloured birds, which, with judicious breeding may be greatly modified.

(6) Will you enumerate a few of your winnings with Cinnamons?—We have won at the Crystal Palace eleven firsts, six seconds, seven thirds, five fourths, four vhc's, four hc's, and two c's. Our best year was in 1902, when we secured three firsts, two seconds, three thirds, two fourths, one vhc, and one c. This, I think, is a record amongst the cinnamon marks. All these birds were of my own breeding, except two, both yellow cinnamon marked hens. I did not have the pleasure of going to the Crystal Palace. I had to send my son, owing to ill-health. I should like to have the acquaintance of the Southern fanciers, but I am afraid I shall not be able to stand the travelling; since my bad attack five years ago, I dare not take any big risks; when one is in the last year of seventy, one has to be careful. Again I wish you every success, and I hope my advice will enable some of you to place a real winning "topper" of a yellow cinnamon-marked cock on the show bench at the Crystal Palace at no distant date, a bird I have always admired most amongst all the Canary tribe.

At the close of the debate, a very hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Mallinson for his paper, which everyone present agreed was far above the average in point of interest and instructiveness. The vote was carried to the accompaniment of loud applause.



A FEAST OF GOOD THINGS.

Some of them fine Specials to be won outright at the show of the Portsmouth C.B.S. held Nov. 5th and 6th (note advt. in this issue.)

THE MUSICAL BOX OF THE CANARY FAMILY.

How the Roller Canary is Trained to Sing.

By J. TOMLINSON.

(*Continued from page* 801.)

Discriminating the Indifferent from the Good.

Unlike the German fancier, we cannot allow ourselves to appreciate the hollow roll strain. It has not a sufficiently pleasing variety of tours to suit us, yet it is free from faults as we view them at the present time. Our favourites are the Glucke and Water Glucke strains, and faulty tours with these strains are hereditary. We are advancing to eradicate them. When we have reached our ideal, it is probable we shall proceed to perfect the tours our birds then sing.

The uninitiated may ask what are the Glucke and Water Glucke strains, and why we prefer them to one adopted by those who are past-masters in this variety of Canary. In a word, the Hollow Roll strain is "one of the has beens," and to-day "all that is left of them"—the remains of a craze for a pure song, from which ruthless hands indiscriminately severed every fault, and with them also went some fine tours (let us trust not irretrievably lost). Our ideal is a bird that will sing all the good tours and rolls of the Hollow Roll strain, combined with the Glucke and Water Glucke tours appertaining to these strains, excluding the faults which are hereditary to them.

How the Youngsters Differ.

A perceivable difference will soon be recognised in the demeanour of the young cocks in the flight cages. Some will sit quietly rehearsing their song, others will sing a little, then break off, and commence to race the perches; in fact, they will do anything but sit quiet and study. Further, others will be conspicuous by the manner in which they open their beaks when singing. This is a bad sign, as it predicts some imperfection in the song.

When the warbling gradually unrolls itself into a recognisable song, it is time to remove them into the song cages. No benefit would accrue from an earlier transfer, and a detrimental effect on their song might be the result if they are allowed a longer period in the flight cages. It is an unwise procedure to allow youngsters to get too loud in song in the flight cages, trusting to tone them down when caged separately in the song cages. They will certainly sing in a subdued tone of voice when closed up, but immediately full light is given, they return to their former style of singing. Some of them will yield to our efforts of treatment, others we can do nothing with. The quiet, steady singers will be found to be the best, as their earlier demeanour predicted a connected song.

An Aggravating Type.

The second described rarely make good singers. They remind one of the human suffering with nerves. If they do not settle down to an evenly connected song in the song cages, dispose of them, for they are an aggravating type of bird to their owners. It is a rare occurrence for these birds to sing their complement of tours without disconnecting them.

The third class will be found faulty singers. One or more of their tours or notes will be too high, but it is possible that they may tone down a little as their deeper tours develop. So little reliance can be placed on this, however, that it is hardly worth mentioning. Neither is it just for me to raise hopes which are never likely to be realised. Still it is possible, but hardly probable, that they will tone down. Whether they should be removed from the training room, must be decided by the song quality of the tutor. Assuming that they have had a faultless education, then isolate them with alacrity the moment a faulty note is perceived. Don't put it off till a later day, as by the arrival of that day another youngster will have learned it, and so on the fault will go if not checked in time.

Perpetuating the Excellences.

Whether these singers should be entirely disposed of, must depend altogether on the other portion of their song. One or more may be found to excel in some particular tour, or may be singing one that is not found in its schoolmates.

In either of these cases, I advise the turning of a deaf ear to the imperfection, until that excellence is fixed into the strain. To discover which of the parents this good quality is derived from, judiciously pair son to mother, and sire to daughter, and, if convenient, choose for the latter one bred in the same nest as the chosen son which is to be mated to its dam. The object is to fix the quality first, and careful attention to this is necessary if we are to attain our ideal, otherwise we shall find ourselves with birds of such merits as to make us wish we had accepted the hollow roll strain, for their tours and rolls excel those of the same variety found in the Glucke and water Glucke strains.

(*To be continued.*)

Questions and Answers.

For rules see page 802 last week.

THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of **ADVISORY EXPERTS.** Queries must in no case be addressed to any of them individually, but to the Editor.

Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mule and Hybrids—**G. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.H.S., &c., Wild Bird Life—**H. Norman.**

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

BLEEDING FROM MOUTH (A Constant Reader).—The bleeding was due to the rupture of a blood vessel caused by the bird's violent efforts at singing. Whether it will recover sufficiently to sing again depends solely upon the extent of the internal damage. But such birds rarely do any good after these attacks. Continue giving a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and liberally sprinkled with maw every second day for a fortnight, and then every third day for another month. Give a spray of green food four times a week, and a pinch of mixed seed twice a week. In the drinking water add six drops of tincture of gentian, and four of dilute sulphuric acid three times a week for a month.

FORCING A MOULT (Enquirer).—As the birds moulted last April, it is not likely they will moult naturally again before spring, and as they are all in such good health and condition, I cannot advise you to carry out your suggestion of forcing them into moult prematurely. You do not say how old the birds are, nor the breed to which they belong. If they are past their first youth, say, three or four seasons old, I would rather advise you to discard the hens as breeders, and keep the cock for a tutor only, if you are breeding songsters. By doing this his moulting in the spring would be a decided advantage, as he would resume his song when the youngsters would benefit most from it, and retain it all through the autumn moult, when the other cocks were out of song. But if you prefer moulting the birds now, proceed as advised to "C.B.," in last issue.

SWELLING UNDER EAR (Novice).—Carefully remove a few of the small feathers which cover the swelling, so as to leave the top of it bare. Then touch the swollen part with a small feather or camel-hair pencil dipped in tincture of iodine every fourth day until you have done it four times. Keep bird in a cage by itself until the swelling has disappeared, which it may do quite suddenly, as these growths frequently drop off, or get rubbed off when they are "ripe."

HEN PLUCKING OUT FEATHERS (Eccleshill).—Have you well examined bird and cage for insect pests? If not, do so at once, and if any are found take steps to exterminate them as frequently advised in this column. For dealing with lice, which live on the bird, see reply to "E.G.," in this issue. If no insects are found, feed the bird as advised to "John Williams" for two or three weeks, but give the bread and milk and maw every second day for a fortnight. In the drinking water add 20 drops of glycerine, as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence, and half as much chlorate of potash every second day for a week.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); Rouse's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); Rouse's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

SONGLESS AND SONGSTERS (H. R.).—(1) It will be useless giving the bird anything unless you first remove any exciting causes of bronchial trouble. See to this first. Keep the bird in a comfortable place, not necessarily a very warm one, but in a pure atmosphere, free from cold draughts and fumes of burning lights. Then treat the bird for a month as advised to "T. Clayton," in this issue, giving also the paste prescribed in that reply, and in the water give the mixture as advised to "C.B.," in last issue, for a fortnight. (2) You could, of course, mate a Goldfinch with the Roller hen, but the song of the resultant mules would be inferior to that of the pure Roller. Next to the pure Roller the best songsters are a Roller-Border, Roller-Yorkshire, or Roller-Norwich cross in the order named.

BIRDS DYING SUDDENLY (John Williams).—There seems something unusual about your losses, and I would strongly advise you to send immediately to Mr. Yates for post-mortem the body of the next that dies. My first impression on commencing to read your letter was that the birds were probably closely inbred and weakly, the symptoms being so like those of the epileptic taint that not infrequently runs in such strains, but your closing remarks upset this theory. I suppose it is not likely to be due to nervous shock, brought on by some alarming object coming in sight of the birds occasionally. If not, then I'm afraid it is of a bacillary nature, which only a post-mortem could satisfactorily ascertain. For the present, in addition to your staple diet of canary seed, give half a teaspoonful, per bird, of summer rape separately every second day, and, on alternating days, twice each week give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar and a pinch of maw seed, and the two other days half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts inga, millet, teazle, black rape, and broken groats. Give a spray of green food every second day. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece every second day for a week, and afterwards four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid.

BATHING AND SONG (Novice, S. A. A.).—(1) As a rule a Canary is very easily induced to take to the bath by removing its drinking water, hanging a bath on the open doorway, or placing inside, and then giving a bath to another free bathing bird where the non-bather can see it splashing in the bath. Or it may be placed in a flight for a time with one or two other bathers. If kept alone, give it just a light spraying, sufficient only to bedew the plumage, then remove drinker and hang on bath for an hour or so. At first a tiny spray of green food placed in centre of bath will act as an extra inducement. Repeat this three or four times a week until bird takes freely to bathing. (2) If you wish to get a really good class of Roller song, it is essential to breed with Roller parents and train the young under good singing Rollers. If you bred with Norwich birds and trained the young under Rollers, you would get a better type of song than the pure Norwich, but it would be far below the quality of the Roller song pure and simple.

RESTLESS AT NIGHT (A. Lee).—The feet may be a little inflamed, but I have not the least doubt the real trouble is that the cage is infested with red mites. Bathe feet for a few minutes in a warm solution of boracic acid, a teaspoonful of acid dissolved in a teacupful of warm water. Clean them well whilst bathing, and if the claws are overgrown, trim them back to a proper length. Dry feet and anoint sparingly with a little vaseline. Repeat bathing once or twice at intervals of one day. Examine cage carefully, probing if necessary any open joint or hole with a pin, and if any mites are found, thoroughly overhaul cage as frequently advised in this column to exterminate them. Add a few drops of quassia essence to the bath twice a week for a time.

NOT SINGING (T. Clayton).—It is not unusual for a cock after the first few seasons to take a few weeks' rest after moulting before resuming song. Continue your present seed diet, but give in addition half-a-teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with a mixture of equal parts maw and gold of pleasure every second day for a fortnight. On the alternate days give a small pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, and teazle, and a spray of some green food. Make a paste with a teaspoonful of honey, as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence, the same quantity of grain of paradise, and a sufficient quantity of finely crushed biscuit to make a paste about the consistence of putty when mixed on a hot saucer. When cold, it will cut solid. Stick a piece in the wires for bird to nibble away at will. Its behaviour in the breeding cage was merely the result of that faint-heartedness which it is said, never succeeds in affairs of the heart.

YOUNG BIRD HAVING FITS (Jos. Jarvis).—The bird is an epileptic subject. Such birds are sometimes closely inbred, and are usually of a weakly anæmic habit. The result of treatment is not very satisfactory. Keep birds under healthiest possible conditions; feed well, but do not overfeed it with rich oily seeds; keep bowels regular by a judicious management of food supply rather than the use of drugs. If you know when a fit is pending, at once add to the drinking water as much bromide of potassium as will cover a threepennypiece, and continue giving this for three consecutive days. Then give it every second day for the remainder of a week. If the attack comes on, keep bird as quiet as possible, and treat for a week as above. Repeat the treatment after each attack, or if they occur frequently, then treat every alternate week for a couple of months.

BLACK FEATHER LICE (E.G.).—The quickest and most effectual cure for all lice on Canaries is to hand-wash the bird, mixing a little creolin in the first two basins of water used—a teaspoonful of creolin in a pint of water is the proper proportion. Whilst bird is drying well clean and wash out cage with a solution of creolin of twice the above strength. Repeat washing of bird and cage after an interval of a week. If you cannot wash bird, catch it, and dust it very liberally with a good insect powder, working it well beneath the feathers, particularly around the neck, base of tail and under wings. Then roll bird in a small handkerchief, leaving only the beak exposed for free breathing, and lay it down in an old cage for safety, for fifteen minutes. Then unwrap it, and when it has shaken the powder out of its feathers and preened itself, give it a bath in which a few drops of extract of quassia has been mixed, and allow it to bathe and dry itself before returning to its own cage. Whilst this process is going on, wash out cage as above described. Repeat this process twice at intervals of a week each time.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

BERRIES (Hilda).—So far as I can see they are just the berries of the common hawthorn; and these, far from being poisonous, are excellent to give to any birds which relish berries. It is quite time, now, that all Linnets and Bullfinches had made a start upon the moult. Many have already finished.

TWO BIRDS (G. Wigley).—When did you catch these birds? The smaller one would probably be the Willow Warbler, and the larger the Hedge Accentor (commonly called Hedge Sparrow). But your descriptions are so very vague that it is almost guesswork to try to name them.

MULE WITH A CREST (J.P.).—Mules with "top-knots" are not at all uncommon, but they are not often exhibited at shows (though I should think they would be eligible in a class headed "Any Other Variety of Mule"). I remember a really lovely crested Goldfinch Mule being shown at the Crystal Palace some few years ago; but I forget the fate it met. I have an idea, however, it was "very highly commended. Fanciers don't try to breed crested Mules, or they would soon become common enough.

AILING GOLDIES (Constant Reader).—Of course, as no doubt you well realise it often happens that birds contract some complaint which it is beyond the power of medicine to cure. The first bird you mention (I don't remember seeing any query concerning it) I should think had some stoppage or irritant, internally, which would account for the symptoms, and doubtless there was no chance of a cure. Regarding the second bird, I do not consider that the food has anything to do with the matter—a bird needs feeding generously when casting its plumage. Some birds, however, feel the strain of the moult more keenly than others; any weakness of constitution is sure to be exposed at this period, and is very liable to start the bird on the downward path. Your bird for instance was probably not as strong as he might have been owing to the recent cold of which you speak. Give him a course of tonic, building-up medicine. Get one ounce of compound syrup of hypo-phosphites (B.P.) from a chemist, and stir a good half-a-teaspoonful into two tablespoonfuls of water. Give fresh daily, and not in a tin or zinc drinker. Give every day for one week, then every other day (plain water in between) over a period of a fortnight.

Owing to the severe pressure on space several Answers have had to be held over until next week. —Editor.

THE CASE OF A LARK (Mrs. Tweedale).—Get from a chemist a small jar of combined malt extract and hypophosphites, and well mix a small quantity of this (say a good half-teaspoonful) amongst its soft food daily. It will soon make a difference to the condition of the bird—unless, of course, there is something organically wrong, and, this, judging from your letter, is not the case. A few mealworms now and again would be helpful.

A RESTLESS SONG THRUSH (Enoch Matthews).—Unfortunately, you do not tell me whether the bird has been long in a cage, or is comparatively fresh caught. Nor do you say whether you have tried any likely remedies. Have you tried covering over the cage with a black cloth, or removing it to a dark, quiet room at night (or both)? It takes some birds quite a long time to get used to artificial light; they become restless and fidgetty as soon as it is brought into use. Your management seems all right, except that I should prefer to change his food daily and clean out the cage every other day—not the reverse.

A LINNET MULE (J. W. Buxton).—(1) I hardly understand this question. The stuff to get a Linnet Mule into show condition is colour food, given during the moult. A non-fed bird stands practically no chance of success. Otherwise the bird only wants the usual seeds and opportunity for regular bathing. (2) Young Mules are often very hard to steady. Change its cage frequently (i.e., from stock cage to show cage, and vice versa), and keep it in a room wherein people are constantly on the move. A journey or two to a few shows also help very much to steady down a bird; likewise—and even more so—one or two hand-washings.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Boulton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

A MOULTING MEDICINE (Linnet Novice).—I should think that the "moulting medicine" of which you speak would be saffron (sometimes termed hay saffron, or meadow saffron). You can buy it at the chemists. It is in shreds, of a peculiar red colour, and when a few shreds are steeped in the drinking water (the usual way in which it is given to birds), it gives the water a red tint and a curious "oily" appearance. You will find a recipe for a seed "singing mixture" given in the "Nutshell" booklet. The saffron, by the way, is held to assist the bird in beginning to moult. Sometimes it is given in rum (the recipe has often been printed in CAGE BIRDS). Tincture of saffron is put up in bottles by many of the large seed and food firms.

REDPOLL-GREENFINCH HYBRIDS (J.B.).—Redpoll-Greenfinch Hybrids do not resemble the Redpoll in their chief features—at least, all those I have possessed and seen have not done so. In build they look like small Greenfinches, though traces of the Redpoll are clearly discernible (for instance, in the size and shape of the beak). The colour (when fed) is a warmish brown, with traces of olive, and the edging to the flights and tail is golden. I have never seen one showing the bib and heavy flank lacing found on most good Redpolls. Still, until recently I had never seen a Redpoll-Siskin Mule which carried a bib worthy of the name; my friend Mr. Botting is now showing a beauty, however, with an excellent bib. By the way, have your birds moulted yet, i.e., cast their nestling plumage?

COLOURS OF SHOW CAGES (Cymro).—I said only the other week that there are no standard colours for the show cages of British birds—each man uses whatever tint he considers the most suitable. Hence I hardly see how my opinion can "settle an argument," for the next "expert" you might ask would probably think some of my tints wrong! All of your little lot (Linnet, Redpoll, Chaffinch, Bramble-finch, Goldfinch, and Hawfinch) look fine in show cages enamelled a medium shade of green (but not a green with any blue tint about it). I prefer a dark green, however, for Goldie and Hawfinch, and a medium blue (a little darker than turquoise) suits the Redpoll A1. Some like the latter colour for the Chaffinch; and others like a very dark blue for the Hawfinch. So there you are; take your choice. Crests and Crest-breds are shown in pale blue cages.

DIET FOR GOLDIE MULE (F.F.).—The following makes a good dietary for a Goldfinch-Canary Mule. Give the following stock mixture: Canary 3 parts, teazle 2 parts, summer rape and linseed 1 part each. Reduce the linseed when the moult is over. For variety, give now and again a dessert-spoonful of cracked sunflower seed, a teaspoonful of cracked hemp, the same of a good wild seed mixture, ditto Finch mixture (as sold in packets), and a little coarse oatmeal (not all at once, of course, but separately, the idea being to afford variety in the diet). For green food, ring the changes on chickweed and shepherd's-purse, with occasionally groundsel tops; thistle and hard-heads, plantain stalks, and other "wild foods" are also excellent. When these are unobtainable a sprig of watercress, or small inner leaf of lettuce, makes a good substitute.

AN AILING BULLFINCH (Woodside).—I am afraid your trouble arises more or less from your distaste of handling the Bullies. For instance, some Bullfinches (the majority, in fact) are very dirty when in a cage, so far as their feet are concerned, getting them clogged with dirt. If this dirt is not removed whenever present, by washing with warm water and carbolic soap, using, say, a tooth-brush, hard lumps soon collect about the toes and the ball of the foot, resulting in warty-looking growths, and in bad cases in the loss of claws and even toes, which rot away. Some Bullies are very annoying in this respect, needing constant attention, even though the cage floor is kept scrupulously clean. If the beak gets badly over-grown, too, it must certainly be trimmed down to its normal size and shape. Attention to little details of this kind is expected of the bird-keeper, and they are really simple matters, calling for no special skill. I don't think it necessary to destroy your bird; if you could get someone to attend to his beak and feet he would probably soon be all right again. A little of a good healing ointment (Kerol, for instance) should be applied to the feet after they have been washed and dried. You should occasionally offer a few (12 to 20) cracked white sunflower seeds; and twice a week give a heaped teaspoonful of mixed teazle and summer rape, equal parts of each.

LINNET NOT MOULTING (Harry E.).—If the bird does not moult it will probably not survive long. Remove it from the large flight into a smallish cage (say, a small-sized Finch stock cage). Hang the latter in a warm corner in a heated living room, and keep it covered almost entirely over with a cloth—so that the bird is almost in the dark. In the drinking water daily steep a few shreds of saffron (get this at the chemist's). I think the bird will soon commence to moult, then, when the cloth can gradually be removed and the cage be retired to a cooler spot in the room. It is not pleasant to have to resort to these tactics, but desperate cases oft-times need "desperate" remedies, and your bird, judging from your letter, will succumb unless relieved.

A TRIO (T.W.H.).—(1) A friend of mine near London successfully wintered a Blackcap Warbler in a cage in an outdoor bird-house, although the water in its drinking vessel often froze. He stated that it did not seem to feel the cold much, if at all. A great deal depends upon where you live. For instance, down in Devonshire and the near neighbourhood, I feel sure you might successfully winter Nightingales and Blackcaps and Reed Warblers in a sheltered outdoor aviary (I assume you to be skilled in their management and feeding). But if you live in Cumberland, it becomes a very different matter. I advise you (this answers question two) to keep all three species indoors. I found my 'Gales looked very miserable and cheerless in my own indoor bird-room when the cold weather came along I soon transferred them to warmer quarters. (3) Try one or other of the large firms such as De Vou, Hamlyn, or Hollins (note advert. columns), who all deal in waterfowl and the other birds you name. My own knowledge of these species can be summed up in two words, viz., practically nil.

A QUINTETTE (Avis).—(1) See reply given "Cymro" this week. Siskin and Twite look well in the blue recommended for Lesser Redpoll. Dark green shows up the Mealy Redpoll well. (2) I never heard of gentian being used to spray birds being got up for show. Use boiled water in the spraying bottle, and in each pint of water well shake up (mix) a teaspoonful of the finest quality glycerine—don't exceed this quantity. A spray every day for a week before a show (especially if after a hand-wash) puts a fine gloss on the plumage. If the glycerine is overdone, however, it makes an unsightly mess of the plumage. (3) Five shillings to seven and sixpence would be a very reasonable price for a good newly-caught bird. Hawfinches are frequently advertised; anyway, a "wanted" advert. would no doubt bring you plenty of offers. (4) Evidently you have two good-coloured (jonque) hens. The young Bullies, when in moulting plumage, have no cap, and both cocks and hens are like their mother in colour. But when the youngsters get their caps (after first moult), the cocks also get red breasts, whereas the hens retain the modest colouring peculiar to Bullies of the gentler sex. (5) It doesn't make the slightest difference if dock is given in the branch; I always use it myself in this way.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

ZEBRA FINCHES (Bunty).—I never take the trouble to separate the sexes, but as yours have not mates let them remain as they are till spring, as I do not consider it wise to pair up at this time of year. They certainly would attempt to breed as soon as they had settled down. They are so precocious, that I saw (last week) a young bird (male evidently) whose beak was only just beginning to change colour, dancing about in front of an adult female with a piece of hay in his beak! There is a risk with newly-paired birds at this time of year, though I have found that pairs which have been together all the year, take no hurt if they do attempt nesting. At the same time, the young are not always reared and frequently lacking stamina when they are.

WHAT BIRDS? (Bell).—I gather from the nature of your query that you want as many as you can get within a small space, and I think a dozen small Waxbills would give you as much pleasure as any, and also a good variety of colour. Use twiggy branches for perches, leaving the centre of the cage open, and fixe up several coconut-shell nests, pushing in a little hay as night shelters. You must, if the cage be an all-wire one, stand it where wind or a draught cannot pass through it. Pairs each of Orange-cheek, Grey (Common), and Golden-breasted Waxbills; Common Avadavats, Cordon Bleus, and Silverbills. If you require birds the size of a Norwich Canary, you ought not to put in more than six. If you want to breed, then put in a pair of Zebra Finches only, a couple of the nests, with nesting material, and leave them to take their own course. If you are not acquainted with the above, it would be well if you got our Nutshells, "Avadavats" and "Waxbills," 2½d. each, post free from our manager.

INDOOR FLIGHT (H.Y.J.).—You cannot keep a general series with anything like regular breeding results, and the odd Weavers would be best left out. I must also state that the majority of Foreign Finches do not breed with the same precision as Canaries, though since the adoption of natural garden aviaries results have been more regular. Try 1 pair each—Ruficauda Finches, Long-tailed Grass Finches, and Zebra Finches (you should be able to obtain the 3 pairs for about 60/- the lot). Add one pair each Red Avadavats and Green Avadavats for colour, value 5s. 6d. to 6s. 6d. pair. You could have a pair of Couldian Finches in lieu of one of the other kinds of the trio, but they are difficult to establish and rather costly. Furnish the back and end flight with twiggy branches and hang up behind these, say 3 each, cokernut husks, Hartz travelling cages, and small boxes. Keep the front two feet of long area of flight quite open and without any branches or perches overhanging it.

WAXBILLS IN OUTDOOR CAGES (W. Ashfill).—Repeat your query in full next week, giving size of cage; is it double-boarded? also your county. I shall then be in a position to give you a definite reply. You should procure a cocoa-nut shell nest for each pair of Waxbills, and cocoa-nut husks for the other pairs. The birds will be safe outside for another fortnight at any rate. What is the aspect of the position you intend to keep them in, and for what period of the day does it get the sun when there is any?

AILING GREY PARROT (Anxious One).—Get the following mixture from your chemist: Ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills and glycerine in equal parts. Put half a teaspoonful in the daily supply of drinking water for a week or ten days, though a drink of clear water (chilled) should be offered daily. Continue to use the honey and borax twice daily, it will materially assist the bird, also clean the beak and nostrils daily with a solution of one part Glyco-thymoline and 2 parts water, it will do no harm if the bird swallows a little in the process. Also give a dose of Dinneford's Magnesia, as required, to keep the bowels moving freely (you can easily spot about 10 drops over its soft food). For the present give only a mixture of canary, white millet, and hemp, in equal parts—continue to supply the boiled maize, which must be prepared fresh daily, and you can moisten stale crusts of household bread or pieces of plain bread, with a little sweetened water. Also supply any kind of fruit the bird will take. Report progress about 14 days hence.

GREY PARROT NOT PERCHING (J. G. D.).—The bird appears to have made some progress, but it is a pity you cannot manage to foment, as this would give much relief. You might, as the alternative, get two mop camel hair brushes, and with one of them paint the partially disabled foot with hot water (not hot enough for discomfort), then take off most of the wet with the dry brush, then after squeezing the first brush almost dry, use it to paint the foot with neat whisky this should ultimately give the bird much relief if carried out daily or even twice daily. Fix both your perches, one high, the other low, across corners of the cage, the lower perch to be as thick as your wrist. You must keep the claws cut back to normal length. Much of its awkwardness may leave it as it loses its timidity; avoid hurried movements, noises, or anything calculated to scare it in its vicinity. Continue the bynophosphates for some time, and so long as the voidings are not watery, a weekly dose of Dinneford's magnesia will be beneficial. A weekly spraying even in winter is good for the bird; during severe spells it can be omitted, but there are few weeks it is not possible to choose a genial period about mid-day. Continue the glyco-thymoline till relief is given; it is neglect (before you got the bird) that has caused the blockage. These variegated specimens are called Kings. As the bird regains general fitness, it will reproduce its plumage in a normal manner. Save as qualified above, continue treating as in a previous reply.

YOUNG AMAZON (W. H.).—It is evident the bird was suffering from the effects of importation, and the quicker you get it on to a seed or partial seed diet the better it will be. Re your present treatment. Boiled rice, I should boil this in water and slightly sweeten with sugar or a little honey and not use milk at all. The boiled maize should be prepared fresh daily—boil till soft, but the grains of corn should remain whole, lightly dust the daily supply with flowers of sulphur for a week or ten days, then in lieu of the sulphur soak into the maize 10 to 15 drops of Byno-phosphates. I should give one dose of Dinneford's Magnesia—half-teaspoonful in two table-spoonfuls of water, giving this as the supply of drinking water for the day, repeating the dose after a week's interval. It will be beneficial to give several doses of ammoniated tincture of quinine, with a day's interval between the doses. Also bathe or spray the nostrils daily with a dilute Glyco-thymoline solution, so long as the running continues; it will do the bird no harm if it swallows a little of the above during the operation. Offer the bird a little ripe fruit, and pieces of plain biscuit (if the latter is moistened use only sweetened warm water for the purpose). Keep a tin of the following seed mixture in the cage:—One quart, each canary and white millet, one pint crushed oats, half-a-pint hemp seed—well mix the whole together and add a small pinch of grit (not sand) when filling the hopper. Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone in the cage and an occasional shelled walnut will be wholesome. As soon as the bird begins to take freely of the seed mixture, which it ultimately will do, lessen the quantity of soft food and gradually discontinue the boiled rice.

AILING WAXBILLS (Woodside).—I am inclined to think the details you supply point to senile decay; but they may happily exist with you for some time yet. Keep them fairly warm, yet where they will get light and air. Twice a week put half a teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia into the daily supply of drinking water, and on the other days the same quantity of Byno-phosphates, but you must not use a metal drinker while giving drugs. Add a little canary seed to your dietary. Get, say, seven thumb pots, and pot up some tufts of grass, this will give you one for each day of the week, to put in the cage and so changed, if kept in your window and watered regularly (as required), they will keep fresh during the winter and amuse the birds to pick over, as also will canary seed sown in similar pots. Keep your cage tray covered with sand, and sprinkle over this daily a pinch of small bird grit (not sand). Use twiggy branches in your cage for perches, and let them have a daily bath, the latter should be of the kind to hang over open door of cage, so that the interior of cage is kept dry.

GENERAL.

Answered by The Editor.

B. Hatton.—The two perches you send, or very similar notions, have been previously illustrated.

C. Shinleer.—We are unable to give you the information, but have put your letter, as requested, in the correspondence columns.

A. G. Burnham.—Sanitary distemper is quite safe for breeding and stock cages; one of the best possible coverings, in fact. If the gas fire is free from fumes it can certainly be used; as you mention there is a flue pipe fitted we take it there can be no objection raised on this score.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet St., London, E.C.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

Members' judging competition, at headquarters, October 1. A good number of members and friends put in an appearance, and were much interested in the proceedings. 22 birds were staged, 13 Nor. and 9 Yorks. A good even lot all round. Mr. J. Hazell judged. Fourteen members took part in the competition, which was very keen. Honours eventually fell to Mr. Cole, who took 1st with 32 points; Mr. Crawford 2, with 31, and Mr. Hodson 3, 27. A vote of thanks to Mr. Hazell brought a most interesting evening to a close.—W. Hodson, Hon. Sec.

NORTHERN BORDER & S.F.C.C.

Monthly meeting held Oct. 7th, Mr. W. Smith in the chair. A report was given regarding specials competed for over the selected shows, the committee having decided to buy a set of bronzes, value £3 10s., for champion section, to be won three times; also gold medal, value £1, for novice section. Table show at next meeting, classes (1), Clear or mkd. yell. ck., (2) ditto buff ck., (3) hen, any col., (4) Green or Cinn., in both champion and novice sections. Mr. C. Farrer, judge. Mr. A. Moutgomery (Wallsend) gave a washing exhibition, which was very interesting. A few questions were asked and were satisfactorily answered. A hearty vote of thanks was given the lecturer, which brought a very interesting and largely attended meeting to a close.—M. C. Potts, Sec.

LEITH O.S.

Monthly meeting, held in Liberal Club, Hope Street, Oct. 12. The principal business was the final arrangements for show. The President intimated that he had secured a silver cup for the Border Fancy section, the generous donor being Mr. Duncan, jeweller, Bark Street. Dr. Robertson, the medical officer of health, has presented £1 as a special for the best Mule or Hybrid. Agreed to get awards printed this year, and to make the charge for catalognes 3d. This no doubt will be a great benefit to the members and visitors. A good few specials were promised, but we hope to have a much larger number before show day. Classification sheets and entry forms were handed out, and those not present will receive theirs in due course by post. A vote of thanks to the chairman closed the proceedings.—George Brown, Sec.

READING AND DIS. C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, held October 2, before a good attendance. Five new members—Messrs. Price, Maidenhead; Turner and King, Windsor; Mrs. Bartlett, Henley, and G. Larkcom, Reading—were elected. This makes nine in the last two meetings. The Secretary gave an explanation as to cost of printing, and said he had accepted adverts and specials as last year, which was considered very satisfactory. Decided to include two open selling classes at £1 and 12s. 6d. instead of members' selling and Softbill class. A warm discussion then ensued on the limit for members' classes. It was finally agreed to raise it £1 on all sections, and it now reads: Champion £4, amateur £3, and novice £2. It was felt that this would allow better birds to be shown. The Treasurer (Mr. G. H. Acton) gave a forecast of the expenses likely to be incurred over the show, and pointed out that the members ought to do their best to make it a thorough success. A vote of thanks was passed to him for taking so much trouble. Mr. Dearlove promised a Canary for the amateur class, and Mr. Avis a set of certificates to go with the 4 silver cups. Mr. Pike's cup for most wins with birds bred by exhibitors was finally decided to be for a 10 miles' radius limit. Secretary would be glad if members and others desiring to give specials would send at once before the committee meeting.—W. H. Pyke, Hon. Sec.

WELSH C.B.C.

General meeting, held Heathfield Hotel, Swansea, 12th October, Mr. D. A. S. Longden presiding. New members elected: Messrs. E. Richards (Treorchy), D. Ray (Burry Port), W. Jeremiah (Ebbw Vale), Chas. Price (Kidwelly), W. J. Mock, and W. J. Bancroft (Swansea), A. Maggs and J. Dugmore (Cardiff), and R. E. Griffiths (North Wales). Present:—Messrs. E. Powell, J. E. Jeffreys, W. J. Mock, S. H. George, J. W. Ford, Fred Heal, G. L. Harber, D. A. S. Longden, and A. E. Brown. Nothing could be decided re exchanging medals with Toronto C.B.S., not having received their reply. Decided to pay travelling expenses of committee to and from committee meetings. The £5 we are giving as members' cash specials, at shows held under our patronage, has been decided as follows:—Swansea and Cardiff, 30s. each, to be given 10s. for most points Canary section, 5s. 2nd ditto; 5s. novice section; 10s. British section. Pentrebach and Pontypridd, 10s. each, 5s. most points Canary section; 5s. British. Newport (Mon.), 20s., 5s. most points Canary section, 5s. 2nd ditto, 5s. novice, 5s. British. All entries for above specials will count. Decided to run club show at Swansea, Mr. S. H. George, the well-known Swansea secretary, being elected club show secretary. Judge has to be elected by a ballot; papers will be sent every paid-up member in the course of a few days. Date, classification, and other arrangements are left entirely to Mr. George and his committee. Club medals this season will all be competed for at club show as follows:—1 for most points champion Canary section; 1 ditto novice; 1 ditto champion British; 1 ditto Novice. All entries will count, and not the three highest, as in previous years. The only medals in addition to above four are those which will be given to the cup winners. We have this season enrolled 15 new members, and should like to take the opportunity of advising all fanciers to join the club without delay, to enable them to compete for cash specials at Newport, Nov. 7th. Patronage this season is given: Mumbles, Oct. 24th; Swansea, Nov. 13th and 14th; Cardiff, Nov. 20th and 21st; Newport, Nov. 6th and 7th; Pentrebach, Nov. 28th; Pontypridd, December 4th. All these societies are well managed, and I trust every member will do his best to support them.—A. E. Brown, Hon. Sec. (66, Clare Street, Merthyr Tydfil).

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else, 9d.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Ashington and Hirst C.B.S. Oct. 19, Harmonic Hall, 7.30. Business: Annual Show. W. Hall.

Barrow C.B.A.—Oct. 23, Headquarters, 7.30. Table show for Borders.—Jas. S. Fleming.

Bonnyrigg C.B.S.—Oct. 19, Foresters' Arms, 7.30. Receive entries for show, held Oct. 26, and draw specials.—James Hamilton.

Bursiem C.B.S.—Oct. 24, Barnfields Inn, 8. Allotting specials, etc., for members' show. Leonard James.

Beamish C.B.S.—Oct. 19, Bird Inn, High Hold, 7. Final arrangements for annual show, and other business.—Wm. Knowles.

Bingley O.S.—Oct. 26, Co-op. Assembly Rooms, during judging. Important.—Asa Livesey.

Bishop Auckland C.B.S.—Oct. 30, in the Y.M.C.A., 7. All fanciers residing in the district invited.—R. Elliot.

Bradford Nat. Show Committee.—Oct. 23, Market Tavern, 8. Important show business; tenders for printing; arrangement of committees; tickets of admission will be given out at this meeting, also show posters.—H. Hill.

Bramley O.S.—Oct. 19, Old Unicorn Inn, 2.30. Members' show; birds staged 2.30: entries close Saturday. Judge, Mr. R. Halliday.—W. H. Steel.

Bristol C.B.S.—Oct. 21, City Hotel, Wine Street, 8. Allotting specials and general business.—(Mrs.) B. L. Pool.

Chesterfield C.B.S.—Oct. 19, Welbeck Inn, 7. Nest feather show, and general business.—T. Booker.

Codnor Park and Eastwood C.B.S.—Oct. 26, Three Tuns, Eastwood, 7. Show business; election of stewards.—J. H. Mitchell.

Consett, Blackhall.—Oct. 19, Co-operative Buildings, Consett, 7.30. Show arrangements.—J. Hedworth Coupland.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—Oct. 23, Areade Temp. Hotel, 7. Final arrangements for open show.—Joseph R. Reid.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Oct. 24, Black Bull, 7. Allotting of specials, and other important show business. All specials to be inserted in schedule must be in at this meeting.—G. Bosecby.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Oct. 19, Fountain Inn, 8.30. Special meeting; business important, concerning next members' show.—W. Nettleton.

Glasgow and Western Counties C.B.S.—Oct. 26, 122, Ingram St., 6.30. Arrangements for annual show; lecture by Mr. J. B. Clark (Rothesay), "Wild Seeds and Berries."—W. Connelly.

Glossop Hadfield C.B.S.—Oct. 22, J. H. Seniors, High Street W., Glossop, 8. Election of treasurer; general business in connection with annual members' show, Dec. 21st.—E. Thompson

Grimsby O.S.—Oct. 24, Slatter's Rooms, 8. Final arrangements, etc., open show; members' subs. due.—Towl and Smith.

Gt. Horton (Good Intent) O.S.—Oct. 19, Congregational Schools, 8. p.m. Important business.—H. Cornall.

Glasgow C.B.A.—Oct. 22, Nelson's Temperance Hotel, 7.30. Committee; urgent show business.—W. Hutchison.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Oct. 22, Lockhart's, 7.30. Special meeting; specials and show business.—J. G. Greason.

Halifax O.S.—Oct. 19, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Members' show (cock birds only). Judge, Mr. F. Allen, Cleckheaton.—H. Clegg.

Halfwhistle C.B.S.—Oct. 21, Mr. Nicholson's, 7. Open show business: fixing specials; etc.: members' subscriptions due.—Nicholson and Tallantyre.

Hartlepools C.B.S.—Oct. 24, Mr. Pyman's, West House, Grange Road, 8 p.m. Election of stewards and to receive specials, etc.—Woodhead and Pyman.

Hebden Bridge and C.V.O.S.—Oct. 21, White Horse. 7.30. Table show, 9 classes: 4 Yorks., 4 Nor., 1 Brit.; subs. due.—A. Pickles.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—Oct. 19, Crown Inn, 7. Very urgent business.—A. J. Notley.

Highgate Hampstead C.B.S.—Oct. 25, Spencer Hall, 8.30. Washing competition for members; judge, Mr. W. Shakespeare; silver medals for winner of each section. Members to bring own birds; a special welcome given to visitors.—J. Hyde.

Heywood O.S. Oct. 22, Rochdale Hall, Pine St., 7.30. Show business.—A. H. Meadowcroft.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Oct. 26, White Lion Hotel, 7.30. Very special business. R. H. Dixon.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S. Oct. 22, White Swan, 8.30. Show business.—A. Freestone.

Leigh and Dis. C.B.S.—Oct 23, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Show business, etc. R. Charleston.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Oct. 19, Greyhound Hotel, 7. Finish schedule and class specials; members' subs. are now due.—Daniel John.

Lancashire C.A.—Oct. 19, Rochdale O.S., York Place, 6.30. Subscriptions and new members to make. Joe Hampshire.

London and Counties' A.C.B.—Oct. 19, The Earl Cathcart, Osnaburgh Street, N.W., 8. Special business of autumn show. Questions and answers.—W. Gilbert.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Oct. 21, Deansgate Hotel, 7.15. Show business.—H. Boothman.

Metropolitan C.B.A. Oct. 19, All Saints' Hall, Prince of Wales Road, Battersea, 8.30. Alteration and final reading of schedule for Nov. show; allotting specials. G. Dunham.

Middlesex O.S.—Oct. 26, St. John's Schools, Southall, 8. Final arrangements for annual show.—Jeffery Jefferis.

Midland Roller C.C.—Oct. 24, Swan and Peacock, 6 p.m. Special meeting; final arrangements for show; members please attend.—T. J. Smith.

Morley C.B.S.—Oct. 18, Sycamore Hotel, 7.30. Entries for Oct. 19 show. Judge, Mr. H. J. Chittenden, Bradford. Birds staged at 2.—J. Rhodes.

Norwich Plainhead Club.—Oct. 19, 3.30. Burnley show: Committee meeting.—P. Cunliffe.

Nottingham and Notts O.S.—Oct. 22, Mechanics' Institute, 8. Show business; important.—J. G. Royce.

Oldham C.B.S.—Oct. 22, Textile Dining Rooms, Shaw Road, 8. Show business, schedules ready; and debate. Fanciers attend.—Jas. Cope.

Old Shildon Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Oct. 18, Old Shildon Workmen's Club, 8. Finish up of contributions.—J. H. Elwel.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Oct. 19, Old Boar's Head, Corporation Street, Manchester, 6. Special meeting; very important business.—Andrew Percival.

Queen's Park C.B.A.—Oct. 24, Emmanuel Hall, Harrow Road, 8. Washing competition and display by Mr. Peverall.—W. J. Lethbridge, junr.

Rochdale O.C.—Oct. 20, Club Rooms, 7.30. Open show classification.—R. Blincoe.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Oct. 19, College Inn, 8. Special meeting, annual show business.—B. Bailey.

Rawtenstall F.S.—Oct. 22, Mission Room, Hall St., Rawtenstall, at 7.30. General meeting; business very important. All members and fanciers cordially invited to attend.—Herbert Kershaw.

Scottish Plainhead Club.—Oct. 19, Secretary's Room, City of Glasgow show, 3.—J. Brown.

Stockport B.F.A.—Oct. 22, Boar's Head Hotel, 8. Selection of judge; show date; and other important business.—W. Stafford.

Scottish National C.B.S.—Oct. 24, 142, High St., Edinburgh, at 8. Committee meeting.—J. R. Meikle.

Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—Oct. 21, Red Lion Hotel, 8 p.m. To allot special prizes for open show.—J. Pitchford.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Oct. 26, Fawcett Street Cafe, 7.30.—J. Jeffrey.

Swansea.—Oct. 22, Market Coffee Tavern, 8. p.m. Special meeting called for forthcoming show.—S. H. George.

Wakefield O.S.—Oct. 19, Crown and Anchor Hotel, 8. Special in connection with members' shows.—J. Ieherwood.

Wallasey C.B.S.—Oct. 24, Fairhaven Institute, Seaview Road, Liscard, 8. Bird washing exhibition by Mr. Young, and competition for novices. Prizes, 3s., 2s.—Thomas Edwards.

Wallsend Mid Tyne C.B.A.—Oct. 23, Station Hotel, 7.30. Arrangements for show; staging; report of sale of tickets, and specials.—John M. Macdonald.

Windhill C.B.S.—Oct. 22, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Entries taken for open show, from 8 to 11. Oct. 22.—J. Taylor.

Wolverhampton C.B.S.—Oct. 24, Duke of York, 8. Open show business; all subs. are now due.—J. Gibbons.

Wandsworth F.S.—Oct. 24, the Red Lion, 8. Important business re the open show.—W. Lightfoot.

Winsford C.B.S.—Nov. 1, 7.30. Very important.—Sydney S. Brooks.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Portsmouth C.B.S.—Nov. 5 and 6, entries close Oct. 31st. Full open classification and list of specials will be found in advertisement. Secretaries: King and Joiner, 80, Stubbington Avenue, Portsmouth.

Kirkcaldy.—Oct. 26, Pioneer Hall, Judges, Messrs. D. Low, J. Hutchinson, G. Arnott, W. Hampton, J. H. Adams. 73 open classes, Scotch Fancy 10, Bord. 15, Common 1, Yorks. 5, Crest 7, Nor. 17, Brit. 16, For. 2. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 21 to C. Rae, 15, Anderson Street.

Stamford.—Oct. 24, Corn Exchange. Judge, Mr. J. Robson. 36 open classes: Nor. 9, Yorks. 7, Crest 2, Mules 4, Brit. 10, For. 2, Sell. 2. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 19 to A. Harrison, 7, New Street.

Liverpool.—Nov. 1, 2, St. Martin's Hall, Scotland Road. Judges, Messrs. H. W. Battye, J. W. Cleminson, E. Brunskill, J. Walsh. 58 open classes: Yorks. 18, (6 Nov.), Nor. 19 (6 Nov.), Bord. 8, Sell. 3, Mules 1, Brit. 6, Gift 1, For. 2. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Oct 28 to Metcalfe and Deacon, 68, Brunswick Road.

Maidenhead.—Nov. 6, 7, Skating Rink. Judge, Mr. T. Yates. 10 open classes: Nor. 3, Yorks. 2, A.O.V., 1, Mules 1, Brit. 1, For. 1, Sell, 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-. Fee, 2/-. Ent. close Nov. 2, to E. A. Bristow, 36, King Street.

Cheltenham.—Oct. 30, 31, Drill Hall, North Street. Judges, Messrs. Greeves, Battye, Frostick, Jacquemin. 76 open classes; Crest 14 (2 Nov.), Nor. 10 (2 Nov.), Yorks. (6 Nov.), Bord. 7, Rollers 2, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 15, Mules 7, For. 4, Sell. 4. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close, Oct. 23 to W. Pounsett, 5, Whitecross Square.

Ramsgate.—Oct. 30, 31, Brockman's Restaurant, Harbour Parade. Judge, Mr. G. Gardner. 36 open classes: Nor. 8, Yorks. 10, Sell. 3, Stock 3, Brit. 8, For. 4. Prizes, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/3. Ent close, Oct. 24 to A. Afrigan, 21, Thanet Road.

Windsor.—Nov. 6, Guildhall. Judge, Mr. H. Norman. 40 open classes: Yorks. 6, Nov. Yorks 6, Nor. 6, Nov. Nor. 3, Bord. 4, Mules 2, Brit. 8, For. 3, Sell. 1, Stock 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 2, to E. A. Strickland, 36, Alma Rd.

Liskeard.—Oct. 30. Judge, Mr. E. White. 17 open classes: Nor. 5, Yorks. 3, Crest 1, Pairs 1, Mule 1, Brit. 2, Sell. 2, Nov. 2. Prizes, 6s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. Ent. close Oct. 22, to H. Jones Robins, Market St.

West Stanley C.B.S.—Nov. 8 and 9, Hibernian Hall, Station Road. Judges, Messrs. A. Brown and F. Marwood. 23 open classes: Nor. 4, Crests 4, Yorks. 5, Bord. 5, Can., any Var. 1, Selling 3, Mule and Hybrid 2, Brit. 7, For. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 3s., 2s., fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 2, to W. Elliott, 15, Fairfield Terrace, West Stanley, S.O.

Sheffield O.S.—Nov. 1, 2, Temperance Hall, Townhead Street. Judges, Messrs. W. Mundell, W. Vardy, J. Naden, C. Houlton. 72 open classes: Yorks. 12, Nov. Yorks. 4, Nor. 8, Nov. Nor. 4, Crest 6, Nov. Crest 2, Lancs. 4, Liz. 4, Sell. 3, Brit. 13, Mules 5, For. 6, Gift. 1. Prizes, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-, (For. 12/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-). Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Oct 28, to T. Bishop, 69, Alexandra Road.

Spalding.—Nov. 7, St. Thomas' Hall (£5 limit). Judge, Mr. W. P. Barnes. 14 open classes: Nor. 4, Yorks. 4, Mule 1, Brit. 2, For. 1, Sell. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 2, to Elviss and Mouncy, Station House, Spalding.

South Shields.—Oct. 25, 26, Congregational Hall, Ocean Road. Judges, Messrs. J. Wilcock, F. Marwood. 32 open classes: Nor. 5, Yorks. 5, Cinn. 2, Bord. 5, Crest 2, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 2, Mule 1, Brit. 8, For. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 3s., 2s.; fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 21, to W. L. Smith, 3, Queen Street.

Bodmin.—Nov. 6, Market Hall. Judge, Mr. J. Davies. 19 open classes: Nor. 5, Crest 1, Yorks. 3, A.O.V. 1, Mule 1, Brit. 3, Cage of 4, 1, For. 2, Sell. 2. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s.; fee, 1s. Ent. close Oct. 30 to A. E. Jago, 1, Robarles Road.

Ayr.—Oct. 26, Academy Hall, Fort Street. Judges, Messrs. J. F. Dewar, J. Mason. 51 open classes. Scotch Fancy 2, Crest 2, Nor. 10, Yorks. 8, Bord. 7, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 1, Mule 2, Brit. 14 (1 Sell.), For. 3, Gift 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 21, to J. Sloan, 19, New Bridge Street.

Perth.—Oct. 26, Co-operative Hall, Canal Street, Judges, Messrs. J. Young, W. Grewar, T. Arnott, J. Maekie. 43 open classes: Crest. 7, Nor. 14 (3 Sell.), Bord. 10 (2 Sell.), A.O.V. 1, Brit. 8, Mule 2, Sell. 1, For. 2. Ent. close Oct. 19, to J. Kerr, 18, James Street.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand.—Nov. 2, 4, "White Swan," Market Place. Judges, Messrs. J. H. Payne, R. J. Howe. 36 open classes: Nor. 16 (3 Nov.), Yorks. 2, Lance. 2, A.O.V. 1, Mules 3, Brit. 8, For. 1, Sell. 3. Ent. close Oct. 26, to A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street.

USE OUR NOTEPAPER

Correspondence.

Roller Canaries in Australia.

Sir,—I would like to know if there are any breeders of high-class Roller Canaries in Australia, or shall I have to take some with me, in order to make a start when I get out there. Perhaps some kind reader may be able to tell me.

C. Shindler.

Keeping Canaries Warm in the the Winter.

Sir,—It may interest some of your readers to know how I keep my Canaries warm during the winter in my outdoor aviary. I tie a quantity of hay up into the form of a bundle, and suspend this from the top of the aviary. The birds sleep in the bundle quite snug and warm.

J. Iles.

The Cleansing of Closed-top Glass Water Fountains.

Sir,—In your issue of September 14th I read about cutting off the top of glass "blue-top" fountains to facilitate the cleansing of them, but instead of so damaging them I can clean them with small trouble. I take a strip of rag about 1in. x 2in. and push it in at the bottom. Then I put in a small quantity of dry soap powder, fill up with water and shake well. I find the fountains very clean when the soapy water has been poured out and they have been well swilled with clean water—the rag comes out with the water.

D. Marsh.

Canaries and Mules In the Same Clutch of Eggs.

Sir,—In reply to your correspondent, Mr. G. Mossop, I have had the same experience as that he mentions, only with a Goldfinch and Canary, instead of a Redpoll. I put up the Goldfinch with a hen Canary, and then, not being sure if the Goldie was in breeding condition, one morning I let a cock Canary into the cage. But this Master Goldie did not like, and he and the Canary fought so much that I removed the Canary again. The hen had a clutch of five eggs, of which four hatched, three Mules and one Canary. Two of the Mules died at a week old, but I still have the other Mule and the Canary, both of which are cocks, and now singing. The Mule is a dark one, with a deep yellow blaze and the Canary is marked on head and both wings. I left the Goldie with the Canary, and he helped to feed the young ones. I have seven Mules from him, three from a later nest, with the same Canary, and three with another Canary; one is a light variegated one, marked on head and wings.

J. Smyth.

The Type of Present-day Norwich Plainheads.

Sir,—I just happened to be glancing through the correspondence in your issue of Sept. 28th, when I saw "Sub Rosa's" remarks about a meeting held in Norwich a short time back. "Sub Rosa" seems to be trying to raise Mr. Payne in the estimation of the Fancy. One is almost led to believe that Mr. Payne and "Sub Rosa" are identical, or, at least, that Mr. Payne is "Sub Rosa's" tutor. I can assure "Sub Rosa" that Mr. Payne had very little to say at that meeting, he being the last one to speak. There was very little room left for him to say anything, except to repeat what had already been said. Now, Sir, "Sub Rosa" hints that Norwich judges are going to judge for mere size alone, without considering the defects that usually accompany size, i.e., harsh feather, overhanging eyebrows, long hinge tail and narrow chest, when he knows full well that all this arose through a certain judge doing this very thing. Why, only just recently I have seen birds winning that had bad wings, and a twist on the throat running quite down the breast, whilst others, almost perfection, were taking a back seat; and this was not done by Norwich judges either. I would like to say that I read Mr. E. Barron's, (of Glasgow), article on the Ideal Norwich Plainhead (in your issue of August 10th, 1912) to that meeting, which was highly appreciated; also the letter in your issue of August 3rd, 1912, by "Cornishman," giving the scale of points of the S.N.P.C., viz., head 15, neck 10, back 10, chest 15, wings 10, tail 5, legs and feet 5, quality 15, colour 15; total 100. He also says that if birds were judged by the points, we should not see so many different styles of birds with the first prize card on. I wish to say that I quite agree with "Cornishman," and I would like to tell "Sub Rosa," as I told fanciers at that meeting, that if birds were judged by these points, it would be impossible for a bird that had nothing but size and colour, or head and neck, to recommend it to beat even a small typical Norwich. I also told the fanciers at that meeting that I was not an advocate for a length limit, and for this reason: Some birds, although under 6½ins., are not of the right type or quality, and I myself should not like to have to place a bird of this description in front of a good one a trifle longer. At the same time, if we have two birds on the show bench of equal substance, and equal in all other points, the shortest bird should win; therefore they must be the birds to breed for.

A. Woollard.

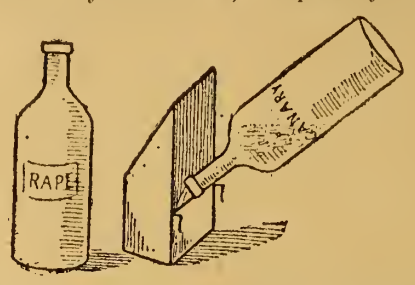
Use of Marking Rings Results in Bad Legs.

Sir,—I am very much obliged to you for answering my question, re Yorkshire hen. I had a fancier call on me, and he told me the trouble, the swelling and bleeding on her foot and leg, were caused by putting a ring on her leg, which I did to know one hen from another. He said he had lost birds the same way, pecking their legs trying to get the rings off. So I took off this ring. His remedy was to bathe the leg and foot in Condy's fluid and warm water, and I find this is putting her all right. I wish "Cage Birds" every success.

Torquay. W. Clay.

Bottles Useful in the Bird-room.

Sir,—I herewith send you a sketch of what I call a useful seed utensil, although it is only an ordinary bottle. Still, it is perfectly dust



and vermin proof, whilst it very easily fills any kind of hopper, without spilling any seed over the room.

G. Warrilow.

A Society for Bishop Auckland.

Sir,—Cage bird fanciers will be pleased to know that Bishop Auckland fanciers intend coming to the front once again. A very enthusiastic meeting was held last Thursday night, Oct. 10, amongst a few fanciers, with the result they formed a Cage Bird Society, with that old bird fancier, R. Elliot as hon. sec. I hear there's quite a rush for membership. "Won't they make things hum once they get started."

J. T. Button.

[We shall be glad if Mr. Elliot will communicate his address.—Editor.]

Judging for Second-best Bird.

A Possible Injustice.

Sir,—I should like to call attention to a very common practice on the part of judges when selecting the runner-up to best bird in show or section, as the case may be. Many, indeed, I may say the majority, ignore the second prize bird in that class which contained the champion. That it should be included with the other first prize birds is my opinion. The absurdity of debarring it from competing for runner-up to champion becomes very apparent when, as sometimes happens, it has given the latter a close race for that position. After witnessing a very glaring instance of this happening, I ventured to ask the judge why he did not table it in judging for the runner up, as the latter honour included a handsome special. He ridiculed the idea, on the grounds that the runner up must be the second best first prize bird in show or section. This despite his admission that the second prize bird was as near as nothing to beating the champion, seems rather paradoxical. I should like to have the opinion of others on the point, as I have never seen it threshed out.

J. Steel.



The Conveyance of Live Birds at Owner's Risk.

Sir,—I beg to thank your correspondents for replying to my query, re loss of birds in transit. After reading Mr. Hey's letter I made inquiries at the railway station and found that the birds were consigned in the usual way, i.e., 50 per cent. excess charged. But the first time I made inquiries I was led to believe the birds were at owner's risk, and that the package having arrived safe, and no sign of it having been tampered with, I had no claim. However, I put in a claim a fortnight ago, but have had no reply as yet.

R. Macleod.

Does Hemp-seed Ruin Canaries?

Sir,—Just a line on the discussion re hemp seed. I use a lot, and I always give some in a separate egg-drawer when I have young birds in the nest. I find it is best not to crush it. I have had birds that would not eat egg-food, but which have reared their young on hemp seed. It is a good thing for birds in cold rooms, especially in winter. But I quite agree with your correspondent, who says it must be good. I have bought it and found it mildewed, dirty, etc. It is the same with hemp as with other seeds, you want it sound and good. Be careful in this, and you need not be afraid of using even hemp.

Wm. Turner.

The Yorkshire C. and C.B.S. of Ireland's Forthcoming Show.

Sir,—In reply to "Early Closing's" letter, which appeared in last week's issue, may I inform him that the above society's show will take place on Oct. 31 and Nov. 1 next, with a large number of specials to be competed for, which will show that we are far from being defunct. As for your correspondent's signature, I don't think much of it, as there is nothing manly about anyone writing above such a nom de plume. I did not intend to answer any further letter without the person's name under it, but I don't want his letter to mislead others.

C. Lattimore.

[This correspondence is now closed.—Editor.]

How Can We Make Our Shows Pay?

Sir,—I wrote on the above subject in July last and was disappointed to find that it was of such little interest to show secretaries and officials, seeing that there was no reply. I quite expected some response on such an important matter. However, in your issues of Sept. 14th and Oct. 12th, I read with pleasure letters from "Ex Show-Manager" on the same subject, and agree with most of his remarks thereon. In my last letter, I said that it was doubtful if a show benefits by having the patronage of specialist clubs. I think the time has come when show committees should make their own terms when accepting such patronages. These clubs demand so many classes without any risk of loss to themselves, but if the larger societies in each district combined to resist such demands, it would be soon put a stop to. Four classes for each variety are ample, and if the clubs want more they should be prepared to guarantee the extra classes. I agree that the novice should be better catered for. With respect to the printer's bill (a very serious matter) the schedule must be cut down to the very lowest; and, as I said in my last letter, the specialist clubs should print their conditions, and issue them to their members, for they are of no interest to others. I agree with "Ex S.M." that it would be a good thing to advertise the classification in the Fancy Press, and save cost of schedules, postages, ets. But you must get every society to do so. It would be useless for a show here and there to do it. I know one show which did so last year without success. There are so many fanciers so pettish, that unless they receive a schedule without asking for it, they will not show. But what a boon to shows if we had no schedules to print. And there is the question of catalogues. Can we not do without them? Very few shows make them pay. We could rely more on the show reports in Cage Birds, which are always excellent, and fanciers not attending the show, and wishing to know how their exhibits have fared at the hands of the judge, could be notified by post, if they paid postage, or perhaps a small fee. A board showing the names of exhibitors in each class, with awards could be placed in a prominent position in the hall. "Ex S.-M." evidently has experience of shirkers who do little, but say much; every society has them. I hope this question of "How we can make our shows pay" will not be allowed to drop here, but that it will be discussed in society meetings, and the views of more experienced fanciers given in your valuable columns.

Secretary.

Roller Canaries at Portsmouth C.B.S. Show.

Sir,—Good English-bred Rollers are seldom if ever heard in Portsmouth, so to give bird-lovers a treat, and encourage the breeding of our little favourites, the Portsmouth C.B.S. give two classes for them at their show, Nov. 5-6. The B.R.C.C. have also given their patronage, and as I have promised to do all I can to make the contest a success, will all Roller fanciers do me a kindness and send along a few good birds? Judge, Mr. Roehl (London). All exhibits will be staged in a separate room. See advt. of the show.

F. Browne.

Some Absurdities of Bird Protection Orders.

Sir,—I quite understand that your contributor's letter was intended not as a protest against the incompleteness of the Surrey County Council's Bird Protection list, but rather as an indictment against its authors on the grounds of ignorance and inconsistency. But it was, and remains, my contention that they did not display these faults in any marked degree, but rather deserve commendation for their sense and discrimination. I still fail to detect any special proof of ignorance in the retention—probably for convenience sake—of the names of summer migrants in the list of species accorded winter protection, and in the omission from it the Feldfare and Redwing which, in some districts of England at any rate, are shot as food by the poorer farmers. The statement that the damage done by the birds during the spring and summer months far outweighs that caused by them in the autumn and winter, is one which I cannot accept without reservation. I would suggest that in the event of any fresh legislation being enacted in the interests of our wild birds, it would not be a work of insuperable difficulty for a person possessing a sound practical knowledge of the habits of birds, combined with a readiness to accord fair treatment to the agriculturist and the true sportsman (as distinct from the collector or wholesale murderer) to decide what species are harmful, and consequently deserving of limited protection, or none at all, and what is a suitable close season for wildfowl. Some powers of local legislation should, however, be left with the counties, for certain birds may be harmful in one district and beneficial in another—there is, for instance, no more useful neighbour than the Starling in a purely pastoral country, and no more unmitigated plague in a fruit-growing one. Lastly, if your contributor had read the concluding portion of my letter more carefully, he would see that it is the killing of birds which I should like to see prohibited throughout the year. By all means let the birdcatcher continue to practice his craft—out of the breeding season—provided he does so in a humane manner, and in a place where he knows he is not acting contrary to the wishes of the local proprietor or occupier of the land.

A Bird Lover who does not live in Surrey.

[This correspondence is now closed, as the matter seems to us to resolve itself purely into a question of the point of view.—Editor.]

Several letters unavoidably held over until next week.—Ed.)

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

As was only to be anticipated, the fining of a London bird-dealer for keeping some of his stock in dirty cages and insufficiently provided with food and water, has resulted in a chorus of hysterics denouncing in its entirety the keeping of birds in captivity.

Chief among the diatribes is the one printed in the London "Star," which paper fairly excels itself in its exaggerations. It is only fair to that paper to say that its statements purport to be the expression of opinion of a Mrs. F. Lemon, who is accredited with being the secretary of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds. I was under the impression that this post was held by Miss Gardiner, but we will let that pass.

Mrs. Lemon is made to say, among other things, that "60 per cent. of the birds die in the first few days after capture." "The whole business reeks of torture." "I (Mrs. Lemon) cannot understand why the trade in wild birds should not be entirely suppressed." "One in six survives to find a purchaser." "An every day form of torture consists in keeping the wretched creatures within a few inches of a glaring light. Birds are more saleable blind—they sing better. So there is money in this hideous detail of the torture craft." "The two-penny ones are sold for public-house Sunday shoots." And the "Star" professes to believe it all, and publishes the balderdash under the heading "A Black Traffic."

Of course, most of the remarks attributed to Mrs. Lemon are simply a re-hash of the statements published some time since in a pamphlet entitled "The other side of the Bars," and which I dealt with at the time, but that a lay newspaper can be prevailed upon to re-publish them, shows to what lengths the fanatics are prepared to go in the dissemination of their wicked accusations against a trade which has no greater a proportion of undesirables amongst those who live by it than could be found among any other collection of persons, and against a hobby which is pursued with intelligence and kindness by hundreds of thousands of working men throughout our country, and in which people of every degree find a delight. And this is the outcome of the fining of one bird dealer!

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Oct. 22.—**Liskeard.**—H. Jones Rohins, Liskeard.
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Oct. 23.—**Cheltenham.**—W. Pounsett, 5, Whitecross Square.
Oct. 23.—**Ramsgate.**—A. Afrigan, 21, Thanet Road.
Oct. 24.—**Matlock.**—G. Poyser, Wilmot Street, The Dimple.
Oct. 26.—**Lowestoft.**—E. L. A. Crow, London Road.
Oct. 26.—**Leicester.**—A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon St.
Oct. 26.—**Carlisle.**—J. C. Bell, 23, Botchergate.
Oct. 26.—**Cleator Moor.**—J. E. Byrne, 110, Birks Rd.

ENTRIES EXTENDED.

Oct. 19.—**Bromley.**—A. T. Bellinger, 26, Nightingale Lane.
Oct. 21.—**Stamford.**—A. Harrison, 7, New Street.
Oct. 21.—**South Shields.**—W. L. Smith, 3, Queen St.

Singing Contests.

LEEDS.

Open contest for quality held Old Bird House, King's Head, Shannon Street, Oct. 12th, when 13 birds sang for three good prizes, given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson: 1, 3, Butler; 2, Wigfield. Also Oct. 13, when 26 sang for four good prizes: 1, 2, Butler; 3, Chadwick; 4, Ward. Judges: A. Jennings, W. Naylor.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

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Contest, Oct. 12, at Skinners' Arms, Bushingthorpe, 12 birds were hung. 1, Playfair; 2, Sellers; 3, Haillan. Also Oct. 13, 14 birds. 1, 2, Sellers; 3, Tomlinson. Judges, Lorriman and Clayton. Next sing, Oct. 19.—C. W. Smith, Sec.

Contest held at Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, Oct. 13th, when 20 birds competed for 3 good prizes. Result, 1, Smith; 2, Binns; 3, Wigfield. Judges, Lorriman, Turner and Salomar.—J. Smith, Secretary.

PENDLEBURY.

Contest held Oct. 12, at Butchers' Arms, Union Street, when 18 birds entered for three prizes. 1, T. Hindley; 2, Hickman; 3, Bate; timekeeper, Messrs. Harrison and Bate; minutes J. Green; birdman, E. O'Rourke. Five new members were enrolled. Next meeting Oct. 27, 7.30, for arranging for future contests, and other business. Contest open to Manchester and district, Oct. 26, for time. First pair 2.30.—E. Hickman, Sec.

KENT COUNTY C.B.A.

Meeting held Barton Road boys' school, Oct. 5th, Mr. E. C. Rayner in the chair. Mr. Reeves, vice-chair, and several other members present. Patronage has been given Use following: Bromley and West Kent F.A.; Sittingbourne and Dis. C.B.S.; Canterbury C.B.S., Dover and Dis. F. and F.S. If any other society would like our patronage, we are open for December; apply—H. Wood, Hon. Sec., 36a, Snargate Street, Dover.

IRVINE AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

At meeting held in Masonic Hall, September 25, Mr. Bowman, of Glasgow, delivered his lecture on "Wild Seeds" to a large number of fanciers, which was very interesting, and appreciated by all, as shown by the hearty cheers. Also on 9th October, Mr. Barron, of Glasgow, delivered a lecture on the Norwich Plainhead before a crowded hall, illustrating his lecture with a team of birds possessing both good and defective points. Mr. Barron stated that this was his first lectnre, but the points which he brought forward showed him to be no novice.—H. B. Young, Sec.

CODNOR PK. & EASTWOOD C.B.S.

Adjourned general meeting held Queen's Head, Riddings, Oct. 12, when a good attendance of members turned out. We are nearing our open show, and have a grand lot of specials. Some of them are not stated in schedule, as the schedule was in the printer's hands before some specials were known. Members who have not paid their subscriptions are requested to do so on or before Nov. 9, or they will not be allowed to show as members at the open show. There is a 10s. cash special for the best self green shown by a member, the Taylor's Challenge Cup for most points, and four other good specials for the runner-up, besides numerous other specials. Those wishing to join the society can do so up to Nov. 9, sub. 2s. 6d.—J. H. Mitchell, Hon. Sec., South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton.

LOANHEAD.

The sixth annual show was held Oct. 12. The entries showed an increase over last year, the Norwich section being particularly well filled. The Society is making rapid strides in this popular variety. Border Fancy were a shade down in numbers, although the quality was well sustained, especially in yellow cocks and hens, the winners in these classes being birds of grand type and quality. The Cup and B.F.C.C. medal were won by that popular official, Mr. W. B. Smart, the energetic secretary, with his yellow cock, the runner-up being Mr. Jas. Hamilton's yellow hen. The Scotch Fancy section contained some real toppers. The President, Mr. Jardine, secured this cup with a yellow pied hen, third in her class at the Edinburgh Society. The runner-up was a buff cock belonging to Mr. Dunn, of Portobello. The Masonic Hall, where the show was held, is well lighted and free from draughts, and well adapted for such a purpose. In the afternoon Ex-Provost and Mrs. Kerr presented the cups and medals to the respective winners. The judges were: Scotch Fancy, Norwich, etc., Mr. Wm. McAdam, Lasswade; Borders, Mr. Thomas Spence, Dunbeath. The Secretary, Mr. W. B. Smart, is a very capable and painstaking official, and was ably supported by a good working committee. The show was well patronised during the afternoon.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY, YELL. CK.: 1, Jardine, fine top end, good head and neck, capital length. BUFF, 1, three spls, Dunn, grand style, good shoulders, gets well up on leg; 2, Noble, fine reach, good top end, nice substance. BUFF HEN: 1, Smart, nice size and depth through, erect, good style; 2, Jardine, nice stamp, good top end and reach, fine size. FOUL CK.: 1, Noble, fine style and action, good shape. HEN: 1, 3, 5, Noble, 1st, grand substance throughout fine length of side, good reach; 3rd not so prominent on shoulders, but all there for style; 2, Dunn, neat head and neck, well set up, stylish exhibit; 4, Jardine, good in size and substance. YELL. PIED CK.: 1, King, capital reach and head, good back and body; 2, Smart, nice depth through, fine top end, and reach; 3, Jardine, very neat head, erect, fine size and style. HEN: 1, cup, three spls., Jardine, grand reach and droop, decided drive, capital top and taking style; 2, King, nice stamp, good length of side, fine substance; 3, Jardine, well up in top, good qual. BUFF PIED CK.: 1, Dunn, nice head and neck, good depth through, grand reach and droop; 2, King, nice reach and shoulder, erect and plenty of style; 3, sp, Smart, fine style, good reach and droop; 4, 5, sp, Jardine, very nice exhibit, good reach and neck; 6, Fisher. HEN: 1, Gilchrist, grand shape, bonny top and style, rare action; 2, 3, Jardine, capital pair, little between them. BORDER FANCY. YELL CK.: 1, 2, 4, sp, cup and B.F.C. medal, Smart, two beauties, leader excels in head, capital shape and wing carriage, finely balanced; 2nd, foul on left wing, nicely rounded front, good back, well placed; 3, 4, Smith, slimmer in build to winners, grand colour and quality, fine taper; 5, 7, Hamilton; 6, Gilchrist. HEN: 1, sp, Hamilton, bonny type and quality, finely moulded throughout, wins in a canter; 2, Yule, shade longer in body, nice quality of feather, nicely staged; 3, Rowe, similar to 2nd, but nicely drawn, good wing carriage; 4, Smith, good style and qual., nicely balanced wings; 5, Smith; 6, Hamilton; 7, Nelson. BUFF CK.: 1, Hamilton, wins on type, rare quality of feather, bonny position, well put down; 2, Nelson, fails head to leader, nice front, frayed on flights; 3, 4, Pearson, 3rd, neat head and neck, fine wing carriage; 4th, same stamp, nice free pose, fine taper; 5, 6, Hamilton; 7, Yule. HEN: 1, Yule, shade flat on head, neat front and wings, nice qual.; 2, Nelson, good shape and qual., nice col., inclined to cross wings; 3, Pearson, A1 type and col., nicely rounded front, well filled back, good wing carriage; 4, 7, Hamilton, finely drawn, neat head and wing; 5, Yule; 6, Douglas. YELL. VAR.: 1, 3, Hamilton, 1st, eye, neck and wing mkd., lovely order, capital shape and col.; 3rd, sweet shaped hen, nice markings and tons of col.; 2, Yule, capital Cinn. mkd., wee shade flat on head, fine free pose, nicely drawn; 4, Nelson, good type and quality; 5, 6, Smart; 7, Gilchrist. BUFF: 1, sp, Smart, mkd. eye and left wing, capital order and condition, fine level col.; 2, sp, Nelson, fine all round Border, nicely balanced wings, worth its place; 3, Hamilton, grand carriage and wings, very stylish; 4, sp, Yule, mkd. eye and wings, nice type; 5, Smith; 6, 7, Yule. EVEN MKD.: 1, Hamilton, grandly balanced markings, a good one, and no mistake, put down in rare order; 2, Pearson, nice yell. hen, fair markings, good qual.; 3, Smart, fails in eye markings to winner, capital type and col.; 4, Nelson, good markings, fails type to leaders; 5, Noble; 6, Smart; 7, Nelson. YELL. GRN. or CINN.: 1, Nelson, fine shape and feather, good sound col., well laced; 2, Pearson, nice type and col., nice pencilling; 3, 4, Thomson, good shape, nice tone of col., grandly laced; 4th, good type and col.; 5, 6, 7, Douglas. BUFF: 1, Fisher, best col. and lacing in class, capital feather and type; 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, Thomson, shows too much bronze on wings, neat head and front; 3rd, might have changed places, better laced on back, nice quality of feather; 4, Pearson, neat one, fails only in body col. to leaders. NORWICH, YELL. CK.: 1, Fleming, grand frontal, good head and body, well laid on wings, fair level col.; 2, sp, Moffat, fails size to leader, slimmer build, good quality feather and colour; 3, J. Noble, shade longer in body, thin in neck, hot col., nicely staged; 4th, similar size and shape, good wing; 5, Dunn. HEN: 1, 2, Moffat, leader a beauty, fine head and frontal, clean cut, a wonder, should be heard of again; 2nd, trifle narrow across front, but all there for col. and qual.; 3, J. Noble, better substance than 2nd, but fails head, nice wing and tail carriage; 4, Dunn, fine chubby body, nice chest and head, well laid wings; 5, Fleming; 6, 7, D. Noble. BUFF CK.: 1, cup best Nor., Fleming, bouncer for size and substance, sound col., nicely mealed; 2, 4, J. Noble, nice cobby shape, fails in size to winner, but all there for col. and qual.; 4th, foul on left cheek, nice head and neck; 3, Fleming, thin in head, good front and back, neat wings; 5, Smith; 6, Moffat; 7, Dunn. HEN: 1, Fleming, rare head and size, good substance, well cut under, good qual.; 2, Dunn, sweet one for shape, hot col. for a hen, must have pressed; 3, D. Noble, foul on wings, fails substance, nice wings; 4, Fleming, nice shape, fine frontal and col.; 5, Moffat; 6, Smith; 7, Dunn. VAR. CK.: 1, 7, Fleming, cap mkd., rare size and shape, capital col. and qual., well put down; 2, D. Noble, nice buff var., fine tone of col., good qual., well rounded on front and head; 3, Dunn, grand shape and qual. of feather, clean cut underneath, capital frontal; 4, Smart, yell., nice stamp, fine level col.; 5, 6, Moffat. HEN: 1, 3, 7, D. Noble, leader capital yell. var., good one for shape and size, rare head and wing carriage; 2nd, a buff, nice substance and qual.; 2, G. Fleming, fine build, hot col. and qual., grandly mealed; 4, A. Noble, grand wing mkd. buff, put down in nice order; 5, Dunn. MULE: 1, Douglas, fair sized buff var. Goldie Mule. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, sp, Smart, well known Goldie, shown in faultless order, a credit to owner; 2, Nelson, nice col. Linnet, shade open on breast, plenty of white in wings; 3, 4, Dunn, clinking nat. col. Siskin, wants more time, and fine big Chaffie, pale in treat col., splendid whites in wings. SOFTBILL: 1, Nelson; 2, Smart.

SELKIRKSHIRE.

The 24th annual exhibition, held in the Union Hall, October 12. The birds were staged along two sides of the hall, and seemed to be very comfortable. The entry was a good one, showing, an increase on last year. Quality was first-class, seeing the season is only starting. Borders here have ever been, and are yet, the magnet that draws the exhibitors from long distances. Selkirk has always been famed for the even marks., and this year is no exception, an even ben shown by Mr. John Watson winning the B.F.C.C. medal. She is a gem of the first water, being perfect in eye markings, something very difficult to procure. The Clears contained many notable birds of high merit, particularly the winner of the Clear Buff hen class, shown by Mr. T. Halliday. There was shown for exhibition only, a mottled Bullfinch. This bird was caught in mature plumage, during the first moult. Its head and breast became mottled with a black and red feather alternately. Mr. Jas. Robertson, the secretary had everything well in hand, every reasonable request being attended to by him at once, and was ably assisted by Mr. Gill and a host of hard-working committee members, while the stewards were all that one could wish for. Mr. J. Patterson, Chirnside, made the awards, and they were well received.

The Critique.

BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (25): 1, H. Bennet, foul cap, extra sound in col., quality and condition, splendidly laid on wings, nicely rounded head and back; 2, G. Bennet, cl., similar in type, col. and quality, good second; 3, Lloyd, grand stamp, well modelled head and back, scarcely so level in col.; 4, Gilchrist, extra fine col., nicely modelled throughout, shade soft to-day; vhc, Service; hc, Halliday; c, Skeldon. HEN (17): 1, McKenzie, cl., grand trim, splendid head, rare model throughout, nice back, wings and tail carriage; 2, Gilchrist, another good one, sound and level in col., rare type, qual. and condition; 3, Young, good, rare head, well modelled back and front, splendid finish, inclined to tip wings, or might have won; 4, Denholm, similar in shape, type, col. and quality; vhc, H. Bennet; hc, Lloyd; c, Ayre. BUFF CK. (14): 1, Halliday, grand model, best of heads, rare back, wings well laid on, grand finish and taper; 2, H. Bennet, similar in type, equal in col. and qual., inclined to rise on legs; 3, McKenzie, cap mark, good head, nice col., feather of nice texture, good size and type; 4, Denholm, cap mkd., sweet exhibit, lovely qual. of feather, inclined to tip wings; vhc, Lloyd; hc, Young; c, G. Bennet. HEN (18): 1, Halliday, runner up for medal, sweet wee head, ideal shape, a treat to handle, lovely col., type and quality; 2, Gilchrist, another beauty, not much to separate them, winner better finished; 3, H. Bennet, tick, nice model, good back and wing carriage, shade open in front; 4, c, G. Bennet, good hen, nice type, col. and qual.; vhc, Brockie; hc, Linton. EVEN MKD. (3): 1, 3, Watson, 1st, B.F.C.C. medal, a model throughout, good col., splendid qual., type and style, ideal eye markings, with wings to balance, steady and well shown, 3rd, a yell., good markings, col. and qual.; 2, H. Bennet, fails in eye markings to winner, splendid type, col. and qual., well put down. UNEVEN MKD. YELL. (8): 1, Denholm, marked eyes and head, real model throughout, rare head, back wing and tail carriage; 2, H. Bennet, follows close, good markings, rare col., condition and finish; 3, McKenzie, 3-point, nice marks, put down in good order; 4, Young, another 3-point, has the making of champion when ready; vhc, Phillips; hc, Large; c, Johnson. U. BUFF (3): 1, H. Bennet; 3-point, beauty all over, splendid style, markings, col. and qual.; 2, J. Thomson, rare good mark, nearly even, fine eyes and wings, good taper and wings; 3, Novice B.F.C.C. medal, Johnson, taking little hen, marked both eyes and wings, slight tick on head, rare style, type and qual.; 4, Gilchrist, fails markings, nice col., qual., and finish; vhc, Large; hc, Skeldon; c, Rodger. YELL., GREEN OR CINN. (15): 1, A. and W. Thomson, grand col., rich grass green throughout, nicely arrayed, pencilling carried well down; 2, H. Bennet, yell. Cinn., fine col. and markings, well put down; 3, Murray, the old champion, not quite ready yet; 4, vhc, J. Thomson, good type, nice markings, style and finish; hc, Lambie; c, Blackie. BUFF (6): 1, 3, A. and W. Thomson, leader splendid shape, nicely tapered, fine pencilling and colour, 3, similar in col. and markings, but inclined to strip in thighs; 2, R. Lambie, Cinn., nice shape, good position, col. and quality; 4, Watson, hen, nice size, fine head, good ground col.; vhc, W. Lambie; hc, J. Thompson. PLAINHEAD CK. (9): 1, Mabon, buff, rare head, bold front, nice col., fine qual., good wing and tail carriage; 2, Blackhall, yell., nice head, good shape and col., wings and tail well packed, not quite so cobby; 3, Wilson, buff, nice texture of feather, nice col. and qual., rare front; 4, hc, Cameron, yell., well up in size, good shape, style, col. and qual.; vhc, Mather; c, Wesley, McFarlane. HEN (11): 1, vhc, Cameron, 1, yell., ideal in shape, good head and neck, bold front, good back, wings and tail, level and sound in col.; 2, Mather, buff, nice col., qual. and finish, good head, back and front, well put down; 3, Hall, buff mark, nice short cobby body, fine head, good qual. and condition; 4, Mabon, yell., good one, splendid substance, but a bit frayed in wings and tail; hc, Blackhall; c, McKenzie. DARK MULE (3): 1, vhc, Lawson, leader Linnet, fair size, good col., fine pencilling, steady, in fine order; 2, Hesketh, Siskin, a shade small, but fine col. for a non-fed, fine quality and condition; 3, Dickson Bros., large green, scarcely ready yet; 4, Dick, fine size, good condition, looks like a hen. FOR. GOLDFINCH (3): 1, Pringle, good face, well cut blaze below, fine moons and buttons; 2, Welsh, similar in shape and build, scarcely so ready in head. BRIT. (3): 1, Laidlaw, Goldie, fine size, good head, blaze well cut, nice back buttons and moons; 2, Craig, Bullie, fine size, good head, fine col., and nicely put down; 3, Pringle, Goldie, shade smaller than winner, fine col., moons and buttons. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, Welsh, rare wee Siskin, nice cap and bib, steady, and well shown; 2, Pringle, Mealy Redpoll, fine size, good cap, fine markings, well put down; 3, Hesketh, Linnet, large one, but unsteady, has all the making of a good one; 4, Dick, Twite, fair size, good col., fine feather; vhc, Laidlaw; hc, Thomson. HARDBILL (6): 1, Lees Bros., Bramblefinch, good cap, fine col. throughout, well marked, and in fine condition; 2, Laidlaw, Bunting, a shade wild, fine markings, good col.; 3, Trotter, Bramble, a shade light in markings, fine col.; 4, Reid, Chaffinch, fine size, good col. and markings; vhc, hc, Reid. SOFTBILL: 1, sp., best bird (confined to Selkirk), Reid, rare good Missel Thrush, in splendid trim, steady and well shown.

Plymouth's Great 53rd Show

Magnificent Display of the Famous West-Country Plainheads: The Last Word in Excellence of Management: Exhibitors Liberally Treated and Liberally Respond.

It is usual to expect a good show of birds at Plymouth, and this year's 53rd annual exhibition of the W.C.O.S., held October 15th and 16th, did not belie the reputation of the premier society in the West of England. Staged on the society's own benching, in one of the best halls in England, the birds made a grand show, the quality generally being equal to anything seen for a long time in the West. Yorkshires mustered 197, but the committee very much regret that they had to cancel most of the novice section owing to insufficient support. Are the novices afraid to show out of London? Norwich, as usual in Plymouth, were the feature of the show, grand feathered birds being strongly in evidence, whilst size is certainly improving in this part of the country. Mr. Rowden's clear buff, which wins Silk cup for best Norwich, is fit to win anywhere. Crests, as a whole, may have been better in quality at Plymouth on previous occasions, but still they were a collection that any show might be proud of. Mules and British constituted a record for the society in point of numbers, a class of 23 Goldfinches and Bullfinches being staged, whilst the lark Mule class was also a strong one. The society are to be congratulated on their method of arranging prize money, the new departure of giving 1s. 6d. for the finding great favour amongst exhibitors.

As usual, the management left nothing to be desired, judging starting at 8 a.m. and finishing at 2.30 p.m., catalogues with printed awards in margin being on sale at 3 o'clock, and before 6 p.m. the whole of prize-money and special prize-money was either in the hands of exhibitors attending the show or in the post to reach prize-winners on Wednesday morning. The old firm of Pope and Dyer, the secretary and assist.-secretary, were again at the helm, and the committee responsible for the management were Messrs. C. Hoar, C. Garland, F. G. Snell, W. W. Saule, C. Jewell, E. Lott, G. Pridham, G. Haskell, C. Large, F. Wills, J. Bavage, W. Spillman, H. Coath. They were ably assisted by a willing staff of stewards, everything going off in an easy and smooth manner. Prominent amongst those who were noticed assisting were Mr. Chas. Dart (chairman), Messrs. Jewell, Large, Yates, and Bavage, Mr. Heath judged Yorks., Crests, Border, and Selling classes, Mr. Robson taking the remainder.

The members' challenge cups were secured by Messrs. W. Collings (Norwich), T. H. Boundy (Yorks.), F. G. Bale (Crest), W. A. Dyer (A.O.V. Can.), F. A. D. Wills (Mules), and F. Collins (Brit.).

The Stout and the Slim.

NORWICH, CL. YELL. (15): 1, spl, 3, Spillman, former Clapham winner, grandly built, lovely shape and feather, latter also very shapely and good in quality, true Nor.; 2, Collings, bigger than winner, hardly so good in type, still grand shape and qual.; 4, Symons Bros., lacks bloom yet, nice type and carriage; vhc, Gill and Pethick; hc, Redwood; c, Pope. BUFF (18): 1, spl, Rowden, grand bird, good in all properties and well shown, wins Silk cup for best Nor., and 5s. spl for best buff; 2, Schneider, bit smaller, nice type and qual. we thought might have given place to 4, Stephens and Gaved, very good bird, close up to winner; 3, Spillman, excellent feather, very typical; vhc, he, Baker; c, Middleton. YELL. TKD., ETC. (11): 1, spl, Spillman, the six-year-old champion, in grand form, wins 5s. best yell. spl.; 2, Baker, cap mkd., lovely shape, good size and feather; 3, Banks, nice type and quality, very good carriage; 4, Redwood, tkd. head, smaller, but lovely feather; vhc, Pope; hc, Houghton; c, Redwood. BUFF (14): 1, spl, vhc, Baker, former Clapham winner, real gem, grand size and substance; 2, Collings, neck mkd., splendid type, in best of fettle and bloom; 3, Rowden, cap and eye mkd., very shapely, loses in size; 4, Gill and Pethick, good shape, fine bird, and well shown; vhc, Pope; c, Williams. YELL. NON-FLIGHT (20): 1, spl, 4, Gill and Pethick, former eye and wing mkd., good size, grand shape and feather, latter lovely type, somewhat smaller; 2, Houghton, Clapham winner, grand head and substance, not quite such good feather as winner; 3, Collings, splendid shape and quality, grand carriage, wins W.C.O.S. Norwich challenge cup; vhc, Rowden; hc, Gill and Pethick; c, Spillman. BUFF (32): A wonderful class: 1, spl, Rowden, Exeter winner, good quality and col., very large, grand carriage; 2, c, Gill and Pethick, former excels in shape and qual., falls a little in size to winner; 3, Houghton, another very fine typical bird, close up; 4, Redwood, neck mkd., best head and neck in class, fails maybe in quality to leaders; vhc, Spillman; hc, Richardson. NON-FLIGHT. HEN (18): 1, spl, Spillman, splendid neck mkd. yell., good feather and shape; 2, Schneider, very nice wing mkd. buff, good shape, nice qual.; 3, hc, Redwood, cl. buff, we liked, very typical; 4, Gill and Pethick, variegated yell., nice type, good quality, neat; vhc, Collings; c, Baker. YELL. HEN (14): 1, hc, Garland, former cl. yell., very good shape and substance, wins Hyde's spl; 2, Gill and Pethick, varieg., grand head and neck; 3, Baker, fine cl., splendid shape and feather; 4, Phillips, another good cl.; vhc, Spillman; c, Fox. BUFF (11): 1, spl, Baker, the well-known winner, looking well, best of type and qual.; 2, Collings, also very typical and stylish, in splendid condition; 3, Gill and Pethick, grand substance, very fine hen; 4, Phillips, very neat, good type; vhc, Spillman; hc, Gill and Pethick; c, Pope. NON-FED (12): 1, spl, hc, Pope, leader grand cl. buff, good shape and size; 2, Stephens and Gaved, variegated buff, nice type, full of qual.; 3, Pawley, another very good buff; vhc, Harvey and Jones; c, Small. MEMBERS' NOR. CL. YELL. (8): 1, spl, Yates; 2, Spillman; 3, hc, Phillips; vhc, Collings; c, Mitch. BUFF (12): 1, spl, c, Garland; 2, Rowe; 3, Moffatt; 4, hc, Spillman; vhc, Collings. TKD. OR MKD. YELL. (10): 1, spl, Rowe; 2, Spillman; 3, Collings; 4 Yates. BUFF (11): 1, spl, Spillman; 2, Phillips; 3, Collings; 4, vhc, Pope; hc, F. Collins; c, Yates. YELL. HEN (4): 1, spl, Collings; 2, Phillips; 3, Spillman; 4, Garland. BUFF (14): 1, spl., Redwood; 2, Spillman; 3 Collings; 4, hc Frank; vhc, Rowe; c, Beal's.

YORKS., YELL., CL. OR TKD. (25): 1, spl., Bonny, cl., Exeter winner, lovely type and style, good condition and col.; 2, Hawes Bros., fail only in col. to winner, beautiful length and shape, good style, smart wing and tail carriage; 3, Wills, trille loose in feather yet, otherwise close up, bonny type; 4, D. Jones, style, good length and quality; vhc, Fulford; hc, Greenslade; c, Boundy. BUFF (19): 1, spl., Hawes, gem in good bloom, fine feather, A1 condition and shape; 2, Owen, also excellent type and bird, paler in col.; 3, H. T. Jones, very close up, long, reachy bird, well up on leg, fine qual.; 4, Atkins, nice one, good style and length; vhc, Allen; hc, D. Jones; c, Jewell. MARK., ETC. (17): 1, spl., Hawes Bros., grand variegated, built, beautiful shape, length, and qual., good winner; 2, Rorke, stylish mkd. yell., falls a trifle in length to winner, but very fine exhibit; 3, Penton, wing mkd. buff, good shape, stands nicely, well shown; 4, Easterling and Carson, very good mkd. buff, grand col. and feather; vhc, Boundy; hc, Atkin; c, Woodley. NON-FLIGHT. (31): A grand class; 1, Atkins, cl. yell., splendid specimen, beautifully drawn, long and shapely, wins well; 2, Rorke, cl. buff, all there for length, good feather and style; 3, Boundy, cl. yell., wins W.C.O.S. members' cup, grand shape, beautiful condition, fails only in length; 4, Boyce, cl. buff, close up to winners; vhc, Greenslade; hc, Easterling and Carson; c, Renton; No. 10, Woodley, deserving of notice. YELL. HEN (19): 1, spl., Fulford, charming cl., very fine length, neat, beautiful style and feather; 2, Rorke, cl., nice shape, excellent length and position; 3, Andrews, cinn. mark., nice stamp of bird, excellent feather; 4, Jewell, another really good cinn. mark; vhc, H. Smith; hc, Mrs. Garland; c, Hawes Bros. BUFF (22): 1, spl., Owen and Sons, neck mark, typical, well drawn, very long and stylish; 2, Atkins, good reachy cl., beautiful feather; 3, Boyes, another cl. of good style and feather; 4, H. Wills, good length, nice quality of feather; vhc, Rorke; hc, Jewell; c, Ellis. Classes 7, 8, 9, 11, and 12, Novices, cancelled. NOVICE, NON-FLIGHT (12): 1, spl. Oliver, wing and eye mark buff, a real gem, stands well, grand length and shape, a credit to its breeder; 2, Mellows, very nice shapely mkd. yell., showing rare quality; 3, Dugmore, good variegated buff, well on leg, good shape; 4, Nicholls, nice type, will improve; vhc, Lott; hc, Nicholls; c, Bagg. MEMBERS' CLASSES—CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, spl., Jewell; 2, Boundy; 3, Mellows; 4, vhc, Woodley; hc, Oliver. BUFF (9): 1, spl., Boundy; 2, 3, Jewell; 4, Oliver; vhc, c, Woodley; hc, Craven. MKD. AND VARIEG. YELL. (3): 1, spl. Mellows; 2, Reed; 3, Oliver; 4, Webster. BUFF (5): 1, spl, Jewell; 2, Mellows; 3, 4, Craven; vhc, Webster. YELL. HEN (8): 1, spl., Boundy; 2, Oliver; 3, Reed; 4, Craven; vhc, Mellows; hc, Jewell; c, Woodley. BUFF (7): 1, spl., 2, Jewell; 3, hc, Craven; vhc, Mellows; c, Woodley. GREEN (4): 1, spl., 2, Oliver; 3, 4, Craven.

Remainder of Canary Classes.

CREST, BUFF CK. (13): 1, sp, Bale, wing mkd., very large, lovely texture, grand spreading crest, wins well; 2, hc, Evins Bros., variegated, fine crest, good radiation and shape, well built body; 3, White, wing mkd., well built, good, shapely crest; 4, Davey, variegated, good feather and droop; vhc, Bavage; c, Greenwood and Burson. BUFF HEN (5): 1, sp, Rev. Joyce, wing mkd., good feather, lovely spread and shape, wins C.C.C. sp. for best crest; 2, 3, Evins Bros., clear body, wins C.C.C. sp. for best clear body, a very good crest in every respect, 3rd good variegated, beaten a little in size of crest; 4, Bale, green, another very good one. C.B. BUFF CK. (11): 1, sp, Davey, green, immense head, good entrance and skull, wins C.C.C. special for best C.B.; 2, Evins Bros., green, another splendid bird, good size, grand skull; 3, Mrs. Litchfield, fine green, good entrance and feather; 4, Coath, green, immense skull, good feather, close up; vhc, Bale; hc, Fellows; c, Symons. HEN (8): 1, sp., Davey, lightly mkd., very large, grand skull and entrance, splendid feather; 2, 3, Evins Bros., lovely green, good entrance, wealth of feather, 3rd another fine green, hardly so big, heaps of feather; 4, Groves, green, splendid body and feather, beaten in skull by leaders; vhc, hc, Bale; c, Rev. Joyce. YELL. CREST CK. (6): 1, sp and C.C.C. sp for best yell. ck., vhc, Evins Bros., grand wing mark, fine size, perfect shaped crest; 2, Mrs. Litchfield, one of the biggest yellows on the show bench, very fine bird; 4, vhc, Symon Bros., former wing mkd., good shape, fails length of front. CREST-BRED (3): 1, sp, Evins Bros., variegated, fine body, good skull and entrance; 2, Mrs. Litchfield, cl., good size, and feather; 3, Ryder, green, good exhibit. CREST (BRED 1912): 1, sp, Bale, cl. body, grey crest, real grand youngster, good shape and wide spread, wins W.C.O.S. Crest cup and "Astor" cup for best 1912 bird in show, also C.C.C. sp. for best young Crest; 2, res, Joyce, wing mkd., excellent shape, hardly so big as winner; 3, 4, Evins Bros., former wing mkd., latter green, both being good in crest; 3rd prize takes C.C.C. ring sp.; vhc, Davey; hc, Green, Wood, and Burson; c, Groves. CREST-BRED (1912) (13): 1, sp, 2, 3, Bale, really grand team, will want some beating, winner being a green of immense skull and good entrance, 2nd variegated, 3rd lightly mkd.; 4, Greenwood and Burson, very nice lightly mkd., grand body, wins C.C.C. sp. for best 1912 Crest-bred; vhc, Evins Bros.; hc, Davey; c, Bale. CINNAMON (1): 1, sp, Ryder, good body, moderate headpiece. CREST, NOVICE (9): 1, sp, 3, c, Avent, two good Crests, fail in front a bit, but good shape; 2, Richards, variegated, close up to winner; vhc, Parsons; hc, Bavage, wins C.C.C. diploma for novice Crest. CREST-BRED (5): 1, sp, Avent, green, fine bird, good size and skull; 2, Isaacs, real good clear, close up; 3, Bavage, very nice light variegated, wins C.C.C. diploma for best novice C.B.; 4, Parsons, variegated; vhc, Hannaford. MEMBERS': YELL. CREST OR C.B. (3): 1, sp., 2, Ryder. CL. BODY (4): 1, sp, Bavage; 2, Hutchings; 3, Davey; 4, Richards. A.O.V. CREST (6): 1, sp, Bale; 2, Davey; 3, Rowe; 4, Ryder; vhc, Richards; hc, Bavage. CREST-BRED (lightly marked) (5): 1, sp, Bale; 2, Bavage; 3, Hutchings; 4, Richards; vhc, Parsons. HEAVILY MKD., ETC. (5): 1, sp, Bale; 2, Hutchings; 3, Bavage; 4, Richards; vhc, Parsons. PAIRS (5): 1, sp, Davey; 2, Hutchings; 3, Bavage; 4, Parsons; vhc, Richards.

CINNAMON, SELF OR FOUL (13): 1, sp, 3, Dyer, two good buffs, well known winners in the west; 2, Pope, grand colour yell., beaten in head; 4, Lee, nice yell.; vhc, Medkin; hc, Brown; c, Yates. CINN. MEMB. YELL. (5): 1, sp, members' A.O.V. cup, vhc, Dyer; 2, Ryder; 3, Brown; 4, Garland. BUFF (Self) (8): 1, sp, 3, Pope; 2, hc, Brown; 4, Ryder; vhc, Dyer; c, Garland. FOUL (6): 4, sp, vhc, Yates; 2, Ryder; 3, 4, Dyer; hc, Brown. BORD., YELL. (open) (20): 1, sp, 4, A. J. Pratt, fine, stylish bird, in the pink of condition; 2, 3, T. H. Pratt, two good Borders, excel in shape and carr.; vhc, Madagan; hc, Burton Bros.; c, Owen. BUFF (16): 1, sp, 4, T. H. Pratt, leader, beauty, good shape and style; 2, vhc, A. J. Pratt, former Lonny bird, well shown; 3, Madagan, as light as wax; hc, Burton Bros.; c, Lloyd. MEMB. YELL. (4): 1, sp, Ryder; 2, 3, Dart. BUFF (3): 1, sp, 2, Dart; 3, Ryder. PAIR CANARIES (Plainhead) (3): 1, sp, Collings; 2, Brown; 3, Spillman. CAGE OF FOUR (5): 1, sp, Spillman; 2, Banks; 3, Collings; 4, Reynolds.

The Hybrids and British Birds

LIGHT CAN. HYB. (12): 1, spl, vhc, c, F. Collins, six-point Goldie-Can., well-known winner often described, looking as well as ever, beautiful bird, wins well; 2, Pearce, another Goldie, extra good col., fine size, very nice bird, not quite up in condition; 3, Spillman, nearly cl., pretty one, just fails a little in col. or would take some beating; 4, Shee, nice Goldie-Can., bit on the small side, but nice bird; hc, Lamb. DARK (19): Very good class, in number and quality; 1, spl., Popplestone, Bouncing bull Goldie-Can., beautiful col., fine condition, well carried wings, steady, shows himself well, good win; 2, Collins, Twite, grand col. and condition, shows parentage well, very nice bird, well shown; 3, 4, Miss Joseph, leader grand Linnet-Can., splendid shape and col., beautiful condition, very pretty exhibit; vhc, Wills; hc, Rees; c, Miss Bousfield. MEMBERS' LIGHT (1): 1, Wills. DARK (6): 1, spl., 3, Wills, leader lovely Linnet-Can., extra fine size, shapely, well mkd., wins W.C.O.S. Mule cup; 2, Popplestone; 4, vhc, hc, Small.

GOLDFINCH or BULLFINCH (23) (quite the best class of Goldfinches seen in Plymouth for years): 1, sp, Coombe, the Exeter winner, bonny bird of very high class, in grand trim, very forward in condition, beautiful depth of col. and polish of blaze, fine tanning, moons and buttons, shows himself well; 2, sp, Beasley, grand Bullfinch, good col. and shape, lovely sheen, well defined dense black cap, a lovely bird; 3, Jeffreys, very nice Goldie, only a little behind the winner in col., not quite so forward, will run close later; 4, Poole, Bullfinch, fine quality, good col. and polish; vhc, Polkinghorne; hc, Reseola; c, Fellows. LINNET, SISKIN, ETC. (15): 1, sp, 2, vhc, S. Jones, Jun., a very fine trio, leader a beautiful Linnet, fine body col. well marked, steady, wins well, good exhibit; 2nd, sweet Siskin, fine polish, col. and markings, a beauty; 3, Jeffreys, bonny little Redpoll beautiful markings, well shown; 4, Rees, real good Linnet, especially pretty in markings; hc, Miss Bousfield; c, Poole. A.O.S. SEEDEATER (9): 1, sp, Poole, grand Hawfinch, in perfect fettle, fine large bird, good all round, well shaped and well defined bib, deep richness of col., steady and well shown; 2, Miss Bousfield, Snow Bunting, fine specimen, very steady for a Snow, beautifully marked, nice exhibit; 3, Wells, well known Yellowhammer, a good one, nicely marked, good polish of plumage, steady, and well shown; 4, vhc, Collins, extra fine Hawfinch leading, good all round bird, nice bib, fine col. very steady, deserved his place; hc, Large; c, Beasley. INSECTIVOROUS (14): 1, sp, Stephens and Gaved, magnificent Cornish Chough, absolutely faultless cond., perfect polish, beautiful coral beak and feet, wins well; 2, F. Collins, beautiful Yellow Wagtail, lovely col., steady, shows himself well, well put down, wins W.C.O.S. Cup; 3, Jeffrey, Missel Thrush, fine body colour, lovely markings well disposed, very nice specimen; 4, Miss Bousfield, lovely Waxwing, well-known exhibit, perfect in plumage, steady to perfection, nothing could be better. HENS, Seedeating (11): 1, sp, Lugg, grand Hawfinch, fine col. for a lady, nice bib, beautiful condition; 2, Sam Jones, Linnet, lovely bird, markings perfection, deep and even in col., well shown; 3, White, beautiful Bullie, lovely lady; 4, Rowe and Richards, exceptionally good Bramblefinch, well marked, pretty exhibit; vhc, Jeffrey; hc, Large; c, Webber. MEMBERS; GOLD. or BULL. (4): 1, sp, Small; 2, 4, Popplestone; 3, Lugg. LINNET (8): 1, sp, Lugg; 2, 3, c, Wills; 4, vhc, Large; hc, Small. GREENFINCH, ETC. (7): 1, sp, 2 Large; 3 4, Wills; vhc, Lee and Small; c, Tottle. A.O.S. SEEDEATERS (3): 1, sp., 2, Large; 3, Lee. HEN (4): 1, sp, 4, Large; 2, Wills; 3, Lee. SELL. 20s. (16): 1, sp, Hutchings; 2, Pope; 3, Coath; 4, Webber; vhc Schneider; hc, Russell; c, Craven. 15s. (15): 1, sp, Pawley; 2, Boundy; 3, Jones; 4, Morgan; vhc, Coath; hc, Gill and Pethick; c, Banks. 10s. (15): 1, sp, Pope; 2, Rowden; 3, Bavage; 4, Passee; vhc, Rowe; hc, Garland; c, Andrews.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Meeting held Oct. 14, at The Marylebone Church Institute. Mr. F. Knight in the chair. Mr. H. Dickinson, hon. sec., and 30 members present. Medals were presented to the winners of Norwich Plainhead judging competition at last meeting, with following result: Mr. W. Hart 34 points (first), Mr. G. Sanders and Mr. W. Large 33 points each, taking second and third. Schedule for annual show was then revised, and a few classes added for unflighted birds. The hon. sec. made himself very busy during the evening, gathering in several specials.

HOLMFIRTH AND DIST. C.B.S.

Members' show, Oct. 4. Judge, Mr. R. Greensmith. Winners: COCKS, YELL.: 1, Hellawell; 2, Lee; 3, Charlesworth; 4, Beaumont; vhc, Sandford. BUFF: 1, Lee; 2, Smith; 3, Charlesworth; 4, Beaumont; vhc, Hellawell. HEN: 1, vhc, Beaumont; 2, Smith; 3, Hellawell; 4, Charlesworth; hc, Sandford. Tom Smith, Sec.

EBBW VALE F. AND F.S.

A very successful members' show was held Sept. 28, at the Market Hall Assembly Rooms. Not only were the exhibits very numerous, but the quality was far above the average of members' shows. In all there were over 200 entries, which for a members' show must be regarded as remarkable. The officials of the society are: President, Mr. R. Dayson; hon. treas., Jno. Jackson; sec., T. H. Tilby; assist. sec., F. H. Cook. The judges were: Yorks., Brit., and For., Mr. W. Jeremiah; Nor. and Bord., F. H. Cook. YORKS., CL., ETC., COCK: 1, 2, Cook. HEN: 1, 2, Cook; 3, vhc, Perry. UNFLIG.: 1, vhc, Cook; 2, 3, Perry. NAT. COL.: 1, 2, vhc, Cook; 3, Monks. NOR., NAT. COL.: 1, 2, Jeremiah. CL., ETC., COCK.: 1, 2, 3, Morris. HEN: 1, Morris; 2, Perry. UNFLIGH.: 1, 2, 3, Morris. BORD., CL., ETC., YEL.: 1, Jeremiah. BUFF: 1, Jeremiah. A.O.V. BORD.: 1, Jeremiah. GOLDFINCH: 1, Perry; 2, 3, vhc, Plaster. LINNET: 1, 2, 3, Plaster. A.O.S.: 1, Plaster; 2, Dibden. GOLD. MULE: 1, 3, Francis; 2, Plaster. LINNET MULE: 1, Perry.—T. H. Tilby.

DAFEN (Llanelly).

Very successful show, held Oct. 12. Everything was in apple-pie order, thanks to a hard-working committee. Mr. Mlen E. Jones made a very energetic and courteous official. All prize-money was sent out on night of show; the society are to be congratulated on their promptitude, and will surely obtain even better support another year. Mr. Norman, Cardiff, judged.

YORKS (12): 1, Harry, buff, good length, well up on leg, nice feather; 2, Price, buff, nice type and quality, good wings and tail; 3, vhc, Webster, buff, another nice one, very braced wings, good length and legs; 4, Saunders, good back and neck, well up on legs; res., he, Wm. Jones; hc, Watton, Skym; c, Saunders. BORDERS (7): 1, sp., best Canary, spl. best in show, Abel Thomas, very neat, good wing carriage, lovely type; 2, 4, res., Harry, a trio of toppers, well shown, good type and quality; 3, vhc, Yel. yell., good feather, lovely shape; vhc, Thomas. A.O.V. (5): 1, Davies, Nor., good size and shape; 2, 4, Price, Crest, and Nor., two nice exhibits, well shown; 3, Leadbeater, Nor., not quite type of leader; res., Thomas. GOLDFINCH (8): 1, T. Davies, good blaze, neat bars and buttons, good tans; 2, Ray, close up, good blaze, etc.; 3, Price, neat blaze, good col. and quality; 4, Leadbeater; res., Jenkins; vhc, he, W. J. Davies. A.O.V. (8): 1, sp., best Brit., Ray, a lovely Waxwing, shown in faultless condition, a gem; 2, S. Treharne, Thrush, good size and col.; 4, Davies, Thrush, not quite condition of leader; res., Price; vhc, Ray, T. Treharne, Leadbeater, Gregory and Son.

WIBSEY AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

The above society held the third of a series of six members' shows on Saturday, October 12, at the Horse and Groom Inn, when 75 birds were staged. Most points were gained in the clear and ticked section by A. Holden 19, W. Mann 16, Bairstow and Chapman 12, Jonas Crowther 10, Greenmkd., by D. Sutcliffe 15, F. Hanson 10, Cinn.-mkd., by W. Billas 15, W. Mann 14, D. Thornton 10. Cup, by A. Holden 11, G. Ackroyd 11, Jonas Crowther 10. Mr. T. Rentley officiated as judge, and gave every satisfaction with his awards. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (8): 1, J. Crowther; 2, Billas; 3, G. Hudson; 4, Bairstow and Chapman; vhc, Mann; hc, Pickup and Son; c, Riley. BUFF (9): 1, Bairstow and Chapman; 2, Ackroyd; 3, hc, Holden; 4, vhc, Mann. GREEN-MKD. YELL. CK. (1): 1, Hanson; 2, 3, Sutcliffe; 4, Mann. BUFF (7): 1, W. Crowther; 2, 4, Sutcliffe; 3, Pickup and Son; vhc, L. Hudson; hc, G. Hudson; c, Mann. CINN., YELL. CK. (3): 1, Crossley; 2, Thornton; 3, Jowett. BUFF (2): 1, 2, Mann. FOUL-MKD. (4): 1, Billas; 2, Hanson; 3, Bairstow and Chapman; 4, Thornton. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Holden; 2, W. Crowther; 3, Jonas Crowther; 4, Mann; vhc, Billas. BUFF (6): 1, Mann; 2, 3, Holden; 4, Ackroyd; vhc, Billas; hc, Riley. GREEN-MKD. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Jonas Crowther; 2, Riley; 3, Thornton; 4, G. Hudson; vhc, Pickup and Son. BUFF (5): 1, L. Hudson; 2, G. Hudson; 3, Crossley; 4, Ackroyd; vhc, Pickup and Son. CINN. MKD. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Billas; 2, Mann; 3, 4, Thornton. BUFF (7): 1, Billas; 2, vhc, Mann; 3, Bairstow and Chapman; 4, hc, Thornton; c, Crossley. FOUL-MKD. HEN (5): 1, Jowett; 2, 4, Bairstow and Chapman; 3, vhc, F. Hanson. A.O.V. (1): 1, Crossley.—H. C. Crossley, Sec.

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EXETER AND DEVON.

The Exeter and Devon Society held their 23rd annual show in the Lower Market, Exeter, October 4th. The cage birds were placed in a corner free from draughts, and staged in a very efficient manner. The entries, which numbered 220, were rather more numerous than at the last show, and the quality throughout was excellent. Yorkshires were the strongest section, Norwich also showing up well. Some real good dark mules were exhibited. Mr. Cornish, as usual, proved himself an able and willing Hon. Sec., and the stewards of the section, Messrs. B. Bealey, P. Stiling, and F. Smith laboured effectively to make the cage bird part of the show worthy of the good reputation Exeter has always held. Mr. J. Lashbrook, of Sidmouth, judged, and his awards appeared to give every satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR., YELL. (6): 1, sp. for best, Voyce, cl., excellent size, colour and shape, should have a successful show season; 2, 3, Redwood; former tkd. head, nice feather and shape, 3, bigger bird, but wants more time; res., Smith; vhc, Rowley; hc, Andrew. BUFF (5): 1, Stephens and Gavell, grand cl., with exceptional head; 2, Middleton, cl., nice size and col.; 3, Rowden, variog., will do better later; res., Voyce; vhc, Parrington; hc, Hoblyn. HEN (13): 1, Fox, tkd. yell., well-known winner in the West, nice condition; 2, Andrew, cl. Buff, very good shape and feather; 3, Mrs. Scholes, nice cl. buff, just fails in head to leaders; res., Middleton; vhc, Richards; hc, Pope; 773, Redwood, might have been in money. NON-FLIGHTED (11): 1, res., Rowden, extra large cl. buff, real good one, except is inclined to rather much brow for a youngster; 2, Pope, cap and wing mark buff, good colour and head; 3, Fox, cl. buff, good shape and feather; vhc, Redwood; hc, Smith. CREST (2): 1, 2, Miss Finch, two fair variog. Crests. C.B. (1): 1, sp., Miss Finch, good variog. YORKS., CL. YELL. (8): 1, sp. for best, Boundy, grand, reachy yell., looking well; 2, Thomas, good shape, fails only in length to winner; 3, Jones, in tip-top condition, shows well; res., Richards; vhc, Fulford; hc, Harris; c, Berry. BUFF (7): 1, Elston, nice shape, well up on leg and good style; 2, Stiling, shapely bird, well shown; 3, Thomas, good feather and style; res., Boundy, must have pressed winner close; vhc, Richardson; hc, Lovell. MARKED (10): 1, Bound, thigh tick yell., an easy winner; 2, Jones, neck mkd. buff, in good bloom; 3, Flook, good reach and style. HEN (13): 1, Boundy, cl. buff, in faultless condition, wins well; 2, Andrew, Cinn. mark buff, good shape and style; 3, Thomas, nice Cinn. mark buff; res., Jones; vhc, Bousfield; hc, Stiling. NON-FLIGHTED (12): 1, 2, Boundy, former tick and latter cl. yell., two promising youngsters, will take some beating; 3, Bousfield, cl. yell., good style and length; res., Flook; vhc, Millson and Cooper; hc, Brett; c, Maidment. NOVICE (9): 1, Isaac, good, long, stylish yell.; 2, Woodling, reachy buff; 3, Hissox, buff, in good feather; res., Lakeman; vhc, Millsom and Cooper; hc, Brett; c, Maidment. MULE VARIEG. (5): 1, Laskey, pretty yell. Goldfinch-Can., good size; 2, Taylor, nice light buff Goldie-Can; 3, Franks, another buff Goldie-Can. DARK (14): 1, Stephens and Gavell, buff Goldie-Can., grand size and shape; 2, Lamb, nice Can.-Bullfinch, rather on small side; 3, Harding, yell. Goldfinch-Can., well burnished; res., Davies; vhc, Woodgate; hc, Rees; c, Brown. HYBRID (4): 1, 3, Lamb, Goldfinch-Bullfinch, and Greenfinch Siskin, two very good birds; 2, Edwards, nice Goldfinch-Bullfinch; res., Davies. NOV. (10): 1, Reynolds, good variog. Crest; 2, Brown, very nice six-point Bull-Goldfinch Mule; 3, Brett, neck buff Yorks.; vhc, Finch; hc, Smith; res., Unwin. CAN. (exhibited by lady): 1, Mrs. Scholes, pretty buff Norwich; 2, 3, Miss Finch, good Crests; res., Miss Munday; vhc, Miss Edgcombe. GOLDFINCH, BRIT. (8): 1, Coombe, fine Finch, good blaze and tannings; 2, Scribbings, also good, not quite in condition of winner; 3, Edwards, will improve, as good as anything in class in blaze; res., vhc, Hawkins. BULLFINCH (8): 1, Beasley, topper, cage-moulted, and looking well; 2, Evans, nice all-round bird; 3, Hawkins, good breast colour, fails in size; res., hc, Poole; vhc, Gregory; c, Rowley. SMALL (9): 1, Commins, fair Wheatear; 2, Collins, Yellow Wagtail, in splendid condition, we liked; 3, Tout, Whitethroat, in splendid fettle and well shown; res., Rowe and Richards; vhc, Beasley; hc, Commins; c, Hawkins. FOR., LARGE (5): 1, Davies, King Parrot, splendid exhibit; 2, Hedges, nice pair of Lorrikeets; 3, Bishop, good Amazon; res., Miss French; vhc, Hedges. SMALL (12): 1, Miss Boyd, handome shaft-tailed Whydah; 2, Miss Fletcher, very good Red-crest Cardinal; 3, Miss Joseph, nice Orange Bishop; res., Lee; vhc, Meredith and Cornish; hc, Sheldon; c, Miss Joseph. SELL., 20s. (10): 1, Bowden; 2, Redwood; 3, Wethers; vhc, Reynolds; hc, Taylor. SELL., 10s. 6d. (8): 1, Redwood; 2, Voyce; 3, Fulford; res., Webber; vhc, Bousfield; hc, Smith.

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DERBY'S 53rd SHOW.

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Fifty-third annual show, Oct. 11 and 12, in the Lecture Room adjoining the Albert Hall, when a grand collection of birds was staged. The entry numbered about 350. Fanciers from all parts of the country were represented, with the result that the exhibition was a good one in every respect. An entry such as this was very gratifying to the hard-working members of the Derby Club, for at the early shows, such as this, a great many birds are not ready for the fray, and we have had a wet and bad season. Not only was there a fair entry, but the quality of the exhibits was magnificent, especially among the Norwich. This section contained some fine specimens, size and type being well maintained throughout. In the novice section competition was very keen. In the Yorks. classes competition was keener still, for some typical examples of the slim and racy ones were staged. The Crests, Mules and Hybrids, and the British classes also included some good specimens, though the show was rather early for some of the Britishers. The Cornish Chough and Magpie were much admired. The President of the Society is Mr. F. H. Rainsford, whilst among the vice-presidents are Ald. T. Fletcher, Councillors J. Newton, J. Hill and W. Finch, Messrs. J. Bosson, G. Colledge, J. H. Roe, W. Stevenson, J. G. Fox, R. Rhodes, and T. B. Griffiths. The committee of Management consists of Messrs. J. H. Sharman (chairman), W. H. Eley (vice-chair), J. Watts (treasurer), and J. Thomas, J. Pegg, J. H. Drakeley, E. C. Johnson, B. Ramm, W. Stevens, J. Sharam, J. Baker, J. Pass, G. York, J. Cockeram, F. Thompson, A. Hicklin, and many others, and one and all worked hard and well. The secretaries, Messrs. G. H. Wharam and H. T. G. Bamsey, were responsible for the arrangements, and the excellent and smooth-working result testified to their abilities as holders of their responsible posts. The judges were Mr. J. H. Roe, and Mr. G. Colledge (Derby), the latter taking Crests and selling, and Mr. Roe the rest.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. or TKD. YELL. (5): 1, Hathaway, nice type, good style, excellent colour and quality, bold head; 2, Johnson, real good bird, though not so big as winner, fine shape and colour; 3, Mason, another typical stylish bird; vhc, Marlow. BUFF (13): 1, vhc, Dr. McConoghey, leader rare size, grand shape and col., very nice qual.; 2, Williams, good bold head, grand body shape, rich col., close up; 3, Pegg, nice size and shape, not so forward; hc, Yates; c, Brotherhood. UNEVEN MKD. or VAR. YELL. (6): 1, 2, Hathaway, two very nice stylish birds, 2nd bit short in head properties; 3, Bond, real good bird, not so rich in colour; vhc, Bamsey; hc, Draper. BUFF (8): 1, Hall, splendid size and type, good head, lovely qual.; 2, Hathaway, grand shape and col., not so forward as winner; 3, Holmes, nice type and qual., stylish carr.; vhc, Dodd; hc, Martin and Faux; c, Watts. HEN (14): 1, Marlow, very good hen, grand size, qual. and condition, will do well; 2, Wilcox and Son, another nice bird, close up, fair size, excellent qual., grand col.; 3, Holmes, good condition and type, fair col. and qual.; vhc, Turner; hc, Drakeley; c, Pegg. UNFLIG. YELL. (7): 1, Hathaway, very good yell., lovely condition and qual., real good type; 2, Marlow, grand col. and qual., nice condition; 3, McConoghey, another fine bird, excellent shape and col., hardly up to concert pitch yet. BUFF (16): 1, Victor Williams, grand shape, col. and quality, extra nice carr., in great condition; 2, Hall, nice size, very shapely, good qual., lovely col., well in the running; 3, McConoghey, good size and qual. and nice condition; vhc, Hulse; hc, Wilcox and Son; c, Dodd. NAT. COL., A.V. (8): 1, Springall, very good bird, nice col. and qual., in good condition; 2, Watts, another nice specimen, fine type, col. and qual., close up; 3, Wilcox and Son, good shape and type, nice col.; vhc, Holmes; hc, c, Wharam. NOVICE OLD BIRDS (15): 1, 3, Baker, both typical and in good trim, fine qual. and col., extra nice condition; 2, Sharam, buff, good qual. and condition, nice shape; vhc, Thompson; hc, Rayner; c, Tongue. UNFLIG. (18): 1, Sutton, nice bird, in good condition, excellent col. and qual., fine shape; 2, Smith, rare type and qual., runs very close, will do better later on; 3, Wood, good style and qual., nice shape and condition; vhc, Sharam; hc, Parker; c, Dean. HEN (11): 1, 2, Rateliffe, two very nice hens, good in shape, col. and qual., in fine trim; 3, Parker, very good col. and shape, in her right place; vhc, Bull; hc, Roberts; c, Wood. CREST, CL. BODY (6): 1, Gilbert, good bird, fine headpiece, nice texture of feather; 2, Thomas, rare size and feather, hardly ready; 3, Eley, real nice Crest, but not yet ready; vhc, Peters; hc, c, Wharam. VAR. CREST cancelled. C.B. (8): 1, Gilbert, another very good bird, rare lot of feather, grand skull, stood well to the front; 2, Smith, nice head and feather; 3, c, Memmott, good, but not so big; vhc, Grundy and Twigg; hc, Durston. NOVICE CREST (6): 1, vhc, Barber, leader wins well, nice crest, grand feather and qual.; 2, 3, Twigg, both good birds, and run winner well; hc, Stevens; c, Gillespie. C.B. (6): 1, 2, Stevens, both nice specimens, good feather, well built; 3, Twigg, close on the others, good head, nice qual. of feather; vhc, Barber; hc, c, Gillespie. YORKS. YELL. CL., ETC. (13): 1, Dr. Craig, very nice, splendid length, style and qual.; 2, Anton Bros., good length and position, fair qual. and col.; 3, Dykes, extra nice qual. and col., lengthy and stylish; vhc, Towers; hc, Williams; c, Allen. Buff (11): 1, Williams, good length, lovely qual., feather and col. A1; 2, Kearns, nice qual. and length, stands well; 3, Towers, excellent qual. and col., shorter; vhc, Dykes; hc, York; c, Truman. HEN (21): 1, York, very sweet, won well, splendid qual. and col., lengthy, grand style; 2, Williams, another very good bird, beautiful shape and position, nice qual. and length; 3, Dr. Craig, good hen, type and col., bit shorter than winners; vhc, Anton Bros.; hc, Kearns; c, Taylor. HEAV. VAR. (8): 1, Dykes, nice var., grand col. and length, stands well up; 2, 3, Towers, both good typical birds, in fine condition; vhc, Taylor; hc, c, Durston. UNFLIG. (22): 1, Brotherhood, won in grand style, very fine youngster, rare qual. and col., will hold its own anywhere; 2, Anton Bros., fine style, well shown, grand length, nice col.; 3, Walker, good bird for type and qual.; vhc, Kearns; hc, Pass; c, Dykes. NOV. YORKS. (18): 1, Foster, very nice length and position, good col. and style, full of qual.; 2, 3, Cockeram, two very smart birds, well up on leg, splendid col. and qual.; vhc, Tomlinson; hc, Barnes; c, Barton. A.O.V. (4): 1, Dodd, yell. Border, very stylish, beauty for shape, good col.; 2, Yates, nice qual. and col.; 3, Smith, good; vhc, Crowson. CAN. MULE, LIGHT (5): 1, 3, Gilbert, Goldies, both very good, winner grand quality, both stylish and full of col.; 2, Lawrance, another good Goldie Mule, well up in col. and qual.; vhc, Martin and Faux; hc, Thomas. DARK (8): 1, 3, Lawrance, both very good Linnet Mules, grand col. and qual.; 2, Cooper, also good Goldie-Can., fine col. and qual.; vhc, Barton; hv, Wade; c, Pilgrim. HYBRID (6): 1, 2, Johnson, winner very nice Can.-Bullie, in fine trim; 2nd, Gold-Bullie, both good birds; 3, hc, Mrs. Mallatrath, both good specimens; vhc, Watson. SELL. 15s. (21): 1, Pegg; 2, Pitchford and Stocker; 3, Cockeram; vhc, Stevens, Williams and Horwood; hc, Roberts; c, Mason. DO., 30s. (11): 1, Dr. Twigg; 2, Drakeley; 3, Windsor; vhc, Thomas; hc, Ford; c, Johnson. BRIT. GOLD. (4): 1, Barker, nice size and shape, excellent blaze, good bars and buttons; 2, 3, Davis, both real good finches, not yet ready; vhc, Cooper. BULLIE (7): 1, Baseley, very good size, rich col.; 2, Martin, nice and neat, but smaller; 3, Jones, good bird, beaten a little in col.; vhc, Belcher; hc, Grundy and Twigg; c, Raynor. LINNET (6): 1, Davis, fine col. and qual., good lacing, well built; 2, Jones, good qual. and nutty col., nicely marked; 3, Ward, big one, good qual., fair pencilling; vhc, Poyser; hc, Weeks; c, Ramsey. SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, fine Twite, won well, nicely laced, grand col.; 2, Davis, Siskin, very smart and in good trim; 3, Ford, good and stylish; vhc, Poole; hc, Barton; c, Poyser. A.O.S. SEEDEATER (14): 1, Baseley, Hawfinch, won in grand style, good size, bib and col.; 2, Pitchford and Stocker, fine Bramble, nicely marked, good col. and qual.; 3, c, Fallding, Corn Bunting, nice bird for col. and markings; vhc, Lawrance; hc, Saywell. A.O.S. (3): 1, 2, Williams, Magpie and Cornish Chough, both grand birds, in fine feather; 3, Ford, Redwing, good col. and qual. FOR. (4): 1, 2, Saywell, Tanagers in fine order, lovely col.; 3, Pitchford and Stocker, Blue Tanager, fine col. and qual.; vhc, Baseley.

CLAPHAM.

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It was a case of "all smiles" with the officials, those good old fanciers, Mr. W. H. Vale (chairman) and H. Yeoman (vice-chair) being particularly pleased at the magnificent manner in which exhibitors had supported the society. The sales, too, were splendid, close on £50 being taken, while the gate receipts were excellent. Three of the Norwich went for £6, £5 10s. and £5 respectively, the latter having only a "highly commended" card on its cage. First appearances on the show bench were the Porphyry-crowned Lorikeet, a pair of Purple Sugar-birds (Mr. Maxwell), the Bee-eater and Chilian Siskiu (Mr. A. Ezra).

Our reporter's notes upon the Hybrid section unfortunately went astray and so could not be given in our last issue. The classes were only moderately filled (we heard that many birds are backward in the moult) and nothing new was on view, though the exhibits were as interesting as ever. Mr. J. Robson judged.

The Hybrid Section.

LIGHT CAN. MULE (10): 1, Lawrence, head tkd. buff Goldie, fair size, bonny bird for quality and condition, shapely, stylish, nice colour, but we thought very hard pressed by 2, Martin and Archer, almost cl. Greenie (grizzled on each cheek), extra good in size and bold in build, rare quality, beautiful condition; 3, Botting, pretty lightly mkd. buff Goldie, nice size, shape and style, excellent colour, will improve yet; 4, Locke, good, big, unev. mkd. yell. Goldie; vhc, Gunnell; hc, Lamb; c, Buckingham. DARK GOLD or LINNET (7): 1, Pope, the well-known "Brown Prince," a grand Linnet Mule, rare size, magnificent chest and head, very sound, rich col., romps home, will want some stopping; 2, Rees, very nice buff Goldie, excellent size and shape, good face, not hot enough in colour; 3, Brownlie, Linnet, also a very decent specimen of its kind; 4, Lawrence, cinn.-col. Linnet, pretty example, could have gone up a step; vhc, Norris; hc, Fairman; wrong class, Wilkins. A.O.V. DARK CAN. (13): 1, Buckingham, the noted Redpoll Mule, Palace, etc., winner, in grand form once again, very fine specimen; 2, Casemore, rattling big well-built Greenie, fine head and chest, exceptionally good and sound colour; 3, c, Miss Bousfield, really good Twite, hot, level colour, well built and stylish, nicely marked; 4, Gibb, nice Siskin, good in shape and carriage, prettily marked, excellent col.; vhc, Pearce; hc, Shipton. BULLIE HYB. (4): 1, Walsh, one of the best coloured Can.-Bullies we have seen, in marvellous condition, sleek and shiny as one's Sunday topper, but unfortunately very small, which seemed to us to put it behind the 2nd, a Redpoll-Bullie (Lamb), of really fine size, shape, colour, and markings, which, however, at present carries its secondary wing flights packed badly; 3rd a lovely Linnet-Bullie, was also staged by Mr. Lamb and will be a beauty when up in colour and bloom, rare size and shape; 4, Howick, buff Can.-Bullie, fine size, well built, inclined to be unsteady. A.V. HYB. (8): 1, Martin and Archer, Chaffinch-Greenfinch, the sensation of last season, looking fit and well, though not fully up in bloom, has apparently not been fed and so seems a little dull in colour; 2, Lamb, well-known Goldie-Redpoll, splendid little fellow, rare good markings, coming a fine colour; 3, Botting, one of the best marked Siskin-Redpolls we have seen, shows parentage very plainly, excellent size and shape; 4, Wren, well built Goldie-Greenie, nice condition but short of colour, excellent shape and markings; vhc, Mrs. Easterling; c, Marley.

MEMBERS' CHAMPION SECTION.—NOR. CK. (15): 1, c, Campbell; 2, 3, Stirling; 4, Luff; vhc, Priest; hc, Morris. HEN (15): 1, Stirling; 2, Campbell; 3, c, Morris; 4, vhc, Luff; hc, Brittain. UNFLIGHT. (14): 1, hc, c, Campbell; 2, vhc, Stirling; 3, Brittain; 4, Priest. YORKS, CK. (6): 1, 3, vhc, Askew; 2, hc, Brittain; c, Whittome. HEN (8): 1, three spls., Askew; 2, c, Brittain; 3, Yeoman; vhc, hc, Whittome. UNFLIGT. (8): 1, 2, Brittain; 3, Whittome; vhc, hc, c, Yeoman. NOVICE, NOR. CK. (2): 1, Taylor; 2, Hose. HEN: 1, Hose. UNFLIGHT. (4): 1, Taylor; 2, Hobbs; 3, Hose. YORKS CK. (5): 1, Clark; 2, Osborn; 3 Phillips; vhc, Miss Hall. HEN (4): 1, Miss Hall; 2, Osborn; 3, Phillips. UNFLIGHT. (6): 1, Miss Hall; 2, 3, Phillips; vhc, hc, Osborn. CREST (11): 1, 3, Mrs. Thynne; 2, 4, Campbell; vhc, hc, c, Slade.

MEMBERS' BRIT., GOLD, OR BULL.: 1, Marley; 2, Sexton; 3, Hose; vhc, Askew; hc, Coe; c, Clark. LINNET: 1, 3, vhc, Sexton; 2, Marley; 3, hc, Cooper; c, Francis. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Askew; 2, Cooper; 3, c, Marley; vhc, Francis; hc, Emms. CHAFF., ETC.: 1, Coe; 2, c, Marley; 3, vhc, hc, Sexton. A.O.S.: 1, Marley, 2, Emms; 3, Cooper; vhc, Francis; hc, Sexton; c, Brighty. INSECTIVE: 1, Vale; 2, Askew. A.O.S.: 1, 2, hc, Hose; 3, vhc, hc, Vale. HYBRIDS: 1, 2, c, Vale; 3, hc, Cooper; vhc, Askew. A.O.V.: 1, Askew; 2, Cooper.

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A record entry rewarded the efforts of this enterprising society at the annual show, held October 12 in the Town Hall, and we have no hesitation in saying that as a one-day fixture this show will take some beating. Entries totalled about 630, a matter of about 30 over last year's record. In such a hotbed of Canarydom it was only to be expected that the exhibits would be of the finest quality, and herein we were not disappointed, every section containing birds of superlative merit, true to type and teeming with quality. Norwich made a beautiful display, the nine classes allocated to them bringing forth the grand total of 212, an average of nearly 24 per class, the unflighted hen class accounting for 34, the winner here being a magnificent wing-marked yellow, exhibited by Mr. G. Harland. The Novice Norwich class was another stormer in point of numbers, 36 birds being staged, many of them being marvellously true to type, and brimful of colour and quality, and quite fit to hold their own in open competition. Borders were also grandly represented, 113 in four classes, an average of over 28 per class, the majority of them being birds of outstanding colour and quality, clothed with feather of the finest texture. Cinnamons and Yorks., although not so strong in numbers, made a capital display, and the collection of British and Foreign birds and Hybrids, left nothing to be desired, the pick of these sections being a magnificent clear Goldie Canary Mule, a real stormer, and without a doubt one of the best out. We heartily congratulate the owner, Mr. J. Maddison, on possessing such a specimen.

A splendid body of fanciers control the affairs of this society, headed by the President, Mr. George Renwick, with Messrs. E. B. Atkinson, J. B. Creighton, A. G. Marshall, and Mrs. Robson, as Vice-Presidents. The Chairman of the society is that well-known and esteemed fancier, Mr. H. Seely, and he is ably backed up by a grand committee composed of such sterling fanciers as Messrs. Summers, G. Seely, Rowell, Neal, Griffiths, Clark, Rigg, and Richardson. The record of the genial Secretary, Mr. E. Cowling, speaks for itself, and this additional success only enhances the great reputation he possesses as an organiser of cage bird shows. We are glad to think that the efforts of this well known fancier, on behalf of his society, are rewarded each succeeding year by an increased entry, which in itself speaks volumes for the splendid manner in which he gets through his secretarial duties. May he always go one better. Mr. T. Mitford, the assistant secretary, also deserves a word of praise, and his assistance in the secretarial duties cannot be over estimated. The day was rather dull, but this did not deter a great number of fanciers from visiting the show, the hall during the afternoon and evening being simply packed, and we have no doubt that the gate receipts will have gladdened the hearts of those in authority. The judges were Mr. H. W. Battye and Mr. A. Brown.

Mr. Battye's Classes.

NOR. YELL. (13): 1 spl, Thompson, cap and wing mkd., red hot, trifle slim and long perhaps, neat head, grand quality, neatly carried wings and tail, some however preferred 2nd Holden cl., scarcely the same quality as leader, maybe, but grand size and shape, massive head and neck, good col., good chest and back, and nice carriage; 3, Lawson, tkd. left wing, grand size, fine shape, nice col. and qual., full head and neck, loses a trifle in wing carriage; 4, Wilson, magnificent shape, rare size, grand head and neck, deep chest, still exhibits the old fault of being a bit twisted in neck feathers: vhc, McGinn; hc, McDonald; c, Bainbridge. BUFF (32): 1, spl, Lawson, beautiful shape, grand size, rare head and neck, good col. and quality, a nice full fronted bird, but a bit off in wing carriage; 2, Curry, scarcely so full in head as leader, grand shape, nice col., good qual., well filled in back, but also a trifle loose in wing carriage; 3, McKay, fine shape and size, scarcely so well filled in on back as leaders, full head, thick neck, nice col. and qual., good wing and tail carriage, extra 3, Snowdon, another topper, rare size and shape, nice col., good qual., scarcely so full in head as leaders perhaps, nice carriage; 4, Rowell, scarcely so chubby as some, yet grand shape, good col. and qual., nicely carried wing and tail; vhc, he, Lee; c, Butler. HEN, YELL (18): 1, sp., Wilson, beautiful shape, nice size, clothed with exquisite feather, neat head and neck, good col. and qual., carries herself like a lady; 2, Harland, larger and better col. than leader, grand shape, rare head and neck, good carriage, loses to leader in qual. only; 3, Geggie, cap and wing mkd., not quite so good in head as leaders, good size, grand shape, rich col., nice closely carried feather; 4, Archbold, grizz. left side of neck, trifle longer in body than leaders, nice chest and back, neat head and neck, good col., nice wing and tail carriage; vhc, Richardson; hc, Lawson; c, Moore. BUFF (24): 1 spl., Holden, grizz wing, magnificent size and shape, nice head, thick neck and full chest, nice col., clothed with feather of the finest qual., grand wing and tail carriage; 2, Smith, scarcely the same size as leader, but beautiful shape and qual., nice col., good head and neck, well carried wings and tail; 3, Seely Bros., var., grand shape, good col. and qual., neat head and neck, gets wings over a little at times; 4, Richardson, grizz right side of neck, beautiful shape, real Nor. type, good col. and quality, nice head and neck, grand wing, carriage, beaten by leaders in size only; vhc, Dobinson; hc, Cowling, Hetherington; c, Cowling. UNFLI. YELL. (23): 1 spl., McGinn, beauty, red hot col., grand qual., beautiful head and neck, nice deep chest, grand wing and tail carriage, clean cut; 2, Hall Cross, very similar to leader in build and carriage, grand shape, rich col., good qual., neat head, good carriage, shade open in throat feathers; 3, Thompson, var., red hot col., grand qual., not quite so full in chest as leaders, yet good shape, neat head and neck, gets wings over a bit at times; 4, Snowdon, bit slimmer in build, nice col., grand feathers of the finest texture, good carriage, neat wings and tail, was shade behind in head to leaders; vhc, Butler; hc, Bainbridge; c, No name. BUFF (24): 1 spl., Harland, magnificently shaped, good col. and qual., rare head and neck, lovely, short, close packed wings and tail, a good one; 2, Dobinson, grizz head and chest, lovely full fronted bird, rare neck, trifle longer in wings than leader, good col., beautiful feathers; 3, J. Dixon, rare size, grand shape, hot col., good qual., full head and neck, not quite so well cleaned under as leaders; 4, McGinn, built on smaller lines, fine shape, good col., rich qual. of feathers, neat head and neck, good carriage, loses only in size to leaders; vhc, McDonald; hc, Richardson; c, Seely Bros. HEN (34) a grand lot: 1 spl., Harland, yell. mkd. left wing, real beauty, magnificent shape, lovely chest and back, medium size, lovely feather of finest texture, good col., sweet head and neck, grandly carried wings and tail; 2, McKie, cl. buff, again grand shape, neat head and neck, lovely col. and qual., good wings and tail, grand carriage; 3, Wilson, buff, larger and hotter col. than 2, rare deep chest, full neck, good shape, perhaps a shade longer, but not much to choose between them; extra 3, Cowling, medium size, beautiful shape, nice head, neck, and chest, good col. and qual., lovely wing and tail carriage; 4, Thompson, four pointed yell., lovely col. and qual., trifle slim, yet nice shape, neat head, good wing and tail carriage; vhc, Holden; hc, Middleton; c, No name: NAT. COL. (8): 1 spl., Anderson, buff grizz left wing, beautiful shape, lovely col. and texture of feathers, good head and neck, fine size, grandly carried wings and tail; 2, Butler, yell. tkd. right wing, fine shape and size, beautiful col., grand feather, neat head, good neck and chest, nice carriage; 3, T. Marshall, cl. buff, grand shape, good col. and qual., neat head, wings, and tail, scarcely so tight in feather as leader; 4, Dobinson, cl., magnificent shape, grand col. and qual., full head and neck, nice chest and back, fails a trifle in wing carriage; vhc., Holden; hc, Hetherington; c, No name. NOVICE, 1912 (36), good class: 1 spl., J. Lawson, eye and wing mkd. buff, fine size and shape, lovely col., clother in exquisite feathers, grand head and neck, neat wings and tail; 2, Stephenson, cl. yell., nice size, deep full chest, neat head and neck, good col. and qual., neatly packed wings and tail; 3, Greener, buff, tkd. back of head, beautiful shape, sweet head and neck, nice chest and back, lovely short, closely packed wings and tail, loses to leader in col. only; extra 3, Forbes, unfortunately we took no notes on this bird; 4, Wellsbury, buff, scarcely so full fronted as leaders, yet nice shape, good col. and qual., good head and neck, neat wing and tail carriage; vhc, c, Newton; hc, Tapping. NOVICE, A.O.V., 1912 (18): 1, spl., Greener, Buff Border, grizz. on rump, nice shape, well rounded, nice col. and qual., neat head, good wings and tail carriage; 2, Warren, Yell. Yorkie, plenty of length, nice position, neat head and neck, trifle heavy at waist for liking of some, well braced wings and tail; 3, Hall, Buff Yorkie, grizz wing, nice length, gets well up, finely drawn, neat wings and tail; 4, Charlton and Anderson, Yell. Yorkie, better col. than leader, neat head and neck, good wing carriage, loses a trifle in wing carriage; vhc, Young; hc, Dobson; c, McKie. CINNAM. CK. (9): 1, spl., 4, Roberts, leader, magnificent buff, rare size and shape, grand col., very level throughout, massive head and neck, lovely qual.; 2, Seely Bros., yell., beautiful rich col., grand qual., nice shape, neat head and neck, lovely sheen and polish; 3, Dixon, buff scarcely so shapely as leader, good level col., nice qual., neat head and neck, well cleaned under; 4, Roberts, rich col. yell., red hot, shade smaller than 2nd, grand feather, good head and neck, fails trifle in wings; vhc, he, Godley; c, Thompson. 1912 (7): 1 spl., vhc, Godley, leader buff, beautiful shape, grand level, tone of col., rich qual., good head and neck, neat wings and tail; 2, Roberts, trifle stouter in body properties, but scarcely so rich in col. as leader, good head and neck, nice carriage; 3, Griffiths, we could not find, probably in members' classes; 4, Richardson, scarcely the same depth of chest as leaders, good col. and qual., neat head, gets wings over a bit; he, c, Armstrong. HEN (7): 1, spl, 2, Godley, leader beauty, grand size and shape, beautiful col., level throughout, grand head, neat wing carriage, a good one; 2, Yell., red hot col., trifle slim in build perhaps, neat head, grand qual., nice wing carriage; 3, Rowell, huff, grand size, scarcely so well filled in on back as leader, rich level col., nice qual., but unsteady; 4, Hall Bros., Yell., smaller than 2, but good level col., nice qual., neat head, well packed wing and tail; vhc, Griffiths; hc, Thompson; c, Smith, jun. YORKS., YELL. (19): 1, spl, Pyman, cl., grand length, straight up, neat shoulders and waist, well drawn, well braced wings and tail, nice colour and quality; 2, Moore Bros., cap marked, shade better head than leader, nice length, good shoulders and waist, beaten a trifle in position and colour; 3, Lane, paler colour, grand stylish bird, gets well up, well rounded, grand back, rare wing and tail carriage, a little weak in neck to leader; 4, Johnson, grizz right side of face, grandly feathered, well drawn, slim and nicely rounded, shade open in tail to-day; vhc, Moffatt; hc, Warren; c, Gray and Gilholme. BUFF (11): 1 spl., Marshall, grand length, nice position, well rounded back, beautifully drawn, neat shoulder and waist, nicely braced wings and tail; 2, Johnson, grand length and position, good col., nice narrow shoulders, good wings and tail; 3, Hancock, var., shade heavier in build than leaders, grand length, neat head and neck, nice position, shows a bit frill; 4, Moore, best col. and qual. in class, rare length, good shoulders and waist, nice position but a shade stouter in body than leaders; vhc, Moore; hc, Gray and Gilholme; c Moore Bros. A.O.V. (10): 1 spl, 3, he, Marshall, leader, var., dark crest, rare size, nice shaped centre; 3, var. D.C., good size and shape, neat centre and droop, not so long in frontal as leader; 2, vhc, Armstrong, magnificent var. C.B. grand skull, well lashed, good rise and entrance; 4, Summers, four pointed Nor. (buff) fine size and shape, good col. and qual., nice head and wing carriage; c, Rowell. MULE, ETC. (13): 1, 3, c, Maddison, leader lovely cl. Goldie Can., beautiful shape, nice size, grand col., nice face and wings, feathered to perfection and staged in grand order, without a doubt one of the best mules on the show benches; 3, well known dark yell. Linnet Can., grand size and shape, lovely col., teeming with qual., a good one; 2, Hancox, very nice Goldie Bullie, not a big one, but grand col., nice shape, shows cross well, nice condition; 4, Butler, lightly mkd. Goldie Can., exquisite feather, nice size and shape, grand condition; vhc, Meadley; hc, Seely Bros.

Mr. Brown's Classes.

BORDER, YELL. (20): 1, spl., Bennett, tkd. back of head and wing, beautiful shape, magnificent col., lovely boxwood feather, sweet head and neck, beautifully carried wings and tail; 2, Armstrong, cl., model, beautiful qual., and col., sweet head, grand carriage, scarcely so well rounded as leader perhaps, yet a good one; 3, Wilson (T.), sweetly moulded, grand back, neat carriage, good col. and qual., not quite so well rounded in head as leaders, lovely wings and tail; 4, Walker, rich col. and qual., well rounded body, neat head, scarcely so tight in wing carriage as leaders; vhc, Ashton; hc, Ellison; c, Charlton and Anderson. BUFF (39): 1 spl., Eccles, beautiful shape, lovely col. and qual., clothed with exquisite feathers of the finest texture, sweet round head, grandly carried wings and tail; 2, Bennet, grizz head, magnificent col. and qual., lovely shape, grand wings and tail, lovely rounded body, sweet head and neck, nice carriage, must have pressed winner closely; 3, Walker, beautifully moulded, lovely boxwood feathers, grand col. and qual., sweet head and neck, grand carriage, beautifully carried wings and tail; extra 3, Peel, saddle mkd., rich col. and qual., scarcely so neat in head as leaders, beautifully cleaned under, but gets wings over a bit at times; 4, Purvis, grizz left wing, beautiful col., lovely qual., well rounded back, neat head and neck, shade long in body perhaps, and scarcely so tight in wing carriage; extra 4, Hay, beautiful shape, lovely texture of feathers, well rounded body, neat head and neck, scarcely so well cleaned behind; vhc, Graham; hc, Ross; c, Peel. YELL. HEN. (17): 1 Walker, cap. mkd., lovely col., grand qual., sweet round head, lovely wing and tail carriage, well moulded, appears just a trifle weak in neck; 2, Smith, cl., grand col., feathered to perfection, lovely qual., beautifully rounded body, neat head and neck, drops left wing a trifle at times; 3, Crosbie, lightly mkd. grand col. and qual., not quite so well rounded in head perhaps, nice shape, good wing carriage, well cleaned under; 4, Lock, beauty, lightly mkd., lovely shape, grand col. and qual., feathered like a Java, magnificent wing and tail carriage, beautifully cleaned up, we thought might have gone higher up; vhc, Charlton and Anderson; hc, Hay; c, Talkeld. BUFF (28): 1 spl, 3, Bennet, two beauties, leader real model, grandly rounded, beautiful head and neck, lovely col. and qual., beautifully cut away, lovely carriage; 3, cap and eye mkd., lovely feathers of exquisite qual., grand col., nice shape, neat head and neck, trifle long in wings; 2, Hay, shade thicker than leader, yet lovely shape, beautifully rounded back and chest, sweet head and neck, grand wing and tail carriage, scarcely the same grand finish behind as leader; 4, Crosbie, cap mkd., nice shape, rich qual. of feathers, sweet head and neck, good wings and tail, well finished under; vhc, Purvis; hc, Marshall; c, Ross. SELLING, 12/6 (23): 1, 4, Warren; 2, c, Rowell; 3, Hetherington; vhc, Tapping; hc, Archbold. LINNET (24): 1, Maddison, medium size, beautiful col., grandly pencilled, nice back and wings, steady as a rock for a black-legged bird, shown in tip-top condition; 2, 3, Carr, leader grand col., well pencilled, but not quite so profuse as leader, nice size and shape, good wings; 3rd, shade smaller, grandly laced, rich col. and polish, perhaps a trifle less distinct in pencilling than leaders; 4, Innes, good col. and condition, nice shape, but loses to leaders in density of markings; vhc, Reavley; hc, Stewart; c, Dunn. A.O.V. BRIT. (17): 1, spl., Stewart, Goldie, nice size and shape, grand face, pure col., nice tans, good wings, and buttons, nice condition and polish; 2, Sanders, Yellowhammer, and a good one, magnificent size and col., nice head markings, good shape and condition; 3, Davidson, Bullie, Chopwell winner, good size, grand col., nice shaped cap of dense col., good back and wings; 4, Ashton, Siskin, grand size, good cap, nice col., beautifully laced, in grand condition; vhc, King; hc, c, Gardiner. SOFTBILL (9): 1 spl, Davidson, Waxwing, in lovely feather, and condition, grand waxes, not a feather out of place; 2, vhc, Woodhouse, Wryneck, heading in rare feather, good size and col., nice condition; vhc, Dartford Warbler; 3, McVay, nice upstanding Lark, bold appearance, nice col. and markings, grand feather; 4, hc, Lackey; 4, very nice Redstart, nice feather, good size and shape; c, Curry. FOREIGN (5): 1, Christie, Red-naped Lorikeet, nice condition; 2, Butler, Cornu Lory, in nice feather; 3, Taylor, pair Mannikins, staged to perfection, not a feather out of place; 4, no name, Grey Java Sparrows, nice col. and condition; vhc, no name.

Members Classes.

NOR. YELL. (19): 1 spl, 4, Stephenson; 2, Thompson; 3, Cowling; vhc, Seely Bros.; hc, T. Dixon; c, Fairbairn. BUFF (15): 1, spl, Clark; 2, c, Seely Bros.; 3, Miller; 4, Scott; vhc, hc, Cowling. CINN. YELL. (4): 1 spl, 3, Griffiths; 2, Hall Bros.; 4, Thompson. BUFF (8): 1, T. Dixon; 2, spl, vhc, Griffiths; 3, Thompson; 4, Seely Bros; hc, c, Hall Bros. BORD. YELL. (15): 1 spl, 3, Smith; 2, Hogg; 4, Ross; vhc, c, Graham; hc, Hall Bros. BUFF (22): 1, 2, c, spl, Graham; 3, Seely Bros.; 4, vhc, Smith; hc, Ross. YORKS. YELL. (3): 1 spl, 2, Moore; 3, Marshall (T.). BUFF (6): 1 spl, 3, Moore; 2, T. Marshall; 4, vhc, Rigg; hc, Wilson. A.O.V. CAN or MULE. (14): 1 spl, T. Dixon; 2, Hall Bros; 3, Graham; 4, W. Marshall; vhc, Clark; hc, Hodgetts; c, T. Marshall. BRITISH (7): 1, Rowell; 2, Roweroft Bros., 3, 4, spl, Gardiner; vhc, Hall Bros.; hc, c, Atkinson. NOV. NOR. (8): 1, 4, Stephenson; 2, 3, Smith; vhc, hc, Baker; c Neal. BORD. (6): 1, Wilson; 2, vhc, Hogg; 3, 4, Roweroft Bros.; hc, Neal. A.O.V. CAN or MULE (1): 1, Baker.

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The third annual show of the Lochgelly C.B.S., held October 12th, proved a record success, no less than 956 entries being forward, every class of exhibition birds being represented. Scotch Fancies headed the programme, and a sweet collection was drawn together, the birds all round being of a very level stamp, and competition was keen in a few of the classes. Mr. Maxwell won cup for best with a good buff hen, well put down. Mr. J. Black (Arbroath) judged these classes, and his awards were well received. Borders followed, and these were well forward, some good ones being staged. Sp. for best went to a grand yell. cock shown by Mr. Peters, a well-known Fifeshire breeder, and it was a credit to him and a popular win. Mr. J. Arnott judged, and his awards were well received, no grumbling being heard. Yorks. were a feature of the show, such a collection never having been drawn to a Northern show. All the classes were keenly contested, and this variety seems to be making a stand in Scotland, judging from the splendid response that exhibitors gave to the selection of Mr. J. Ford as judge; this gentleman carefully handled the exhibits, and his awards left little to be desired. The cup for best in section was secured by a splendid yell., well staged by Mr. Heggie. Crests and C.B.s were a fine lot, level competition in the various classes being very noticeable. However, the executive of this society seem to have foreshadowed the entry, and the experienced judge, Mr. J. McLay, proved in every case equal to the occasion, as his awards were exceedingly well received. The cup for best was secured by a lovely Crested cock, an old warrior, exceedingly well staged by Mr. Howie, and the award was a popular one. Norwich Plainheads were a grand collection, some extra good specimens being staged, the unflighted and non-fed classes, however, being the best, and here was found the cup winner, a grand buff hen, well put down by the worthy show secretary, Mr. Grewar. Special comment must be made of the grand winning non-fed cock shown by Mr. Mitchell. Mr. Smeaton judged these classes, and his awards were well received.

The North is a stronghold for Mules and British, but the collection brought together to-day was a surprise. What a show! Quantity and quality, and some shining stars among them. Mules were extra good, some clinkers being staged. The cup for best in section went to a grand cl. Goldfinch Canary, exquisitely staged by Mr. Jamieson—a real beauty, well deserving the honour. Hardbills were a grand lot, the tip-top Bramble, so delightfully shown by Mr. Sykes, receiving the unstinted admiration of all bird-lovers. Softbills were good, the team forwarded by Mr. Taylor being classic. We noticed a few rather high-coloured birds among the Hardbills, and there were a few comments on same among some of the fanciers. Mr. J. F. Dewar, of Edinburgh, judged these classes right well, as after his heavy day's work very few adverse comments were to be heard. The society is flourishing, and the reason is easily found, for the officials are of the best, hard working and obliging, headed by their genial chairman, Mr. Dow, and backed up by an enthusiastic committee, and all under the personal supervision of their worthy secretary, Mr. W. Grewar, and his right-hand assistant, Mr. Kelly. Everything went off as smooth as a marriage bell, the exhibits and public being carefully catered for. The hall is well situated for a show, but a shade on the dark side. The show was well patronised, and we hope to hear of a good balance.

The Scotch and Border Fancies.

SCOTCH FANCIES—CL. OR FOUL YELL. COCK (5): 1, Higgins, good shape, lovely top end and reach, well up in shoulders, nicely packed, sweet head, good style, grand order; 2, vhc, Stenhouse, leader lengthy a shade in side, and good top end, scarcely the reach, but good neck and head, fine sweeping style; 3, Cook, fails in size, but good stamp, nice depth across, a shade shorter, and not so free; hc, Beattie. HEN (6): 1, Cook, leads, grand all-round lady, good top end, and rare snaky head, sweet length of neck, well up in size, fine bloom; 2, Maxwell, good stamp, shade squarer on back, but well up in shoulder, good depth, fine free style; 3, Anderson, sweet one for style, shade smaller in build, grand trim; vhc, Wilkie; hc, Fulton; c, McGregor. BUFF COCK (11): 1, vhc, Cook, a massive all-round bird, rare depth throughout, grand shoulders, well filled in, a shade short in neck, but lovely droop, grand worker, well placed; 2, Maxwell, close up, another nice one, scarcely so massive, but plenty length of side, good reach, fine free style; 3, c, Thomson, nice all round stamp, not so stylish as winners, but plenty size, good top end; vhc, Strathearn. HEN (10): 1, sp, cup best S. Fancy, Maxwell, a good one and no mistake, fine sweet head and rare length of neck, good side and fine prominent shoulders, handles well, and staged in grand trim, a popular win; 2, Strathearn, well up on top end, good free action, nicely cleaned out, very nervy, plenty of side, a good all-round exhibit; 3, Cook, nice stamp, not so free as winner, but rare substance throughout, good shouldered bird; vhc, Laing; hc, Sneddon; c, Allan. YELL. PIED OR GREEN COCK (7): 1, Stewart, sweet one, nice length, very free, well up in size, good head and reach, well put down; 2, vhc, Anderson, close up, good length of side, nice top end and reach, scarcely so well finished as winner; 3, Strathearn, good shape, shade slimmer in build, grand head and shoulders, very free; hc, Hutt; c, Murray. HEN (4): 1, Higgins, largest, grand top end and reach, rare action, full bloom; 2, Higgins, good style, not so well burnished as winner, but nice top end, finely finished on shoulders and neck; 3, Stenhouse, good stamp, plenty size, but a shade plainer in action, nice length and good order; vhc, Allan. BUFF COCK (9): 1, Maxwell, plenty size, rare massive top end, fine reach, good snaky head, extra good in length, rare style, well put down; 2, Anderson, good stamp, not so well filled on shoulders as winner, but reachy in action, nice sweeping drive, good all-round, well placed; 3, Fulton, close up, shade smaller, all there for style and in grand trim, well put down; vhc, Beattie; hc, Cooke, Higgins. HEN (13): 1, Stenhouse, wins, real good all-round Scotch, grand top end, massive shoulders, good length of side, rare snaky head, lovely droop, free in action, in grand trim; 2, Strathearn, sweet shape, free style, falls a little across front, but well up in length, good qual. throughout, well placed; 3, Cook, good top end, a shade plainer, but grand head and neck, lovely finish, sweet all round; vhc, Higgins; hc, Wilkie; c,

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Fotheringham. SELL. COCK, £1 (11): 1, Stewart; 2, 3, Sneddon; vhc, Stenhouse; hc, Beattie; c, Fotheringham. HEN, £1 (3): 1, Stewart; 2, Anderson; 3, Fulton. BORDERS—CL. OR TKD. YELL. COCK (14): 1, B.P.C. medal, Peters, a good one, correct size, lovely head and neck, perfect wing carriage, rare jaunty carriage, in full bloom, a real good bird, deserving its position, well put down; 2, Fotheringham, lovely feather, good head, and a shade bolder in front, not so well balanced as winner, grand head and wing carriage; 3, Spence, sweet bird, nice size, good carriage, not quite so good in head or neck as winner, good form; vhc, Easter; hc, Aitchison; c, Coulthard. HEN (12): 1, G. Bennet, lovely order, tight as wax, nicely rounded, and well drawn, sweet size and good shape, well staged; 2, Rintoul, not so well burnished as winner, but good front and fine level wing carriage, neat head, nicely packed on neck, jaunty carriage, well placed; 3, Peters, shade plainer and longer in feather than winner, good stamp, sweet head, nicely balanced wing carriage; vhc, Henderson; hc, Fotheringham; c, Wilson. CL. OR TKD. BUFF COCK (15): 1, H. Bennet, hot one, lovely texture of feather, sweet neck and head, and well balanced all round, good front and A1 taper, grand weight, wins; 2, Paterson, jun., well rounded, good head and front, but not so well finished off as winner, good shade of colour; 3, Peters, nice size, good style, shade thin in front, and not quite so good in head, fine wing carriage, beaten also a little in finish; vhc, Coventry; c, Coulthard. HEN (21): 1, H. Bennet, sweet quality of feather, in grand bloom, nice head, well rounded on body, shade thin on neck, and inclined to draw in front, fine balanced wings, very stylish, good one; 2, Hutchison, sweet head, rare front, not so waxy in feather as winner, but equal in type, well placed; 3, Lambie, grand front, lovely wing carriage, good head properties, fails in finish only, slightly unsteady, will improve; vhc, Young; hc, Anderson; c, Paterson, jun.; a grand class throughout. VARIEG. YELL. COCK (10): 1, Henderson, good stamp, fine qual. of feather, sweet head, well filled in front, nicely balanced, grand order; 2, Rae and Reid, close up, beaten in head, but good front and well cut below, very sweet showing bird, in good order; 3, Blackie, fails a little in finish, but well balanced body, good wing carriage, nice front; vhc, Rae; hc, Beveridge; c, Bogie. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Henderson, two good ones and in grand order, leader the best in head and wing carriage; 2nd, a shade fuller in front, both in lovely bloom; 3, Hutchison, some thought could have been 2nd, sweet-headed bird, finely drawn, in extra good form, well staged; vhc, Nairn; hc, Spence; c, H. Bennet. VARIEG. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Hutchison, good one, fine stamp, grand head, well drawn, nice quality of feather; 2, vhc, Henderson, sweet front and taper, shade longer than winner, and not so well finished off; 3, Peters, good shape and qual., plainer on back and beaten in wing carriage, nicely drawn; vhc, H. Bennet. BUFF (8): 1, Hutchison, grand cinn. tick, a hot one, lovely head and neck, beautifully drawn, extra good in wing carriage, staged to perfection, wins; 2, Nairn, close up, rare feather, a shade lower on perches, but grand front and head, well placed; 3, Aitchison, good stamp, fails in front and not so well drawn, fine qual. of feather; vhc, Bennet; hc, Kerr; c, Shanks. EVEN-MARKED (6): 1, Lambie, good cinn. mark, fine eyes, good well balanced wings, correct size, in lovely order, a good, even, well staged; 2, Young, sweet yell., nice size, good qual. of feather, beaten in eye markings; 3, Reilly, good quality of feather, shade larger than winner, also fails in eye markings; vhc, Burt; hc, Aitchison; c, Stewart. GREEN OR CINN. (11): 1, hc, Lambie, a good yell. green, great depth of col., lovely head and front, nicely pencilled, shade on the full side; 2, Dodds, lovely young green, profusely pencilled on flanks and back, showing a shade of brown, good one, rare size and shape; 3, Paterson, warm-col. cinn., on the dark side, good shape, A1 quality of feather, nicely put down; vhc, Sibbald; c, Whitelaw. SELL., 7/6 (12): 1, Hutchison; 2, Lambie; 3, Peters; vhc, Paterson; hc, Stirling

All Other Canary Classes.

YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL. COCK (17): 1, McLellan, in full bloom, nicely drawn, grand head, lovely front, good length of side, well balanced wings, sweet, quality of feather, lovely shade of col., well put down; 2, Heggie, another lengthy one, inclined to be a shade thinner in front, nice head, good back and wings, lovely order; 3, Girvan, close up, rare qual., shade shorter than winners, but close and beautifully moulded, good head and front, well balanced wing carriage; vhc, Cobb; hc, Anderson; c, Crichton. BUFF (17): 1, Reid, lengthy, good qual. of feather, rare side, well up on leg, shade pinched in head and front, but good otherwise, in full bloom; 2, Clayton, good shape, sweet all round, stamp, nice length, well balanced wing carriage, neat head, in fine trim; 3, McLellan, fails a little in finish, but all there for length, good front, nicely balanced, well placed; vhc, McRobbie; hc, Lumsden; c, Cochrane. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (10): 1, sp. best Yorkshire, Heggie, a hot one, lovely length, and grand head and neck, good front and finely balanced wing carriage, well drawn and put down in lovely order, sweet one, well staged; 2, Anderson, close up, also a good one, not so forward in condition, or so well defined in neck, but grand back and wing carriage, neat stamp; 3, Crighton, scarcely so lengthy, and fuller a shade in front, good wing carriage, well staged; vhc, Cargill; hc, Hendry; c, McLellan. HEN (12): 1, Girvan, rare stamp, lovely quality of feather, grand head and wing carriage, well rounded on front, sweetly drawn, good exhibit; 2, Anderson, closely feathered one, grand front, not so sweet in head, but extra well drawn, fails a little in wing carriage; 3, Crighton, good qual., sweet head and neck, inclined to be a shade pinched on front, fine style, well put down; vhc, Erskine; hc, Gibb; c, Heggie. VAR. (7): 1, Heggie, a romper, rare stamp, lovely length, grand head and front, nice balanced wing carriage, good length, well up on length, grand pose, a sweet yell.; 2, Reid, neat one, not so well finished, but fine front, nicely balanced, well filled up, good stamp; 3, Cochrane, nice quality of feather, good level col., sweet style, well placed; vhc, Webster; hc, Heggie; c, Bowman. UNFLIG. COCK (21): 1, 3, Gray, leader a nice head tick, good length, fine quality of feather, rare mover, very neat in wing carriage; 3rd, fails in front to winner, and longer in feather, neat head, well up on leg, in good trim; 2, Martin, our choice, a hot yell., lovely head and neck, A1 style, grand front, beautifully balanced, well put down, a good exhibit; vhc, Heggie; hc, Girvin; c, Reid. HEN (24): 1, Cochrane, hot yell., grand shape, lovely head and neck, well rounded on front, plenty length, good qual. throughout, in tip-top order; 2, Gray, buff, nice stamp, a shade long in feather, inclined to be unsteady, good length, well up on leg; 3, Erskine, sweet size, and lovely order, grand front and taper, a shade narrow on head and neck, good qual. of feather, well put down; vhc, Cobb; hc, Rizzi; c, Crerar. SELL., 15s. (7): 1, Crighton; 2, Leishman; 3, hc, Gray; vhc, McRobbie; c, Cargill. CREST AND C.B., D.C. COCK (9): 1, cup for best bird in show, Howie, the old champion in grand form, clean moulted, extra good in head, rare length of feather, side and frontal, lovely texture, well laid on, good centre and body, feather short and compact all over, a real hot one, improving with age; 2, Sneddon, lengthy side, good frontal, shade thinner in centre, good sized headpiece, in nice trim; 3, Cram, beaten in length of feather, good qual. shade smaller; vhc, McNaughton; hc, Gray; c, Blyth. HEN (5): 1, Brown, wins, rare head, good length of feather, well down at front and side, nice shape, in lovely order; 2, Mrs. Muttar, sweet centre and side, but fails a little in frontal, well up in size; 3, Howie, again nice order, beaten here in length of feather, fails little frontal and centre; vhc, McGregor; hc, Lister. CL. OR GRIZZLE CREST (3): 1, Turnbull, good grizzle, nice headpiece, length, and of good formation, sweet centre, good droop on frontal; 2, Fox, also a grizzle, nice size and lovely bloom, fails a shade on sides; 3, Muir, beaten in head properties, plenty size of body, and well staged. C.B. COCK (11): 1, Cram, wins, plenty of feather, fine lash, carried well forward, and good broad entrance, plenty skull, rare size of body, in fine bloom; 2, Brown, rare bodied bird, lengthy lash, but fails a little in entrance, good back skull; 3, Whitton, nice cushion-headed one, fine size and good shape, fails in lash to winners; vhc, Angus; hc, Summers; c, McNaughton. HEN (6): 1, Sharp, sweet one, rare size, bold, noble head, good entrance and plenty lash, fine order; 2, Lindsay, fails a shade in entrance, but well forward in lashing, good bold type of a hen; 3, Fox, sweet head, nicely lashed, fails in size; vhc, Williamson and McAdam; hc, Scott; c, Stewart. CRESTS, 1912 (11): 1, Whitton, good one, grand headpiece, rare length of feather, level droop, well centred, very forward in condition, good win; 2, Brown, beaten a shade in front, but well down at sides, nice size, good form; 3, Angus, well feathered bird, but a shade short in length, sweet shape, in nice order; vhc, Blyth; hc, Sneddon; c, Mrs. Mutton. C.B., 1912 (6): 1, Summers, well lashed bird, good shaped skull, plenty entrance, good length of feather, well up in size; 2, McCall and Henderson, nice length of lash, a shade shorter than winner, and not so wide at entrance, good top skull; 3, Lindsay, sweet shape, bold headed one, nice entrance, A1 quality of feather, fails a little in lashing; vhc, Mrs. Mutton; hc, Mrs. Naughton; c, Brown. SELL., CREST, £1 (6): 1, Blyth; 2, Turnbull; 3, Smart; vhc, McGregor; hc, McLean; c, Lister. C.B., 15s. (6): 1, vhc, McGregor; 2, Feeney; 3, Turnbull; hc, Blyth; c, Smart. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL. COCK (15): 1, Watson, romper, grand size, A1 head, and wing carriage, lovely front, nicely moulded, in fine trim; 2, Grewar, fine bodied bird, bold, well rounded front, and good in wing carriage, fails a little in head; 3, Smart, simmer got up, but good head, fine style, lovely feather and finish, well placed; vhc, Maxwell; hc, Cameron; c, Capt. Collier. HEN (8): 1, Watson, good one, grand head, sweet front, bold and well rounded, nicely cut, good back and wing carriage, in full bloom; 2, Fleming, nice shape, plainer a little, but tight in feather, not so well rounded in front, but well put down; 3, Cameron, good front, bold head, well filled up, grand size, well cut, a good one, fails to winners in condition; vhc, Harris; hc, McLeod; c, Thomson. BUFF COCK (16): 1, Mitchell, good all round, plenty size, massive front, grand taper, good head and wings, A1 order; 2, McLeod, fails in colour, grand shape, full front, and tip-top wing carriage, well drawn, good in quality of feather; 3, Kerr, smaller a shade, but nice stamp, good head, sweet qual. throughout, lovely balanced wings; vhc, Sharp; hc, Capt. Collier; c, Simpson. HEN (12): 1, Harris, grand size, lovely bloom, fine, bold, well rounded head, sweet front, nicely drawn, good level wing carriage, short flights and tail, wins; 2, Cameron, pointed a shade on front, but rare stamp, sweet head and lovely wings, lovely feather and finish; 3, hc, Skinner, good head and nice style, grand qual. of feather, a shade slimmer got up; vhc, McCouville; c, Page. YELL. VAR. COCK (11): 1, Harris, heavy var., good one, grandly rounded, bold head, A1 shape, short in body, splendid wing carriage, extra good form, sweet exhibit; 2, Fleming, lighter var., good feather, neat head and wing carriage, fails a shade in substance; 3, McLeod, slimmer got up, all there for feather and finish, nice stamp, will improve; vhc, Langan; hc, Ramsay; c, Love. HEN (10): 1, Maxwell, lovely body, plenty size, well rounded, bold, clear cut front, good wings, sweet head, all over a good one, wins; 2, Harris, fails in head to winner, nice front, good neck and wings, lovely order; 3, Wildridge, green, sweet one, lovely shape, grand short feather, a shade smaller than winners; vhc, Fleming; hc, Grewar; c, Kirk. BUFF VAR. COCK (11): 1, Bishop, a hot fed one, grand size, splendid shape, nice wing carriage, good bold head, short flights, well filled up, rare order; 2, Thomson, close up for qual., grand bloom, nice full front, good head, fails shade in size; 3, Harrie, good body, grand finish fails a little in head, real good stamp, again in lovely order; vhc, Dick; hc, Harper; c, Morgan. HEN (10): 1, Ramsay, good one, fine shape and rounded head and body, good wing carriage, in full bloom; 2, Grewar, fails in front to winner, longer in feather, nice size, grand col.; 3, Milne, good headed one, well rounded, nice wings, well up in col., fails in front, a shade drawn; vhc, Dickson; hc, Watt; c, Love. UNFLIG. YELL. COCK (17): 1, Watt, hot-fed gentleman, lovely shade of col., rare finish, good head, sweet front and taper, grand neck, fine wing carriage, well shown; 2, Mitchell, foul, sweet size and shape, not so well finished as winner, but nice bold head and front; vhc, Harris, a good head tkd., grand size, level in col., sweetly drawn, good in wing carriage, well put down; vhc, Smart; hc, c, Grewar. HEN (14): 1, Grewar, sweet var., grand size, rare build, well rounded, nice head and wing carriage, well put down; 2, Watson, cl., nice one, good full head, well balanced on wings, scarcely so fine in feather, but good front and taper; 3, vhc, Simpson, close up, good body and nice head, inclined to cross wings at times, scarcely so well tapered off, good all round; vhc, Smart; c, Moreland. UNFLIG. BUFF COCK (24): 1, Simpson, head tkk. buff, good one, rare stamp, bold front, and head, nice short wings and tail, good wing carriage, sweet shade of colour, well staged; 2, Henderson, close up, grand feather, nice body, well drawn, fine wing carriage, fails a little in head; 3, Smart, fails in size to winners, but all there for shape and qual.; vhc, Kerr; hc, McConville; c, Watt. HEN (23): 1, sp., best Nor. and cup, Grewar, a grand one, rare head, as round as possible, thick set neck, lovely filled in back, grand wing carriage, and bold front, well rounded, sweet short flights and tail, superb colour, put down in masterly fashion, a clinker, and no mistake, wins; 2, vhc, Harris, a sweet var., lovely front, nice and short in shape, grand balanced wings, good all round, just fails in depth of body, and a shade in head to winner; 3, McLeod, a good feathered one, grand head, splendid wings, fails in front to winner, well placed, a grand class, well judged; hc, Taylor; c, Naismith. NON-FED COCK (20): 1, Mitchell, a romping yell., grand size, lovely order, fine bold head, nice front, in perfect order, lovely shade of colour, a good one, wins; 2, Skinner, broken green, nice stamp, lovely rounded body, good head, fine wing carriage, in rare trim; 3, Lawrie, smart buff, fine head, well up in size, good front and taper, well put down; vhc, Simpson; hc, Grewar; c, Smith. HEN (10): 1, Craig, nice cl. buff, in grand trim, grand head and wings, lovely front, well drawn, shown to perfection; 2, Harris, yell. green, good one, fine head, lovely taper, splendid ground col., grand all over, must have proceed; 3, Bishop, good buff green, plenty size, sweet head and front, again in rare trim; vhc, Mitchell; hc, McLaren; c, Laurie. SELL., COCKS, £1 (15): 1, McLeod; 2, Capt. Collier; 3, Scaife; vhc, Taylor; hc, Finnie; c, Morris. HEN, £1 (3): 1, Gray; 2, Taylor; 3, Barclay. A.O.V. (4): 1, Fotheringham, good buff Belgian, hard up on top end, fine droop, nice length of leg, fine depth throughout, shown in good order; 2, Chalmers, nice buff cinn., well up in size, nicely spangled, good head and front; 3, Sneddon, Lancashire coppy, good one, well staged; vhc, Malcolm. COM. CAN., 7s. 6d. (11): 1, Sandilands; 2, Jack; 3, McGregor; vhc, J. and A. Duncan; hc, Anderson; c, Malcolm. GIFT (6): 1, Grewar; 2, Young; 3, McGregor; 4, Ritchie; 5, Malcolm; 6, Cassell.

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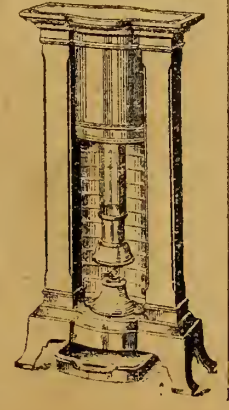
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The Mules and Hybrids.

DARK GOLDFINCH MULE (14): 1, Roy, wins on size, grand shade of colour, and well pencilled on back, good flights and rare shape, plenty substance, scarcely up in face yet; 2, Reid, good qual., rare shape, nice level col., good flush face, a shade thinner, but all there for markings, well staged; 3, A. and E. Hogg, fails in size to winner, but plenty col., all jonques; vhc, McLean; hc, Crone; c, Nicol. DARK LINNET MULE (14): 1, Taylor, wins, rare size, good pencilling, nice head and front, splendid col., well staged; 2, Farmer, shade smaller but a gem for col. and markings, lovely body and head, good wings, fine depth throughout, will improve, well placed; 3, McQuiston, darker in tone of colour, but all there for size and qual., lovely head and front, well put down, a good class; vhc, Nicol; hc, Bell; c, Heard. DARK GREENFINCH MULE (9): 1, Craig, sweet size, lovely pure shade of colour, nice head, fine wing bars, great depth throughout, well put down; 2, McGraw, nice stamp and col., longer in body and feather, but bold in head, good flights; 3, McCraig, well up in size, good bold front, nice order, beaten in depth of col.; vhc, McQuiston; hc, Finnie; c, Roy. A.O.V. DARK (Bullie excluded) (14): 1, Whitford, romping yell. Siskin, grand markings, bold front, good cap, rare wing flights, in grand order, good one; 2, Morris, another good Siskin, well up in size, hot col., well laced, fails a little in flank markings and cap to winner; 3, McQuiston, good, yell Twite, finely pencilled, A1 size, lovely qual., sweet one; vhc, Allan; hc, Dunn; c, Richardson. CLEAR, ETC., MULE OR HYB. (including Can-Bullie) (8): 1, cup for best in section, 3, Jamieson, leader cl. Goldie, gem, and no mistake, sweet size, lovely flush face, grand wing flights, nice shade of colour, staged like a new pin, a grand exhibit, 3, Linnet-Bullie, nice size, good cap, well up in breast colour, showing cross well; 2, no name, a sweet Goldie-Bullie, nice dense face, good wing and breast, well up in size, in grand bloom; vhc, McCraig; hc, McHolme; c, Chalmers. VAR. CAN. (22): 1, McQuiston, romp. yell. Goldie, grand shade of col., lightly mkd., plenty size, put down in lovely order, well staged; 2, 3, Purvis, yell. and buff var., Grecnie, respectively, leader the best in size, lightly var., well shown, 3rd we thought lucky to beat 4, Bishop, a good var. Goldie, rare size, lovely order; hc, Bruce; c, Jamieson, best class in show.

The British and Foreign Classes.

GOLDFINCH (9): 1, Nicholson, wins, Dysart winner, looking as fit as ever, streets ahead for blaze; 2, Barclay, nice Finch, good, broad blaze, nice cheeks and tannings, lovely wing flights, scarcely so good in blaze col.; 3, Raine, good Finch, rare shape, well up in col., lovely buttons, grand order, well placed; vhc, Chalmers; hc, Cranna; c, Black and Lumsden. BULLFINCH (13): 1, Bell, still leading, grand cap and good wing bars, fine breast colour, plenty size, in lovely order; 2, Thomson, good one, slimmer in body, but good bib, well up in breast col.; 3, Cranna, nice one, good head and bib, lovely whites, scarcely so large, and not so well finished as winner; vhc, Turner; hc, Allan; c, Junor. HEN (11): 1, Jamieson, good one, sweet head, lovely breast col.; nice wing flights, well up in size, rare order; 2, Morton, good stamp, fine head, lovely feather, a shade dark in col., good bars; 3, McQuiston, sweet qual., good front and col., fails in cap and wing bars, nicely staged; vhc, Wright; hc, Coulthard; c, Cullen. GREENFINCH (non-fed) (14): 1, McMillan, wins easily, gem, and no mistake, rare size, bold head, grand flights, in good order, a splendid jonque; 2, Reid, another good one, fine body and wing bars, splendid feather, fails in head to winner; 3, Graham, nice tone of col., lovely feather, sweet shade, beaten in size by winners; vhc, W. and J. Linton; hc, McHolme; c, Lambie. COLOUR-FED (8): 1, R. Craig, shade small, but a gem for qual., tight as wax, grand tone of col., well put down; 2, Rennie, larger in body, good head and front, darker in col., sweet wings and good trim; 3, Sykes, grand fronted bird, level in col., extra good in finish, fails a shade in size; vhc, Cranna; hc, Laird and Matthews; c, Barclay. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFINCH (16): 1, Sykes, Bramble, and a gem, grand size, lovely head, back lacing pure and distinct, great depth of breast col., clearly cut, sweet wing bars, steady as a rock, polished like satin; 2, Raine, sweet Chaffie, well up in col., good dense breast and lovely whites, splendid head, great sheen on feather, well staged; 3, McQuiston, romping Bramble, not so pure in col. and lacing, grand breast col., nicely put down; vhc, hc, Allan; c, Taylor. LINNET (22): 1, McQuiston, rare shade of nut brown col., lovely shape and order, good pencilling, nice head, sweet one, well put down, wins; 2, Colbron, shade lucky, rather indistinctly marked on breast, well laced on back and good head, darker tone of col.; 3, Bell, good one, rare size and lovely markings, grand head and wing flights, pale in col. and dryer in feather, well placed; vhc, W. and J. Linton; hc, Muir and Heenan; c, Morton; No. 22, Sykes, grand Linnet, seems to have been overlooked. SISKIN (19): 1, Nicholson, good one, fine cap and bib, well up in col., nice wing bars, well laced, in grand order, wins; 2, Morton, dense shade of col., good cap, fails in bib to winner, sweet shape and good qual.; 3, c, Sykes, beaten in finish, but well up in size, good cap, sweet shade; vhc, Cameron; hc, McGavin. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (25): 1, Bell, tip-top Mealy, grand size and lovely cap and bib, fine lacing, pure in col., well staged; 2, McQuiston, a rare Twite, splendid size, extra good in markings, well finished, a good second; 3, Campbell, Mealy Poll, fine head and bib, nicely laced, not so good in flank markings, nor so pure in col., fails a shade in finish; vhc, Lowrie; hc, Scotland; c, Hope. LESSER (23): 1, 3, Morton, 2 good Polls, leader lovely lacing on flanks, good cap, and nice bib, well up in size, teaming with qual., 3rd nice one, fails a shade in size only; 2, McQuiston, good up, good cap and bib, and well laced, sweet one, well staged, all a shade warm in col.; vhc, c, McGillivray Bros.; hc, Mason. SMALL SOFTBILL (14): 1, 3, Taylor, leader a good Redstart, sweet head, markings, well up in breast, steady and well staged, plenty size, nice quality of feather, 3rd nice Dartford Warbler, well put down, a shade sombre in colours; 2, Laurie, a clinking yell. Wagtail, rare size, good col., well put down; vhc, Arnott; hc, Robertson; c, Laurie. LARGE (3): 1, Nicol, a good Song Thrush, fine size and well spotted, well put down; 2, Mulligan, another Thrush, well up in size, fails a little in markings, good head and throat; 3, R. and A. Storrar, nice Starling, very well pencilled, in good order, well staged. A.O.S. HARDBILL (9): 1, 2, Sykes, leader, well-known Hawfinch, in tip-top form, grand head and bib, well staged, 2nd sweet Meadow Bunting, good size, well mkd.; 3, Sharp, black-headed Bunting, good size and shape, in lovely order; vhc, Nichol; hc, Nicholson; c, Raith. HEN, BRIT. (19): 1, Bruce, Song Thrush, Border Queen, well-known winner, looking in tip-top form, a beauty for size and spangle; 2, 3, Taylor, sweet Bramble, well up in size, nicely marked, and a good Redstart, fine size and col., in grand bloom, well staged; vhc, Heard; hc, Bossence, Morris. SELLING, 7s. 6d. (9): 1, Reed; 2, Peel; 3, McGregor; vhc, Peters; hc, c, Bruce. GOLDFINCH OR BULLFINCH (FOR.) (11): 1, Wilson, a clinking Bullie, grand col., and rare cap and bib, shown in grand order, fine flights, as tight as wax, well staged, wins; 2, Howie, good Goldfinch, well up in col. on body, scarcely ready in face, good shape and plenty of size, a good 2nd; 3, Lister, a nice Bullie, good shape and colour, fails in head to winner, and not quite so well polished, nice exhibit; vhc, A. and E. Hogg; hc, Simpson and Baxter; c, Raeburn. SMALL FOR. (10): 1, 3, hc, Arnott, leader a grand Nonpareil in tip top form, splendid col. and markings, well up in size, well staged, 3rd a good Cuban Finch, sweet qual. of feather, nicely put down; 2, Fowse, good black-headed Gouldian, nice size, in tip top order, well staged; vhc, Webster; c, Robertson. SELL., 5s. (7): 1, Grewar; 2, Anderson; 3, Simpson and Baxter; vhc, Sharp; hc, Young; c, Storrar. JUVENILE, 7s. 6d. (9): 1, Lister; 2, Stirling; 3, Sneddon; vhc, Philip; hc, Hynd; c, Young.

QUEENSBURY C.B.S.

Members' Show Sept. 28th, held in the Granby Inn. Mr. Cowgill (Girlington) judged, and gave every satisfaction. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Weighton; 2, Fowle; 3, Pearson. BUFF: 1, Pearson; 2, Blaghrough; 3, Weighton. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Pearson; 2, Blaghrough; 3, Jowett. BUFF: 1, Fowle; 2, Pearson; 3, Ambler. EVEN, ETC., COCK: 1, Fowle; 2, Hudson. HEN: 1, Blaghrough; 2, Jowett; 3, Nicholl.W. Jagger, Sec.

EAST BOWLING & DIST. B.F.A.

Members' show held October 12th, in St. John's School. The entries numbered 84 and some grand birds were staged. Mr. F. Allen placed the cards and his awards gave entire satisfaction. There was keen competition for Society's Rose Bowl and other specials. Point winners in Champion Section were, Helliwell 17, Casey 16, Varley 14, Padgett 13. Novice; Hinton 19, Wilkinson and Son 17, Hodgson and Holdsworth 15, Cheshire 14. CL. OR TKD YELL. COCK (10): 1, Varley; 2, Casey; 3, Helliwell; 4, vhc, Padgett; hc, Firth and Atkinson; c, Cowell. BUFF (15): 1, Varley; 2, Firth and Atkinson; 3, 4, Padgett; vhc, Casey; hc, c, Helliwell. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Casey; 2, Helliwell; 3, vhc, Bleazard; 4, Calloway; hc, Clark. BUFF (17): 1, Helliwell; 2, Calloway; 3, Hall; 4, Bleazard; vhc, Firth and Atkinson; hc, Padgett; c, Casey. FOUL MKD. COCK: 1, Casey; 2, Cowell; 3, Helliwell; 4, Firth and Atkinson. HEN: 1, Clark; 2, Padgett; 3, Calloway; 4, Hall. CINN.: 1, Casey; 2, Clark. (NOVICE) CL. or TKD. YELL. COCK: 1, 3, Hinton; 2, vhc, Wilkinson and Son; 4, hc, Hodgson and Holdsworth; c, Cheshire. BUFF: 1, vhc, Wilkinson and Son; 2, Hinton; 3, Cheshire; 4, Hodgson and Holdsworth. YELL. HEN: 1, 4, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 2, Wilkinson and Son; 3, C. Cheshire; vhc, hc, Hinton. BUFF: 1, vhc, Hinton; 2, hc, Cheshire; 3, c, Wilkinson and Son; 4, Hodgson and Holdsworth.—L. S. Booth, Secretary.

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The 22nd annual show of the Leeds C.B.S. was held in the Salem Lecture Hall, Oct. 12. We are pleased to say that there was a record entry of upwards of 650 birds, a great increase on previous shows. Messrs. W. A. Wilson and J. P. Moir make excellent secretaries and show managers. They had everything in systematic working order. Both are hard workers and obliging, and are backed up by a good working committee, comprising Mr. C. E. Hall (chairman), Mr. H. J. Mennard (vice-chair); Messrs. J. Chambers, A. G. Rhodes, W. Johnson, J. Owen, F. Farrar, W. H. Norton, W. Bristow, H. Smith, J. R. Beckwith and T. Baldwinson. The Salem Hall is an ideal place for a show, being large, splendidly ventilated, and well lighted. Malcolm Kitchen, Esq., opened the exhibition, and made a happy speech. After the show was closed, all birds were quickly despatched homeward. The fixture proved a great success in every way, and a great treat to the many bird-lovers present. Mr. W. Mundell judged Yorks. and Mr. J. H. Roe Nor., Brit., etc. Their awards seemed to give general satisfaction, and we heard very few complaints.

The Yorkshires were a very fine lot, two hundred and forty-nine facing the judge. In the novice open (limit £3 3s), unflighted class, 55 birds were entered, and some rare good exhibits had to be left cardless. Many birds were claimed.

Special winners:—Ramsden's, won by H. J. Mennard; Sandiford's, T. H. Mason; Foreign Bird Club special, W. H. Pickles (with a splendid Blue Budgerigar). The Malcolm Kitchen medal, G. Fletcher; the president's medal, H. S. Davies.

Mr. Mundell's Yorks. Classes.

CHAMPION CL. OR TKD. YELL. (15): 1, Wilkinson Bros., neat head, well placed wings and pipe tail, rich colour, full of quality, position A1; 2, Ogden Bros., lovely colour and quality, grand wings, full of nerve, good piped tail, neat round head, stylish; 3, Norton, cheek mkd., blaze of colour, long flights, well placed, neat tail, full of quality and style, good head, clean on breast; 4, Wheldrake, neck mkd., rich colour, wonderful length, neat tail, full of quality, rare position; vhc, Hall; hc, Fergusson; c, Chew. BUFF (17): 1, Bailey, grand cap and wing mkd., lovely quality, rare length, good wings and piped tail, rich colour, position A1; 2, A. Chew, cheek and wing mkd., rich col., well on leg, neat, tail, good wings and head, nicely staged; 3, Dykes, the old champion, not quite ready, lovely colour, full of quality, eye, wing and breast mkd.; 4, Craven, eye and wing mkd., position good, long flights and tail, very stylish; vhc, Elliott; hc, Hutler; c, McWade. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Walker, pale col., grand position, neat head, good wing carriage, full of quality; 2, Myers, eye and wing mkd., boxey feather, good wings and tail, neat head, position A1; 3, Lee, rich col., full of quality, nice wing carriage, neat tail, very showy; 4, Livesay, very stylish, lovely feather, grand wings and tail, rich col., neat head; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Wigglesworth; c, Chew. BUFF HEN (14): 1, Dr. W. Craig, lovely colour, position A1, grand wings and tail, neat head, a bit loose on thighs; 2, Hall, grand head, back and wings, piped tail, rich col., bit loose on breast; 3, Craven, very stylish, full of quality, good head, well on leg, rich colour, nice tail; 4, Ogden Bros., rare quality, neat head, good wings and tail, position A1, pressed hard; vhc, Baldwinson; hc, J. H. Walker; c, C. E. Walker. CL. OR TKD. Yell UNFLIG. (17): 1, C. E. Walker, long and typical, full of quality carries wings and tail well, rich level colour, good head; 2, Dykes, eye and wing mkd. boxey feather, well on leg, neat head, good wings and tail, position A1; 3, Kaye, rich colour, rare quality, clean on breast, grand wings and tail, very typical; 4, Pike, good type, nice head, well filled in neck, well braced wings and tail; vhc, Head; hc, Pyman; c, Elliott. UNFLIG. BUFF (13): 1, Dykes, wing tkd., lovely col. and feather, well on legs, good wings and tail, wants a little more time; 2, Pyman, position A1, boxey feather, good head, nicely placed wings and neat tail; 3, Farrar, stylish, boxey feather, neat head, wings and tail, rare length, rich colour; 4, Chittenden, nice type and quality, very lengthy; vhc, Walker; hc, Norton; c, Kayes. UNFLIG. HENS (27): 1, Wilkinson Bros., eye and wing mkd. Yell., lovely feather, neat head, grand wings and tail, well on leg, position A1, and very nicely put down; 2, 3, Hutler, 2nd, buff, boxey feather, neat head, well placed wings, nice pipe tail, rich colour and position, 3, yellow, lovely colour, very stylish, nice wings and tail; 4, Dykes, buff, boxey feather, neat head, very typical, good wings and tail, rare length; vhc, J. E. Walker; hc, Bailey; c, Myers. A.O.V. CANARY (15): 1, 2, Barker, two variegs. Crests, 1st plenty of feather, good centre, nice droop, 2, not so large, good centre and droop, plenty of body feather; 3, hc, Hardy, 3, Crestbred, rare skull, plenty of feather; 4, Hales, Belgian, rare position and length; vhc, Macpherson; c, Gath. SELL. 20s. (24): 1, Spencer; 2, Adnitt and Driver; 3, Elliott; 4, Pickering and Wright; vhc, Norton; hc, Hawkins; c, Head. SELL., 12s. 6d. (23): 1, Gill; 2, Mattinson; 3, Hawkins; 4, Tose; vhc, Smith; hc, Meling; c, Longley. OPEN NOVICE YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (22): 1, Marshall Bros., thigh ticked, rare length, good head, long flights and tail, well up on leg, rich col., full of quality; 2, Quarmby, position A1, neat head, well braced wings, and pipe tail, boxey feather, rich colour; 3, Farnish, very typical, long flights, and piped tail, rich colour, full of quality, wants a little more time; 4, Livesey, cap and wing mkd., rich col., rare length and position, good head; vhc, Moffat; hc, Potter; c, Baldwinson. BUFF (22): 1, Quarmby, wing tkd., pale col., boxey feather, nice round head, clean on breast, very stylish, good wings and tail; 2, Shepherd, pale col., shape A1, neat head, well-braced wings and tail, on the small side; 3, Marshall Bros., rich col., full of quality, neat head, long flights, fine position; 4, Hall, cheek mkd., boxey feather, neat head, long flights and tail, very clean on chest; vhc, Brooks and Kelsey; hc, Gill; c, Moffatt. HEN (25): 1, Bushby, yell., eye and wing mkd., a gem, feathered like wax, grand piped tail, lovely wing carriage, well on leg, we heard that this bird fetched over £9 when put up for sale; 2, Moffatt, yell., wing mkd., nice type and quality, position A1, neat head; 3, H. Chew, buff Cinn. mkd., feather like marble, true to type, grand wings and tail; 4, Bower, buff, good head, nice wing carriage and position; vhc, Farnish; hc, Hawkins; c, Hutchinson. UNFLIG. (55): This was one of the best classes we have ever seen for young birds, many had to stand cardless which will be heard of later on in the season. We should advise the Leeds committee to divide this class another year. 1, ex. c, Middleton, buff, rich colour, grand boxey feather, well on leg, lovely position, round head, well filled in neck, good wings and tail; 2, H. Chew, very typical buff, fine colour, nice head and chest, well placed wings, neat piped tail, put down A1; 3, Prior, buff, unevenly mkd., rich col., boxey feather, good head and position; ex. 3, Hutchinson, buff, lovely quality, very stylish, rare length; 4, Gill, full of quality, grand length and position; ex. 4, Bushby, boxey feather, rare type, good head wings and tail; vhc, and ex. hc, Bower; hc, Davies; c, Reed and Longley.

Mr. Roe's Canary Classes.

CHAMPION NOR. CL., ETC., YEL. (16): 1, c, Davies, leader, mkd. wing, breast, and neck, rare size, good quality and feather, grand back, wings, and tail, rare head, rich level colour, real good one; 2, 3, Thomas, grand pair, leader deep rich level col., grand round head, short thick neck, grand carriage, 3rd nice shape and quality, neat wings and tail, very close up; 4, Humphries, heavily mkd., good head and back, nice col., trifle longer; vhc, Peters; hc, Hunter. BUFF (25): 1, Davies, grand size and shape, close feathered, good quality, nice full neck and head, well braced wings and tail, rich colour; 2, Cook, mkd. wings and eyes, grand shape, full of quality, nice head and feather; 3, Harland, well up in col., capital shape, full neck, nice head; 4, Douse, cl. buff, grand shape, col., and quality, neat tail and wings, good carriage; vhc, Heap; hc, Ball; c, Simonett. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Clegg, lovely col. and shape, full of quality, short flights and tail, well filled back; 2, Humphries, mkd. neck, good shape and col., nice head, wings, and tail, fails little in size; 3, Heap, grizzle cap, grand shape, full of quality, neat flights and tail, well filled, very close up; 4, A. Hirst, heavily mkd., good size, short flights and tail, neat head and back, fails a trifle in col.; vhc, Scargill; hc, Adnitt and Driver; c, Tose. BUFF (17): 1, 2, D. McMillan, two fine clears, good size, well up in col., grand shape, full neck, neat heads, grand pair; 3, 4, vhc, Heap, another trio of clears, leader grand shape, rare type, lovely quality and feather, neat wings and tails, well incaled, 4th well up in size, grand col., full neck, just beaten a trifle in head; hc, Hunter; c, Pickering and Wright. UNFLIG. YELL. (22): 1, 4, Mason, leader cl., good size and shape, rare head and neck, best of wings and tail, nice level col., 4th grizzle cap, nice size, head and neck, grand col., trifle longer; 2, Thomas, mkd. neck, grand size and shape, bold head and neck, nice level col.; 3, Adnitt and Driver, heavy mkd., rattling good col., very neat, nice wings and tail, trifle slim; vhc, Cook; hc, Ball; c, Mattinson. BUFF (23): 1, Scargill, cl., well up in size, fine shape and feather, good back, neck, wings, and tail; 2, Scott, mkd. eyes and neck, large and bold, good back, neck and wings, grand quality of feather, stands well across perch, must have pressed winner; 3, Pickles, grizzle cap, grand size, shape, and quality, good colour, very neat; 4, Lingard, cl. buff, grand shape, good level colour, neat head, wings, and tail, fails a trifle in size; vhc, Bradley; hc, Rowe; c, Johnson. UNFLIG. HEN (32): Grand lot: 1, Turner, nice shaped cl., grand size, good feather, lovely colour and quality, fine flights and tail, real good one; 2, Harland, rich level colour, good size and shape, lovely head and neck, grand back, close up; 3, Morris, lovely size and quality, bold head and neck, well carried wings, rich col.; extra 3, Heap, another good one, lovely col. and quality, neat head and wings, grand carriage; 4, Cook, grand size, nice level col., very neat; extra 4, Pickles, grand col. and quality, trifle behind in size; vhc, Lees; hc, Ball; c, Thomas. NOV. NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (8): 1, Middleton, cl., good size, shape, and col., grand head, neck, and wings, real good one; 2, Hallett, cl., grand col., good head and neck, well carried wings and tail, grand quality, very near winner; 3, Howe and Senior, mkd. yell., good size, shape, and col.; 4, Stafford, mkd. eyes and tail, grand size, good head, neck, and wings; vhc, Hope; hc, Cass; c, Musgrave. BUFF (17): 1, Rowbotham, cl., romping big one, red hot col., good head and neck, inclined to be lashed; 2, Hattersley, cl., grand size and col., bold head and neck, nice wings and tail, splendid quality, must have pressed winner; 3, vhc, Wilson, cl., good size, well filled up neck, grand back, good wings and tail; 4, Riley, cl., nice round head, good neck and back, grand carriage, very neat; vhc, Robbins; c, Heseltine. HEN (20): 1, Wilson, very nice cl. yell., good size and colour, grand head and neck, well carried wings and tail; 2, Southworth, cl. buff, excellent size, neat shape, good head and neck, nice level col.; 3, Case, mkd. yell., good style and nice col., but on the slim side, trifle lucky; 4, Wilford, cl. buff, good size, col. excellent head and neck, well carried wings and tail; vhc, Rowhotham; hc, Heseltine; c, Livingstone. UNFLIG. (23): 1, 2, Livingstone, two good ones, leader mkd. yell., good size, lovely col., grand head and neck, well carried wings and tail, 2nd cl., good size and col., neat head, trifle longer; 3 Bradley, yell., grand quality and col., neat head, nice wings and tail, not quite so big; 4, Southworth, cl. buff, grand size and col., nice back, well carried wings, loses only in head; vhc, McNally; hc, c, Wilson.

Hybrid, British & Foreign Sections.

GOLD, OR BULLFINCH (15): 1, Woods, Bull., grand size, good clean cut cap, lovely wings, well barred, excellent col.; 2, Tams & Sons, Gold., good head, large square blaze, nicely tanned, wel buttoned; 3, Shorney, Bull., grand size and shape, neat cap and wing bars, fails only in col. to winner; 4, Hattersley, Gold., neat shape, splendid condition, fails only in blaze, will improve later; vhc, Brewster; hc, Clayton; c, Lee. LINNET (21): 1, Owen, fair size, nice col., well mkd., and laced, in splendid condition; 2, Brewster, good big bird, grandly mkd. and laced, rich, nutty brown col., good whites, we rather preferred for 1st; 3, vhc, Tams and Sons, both big, bold birds, splendid col., show white in wings and tails distinctly, fail to winners a little in markings; 4, Pickering and Wright, good size, nice cone shape, nutty col., might be steadier; hc, Rutherford; c, Clark. GREENFINCH (5): 1, Lee, very large buff, good Nor. type, grand head, very steady; 2 Walsh, well fed yell., grand col., nicely staged, fails only a little in head to winner; 3, Hattersley, buff, good size, nice shape, rich bars, nicely staged; 4, Eames, yell., nicely fed, grand col.; vhc Haigh. SISKIN, ETC. (15): 1, Tams and Sons, very large and good Twite, bold and distinct markings, nicely staged, wins; 2, Owen, another fine Twite, grand col., nicely mkd., fails only a shade in size to winner; 3, Foster, Mealy Redpoll, nice size and col., well mkd. on breast, good wing bars and bib, nicely staged; 4, Todd and Sons, yell. Siskin, fine cap and lacings, good wing bars, very neat; vhc, Chittenden; hc, Haigh; c, Hattersley. A.O.S. HARD. (28): 1, Beswick, Bramblefinch, nice size, grand col., clean cut, splendidly Spangled, nice thigh markings; 2, Mrs. Fisher, Yell. Bunting, good head and cheek markings, staged in perfect condition; 3, Wilson, Chaffinch, grand size, rich col. and markings, good whites, grand condition; 4, Inman, very fair Chaffinch, but wild; vhc, Mrs. Fisher; hc, Lane; c, Foster; No. 26, Wilson, grand Bramble, unnoticed, could easily have been in money. A.S. SOFTBILL (9): 1, Lane, Sandpiper, nicely staged, in good condition, quite a novelty; 2, 4, c, Dr. Wilson, Waxwing, good size and shape, colours clean and distinct, very steady, 4th Nightingale, in perfect condition, exceptionally well staged; 3, Attercley, Lesser Whitethroat, neat little exhibit, nicely staged; vhc, Simmonds; hc, Kay. HYBRID (14): 1, 3, Martin and Archer, noted almost clear Greenfinch-Can. leading, grand size, lovely col., real tip-topper; 2, 4, Wilson, Can.-Bullie, shows parentage well, grand col., nicely mkd. 4th Linnet-Bullie, grand size and shape, well mkd., both nicely staged; vhc, Pickles; hc, Inman; c, Seward and Biggar. PARROTS, ETC. (6): 1, 3, Davies, true pair Eclectus Parrots, grand bright colours, staged in perfect condition, 3rd Fiji Parrakeet, splendid col., nicely staged; 2, Pickles, Blue cock Budgerigar, staged in perfect condition, colour and markings well defined and clear; 4, hc, Fletcher, Peunant and Yellow Rump, two neat exhibits, nicely staged, well worth their place; vhc, Hattersley. COMMON SEED-EATER (4): 1, Davies, grand pair Diamond Sparrows, in lovely condition, colours bright and clear, well mkd.; 2, Baxby, good pair Zebra Finches, neat; 3, 4, Fletcher, Diamond Sparrows and Zebra Finches, neatly staged, very little between these and winners. A.O.S. SEEDEATER (7): 1, Chadwick, Whydah, beautiful exhibit, splendid colours, good tail, well staged; 2, c, Simpson, Blackheaded Gouldian, colours nice and bright, markings well defined, good exhibit; 3, Fairhurst, Redheaded Gouldian, very good condition, could be better staged, not in a suitable cage; 4, Inman, Bishop, grand col., in perfect condition, well staged; hc, Wells. A.O.V. (2): 1, Simpson, Long-tailed Glossy Starling, like satin, perfect condition and col.; 2, Walsh, Australian White-eyed Wood Swallow, perfect condition, steady as a rock, must have been had to separate.

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In spite of the disaster that overtook the Canary City during the past month, the men of Norwich managed by hard work and perseverance to get together a record gathering of cage birds at the annual show of the Norwich Alliance. All England C.B.A., held in the Corn Hall, Oct. 10 and 11. The thousand odd birds looked well in the fine building, being neatly staged so as to allow plenty of room for visitors to inspect the exhibits without inconvenience. The chubby Norwich Canaries were, of course, the most numerous in this fine collection, and although we have recently heard a good deal about the six and a half limit, big ones were not so much in evidence as birds of the correct Norwich type. In fact, type appeared to be the keynote of the snatches of conversation heard from time to time during the show. Although type was much in evidence, size was by no means lacking, and here and there one could find birds of exceptional size; and the judge, Mr. Vardy, had to be very careful in awarding the special given for the best bird under six and a half inches. This was secured by Mr. W. Morris, of Stamford Hill, with a lovely buff unflighted cock. Throughout the show Mr. Morris did extremely well. That old fancier Mr. E. J. Rippon, of Chelmsford, pressed him severely in some of the classes with birds of wonderful type. Other well-known exhibitors in this section were Messrs. Howard, More, Irons, Harper, Jee Thomas, Payne, Ebbage, etc.

One expects in a big show of this kind to see the champions stand out clearly from the amateurs, but at Norwich there is not that marked difference in the two sections; in fact, here and there one could find birds that fairly held their own when compared with the old stagers' best. Notable amongst such was a lovely buff hen shown by Messrs. Keymer Bros., of Gorleston, acknowledged by the knowing ones as the best hen in the show. Needless to say she was quickly claimed at a rather low figure. Crests and Crestbreds were an excellent lot, and it did one's eyesight good to see such a delightful array of yellows. Mr. Carlton, of Norwich, led off with a beauty of good size, neat thick crest, of good formation. Messrs. Sadd, Clapham, Horsely, and others, showed good specimens. Compared with our London shows, Hybrids and British were only fairly represented. Some good birds were, however, undoubtedly staged, particularly in the class provided for Song Thrushes, but we missed the classes for Linnets, Green Birds, Chaffinches, etc., to which we have now become accustomed, but, of conrse, Canaries "fill the bill," and, judging by the huge classes in the amateur section, are likely to do so for some time to come.

An Auspicious Opening Ceremony.

There was a fine attendance at the opening ceremony, performed by Lady Coke. Dr. Darrell presided, and on behalf of the association extended a hearty welcome to Lady Coke, who in felicitous terms wished every success to the show, which, she said, struck her as very wonderful. Mr. Freestone, in proposing a vote of thanks to her ladyship, said the show was one of the best that had been held in Norwich. That day's collection was the finest he had come across locally. Mr. Piggin seconded the vote. At this stage Miss May Roll stepped upon the dais and presented Lady Coke with a beautiful bouquet of autumn blooms, the gift being gracefully acknowledged by her ladyship. Lord Coke, in voicing his wife's thanks, said they had often heard a great deal about the Norwich Canary, but they never until that day had an idea what a delightful Fancy it was. He congratulated the members in producing such fine birds.

Respecting the management, we need only say that it was quite up to that of previous years, and that is to give the highest praise. The same careful attention and watchfulness were given to the birds committed to the care of the association that we so vividly remember in past years. The hard-working secretary, Mr. R. Roll, was as usual at his post early and late, and kept a watchful eye upon the birds, the gate, and the clerical work of the show. Good secretaries are undoubtedly born to the job, and Mr. Roll is just "all there." But however good the secretary is, he must have some assistance of the right kind, and the chairman, Mr. Freestone, and vice-chairman, Mr. Freeman, also Mr. Piggin, the treasurer, lent valuable aid, which was well backed up by the willing band of genial workers, consisting of Messrs. A. W. Russell, W. Drury, G. Wilkinson, W. Goodson, F. Cullington, A. Shearing, J. Tarlton, E. P. Gilbert, A. Bann, J. Cutmore, H. F. Bartram, J. Parsons, S. Roberts, etc. The sale of birds was good, many changing hands at all kinds of prices. The demand appeared to be more for high quality hens than cocks, quite as much money being given for hens of the right stamp as for birds of the stronger sex. The gate was up to the average, and one met here and there fanciers from some considerable distance. The judges were: Messrs. W. E. Greeves, Crests and C. Breds, and W. Vardy and J. Robson, Plainheads, Hybrids, Brit., etc.

The Plainheads and Crests.

NOR. CL. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Morris, grand size and type, good head, wings closely packed over a short tail, fine quality; 2, hc, Rippon, another beauty for size and qual., good head and wings, hardly the substance of winner; 3, Brooks, wee shade smaller, better col., grand type, sweet head, lovely feather; 4, vhc, c, Howard, big, bold bird, rare head and front, well filled back, not quite the col. of winners; vhc another beauty, close up, quickly claimed at 4 guineas. BUFF (15): 1, More, good size, nice head, capital wing carriage, lovely qual. of feather, rare col.; 2, Rippon, shade stouter, with rare front, good head, on a very full neck, grand qual. and type, must have pressed hard; 3, Bateman, fine bold bird, good col. and qual., hardly the substance of winners; 4, Harper, grand big bird, fine type, well filled all round, good wings and tail; vhc, Howard; hc, Thomas; c, Morris. TKD., ETC., YELL. CK. (11): 1, Morris, bonny bird for size and type, good full head, short legs and tail, close wings, wee bit open at throat, still wins; 2, Rippon, rare fettle, grand head and neck, well filled back, good qual.; 3, hc, Thomas, heavily mkd. bird, of grand substance, nice full front, good head and neck, capital qual.; 4, vhc, c, Howard, leader a similar bird to 3rd, hardly so large, but quite as good on points. BUFF (13): 1, Morris, bonny bird, of good type and quality, very clean cut to a good short tail, nice close fitting wings; 2, Rippon, grand bird, fine substance and feather, grand head and wings, very close up; 3, c, Howard, a beauty for type and qual. of feather, well proportioned all through, only beaten for size, a taking specimen, quickly claimed; 4, Payne, another good one, grand type and qual.; vhc, Ebbage; hc, Thomas. HEN, CL., ETC., YELL. (11): 1, Joe Thomas, beauty for type and size, wonderful head and neck, well filled front, grand condition; 2, c, Irons, neat typical bird, fine size, good head and back, lovely wings and tail, good style; 3, vhc, Ebbage, very short and thickset, wonderful col. for a lady, grand qual., close up; 4, Howard, another beauty, grand type, neat head and neck, good wings; hc, Thomas. BUFF (14): 1, More, bonny cap-mkd. bird, well filled front, nice qual.; 2, Rippon, eye tkd. bird, of nice shape and style, good head, well filled neck, neat wings, rare col.; 3, Morris, perhaps best type in the class, wonderful qual. of feather, short wings and tail, beaten only in col.; 4, Howard, big bird, grand substance, well filled back, fine qual.; vhc, Bott, lovely type, rare stock bird; hc, Irons; c, Ebbage. CRESTS, YELL. (9): 1, hc, Carlton, beauty, wing mkd. dark crest, of nice shape, and droop, capital substance for a yell., real good hen; 2, vhc, Clapham, another good one, hardly the substance of winner, nice headpiece, of good size and shape, well placed centre; 3, Sadd, fine bold grizzle, of good shape, nice droop, well filled back, lovely qual.; 4, Horsley, good size, nice full crest, of good substance, scarcely so good at centre as winners; c, Calver and Son. CL. BODY (5): 1, 2, Carlton, bonny bird, of rare size, cl. body, dark, good shape, wonderful density of feather, and good bold veining, capital spec.; 2, similar bird, lovely crest veining, and droop, grand size and qual.; 3, Sadd, cl., good size, neat headpiece, good centre, capital front. BUFF, A.V., except CL. BODY (12): 1, 4, Shearman, rare size and type, lovely head, very neat and well packed, droops well all round from a good centre, capital veining, 4th a big one, neat, shapely crest, good centre; 2, Woollard, bonny bold spec., well packed headpiece of good shape, capital droop; 3, Sadd, big bold bird, wonderful substance, good big crest, dense and full, hardly so neat as winner; vhc, Calver and Son; hc, More; c, Horsley. C.B., BUFF (12): 1, Clapham, big, bold green, grand type, well domed head, of rare width and substance, fine condition; 2, Betts, another big foul mkd. one, fine bold head, nicely packed and well lashed; 3, Howard, grand size, and qual., good head, fine entrance, capital substance; 4, Sadd, another big one, grandly lashed head, well packed, domed; vhc, Revell; hc, Carlton; c, Payne. AMAT. NOR. CL. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Silom, lovely qual., very hot col., good type and style, tightly feathered, good wings and tail; 2, Collicott, bigger, bolder bird, but hardly so neatly packed, rare head and front, grand qual.; 3, Goodson, bonny type, very short all over, lovely head and neck, very neat wings and tail, grand col.; 4, hc, Keymer Bros., fine spec., lovely col. and qual., good bold front; vhc, Moore; c, Hall. BUFF (35): 1, Jeffries, a real beauty for size and type, beautifully proportioned, nice full head, good front and back, well braced wings; 2, Leamon, fine size and qua., very hot col., good substance, grand wings and tail, scarcely the bold substance of winner; 3, Freeman, bonny bold type, fine head and neck, well filled back and front, grand spec., must have pressed; 4, Brewster, capital size

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and col., god type, lovely quality; vhc, Collicott; he, Smith; c, Keymer Bros. TKD., ETC., YELL. CK. (26): 1, Harvey, neat, typical, good bold front, neat head and neck, capital wings and tail; 2, Alden, junr., big bold bird, grand type, fine bold head and neck, well braced wings, grand col.; 3, Martin, neat, nice type and qual., good front, grand col.; 4, Duffield, similar bird, lovely type and style, good head and neck, A1 qual.; vhc, Page; he, Horth; c, Dazeley. BUFF (37): 1, Silkin, neat, typical, good style, good head and neck, nice wings, grand col. and qual.; 2, Dady, short thick-set bird, capital size, good head and neck, bold front, well braced wings; 3, Freeman, neat spec., nice head, well filled back, grand col. and qual.; 4, Horth, big bold spec., wonderful substance, well filled all through, grand qual.; vhc, Bartram; he, Leamon; c, George. YELL. HEN (26): 1, c, Olle, bonny bird, very typical, neat full head and neck, good wings and tail; 2, Collicott, another cobby bird, very neat, yet full, sweet head, well braced wings, grand qual.; 3, Brewster, good bold bird, lovely type, grand head, well filled back and front; 4, Piggin, neat type, good head, neck and front, nice qual.; vhc, Leamon; he, Bules. BUFF: 1, 4, Keymer Bros., bonny hen, short and cobby all over, real beauty for type, good head and neck, grand qual. of feather and sound col.; 4th, another cobby one, fine bold bird, neat wings and tail, grand qual.; 2, Bartram, head tkd., grand size, very shapely, good bold front, grand stock bird; 3, Middleman, neat spec., good bold head and neck, grand qual.; vhc, Bales; he, Dazeley; c, Pill. CRESTS, YELL. (10): 1, c, Dunham, grizzle capped, fine substance and qual. of feather, nice dense headpiece of good shape, well drooped from a neat centre; 2, he, Page, var., fine size, neat head, good formation, nice droop and vein; 3, Pill, wing mkd. dark, good shape and size, neatly radiated, well filled back; 4, Millar, bonny yell., neat head, good substance; vhc, Brundell; c, Dunham. CL. BODY, ETC. (10): 1, Alden, lovely grizzle of grand size and substance, good droop from a nice centre; 2, Potter, bonny D.C., neat, yet of good substance, droops well, good centre, well filled back; 3, Gilbert, another D.C., neat, good back, capital centre; 4, Dunham, dark, capital veining, nice centre; vhc, Ashworth; he, Brundell; c, Cubitt. BUFF except CL. BODY (14): 1, 4, Ashworth, fine bold bird, grand size and type, good head, fine size and density, well radiated, capital centre; 4th, similar bird, neat, yet full crest of good shape; 2, Thompson, green, grand size, good crest, well drooped, nice frontal and well filled back; 3, Page, var., fine size and qual., big crest, good shape, nicely drooped; vhc, Piggin; he, Linder; c, Mitchell. C.B. YELL. (12): 1, Hall, bold bird, fine type and size, grand head, well domed, capital width; 2, Page, var., grand size, full of feather, good broad skull, nicely lashed; 3, Mitchell, neat, good head, well feathered, capital qual.; 4, Pill, cl., grand size and qual., good broad skull, well domed and packed. BUFF CK. (12): 1, Page, grand substance and qual., fine bold head, well packed and lashed; 2, Pauling, beauty for size and substance, grandly shaped head full of feather; 3, Dunham, big one, rare substance, broad skull, well lashed with good broad feather; 4, Hall, very fine green, grandly shaped head, very good entrance; vhc, Alden; he, Roper. HENS (12): 1, he, Carlton, grand size and type, lovely head, well domed and packed, a beauty; 2, Page, big bird, capital head, good broad skull, plenty of feather; 3, Brewster, green, good substance, grandly shaped head, well packed; 4, Cubitt, green, rare size and qual., lovely head, grand shape and width; vhc, Shearing. CINN, YELL. (11): 1, Nason, bonny bird, grand size and type, good head and back, brilliant colour carried right through; 2, Payne, real good one, very fine type, hardly the head of winner, but grand col.; 3, C. Howard, bonny for size and type, good head and neck, well filled back, sound col.; 4, Skipper, lovely rich col., good shape and size, rare qual. of feather; vhc, H. C. Andrews. BUFF (11): 1, 2, 3, and 4, Andrews, grand size and type, good head, well filled neck, bold front, rare depth of col., lovely mealy qual., 2nd, a beauty, rare col. and qual., capital size and shape; 3rd, close up., grand col., A1 type, very fine qual. of feather, must have pressed; 4th, good bird, sound col., good head and wings, hardly the substance of winner; vhc, Cook; he, Cullington; c, Skipper.

The Young Canaries, etc.

YOUNG CREST (29): 1, Shearman, bonny bird, rare size and type, good size crest, capital shape, droop and veiny, a beauty; 2, Woollard, grizzle cap, good substance, grand front, well filled back, good centre; 3, Pauling, wing mkd. D.C. of grand size, good shape and drop; 4, Payne, bold spec., good size crest, nicely drooped, good centre and veining; vhc, Horsley; he, Ashworth; c, Carlton. YOUNG C.B.: 1, vhc, Shearman, grand bold bird, wonderful size and substance, grand head, well domed and packed; 2, Gabriel, green, good size, full of feather, grandly domed head, well lashed; 3 and 4, Carlton, two beauties for size and qual., grand heads of good shape, well packed and lashed; he, Coman; c, Brundell. UNFLIG. CK. YELL.: 1, C. Morris, grand size and wonderful type, short and compact, good head, well filled neck, wings close and compact; 2, Irons, beauty for size, qual., and col., good type, but hardly the front of winner; 3, Horth, lovely bird, real Nor. type, a gem for qual., looks like a lady; 4, Muddeman, hardly so big, but wonderful col. and type, neat head, well braced, short wings; vhc, Goodeve; he, Rippon. BUFF (33): 1 and 2, Morris, bonny thicknet bird of rare substance, short all over, real Nor., grand head and front, good qual.; 2nd, good one, grand type and qual., well braced wings, neatly packed tail; 3, More, good one for size, type and qual., grand head and neck, a bonny bird; 4, Rippon, good bird, nice type and qual., hardly the substance of winners; vhc, Bales; he, Ebbage; c, Cullington. YELL. HENS (24): 1, Morris, rare type and style, wonderful front and wing carr., rare col. for a lady; 2, Howard, good size and substance, grand head, well filled neck, neatly carried flights; 3, Ebbage, bonny type, good bold front, capital head and neck, shade pale in col.; 4, Revell, marked bird of grand type, rare feather and col; vhc, More; he, Leamon; c, Bott. BUFF (28): 1, Duffield, lovely type and size, rare qual. and col., grand head and neck, well filled body; 2, he, Rippon, beauty, grand type and qual., beautiful head on short, full neck, lovely wings; 3, Ebbage, wonderful qual., must have pressed leader hard; 4, Smith, good size and type, well filled front, grand qual.; vhc, Morris; he, Howard. NON-FED. YELL. (13): 1, 3, Brown, mkd. bird of good size and type, good bold front, nice head, well filled cheeks and neck, grand qual. and rich natural col.; 3rd, bonny, cl. grand qual. and col., lovely type and style; 2, Baker, heavily mkd. spec., grand type, good size and style, good full head; 4, Cole, big bold bird, capital head, nice full back; vhc, Morter; he, c, Cutmore. BUFF (15): 1, 2, Dean, bonny bold bird, grand front, nice well shaped head, good neck and shoulders, grand qual. and col.; 2, similar, with little more substance and col., must have pressed; 3, Holmes, bonny type, capital head and neck, good wedge shape; 4, Cutmore, neat, grand qual. of feather, sound col.; vhc, he, Brown; c, Baker. EVEN MKS. (10): 1, Howard, bonny bold bird, grand size and type, well marked wings and good balanced eyes, altho' shade light; 2, Thompson, similar, with grand wings, good qual. and col.; 3, Whitmore, heavier mkd., good type and substance, well balanced eyes and wings, rare qual.; 4, Sndd, bonny, good wings and eyes, grand col.; vhc, Hall; c, Skipper. NOR. (19): 1, Brooks, fine big Dutch Frill, grand bold bird, good mantle and ruff, full of feather, of good qual.; 2, 3, and he, Howard, big coppy, grand size and type, nice full front, good bird; 3, Smart, yell. Yorkie, capital type, good length of wings, sound col.; 4, vhc, Mitchell, Lanc. coppy, good bold bird, neat head-piece; c, Stark. LIMIT, NOR. YELL. CK. (23): 1, Shorten, good, bold, and typical, nice head and neck, A.1. qual.; 2 and 4, Howard, good bird, capital type and qual., sound col.; 3, Ebbage, nice spec., bold front, neat head and neck, good wings; vhc, Skipper; he, Fysh; c, Stark. BUFF (14): 1, Howard, good bird, nice type and qual., good head and front; 2, Hart, neat head, good shoulders and back; 3, George, typical, well filled back, neat wings and tail; 4, Piggin, nice spec., good front, capital size; vhc, Stark; he, Freestone; c, Page. YELL. HEN (13): 1, Baker, typical spec., nicely rounded, good head and neck, capital wings; 2, Howard, capital, good size and nice type; 3, Laccohee, smart bird, nice style and type, well filled; 4, Wright, another good one, useful little lady, nice condition; vhc, Butler; he, Ebbage; c, Stark. BUFF (17): 1, Bennett, good bold bird of nice size and type, capital wings and tail, nice qual.; 2, Brown, typical spec., useful, well filled all round, capital condition; 3, Howes, bonny lady, nice size and type, good wings; 4 and vhc, Stark, neat bird, nice head and neck, well filled; he, Pattingale; c, Browne. YELLS. 15/- (25): 1, Baker; 2, Shearing; 3, Wilson; 4, Stark; vhc, Moore; he, Wright; c, Revell. BUFF (32): 1, Revell; 2, Piggin; 3, Page; 4, Baker; vhc., Goulder; he, Stark; c, Harvey. NON-FLIGHTED YELL. (17): 1, Smith; 2, Harl; 3, Revell; 4, Stark; vhc, Howard; he, Butler; c, Ebbage. BUFF (20): 1, Stark; 2 and vhc, Harl; 3, Ebbage; 4, Howard; he, Smith; c, Phillips. PAIRS (10): 1 and vhc, Ebbage; 2, Bennell; 3 and 4, Stark; he, Revell; c, Bales. CREST, £2 (13): 1, Linder, good size and type, neat head of good shape and droop; 2, Wilson, capital size, shapely, nice crest, well radiated, good centre; 3, Page, another good one, capital feather, neat head; 4, Wright and Son; vhc, Brown; he, Goldsmith; c, Howard. C.B., 25/- (6): 1, Thompson, fine bold spec., shapely, plenty of feather, good skull of nice shape; 2, Cullington, capital size, nice head, well filled; 3 and vhc, Linder, another good one, good full head, capital shape; 4, Shearman. CREST, 15/- (15): 1, Revell; 2, Gilbert; 3, Pill; 4, Wright and Son. C.B., 15/- (12): 1, Pill; 2, Clapham; 3, Goulder; 4, Meen.

BREEDERS' CLASSES.—YELL. CK. (23): 1, 2, Goodson; 3, 4, vhc, Duffield; he, Harcourt; c, Keymer. BUFF (44): 1 and 3, Duffield; 2, Steward; 4, King; vhc, Davidson, he and c, Pearson. YELL. HEN (22): 1, Nash; 2, Duffield; 3, Dale; 4, Keymer; vhc, Harvey; he, Addison; c, Peck. BUFF (45): 1 and 3, Duffield; 2, Clarke; 4, Thompson; c, Addison.

Hybrids, British & Foreign Birds.

HYB., GOLD. OR LINNET (18): 1, Smith, good var. Goldie Can., smart bird, capital size and shape, grand quality; 2, 3, Fysh, leader, big bold bird, mkd. head and wings, lovely shape, grand quality of feather, close up; 3rd, neat head mkd. bird, good size and shape, lovely silky feather, tight as wax; 4, Cooper, grand dark, good size and shape, sound col and quality; vhc, he, Wright; c, Brooks. A.O.V. (5): 1, Fysh, fine bold Goldie-Bullie, good shape, nice rich blaze and dense cap and wings; 2, Brown, good Sickin-Can., nice size and type, well mkd., sound col and quality; 3, Meen, another bonny bird, close up, must have pressed, grand quality; 4, Banham, yet another nat. col. specimen, good type, well laced, A1 quality; vhc, Potter. GOLDIES (11): 1, 2, Henson, two beauties, first grand size and shape, nice rich, full, clean cut blaze, grand wings, rich chestnut; 2nd, similar bird, hardly so rich in blaze, but good shape, well buttoned wings; 3, 4, Cook, bonny bird, close up, good col blaze, nice rich chestnut, rare quality and condition; 4th, good bold bird, nice top and underblaze, hardly fit yet; vhc, he, Miles; c, Goldsmith. LINNET, ETC. (10): 1, Keymer, wonderful bold Mealy Redpoll, grand size and shape, full of lacing, capital wings, a beauty; 2, vhc, Miles, bonny Lesser, grand little bird, capital cap and bib, beautifully laced, little gem; 3, 4, he, Cooper, good Sickin, nice cap, grandly laced, good sound wings, rich col.; 4th, good Mealy, capital size, well laced, good bib; c, Fysh. A.O.V. (10): 1, 4, c, Cooper, good Bunting leading, grand size and marking, but a shade wild for a winner; 4th, fine Bramble, lovely col and quality, well laced, nice wings, good one; 2, Woodcock, grand Bullie, good cap, sound rich breast, grand wings, rare Bullie type; 3, Lowrie, good bold Chaffie, sound col throughout, nice cap, well mkd. wings, grand quality; vhc, Miles; he, Fysh. SONG THRUSH (7): 1, 2, 3, he, Johnson, winner bold bird, but many preferred the third, the Palace winner, grand size and spotting; 4, Cooper, good bold bird, very cleanly mkd., hardly the size and substance of winners; vhc, Reeve; c, Gilmore. SMALL INSECTIVE (4): 1, Cooper, good Marsh Tit, very neat, good cap, grand wings; 2, Row, nice Willow Wren, good size and shape, rich col, in fine condition; 3, Gooderham, bold Nuthatch, nicely mkd., rich col. and well shown; 4, Gilmore, our homely friend the Robin, grand rich col. LARGE (3): 1, Johnson, grand Starling, wonderful size and shape, full of spangling, grandly mkd. wings, plenty of polish, quickly claimed; 2, Cooper, bold Blackbird, shapely, sound rich col., nicely feathered; 3, Miles, good Redwing, big bird, nice condition.

PARROTS: 1, Thorne, fine bold Ring-neck, grand col, well mkd., fine condition; 2, Cole, another equally as big, but hardly so tight in feather, still a good one; 3, Miles, good pair of Budgerigars, nicely matched, grand col. and size. SMALL (4): 1, Row, nice pair of Golden-breasted Waxbills, lovely feather and col., real good pair; 2, 3, 4, Andrews, Green Avadavats, capital size and col., well shown; very fine Parson Finch, beautifully mkd., tight as wax, close up, and a grand Orange Bishop, A1 col and quality, a good specimen. A.O.V. SEED-EATERS (7): 1, 2, Row, grand Fire-tailed Finch, fine size, grand col, in lovely condition, wins, and a fine pair of Masked Fiuches, good size, beautiful condition; 3, he, Andrews, grand Whydah, good chestnut breast, perfect in feathering; 4, vhc, c, Smith, fine Redheaded Gouldian, grand col. A.O.S.: 1, Andrews, good Superb Tanager, capital col and condition; 2, Clarke, grand Glossy Starling, very fine col and sheen.

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The second show under the Yorkshire Union was held October 12th in the Drummond road Council School, by the Manningham C.B.S., when 360 birds faced the judges, Messrs. H. W. Walsh and F. Allen, the former, as the official of the Y.U., taking all the open classes, the latter placing the tickets in the novice section. The awards of both were well received. The management is in very good hands. The excellent secretary, Mr. H. Grange, knows his duties, and he is ably assisted in his work by Mr. Pearson and the committee of management, Mr. W. Holroyd (president), Messrs. Huddleston, Hellas, L. Holroyd (vice-presidents), Mr. W. E. Dent (treasurer), and Messrs. F. Grange, Ward, Powell, Dewhirst, and Newton, as show stewards. Everything passed off well, all birds being packed up in good time for their return journey. The society are fortunate in having such a splendid room for a show, it being very lofty and well lighted, free from draughts, and within a short distance of the trams.

Mr. Walsh's Classes.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. (14): 1, Wilson, great length, nice shooty style, grand back and wings, nice quality, leggy; 2, Ogden Bros., extra position, good type, and nice bit of shoulder, full of colour and quality; 3, Rigg, breedy type, rattling style, lovely feather; 4, Whitley, nice shape, good head and back, neat wings, smart in feather; vhc, Thomas; he, Bennett; c, Hersey. BUFF (14): 1, Morrison, tick. wing, extra good type, nice position, feathered to perfection, wins; 2, Sutcliffe and Son, grand length and shape, leggy, lovely col., but not fined down in feather yet; 3, Rigg, tick. head, plenty of size, nice shape, grand col and quality; 4, Stobart, fair shape, lengthy, good feather, and full col.; vhc, Dykes; he, Simonett; c, Ackroyd. CL. TICK. YELL. HEN: Cancelled. BUFF (12): 1, Ogden Bros., tick wing, good shape but weighty, wants bringing down, well filled neck, good head, marvellous quality; 2, Whitley, neat type, leggy, nice head, lovely quality; 3, Peel, grand shape, nicely cut away, well up in position, nice wings, good quality; 4, Ellis, neat type, leggy, extra quality; vhc, Dykes; he, Wilson; c, Denby. GREEN MKD. (13): 1, Sutcliffe and Son, four-pointed yell., grand length, slim, rattling shape, leggy, lovely quality, very smart; 2, Thomas, yell., mkd. wings, eyes and breast, rattling length of side, fine position, leggy, good col. and quality; 3, Ogden Bros., huff, mkd. wing and eye, nice size, rattling shape and position, lovely feather; 4, Denby, four-pointed yell., extra slim, lengthy, leggy, good type; vhc, Shaw Bros.; he, Ellis; c, Whitley. HEN (10): 1, Stobart, yell., mkd. wing and eyes, rattling type and position, round as a bottle, perfect feather, beauty; 2, Thomas, yell., mkd. wings, eyes and cheeks, great length, slim, nice shape, leggy and fine position, rattling quality; 3, Whitley, buff, mkd. wing, eye, good shape, well filled all through, grand quality; 4, Brown and Son, yell., mkd. wings, head, neat type, full of col. and grand feather; vhc, Chittenden; he, Lunn; c, Lister. CINN., TICK., ETC. (6): 1, Towers, yell., mkd. wings, eye and head, great length, good shape, leggy, nice quality; 2, 4, Brown and Son, buff, mkd. wings and head, grand shape and position, good pipe tail, lovely quality, smart; 4th, foul yell., extra type and style, brimful of col and quality; 3, Ogden Bros., yell., lightly marked, very smart shape, lovely style, leggy, perfect feather; vhc, Mason; he, Morrison. HEN (8): 1, Ogden Bros., yell., mkd. wings, eyes, marvellous quality, grand shape, style and position, leggy, good one; 2, 4, Allen, buff and yell. respectively, former good size and shape, rattling feather; latter, very slim and well drawn, showy, fair quality; 3, Moss, yell., mkd. wings, cheek and head, nice length and shape, fine position, nice quality; vhc, Simonett; he, Lunn; c, Chittenden. UNFLIGHTED (18): 1, Self, buff, nice wedge shape, lengthy, grand back, wings and tail, perfect feather; 2, Thomas, yell., fine length, slim, nicely cut away, straight, grand quality, good one; 3, Burdekin Bros., smaller, very neat type, extra col and quality; 4, Dewhirst, yell, nice length and shape, good quality, fails a little in head; vhc, Ellis; he, Drake; c, Morrison. HEN (13): 1, Moss, cinn. mkd. yell., great length, leggy, good shape, nice back, medium quality; 2, Dykes, buff, grand shape and position, neat head, extra quality, smart; 3, Ackroyd, yell., smaller, neat and typical, leggy, nice quality; 4, Peel, buff, grand wedge shape, fine position, rattling quality; vhc, Hardaker; he, Thomas; c, Dewhirst. AMATEUR, A.V. CK. (7): 1, vhc, Tidswell, very good buff mkd., grand shape and style, nice quality; 2, Denby, yell., grand length, leggy, good shape, smartly feathered; 3, Lunn, buff, lengthy and good shape, bit sharp at front; 4, Self, yell., nice length and shape, smart back and wings, good quality; he, Smith; c, Burdekin Bros. HEN (7): 1, Burdekin Bros., yell., slim and good shape, grand tail, nice feather; 2, Smith, buff, rather strong, good head, back and wings, nice quality; 3, vhc, Wellock, yell., slim and breedy, nice quality; 4, Self, grand shape and fine position, nice silky feather; he, Lunn; c, Tidswell. SELL., 15s. (20): 1, Taylor; 2, Grange; 3, Lunn; 4, Hadwen; vhc, Hellas; he, Lord; c, Tidswell. DO., HEN, 12s. (9): 1, Powell; 2, Drake; 3, Birbeck; 4, Hellae; vhc, Hadwen; he, Lister; c, Marsh

Mr. Allen's Classes.

NOVICE. CL. OR TICK. YELL. (17): 1, Firth, nice length and shape, well on leg, good position, grand feather, bit patchy in col, unflighted; 2, Long, slim and nicely drawn out, leggy, nice quality; 3, Brook and Oldfield, grand type, straight as a barrel, good col and feather; 4, Binns, good wedge shape, nice bit of shoulder, neat wings, not ready yet; vhc, Mountain; he, Midgley; c, Huddleston. BUFF (20): 1, Cawtheray and Son, tick wing, extra good wedge shape, straight as a rush, nice position, rare col and quality; 2, Tyas, stronger, good shape, very good feather, good big one; 3, Lee, tick head, great length, good type, rattling col and quality; 4, Nichol, tick wing and neck, nice shape and position, very good wings, smart feathered; vhc, Hirst; he, Dibb; c, Gledhill. YELL. HEN (14): 1, Beaumont, neat type and style, plenty of leg, lovely col and quality, all there; 2, Binns, cinn. mkd., good size, nice position, good wings and tail, neat feather; 3, Hird, slim, nicely drawn out, rattling position, good back and wings, nice quality; 4, Walton, good length and shape, nice quality, pale col; vhc, Bradshaw; he, Robson; c, Midgley. BUFF (16): 1, Rhodes, grand shape, nice bit of shoulder, fine position, good back, lovely quality and col.; 2, Beaumont, nice shape, good head and neck, extra fine in feather; 3, Naylor, nice shape, good back and neat wings, all there for quality; 4, Lodge, well up in position, good shape, good wings, nice quality; vhc, Grange; he, Radley; c, Hodgson. UNFLIGHTED YELL. (26): 1, Saville, tick wing, beautiful wedge shape, straight as a rush, leggy, lovely col and feather, claimed at catalogue price, £5 5s.; 2, Radley, one of the breedy type, rattling position, nice col and quality; 3, Binns, good type, stands well, smart feather; 4, Powell, nice length and straight, good shape, leggy, nice quality; vhc, Hird; he, Studd; c, McLaughlin. BUFF (23): 1, Taylor, grand shape, very erect in position, leggy, extra quality, shows all; 2, Binns, slim, very neat type, leggy, good wings and tail, nice feather; 3, Ogden, saddle mkd., nice shape, leggy, neat, good quality; 4, Radley, good shape, extra quality, very neat wings and tail, smart; vhc, S. Radley; he, Beaumont and Marsden; c, Hutchinson. HEN (25): 1, Smith, tick check yell., grand shape and position, good back, rattling feather, neat; 2, Bennett, yell., grand length and shape, well filled back, and wings neatly carried, lovely feather; 3, Mountain, buff, nice length and shape, neat head, good back, nice quality; 4, Wood, slim, breedy, leggy, nice feather; vhc, Rhodes; he, Radley; c, Newton. GREEN MKD. (15): 1, Long, foul yell., nice length, grand shape, leggy, fine position, full of col and nice quality; 2, Wood, buff, mkd. wings and breast, strong build, well filled neck, grand quality; 3, Saville, foul yell., grand shape, very straight, leggy, nice pipe tail, lovely quality and col; 4, Tasker, buff, good shape and position, grand feather; vhc, Woad; he, Lodge; c, Marsh. HEN (14): 1, Nichols, buff, nice length and shape, good position, nice back, good quality; 2, Naylor, yell., slim, nice type, leggy, good feather, neat; 3, Ellis, buff, nice shape and carriage, extra good wings, lovely quality; 4, Ingham, buff, bit strong, lovely quality, grand col; vhc, Moore; he, Walton; c, Ratcliffe. CINN., TICK, ETC. (10): 1, Leather, yell., good length and shape, leggy, good quality, wild; 2, McLaughlin, buff, neat narrow shoulders, nice position, good quality; 3, Deighton, racy shape, leggy and nice feather; 4, Boulton, good shape, nice wings and head, rare quality; vhc, Gill; he, Binns; c, Wood. NORWICH CK. (12): 1, 2, Birbeck, buff leading, good body substance, nice shape, lovely col and quality; 2nd, good headed yell., rattling quality; 3, Hunter, foul yell., good head, rare body shape, full of col., nice quality; 4, Ingham, yell., grand shape and substance, extra quality and col; vhc, Airton; he, Pearson; c, Kaberry. DO., HEN (14): 1, 3, Birbeck, yell. and buff, winner rattling good body, nice head, good quality; 3rd, neat shape, moderate substance; 2, Ingham, buff, rattling shape and substance, very chesty, nice quality; 4, Cawthra, buff, nice substance, good front, neat feathered; vhc, Lord; he, c, Watson.

PONTARDAWE.

Held Oct. 10, at New Public Hall. Entries, considering the earliness of the season, came up well, and in point of quality were excellent. Special for best in Canary section was awarded to Mr. S. H. George with a really typical yellow Nor. of good size and quality. Best British, to Mr. D. J. Barcroft's Bramble, a lovely exhibit. The Secretary, Mr. W. Jenkins, and show manager, Mr. Jno. Symonds, were very able and courteous officials. Mr. D. A. S. Longden judged.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. COCK (10): 1, sp. best Canary, 2, George, two beauties, leader great size, grand type and col., wins; 2nd, mkd., good col., fine shape, neat wings and tail, loses trifle in size; 3, Crowley, another good one, grand col. and qual., good head and neck, trifle smaller; 4, Beard, good col., very neat, not quite substance of leaders; vhc, Ewart Davies, Griffiths; c, Muscot. BUFF COCK (5): 1, with-held; 2, George, good size, shape and quality, neat wings; 3, Crowley, good type and qual.; 4, Price, very neat, loses substance to leaders; absent, Watkins. HEN (5): 1, with-held; 2, Muscott, good size, nice shape and qual.; 3, George, close up, very neat, not quite size of leader; 4, Crowley, good type, loses in polish to-day; absent, Watkins (2). YORKS. YELL. COCK (7): 1, he, Bevan, wing mkd., rare shape, grand feather, well up on leg; 2, Mock, cl., good size, stands well, good qual. and col.; 3, Beard, cl., good col. and qual., nice length, good position; 4, Price, grizzle mkd., good straight back, nice legs; he, Glover; c, Beese and Sons. BUFF (6): 1st with-held; 2, Mock, cl. buff, grand size and position, good qual., well shown; 3, Watkins, tkd., nice size, well up on leg, good qual.; 4, Bevan, good size, col. and shape; vhc, Glover; he, Price. HEN (7): 1, Mock, yell., a beauty, well up on leg, good col., shape and qual.; 2, he., Watkins, buff, nice size and shape good position neat wings; 3, 4, Holmes, yell. and buff, two good ones, nice type and qual., well braced wings, good legs. BORDERS, YELL. (6): 1, 3, D. Jenkins, cl., a pair of beauties, feathered like wax, lovely carriage and shape; 4, Mugford, cl., very neat, nice type and qual., not quite condition of winners; vhc, Lloyd; he, Allen. BUFF (9): 1, Hy. Jenkins, two pointed, grand shape and qual., and well shown; 2, no name cl. good type and qual. neatly feathered; 3, D. Jenkins, good qual. and condition, not quite as shapely as leaders; 4, Mugford, nice type and qual.; vhc, Eley; he, Lloyd; c, Allen. LOCAL (2): 2, 4, Poll, var. Nor., nice size and shape, neatly put down. MULE, ETC. (7): 1, Slee, grizzle mkd. Goldie Can., nice size and col., in perfect order; 2, Muscott, Goldie Bullie, lovely qual. and condition, lost some flights, which no doubt kept him back to-day; 3, Lewis, var. Goldie, nice size and col., good blaze, well shown; 4, Thomas, non-fed Dark Goldie, good quality, loses size; vhc, Davies; he, James. GOLDFINCH (3): 2, Jeffreys, good blaze, bars and buttons, well tanned, nice size; 4, Lewis, good size blaze, loses col. and shape to leader; vhc, Price. LINNET (7): 1, Nicholas; 2, Jeffreys, well mkd., good col. and shape, loses size; 3, Jenkins, good shape, nice size, well mkd., loses col. and qual., 4, Vivian, very neat, nice col. and qual., not quite markings of leaders; vhc, Heal; he, Vivian; absent, Harris. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, vhc, Barcroft, Siskin, good size and col., nice cap and bib, well laced; 2, Jeffreys, Lesser Redpoll, good col. and qual., nicely laced thighs; 3, Heal, neat Twite, good col., well mkd.; he, Lewis; c, Jeffreys. A.O.V. (4): 1st, with-held; 2, sp. best British, 3, Bancroft, Bramble, well spangled, good shape, col. and qual.; 3, Crosshill, a whopper, in lovely order; 4, Jeffreys, Chaffinch, wonderful size, but might be better in col. and shape; vhc, Price. SELLING (12s. 6d.) (4): 1st with-held; 2, Heale; 3, Bancroft; 4, Price.

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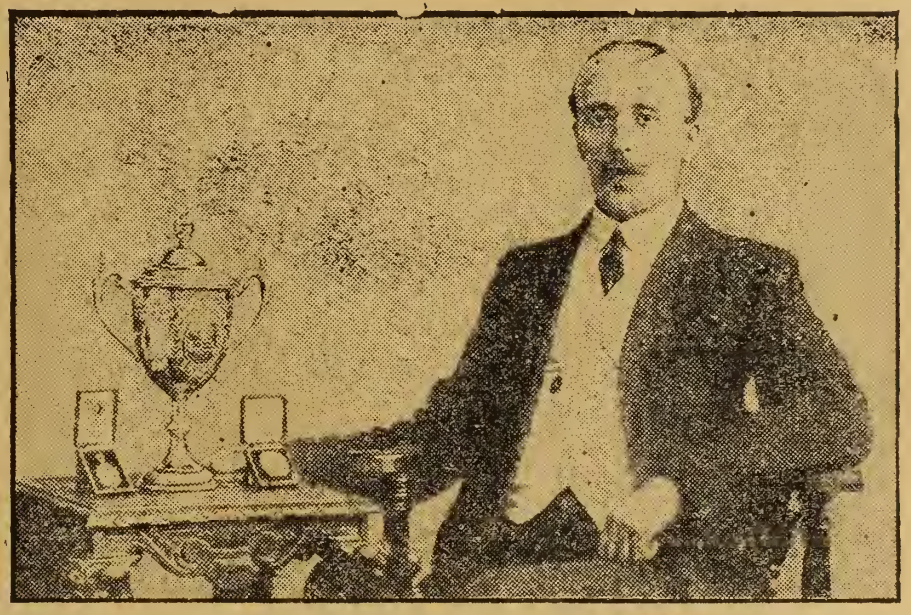
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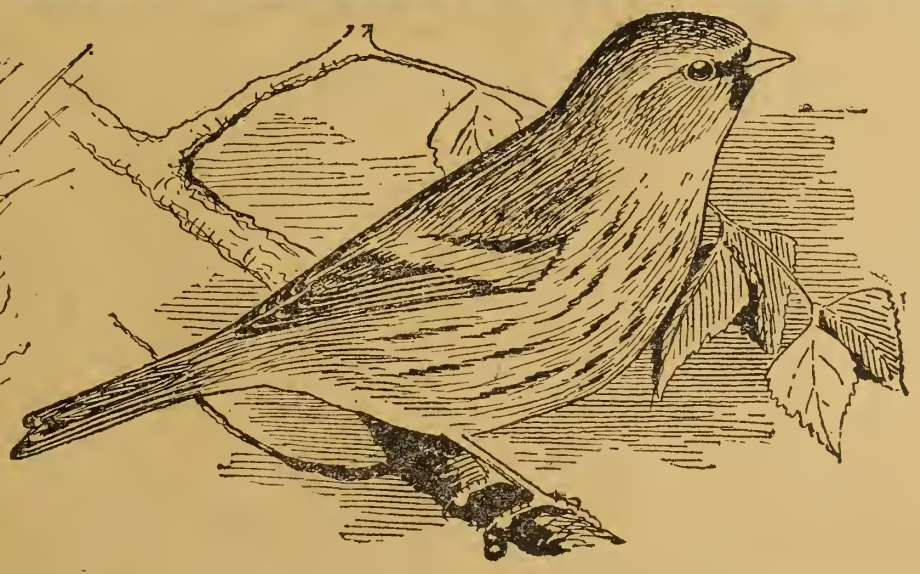
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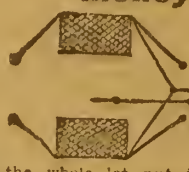
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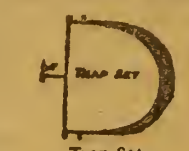
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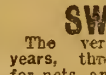
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GOOD clears, cocks 4/-, pairs 6/-, winning strain: Rev. Henry Soames, Bromley, Kent. (152)

FOR good Borders, in all colours apply: Robert Young, 177, Warton-terrace, Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (157)

FOUR yellow cocks, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-, 20/-, part of stock advertised on 12th: Thomson, Croft Place, Larkhall. (164)

GOOD Borders for sale, 7/- pair; cock, 5/-; hens, 2/6; or exchange anything: Bell, 21, Beaufoy-rd., Tottenham. (158)

PRIZE-BRED Borders, one yellow cock, two buff hens, 10/-: Wm. Baird, Elizabeth Place, Anstruther Wester, Fife. (149)

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BORDERS; rec wins Glasgow; some grand birds, show or stock; state wants; reasonable; stamp: Craig, High-st., Brechin. (154)

FOR sale, two yellow variegated hens, buff cock, one year, bred Craig's Brechin, lot 12/-: Skinner, 145, Fisher Row, Musselburgh. (158)

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Have 3 yellow cocks for sale, winners this year, from 30/-; approval; buy from breeder; first come, first served: Alb. Bentley, 17, St. Cecilia-st., Gt. Harwood. Also Norwich cheap. (156)

Crests and Crestbreds.

SHEFFIELD Ornithological Society, eight classes, two novice, 27/6 cash specials; entries close Oct. 28. (2)

A FEW Crests and Crestbreds for sale cheap, from 10/- upwards: Bewick, 144, Esk-st., Windy Nook, Gateshead. (155)

FEW good Crests and Crestbreds for sale, approval, deposit: Hardy, Stubley Mill, Littleborough, near Manchester.

CRESTS, Barnett's strain, also joiner-made double and single breeders, cheap in one lot, or separate: 435, Old Kent rd. (152)

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TWO pairs heavy matched Crests, bargain, 12/6; pair; heavy Crested hen, 5/6; approval, deposit: Comben, Outfitter, Portland. (163)

TWO wing-marked dark crested cocks, 7/6 and 10/6, grand Crests; money returned if not satisfaction: 12, Rosebery-rd., Exeter. (150)

SEVERAL grand Crested cocks for show or breeding, £2, £3, £4, £5, and £6 each; approval, deposit: Horsley, Butcher, Norwich.

IF you require a Crest or Crested-bred, for show or stock, write me, as they are in my possession: Rudd, the Bird Specialist, Norwich. (9)

CRESTS and Crest-breds for disposal, my own breeding, prices reasonable, seen by appointment: Cant, 30, Henslowe-rd., East Dulwich. (160)

FANCIERS wanting genuine Crests and Crestbreds state requirements; list free; easy payments arranged: R. Hanford, Derby.

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FINE Crested cock, handsome bird, 30/-: honestly worth £2: also clear buff Crest-bred hen, 15/-, both are bargains: Collison, Jellalabad, Tidworth. (157)

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ALL my champion Crests to be sold, single or pairs; approval to known fanciers: most of them show birds; cheap: A. Lazarus, 55, Old Compton-st., Soho, W. (Q)

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LARGE, heavy feathered green Crested hen, ditto Crestbred variegated hen, buffs, cheap, related to winners; fact; particulars, stamp; approval: Shipley, 64, Victoria-rd., Long Eaton, Notts. (159)

CREST cock, 1st Palace 1912, class 93, £3; yellow Crest cock, 3rd L.C.B.A. show, £2 10/-; cards sent; Crest and C.B. cocks and hens, off above, from 10/- each upwards: Edwards, 2, Murray-place, Inverness. (165)

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CRESTS & CRESTBREDS

Having purchased whole of Mr. Quinton's stock and had a successful breeding season, have many valuable Crest and Crestbreds for sale, state price; winner three 1sts last Norwich show, see report this paper Oct. 19: J. Shearman, 156, Kingsst., Gt. Yarmouth. (161)

Lancashires.

LARGE yellow Plainhead cock, 17/-, buff coppy cock, 12/6: West, Tweedale-st., Rochdale. (162)

Greens.

GRAND Norwich Greens, show or stock birds; approval, inspection invited: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (159)

CAN spare some grand birds, type and quality combined with size, stock, or show: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-road, Liverpool.

NORWICH type, very fine large birds, yellows and buffs; cocks from 10/6, hens 7/6: George Brown, 8, Springfield-st., Leith, N.B. (155)

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SHEFFIELD Ornithological Society, four Lizard, four Lancashire classes, £2 cash specials; entries close Oct. 28. (2)

SOME real good Lizards for sale, pairs matched for breeding, 10/- and 12/6 per pair: Levi Butterworth, 593, Oldham-rd., Rochdale. (151)

Norwich.

BREEDER'S CARD.

W. H. BUTLER, Breeder and Exhibitor, of Champion Norwich; state wants; reasonable; approval: Roseбank, Tyne-rd., Stanley, Durham.

J. HODDER, Norwich breeder, expert, and specialist. Winner of several championships. Show and stock birds; reasonable; approval; stamp: 6, Banner Street, St. Lukes, London, E.C.

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JUDGE SILK, Breeder, Exhibitor, and Judge of Champion Norwich. The finest strain living; grand specimens always on sale; state requirements.—Aviaries, Whitstable.

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SHEFFIELD Ornithological Society, 12 classes, four Novices, heaps of cash specials; entries close Oct. 28. (2)

HEALTHY 1912 Norwich Canaries; cocks, 5/-; hens, 2/-: E. Russell, 3, The Close, Lichfield. (152)

W. HOWSE, 49, Orme-rd., Worthing, has a few grand Norwich for sale, from 8/6; approval. (154)

40 show and stock birds to spare, mostly Yellows: Bellamy, 134, Stephens-rd., Tunbridge Wells. (157)

FANCIERS wanting to improve their stock, communicate: Cheshire, 26, Crawford-st., Bradford. (154)

FOUR Norwich show cages and travelling case, as new, 12/6; approval, deposit: Brain, Glastonbury. (161)

NORWICH, good cocks, 5/6, hens 2/-: J. Binks, 18, G. Peabody-buildings, Farringdon-rd., London, E.C. (152)

YOUNG cock Canaries for sale, cock 4/6, hens 2/6, singing 1912 Norwich: Thos. Watson, Wood Market, Lutterworth. (155)

40 NORWICH Canaries, cocks, on song, 5/-, 6/-; pairs from 6/6; approval: Gater, 6, Jones-sq., Troedyrhiw, Glam. (158)

GOOD clear yellow cock and unflighted buff hen, 27/6 pair; approval: Crossley, 2, Rock View, Gillinggate, Kendal. (156)

GRAND Norwich from 10/- pair, half value to clear, approval, cash or deposit: Calam, 59, Baxtergate, Whitby. (159)

SEVERAL good buff and yellow hens, 4/- and 5/- each; approval, deposit: Ford, Hospital Lodge, Burton-on-Trent. (Q)

COCK, yellow, 7/6; buff, 12/6; yellow hen, 7/6; part of stock advertised on 12th: Thomson, Croft Place, Larkhall. (164)

TWO pair Norwich Plainhead Canaries, 1912 bred, 7/6 pair, cold room, healthy birds: Scatchard, 50, Milner-st., Newark. (158)

R. JONES has unflighted Norwich cocks for sale, colour-fed, 10/6 upwards; genuine bargains: 27, Gotha-st., Leicester. (151)

SIXTY Norwich Crested and Plainheads, 7/- pair; cocks, 5/-; hens, 2/6: Bolton; 2, Beamsley-place, Cardigan-rd., Leeds. (150)

MUST reduce. Typical buffs and variegated, cocks, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-; hens, from 2/6; bargains: Pargeter, Grimsbury, Banbury. (159)

LARGE Norwich; yellow cock, 6/6; buff hens, 3/6 each; pairs, 7/6; healthy, approval: Callaway, 69, Ladysmith-rd., Exeter. (152)

1912 YELLOW Norwich cocks, cold room, 3 clears, 1 marked, 6/6 each, lot 24/-: Burns, 5, Lichfield-rd., Edmonton, London. (152)

FEW exhibition pairs, from breeder, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; unprecedented value: Girling, 19, Hurford-st., Norwich. Stamp, approval. (153)

BUFF cock, yellow hen, 10/6; greens, 10/- pair; cocks, 4/6, 6/-, 7/6; bargains: Frettingham, 31, Dundonald-rd., Leicester. (154)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, pairs from 10/-, or single birds, on approval; inspection invited: Patterson, 22, Watson-st., Plaistow. (160)

FOUR pairs, yellow cocks, buff variegated hens, splendid birds, 12/6 pair to clear: George Brown, 8, Springfield-st., Leith, N.B. (155)

YELLOW cock, 3rd Bedford, 17/6; hen, vhc., 15/-; cock, 3rd selling, 10/-; pairs, 2nd, 15/-; approval: Gentle, Stanley-st., Bedford. (162)

VARIETY good healthy Norwich cocks, from 5s., hens 2/-: Henderson, 20, Morrin-square, Townhead, Glasgow: entrance, Collins-st. (161)

NORWICH cocks, 6/-, 7/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6, clears and variegated; deposit: Miss Fyson, Sunnyside, Barton Mills, Mildenhall, Suffolk. (160)

MASSIVE buff 1912 cock (foul), for show or stock, related to big winners, 10/6, worth 20/-; approval: Eddy, Bellevue terrace, Penzance. (159)

WANTED, good yellow Norwich hen; give exhibition Norwich cock, winner of three 1st prizes, value 3/-: Pedder, 149, North-st., Luton. (155)

PRIZE BRED Norwich cocks, full song, 5/6; hens, 2/-; pairs, 8/-; travelling cages, 8d.; stamp reply: B. Soames, 82, Bevan-st., Lowestoft. (159)

HANDSOME Norwich cocks, grand songsters, 4/-, 1/6; hens 2/6; pairs 6/-, 6/6; exceptional value; approval: W. Hatton, Curzon Aviaries, Fleet, Belper. (160)

EXHIBITION yellow marked cock, fed Sandiford 8/-, exchange Goldie; also exhibition cock Budie, 4/-, exchange Goldie: Cook, East-st., Pembridge. (160)

CAN now spare a few good Norwich, Yellows and Buffs, prices from 5/- upwards; approval: A. Pickles, Post Office, Wadsworth, Hebden Bridge.

LARGE, healthy cock Canaries, in full song, 4/- each; good hens, 2/-, excellent feeding sort, suit a beginner: Taylor, Sunningdale-terrace, Bideford. (156)

TO beginners, monster clear buff Norwich hen, fed to perfection, enormous body, sound and healthy, with show cage, 25/-: Laidlaw, Painter, Langholm. (158)

NOTICE! Grand lot Norwich for show or song, some sure winners; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

JOHN WILKERSON is offering grand typical Norwich Plainheads, Robson's strain; state wants fully and satisfaction guaranteed: Hembliugton, Norwich.

YELLOW Norwich cock, vhc, in open class, 20/-; crested cock, second in members, 15/-; caped C.B. cock, third in members, 15/-; see show report: Fountain, Aylesbury. (160)

BUFF Norwich hen, first and special Hanley show, 50/-; also some grand buffs, ready for immediate showing, 15/- to 30/-, that can win: Williams, Pharmacy, Ashbourne. (155)

GRAND lot of 1912 buff Norwich Plainheads, correct shape, bred from Miles' strain; cocks from 7s. 6d.; hens 3/6; good value: Cripps, 5, Albert-rd., Richmond, Surrey. (159)

TWO buff variegated and one yellow Norwich cocks, colour-fed, 7/6 each; buff Norwich hen, 3/-; yellow variegated Yorkshire cock, 5/-: Jamieson, 21, Leonard-st., Arbroath. (153)

STRONG, healthy 1912 Norwich, songsters, yellow or buff; clear ticked or variegated, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; cash or deposit; travelling cages free: Miles, St. Andrew's, Norwich. (152)

MAGNIFICENT Norwich, bred from Crystal Palace winners, 15/- to £10; few same strain, 15/- a pair; unique chance; approval; stamp: Rev. B. Nume, Harrington, Cumberland.

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, several that can win in good company, to be sold reasonable, 30 years' breeder of the best; approval: T. Billington, Hambleton, Poulton-le-Fylde. (155)

TYPICAL colour-fed 1911 buff Norwich cock, limit class Palace winner, sacrifice 15/-; fit for open shows, worth treble for stock; approval: Hawkes, 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (164)

BUFF hen, Vardy, 10/-; yellow hen, 10/-; yell. cock, 10/-; two yellow cocks, 12/-, 15/-, from winners Nottingham, Derby, Ilkeston; approval: Wilcox, Ivy Cottage, New Sawley, Derby. (155)

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NORWICH. Business compels me to give up my birds, cup winning strain, 60 good birds; flight, breeding, stock and show cages; state wants; deposit; approval: McMillan, 29, Kilmaine-rd., Fulham. (155)

GENUINE offer. Compelled to part with the whole of my Norwich, none reserved: also sectional joiner-made Canary house, well built, a bargain; stamp reply: Wood, 186, Fosse-rd. North, Leicester. (156)

SEVERAL good Norwich Plainheads, yellows and buffs, winner of specials for best young bird at Queen's Park and City and Suburban Shows; carr.: J. Warwick, 32, Highlever-rd., North Kensington. (152)

GIVING up; 30 Norwich and Borders, 30 breeding and show cages, two carrying cases, rack 10ft. by 6ft., with wire fronts complete; egg mill and other utensils; offers wanted for lot or separate: T. Nisbet, High-st., Musselburgh. (154)

GREAT sacrifice; colour-fed 1911 buff hen, 3rd L.C.B.A., massive head and frame, 20/-; also unflighted buff hen, 15/-; certain winner when shown, worth £3 3s. for stock or exhibiting: Hawkes, Heathbank, Grove Green, Leytonstone. (164)

CLEARING out. Have still left a few good high-class Norwich cocks, 8/-, hens 5/-, pairs 12/-; yellow cock buff hen, good stock pair, 20/-; buff cock, yellow marked hen, 15/-; worth double; stamp reply; genuine: Owen, 5, Argyle-st., Paisley. (151)

H. LUFF, 47, Winstanley-rd., Clapham Junction still has grand yellow cock, buff marked hen, 35/-; heavily marked yellow cock, buff hen, 30/-; also several yellow and buff hens from 7/6; breeding cages, etc.; songster cocks, 6/-; hens, 2/-; seen any time by appointment. (162)

EXHIBITION clear buff cock, winner £1; buff marked cock, winner, £1; clear buff cock, 14/6; clear yellow cock, 12/6; buff hen, good, 12/6; buff hen, 7/6; two clear yellow hens, 8/- each: John Smedley, Nottingham-rd., Giltbrook, Notts. Approval; cash or deposit. (154)

I AM rapidly booking orders for my champion Norwich. Have had a splendid season, and have, this year, one of the very finest stocks in England. Some A.1. show and stock birds, nearly ready, that I shall be able to spare: J. Eckersley, 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (160)

THE strain that produces winners, year after year. At Norwich, six firsts, several seconds, and thirds (see last week's "Cage Birds"); every winner guaranteed bred by myself; pairs from £2 10s. upwards; approval, stamped for reply: W. Morris, 15, Castlewood-rd., Stamford Hill, N. (162)

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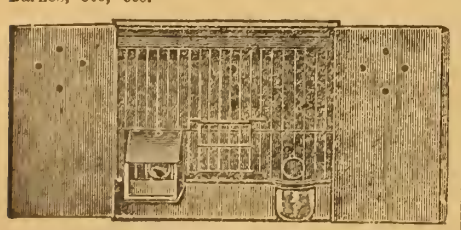
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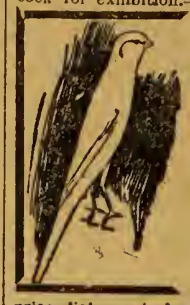
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WANTED, warranted cock Mules cheap: 117, Weest., Dunstable. (160)
GOLDFINCH and Linnet Mules, warranted cocks, 6/- each: E. Meades, 4, St. Pauls-rd., New Southgate. (157)
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CHOICE Sib. hens, in splendid feather, my old Palace light Linnet muling strain: Sims, The Aviary, Warminster. (165)
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WANTED, hen Pennant from outdoor aviary: 7, Victoria-ter., Walsall. (157)
THREE pairs mixed foreign birds, all different, 6/6: Vernum, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham Cross. (163)
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EXCHANGE two Linnet Mules, clean moulted, Linnet song, for Goldfinches or Goldfinch Mules, cocks or anything useful; approval; yours first: Bennett, 4, Casterton-st., Hackney. (153)

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EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires, full song, from my winning strain, for anything useful; catching nets pref.: Imeson, Commercial House, Ossett. (162)

EXCHANGE three good Yorkshire hens for one good yellow Yorkshire hen; yours first; on approval: Russell, 4, Malvern-bldgs., Fairfield Park, Bath. (159)

TEN extra good Rollers, H.M. Bullfinch; exchange good gent's cycle or good gramophone; write for particulars: Brocklehurst, 55, Marston-rd., Stafford. (155)

WHAT offers in Canaries for suit length, good tweed, any colour, same as I sell at 25/- the suit length: McKeand, Hamilton Place, Castle Douglas.

FIRST-CLASS pair Yorkshires, unflighted, both yellows, 30/-; exchange 2 Norwich hens, unflighted; no rubbish; yours first: Oliver Cooper, Long Buckby. (155)

MUST reduce, Rollers, Norwich, British, 1911 show condition, wanted exhibition Yorkshire, Norwich or hybrid cock, overcoat: Gunniug, Shinrone, King's Co. (158)

YELLOW Yorkshire Canary, good length and colour, buff hen and cage, 15/- the lot or useful exchange; pair cost, 35/-: C. Punter, 5, Victoria-av., Camberley. (160)

FOUR pairs high-class Yorkshires, exchange for good gramophone and records; approval, yours first: Taylor, 8, Dunsdail-st., Guisborough, Yorkshire. (160)

EXCHANGE three good Yorkshire cocks, 1912 birds, through moult, for good Crestbred cock or sell 25/-; yours first; honest dealings: G. Herson, Spittall-hill, Retford. (156)

EXCHANGE for Roller organ, or B.R.C.C. rung Rollers, three pair Yorkshires, and gent.'s silver watch, sell 50/-: Bennion, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (165)

FEW good Norwich for sale, cocks from 4/6, hens from 2/-; exchanges entertained; anything useful; value from 8/- per pair; deposit; 23, Parliament-st., Peterboro'. (152)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshire for sale (cheap), or exchange for cycle, to suit boy 7 to 8 years, suit length or anything useful: Young, Sleightholme-cottage, Whitby. (163)

WILL give pair 1912 green Rollers for Linnet Mule for catching, must be good trained catcher else useless, Mule first or sell 15/-: E. Sadler, Cliff-rd., Sheringham, Norfolk. (158)

LARGE yellow coppy hen; exchange Buff Norwich hen, yellow Yorkshires, cocks, 7/6 each: few good hens, from 3/6, or good exchange: J. Richmond, Pateley Bridge. (163)

LARGE buff 1911 Yorkshire cock, good stock bird, 12/-; two large variegated muling hens, 3/6 each; offers, typical York. hens, or Roller cocks: W. Andrews, 44, Hardres-rd., Peckham. (150)

PURE bred Rollers, Crest and Crestbred, colour fed Norwich fit for show, all cold room bred, prices reasonable; exchange entertained: James, 9, Abbots Cottages, Hatherley-rd., Cheltenham. (156)

EXCHANGE 1912 Canaries and Goldfinch Mules for gent's overcoat, breast 40in., new or good second-hand; birds can be seen by appointment; no P.C.: Holland, 36, High-st., Homerton, N.E. (156)

TWO Norwich cocks, 3 York cocks, 1 York hen, 1 Norwich hen, 2 hen Mules, 1 Hybrid pair, lot 30/-, or separate; exchanges entertained; no live stock; write particulars: F. Sims, Cemetery-rd., Gillingham, Dorset. (154)

HAVE you something to offer in exchange for Canaries? If so I will exchange high-class Yorkshires and Norwich for anything but livestock; particulars to: Wressell, Bird Specialist, Crowle, Lincolnshire.

GREEN Crested cock, green Crest-bred cock, variegated Crest-bred cock, good, healthy, through moult, 10/- each, or exchange good pair Lancashire coppies; yours first: Armstrong, 11, Mytholmes-terrace, Haworth, Yorks. (151)

PRIZE-BRED Yorkshires, yellow cock and buff hen, direct from Ambler's last year, 2 ticked yellow cocks, 2 buff hens, 1912, 30/- lot; not half value; approval; exchange prize-bred White Wyandottes: William Hodge, 47, Stamford-rd., Birkdale, Southport. (153)

FOR sale, must clear, leaving home; all colour fed and from winning strains; two Crested cocks, four hens and three cocks (Norwich), two hens and four cocks (Yorkshires), pair house-moulted Bullfinches; any reasonable offer accepted: P. Chalker, Supply Stores, Hurst, Berks. (162)

TWO clear body grey Crested cocks, 12/6 each; 2 variegated Crestbred cocks, 15/- each; 1 clear ditto, 10/6; 1 Cinnamon ditto, 10/6; all massive heavy feathered birds; 1 clear, dark Crested hen, 2 variegated ditto, 15/-; take 80/- the lot, or part exchange for carpenter's tools: Walker, 240, Kingston-rd., Hampton Wick. (152)

Mainly Foreign.

SPLENDID pair of adult Budgerigars, greens, 5/-, change British or offers to value: Meyrick's arles, Knighton, Radnorshire. (160)

TALKING Rock Parrot, magnificent plumage, two ars old, 25/-, cage included; or exchange pedigree rkshire dog or bitch: Wood, 54, Southgate, Glouster. (163)

Miscellaneous.

EXCHANGE watch and chain for two young singers; Canaries: Brown, 43, Belford-row, Harrogate. (155)

WIRE hair fox terrier dog and kennel, will exchange orwich stock cocks: Small, 67, Western-rd., Brighton. (162)

EXCHANGE powerful gem airgun for two Goldfinch Linnet Mules: W. Brandon, 21, South-rd., Luton, eds. (160)

WHAT offers, Canaries, for good bred blue mottled ivy bitch; sell £1: William Basly, 8, Jones-terrace, oyne. (149)

WILL give good exchange, disc records for large estbred cock or offers: Jeffrey, 209, York-rd., Battersea. (157)

WHIPPET bitch, true rag or rabbit, 12 months, £-; exchange Canaries: Hotchen, 32, Belmont-st., ncoln. (153)

SALE 15/- wire fox terrier bitch puppy or exchange lver watch to value; apply: Powell, 2, Cator-st., eckham. (156)

OFFERS, 1912 Canaries for portable harmonium, ll £3 10s.; seen any time: 38, Circus-st., W. Greenich, S.E. (158)

GOOD cycle, exchange Canaries, Scotch Fancies Crests preferred; offers: Jeffrey, 209, York-rd., attersea. (157)

SET of fret work tools and designs, sell 6/- or exhange Rollers: Ed. Heywood, 44, Seymour-st., Chorley, Lancs. (155)

ALL kinds of British and foreign birds, exchanged or all kinds of dogs: Walter Smith, 98, Tib-st., anchester.

EXCHANGE for Canaries and cages box mangle, ost £15, gramophone and 50 records: Brickell, Shrivnham, Berks. (156)

PARRAKEET, prize Norwich cock, also cages with sh for talking Grey Parrot; no rubbish: 1, Brookyn-st., Bolton. (160)

EXCHANGE anything for seven pair working omers, or sell 12/-: T. Gill, 1, Regent-bldgs., Weston-Super-Mare. (155)

EXCHANGE 26 x 1¾ cycle wheel, tube, and cover omplete, for singing cock Canary: 318a, Kenningon-rd., London. (149)

SIX small British and two Yorkshire show cages, xchange Canaries, anything: Nobbs, Cramer-rd., orth Walsham. (160)

AUTOMATIC sock knitter, £2; bargain, cost £8; xchange anything alive: Taylor, 313, Barking-rd., ast Ham, Essex. (159)

FOR sale, two large aviaries, to hold 20 birds, 0/- cash, or what offer in exchange: Thompson, 85, High-st., Deal. (153)

TWO pairs prize flying homers, 5/-, exchange Roller Canary cock, offers: . Griffiths, The Aviaries, Long Sutton, Lincs. (160)

EXCHANGE phonograph and 40 records, in good condition, for good singing Norwich: Jackson, 6, Roebuck-st., Crewe. (151)

SELL 12 Section breeding cages, 25/-, or exchange two good pair Norwich; offers: Preece, 91, Derby-rd., Heanor, Derbyshire. (158)

EXCHANGE banjo, microscope or Canaries for good pair field glasses; yours first: 14, Underdowneter., Herne Bay, Kent. (155)

EXCHANGE for Yorkshires, pair of snaky, cream Magpies, white cock Fantail.: Particulars, Walter Tann, Littleport, Ely. (154)

OFFERS in Linnets, Goldfinches, and muling hens, for pair of working boots, hand-sewn, value 16/-: Moy, Bootmaker, Jarrow. (163)

GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-, as new, exchange Canaries, fowls or fancy pigeons: Ellis, 7a, Smith-st., Clerkenwell, London. (162)

YORKSHIRE show cages, 1/- each; hot water heating apparatus, flow and return; offers: Barker, 43, Boundary-rd., Merton. (154)

TWO Yorkshire show cages and case, ready for use, exchange Yorkshire hens; offers: Howard, 6, Albert-st., Canton, Cardiff. (157)

HAND camera, Beck lens, perfect condition, 18/-; exchange for pair good Parrakeets: Arthur Girard, Carrefour, Castel, Guernsey. (153)

LARGE three-compartment breeding or flight cage, can be made into one with pair Canaries, £1; exchange: Letall, Whittlesea. (154)

F. BEARD, Llandrindod Wells, winner all leading shows offers pair of his black self tumblers £1; exchange two cock Canaries. (159)

SPLENDID pair of Modern Pile Bantams, both winners, accept £1, or exchange: T. Weedall, 84, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (163)

WELL made solid mahogany double office desk, 5ft. long, sound condition, 25/-; exchange Canaries: H. Smith, Portland-rd., Hove. (157)

COMPLETE "Women of all Nations," 24 7d. parts, 25 coloured plates; what offers in Canaries: R. Lawton, Flemin-st., Barnsley.

HALF-PLATE camera, and outfit for sale, £4; or exchange good talking Parrot, or anything useful: 15, Richard-st., Burnley. (154)

SPLENDID seven string banjo and case, cost £3, accept, 12/-; exchange Linnet Mules, Linnet notes: Dixon, Nelson-st., Scarborough. (159)

EXCHANGE potting Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissus and Roses for good Canaries: Wm. Wright, 11, Mannering-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow. (155)

EXCHANGE pedigree Scotch Terrier for Bull dog pup and cash; what offers: Joseph Sutherland, 1a, St. Albans Avenue, East Ham.

ELEVEN cage fronts 18 x 12 and eight fronts 12 x 12; exchange Bullfinches for aviary: Blackburn, 7, Grafton-st., Clitheroe, Lancs. (159)

SCHIPPERKE bitch and pups, well bred, for sale from 15/- each, or useful exchange: Linsey, 63, Norfolk-ter., Norfolk-st., Cambridge. (161)

WILL exchange scout's outfit, football pants and jersey for good h.m. cock Goldfinch or clapnets: Whitlow, Padgate, Warrington. (158)

TWO vols. Whitby's "Commentary on Bible," and other theological works; exchange Canaries: Wignall, 14, Clara-st., Preston, Lancs. (156)

FERRETS, Ferrets, six; sell or part exchange; wanted one Linnet Mule, one Goldfinch Mule, cocks: Moulder, Eynsham, Oxfordshire. (155)

EXCHANGE, football, size 5, used 6 times; magic lantern, with 40 slides, for Canaries, or sell: W. Elliott, 6, Torens-rd., Stratford, E. (148-151)

POMERANIANS, two females for sale, or would consider useful exchange: Particulars from, Myers, 23, Ingleby-place, Bradford, Yorks. (154)

BOY'S violin, complete, value £1; exchange Canaries; Italian guitar, perfect condition, £1; exchange birds: 65, Ewart-rd., Nottingham. (154)

ROUND THE SHOWS.

London and Provincial O.S. Holds Excellent Autumn Show.

The Holborn Hall was the venue of the annual show of the London and Provincial Ornithological Society on October 23rd and 24th. Entries came up fairly well, but not quite so well as they should have done. May this not have been due to the rule which stated that classes of eight and under would be given the benefit of the sliding scale system of prize money? The quality generally was good, and especially was this so in the champion Norwich, in which Messrs. Baker, Spillman, Richardson, Rippon, and Hodder staged a remarkably fine lot of typical well balanced exhibits. Yorkshires were not so high in quality as we expected. Unfortunately for Mr. Dykes, his team arrived after the classes were judged; had they been in time there would doubtless have been some considerable alteration in the awards. Mr. Wilcock's yellow is grand. Crests and Crest-breds were good without being exceptional. Most of the birds looked as though they had not quite got through the moult. Mrs. Thynne won the special with a very fine typical exhibit. Mr. Lazarus's Crest-breds were much admired. Borders made a most attractive class, and very little divided the different exhibits. The veteran Nason sent one of his old time jonques to win in the Cinnamons; and it did win, too. Mr. Green's Lancashires headed a big variety class, and they will look better in a week or two's time. Mr. Brook's Dutch Frill is one of the best we have ever seen staged.

Novice Norwich were a very high quality lot, but the majority of them ran rather small. Miss Edwards, Mrs. Williams, Messrs. Elliott, Goodman, Fleet, Hocking, Wakefield, Cooper, Ayling, and Crawford, all staged some nice showy birds. The novice Yorks. were hardly so good as the Norwich, a number of them not having tightened up in front. Mr. Salter's winning yellow is a grand bird, and was much admired. Messrs. Fleet, Bamber, Reynolds, Clarke, Cooper, all exhibited specimens of nice quality. In the Crests, Mr. Gollan's winner was easily ahead, whilst Mr. Salter's Borders swept the deck.

In the Hybrids some very interest exhibits were staged by Messrs. Ramsden and Lamb, the latter a capital team. British were only 68 in 11 classes, but the exhibits were in most instances of high merit. The winning Linnet will probably improve in colour, and should be heard of again. The Hon. Mrs. Bourke's Nightingale looked very fit, and in grand feather, but had to give way to Mr. Swain's bird. The insectivorous section contained some interesting exhibits, Black Redstart, Great Grey Shrike, and Waxwing. Foreigners were a very good lot, Hon. Mrs. Bourke's pretty Loochoo Robin being much admired; also the Golden Breasted Waxbills and Crimson Finch, winners in their respective classes. The novice section contained 33 entries, and there were various exhibits that were quite good enough for the open classes. The Hon. Mrs. Bourke won special for the best foreign bird with her Loochoo Robin. Mr. Marley secured the members' special for best Brit., with the Great Grey Shrike. We were unable to obtain particulars of the points specials, cups, etc., the points not having been counted, owing to pressure.

Of the management we can only say that it was well up to the usual L.P.O.S. standard, and that standard is equal to A1 at Lloyds. The birds were admirably staged, well looked after by the committee, and were as happy and comfortable as if in their rooms at home. Mr. C. W. Law, the able hon. secretary and show manager, by his urbanity and hard work did much to make the venture a success, and he received most valuable assistance from Messrs. J. W. Ramsden, G. Crabb, J. Hodder, W. Shakespeare, A. Cooper, F. J. Day, and, we must not forget, Madame Feist Madewell, who was one of the most earnest workers. Mr. T. Heath judged Yorks., Mules, and Limit Classes, Mr. J. Robson the remaining Canaries, and Mr. Silver Brit. and For. Birds.

The Canary Section.

CHAMPIONS: NOR. YELL. (8): 1, two sps, Richardson, lovely rich col., beautiful silky feather, grand head, nice chest and shoulders, short and compact; 2, Spillman, capital head, nice col. and feather, hardly so deep in chest, nice style; 3, Taylor, very sound and level, but not so hot in col., grand qual., neat head, capital wings and tail; vhc, Baker; hc, Hodder; c, Lee. BUFF (8): 1, two sps, Baker, magnificent depth and richness of col., beautiful soft silky feather, stout head and well built body, well braced wings and tail; 2, c, Hodder, short and compact in body, nice even tone of col, well mealed, lovely feather, grand chest and back; 3, Rippon, very close silky feather, stout, but rather longer in body, level, but not so hot in col.; vhc, Lee; hc, Butterfield. TKD. (14): 1, Rippon, head, eye, and wing mkd. yell., rich level col., very high quality feather, nice shape and style, neat tail, not quite tightened up in wings; 2, 3, sp, Baker, neck and wing tkd. buff, lovely head, rich glowing col., stout chubby body, neat wings and tail, beautifully frosted, a "toss-up" for first place, 3rd very hot grizzled cap yell., longer in wings and tail, very high qual. feather, rich bright col., rather wild; 4, Spillman, most charming cheek tkd. yell., quite the most typical, lovely even col., but not so hot, gem; vhc, hc, Hodder; c, Campbell. HENS (14): 1, 2, Baker, big bodied buff, very evenly and delicately mealed on a sound rich ground, lovely quality, neat wings and tail, in grand form, beauty, 2nd magnificent yell., not so rich in col. perhaps, but more typical, well cut up behind, grand style, lovely feather, we preferred; 3, Spillman, neck tkd. yell., not so large in body, but lovely col. and feather, rare wings and tail, not so stout in head; 4, Campbell, big bouncing yell., splendidly feathered, rare shape and style, neat wings and tail, not level in col., and this kept it back; vhc, Hodder; hc, Tringham; c, Mathes. UNFLIG. (15): 1, Hodder, cl. ycll., not one of the largest, but quality right through, great depth, richness, and brightness of col., neat wings and tail, very stylish; 2, Spillman, most beautifully feathered yell., very rich and deep in col., nice head, good body, longer in wings and tail; 4, Lee, close compactly feathered buff, short wings and tail, neat body, rather smaller in head, and not so warm in col.; 3, Rippon, very bonny buff, neat head, wonderful feather, grandly braced wings and tail, sound level col., nicely mealed; vhc, c, Baker; hc, Richardson. YORKS. YELL. (4): 1, two sps, Wilcock, very smart nervy bird, fine head, neat shoulders, well braced wings and tail, stands well up on a good pair of legs, well feathered; 2, Auton, shade longer, splendid carriage and nerve, grand head, back, wings, and tail, nice feather, bit heavier in body; 3, White, capital length, very shapely, not so close in feather on chest; No. 4, Dykes, absent. BUFF (8): 1, Buckingham, plenty of length, grand shape and style, magnificent qual., rare legs, wings, and tail, full of nerve, shade on the strong side; 2, Tringham, splendid length and style, nice head, shoulders and back, well braced wings and tail, hardly so tight in front; 3, Wilcock, not so much length, but full of nerve and style, lovely qual. of feather, rich col., well frosted; vhc, Ayers; hc, Auton. TKD. (5): 1, sp, Wilcock, neck tkd. buff, very slim and smart, grand head, shoulders, and back, well braced wings and tail, splendid feather, full of nerve and style; 2, Pattrick, head, eye, and wing mkd. buff, grand shape and style, beautifully feathered, full of nerve, good legs, wings, and tail; 3, Boyes, thigh tkd., nice shapely bird, standing on a good pair of legs, capital length of side, not quite so neat in tail; absent, 3 and 4, Boyes. HENS (12): 1, Ayers, very long buff, wonderful feather and style, neat head, splendid shoulders and back, well braced wings and tail, magnificent position, full of nerve; 2, vhc, hc, two sps, Bullen, again plenty of length, hardly so tight in feather, well carried wings and tail, sweet head, grand shoulders, and back, also a buff; 3, Ayers, very slim, lengthy, stylish yell., full of nerve, fine head, grand wings and tail, lovely col. and feather, in rare form; 4, Williams, head and neck tkd. yell., beautiful qual., fine head, grand back, wings and tail, not quite so well filled in at neck; 10 and 11, Dykes, absent. UNFLIG. (16): 1, 2, Pattrick, smart, slim yell., beautiful head, neat well braced wings and tail, rich level col., grand qual. of feather, rare legs, full of nerve and style, 2nd very neat headed buff, smart wing and tail carriage, good level back, fine, silky, compact feather, stands well; 3, Boyes, rich even coloured buff, very nicely mealed, beautiful qual., grand wings and tail, not quite so thin; 4, Bullen, head, neck, and wing mkd. cinn., plenty of length, very shapely, not quite so smartly finished; vhc, Ayers; hc, White; absent 14 and 15, Dykes. CRESTS (12): 1, sp, Mrs. Thynne, variegated., short, compact Norwich body, immense front, beautifully veined, nice centre and radiation, not quite ready, promising sort; 2, sp, Pickard, very neat grey, lovely centre, beautiful radiation and droop, not so massive, but full of qual.; 3, 4, Lazarus, big, bouncing, even mkd., densely feathered, neatly centred, and well radiated, just a wee bit rough at back, 4th good shapely bodied cl., with dark crest, capital droop and radiation; vhc, Day; hc, Campbell; c, Pickard. C.B. (9): 1, vhc, Lazarus, big, heavily browed cap and wing mkd., plenty of substance, great length and width of feather, very stout body; 2, hc, Pickard, very shapely green, with pied tail, nice width of skull, well browed, not quite so round in skull; 3, Mrs. Litchfield, nearly green, bold bouncing body, of grand shape, capital skull, not quite so heavily feathered; 4, Day, variegated., grand shaped head, but not so wide, plenty of feather of nice length and quality; he, Mrs. Thynne. BORD. (8): 1, 3, Sampson, lovely quality buff, very neat head, grand back, wings, tail, full of style, well set legs; 3rd, rare shaped yell., nice level col., feathered like a Java, rare style; 3, Mrs. Thynne, bonny little yell., grand shape and style, neat head, wings and tail, not quite so glossy in feather; vhc, c, sp, Richards; hc, Blair. CINN. (5): 1, Mason, very hot fed yell., wonderful depth and richness of col., magnificent quality, nice shape and carriage; 2, 3, Andrews Bros., two big, massive, grandly coloured buffs, nice silky feather, good heads; vhc, Oldaker; hc, Tringham. A.O.V. (22): 1, 4, vhc, hc, sp, Green, tkd. yell. Lancs. Coppy, grand centre, well spread coppy, good length and shape, nice substance, plenty of feather; 4th, buff Lancashire Plainhead, grand length and shape, nice skull, plenty of feather, in grand form; 2, Brooks, an immense Dutch Frill, wonderful length and profusion of feather, splendid mantle; 3, c, Goodman, very pretty White Border, lovely quality of feather, nice style, very pure in col.

NOVICE, NOR. YELL. (5): 1, Rodger, most charming col., rich, deep, and bright, short compact body, lovely wings and tail, splendid quality of feather; 2, Miss Edwards, lovely col., rich, deep and level, nice head, good wings and tail, not quite so smart in carriage; 3, Mrs. A. Williams, magnificent col., shape and quality, rare chest and back, feather like wax, grandly finished; vhc, Walmsley; hc, Gollan. BUFF (9): 1, Elliott, graud shaped head, level back, grand wing and tail carriage, rich deep col., beautifully frosted, magnificent quality and finish of feather; 2, 3, Fleet, rich col., sound and level, grandly mealed, beautiful quality, just a trifle longer; 3rd, we liked very much, grand chest and shoulders, rare back, short wings and tail, very chubby body, full of quality; 4, Miss Edwards, not so much col., but lovely shape and style, very neat wings and tail, in grand fettle; vhc, Harris; hc, Cooper; c, Kerr. TKD. (5) 1, Goodman, heavily mkd. yell., wonderful richness and evenness of col., magnificent qual., very smart and stylish, grand shape; 2, Crawford, another very hotly fed, high quality variegated. yell., a real triumph of the feeding art, not quite so chubby; 3, Hocking, grandly feathered variegated. buff, very cobby and compact, rich sound col., beautifully mealed, splendid wings and tail; vhc, sp, Evans; hc, Rodger. HENS (13): 1, Evans, very high quality eye-marked buff, feathered like a Java, very short and neat in wings and tail, grand shaped body, full of style, nice col. and meal; 2, Mrs. A. Williams, very chubby bodied buff, neat and short in wings and tail, beautiful col., lovely quality, well mealed; 3, Crawford, again a buff of high merit, rare chest and back, grand wings and tail; 4, Goodman, very close, silky feathered yell., nice shape, rather wild; vhc, Walmsley; hc, Cobb; c, Hasler. UNFLIG. (28): 1, sp, Wakefield, very stout short compact buff, true Robin chest, lovely back, wings and tail, sound level col., beautifully feathered; 2, and two sps, Cooper, very neat compact buff, beautifully rich in col., well mealed, neat wings and tail, grand chest and back; 3, sp, Crawford, heavily mkd. yell., very deep rich col., grand quality of feather, good depth of chest; 4, Ayling, head tkd. buff, lovely shape and style, beautiful qual.; vhc, two sps, Harris; hc, c, Lathleiff. YORKS. YELL. (5): 1, three sps., Salter, splendid length, nice head, capital shoulders, good back, lovely col., nice style and nerve, not tightened up; 2, Reynolds, splendid back, grandly braced wings and tail, beautiful feather and type, not so neat in head; 3, Fleet, hardly so long, but very slim, sleek, and smart, capital wings and tail; vhc, sp, Cornish; hc, Fleet. BUFF (5): 1, sp, Fleet, very long and stylish, good wings and tail, nice shoulders and back, not tightened up in front yet; 2, Bush, very slim and smart, neat body, grand wings and tail, lovely feather; 3, Salter, not quite so long, grand head, back and shoulders, very neat wings and tail, lovely quality; 4, Cooper, plenty of length, good feather, col. and style; vhc, hc, Cornish. TKD. (14): 1, Bamber, lovely eye and wing mkd. buff, beautifully rich and level in col., grand qual., shape and style, rare wings and tail, cinn. mkd.; 2, Bush, very slim and finely drawn, grand wings and tail, typical and stylish; 3, Clarke, very smart three-pointed, great length, full of nerve and style, in rare form; 4, vhc, Cooper, head, neck and wing mkd. buff, big shading bird, wonderful feather and style, but just a shade too large; hc, Goldsmith; c, Lear. HENS (10): 1, Cooper, sweet bodied buff, very finely drawn, plenty of nerve and style, stands well up on a good pair of legs, lovely feather; 2, vhc, Bamber, grand upstanding heavily mkd. cinn. buff, grand head, great length of side, fine wings and tail; 3, Mrs. Ingles, yell. of tremendous length, plenty of nerve, nice back, wings and tail; 4, Clarke, buff, not so much length, but lovely qual., grand style; hc, Fleet; c, Bush. UNFLIG. (14): 1, 2, Salter, grand shaped buff, lovely feather, very neat wings and tail, plenty of nerve, very stylish; 2, almost self green, rare shape and style, fine head and neck; 3, Ward, very long slim neck tkd. buff, grand shape and style, splendid legs, a wash wanted; 4, Milsom, shapely and stylish, head and neck mkd. buff, nice feather, but also needed a tubbing; vhc, Fairman; hc, sp, Clarke; c, Bush. CRESTS (7): 1, sp, Gollan, very stout bodied green with pied wings and tail, crest grandly centred, beautifully radiated, well drooped and densely feathered; 2, hc, sp, Pettit, heavily mkd., not so large in body or crest, beautiful droop, nice quality veiny crest; 3, vhc, sp, Hawkes, heavily mkd. yell., neat shapely crest; absent 607, Slade. C.B. (6): 1, 2, Pettit, two heavily mkd. birds of grand feather and shape, the winner the best in both head and body; wrong class, No. 2, Roberts; absent, 1, Gollan, 5 and 6, Slade. BORD. (12): 1, 2, 3, three sps., Salter, 1st, lovely four-pointed buff, grandly balanced markings, sweet bird, magnificent feather, full of style and nerve; 2nd, very compactly built buff, neat wings and tail, lovely feather and style; 3rd, another very stylish, neatly feathered buff; 4, vhc, Hammond, bonny little yell., sweet head, grand shape and style, not so well staged; hc, Lear; c, Stevens. CINN. (3): 1, 2, Andrews Bros., very high quality yell., sound rich level col., nice shape and size; 2nd, grand shaped buff, beautiful quality of feather, very stylish; 3, Clarke, yell cinn.-mkd. Yorks., good bird, but should have been in the Yorks. section. A.O.V. cancelled.

Hybrids, British and Foreign.

MULES, HYB., LIGHT OR VAR. CAN. HYB. (except Bullfinch) (8): 1, C. Pearce, "Prince Charlie," grand upstanding variegated., Goldie Can, almost six-pointed yell., marked both eyes wings and tail, very tight in feather, fine size, very stylish, A1 condition, a big winner; 2, Mortlock, same cross, buff, heavily variegated., a wee bit on small side, fine feather; 3, 4, Ramsden, same cross again, both lightly variegated., good size, splendid order, fine silky plumage; vhc, ne (Ne. 7a); hc, Tapper; No. 3, absent. DARK (except Bullfinch) (8): 1, Casemore, bonny yellow Greenie Can., good head, nice shape, stands well, tight as wax, nicely fed; 2, Buckingham, Redpoll-Can., Palace winner, in grand form, shows both parents well, nice pencillings, an interesting exhibit; 3, hc, Miss Bousfield, former dark Goldie-Can., good size and feather, little rough round neck; vhc, Crabb, sweet Siskin-Can., nicely fed; c, Bowler. HYB. (5): 1, 2, vhc, Lamb, grand team, in faultless condition, 1st, beautiful Gold.-Bullie, lovely rich blaze, good wings, nice size, shows both parents well, we liked very much, 2, sweet Siskin-Greenie, shows Siskin well in head, good size, rare feather, nice wing bars; vhc, Redpoll-Bull., fine head, rich pink breast, little rough in feather on breast, shows Redpoll very noticeably, good bird; 3, Ramsden, Redpoll-Greenie, somewhat similar to 2nd, but not likely to be confused with it on close inspection, different carriage. GOLDFINCH (3): 1, Williams, fair size, nice blaze, well up in colour, good wings and buttons, nicely tanned; 2, Mortlock, nice tannings; 3, Graham, larger Finch, nice blaze, but not yet full col., some preferred for 2nd, but we understood it was a trifle off when judged. LINNET (5): 1, 2, 3, Marley, capital team, winner fine big Linnet, full of working, will deepen in col., others are bit unsteady yet, 3rd, best col., 2nd, fine chested bird, well pencilled; vhc, Francis; hc, Grahame. BULLFINCH (6): 1, vhc, Francis, nice cage-moulted specimens, former fine cap and wings, good back, but pale on breast, good rump, fine order, well polished plumage; 2, Grahame, F.M., hot col., wearing "stockings" when we saw it, smaller than winner, but a good bird; 3, Marley, C.M., good size, nice clean cut cap, good wings and tail, bit pale on breast. SISKIN, ETC. (11): 1, 2, 4, Francis, mealy Redpoll, medium size, nice pencillings, good head and bib; 2, Siskin, nicely laced cap, hot fed, fair bib, nicely marked on flanks, good carriage, perfect feather, 4, Lesser Redpoll, bonny little chap, well marked head, capital thigh markings, real good col., we liked very much; 3, Miss Bousfield, large Twite, rich col., nice markings, shows white in flights well, good position, capital condition; vhc, sp., he, Marley, Lesser Redpoll and Twite, in good feather. GREENFINCH (5): 1, 3, Marley, two bonny Greenies, rare size, good bold chests and massive heads, yellow bars and tail, fine texture of feather; 2, vhc, he, Francis, shade smaller than winner, and not quite such a good head, good chest, plenty of bloom, a trifle restless. CHAFF OR BRAMBLE (11): Good class. 1, 3, Francis, Chaffinches, winner, splendid shape, tight as wax, good head, blue cap, clear whites and nice full chest, 3, similar, not such good carriage, very hot col.; 2, 4, vhc, he, Marley, winners, Brambles, medium size, former good breast and shoulders, nice spangling, rather light on head yet, very steady, 4, not quite the substance, but rather better spangling; c, Hull. A.O.V. FINCH OR BUNTING (6): 1, sp., Miss Bousfield, bonnk Snow, very light for a H.M. one, nicely marked back and flights, beautiful order, very steady; 2, sp., vhc he, Francis, 2, good col. Hawfinch, rich square head, good bib, nice tint of col., stands well, worth its place, vhc, big Corn, not over rich in col., nice markings, he, well-known Lapland, looking as well as ever; 3, c, Marley, grand Cirl, rich yell. head and throat markings, good body col. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (10): 1, sp., 2, vhc, Marley, 1st, Missel Thrush, in rare form, well spotted, good col., and very steady, 2, large Song Thrush, heavily spotted, vhc, Blackbird, looks like the old winner out of it to-day; 3, Lomer, another Song Thrush, fine size, heavily spotted, good throat, fine carriage, very steady; 4, Lott, well spotted Starling, lustrous plumage; hc, Acland; c, Roberts. SMALL INSECTIV. (7): 1, Swain, Nightingale, very steady, rich hack col., perfect condition; 2, Mortlock, Blackcap, tight, fine silky texture of feather, very shapely, rare size; 3, Miss Bousfield, another Blackcap, not such a clear cut cap; vhc, sp., Thwaites, Black Redstart, in good feather; hc, Hon. Mrs. Bourke, upstanding 'Gale. LARGE (3): 1, Marley, Great Grey Shrike, Clapham winner, quite

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Club Reports.

WEST OF SCOTLAND O.S.

Monthly meeting, Nelson's Temp. Hotel, Oct. 5, Mr. P. Thorn, Pres., in the chair. The members were then treated to a washing exhibition by Mr. C. Hunter, who explained very minutely the methods of holding, washing, and drying, and at the close was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the meeting.—W. Hutchinson, Sec.

BRISTOL F.A.

Monthly meeting held Oct. 3, at Kingsley Hall. Arrangements for the annual show were discussed, and considerable progress was made. Judges are Messrs. C. A. House and J. H. Roe, which, no doubt, will draw a good entry. A table show of Yorks. was held at the close of meeting. Mr. Fred Buckland placed the cards. YORKS. COCK: 1, 2, c, Greenslade; 3, vhc, Lovell; hc, Mrs. Garland. HEN: 1, Lovell; 2, 3, Greenslade; vhc, hc, Mrs. Garland.

LEIGH AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

A very pleasant evening was spent Oct. 9, at Railway Hotel, when Mr. Taylor (vice-president) gave a drying exhibition. The members did not turn up as strong as was expected. They should make a special effort to attend these exhibitions, so as to give the demonstrator every encouragement. Mr. Taylor washed and dried two birds, one in front of the fire, and the other in his drying apparatus. When he had finished he invited the members to ask questions concerning his apparatus, which Mr. Taylor readily answered, showing the members all the parts. Mr. M. Bailey moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Taylor for his kindness in giving his exhibition. This was readily supported by all the members.—R. Charleson, Sec.

LONDON C.B.A.

Meeting held at "The Feathere," Gt. Chapel St., Westminster, S.W., Oct. 9, Mr. J. Dewhurst in the chair. After the usual business, Mr. J. Sandiford, of London, was nominated for membership. It was decided to have special prize cards for the forthcoming annual international show, size 5in. x 2½in. Many questions were drawn and answered by the members present, and arising out of the questions, interesting discussions followed. Amongst the subjects dealt with were:—How to bring birds into condition; varied experiences in the use of milk sop; the use of hemp and rape seed in the breeding-room, etc. Messrs. Sayer, Dawson, Goymer, Boxall, Trower, and Watcham ably assisted in making the meeting a success. A vote of thanks to the chairman closed the meeting.—W. H. Mugford, and F. Knight.

RUGBY AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Annual meeting held at the "Moat," Oct. 2. Mr. B. Pain in the chair. The balance sheet was passed as being satisfactory. The chairman, commenting on the lateness of same, said it was partly due to the change of secretaryship, and that it would be earlier next year. A profit was made on the December show, also on the year's working, and the balance in hand was fairly good for a small society. Two or three names were brought forward for membership, and the following officers were elected:—Chairman, Mr. B. Pain; treas., Mr. R. Barnwell; sec., Mr. W. J. Veasey, 7, Grosvenor Road; committee, Messrs. Leng, Bond, Barnwell, Nelson, Beet, Martin, Salter. Decided to hold a members' show Oct. 26th, and to ask Mr. G. Hall, of Leamington, to judge. Three specials were promised—one for best Canary, one for novice classes, and one for best British. Decided to hold also 10-mile radius shows on Dec. 27 and Feb. 12, the latter to include a class for pairs. Mr. W. Tyler, of Leicester, be asked to judge. Three new classes were added to this season's schedule, and the hope was expressed that the secretary would soon run an open show. Decided to run a season special for members. Four birds to be nominated for each show, and most points win. A general chat followed, on the ups and downs of the breeding season, and, generally speaking, a fairly good season has been experienced. It is hoped to see more birds on the stage than before.—B. Pain, Chairman.

BRADFORD EAST O.S.

Mr. L. Briggs, vice-president, opened out what proved to be a most interesting and instructive discussion on "Marked Breeding," at the meeting held at headquarters, October 15. To fully illustrate the points at issue, Mr. Briggs brought with him about 6 birds, all of which had some technical quality in relation to building up a marked strain. In a free and easy style he dealt with the various points, and phases of this most interesting fount of bird life and proved beyond doubt that pedigree breeding is the great essential point in this variety, for without it one may occasionally get what he termed a spurt, "a good marked one," but in the majority of cases will obtain a fair lot of heavy marked ones. Whereas, if a fancier would pay attention to the way in which his birds were bred from both sides, not just from the one side or the other, but take particular pains as to how both were bred, Mr. Briggs showed that one could then expect the progeny to be fair, decently marked birds. To prove this by actual experience, he invited any of the members to go home with him and see for himself. From those who have already availed themselves of this opportunity, we hear that Mr. Briggs has a grand lot of marked birds, excelling in markings and a noticeable feature is the very small percentage of heavy or objectionably marked birds. One important feature anent his success in breeding for good markings is that he adopts a certain method and sticks to it, with the above happy result. Mr. Briggs pleaded with the younger fanciers not to let anyone induce them to sell their best stock birds, especially those that were well up in the essential qualities that go to make the ideal, as these sometimes take years to obtain. Another very noticeable point in the lecturer's remarks was in regard to his birds being so very steady in the show cage. This was commented upon by all present, for the birds hardly seemed to leave the top perch, and evidently knew what was required of them. The cage was turned upside down, and the bird wouldn't leave the top perch, giving all present the idea that hours upon hours had been spent in training them, but Mr. Briggs assured them that the only way to get birds like this is to breed them with plenty of nerve, and afterwards to gain their confidence in the birdroom. Many questions were put to Mr. Briggs, and he dealt with them all in a mastery manner. A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. C. Cowgill, seconded by Mr. O. Priestley, and supported by Mr. H. Hill; this was carried unanimously. Mr. Briggs suitably responded.—U. Hill, Secretary.

ANNFIELD PLAIN C.B.S.

Meeting held Mr. Lumley's, Mr. S. Foster in the chair, when we had a grand turn out of members. It was decided not to hold a meeting next month, as it falls on the same day as Stanley C.B.S. show. Mr. R. Hutchinson was elected a member, and we are still open for some more. We had a good turn out of birds for table show, which Mr. J. Snell judged, and gave every satisfaction. Principal winners: Messrs. Humphrey, Robson, Robinson, Cresswell, and Peart. Decided to make next table show the last of the season, and the final competition for Mr. W. H. Butler's electro-plated teapot. Classes: Nor., Buff; Yorks., Buff; Border, Buff; A.O.V. Can.; and A.V. British. Mr. J. Emmerson judge.—R. Peart, Sec.

WALKLEY AND DIST. C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, held headquarters, October 10, Mr. T. Ridal presiding. The business being chiefly nomination of officers, but other business kept the meeting going well for more than two hours. The chief discussion was what shall constitute a novice. Eventually it was decided to place on the agenda for the annual meeting that a novice be allowed to show in novice classes until he has won with Canaries 3 first prizes in any one society (nest feather wins not to count); 1 first in open competition, limit classes included. The draw books have gone fairly well. Several specials were promised. Steward, J. Carr (annual show). Next meeting, a washing exhibition. Members please bring a bird to be washed; also your books (Sec. sit Nov. 11th, at headquarters, 8 to 9, to receive entries for show).—C. Tomlinson, Sec.

HORNSEY & WOOD GREEN C.B.S.

The members of this newly established, but rapidly increasing, C.B.S., held a table show and washing exhibition at headquarters (Mr. Bedford's), Wood Green, Oct. 3. There was a nice gathering of fanciers, and a capital show of birds. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged. Mr. Tolfrey won special for best bird with a very smart Yorks., the reserve being Mr. P. Brook's bonny unflighted yell. Norwich. YORKS.: 1, sp, 3, c, Tolfrey; 2, vhc, hc, Clay. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Brooks; c, Griffin. BRIT.: 1, Brooks; 2, Surridge; 3 Griffin. MULES: 1, Griffin. At the close of the judging, Mr. S. Smith gave a washing exhibition, which was most interesting and instructive. Mr. Smith explained that he never went in for special drying cages, rolling in cloths, etc. He simply used a shaving brush, white curd soap, a nice clean fire, the ordinary show cage (scrupulously clean), and care to see that every bird washed perched as soon as it left his hand. This was the "rub" with the fanciers watching Mr. Smith, but he accomplished his task with every bird he washed. Thanks were heartily accorded to Mr. Smith at the close.

THATTO HEATH AND DIST. O.S.

Meeting at headquarters, The Railway Hotel, on 7th October; Mr. H. Enever occupied the chair. We had a fairly good attendance to hear a lecture from that "auld veteran," Mr. Chas. Houlton (St. Helens). After a few brief remarks about the progress the society has made since its formation, some two years ago, and the possibility of still further improvement, the lecturer dived into his subject, a general one, touching on British Hardbills, large and small Softbills, Norwich Plainheads, and Yorkshire Canaries. Mr. H. took pains to explain what the standard ideals are, the proper cages to use, the proper treatment, food, etc., the mode of mixing softbill food, to the best advantage. We were also told not to spare the cold water bath, and great stress was laid on the necessity of wild seeds for all British Hardbills, as those particular items went a long way towards producing that hard and polished finish so essential to an exhibition specimen. Mr. H. invited anyone to ask questions, and there followed some very "nutty" problems. They were very generously dealt with, and this part of the programme was, to say the least, very interesting indeed, and I think all present must have derived some benefit. The Chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer for his very interesting and instructive paper, and the same was given in no half-hearted manner. We hope that Mr. H. will come amongst us again, and give us some of his experiences in the Mule and Hybrid section of the Fancy. Next meeting November 4th, when arrangements will be made for members' annual show, on the 18th January. I should be glad to hear from any fancier who would like to join us.—H. R. Macdonald, Hon. Sec.

BARROW AND DISTRICT C.B.A

Washing and Drying Show Birds.

Very successful meeting held at headquarters, Oct. 9th, Mr. D. McFarlane presiding. At conclusion of usual business, the Chairman called on Mr. W. Ireland to give his promised washing exhibition. This treat had been looked forward to, and there was a strong muster present, who watched with interest while the operator put two birds through the washing and drying process, and were surprised with the ease and dexterity with which the washing was done. Mr. Ireland's method of drying also aroused the keenest interest, and a good discussion followed. He uses a hot water tank. By the way, the member who volunteered to take the tank downstairs to get it filled with hot water had a lively time, as he discovered a leak when about half-way up again, but surmounted the difficulty by turning it over! The tank fits into a breeding cage, one half of the top opening as a lid. On the top of the tank is laid a flannel-covered rack, the strips of wood running from back to front of cage. The birds are rolled in flannel and laid in the grooves of the rack with tails towards the fire; the cage is then covered over with a shawl and laid a comfortable distance from the fire. He allows from 30 to 35 minutes before he unwraps the birds. He then gives them a minute or two to recover and transfers them to clean show cages to finish off. In the discussion which followed, some were of the opinion that the birds were too long in the drying cloths, but certainly the birds didn't show any signs of fatigue, as immediately they were transferred to the show cages they were about as lively and perky as they would have been under normal conditions. On the motion of Mr. W. Fryer a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Ireland, which ended a very instructive and enjoyable evening. Table show of Borders (4 classes) at next meeting, Oct. 23rd.—Jas. S. Fleming, Sec.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager.

England.

Oct. 25 & 26.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—Belle Vue.—(H. Boothman, 10, Parker St., Levenshulme.)
Oct. 25 & 26.—**S. Shields.**—(W. L. Smith, 3, Queen-st.) J. Wk., F.Md.
Oct. 26.—**Derwent Valley.**—(Lindsay and Marsh, Railway Cottages, Westwood, Medomsley, R.S.O.). W.R., G.W.
Oct. 26.—**Hartlepools.**—(Woodhead and Pyman, West House, Grange Rd., W. Hartlepool). H.W.B., J.M.
Oct. 29 & 30.—**Barnstaple.**—(J. D. Horrill, 17, King Edward Street). T.H.
Oct. 30.—**Torbay O.S. (Paignton).**—J. N. and J. Jellery, "Sartor House," Winner Street, Paignton.) J.H.P.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Cheltenham.**—(A. S. Treasure, Idahoe, Oakland Ave.) W.G., H.W.B., J.F.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Grimsby.**—(Fowl and Smith, 205, Welholme Rd.). J.H.R.
Oct. 30 & 31.—**Ramsgate.**—(A. Afrigan, 21, Thanet Rd.). G.G.
Oct. 31.—**Grantham.**—(W. E. Allen, 119, Alexandra Road). J.C.B.
Oct. 31.—**Matlock.**—(G. Poyser, Wilmot Road, The Dimple, Matlock.). W.V.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Sheffield O.S.**—T. Bishop, 69, Alexandra Road.). W.M., C.H., W.V., J.N.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Wolverhampton.**—(J. Gibbons, 64, Napier Rd.). J.R.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Liverpool.**—(Metcalfe and Deacon, 68, Brunswick Rd.). H.W.B., J.W., J.W.C., E.B.
Nov. 1 & 2.—**Blaydon-on-Tyne.**—(Geo. Harver, 1, Theresa St.). W.A.C., C.A.H.
Nov. 2 & 4.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street). J.H.P., R.J.H.
Nov. 5 & 6.—**Portsmouth.**—(King and Joiner, 80, Stubhington Av.). J.H.R., H.N.
Nov. 6 & 7.—**Newport, Mon.**—(J. Hammett, 56, Milman St.). C.A.H., D.A.S.L.
Nov. 7 & 8.—**Leyton.**—(Foree and Son, 31, Thornhill Rd.) J.R., J.F.
Nov. 8 & 9.—**Old Shildon.**—(J. H. Elwell, 35, Church Street, Shildon). Gray Bros.
Nov. 8 & 9.—**West Stanley** (W. Elliott, 15, Fairford Terr.). A.B., F.M.
Nov. 9 & 11.—**Nottingham.**—(G. E. Wilkinson, 86, Lenton Boulevard). T.H., W.V., G.E.W.
Nov. 9.—**Warrington.**—(G. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Rd.). A.W., H.W.B.
Nov. 13.—**Alnwick.**—(R. Forster, 42, Bondgate Without).
Nov. 14.—**Stoke-on-Trent.**—(J. Pitchford, 218, London Rd.). H.W.B.
Nov. 14 & 15.—**Brighton and Hove C.B.A.**—(Will. H. Gibb, 19, Bond St.). C.A.H., J.R.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Hull.**—(E. R. Ridley, 19, Lambton Street.) J.R., H.W.B.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Preston.**—(J. P. Leeming, 40A, West Cliff.) J.H.R., A.W.
Nov. 15 & 16.—**Codnor Park and Eastwood.**—(J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton). J.C.B.
Nov. 19 & 20.—**Bournemouth.**—(J. A. Crawshaw, 28, Gerald Rd.). J.H.P.
Nov. 19 & 20.—**Wimbledon.**—(H. Smith, 115, Merton Rd.) H.N., R.H., J.R.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Doncaster.**—(G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion Street). H.W.B., W.V., J.W.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Rochdale O.C.**—(R. Blincoe, 160, Drake Street). C.A.H., W.M.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Haltwhistle.**—(Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate.) J.D., A.H.
Nov. 23.—**Cramlington.**—(J. R. Chestney, Quarry Cottage). A.H., H.S.
Nov. 23.—**Hinckley.**—(A. H. Ridgway, Priesthills Rd.)
Nov. 23 & 25.—**Ilkeston.**—(Thos. Smith, 5, King-st.). J.C.B., C.H.
Nov. 26.—**Launceston F.A.**—(N. H. Reed, Launceston). J.H.P.
Nov. 27-28.—**Bristol F.A.**—(G. T. H. Maggs, 9, Trinity St., Newtown, Bristol).
Nov. 27 & 28.—**Portsmouth F.S.** (W. E. Tyrrell, 38, Commercial Rd.). G.W.J., C.P.
Nov. 28, 29 & 30.—**L.C.B.A.**—(W. H. Mugford, 1, Strathearn Rd., Wimbledon, S.W.).
Nov. 29, 30.—**Sale C.B.S.**—(A. Royle, 99, Harley Rd.) C.H., A.G.D.
Nov. 30.—**Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.**—(A. Walker, 47, Montrose St.). J.H.R.
Nov. 30.—**Coventry Godiva.**—(H. Saunders, 31, Vernon St.) H.W.B.
Nov. 30.—**Harrogate C.B.S.**—(G. H. Barnwell, 20, College-rd.). W.M.
Dec. 3, 4.—**Tonbridge.**—(Percy Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow Rd.).
Dec. 4, 5.—**Birmingham.**—(J. H. Jones, 169, Church Lane, Aston, Birminghan.)
Dec. 6, 7, & 9.—**Bradford National.**—(H. Hill, 15, Settle Terr., Thornton Lane.)
Dec. 7.—**Rotherham.**—(B. Bailey, 47, Craven Street, Parkgate, nr. Rotherham.) J.C.B.
Dec. 11.—**Luton.**—(E. Bloomfield, 22, Hitchin Rd.) J.R., J.F.
Dec. 12.—**Frome F.A.**—(C. I. Young, 8, Palmer St.). H.N.
Dec. 13 and 14.—**Gateshead.**—(J. G. Greason, 24, Newman Terrace). G.H., J.C.B., J.R., J.M., W.C.D.
Dec. 14.—**Sheffield C.B.S.**—(A. Hobson, 66, Langsett Avenue) J.R., H.W.B.
Dec. 14.—**Winsford.**—(S. S. Brooks, 157, Station Rd.) C.H.
Dec. 26.—**Anfield, Everton.**—(R. B. Wright, 15, Worcester Drive, Clubmore, Liverpool). A.W. 1913.
Jan. 11.—**Yarm, Eaglescliffe.**—(T. W. Wilson, High-st.)
Feb. 7, 8, 10, 11.—**Great National (Crystal Palace).**—(J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Av., Brixton, S.W.).

Scotland.

Oct. 26.—**Perth.**—(Jas. Kerr, 18, James St.). W.G., T.A., J.R.M.
Oct. 26.—**Kirkcaldy.**—(C. Rae, 15, Anderson St., Pathhead.). D.L., G.A., J.H., W.H., J.W.A.
Oct. 26.—**Ayr and Dist.**—(J. Sloan, 19, New Bridge St.). J.F.D., J.M.
Nov. 2.—**Bo'ness.**—(T. Cameron, 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans).
Nov. 2.—**Brechin.**—(G. Mitchell, 118, Montrose St.) A.H., W.Mc., J.F.
Nov. 9.—**Forfar.**—(D. Kerr, 15, Green St.). A.S., A.P., W.B.
Nov. 9.—**Hamilton Cadzow Oak.**—(G. Marlin, 21, Glebe Street.) J.Sn., J.Hn., R.B.
Nov. 16.—**Cowdenbeath.**—(J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland pl.) J.P., J.W.B., C.C., G.A., W.R., L.J.A.
Nov. 16.—**Galashiels.**—(J. Brown, 156, Croft St.). G.F., T.B., A.G., A.H.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Glasgow and Dis. C.B.A.**—(Wm. Hutchison, 163, Hospital Street.) J.H., R.L., Dr. S., R.B., S.W.
Nov. 23.—**Blairgowrie.**—(M. Irvine, 17, Brown St.)
Nov. 23.—**Uddingston C.B., etc., S.**—(Jas. Corgrove, 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell.)
Nov. 30.—**City of Dundee.**—(A. Miller, 3, Park Ave.). J.S., R.T., R.W., W.M., J.H., G. McA.
Nov. 30.—**Musselburgh.**—(W. Nisbet, 101, High St.). J.McL., T.A., R.B.
Dec. 4.—**Forres and N.O.S.**—(W. Cumming, 28, North Rd.). J.L.
Dec. 7.—**Cupar.**—(Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar.)
Dec. 14.—**Broxburn.**—(W. M'Laren, Church Street). J.McL., A.C., G.H., R.V.R., J.Gw.
Dec. 14.—**Kilsyth.**—(A. D. Duncan, "Chronicle" Office.)
Dec. 31 & Jan. 1, 1913.—**Scottish National.**—(J. R. Meikle, 51, Lothian Rd., Edinburgh.)
Jan. 1 & 2.—**Edinburgh Open.**—(R. Lile, 15, Argyll Terr.)
Jan. 1 & 2.—**Paisley O.A.**—(W. Lambie, 25, Caledonia Street.)

Wales.

Nov. 13 & 14.—**Swansea.**—(S. H. George, 32, Fisher Street). J.R., J.F.D.
Nov. 20 & 21.—**Cardiff.**—(E. Thomas, 48, Craddock-st.) W.M., W.V., D.A.S.L.
Nov. 26.—**Llanelly.**—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) W.V., J.F.
Nov. 28.—**Pentrebach.**—(A. E. Brown, 66, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil). G.G.
Dec. 4.—**Pontypridd.**—(A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser-st., Maesycoed).
Dec. 11.—**Mid Rhondda.**—(A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwyncelyn, Porth.)

Ireland.

Nov. 14.—**Derry.**—(M. Kerr, 99, Foyle St., Londonderry). S.H.
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Holywood and Dist.**—(Jno. Dunwoody, jun., 42, Church-st.).
Nov. 22 & 23.—**Lurgan.**—(S. McCollum, Drumgor). J. McL., A.H.
Nov. 28 & 29.—**South County Dublin (Kingstown).**—(D. Smyth, 21, Eden Terr., Kingstown.) W.M.
Dec. 6 & 7.—**Ulster O.A. (Belfast).**—(R. Trimble, 11, Waring St., Belfast.) J.F.D., W.V.
Dec. 12 & 13.—**Larne.**—(T. Mayne, 35, Barnhill.)

EASTVILLE OPEN F.S. (Bristol).

There was a crowded attendance at the monthly meeting of the Eastville Open F.S., held Oct 9, at the White Swan Hotel, over which Mr. R. Ewens presided. The business chiefly concerned the ninth annual members' show, Nov. 2, for which promises of a large number of specials were forthcoming. Decided to have catalogues, and members and others who wish to advertise in same are requested to forward copy at once to the secretaries. Decided to ask Mr. A. Tottle to give a lecture at the November meeting. About twenty-five cage birds were staged, and the judge considered them a pretty warm lot, Mrs. Garland winning the special for best, and Mr. Greenslade for best Norwich and the points special, Mr. Yorke second and Mr. Flook third. Judge, Mr. E. A. Lovell. YORKS. BUFF: 1, Flook; 2, 3, Greenslade; 4, Mrs. Garland; vhc, Yorke; hc, Walters; c, Norman. YELL.: 1, Mrs. Garland; 2, Greenslade; 3, vhc, Yorke; 4, Flook. TKD.: 1, sp, 3, Mrs. Garland; 2, Greenslade; 4, c, Pace and Williams; vhc, Flook; c, Yorke. NOR.: 1, sp, Greenslade; 2, Pace and Williams; 3, Yorke. BRIT.: 1, Mrs. Garland; 2, 4, Pace; 3, Pace and Williams.

COWDENBEATH C.B.S.

The members of the above society were favoured by Mr. John Steel, of Dalkeith, who delivered a splendid lecture on British birds and their foods in the Arcade Temperance Hotel, Sept. 28. Mr. Steel first dealt with the Goldfinch in a very able manner, reviewing the various kinds, the Three by Six, Peatbroat, and the Cheveral, also the meating off for the Greypate. As a wild food for the Goldfinch, he placed dandellon, thistles, and shepherd's purse, in the order named. He also mentioned the following as all good in their way: mouse-ear, red-shank, wild rape, gold of pleasure, nettle, and sow thistle. Mr. Steel next dealt with the Linnet, making it clear that although called by many different names, the Grey Linnet, the Rose Linnet, the Heather Linnet, they were one and the same bird. After dealing very fully with this species, describing more especially their wild food, Mr. Steel was asked to describe the method of meating off for a newly-caught Redstart. Mr. Steel minutely described this handsome bird, and said it must have a plentiful supply of live food. He advocated mealworms, gentles, wasp grubs, etc., also a supply of elderberries and blackberries. He also described the method of catching the Redstart and the Wagtail, with his own traps and accessories. Afterwards the questioning started, and some good questions were put. The question which was awarded the prize (a show cage presented by Mr. Steel) was that put by Mr. Andrew Simpson, "Does environment mean anything in the breeding of Mules and Hybrids?" "Undoubtedly," was Mr. Steel's answer, and he advocated making their breeding quarters as near to their natural conditions as possible. Other questions were asked and answered, to the satisfaction of all present. A very hearty vote of thanks was given to the lecturer, on the motion of the Chairman, all present having thoroughly enjoyed their evening's entertainment.—J. R. Reid, Secretary.

STOCKPORT B.F.A.

Special meeting held Oct. 8, at the Boar's Head Hotel; Mr. John Garner presided. The chief items of the evening were a washing competition for novices, and a lecture on the Norwich by Mr. J. Raynes. Mr. W. H. Appleton, of West Gorton, who handled his bird very well indeed, won the prize of 5s. Members in the champion section who took a hand were Messrs. McKail, Mason, Potts and Stafford. Mr. J. Raynes also kindly consented to wash one, and gave a few remarks on how to wash, which were very much appreciated by all present. Whilst the birds were drying, Mr. Raynes gave his lecture on the Norwich, and dwelt at length on the value of pedigree breeding, the pairing of birds to gain one particular object at a time. He used double buffing occasionally, but not too often, as he was convinced that it was the cause of slack feathered birds. Mr. Raynes described his mode of feeding before pairing up, also his treatment when young were hatched, and told how to wean young birds. An interesting discussion followed, several visitors taking part, and they seemed very well pleased with the information they received. A vote of thanks to Mr. Raynes was proposed by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Stafford, and replied to by Mr. Raynes, who asked the fanciers of Stockport district to come forward and join the society, bind themselves together, and try to get as good shows in the future as they used to have in the past; he had seen many good shows in Stockport, and he hoped to see more.—W. Stafford.

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teady, perfect feather (it doesn't look well, Mr. L. to see dead Linnets given to these birds at hows; we heard some remarks); 2, Miss Bousfield, Waxwing, in grand form, rich col., bright wing tips, ell polished; 3, Jay, perfect feather, good wing bars. FOR., INSECTIV. OR FRUIT-EATING (5): 1, Hon. Mrs. Bourke, very pretty specimen of the rare Coochoo Robin, whose colours are rich reddish chestnut, back flights and tail, black throat, and light greyish underparts, in the pink of condition, shown to perfection; 2, Mrs. Thynne, Tri-colour Tanager, gem, comprising various shades of green, faultless condition; 3, Miss Bousfield, rare White-capped Tanager, in splendid feather; vhc, Gollan, nice Pekin Robin, very lively little chap, in great form; abs, No. 4, Ribbon Finches. COM. AVADAVATS, ETC. (9); Mr. Watts had it all his own way here: 1, 2, 4, hc, Golden-breasted Waxbills, Green Avadavats, Indian Silver Bills, and Diamond Sparrows respectively; all were well selected birds and in first-class order; 3, Thwaites, a nice pair of Diamond Finches, very pretty exhibit; vhc, Andrews Bros., Golden-breasted Waxbills. WAXBILLS, ETC. (11): 1, Buckingham, grand specimen of the rare Crimson Finch, very pretty, and in splendid order; 2, Watts, Queen Whydah, an old friend, looking very fit, perfect feather and condition; 3, hc, Miss Bousfield, Black-headed Gouldians, very fine pair, tight as wax, very bright in col.; 4, Mrs. Thynne, Paradise Whydah, perfect tail, good bright breast and well staged; vhc, Mortlock, Cordon Bleus; c, Day. NOV. BRIT., BULL. or GOLDF. (3): 1, Cornick, Goldie, well tanned chest, capital size, not yet up in blaze, rather narrow on head; 2, Sadler, Bullie, nice cap, wings, and breast col. LINNET (12): 1, spl, Tatten, real good Siskin, well laced cap, good col., well marked on flanks, perfect condition; 2, 3, 4, hc, Grisdale, bonny Siskin, nicely laced cap, well marked thighs, nice size, hardly so dense on cap; 3rd, Mealy Redpoll, nice bib and markings; 4th Linnet, good colour and feather, on the small side, lacking a bit in markings; vhc, Cornick; c, Briars. A.O.S. FINCH OR BUNTING (6): 1, Cooper, good col. Hawfinch, perfect feather, very steady, just a little narrow on head; 2, vhc, Tatten, Yellow Bunting and Chaffinch, former fine bodied bird, clear yell throat, rather heavily marked head at present, latter a rare big Chaffinch, wide chest, good col.; 3, Mdme. Madewell, nice steady Snow, light breast, good wings and markings, fine size; hc, Lafbury; c, Butler. INSECTIV. (3): 1, 2, Wade, Nightiugale and Blackcap, might be more suitably showu, both, however, in good feather. (It is not wise, Mr. W., to put the food on the bottom of cage, as the birds get it fouled.) MULES OR HYB., LIGHT OR VAR. CAN. (3): 1, spl, Thomas, Gold-Can., lightly mkd., in very nice order; 2, Butler, larger bird of same cross, and more heavily marked, very heavily feathered; 3, Wade, yet another Gold-Can., heavily marked. DARK CAN. HYB. (2): 1, Miss P. Philcox, Linnet-Can.; No. 3, absent. A.O.V. BRIT. HYB. (3): 1, Viggers, Greenfinch-Bullie, rich col., good size, shows both parents well; 2, Thomas, Goldie-Linnet, shows blaze and wing bars and the Linnet markings; No. 3, absent.

ST. AUSTELL.

St. Austell and Dis. F.A. held their annual exhibition in the Market House, on Oct. 23rd, in ideal weather, and befor ea good attendance. The Norwich classes were well filled, and contained some very typical specimens, the winner being a gem, which also captured the Sandiford's medal for hottest fed bird. Yorks were small, but a good lot. Mules and British were good, and the winning Wagtail won the special for best in show. Mr. Davies judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

CL. YELL. NOR.: 1, Pascoe, grand type, head and neck, lovely colour, good wings; 2, Ferrell, good type and quality, nice wing carriage; 3, Smith, excellent type and condition, nice head and neck; res., Kemp, good colour and type; vhc, Stephens and Gaved; hc, Andrew and Allen; c, Hawken. YELL., OR BUFF TK.: 1, Pascoe, varieg. yell., good type and quality, nice condition; 2, Williams, tk. head buff, bold build, nice wings; 3, Andrew and Allen, yell., tk. thigh, nice colour, neat head and neck; res., Ferrell, varieg. yell., good condition and quality; vhc, Pascoe; hc, Hobba and Son; c, Howard. CL. BUFF: 1, hc, Stephens and Gaved, grand type and quality, lovely col.; 2, Williams, neat, typical, good colour, nice wings; 3, Sherman, good type, fine wing carriage, good condition; res., Ferrell, good bird, nice head and neck; vhc, Pascoe; c, Hobba and Son. HEN: 1, Whitter, yell. tick, very fair, but we thought ought to have stood down for 2, Symons Bros., yell., excellent type and quality, nice hen; 3, hc, Hawken, yell. tick, very good quality, nice type; res., Stephens and Gaved, buff varieg., grand type, lovely damsel we thought, easy 1st; vhc, Andrew and Allen; c, Pascoe. NONFLIGTED: 1, Kemp, cl. yell., good col., nice body; 2, Pascoe, varieg. yell., good type and quality; 3, Roberts and Trenery, varieg. yell., very neat; res., Hobba and Son, very good type and quality; vhc, Stephens and Gaved; hc, Hawken; c, Ferrell. CREST OR C.B.: 1, res., Symons, grand varieg. Crest, good droop and radiation; 2, 3, Rabey Bros., close on heels of leader, grand bird; 3, C.B., good skull and lashing; vhc, hc, Kelynack. YORK., CL., YELL: 1, Thomas, good type, neat wings and tail, well up on leg; 2, Andrew and Allen, good col., wings and tail, nice back and legs; 3, vhc, Boundy, very slim, well up on leg, nice colour, pressed; res., c, Stephens and Gaved, good back, head and neck, very neat; hc, Wells. BUFF: 1, 3, c, Andrew and Allen, good quality, very neat wings and tail, 3rd, good wings and tail, nice quality; 2, Julian, good back and wing carriage, nice legs; res., vhc, Thomas, very neat, good wings and tail; hc, Boundy. YORKS., A.O.V.: 1, hc, Boundy, grand tick thigh yell., good quality, fine wings and tail; 2, Andrew and Allen, Cinn. marked, grand type and quality; 3, c, Thomas, buff tk., good wings and tail, nice quality; res., Wells; vhc, Julian. NOR., OR YORK NON-FED: 1, Sherman, Nor. yell., good type and quality, nice head and neck; 2, Whetter, Nor. buff, very neat, good wings and tail; 3, hc, Stephens aud Gaved, Yorks, good wings and tail, nice condition; res., Williams; vhc, Tonkin. A.O.V.: 1, Medlyn, grand yell. Cinn., lovely type and quality; 2, Erwin, Lancs. coppy, real good bird; 3, Sherman, grand Buff Cinn., good colour and type; vhc, Medlyn. GROUP 1: 1, Stephens and Gaved, Nor., very nice type and quality; 2, Symons Bros., Crests, grand lot, lovely Crests; 3, Andrew and Allen, Yorks, good quality and type; vhc, Hobba and Son. MULES, LIGHT: 1, 2, Collins, tk. eye, buff Goldie, lovely condition and qual.; 2, 4-point yell., lovely wing marks and col.; 3, res., Stephens and Gaved, mkd. one eye, and wings, buff, good bird, fine qual., res., varieg., good col. and qual. DARK: 1, Hobba and Son. Goldie-Bullie, good col., very neat bird; 2, Stephens and Gaved, buff Goldie, grand size and colour; 3, Collins, Linnet-Bullie, god head and breast colour; res., vhc, Curnow; hc, Tonkin; c, Pill. GOLDFINCH: 1, Coombe, grand bird, lovely blaze, good buttons; 2, Lobb, very neat bird, good buttons and chest, hardly ready; 3, vhc, Stephens and Gaved, good chest and wings, hardly up in col.; res., Symons Bros.; hc, Pill. HARDBILL, SMALL: 1, Ferrell, Bramble, good colour and markings, very steady; 2, Roberts and Trenery, Redpoll, good bib and flank marking; 3, Strong, nice Siskin, good bib and col.; res., Stephens and Gaved; vhc, Collins. A.V. SMALL: 1, Collins, yell. Wagtail, lovely col., very steady; 2, Stephens and Gaved, Redstart, lovely bird, hardly ready. SELL., 15s.: 1, Smith; 2, Symons Bros.; 3, Osborne; res., Bonndy. SELL., 7s. 6d.: 1, Andrew and Allen; 2, Osborne; 3, Whetter; res., Pascoe. FOR., LARGE: 1, Hon. T. C. Robarts; 2, Stocker; 3, Stephens and Gaved; res., Dingle. SMALL: 1, 3, res., Stephens and Gaved; 2, Dingle.

BROMLEY.

The 21st annual show of the Bromley and West Kent F.A. was held, as usual, in the Drill Hall on Oct. 23 and 24. The hall, although a large one, was packed with exhibits, and will soon be much too small for this progressive society. The birds were so nicely staged that all could be conveniently inspected. There was a capital show of Norwich and Yorks, some high-class birds of both varieties being staged. In Norwich the principal winners were Messrs. Wickham, Richardson, Lovegrove, Saunders, Gunnell, Kilby, Easton, Hall, Page, etc., and in Yorks Messrs. Rayner, Page, Lever, Lockett, Wraight, Avis, Fairman, etc. There were a few good Crests and nice classes of Fluches and Hybrids. The show was capitally managed by Mr. A. T. Bellinger, who makes a very fine secretary, has everything in the best of order, and is always ready and obliging. He was ably assisted by Messrs. Pressland, Stevens, Bleeze, Foxon, Faux, Barber, and Ford. There was a capital attendance of visitors. Mr. H. Norman placed the awards. The Members' Cup was won by Mr. E. Steed, of Lee, with a nice unflighted yell. Norwich, the runner-up being a fine yell. Yorks owned by Mr. J. Barber, of Bromley.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (6): 1, Wickham, bonny bird, good substance, nice head and neck, well filled front, good wings and tail; 2, Richardsou, similar, little to choose, hardly so well fined down as winner; 3, hc, Lovegrove, good type and qual., well filled all round; vhc, Steed. BUFF (6): 1, Wickham, bonny bird for type and substance, rare head and neck, nice short wings, grand qual., has improved since Clapham; 2, Lovegrove, beauty, close up, well filled all round, nicely braced wing, rare condition; 3, Saunders, lovely for type and qual., very short all over, close up; vhc, Steed; hc, Bingham; c, Kilby. TICK, ETC (7): 1, Gunnell, bonny bird for type and carriage, good head and neck, well braced wings, nice short tail, grand col.; 2, Kilby, fine bold Foul Green, grand head and body, good carriage; 3, Saunders, rare type and quality, clean cut, good col., close up; vhc, c, Steed; hc, Shaw. UNFLIGHT YELL. (11): 1, Saunders, neat wing, lovely type, well proportioned all through, grandly braced wings and nice tail carriage, good one; 2, Stroud, fine bold buff, grand type and quality, good head and neck; 3, Steed, bonny yell., capital type, good bold front; res, vhc, Wickham, lovely quality cap mkd. buff; hc, Lovegrove; c, Gunnell. NOVICE YELL. (8): 1, Miss Inglis, fine bold yell., bonny shape and style, good size, nice full front; 2, Cole, another yell. of grand size, neat head, grand wings, sound col.; 3, Greenaway, fine bold bird, good size, well filled back; vhc, Lynn; hc, Gordon; c, 39a. BUFF (14): 1, Easton, stormer for size and qual., wonderful head and neck, rare substance, bonny bird; 2, Hall, good type, neat head, nice full neck and front, sound col.; 3, Wood, shapely, grand qual., well rounded, taking bird; res, Miss Gordon, another bonny bird, capital type and qual.; vhc, Cole; hc, Pennal; c, Pressland. UNFLIGHT. (15): 1, Page, nice bold bird, good size, neat head, full neck and chest, well filled back; 2, res, vhc, Bell, lovely buff, grand quality, nice short type, good wings, grand col.; res, grand quality buff, A1 col.; 3, Lynn, bonny yell., lovely type and style, sound col.; hc, Beaumont. YORK. BUFF (8): 1, Rayner, grand type, rare length and style, perfect wings; 2, Johnson, grand length, good shoulders, nicely braced wings, lovely quality; 3, Britton, rare length and style, neat tail, sweet head, lovely quality; vhc, Clark; hc, Mrs. Owen and Son; c, Wraight. TICK, ETC. (14): 1, Leaver, grand full length yell. mkd. head and wings, hot col., well shown; 2, Austen, bonny buff, rare type, grand size, neatly tapered; 3, hc, Rayner, very smart yell., grand type and size, sound col.; res, Wraight, lovely buff, fine length; c, Foxen. HEN (11): 1, Lockett, grand cap mkd. buff, wonderful length and qual., neat head, good shoulders, capital wings; 2, Wraight, bonny yell., rare style for a lady, grand head, good bit of shoulder; 3, c, Britton, check mkd. buff, grand size, well rounded back and front, nice positiou; res, Foxen, lovely yell., very typical; vhc, Rayner; hc, Smith; c, Britton. UNFLIGHT. (18): 1, 3, Lockett, lovely buff, grand length, neat head and neck, good shoulders, well filled back, grand wings; 3rd, bold buff, grand quality, very shapely and smart; 2, Johnson, bonny yell., very stylish, stands well, nicely rounded, good legs; res, Smith, another good yell., grand type; vhc, Rayuer; hc, Britton; c, Stroud. NOV. YELL. (12): 1, Avis, fine bold wing mkd. yell., grand length A1 shoulders, lovely head and neck, stands well; 2, Barber, smart bird, nice type and position, good shoulders; 3, Bullen, another cap mkd. yell., stylish, well filled back, neat wings; res, Plumb, good yell., very close up; vhc, Fairman; hc, Heath; c, Neal. BUFF (9): 1, Fairman, grand upstanding buff, neat head and neck, well filled back, good shoulders and wings, grand quality; 2, Bullen, another good buff, very typical, nice clean cut bird; 3, Creed, big bold Cinn. mkd., grand type and quality; res, Rogers; vhc, Heath; hc, Avis; c, Hitcheus. UNFLIGHT. (19): 1, 2, Barber, capital yell. tkd., grand length and type, good style, well filled shoulders; 2nd grand length, neat head and neck, nice shoulder; 3, Rogers, fine bold buff, nice size and type; res, Creed; vhc, Plumb; hc, Poindistre; c, Bullen. CREST AND C.B. (5): 1, c, Steveus, Green Crest, nice size, good big crest of correct formation, well drooped and veined; 2, Young, bold C.B., good shape, nice head, well lashed; 3, vhc, Ford, another good Crest, nice size and shape, good droop; hc, Hussey. BORD. (11): 1, Rev. Scames, lovely Green, grand depth of col., good type, nice jaunty bird; 2, hc, Burton Bros., marked bird of fine type, neat head and wings, good col.; 3, c, Wood, wing tkd., fine size, nicely moulded, lovely quality; res, Owen; vhc, Williams. UNFLIGHT. (12): 1, Burton Bros., bonny yell. mkd. eyes and wings, lovely type, beautifully rounded, neat head, nice wings and tail; 2, Rev. Soames, good sound Green, grand type and col.; 3, hc, Wood, buff mkd., fine quality, very shapely; vhc, Owen; c, Bacon. LIZARDS: 1, 3, Miss Gordon, two bonny birds, nice type and qual., capital spangling, nice body work; 2, res, Wood, very shapely and neat full of work; vhc, Shiers. FINCH, ETC. (27): 1, Drowley, beautiful Hawfinch, grand size and shape, good sound col., perfect bib, A1 condition; 2, Gunnell, good Yell. Bunting, shapely, well marked bird, grand back and wings, lovely col.; 3, Shiers, bonny Bramble, grand shape, well spangled back, perfect wings; res, Simants, good bold Greenie; vhc, hc, Acland; c, Daniell. INSECTIV. (11): 1, 3, Dell, fine bold Thrush, good dark markings, shapely bird, in fine condition; 3rd lovely Starling in perfect condition; 2, Butler, big Pied Blackbird, grand shape and style; res, c, Mrs. Inglis; vhc, Stevens. HYB., DK. (16): 1, Howick, big bold Canary Bullie, wonderful size, grand col., good wings, in fine condition; 2, Acland, bold Greenie-Canary, rare size and type, grand wings, A1 col.; 3, vhc, Mrs. Soames, non-fed Goldie-Canary, fine size and type, grand blaze; res, Lamb; hc, Ward; c, Miss Smyth. SELL. (25): 1, 3, Gunnell; 2, Ford; res, Barber. GIFT: 1, Foxen; 2, Stevens; 3, Brewer.

SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD F.A.

Annual young stock show held Oct. 12, at the Robin Hood Inn. Mr. E. O. Davies judged.

NORWICH BUFF: 1, 2, Nuttall Bros.; 3, res, Lawton and Turner; vhc, Taylor. YELL.: 1, 2, Lawson and Turner; wrong class, Taylor. BRIT.: 1, res, Lawson and Turner, hen Song Thrush and Missel Thrush; 2, 3, vhc, Peach, Hawfinch and Bullfinch.—C. W. Sanderson.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

Monthly table show held Oct. 16 at Headquarters, when Mr. H. James undertook the final judging of the exhibits. Several fine Yorkies were shown.

YORKS. (CHAMP): 1, 2, Gibb; 3, hc, c, Pearson; vhc, Dandridge. NOR.: 1, Dean; 2, 3, Gibb; vhc, Miles; hc, c, Absalon. YORKS. NOV.: 1, Holley. GOLDFINCH; 1, Bignell. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, 2, Gibb. Members also took part in a judging competition, bringing their total points for the season to date: Goble, 177; Akehurst, 155; Bignell, 154; Holley, 126; Cadman, 118; Absalon, 109; Flook, 106; Dandridge, 85; Foot, 73; Miles, 70.—Will H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

ENTRIES EXTENDED.

Oct. 26.—**Barnstaple.**—J. D. Horrill, Exhibition Office, High Street.
Oct. 26 (last post).—**Paignton.**—J. N. and J. Jeffery, "Sartor House," Winner Street.
Oct. 27.—**Cheltenham.**—W. Pounsett, 5, Whitecross Square.
Oct 28 (1st post).—**Grantham.**—W. E. Allen, 119, Alexandra Road.
Oct. 28 (1st post)—**Carlisle.**—J. C. Bell, 23, Botchergate.
Oct. 28 (last post).—**Matlock.**—G. Poyser, Wilmot Road, The Dimple.
Oct. 29 (1st post).—**Leicester.**—A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street.

IRVINE AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Meeting held in Masonic Hall, Bank Street, Irvine. It was decided to hold the 2nd open show on Nov. 30, giving a good classification. Judges, Messrs. R. Jeffrey, Glasgow, Nor.; J. W. Bruce, Coldstream, Yorks. and Bord.; C. Campbell, Glasgow, Brit. and For.—H. B. Young, Hon. Sec.

SPRINGBURN, POSSIL PK. C.B.C.

Usual monthly meeting, held, and the washing competition for champions was well appreciated by a full attendance of members. Next meeting for novices' washing competition, November 13, when a full attendance again will be expected.—J. Waugh,

ANNFIELD PLAIN F. & F. & C.B.S.

Meeting held Oct. 12, enrolling three new members, Messrs. J. Stobbs, J. Adams and W. Smith. We have secured 4 cups, and Mr. J. Elliott has, I believe, kindly given a cup, so this will make five cups for members to compete for. Drawing took place last Thursday. Result: 1464, 4, 1055, 506, 85, 1242, 1827, 2266, 275, 189, 510, 483, 486, 1860, 1032. Will those who have secured a prize kindly apply at once? The sales of these books have brought in £10, and with the cash we have in hand makes up to £15. Members, I want you all to do your best re gathering specials. I want one for every class, so buck up and help make our first show a grand success. Show schedules are now being prepared: all fanciers may have breeder's card inserted, at rate of 2s. 6d. per quarter page. Next meeting at Mr. Gaffney's, Oct. 26, all invited. —J. W. Christon, Sec.

ANFIELD, EVERTON. C.B.S.

General meeting, held October 14, headquarters, St. Cuthbert's Schoolrooms, Anfield. Mr. G. Rawsthorn in the chair, and a grand attendance of members. Decided, that half-yearly balance sheet should be posted to all fully paid up members. Final arrangements made for members show, November 16; admission to show, 3d.; ladies free. Partly paid up members are requested to pay balance of subs. A number of names of fanciers who have sent in application for membership appear on the books, and these are requested to pay up at once, or the committee may decide to have their names expunged. No further application will be made to these fanciers. A very substantial lot of specials were subscribed at the meeting, and the committee desire to thank the generous donors. Mr. G. Benson, chairman Wallasey C.B.S. gave a washing exhibition in his usual dexterous manner, explaining the various methods adopted in the washing of Canaries, while the members watched him very closely. Mr. Benson used Guy's soap, which did its work in a very satisfactory manner. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Benson, who always seems happy amongst the Anfield fanciers. While the birds were drying, the Chairman called upon Mr. T. Barker, the well-known and expert Cheshire botanist, to give his lecture on wild seeds for British birds. There was a fine spread of wild seeds on the platform for the edification of the members, and Mr. Barker explained whether this or that seed was liked best by certain species of wild birds, naming every seed as he went along. There was a good number of British fanciers present, and many were the questions asked, and satisfactorily answered. A hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer brought a most successful evening to a close. Many more of them, we hope. Next meeting November 11, special.—R. B. Wright, Hon. Sec.

JUDGES OF CAGE BIRDS

The attention of Show Secretaries is directed to the following list of gentlemen willing to act as Judges. Terms for insertion on application.

J. C. BARNES, 113, Northfield Road, Walkley, Sheffield. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Long, practical experience. Terms moderate.
T. BENNETT, 14, Cumberland Rd., Lidget Green, Bradford. Judge of Cage Birds. Long and practical experience.
J. W. BRUCE, Coldstream. Judge of all varieties of cage birds; Border and British Bird specialist. Terms moderate.
W. A. COWGILL, 115, Washington Street, Girlington, Bradford. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Practical experience. Terms moderate.
A. G. DAVIS, 110-112, Tib Street, Manchester. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Specialist Norwich Judge.
GEO. GARDNER, 11, Haverstock Road, London, N.W. Judge of all kinds of Cage Birds.
C. A. HOUSE, Briardene, Idle, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and other Cage Birds.
S. HADWIN, 56, Richmond-row, Liverpool, judge of cage bird, all varieties; 25 years' practical experience.
J. R. HOUGHTON, 21, Hatfield Road, Gloucester. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds; specialist in Norwich; terms moderate.
JEFFERY JEFFERIS, Beck Lodge, High Road, Hayes, Middlesex. Judge of cage birds. Life experience. Terms moderate.
W. MUNDELL, 6, Carlisle Place, Manningham, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds.
J. W. METCALFE, The Yorkshire Aviaries, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. Judge of Cage Birds; specialist, Yorkshire and Norwich.
H. NORMAN, The Eyrie, Salisbury Road, Carshalton, Surrey. All varieties of Cage Birds. Specialist Hybrids and British Birds.
J. PATTERSON, Chirnside. Judge of Cage Birds; all varieties. Wide practical experience. Specialist Border Fancy Judge.
J. H. PAYNE, 17, Northgate Street, Gloucester Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Cage Birds
C. E. SILK, The Aviaries, Emsworth, Hants. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience.
HENRY TAMS, Orchard Place, Longton, Staffs. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Birds. Twenty-five years Breeder and Exhibitor.
S. TICKELL, 22, Honey Street, Bodmin. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds; specialist Norwich, Cinn & Lit. Long practical experience. Terms moderate
G. WILSON, 14, Frizington Rd., Frizington, Cumberland. Judge of Mules, British, Foreign. Specialist, Brit., Mules. Life experience; terms moderate
W. VARDY, The Aviaries, Hucknall Huthwaite, Notts. Judge of all varieties; specialist in Norwich Plainheads. Life experience. Terms moderate.

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CAGE BIRDS, 154, FLEET STREET, LONDON.

South Shields

October 25 & 26.

Fanciers give us a look in. Grand Show of Canaries; Mules; British and Foreign.

Congregational Hall, Ocean Road.

W. L. Smith, Sec. (1)

South - West London

C.B.S. The 16th Annual Members' Show will be held Saturday, October 26, at the New Guild Hall, 638-640, Wandsworth Road. (a few doors from Queen's Rd. tram terminus).

H. Freeman, Hon. Sec. (161)

Barnstaple

and North Devon C.B. Society,

We have more Special Prizes than entries. Please help us. Will accept entries to Saturday midday.—

J. D. Horrill, Hon. Sec., Exhibition Office, Barnstaple. (1)

CHELTENHAM

October 30th and 31st.

will accept entries up to Sunday morning's post.—

W. Pounsett, 5, Whitecross Square, Cheltenham. (161)

FANCIERS, DON'T FORGET

RAMSGATE

and Dis. C.B.S. First Open Show, Oct. 30th and 31st. Popular judge, Geo. Gardner, Esq. 59 Classes for Cage Birds only. Entrance fee, 1/3. Prize-money, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Numerous Cash Specials. Write for schedule. Send on, I will classify.—A. Afrigan, Hon. Sec., 21, Thanet Road, Ramsgate. Rally round, fanciers, and give us a good entry for our first venture.

Wanted, the first entry for Cage Birds at— **MATLOCK, Oct. 31.** Compelled to extend to Monday night's post, Oct. 28th. See last issue for classification. Enter at once to G. Poyser, Wilmot Rd., The Dimple. Matlock. (151)

EXHIBITORS, DO NOT BE MISLED, BUT WE, THE OLD ORIGINAL

PORTSMOUTH

FANCIERS' SOCIETY will hold our 28th ANNUAL SHOW on

Nov. 27th & 28th

At the CONNAUGHT DRILL HALL (Opposite Portsmouth Town Station).

The best hall in Portsmouth and next best to Crystal Palace. **For Cage Birds,** Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats and Cavies.

FULL PRIZE MONEY GUARANTEED. No amalgamation and a show run by fanciers who are in no way connected with any other society in the town. **Prize Money**—10., 5s., 2s. 6d. **Specials to value of £50 for Cage Birds.** Specialist Judges—Rev. G. W. Joyce (all Canaries and Hybrids); C. Prior, Esq. (all British and Foreign). Entrance Fee, **1s. 6d. Entries close November 19th.**

All prize money paid within 24 hours of close of show. This show is under the patronage of English and Welsh Border Fancy Canary Club.

Some of Specials are as follow: The late G. Coffin Memorial Challenge Bowl for Best Bird shown by a member of Portsmouth Fanciers' Society:—Border Fancy Club Medal for Most Points Champion Section. Border Fancy Club Medal, Most Points Novice Section.—Special Value 30s., Most Points Border Fancy Classes. Pair Oxo Pictures (21s.), 2nd Most Points Border Fancy Classes. Pair Oxo Pictures (21s.), 3rd Most Points Border Classes. Biscuit Barrel (10s.), 4th Most Points Border Classes. Electro-plated Cruet (7s. 6d.), 5th Most Points, Border Classes. Electro-plated Jam Dish (7s. 6d.), 6th Most Points, Border Classes. 2s. 6d. Best Bird Class 135. Electro-plated Butter Dish (12s. 6d.), Best Bird, Class 165. 5s. for Most Entries made by an Exhibitor in Cage Bird Classes. Special value 5s., Best Bird, Class 172. Special value 5s. 6d., Best Bird, Class 173. 2s. 6d. Most Points, Classes 172 and 173.

CLASSIFICATION AS FOLLOWS:— Class 129, Border Fancy, Clear or Lightly Ticked Yellow Cock. Class 130, Border Fancy, Clear or Lightly-ticked Buff Cock. Class 131, Border, Clear or Lightly-ticked Yell. Hen. Class 132, Border, Cl. or Lightly-tkd. Buff Hen. Class 133, Border, evenly Marked. Yell. or Buff, ck. or hen. Class 134, Border Fancy, unevenly Marked or Variegated Yellow or Buff Cock or Hen. Class 135, Border Fancy, Green or Cinnamon, Yellow or Buff Cock or Hen. Class 136, Norwich Clear Yellow or Buff Cock or Hen. Class 137, Norwich Ticked or Unevenly Marked Yellow or Buff Cock or Hen. Class 138, Norwich, any variety (except evenly marked), Hen. Class 139, Norwich Crest, any variety, cock or Hen. Class 140, Norwich Crest Bred, any variety, Cock or Hen. Class 141, Yorkshire Yellow, Clear, Ticked, or Unevenly Marked, Cock. Class 142, Yorkshire Yellow, Clear, Ticked, or Unevenly Marked, Hen. Class 143, Yorkshire Buff, Clear, Ticked, or Unevenly marked, Cock. Class 144, Yorkshire Buff, Clear, Ticked, or Unevenly Marked, Hen. Class 145, Any Variety, Canary, Cock or Hen. Class 146, Any Variety, Canary, Bred 1912, Cock or Hen. Class 147, Mules or Hybrids, Light. Class 148, Mules or Hybrids, Dark. Class 149, Any Variety, Cage Bird, except Foreign, price not to exceed 20s., Cock or Hen. Class 150, Any Variety, Cage Bird, except Foreign, price not to exceed 12s. 6d., Cock or Hen.

MEMBERS' AND LOCAL CLASSES.—Class 151, Norwich, Clear, Yellow, or Buff, Cock or Hen. Class 152, Norwich, Ticked or Unevenly marked, Yellow or Buff, Cock or Hen. Class 153, Yorkshire, Clear Yellow, Ticked, or Unevenly Marked, Cock or Hen. Class 154, Yorkshire, Clear Buff, Ticked, or Unevenly Marked, Cock or Hen. Class 155, Yorkshire, Any other Variety, except Evenly Marked, Cock or Hen. Class 156, Any Other Variety Canary. Class 157, Any Other Variety Canary, Non-Color Fed, except Crest and Crest Bred, Bred 1912, Cock or Hen.

BRITISH BIRDS, Open Classes. Judge—C. PRIOR, Esq.—Class 158, Goldfinch. Class 159, Bullfinch. Class 160, Greenfinch. Class 161, Linnet. Class 162, Linnet, Field-Moulted. Class 163, Redpoll or Siskin. Class 164, Any Other Variety of Finch or Bunting Not Mentioned. Class 165, Pied, Albino, or Rare Feathered Specimen of British Bird (Not a Hybrid). Class 166, Blackbird, Song Thrush, or Starling. Class 167, Any other Variety smaller than Starling. Class 168, Any Variety, British Bird, price not to exceed 7s. 6d.

MEMBERS' AND LOCAL CLASSES.—Class 169, Goldfinch. Class 170, Any Other Variety, Smaller than Starling. Class 171, Any Other Variety, Larger than but Including a Starling.

FOREIGN BIRDS, Open Classes. Judge—C. PRIOR, Esq.—Class 172, Any Variety, Not Larger but Including a Cardinal. Class 173, Any Other Variety, Larger than a Cardinal. Class 174, Any Variety, Foreign Bird, price not to exceed 15s.

Enter from this or apply for Schedule from—W. E. TYRELL, 38, COMMERCIAL ROAD, PORTSMOUTH.

Show Advertisements continued from previous page.

Thank You!

Yes! Exhibitors and our munificent subscribers have placed our society at the top of all purely Cage Bird Societies holding a **one-day show in the West.**

The Sixth Open Show of the **Torbay Ornithological Society** will be held **Wednesday, Oct. 30,** in the

BADMINTON HALL,

PAIGNTON

Exhibitors unattached, and those who belong to any society or specialist club are equally entitled to compete for 32 Specials in 28 Open Classes of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds, and will receive their **Prize Money within three days of show,** and no classes amalgamated or cancelled. Tho prevent the latter, the Prize Money is as follows: First **10/-,** Second **5/-,** Third **3/-,** for 8 entries and over in a class; 7 entries—First **7/-** Second **3/-,** Third **2/-**; 6 entries—First **6/-,** Second **2/6,** Third **1/6**; 5 entries—First **5/-,** Second **2/-,** third **1/-**; 4 entries—First **4/-,** Second **2/-,** third **1/-**; 3 entries—First **3/-,** second **1/6,** third card only; 2 entries—First **2/-,** Second **1/-.** This prize list adopted last year, gave satisfaction. Special Prizes will be awarded in addition to above. **We find it necessary to extend entries** to last post, Saturday, Oct. 26. Those sending after risk having to send their birds without labels. For classes, see Review of Schedule in this issue of "Cage Birds." Please send entries; we will classify.—Address: **J. N. and J. Jeffery, "Sartor House," Winner Street, Paignton.** (155)

GRIMSBY

and Dis. O.S. 6th Annual Open Show of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds.

October 30 & 31.

In the King's Hall, Cleethorpes Road, Grimsby.

Specials—

10/- best Hardbill.

10/- best Softbill.

Judge: J. H. Roe. All who have not received schedule send at once to: **Towl and Smith, 205, Welholme Road, Grimsby.** (109)

EVESHAM

Chrys. Soc., OCT. 31. 5 classes Birds. Judge: Mr. J. H. Payne. Two Specials. C.B.V. rules. **Send on, I will classify.** Schedules: **Mr. G. Witts, Evesham.**

Grantham

Cage Bird Show,

OCTOBER 31st, 1912.

Under patronage of

Lizard Club. **Entries extended 1st post, Monday, Oct. 28.** Do not average 2 per class. **Send at once and we will classify. Good Specials in all sections. Prize Money paid last year within a week.** All exhibitors visiting can have Prize Money day of show. Judge: J. C. Barnes, Sheffield. **Hon. Sec., W. E. Allen, 113, Alexandra Rd., Grantham.** (44)

LIVERPOOL

Nov. 1st and 2nd.

in St. Martin's Hall, Scotland Road.

None of the Cracks or Specialist Clubs at this Show, so here's your chance

Judges: Battye, Cleminson, Brunskill, and J. Walsh. Run by exhibitors, which means your birds home on Saturday night. **Best of Prize-money, paid at Show. Serviceable Specials. £10 Cup and side of bacon most points.** Novices and Amateurs, 12 Classes for you! Send at once, or too late. **Entries close October 28, to: Metcalfe and Deacon, 68, Brunswick Rd., Liverpool.** (2)

SHEFFIELD O. S.

November 1st & 2nd.

Canaries, Hybrids, British and Foreign. 72 Open Classes, **10 Novice Classes.** Prizes, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Foreign Section, **12/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-,** for 1/6 entry. **£11 Cash Special Prizes,** not articles valued at triple cost. **Novice** Yorkshire Challenge Cup won outright most points. Judges: W. Mundell, W. Vardy, J. Naden, Chas. Houlton.

Entries Close October 28th.

No exhibitor can afford to miss this opportunity. Post entries; I will classify.—**T. Bishop, 69, Alexandra Rd., Sheffield.** (1)

WOLVERHAMPTON. Nov. 1st & 2nd

M.C.Y.C.C. patronage. Grand Specials, 4 Money Prizes. Classes: 16 Norwich; 10 Yorks.; 2 Crest; 3 Borders; 1 A.O.V. C.; 2 Selling; 3 Mules; 6 Brit.; 2 Foreign; in **Co-operative Hall,** which is the **finest Hall in the Midlands** for a cage bird show. Schedules, apply: **J. Gibbons, Hon. Sec., 64, Napier Road.** (161)

CRYSTAL PALACE OF THE WEST.

Newport (Mon.)

November 6 and 7. Under the patronage of W.C.B.C. Judges, C. A. House, D. A. S. Longden. **Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6.** Entrance fee, 1/6. **Note Open Specials:** two of £1 1/-, and many others. Send for schedules to: **John Hammett, 56, Milman St., Newport, Mon.** (46)

LEYTON Great Open Show Thurs. & Fri., Nov. 7 & 8.

Patronage S.Y.C.C. and N.B.B. and M.C. **Prize-money guaranteed in 7 days.** Judges: **J. Robson, Esq.** (Canaries), **J. Frostick, Esq.** (Mules, British and Foreign). **Prize-money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6.** Entrance fee, 1/6. **All cash specials in open classes. Entries close Oct. 31st.** Schedules now ready.—**Forse and Son, Hon. Secs., 31, Thornhill Road, Leyton, N.E.**

HAMILTON NOVEMBER 9TH. ONE DAY ONLY.

Cadzow Oak O.S. Annual **Open Show.** Norwich; Borders; Yorkshires; Crests; Hybrids; British and Foreign Birds. Patronage, B.F.C.C., in the **Town Hall.** Judges: Norwich, J. Smeaton (Musselburgh); Borders, J. Hamilton (Eskbank); British, Hybrid and Foreign, R. Bald (Bathgate). Schedules: **G. Marlin, 21, Glebe Street, Hamilton.** (3)

BO'NESS

and Dis. F.A. Annual Show of Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds, in the **Masonic Hall, November 2nd,** under distinguished patronage. **60 classes.** Judges: **Norwich,** Mr. Grewar; **B.F.,** Mr. G. Brown; **Brit.,** Mr. P. McQuiston. **Open Membership, 2/6.** Schedules from **T. Cameron, Sec., 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans, Bo'ness.**

MUIRKIRK Nov. 2. 11 Classes Borders, 2 British. Judge: W. Haddow. Schedules: **Allan Loggie, Glasgow Rd., Muirkirk.** (137)

PARTICK

C.B.C. 11th Annual Show, **Saturday, November 2. Five Open Classes for Yorkshires.** Guaranteed Prize Money, **10/-, 5/-, 2/6;** entry fee, 1/6 each bird. 60 Members' Classes; Mules; British and Foreign. **Entries close October 29th.** Schedules from: **Wm. Priest, 6, Orchard Street, Partick.** (165)

CLEATOR MOOR F.S. Show. Pitty, Pigns, and Cage Birds, Sat., Nov. 2nd. **Popular Judges in all sections. Cage Birds Judge, C. A. House (Bradford). Entries close Oct. 26th.** For schedules, apply to: **Jas. E. Byrne, 110, Birks Road, Cleator Moor, Cumberland.**

Southend-on-Sea

2-days' Members' Show, **Blue Boar Hotel, Prittlewell.** Judges: P. Rorke, J. Dewhurst. All classes well looked after re Specials. **Buck up, champions. —C. Tapper, 71, Guildford Road.**

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE

C.B.S. 9th Annual **Open** Show, Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds, **United Methodist Free Church Schoolroom,**

Friday & Saturday, November 1st & 2nd.

82 Classes, under the patronage of Y.C.C., N.Y.C.C., N.L.C., N.C.N., and C.P.C., N.B., and S.F.C. **Cups, Medals,** and **Grand Specials. Popular Judges:** W. A. **Cowgill** and C. A. **House** (Bradford). Send for schedule: **Geo. Havver, Sec., 1, Theresa Street, Blaydon-on-Tyne.**

BRECHIN

C.B.S. **49th Grand Annual Show** of Norwich, Borders, British and Foreign Birds, **SAT., NOV. 2nd** under the patronage of the B.F.C.C. **Two handsome cups, medals, and numerous specials. Splendid classification and good prize money.** Judges: Norwich, A. Harris; Borders, Wm. Mossie; British, etc., J. Fyfe. Schedules from **Geo. Mitchell, 118, Montrose Street, Brechin.**

MARKINCH 39th Annual Show of **Cage Birds,** in the **Masonic Hall, Markinch, Sat., November 2nd.** Judges, Messrs. Watson (S.F.); Chalmers (Nor.); Bennet (Brdrs.); Connelly (Brit.). Schedules from: **G. Mitchell, Sec., Coaltown, Markinch.**

HADDINGTON

26th Annual Show Canaries, Mules, Brit., and For., **Corn Exchange, Nov. 2.** Patronage, B.F.C.C. Judge: R. Lambie. Cage birds staged in separate hall. Schedules: **A. Grant, 4, Lodge St., Haddington.** (150)

LEICESTER

Hand-in-Hand C.B.S. 13th Annual **Open** Show,

Saturday and Monday, Nov. 2nd and 4th.

Patronage, N.B.B. and M.C. Classification for Norwich; Yorks.; Lancashire; A.O.V.; British; Hybrids and Foreign Birds. **3 Novice Classes.** Judges: **J. H. Payne** (Canaries), **R. J. Howe** (Hybrids; British and Foreign). **Prizes: 10/-, 5/-, 2/6.** Entry fee: 1/6. **Finest List of Cash Specials ever issued. No Cancelling or Amalgamating of Classes. Prize Money guaranteed. Entries extended to Tuesday, 29th (first post).** Schedules: **A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon St., Leicester.** (152)

WINDSOR

NOVEMBER 6th,

5th Annual Show,

Splendid chance for Novices. 6 Novice Yorkshire; 3 Novice Norwich. **Entries close November 2, 1912.** Schedules from: **E. A. Stickland, 36, Alma Road, Windsor.** (44)

Lowestoft

November 6th and 7th

Show of Canaries; British and Foreign Birds. **Confined to Cambridgeshire, Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex.** Judge: Mr. W. E. Greaves. **Entries close October 26th.** Schedules from: **E. L. A. Crow, London Road, Lowestoft.**

REMEMBER!

SPALDING £5 Limit, Nov. 7.

Usual Prize Money and Prompt Payment. **14 Classes.** Judge, W. P. Barnes. No amalgamation. Schedule from **Elviss and Mouncy, Station House.**

"Hurry Up Exhibitors"

PORTSMOUTH 'CAGE BIRD SHOW'

Entries Close

OCT. 31ST, 1912.

SEE LAST WEEK'S ISSUE FOR CHAMPION' OPEN & NOVICE CLASSES.

KING & JOINER,

80, Stubbington Avenue.

(44-3).

MAIDENHEAD

GRAND OPEN SHOW OF CAGE BIRDS.

NOV. 6th and 7th.

Popular Specialist Judges; schedules: **E. A. Bristow, Hon. Sec., 36, King St. (G.W. Rly. Main Line).**

BASLOW

Dis. F.S. Open Show, NOV. 7. Silver Medal for best bird, also good specials. Judge: J. C. Barnes, Esq. (Sheffield). **Classification:** Yorks. Cock; Yorks. Hen; Norwich Cock; Norwich Hen; A.V. Foreign Bird. **Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Entries close Oct. 31,** to **B. Sheldon and A. A. Alsop, Secs., Baslow.** Spratts Patent pen and feed. (158)

BANBRIDGE

Cage Bird and Pigeon Association's **Show,** to be held on

THURSDAY & FRIDAY, 7th and 8th NOV.,

Under patronage of Yorkshire Canary and Cage Bird Society of Ireland. **56 Classes for Cage Birds;** 12 for Pigeons. Judges: A. Livingston (Paisley); J. Hartley (Bingley); J. W. McIlhagga (Belfast). Schedules from: **A. McGagherty, Hon. Sec., Belmont Terrace, Banbridge, Ireland.**

HALIFAX

O.S. Annual Open Show of Canaries and British Birds, **November 8th and 9th,** in the **Friendly and Trades Hall, St. James's Road, Halifax.** Under Yorkshire Union of C.B.S. Rules, and the patronage of the N.G.M.Y.C.C., G.C.A., O.N.P.C., Y.C.B.B. and M.C. Judges: W. A. Cowgill and A. G. Davies. Schedules now ready. Apply—**H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax,** or **F. Burdekin, 20, Tennyson St., Lee Mount, Halifax.**

OLD SHILDON

Workmen's Club C.B.C., 2nd Open Show,

Nov. 8th and 9th. 1912.

30 Classes; Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, 1/-. 1/6 entrance. Good Specials.

Schedules apply: **J. H. Elwell, 35, Church Street, Shildon, Co. Durham.**

NOW THEN FANCIERS!

WEST STANLEY

C.B.S. SHOW.

November 8th & 9th.

HIBERNIAN HALL, STATION ROAD.

Judges: Messrs. A. Brown and F. Marwood.

33 OPEN CLASSES

Norwich 4; Crests 4; Yorkshires 5; Borders 5; Any Variety Canary 1; Selling 3; Mule and Hybrid 2; British 7; Foreign 2.

35 Members' Classes. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Entry fee 1/6.

Entries Close NOV. 2nd.

W. ELLIOTT,

15, Fairford Terrace, West Stanley S.O., Co. Durham.

(44)

WHITEHAVEN November 8th and 9th. 30 Classes for Cage Birds. Judges, Messrs. J. H. Roe and Harry Davidson. Schedules, apply—**W. J. Douglas, 2, Croft Villa, Prospect Whitehaven.**

ABERTILLERY & SIX BELLS (Mon.) Open Show, P., Pgs., R., **Cage Birds, Nov. 13. Cups and Specials.** Entry fee, 1/6. Judge, W. Mundell. **Entries close Nov. 7.** Schedules: **E. Churchill, Sec., 29, Tillery St., Abertillery, Mon.** (151)

WARRINGTON

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9th. THE ONE DAY SHOW.

Silk's Cup for Novice Norwich. Prize Money, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, and 2/-. Paid within 4 days. Plenty of Specials. Judges: A. Wellings and H. W. Battye. **Entries close Nov. 5.—C. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Road, Warrington.**

BRIGHTON

Open, Nov. 14th and 15th.

FINEST PRIZE MONEY ON SOUTH COAST. Model Prize Cards. Judges: C. A. House, J. Robson. **6 Money Prizes** in British, added Prize Money in Non-colour-fed classes. **Entry fee 1/6. Close Nov. 6.** Schedules of **Will H. Gibb, 19, Bond Street.** (1)

COWDENBEATH SATURDAY, NOV. 16.

2nd Open Show in **Drill Hall, Stenhouse St.** Patronage of B.F.C.C., S.Y.C.C., S.N.P.C., F. and K.N.P.C., S.B.B. and M.C. (First Trophy Show). **80 Classes, 6 Judges:** Messrs. W. Rodgers, J. Patterson, J. W. Bruce, G. Arnott, C. Campbell, and L. J. Arrighi. **12 Cups, 130 Specials.** Schedules from: **J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland Place, Cowdenbeath.** (137)

BOURNEMOUTH

NOVEMBER 19th and 20th.

21st Great Annual Open Cage Bird Show. Judge: Mr. J. H. Payne. **Don't miss the most attractive schedule of the year. Points to note:** Handsome Specials all sections; Full Prize Money guaranteed; Night and Day Attention during show; heating arrangements of Hall perfect.—**Show Manager, 156, Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth.** (2)

WIMBLEDON Nov. 19th & 20th

Open Classes.

For schedules apply **H. SMITH, 115, Merton Road, WIMBLEDON.** (154)

Uddingston

Cage Birds Show, **NOV. 23, 1912. 55 Open Classes.** Also a Members' Class for each section. Judges: D. Holden, A. Cant, J. Goodfellow. **Full prize money.** Schedules will be sent out shortly, **and entries close Nov. 18.—J. Cosgrove, Hon. Sec., 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell.**

L.C.B.A.

Royal Horticultural Hall

NOV. 28th to 30th.

Great Novice Classes.

Annual Exhibition of Canaries, British, Hybrids, and Foreign Birds. 140 Open Classes. Quantity of specials. **Prize-money, 12/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-.** Twelve Specialist Judges. Schedules will be sent to exhibitors at last L.C.B.A. and Palace Shows. **Entries close Nov. 21st.—Messrs. Mugford and Knight, 1, Strathearn Road, Wimbledon, S.W.**

FORFAR

C.B.S. Annual Open Show, Saturday, November 9th, Under patronage of S.N.P.C.; B.F.C.; S.B.B. and M.C. **Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, and 2/-. Two handsome cups; medals, and a great many other specials, also splendid classification.** Judges: Norwich, A. Sloan; Borders, A. Peters; British, etc., W. Bishop. **Entries close on Nov. 4th.** Schedules from: **D. Kerr, 15, Green St., Forfar.**

NOTTINGHAM

Cage Bird Show,

November 9th and 11th.

Patronage of C.C.C.; N.P.C. (cup show); N.B.B. and M.C.; F.B.C.; L. and L.F.A.; L.C.A. **73 Open Classes. 3 Specialist Judges. Cups, Medals, Diplomas, and other Valuable Specials.** Schedules from: Hon. Assist. Sec., **J. G. Royce, 29, Tennyson Street, Nottingham.**

Great One Day Show.

ALNWICK

Wednesday, November 13

The best British Classification of any one day show in the North. **4 Money Prizes and Special each Class.** 1/- entry fee. Judges: A. Hay (Berwick), Canaries; J. Maddison (Newcastle), Mules, Brit. and Foreign. **Entries close Saturday, Nov. 9, three days before show.—Sec., R. Forster, 42, Bondgate (Without), Alnwick.** (2/161)

SWANSEA

November 13th & 14th.

60 Open Classes (see this week's review). **Silver Cup for Nor. and Yorks.; also two Silk's Cups.** No cancelling or amalgamating of classes. Judges: John Robson (Canaries); J. F. Dewar (Mules, Hybrids; Brit. and For.). **Entries close Nov. 9.** Schedules from: **S. H. George, 32, Fisher St., Swansea.** (2)

WINDERMERE

November 14. Judge: C. Ward (Derby). **Special every class.** Schedules: **Geo. Ion, Ed. Sproat, Time House.** (163)

CANTERBURY

42nd Annual Show, Cage Birds, etc. **Open to Kent, Surrey, and Sussex. November 13 and 14.** Under the patronage of the K.C.C.B.A. Judge, Mr. H. Norman (Carshalton). **Good Classification. Entries close November 5th.** Prompt payment of Prize Money.—**J. W. Sargeant, Hon. Sec., 25, St. Peter's Street, Canterbury.**

SUPPORT

Londonderry

2nd Open Show,

14th NOVEMBER. Judge, Mr. S. Hadwin (Liverpool) 26 Classes; 3 Silver Cups; 30 Specials. Schedules ready.—M. Kerr, Sec., 99, Foyle Street, Londonderry.

MERTHYR TYDFIL, Nov. 14. 17 Classes for Cage Birds, including 2 for Novice. 15 Specials, 3 Cups, including Mr. Silk's Cup. Schedule from: **J. Thomas, 30, Gilfach Cynon.** (161)

Just to remind you of

Stoke-on-Trent

November 14th,

ONE DAY ONLY.

Splendid showroom, grand lot of specials, good classification.

Judge: H. W. Battye, Esq. Schedules will be sent to last year'sexhibitors; others please apply to: **J. Pitchford, 218, London Road, Stoke-on-Trent.**

PRESTON

and Dis. C.B.S.

NOVEMBER 15th and 16th.

Best Classification and Specials in the North. Enamelled Medals for Best Old Hen and Best Young Hen. **Silver goblet for gift class.** Judges: J. H. Roe and A. Wellings. Schedules from: **J. Leeming, 40a, West Cliff, Preston.** (3)

CODNOR PARK

And EASTWOOD C.B.S. 3rd Annual Open Show

NOVEMBER 15 and 16.

32 Classes. Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/0, and good specials. Entry fee, 1/6. Judge, J. C. Barnes. Send for Schedules: **J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton.**

Prize Money posted at the close of show.

HULL

Friday and Saturday, November 15th and 16th.—Ernest R. Ridley, 19, Lambton Street, Hull.

Galashiels

Ornithological Society's 52nd Annual Show will be held on

NOVEMBER 16.

Entries close Nov. 12th. Scotch Fancy judges: T. Brown (Duns) and Geo. Fulton (Partick); Border Fancy, A. Gilchrist (Codstream); Norwich, British, and Foreign Birds, A. Hay (Tweedmouth). Schedules from **John Brown, 156, Croft Street, Galashiels.**

ENFIELD Open Show of Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, and Cage Birds, **NOVEMBER 16.** Popular judges. Good Prize Money; Specials galore. **Entries close Nov. 6.** Schedules ready. Apply: **Jackson, 77, Southfield Road, Ponders End.** (162)

AVONBRIDGE

O.S. Ninth Ann. Show, **Sat., Nov. 16.** Patrons, B.F.C.C. Judges: Nor. and Bords., P. McKenzie; Brit., etc., A. D. Duncan. Schedules from: **P. Gentleman (Sec.), Cowan's Buildings, Avonbridge, Stirlingshire.** (161)

COVENTRY O.S.

36th Annual Open Show, **November 16. No cancelling. No amalgamation.** Schedules: **A. J. Barratt, 38, Craven Street.** (154)

NORTHAMPTON

One day only, **Nov. 20.** Judge, Cage Birds, Mr. Wilmot. **Entries close Nov. 13.** Schedules: **Cox and Barrett, 69, Hunter Street.** (3)

SOUTHAMPTON 24th Annual Show. **NOVEMBER 20th & 21st.** Open to United Kingdom. **£5 limit.** Guaranteed prizes, over 100 specials. **Entries close November 12th.** Schedules.—**A. L. Kiddle, "Homelands," Bitterne, Southampton.**

DARLEY DALE 7th Open Show, **Nov. 21.** Schedule, see next week's issue. (2)

WIVELISCOMBE (SOM.) **Nov. 21.** Judges: Elsmore, Sprankling, F.B.C. **Close Nov. 9.** Schedule, apply: **Hill and Dascombe, Secs.** (161)

AMBLESIDE AND DIS. Open Show of Canaries; Brit. and For., **Nov. 21.** Judge, F. Archer (Huddersfield). **Entries close Nov. 16.** Good Specials. Full Prize Money guaranteed. Schedules: **J. M. King (Sec.), The Green, Ambleside, Westmorland.** (154)

LURGAN

Cage Bird Society Open Show,

Friday and Saturday, November 22nd and 23rd.

Judges, A. Hirst (Accrington), J. McLennon (Edinburgh). Schedules from: **S. McCollum, Hon. Sec., Drumgor, Lurgan.**

Further particulars next issue.

DONCASTER

NOVEMBER 22nd & 23rd.

46 Open Classes. Good Specials. Judges: Messrs Battye, Vardy, and Walsh. **Schedules, Oct. 27th.—G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion St., Doncaster.** (3)

HALTWHISTLE

and Dis. C.B.S. Second Annual Open Show, **Friday and Saturday, Nov. 22nd and 23rd.**

Patronage, N.C.N. and C.C., B.F.C.C., and N.B. and S.F.C. Judges, Mr. J. Dixon and Mr. A. Holden. **Prize-money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-, and 1/-.** Entry fee 1/-. **Grand array of specials.** Schedules ready shortly from—**Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate, Haltwhistle, Northumberland.**

GLASGOW AND DIST. C.B.A. NOV. 22 and 23. 65 Classes; Cups and Specials galore. Schedules ready next week, from: **W. Hutchison, 163, Hospital St., Glasgow.** (2)

CONSETT

(Co. DURHAM).

23rd November, 1912.

Cage Birds. **35 Classes.** Judge, Mr. T. Robson. Schedules ready October 30. Apply: **J. Hedworth Coupland, Leadgate, Co. Durham.** (2)

BLAIRGOWRIE.

NOVEMBER 23rd.

29 Cage Bird Classes. Gold and Silver Medals. Judge, J. F. Dewar, Esq.—**Sec., M. Irvine, 17, Brown St., Blairgowrie.**

HETTON B. and C.B.S. 2nd Annual Open Show, Sat., Nov. 23rd, in Workmen's Club Hall, Hetton-le-Hole. Judge, Jas. Stanger. Prize-money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Entry fee, 1/-. Entries close Sat., Nov. 16th. For schedules apply Notley, Sec., 1, Minor Street, Hetton-le-Hole, Durham.

INVERURIE Nov. 23. 32 Classes; Cups, Medals, Specials; good Prize money. Judges: Sandison and Finnie. Schedules, J. Simpson, 27, High Street. (150)

LLANELLY

and

District Cage Bird Society Show, NOV. 26th,

D. JOHN, Secretary, 9, Pottery Place. (3)

TAVISTOCK

and Dis. F.S. Second Annual Open Show. Poultry, Pigeons, Fur, and Cage Birds, Wednesday, November 27. Cage Birds, 14 Open Classes. Judge: Mr. Thomas Pope, Plymouth. Entries close November 16. Free carriage Launceston to Tavistock to those entering both shows. Schedules of: John Young, Hon. Sec., 1, Church Lane, Tavistock. (2)

PEMBROKE DOCK. Nov. 27th

D. P., Pgs., Cage Birds. Increased Classification.—J. C. Morris, Sec., "Crinow," Park St. (150)

BRISTOL Nov. 27 & 28

Schedules ready shortly.

SWINDON

Nov. 27 and 28.

24th Annual Open Show. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Entry fee, 1/6. Judge: J. Payne, Esq. 3 Crests; 4 Norwich; 4 Yorks.; 1 A.O.V.; 2 Mules; 5 British; 2 Foreign; 3 Selling. Schedules from: W. J. Moran, 2, Brunswick Street, Swindon. (161)

PENTREBACH

(Glam.), November 28. Affiliated South Wales Fed. Federation Cups, also A. E. Silk's Novice Norwich Cup. Under the patronage Welsh C.B.C. Judge: G. Gardner. 30 Classes; Special for each variety. Schedules from: A. E. Brown, 66, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil. (131-132)

South Co. Dublin

First Annual Show, Nov. 28 and 29.

Open to all. For particulars, apply to: D. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Tivoli Terrace, N. Kingstown.

SALE

and District C.B. Soc,

6th Annual Open Show, Technical School, Sale.

NOVEMBER 29th and 30th.

Schedules ready shortly. Judges: Messrs. C. Houlton and A. G. Davis.—A. Royle, Sec., 99, Harley Rd., Sale. (3)

DARLINGTON

C. and B.B.F.A. Seventh Annual Open Show, Canaries, Mules; British and For. Birds will be held in the Corn Exchange, Darlington, on Sat., Nov. 30. Judge, J. H. Roe, Esq. 21 Open Classes. Prize Money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/- Entrance fee 1/- per cage. Schedules from: Arthur Walker, 47, Montrose St., Darlington. (153)

Coventry Godiva

C.B.S. 6th Ann. Open Show, Canaries; Mules and Hybrids; British and Foreign. Nov. 30.—H. Sanders (Sec.), 31, Vernon St., Coventry. (2)

Mid-Rhondda

Rhondda Valley, Glam. (Affil., South Wales Fed.), Dec. 11. Cups to be competed for: Fed. Cup, Silk's Novice Norwich Cup, and Handsome Rose Bowl. Judge: J. H. Payne, Esq. Schedules from: A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwyncelyn, Porth, Glam.

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Messrs. Woodhead and Pyman write that the entry at Hartlepool is a record. Up to Tuesday over 550 entries.

Just as we go to press, we are notified that Windhill C.B.S. hold a meeting on Nov. 2, 8 p.m., at the Blue Bell Hotel.

The Great Eastern Railway will have special vans in attendance at the close of the show to collect exhibits for their line, write Messrs. Forse and Son, Hon. Secs., Leyton Show; also all exhibits will be delivered directly they arrive at Leyton. Catalogues, with awards, posted first day of show.

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Twitterings.

Mr. H. Battye, Huddersfield, will judge at Jarrow, Dec. 21.

Mr. W. P. Barnes will judge at Gainsborough, Dec. 21.

In Morpeth report, 1st Christie, in the foreign class, should read Christer and Sons.

The secretary, Liverpool Show, writes that Class 12 in Norwich Greens should read Class 19.

Mr. J. N. Jeffery, Paignton, will judge at the show of the St. Marychurch and Babbacombe F.A., Nov. 20.

In our report of Lochgelly Show the name of the courteous and hardworking president should have been Mr. T. Wildridge.

I have this day received an entry from St. Louis, U.S.A., for our open show on November 1 and 2, writes Mr. T. Bishop, sec., Sheffield O.S.

Messrs. Richardson and Fairman, managers Dulwich and Peckham autumn show, write requesting members to make big entries and the show a great success.

The Newark and Dis. C.B.S. are holding their annual members' show on Nov. 23, writes the hon. sec., Mr. W. Lidgett. Mr. W. Vardy will judge.

We regret to hear that Mr. H. Durston, of Lancaster, is compelled to sell out all his birds owing to his ill-health; they are being advertised in this issue.

Mr. George Havver, Blaydon-on-Tyne C.B.S., 1, Theresa Street, writes that he has sent out between 700 and 800 schedules, and will forward a copy to anyone on application.

If any exhibitor who has not received a schedule for Sheffield O.S. show will post entries, I will classify, writes Mr. T. Bishop, secretary, 69, Alexandra Rd., Heeley, Sheffield.

It is with much regret we notice that Mr. A. Hatter's name, as donor of a special, has been omitted in our schedules, writes Mr. W. R. King, joint hon. sec., Portsmouth C.B.S. show.

In Plymouth Show report the name of Mr. G. A. White, of Nottingham, was omitted as winner of 3rd prize in the Yellow Crest class, the bird being an excellent specimen of its variety.

We are informed by the respective secretaries that prize money has been paid in respect of the following shows:—Dysart, Clapham, Manningham, Middlesborough, Burnley, Lochgelly.

Mr. Pimm, of Icknield, Port Rd., Birmingham, asks us to say that owing to a fire there has been some delay in the execution of orders. The damage has now been repaired, and business is going on as usual.

We have decided to hold our members' show, Nov. 2, at our headquarters, Temperance Club, Toad Lane, writes Mr. T. Holt, Hon. Sec. Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.. Mr. H. W. Battye will judge. We have had a difficulty in engaging a room this year.

Mr. Oglethorpe, Chairman of the Cockermouth F.S., writes that Mr. Jackson, Crown St., Cockermouth, is the secretary of the Society, and that they have dropped the poultry section, and at their show are giving a class to Buntings only, an innovation in their district.

If any one who has received a schedule for Liverpool show, does not require same, write Messrs. Metcalfe and Deacon, will he kindly return it; we will pay postage at this end. Also will Irish exhibitors please state on entry forms whether they require their birds kept until Sunday night. Special arrangements have been made for such.

Will show secretaries, etc., please note the following changes of address:—Mr. J. Broad, from Brentwood to Geoffmar, Whitehill, Bordon, Hants; Mr. W. Hodson, hon. sec., Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S., to 28 Barry Road, E. Dulwich; Mr. J. Fearnett, hon. sec., Runcorn B.B.A., to 13, Fox Street, Runcorn; Mr. J. P. Baxter, from Leith to East Burnside, Broxburn.

The N.P.C. Amateur Cup.

The cup presented to the Norwich Plainhead Club, for amateurs, by Mr. W. J. Grey will be on view at Manchester show on Saturday afternoon, writes Mr. John Hopkins.

I have omitted to answer many enquiries to my advt., owing to fanciers not enclosing stamp for reply, writes Mr. Marley (Leyton).

Glad to see Cheltenham has followed Cardiff's lead in giving a class for hen Mules, writes Mr. E. J. Davies. I see no reason why this class should not fill well.

We hope fanciers will support Grantham show, writes Mr. W. E. Allen, the hon. sec., for we have a good lot of specials, and shall do everything possible to ensure the comfort of the birds. Entries do not average two per class at present; fanciers should note our show advert. this week.

Kindly notify that Portsmouth C.B.S. schedules are sent out, write Messrs. King and Joiner, the secs. Will any exhibitor not receiving one please notify secretaries, or refer to classification published in Cage Birds last week. We are relying on last week's advt. in place of sending so many schedules out.

We regret that through a printer's error in our review of Cheltenham schedule, it appeared that there are at Cheltenham show only six classes (novice) for Yorks. There are twelve classes, six of which are for novices. Further, the prize-money in other than the Crests is 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.

We learn that all prize money is guaranteed at Sheffield O.S. Show, November 1st and 2nd, and will be paid to exhibitors present on the Saturday; the remainder within 48 hours. The special prize list is wonderful; the society is giving £11 in cash specials. There is a 3-guinea silver cup for most points in Novice Yorks.

OBITUARY.

It is with regret, writes Mr. A. Hordern, Shaw, I have to chronicle the loss which has been sustained by our oldest exhibitor in the district, Mr. J. Vickers, in the death on Oct. 16 of his wife. The deceased lady had borne with fortitude during the last two or three years the ravages of a malady to which she knew there was but one end. Ever a fancier's wife, and a well-known figure at the big Lancashire shows. She leaves to mourn her loss, three sons and a daughter, and a husband to whom the success of the exhibiting season will be but empty honours.

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. D. John, that I have to announce the death of Mrs. Williams, the beloved wife of Mr. Philip Williams, of the Greyhound Hotel, Llanelly, after an illness of several months, on Oct. 16, aged 38. The Llanelly and Dis. C.B.S. will feel the loss, she and Mr. Williams being on our list of vice-presidents, and having always taken a great deal of interest in the Society. Four years ago Mrs. Williams presented the society with a handsome challenge cup.

We regret two or three errors in Cheltenham Show schedule, writes Mr. Treasure, the hon. sec. Prize-money in classes 13 and 14 on the sliding scale, and the Norwich classes 15 to 22 are under the patronage of the S.N.P.C., also Mr. Rogerson's specials will be given in classes 69 and 70, and not as stated. Roller fanciers please note that Mr. Roehl has kindly consented to judge, in place of Mr. Jacquemin, who is unable to come.

Members of the City and Suburban A.C.B. are requested to attend the important meeting at headquarters, the Church Institute, Marylebone, on Monday next; also to note that the secretary is anxious to receive at once specials or promises of specials for the annual show, as the schedule will soon be in the hands of the printer. The number of cups, bowls, and other valuable trophies for competition is in excess of all other years, and the sec., Mr. H. W. Dickinson, 86, Station Rd., Harrow, will be glad to hear from fanciers desirous of joining.

All exhibitors desiring birds forwarded from Carlisle show to Liverpool, Sheffield, or Blaydon shows, writes Mr. John C. Bell, sec., will be obliged if labels, etc., are forwarded to me. Birds for Liverpool and Sheffield will be sent off by L. and N.W. and Midland Railways by trains leaving Carlisle at 4.20, and for Blaydon by N.E.R. 6.40 train, all arriving at destinations shortly after 7. All trains during Tuesday night and early Wednesday morning are met, and birds at once taken to show room, and thoroughly looked after. Entries received up to first post 28th.

Enterprise of Portsmouth F.S.

The Fancy in and around Portsmouth is evidently booming, as the large Show advertisement of Portsmouth F.S. in this week's issue bears witness. Exhibitors in search of honours will find that what Portsmouth F.S. has to offer in the way of money prizes and specials, deserves their favourable consideration. We hope exhibitors will reward the efforts of the executive and send along plenty of entries to the secretary, Mr. W. E. Tyrrell, 38, Commercial Road, Portsmouth. Entries may be made from the advertisement which appears this week.

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Careless Exhibitors.

Nearly all the shows I have judged, writes Mr. E. J. Davies (Cardiff), have contained more or less birds in their wrong classes, more often than not through exhibitors with two or more birds tying the labels on the wrong cages by mistake. Many also tie the tickets on the wrong end of the Yorks show cage, which necessitates taking the cage down every time the number is needed.

THE HUDDERSFIELD SHOW SENSATION.

The Mystery of the Missing Entries Solved.

It will be remembered that at Huddersfield show—the first of this season's Yorkshire Union fixtures—a number of entries were at the last moment found to be missing, the letters containing them having apparently gone astray in the post. Rumour variously puts it that 50 to 100 birds were affected, a serious consideration to their owners in view of the competitions for the Y.U. and other trophies which were announced at that show.

A correspondent writes us that it has been found that these entries (14 letters in all) were taken in from the postman by the wife of the secretary of Huddersfield show, who placed them in a drawer for safety, but then forgot entirely about them—even when the "hue and cry" was raised it did not occur to her that her action was the innocent cause of all the pother. The envelopes, unopened, were sent last week to the Yorkshire Union secretary, and were opened at the Yorkshire Canary Club committee meeting held at Great Horton last Saturday, to settle the question as to how far the entries affected the competitions of this club. Particulars will doubtless be given in the secretary's report of the meeting. Our correspondent concludes by saying that many more or less wild rumours were afloat concerning this matter, one being that a coup had been planned by someone or other to deliberately way-lay and keep back certain entries; but he states that he saw for himself that none of the mislaid letters had been tampered with.

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Unprolificacy in Canaries

By J. STEEL (Dalkeith).

(Continued from page 801)

A well-considered and intensely interesting article which will cause Canary breeders to think.

Sterile and Perished Eggs.

PERHAPS the other manifestations will be more easily understood if I deal with the eggs first. A sterile egg is one which, though of course complete as regards contents (yolk, albumen and membrane), has not been fecundated,, either by reason of the failure of the male to impregnate, *or the female to receive same.* My reason for the first description is that many young fanciers have heard the term "empty" applied to sterile eggs, and "full" to fertile, and have therefore marvelled why their birds' eggs, being always full, did not hatch. I shall deal with the italicised phrase when I come to a later stage of this paper. A perished egg is one which has been fecundated, but in which the embryo has perished, the ordinary term for such being dead in shell.

Shell-less eggs. Many attribute these to a failure of the breeder to supply, or the hen to partake of, sufficient lime-like material. While strongly advocating the supplying of some form of lime, such as cuttlefish or calcined animal bones, egg-shells or old mortar, I am convinced that a hen can lay well-shelled eggs, notwithstanding a total deprivation of these or any other form of lime such as gravel, etc. Both seed and water contain lime in sufficiency not only to envelope the eggs, but to form the bones of the off-spring. On the other hand, I have seen a hen lay shell-less eggs, despite an abundant supply, and with the partaking of it made certain by mixing finely ground material with her egg-food, thus indicating an inability to secrete, or that the shell forming organs are incapable of performing their functions. This I am informed is often due to an injury.

Dealing with the "Green Egg."

The green egg, or undue retention. Most fanciers have experienced this in their stock. The symptoms are identical with egg-binding, in which a difficulty of parturition is manifest by the obvious prostration of the affected bird. The remedy for the latter is so effective that I am tempted to repeat it. Filling a narrow-necked jug with steaming hot water to one-third full, place a piece of cloth around same, to contract size of aperture, and to prevent the hot vessel coming into contact with the bird. Hold the bird's vent and abdomen over the steam for about ten minutes, rub vent gently with warm olive or almond oil, and replace her on a warmed nest. Repeat in an hour's time if necessary. Sometimes all our efforts are in vain, and death ensues, for if the egg is retained for a prolonged period, it may be green in colour and the contents offensive. This affection will often mean the termination or a particular bird's reproductive career, the generative organs apparently having sustained an irreparable injury by such retention.

Dead in Shell.

This is a very common occurrence, and after many experiments and study of the causes, I am convinced that it is in the majority of cases due to an inherent weakness of the embryo. Many, as I have already mentioned, attribute this, and, in fact, nearly every ill the young Canary is heir to, to east winds, or, if perchance the wind should be in some other quarter, to a lack of moisture, but opinions are divided as to whether such moisture is necessary to the development of the chick, or, by some action on the shell, makes it more friable, or easy of fracture by the chick when fully developed. While strongly advocating moisture myself, on the grounds that I have repeatedly found wild birds' eggs to be wet through contact with the parent bird, which bathes almost every day during incubation (Larks and non-bathing species get bedewed with the grass) yet many thousands of Canaries perish in the shell, despite the fact that the breeder has applied moisture, either by permitting the hen to bathe, or dipping or spraying the eggs with tepid water.

If the fatality were due to a lack of moisture, those who failed to supply such moisture would surely find their stock most seriously affected, yet I have met fanciers who objected to both spraying the eggs and bathing the hens, on the grounds that it chilled the former, and was liable to put the broodiness off the latter. While I do not myself fear any such results, I was nonplussed in claiming any beneficial effects of the application of moisture, by the fact that its opponents had very rarely any dead in shell, while the moistureites were suffering a perfect epidemic of the same. I have repeatedly taken eggs from fanciers who were in despair of hatching out any, and transferred them to birds which had hitherto always hatched out their own eggs, but I must confess the results were not a success, they still perished. Hence my assumption. The abnormal mortality in Hybrid eggs is confirmative of my weak embryo theory.

The Evaporated or Dried Up Egg.

A careful examination of these invariably reveals a puncture, due in many instances to the sharpness of the parent bird's claws or bill, which should always be trimmed before the hen is put up for breeding, as any sudden disturbance may cause her to drive her claws through the shell in her hurry to leave the nest, and the bill is used when turning the eggs during incubation. Contact with any sharp or hard substance conveyed into the nest is a common cause of punctured eggs. A slight dent does not always constitute a puncture, as I have successfully patched such with membrane from a fowl's egg and gum, but the operation is often a failure.

Effects of Thunder on Incubation.

I am of opinion that thunder has no effect on the incubation of eggs from a healthy stock. I have made careful observation, extending over thirty years, of the eggs of both British birds and Canaries, at every stage of development, and have failed to record any fatalities which could be attributed to thunder. I have questioned many poultry breeders and gamekeepers as to their experience in the matter and their replies have confirmed my opinion, having been to the effect that though thunder may have a detrimental effect on a weak embryo, the fact that they had not recorded any increase in the number of perished eggs after even phenomenal storms showed the effect of such to be scarcely worthy of consideration.

Is Marking with Copying Ink Injurious?

While discussing incubation with the then head keeper of Melville Castle, he informed me that he had repeatedly proved that marking the Pheasants' eggs with a copying-ink pencil was fatal to the embryo, though an ordinary lead pencil had no ill effect. The only conclusion he could make was that the colour penetrated the shell, and was in some manner fatal to the embryo. I have repeatedly experimented with wild birds' eggs, and, while I cannot say that I have found his theory to be correct, I have experienced a result which, in view of the many Canary-breeders who mark their eggs with copying ink, justifies further experiments before delivering a decided opinion as to whether its effects are nugatory or evil.

Chilled Eggs.

Another prevalent idea is that eggs which have advanced in incubation will perish if allowed to get cold. That a cessation of heat would be fatal if greatly prolonged I do not deny, but that an egg which has become cold is necessarily perished, I do. I have repeatedly exposed eggs in various stages of incubation, and made sure they were cold by prolonging such exposure for anything up to six hours, and they hatched out in due course. I on one occasion received a partially incubated clutch by mail which had been sixteen hours en route; notwithstanding this, four of them hatched two days later.

(To be continued.)



From a sketch by J. Kershaw.

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By J. TOMLINSON.

(Concluded from Page 825.)

THE birds will now have completed their moult, or nearly so, and the extra dieting should be curtailed, or they will get excited and pugnacious in their song, and will fight at each other with their voices. The staple diet should consist of the best German summer rape. A little mixed seed, plain canary, or egg-food may be allowed occasionally, but care must be exercised in its use to endeavour to keep the song tone to its normal pitch. Should any be inclined to get too loud, cut out all the extras from the diet, also curtail the amount of light previously allowed as previously advised in the care of the tutor, and add a cooling medicine to the drinking water. I may add the following, previously omitted, that those birds which have been accustomed to the outside feeding and drinking vessels will experience no difficulty in finding their seed and water in the song cages.

When feeding freely, a gradual darkening down process should be commenced, and care must be taken not to do it too abruptly. Afterwards they should be opened to the light daily, as a guide, say for one hour, the time to be increased or decreased in accordance with the style and tone of the bird's song. It should not be lost sight of that all imperfections are not learned from the tutor or from other youngsters during the training, for some are due to hereditary causes inherited from both parents.

Breeding from the Tutor.

Having initiated the beginner to the fact that we should use the best birds procurable to breed from, and that it is detrimental to the song to allow the bird to remain for long periods in the breeding room, he very naturally may ask how should we proceed to procure youngsters from a bird that it is intended to use as a tutor, should we be desirous of doing so.

The experienced fancier will choose the most suitable hen, and feed her on the method usually adopted in the preparation for breeding. When she is in condition, she is supplied with a nest and the necessary building materials. In lieu of the latter, a lined nest pan may be provided, allowing just a small quantity of moss, or even short bents of soft meadow hay.

When she is building her nest and calling repeatedly for her spouse, he is placed inside her cage. After copulation has taken place, which not uncommonly occurs on the instant, he is at once removed to his former isolated quarters. After the careful dieting he will have received for the retention of his good song, clear eggs are often in evidence, so he is tried again, with the hope that with the coming of more congenial weather nature will ordain matters differently.

The Importance of the Hen.

Should the hen be about three or four days off laying her first egg, one admittance to her cage of the cock bird may fertilise the whole clutch, but as we cannot foretell this, he should be introduced once each day until the first egg appears.

So much time and labour has been expended by Roller fanciers in initiating the beginner into the general management of the cock bird, that it would appear as though the hen played only a secondary part in the matter or reproducing the various song passages. Could she but speak in words, she would say that if you choose indiscriminately from here, there or everywhere, one of her sex, and mate it to your good cocks, approximately 99 per cent. of your labours will be worthless.

The average fancier does not probe deep enough into the necessity of obtaining the suitable hen. It does not appear at all necessary to some that something more is needed than to stipulate for a Glucke strain hen to mate with a Glucke strain cock. Neither does he appear to understand why the price of hens should vary when coming from the same breeder's room. He seems to think that a hen is a hen, and that there is no difference between them.

Let me disillusionise at once any who reason in this way, by saying emphatically "No." The hen at, say, 5s., is not nearly so good as the higher priced one. The lower priced bird's blood is more tainted in faults. It is also tainted in having a poorer variety of song tours, and in the delivery of the tour.

Achieving the Ideal.

The higher priced bird has been produced from the plums in that breeder's room; birds that are free from faults, and good in the variety of tours and in their delivery, and is the outcome of careful thought and labour. Looking at the goal ahead, the breeder preserves those hens he should require for his own use, which are the nearest related to his best singing cocks, and instances are not uncommon each year of a close approach to our "Ideal" bird having been produced.

"A few Swallows do not make a summer," neither do a few faultless singers scattered over the length of England establish our ideal. Their blood is impregnated with imperfections which are produced, more or less in the issue of the bird's first mating, and their stamina may be undermined through interbreeding, but before any detrimental effect is apparent, the careful man will introduce fresh blood. I believe the time is not far distant when our ideal will be an established fact. Then the limelight will play more brilliantly on the choice of the hen from her pedigree. Our ideal is not "The Ideal." Far from it. We are advancing on the lines of the old adage, "One thing at a time, etc."

When our goal is reached, we shall see that what we have been content to make the best of will not satisfy us then. In setting our faces towards "The Ideal," the different song passages will require perfecting. They will, meanwhile, either be too high, flat, too short, or delivered at too great a length. Probably the present generation will not live to see "The Ideal," but we can anticipate the consolation of knowing that by our efforts, and labour of love, we have laid the foundation stone and have left it as a heritage to those who follow us.

Don't "Mix" the Faults.

A little advice to the fancier procuring fresh blood on the hen's side is to procure the best obtainable, and further, to give a little study to the cock it is intended to mate her with. I have previously intimated that the blood of all our birds is tainted with imperfections. Some are on the surface, or in other words, are produced in the song. Others are lying dormant, awaiting the first injudicious mating to spring again into life. Should a hen be required to mate with, say, a deep toned Glucke singer, with an imperfection in his song, ask for a hen whose sire is singing this same fault. A hen from a faultless singer would, of course, be more valuable, more so if the breeder can insure that the hen's dam and sire were bred similarly. Further back than about two generations we cannot go at the present time. It would be unwise to introduce a hen whose sire is singing any imperfection, that is not in the song of the buyer's own bird. To mate birds with the same fault is to fix that one imperfection more fully into the blood of the stock, but it would be sinking nearer to oblivion any other imperfection lying dormant.

Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

Queries will be answered under the following conditions:—

(1)—*All questions must be clearly written in ink (or typewritten) on one side of paper, and must conclude with either the correct name of querist or a pseudonym, or initials.*

(2)—*The proper name and address in full of querist must always be written on a separate sheet of paper, and enclosed with the query. In no case must the address appear on the query.*

(3)—*Queries intended for different specialists must not be written on the same sheet of paper.*

(4)—**Queries must not include** *or be included in orders for books, instructions re advertisements, or any other matter for publication.*

(5)—*The department to which the queries refer must be stated in bold letters on the left-hand corner of the query.*

(6)—*If an answer in the same week's issue is desired, queries must be posted to reach us by* **Monday's first post** *at latest. Queries will be dealt with in the order in which they are received, and only as space permits. The earlier queries are received the better attention they are likely to have.*

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Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mule and Hybrids—**G. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.H.S., &c., Wild Bird Life—**H. Norman.**

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

IS IT A ROLLER? (D. F.).—I see no reason to doubt the bird being a genuine Roller Canary. Your description applies quite well to an ordinary type of broken green Roller. The Roller is a quite small and insignificant looking Canary, or a washed-out colour, and showing, as a breed, every variety of marking and variegation from self-green to clear yellow or buff. The bird is valued solely for its song; consequently practically no attention is paid by breeders to colours of the definite markings. For a fuller description of the Roller and its management, see the No. 10 Nutshell Booklet, 2½d. post free.

A PROPOSED BIRDROOM (R. H. E. Abby, Gorton).—You do not say what variety you keep, or wish to go in for, but still, I have no hesitation in saying the enclosed place shown on your sketch is capable of forming a very good birdroom for any variety you may choose. Practically every variety, unless they were unfortunate "coddlings," would thrive there quite well without any attempt at heating. Your sketch does not make it quite clear whether your propose placing the cages on the wall opposite the door leading out of the house, or the wall facing the door leading into the yard. The former position is the better of the two, and with box cages the birds would be always free from draught. As, I suppose, the light is equally diffused, being a glass roof, the wall on the left side of the door as you come out of the house would also be a good position for a stack of cages or flights ,and also the space on the left of the door leading into the yard, providing there are no windows or other obstructions to prevent these spaces being utilised.

DELAYED SUCCESS (Bad Luck).—Sorry success is so slow coming round your way, but hope your luck will take a turn in the forthcoming season. It is impossible to go into all the probabilities of your failure here, so I would strongly advise you to get "Canary Breeding for Beginners, 7d., post free, and Parts I. and V. of "Our Canaries," which our Manager could send you, and digest the contents between now and next spring. With the information you will gain from these sources, you should be able to achieve some success next season. I take it the birds in the attic are flying loose. If you breed under these conditions, two cocks will be ample for seven hens, and a dozen nesting sites should be put up. To have a fair chance of success, start with strong, lusty young hens of a known good feeding strain. It will be wiser to discard old hens with nothing more definite than a reputation of having reared young. It is impossible to say whether the attic needs heating. This depends so much upon its position, structure, and the way the birds have hitherto been kept. Very many birds, however, are kept in quite unheated attics. You must use your discretion in deciding whether you heat it or not. Fifteen minutes is long enough to boil eggs, and there is no advantage in boiling them any longer. The Java should not be kept among breeding Canaries.

BIRD-HOUSE (Hamlet).—(1) The structure seems excellently adapted for very efficient ventilation with little trouble. Place a ventilator, made on the venetian plan, so to speak, such as you may see in a railway carriage, in the centre of the front, near the ground, 12ins. long and 6ins. deep, and in each end, near the highest angle, place one 8ins. by 6ins. Over the latter, inside, place shields to divert the current of air away from roosts or nesting sites. (2) As you have 1in. mesh netting outside the glass ½in. will be quite small enough to cover inside, as you can place the inner wire to overlap the spaces in the outer wire as much as possible. ½in. will also do for the lobby you propose inside the door. There is no necessity to cover both sides of glass with wire except over window spaces, where cats are troublesome. (3) The house will accommodate 45 birds, but to allow for breeding, 14 will be sufficient—say, 11 or 12 hens and three cocks.

BREEDING GREENS AND CINNAMONS (Greens).—You say you wish to breed some "clear greens and cinnamons," by which I assume you mean selfs. The term "clear" is applied to yellow or buff birds, which are quite unmarked in any way, and is a misnomer in the way you have employed it. The two greens you describe are "foul" or "broken" greens, and without knowing anything of their pedigree, you run some risk in mating them of breeding young with objectionable light waists, and perhaps also light throats—both faulty points in self greens. There will, of course, be a good chance of getting a few sound selfs, but to reduce the chances of faulty young being predominant, it would be much better to get a self green with a sound coloured waist and throat for either or both of the birds you describe. The cinnamons you say are heavily marked on wings and head. Are the head markings round the eyes? If they are, the best mate for the cock would be a clear pink-eyed hen, bred from a marked strain. From these you should get a fair proportion of cinnamon-marked young, with clear pink-eyed and cinnamon-ticks thrown in. If, again, you mean you want to try for self cinnamons, it would be much more satisfactory to mate self cinnamons with your birds. By so doing you would get a proportion of selfs in the young, but the bulk would be more or less heavily variegated. In both cases the proportion of selfs you can expect, will depend entirely upon the way the parents have been bred.

BIRD-ROOM FROM GREENHOUSE (J.A.).—You have omitted two important details in your letter—all measurements, and information regarding the extent to which the greenhouse is exposed. Naturally we all would desire "the least expense and the best results" if this combination of favourable circumstances could be easily attained; but, unfortunately, I fear it is not. As you have the heating apparatus already installed I would certainly advise you to retain it and have the chimney repaired. But in addition to this you should cover the glass roof with thin boards and felt, leaving the "light" that opens uncovered to use as a ventilator in hot weather. Also cover the ends and back, except for a small window space in the end opposite the door, with boards, leaving only the south front with the glass uncovered. If you wish to dispense with the use of the heating apparatus altogether, it would be wise to provide movable wooden shutters for two-thirds of the glass front for temporary use in unusually severe weather in winter.

TAKES WEAK TURNS (Belgian, Fife).—Catch this bird and examine its eyes carefully in a good light. If there is a milky-white spot in the centre of the eye the bird is blind with cataract, and this will fully explain its behaviour, which in such case would be due to clumsiness rather than from weakness. If the eyes and sight appear quite normal try the following treatment for a month or so: Staple diet, plain canary only. In addition give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of summer rape and a spray of green food. The latter you may vary now and again with a morsel of banana. On the alternating days give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of chemical food and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with equal parts maw and gold of pleasure seed. Limit the diet solely to this for the time named. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb, and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece every second day for a week, and afterwards give four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight. See that the bird's claws are not much overgrown; give well-fitting and proper-sized perches; and keep cage floor strewn with clean gritty sand.

A SEQUEL (Fordham).—There is probably some very simple cause to explain the birds dying so soon after being placed in the new and freshly-cleaned cage. There is really nothing to account for it in your treatment of the cage unless you were very liberal with the paraffin and the odour of this had not passed off. Even then it would scarcely account for all the deaths so soon unless it was kept in a close, stuffy place with little or no ventilation. You certainly began to use the cage very soon. From one day to the next is scarcely long enough for a cage to stand for the fumes of paraffin and limewash to pass off in the weather we have had of late. I rather suspect that the actual cause of death was due to the birds being unfamiliar with the cage, and failing to discover the whereabouts of the food and water supply, or perhaps there was some accidental obstruction which rendered the supplies inaccessible. Just ordinary cleaning of the cage should suffice to render it suitable for other birds.

DUET FOR NOVICE (G. Snell).—(1) It is the usual plan to mate a yellow with a buff in nearly all breeds, the Yorkshire not excepted, and from this mating both yellows and buffs are produced. Indeed, it is quite the usual thing to find both yellows and buffs in the same nest of young. Two yellow or two buffs are often mated together by breeders having some particular object in view, but these matings are best left alone by the novice until he has gained a little experience. (2) The sexual distinctions are just the same in Yorks. as in other breeds. External differences are almost non-existent to the eye of the tyro, and nothing but close observation and experience can make one expert at sexing a bird on sight; even the most experienced may sometimes be mistaken. In comparison with the hen the cock is more bold-looking, pushful, and dominant; has a stouter head and beak, more full and bolder eye, and is more filled in on the under tail coverts, showing a more graceful curve in outline from the abdomen, and the colour, when not altered by colour-feeding, is more intense on the throat, wing butts, and lower part of back. The differences, however, are often very slight. The song is the best guide. The hen rarely makes any effort at singing, and when she does it is merely a more or less sustained twitter, whilst the cock flings out his notes in a full, bold and unbroken strain, and the throat will be seen very perceptibly swelling and throbbing with the effort. As a beginner, you should get and read "Canary Breeding for Beginners," 7d., post free, and study black and white plate in Part VI. of "Our Canaries" to help you to recognise sexual distinctions.

OUTDOOR AVIARY (A. or Q. H.).—(1) Am not certain if I have got your first initial correct. The aviary is really little more than a large flight cage, and as you will have to leave the young brood in all through the season, one cock and two hens will be ample to stock it. Being nicely sheltered, common Norwich, as you say you are going in for, should thrive perfectly well in it, and provided you are careful to start with robust, healthy young birds, there is no reason whatever why you should not be quite successful in rearing young. Hang from four to six nests in the enclosed portion, and keep floor in both sections thickly strewn with clean gritty sand, on which scatter a handful of crushed old mortar now and again during the breeding season. See that the birds you stock it with are bred and kept under normal conditions of temperature. From the middle of February to March is a very good time to put the birds out. We usually get an interval of nice mild weather about the time named, and you should take advantage of it to place the birds in aviary. (2) Your Mule query should have been written on a separate sheet, as these have to go to a different expert. See Mr. Weston's columns for reply next week.

A YORKSHIRE HEN (E. W.).—The reproductive organs of this hen are quite clearly in an abnormal condition, and I cannot hold out any hope of you ever being able to get any successful breeding results with her. It is very probable she may develop into a fair singer, and this is the only useful purpose she is likely to serve. Of course, I am taking it for granted that you are quite satisfied it is a hen, and not a very backward cock, though I see no reason to doubt its being a hen. If breeding is your object, then by all means discard her entirely. Get a healthy normal hen bred this season to mate next March or April. As regards the wheezing, I agree with you it "ought to be" curable, but there is often a wide gulf between what "ought to be" and "what is." It may possibly be due to an overfed condition. Keep her in a comfortable temperature and healthy surroundings, quite free from cold draughts. Give a fairly large cage, and limit diet chiefly to plain canary and green food for a month. Add a scrap of egg food or biscuit once a week, and a pinch of rape ditto—nothing more. In the drinking water mix ten drops of syrup of buckthorn every second day for a week, and in the following week four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid every second day. If this does not remove it, write again.

FLIRTING AND MOULTING (Greenie).—If you are quite certain the hen has only dropped the tail feathers, it would be worth the trouble to add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn to the drinking water for two consecutive days. Then move her to a distinctly colder room, being careful that she is kept free from draughts, and add 20 drops of whisky, five of syrup of saffron, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepennypiece to the water two days in every three for a week, and afterwards every second day for another week. During this time give a staple diet of plain Canary only. Every second day give a pinch of summer rape separately, and on the alternate days a morsel of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur, and then sprinkled with soft sugar. Twice a week give a pinch of a mixture of equal parts inga, millet, linseed and teazle, and four times a week a spray of green food. Offer a bath several times a week in fair weather. If this does not bring on a more free moult, let Nature take its own course. Get "Canary Breeding for Beginners," 7d. post free, then you need not fear commencing in a small way, nor a large way either if you have the requisite time, and convenience.

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

WHAT PARROT? (F. W. Stubbs).—Your description is rather vague; you do not give colour of beak, nor state whether it has a long or short tail, nor give any indication of its size whatever! However, you will be fairly safe in advertising it as an Alexandrine Parrakeet.

CUBAN MOCKING BIRD (C. Harrison).—I am afraid space will not allow me to give a detailed description, so I have sent you one by post. It must suffice here to state sketchily that: Above it is usually ashy-brown variegated with blackish-brown; two white bands cross the wings; outer tail feathers white; cheeks and under-surface of body white. The sexes are similar in plumage. The song of the hen amounts to little more than a call note. The Cat Bird (Galeoscoptes carolinensis), is dark slaty-grey above, crown of head black, tail slaty-grey and black; beneath it is light slaty-grey, washed with rusty brown at the vent. It is a N. American species, but extends to the Bahamas and Cuba. The song you describe about fits its vocal powers. Such descriptions are hard nuts to crack—there are so many birds they fit.

BREEDING LOVEBIRDS IN A CAGE (Ashgrove).—(1) The Grey-headed Lovebird is a stout fair-sized bird, and an ordinary breeding cage I consider quite inadequate for them, even if success is possible therein. They should have a cage 24x15x24 to 30 inches high, with a small barrel or box 9 to 10 inches square at one end, and at each end a twiggy branch for perches. (2) They adapt themselves to the English season; when they show signs of nesting you must give a small living branch daily, from which they will strip the leaves and bark to line their nest receptacle. (3) Not specially on this species, but except for giving them the living branch, treatment required is similar to that given to Budgerigars, and our Nutshell "Budgerigars"—2½d. post free from our Manager—should be very useful to you.

FOREIGN HYBRIDS, ETC. (A.G.W.).—(1) Hybrids are of value mostly for exhibition purposes, and as classes are very seldom provided for these, the demand for them is but small. The Hybrid Spice Finch-Bengalese has been reared on several occasions. It is a handsome Hybrid, but at the same time I expect you would experience difficulty in getting 10s. 6d. per pair for them. I have possessed them and found their eggs always infertile. (2) Unless your county is a Northern one, they should be safely wintered out of doors; at any rate you can leave them out for another month yet. You had better repeat this query next week, sending me a list of the birds and your county. I can then give you a more definite reply. Roofing felt fastened outside wire netting of exposed side of flight, for the winter months only, is a good protection, as also is the placing of several trusses of straw in the respective corners of the shelter shed, but their bases should be fixed at least 2ft. from the ground; spray out (loosen) the tops, and the birds will shelter among the straw.

A FEATHER PULLER (A. Crossman).—I cannot attempt to give you an answer till you give me the history of the bird while in your possession. How has it been fed and generally treated? Feather pulling arises from several causes, such as ennui, pure vice, unwholesome feeding, etc. Give the bird two or three doses of Dinneford's Magnesia—one teaspoonful in the usual supply (daily) of drinking water—with two days between each dose. Our Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot," 2½d. post free from our manager, would help you in correctly treating your bird.

SEXING BLUE-FRONTED AMAZONS (J. Smith).—There is so much variation in plumage in individual males and also females, that this as a distinction is quite unreliable. The beak of the male has a longer hook, and is generally longer and narrower than that of the female, especially at the base, and from a number you should have no difficulty in picking out the sexes, though with very young birds you may have a difficulty, owing to them being not fully developed. The latter applies to many other species of birds besides Parrots.

WINTERING BIRDS (Bird Lover).—(1) Pairs each of Red Rosellas and Ring-necked Parrakeets. In such queries, county should be quoted. (2) No, providing the shelter attached to aviary is weather-proof—it is the damp more than cold that tries the birds during an English winter. The size of shelter is also quite a factor in this problem, if small and ill-lighted it will hardly be used at all, on the other hand, if roomy and well lighted, all food vessels can be placed therein during the winter months, and the birds will spend most of the worst days therein. (3) If a system of hot-water heating cannot be arranged, there is nothing better than a small slow-combustion stove (tortoise stove), but of course this and the piping must be enclosed in a column of wire netting. Moreover, unless the weather is very mild, where heat is adopted the birds should be confined to shelter altogether and only let out during the wiuter for a fly round the flight at mid-day on sunny, genial days. Unless your county is a very northern one, the birds you name will not require heat.

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AN AVIARY TRAGEDY (W.R.N.).—Such episodes are not uncommon in the experience of an aviculturist, and by no means always easy to account for; I am afraid only yourself, by close observation, can give a definite answer. It may be either a case of infanticide by the Budgies, or the Madagascar (Lavender-headed) Lovebirds, may be responsible for the tragedy; there is plenty of precedent for either. The more room you give the birds the less likely are such cases to occur. Nest receptacles are, of course, more isolated from each other, and nesting pairs are not such near neighbours. Have a good number of nest receptacles put up, both inside and out, arranging them with entrances facing the light as near as possible, yet not facing the nearest nest entrance, and also as far apart as space permits. It is a great thing for there to be an ample choice of nests for the respective pairs. If you get another similar mishap, cage up the Madagascars temporarily, and note the result—this should effectually solve the problem.

IS IT A PINTAIL NONPAREIL? (A.C.T.).—Yes, there is much variation in the depth of colour in individual specimens, and there is some tendency for the red to become yellowish when moulted indoors, but not to anything like the extent that is common with the Nonpareil Bunting. The Pintail is a Grassfinch belonging to the same genus (Erythrura) as the Parrot Finches. Your bird may be either an adult hen—very probably is, as it is now all but through the moult. The hen is duller than the male, the blue on the face of less extent, and the red areas of the male mostly replaced by yellow of an ochreous hue.

AILING RING DOVE (E.A.B.N.).—I am keeping your query by me. Please send me a description of your cage, size, shape, etc., and you had better enclose a stamped addressed envelope for a reply by post. If you send me this information I shall then be in a better position to give a definite reply. Give the magnesia regularly so long as the voidings are note watery loose. Fomenting the legs with hot water (not hot enough to cause discomfort), drying with a soft cloth, and then painting with neat whiskey, should give some relief—this can be done daily. If the bird can be induced to leave its cage for a fly round the room daily, it will be greatly benefited. Examine its mouth; if it is furred, or there are any indications of small white spots, then daily paint it with honey and borax, using a small mop camel-hair brush.

OUTDOOR CAGES (W. Axbill). I fear it is not possible to keep Waxbills out of doors in the style of cage you name; it is not large enough to supply the necessary exercise to counteract the effects of winter weather. If you care to send me a stamped addressed envelope per the editor, I will send you a rough sketch of a cage, which should give a reasonable prospect of success. If, however, you cover the back, ends, and top of your cage with roofing felt, and fit a glazed shutter to the front, you could keep a pair of Budgerigars in it out of door all the year round. The shutter must not fit so tight as to exclude ventilation For breeding purposes the cage you name would only accommodate one pair, while merely as pets you could keep a dozen therein. Such a cage, if made weather proof, could be outside from May 1st to Oct. 30, and kept in any cold room, free from draught, indoor for the other period (winter months). A cage to give any reasonable prospect of success out of doors all the year round, must be double the size of your present cage, contain a closed compartment for retirement and night use, and have a sliding glazed shutter fixed to the front.

AMAZON PARROT (H.H.T.).—If appearing regularly at seasons stated and then passing away again, I do not think you need be over-anxious. It rather points to sexual excitement, or something arising therefrom, and just about the periods you name it would be well to lower its condition a little by a course of Dinneford's Magnesia; at the same time you must exercise judgment and not keep the bird in a state of chronic diarrhœa. I should also encourage it to take as much fruit as possible. At the same time, so far as I follow your description, I take the symptoms you describe to be natural with an isolated bird, but could you be a little more descriptive?

JENDAYA CONURE (E. J. T.).—Get a bottle of Byno-phosphates and put half a teaspoonful into its drinking water daily; supply clean water twice weekly. Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone in the cage, and before putting the bird on to the phosphates, dissolve one drop of laudanum in a little syrup, and add this to the drinking water, repeating this on three successive days, after which give the phosphates as above. The moult is very irregular during the first year in this country, some are already through it, others still in the thick of it; with newly-imported specimens it is often very protracted. You must not use a metal drinker while giving drugs.

EXHIBITING COMMON SPECIES (H.J.D.).—You will, of course, understand that it all depends what the birds happen to have to compete against, but the species you name are often in the money, and even at the larger shows a class is usually provided for common named species, which includes Java Sparrows and the common Waxbills and Weavers. At the smaller shows there are usually classes for seed-eaters and soft-bills, and the Pekin-Nightingales belong to the latter. Of course, it goes without saying that for common species to succeed, they must be perfect in every respect, of good colour and tight and silken plumage. Any advert. of show cages in our pages would supply you with suitable cages, if you name the birds required for when ordering—but generally a pale sage green interior and black exterior looks as well as any, and suit most species.

AILING BUDGERIGAR (E.M.M.).—Give this bird a small turf in its cage, such as is given to Larks; take out all stiff and straight branches, and put in the cage a twiggy branch, varying, say, from ¼in. thick to quite fine twigs, renewing this as required. Also, so long as the voiding are not watery loose, give Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water twice a week—half a teaspoonful should be sufficient. Foment the feet with hot water (hot, but not sufficiently so to cause discomfort), dry with a cloth, and paint with whisky, letting the latter dry in before returning it to its cage. If there is no improvement in, say, a fortnight, I consider the best course will be to destroy it. Put a few drops of chloroform on a sponge, or piece of cloth, and put this and the bird into a close fitting box, wrapping it up, if necessary, to exclude air; leave it thus for a time, and it will painlessly and quietly put an end to its misery. In a state of nature most species of birds kill their ailing kindred, and in the aviary the same also occurs if the birds are not closely watched. If you do not care to destroy it yourself (if such be necessary) your chemist would do it for you.

AILING PEKIN ROBIN (Mrs. L. G.).—After mixing the daily supply of soft food, lightly dust it with flowers of sulphur, and then stir again before supplying to the bird. Supply as much ripe fruit, banana, grapes, sweet apple, pear, etc., as it cares to take, and three mealworms, three times daily will be ample; any stray spider you can capture will be appreciated and do the bird good. Most birds go off their song during the moult, and many species sing but little during the winter months. Bathe the eyes with tepid water, dry with a soft cloth, and then again bathe with a rose water and zinc eye solution; do this daily till relief is given. Also offer a little milk sop while the bird continues unfit, as if there is any internal inflammation this will give relief—prepare as follows:—One teaspoonful of condensed milk, saltspoonful of McMin's Food, tablespoonful of crumbled sponge cake, and a tablespoonful of boiling water, and well stir the whole together till properly incorporated. These are hardy birds, but are very liable to eye trouble, if any draught catches them. Our Nutshell, "The Pekin Robin, 2½d. post free, from our Manager, should assist you in treating this species.

YELLOW BUDGERIGAR FROM GREEN PARENTS (J. M., junr.).—It is an interesting occurrence from imported birds, and though you may get others, they will not be numerous; the progeny from such birds would be mostly green. It would be very interesting if you get others and can put up a pair of these yellow birds and observe and record the result of their nesting operation. Failing to get a pair of yellows, then mate your bird up with the most yellow-green bird you possess. Such cases as you state are not uncommon among aviary bred birds, and are quite understandable, as many of them have been crossed with yellows; nevertheless, the fact remains that cross-mated green and yellow parents produce about 95 per cent. or more of typical green youngsters. Perhaps it is well to let well alone, but sopped bread is not any too wholesome, and seed and green food, with perhaps some pieces of broken biscuit (oats are also usually favoured when young are being fed) are what the majority of Budgerigars are reared on.

AVIARY QUERIES (W.F.A.).—I gather you have a glass roof to the shelter; this is not advisable, as cats and other night pests walking over same frequently cause a panic at night time. The shelter should be well lighted from the front and end, and the roof covered with felt; it is also much warmer so. Budgerigars are unsafe company for Finches, and sooner or later you will find this out to your cost; again, they make growing bushes and natural cover of any sort in the open flight an impossibility. Bishops, Weavers and Whydahs are improbable breeders in your aviary—not free breeders anywhere. The most probable breeders in your list are: Zebra Finches, Cut-throats, Java Sparrows, Spice Birds, and, of course, the Canaries and Budgerigars. The best nest receptacles are small boxes, with a round or elliptical hole cut in for entrance, husks, or Hartz travelling cages, the latter with all fittings removed and a couple of bars cut away to enable the birds to get in and out. If there are growing bushes in the aviary some of the birds will nest in these. Goldfinches should breed. Supply the following mixtures: (1) Canary and summer rape in about equal parts. (2) White, brown and Indian millet in about equal parts. (3) Paddy rice, hemp, maw and sunflower seeds. (4) Wild seed mixture. The Weavers, etc., should get about two or three mealworms per bird daily. When the Finches are feeding young, supply soft food daily. Cuttlebone, grit, and greenfood must be regularly supplied. If you heat the aviary it should be by hot water, and in that case it would be necessary to keep the birds shut in the shelter, only letting them out into the light during the sunny portion of genial days. Young Budgerigars are about four weeks in the nest, sometimes longer during cold weather.

LEMON-CRESTED COCKATOO (H. R. Tilswell).—Give this bird a seed mixture of one quart each canary and white millet seeds; one pint each hemp canary and oats, half-pint each shelled nuts, small maize, dari, paddy rice and sunflower seeds; one gill each grit (not sand) and chilies, the whole to be well mixed together. Also supply such ripe fruit as it will take, greenfood, plain biscuit, and keep a piece of clean cuttlebone hanging in the cage. Its cage should be sufficiently roomy for the birds to climb about in and to allow of two perches (preferably pieces of natural branch with the bark on), one at least 2 inches thick, the other about one inch thick. Many Lemon-crests become quite talented. As soon as it is quite tame, keep it in your midst where it will see and hear plenty; fuss about with and pet it generally, but in a quiet manner, also train it by the constant repetition of words and short phrases, and it should soon prove responsive.

GREY PARROTS (J .G. D.).—I have never tested the water with a thermometer. I always test it with my finger. The fomenting is to moisten skin and cleanse the leg and foot generally, and after taking off the surplus moisture with a soft cloth, at once paint with the whisky—it is likely then to take prompt effect. If you use a "mist" sprayer, you can give the bird a light spraying, which will damp the plumage without materially wetting the cage, especially if you use the sprayer at an angle and never pointing directly downwards. See reply to H. R. Titswell, re perches, in this issue. I should not bring the established bird into too close contact with the young one, as the latter may yet possess some latent infection; keep it at the other side of the room. You are treating the young bird about right as to covering up. Do not spray while any evidence of a cold remains. Re other points you raise, yes, you are proceeding correctly.

AILING RIBBON FINCH (R.S.C.).—Unless you have some local vet. who can see the bird (he could possibly assist the bird in relieving itself of the egg), all you can do is to continue the treatment already advised, and also to subject the bird to dry heat, not sufficient to cause distress, but at the same time a really warm position, and out of the reach of draught. A stimulant, such as weak brandy and water, can be offered occasionally, in lieu of the ordinary drinking water. As soon as the bird passes the egg, put her on a course of Byno-phosphates, half a teaspoonful in the daily supply of drinking water, letting her have clear water twice a week. A mouth of this should leave the bird in normal condition. There may also be some other complication, which it is impossible to diagnose from your details, which a vet. would spot at sight, and you should let your nearest vet. see it, as it is quite possible a slight operation would give immediate relief. I should not give any more castor-oil by way of the beak, but anoint the vent with a feather dipped in the oil, carefully inserting the tip of the feather in the passage and gently twisting it round, then leave the bird quiet for a time in as warm a place as possible so that its breathing is not interfered with.

PULLING ITS FEATHERS (A. McL.).—As it is a young bird, the feather pulling may be but temporary, arising from some skin trouble. I should give the magnesia twice weekly so long as the voidings are not watery. Also continue the Chemical Food, but when you have used up your present supply change on to Byno-phosphates. Also try and induce it to take a little fruit. The following seed mixture would be preferable to the one you are giving: One quart each canary and white millet, one pint each crushed oats and hemp, half pint each paddy rice and shelled nuts—well mix the whole and stir a small pinch of grit (not sand) into the daily supply. Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone hanging in the cage. Continue to use the paraffin wash and you can also give the bare areas an occasional dressing of "Zambuk." You might also try Spratt's "Pennakura," if the above treatment is not effective—feather eating is difficult to check under any conditions, once it is started, and you must persevere with the treatment. There is plenty of time, it will yet prove responsive to some extent if you continue the training. Give its cage a good scalding out with boiling water, well searching all crevices; there may be some minute parasites which come out at night and irritate the bird. Report progress a little later.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by C. E. WESTON.

PAIRS FOR A CAGE (G. B. N.).—Your cage is not very large and three pairs would no doubt be the limit. Try Goldfinches, Linnets, and Lesser Redpolls, a selection which would provide you with plenty of song.

THE COMMON REDPOLL (H. England).—The "common" Redpoll is the Lesser Redpoll. The other Redpoll found in this country (a winter visitor) is the Mealy Redpoll—a very much larger bird and lighter in colour. As a matter of fact, there is no "common" Redpoll, strictly speaking, the correct name being Lesser Redpoll.

TWO ITEMS (G. B. F.).—If the feathers in the region of the throat are all of a uniform reddish-yellow colour, then there would not seem to be any fault. It is difficult to say, however, without actually examining the bird. Pity you did not tell me whether he is being colour-fed. If there is a small patch of a distinctly lighter tone of colour, however, then I should say it would constitute a fault from the show point of view. Sorry to hear about the Siberian Goldie, for I am afraid its blindness is permanent. Do the eyes appear normal (no white specks, or cataracts in the centre)? In any case, should there be no apparent outward cause of the blindness, then there is no cure.

IN AN AVIARY (Birdlover).—I recommend you to put the glass lights on top of the aviary at once. Small places are best roofed all in; damp is very dangerous to the health of birds. You certainly are not overstocked; in fact, your place would well accommodate another 10 birds. I cannot give a cheap recipe for a seed mixture, as all mixtures are dear when used for aviaries by reason of the waste due to the birds scattering them about looking for the favoured kinds of seeds. The really economical method of supplying the seeds is to give the principal kinds in separate dishes (say canary, teazle, summer rape, hemp, and sunflower), giving the other kinds occasionally in another dish by way of a treat, or change. Oats, especially the rolled kind, or coarse oatmeal, make an excellent food, and can be regularly given in winter with advantage.

A SOFTBILL HYBRID (E. J. T.).—I have not heard of a really properly authenticated Hybrid between Blackbird and Song Thrush being bred in cage or aviary. Many supposed instances have been recorded of the two species inter breeding in a wild state, but in the great majority of the cases it is quite obvious that the observers did not know that many hen Blackbirds are very brown in colour and may have mottled (or speckled) breasts, hence they thought they were Thrushes! If you wish to try for this Hybrid, I recommend you to give the pair the run of an aviary.

STOCKING AN AVIARY (L.A.D.).—It is outside my province to touch upon foreign birds, but Mr. Page will no doubt be able to recommend a few nice pairs, likely breeders, if you address a query to him. The Canaries will agree all right, but you ought to add at least another cock bird. Pairs of the following would answer well: Goldies, Redpolls (both Mealy and Lesser), Bullfies, Greenies, Linnets, Twites, Siskins, Chaffinches, and Bramblefinches. Don't put too many in, though; 12 to 14 pairs will be plenty. If you want to include foreigners, you could drop the Twites and the Chaffies and Brambles.

A BIRD WITH A RED HEAD (J. A. F. J.).—Your bird with a red head is not a "Mountain Linnet" (or Twite, as it is usually called). I should have said it was a Lesser Redpoll but for your statement that it is 5 inches long, which is too much for that species. The ordinary Linnet, as possibly you know, acquires a red head at a certain period of the year. The Twite does not possess a red cap; further, it has a yellowish beak, and the cock bird carries a distinct reddish patch of plumage on the rump. Cannot you describe the bird more fully and say what the chirp, or call note, resembles? Then I will try to give you a definite answer. We make no charge for giving information in these columns. We have issued coloured plates of Twite, Redpoll, and Linnet which should help you to identify the bird if one or other of these species.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

C. Barlow Massicks.—Shama died of lobar pneumonia, following retarded moult. It was a weakly bird, evidenced by its bad plumage.

Pate Finch.—Enteritis, or inflammation of the bowels, probably of ptomaine origin. There is no infection. To ailing birds give a little charcoal and bismuth in equal parts dusted over bread sop. Give daily in drinking water a few drops of Condy's Fluid.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

W. Crowther.—We are much obliged for the information you kindly send and which we have duly noted.

Repairer.—See that the wires are perfectly clean from rust and thoroughly dry. You may coat them either with Japan or Brunswick black, or with enamel, of any colour you choose.

W. E. Payne.—We are much obliged for newspaper cutting received.

H. Jackson.—Have dealt with this notion before.

Old Reader.—Are you having a little fun at our expense, or is someone having a little fun at yours? It is quite impossible for a male bird to lay an egg.

F. J. W.—Strictly speaking, "prize draws" are not legal, coming within the provisions of the Lotteries Act. But in such cases as the one you mention (drawing for gift class exhibits at a local show for the benefit of the club), no one is at all likely to take action.

H. Barton.—We must confess that we would rather be excused giving advice where other people's money is concerned. However, we certainly think your best plan would be to buy an established business. One or other of the large manufacturing towns in your part of the country ought to prove the best venue. There is competition in the bird trade, of course, but we are decidedly of opinion that there is room for really well-conducted shops.

W. Hamsworth.—We dealt with this idea in our correspondence columns some time back.

Truthful James.—We like your nom-de-plume, but unfortunately we are only mildly interested in your news that the "splendid competition" recorded as falling to the lot of the ring scheme at Clapham Show was in reality confined to 12 out of a total of over 200 exhibitors, and 26 birds out of a total of 654. We cannot tell you why the scheme is apparently a failure (we have our own opinions, of course). Why not write the paper concerned? Perhaps the catalogues you mention were incorrect.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Bankfoot C.B.S.—Oct. 25, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Special general meeting, urgent and important business. Members' show, Oct. 26. Judge, Mr. W. A. Cowgill. Birds staged 3.—F. Gelder.

Bradford East O.S.—Oct. 29, Park Chapel Schools, West Bowling, Bradford. Members' show. Judges, Messrs. L. Dykes and R. Croft, Bradford. Birds staged 7.13. Entries Monday and Tuesday night.—H. Hild.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Nov. 9. Washing exhibition and competition. Ent. 3d. (birds supplied). 2s. 6d. special given by Mr. Tidswell, and other prizes.—Kilburn and Western. —(No time given.—Ed.)

Birmingham (South) O.S.—Oct. 26, Sydenham Hotel, 5.30. Young stock show. Staged 5.30. Mr. G. Russell, judge. Admission free.—J. Sheppard.

Chesterfield C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Welbeck Inn, 7. Special meeting.—T. Booker.

Chester C.B.S.—Oct. 29, Nag's Head Cocoa House, 8.30. Final arrangements for annual show, and to receive specials.—R. L. G. Simpson.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Oct. 28, Church Institute, 60, Paddington Street, 8.15.—Judging competition in Yorkshires. Interested visitors warmly welcomed.—H. W. Dickinson.

Cinnamon S.C.—Frl. and Sat., Secretary's room, Manchester Show, at 4 each day. Half-yearly meeting.—J. W. Metcalfe.

Cumnock C.B.S.—Oct. 30, last date for paying subs.—A. Wyper.

Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.—Oct. 30, St. George's Hotel, 8. Finally settle schedule and specials. Members kindly bring any specials they may have. —Arthur Walker.

Dunfermline C.B.S.—Oct. 26, Co-operative Hall, 7. Taking entries for show, etc.—Robert T. Campbell.

Derby C.B.S.—Oct. 26, Derwent Hotel, 7. Members' show arrangements, etc.; paying up subs.—Wharam and Bamsey.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Oct. 26, Fountain Inn. Members' show. All birds to be staged by 7.30 p.m. Mr. F. Self, judge. Entries to be made Friday night.—W. Nettleton.

Edinburgh North Eastern O.S.—Oct. 28, Free Gardeners' Hall, Abbey Mount, 8. Arrangements for show and entries.—R. S. Spence.

Felling F. and F.S.—Oct. 26, Blue Bell Hotel, 6.30. Meeting and table show.—E. Sanders.

Falkirk O.S.—Oct. 26, King's Head, Roberts Wynd, 8. To receive entries for show held Nov. 2.—W. Niven.

Great Horton O.S.—Oct. 26, Butchers' Arms, Great Horton, 8. Also members' show. Judge, Mr. W. Richmond.—J. Holroyd.

Gainsborough C.B.S.—Oct. 26, No. 1, Mess Room, 7. Important business.—J. E. Conway.

Grimsby and Cleethorpes Roller C.S.—Oct. 26, 119, Cleethorpe Road, 7. Show schedule, etc.—H. Mason.

Hebden Bridge C.B.F.—Oct. 29, Sellos' Dining Rooms, Market Street, 7.30. Table show, 2 Yorks. classes, 1 Nor. Show business; important.—A. Roberts.

Holytown New Stevenston O.S.—Oct. 31, Masonic Hall, 7.30.—Jas. Lamb.

Hanley C.B.S.—Oct. 30, Headquarters, 8. To receive ticket money and pay out prize money of open show.—C. J. Robinson.

Hyde C.B.S.—Oct. 28, St. George's School, 8. Selection of judge, washing exhibition by F. Barraclough. Members and friends invited.—T. Allsop.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Oct. 26, White Lion Hotel, 7.30. Business important.—R. H. Dixon.

Longton C.B.S.—Oct. 29, Castle Inn, 8. Business very important.—H. George.

Lancaster C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Market Hall Coffee Tavern, 7.30. Last meeting before show. Final night for specials.—J. Bostock.

Long Eaton C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Council Schools, Lawley Road, committee at 7, members at 8. Show business. Last meeting to receive contributions before the show. Schedules at this meeting.—Geo. Thos. Wall.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Oct. 26, Greyhound Hotel, 7. To finish arrangements for show and other, important matter.—Daniel John.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Oct. 26, White Swan, 8. Take members' entries for open show.—A. Freestone.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Oct. 26, Railway Hotel, 2. 4th members' show. Judge, Mr. R. Halliday, Shipley. Entries Friday night or Saturday 1st post.—J. E. Hudson.

Luton C.B.S.—Oct. 29. Schedule for forthcoming open show. Membership radius 20 miles. Anyone wishing to join please write.—E. Bloomfield.

Mid-Rhondda C.B.S.—Oct. 30, White Hart Hotel, Tonypandy, 6.30 sharp. Schedule business (slight alteration); important letter; every member please turn up.—A. H. C. Legg.

Middlesbro' and Tees-side C.B.S.—Oct. 26, Crown Hotel, 8.30 p.m. Show business and members' prize money.—Arthur Wake.

Manningham C.B.A.—Oct. 30, Headquarters, 10 a.m. Members' show. Judge, Mr. R. Halliday. Entries Oct. 29.—H. Grange.

Morpeth and Dis. C.B.S.—Oct. 25, Earl Grey Hotel, 7.30. Business: Payment of members' prize-money, show accounts, etc.—E. Cowling.

Northern B.M. and F.C.—Oct. 30, Headquarters, 7.30. Table show, 3 classes—(1) Field-moulted Linnet, (2) Brit. A.V. House-moulted, (3) For. A.V. Fanciers invited.—W. Curry.

National Brit. B. and M.C.—Oct. 31, "Feathers," Gt. Chapel Street, Westminster, 8. General business.—J. P. Carr.

Pendleton and Salford O.S.—Oct. 28, Irwell Castle, Lr. Broughton, 7.45. Washing competition. Judge, Mr. F. Wilkinson. Also novice judging competition. —Critchley and Metcalfe.

Poplar C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Headquarters. Exhibition and lecture by Mr. P. Pine. Schedules at this meeting for the annual show, November 16.—H. W. Cook and H. Priseman.

Pudsey Stanningley C.B.S.—Oct. 25, Fleece Hotel, 8. Members' show, Oct. 26, 2.30. Judge, Mr. F. Armstrong. Entries Friday 8 to 10.30 p.m.—Hugh Ramstrick.

Partick C.B.C.—Nov. 1, Subway Hall, Partick Cross. Allocating specials, and final details for show on following day.—Wm. Priest.

Queen's Park C.B.S. (Glasgow).—Oct. 30, Marie Stuart Halls, 8. Washing exhibition and judging competition.—R. Heggie.

Runcorn B.B.A.—Nov. 1, Headquarters, 7.30. Important business meeting in relation to sections for members' show.—John Fearnett.

Rochdale O.C.—Oct. 28, Club Rooms, 8.30. Open show business.—R. Blincoe.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—Oct. 30, Temperance Club, Toad Lane, 8. Closing of entries, final arrangements for show.—Thos. Holt.

Sale and Dis. C.B.S.—Oct. 28, Volunteer Hotel, 8. Open show business.—A. Royle.

Southend O.S.—Oct. 30, Blue Boar, 8.30. General, Special Nov. show business.—C. Tapper.

Swindon F. and F.A.—Oct. 30, the Baths, Swindon, 8. Election of vice-presidents, new members, and arrangements of open show.—W. J. Moren.

Tunbridge Wells F.A.—Oct. 30, Friendly Societies' Hall, 8. General meeting. Friends invited to attend. Matters of general interest will be discussed, and questions invited.—Thomas C. Allan and Harry G. Whibley.

Warrington and Dis. C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Blue Bell Sale Rooms, 8. Arranging officials for show.—G. M. Nelson.

Correspondence.

The Type of Present-day Norwich Plainheads.

Sir,—I am sorry to trouble you, but my letter in your issue of Oct. 19 was meant to read: "If we have two birds on the show bench of equal substance, and all other points, *with the exception of length*, the shorter bird should win, therefore they must be the birds to breed for."

A. Woollard.

An Appreciation.

Sir,—On the morning of the 16th, I took Mr. Yates, your post-mortem expert, the body of a little hen, of which we were very fond, and were greatly hurt when she died. Mr. Yates was an absolute stranger. I called upon him without an appointment, and I consider the interest he took in the matter and the promptness with which he informed me of the cause of death and free of any charge whatever, certainly deserves some recognition in the columns of Cage Birds, to which I am a regular subscriber.

F. H. G. Galvayne.

Wembley.

London Federation of C.B.S.

The New Sec. and the Annual Show.

Sir,—The Council of the above has appointed Mr. J. W. Dewhurst, 52, North End Road, West Kensington, as show secretary for the second annual Federation show, to be held at the Marylebone Church Institute Hall on Jan. 17-18 next. All communications relating to the show should be addressed to him. The Council has also appointed Mr. J. C. Birch, of 68, Ashburnham Rd., Willesden, N.W., as their secretary, to fill the vacancy caused by my resignation. May I take this opportunity of thanking the Federated Societies and their members for the support they have given me during my period of office.

James Bray,
Ex. Hon. Sec.

The Second Open Show of the North Wales C.B.S.

Sir,—I beg to draw the attention of North Wales fanciers to the fact that we are holding our second annual open show on Dec. 7, and have engaged one of the leading English judges, W. A. Cowgill, Esq., of Bradford. There will be specials in all classes, and good money prizes, also three novice classes and three two-guinea challenge cups, one for most points gained by two nominated Canaries, one for most points gained by Mealies and one for Britishers. All who wish to join, I beg to do so at once, so that they can compete for cups and specials, as the specials are for members only, and the members' entry fee is 1s., non-members 1s. 6d. Forward the membership fee of 1s. 6d. to Mr. R. E. Griffith, 5, Balaclava Road, Carnarvon. The above show will be advertised in Cage Birds on Nov. 2.

R. E. Griffith, Hon. Treas.

A Schoolboy's Experience of Canary Breeding.

Sir,—At the beginning of this season I thought I would like to try my hand at Canary breeding, having previously kept cock birds for singing, so I purchased a cheap pair of Norwich Canaries from a well-known fancier of Norwich, as, being still at school, money is a consideration with me. When the birds arrived, I put them into wire singing cages close together until they had paired up, feeding them on canary, German rape, and a little egg food. They soon got into condition, and on the 25th of March I put them together in a single breeding cage, one end of which could be cut off by a wire slide to form a nursery. I gave them some cotton wool and a nest bag, and the hen built a fairly good nest. In this she deposited her eggs, and sat well, the cock feeding her on the nest. On the evening of April 14, I gave her a little extra egg-food, and things seemed to be progressing favourably. But unfortunately I neglected to dip the eggs in warm water on the last two or three days before they were due to hatch. On the next afternoon I took a peep into the nest while the hen was feeding. There were two small lumps of palpitating flesh and two eggs. The cock had had the other egg for breakfast! As the other two eggs did not hatch out, in a day or two I broke them and found a dead chick in each. This may have been due to neglecting to dip them, or to the cold winds we had about that time. The parents fed their offspring diligently, but while one grew quickly, and could feed itself on hard seed at six weeks old, the other was small, and was further retarded in growth by being plucked by the hen to line her new nest. But the young one worried her, and she did not settle down properly, the result being two unfertile eggs. I put the two youngsters into a six foot flight, which I built. Here they both grew rapidly, fed on canary and summer rape. I fed the old birds up for a week and then the hen built again, and laid on May 30. This time I did not forget to dip the eggs in warm water on the three days before they were due to hatch. On June 14 all four eggs hatched out, but one youngster died when a week old. The other three (two cocks and a hen) came on rapidly, and in six weeks were in the flight with the two young hens from the first round. I separated the old pair, but I must have overdone the egg food, for the hen continued laying eggs at intervals, and I had to almost starve her to make her stop. I am afraid it will retard her moult considerably, for her partner and her sons and daughters have finished moulting. All five children are bigger than their parents, and I have had no trouble with them. Right through the moult they have had only canary and summer rape, with occasionally mixed seed. I have learned a lot from Cage Birds, which I have had sent every week, and I hope to breed with several pairs next season, and with better results. I may mention that I have not used any hemp at all, and my birds seem to get on well without it. I find the "Illustrated Ideas" and the "Timely Hints" very helpful, and have several little appliances made from instructions given therein.

A. C. Norrington.

A Visit to a Well-known Welsh Fancier.

Sir,—On Oct. 5th, I paid a visit to my brother fancier, Mr. W. H. Williams, Llangoed, Anglesea, and I was very pleased to see a few eye-openers that will make their appearance on the show-bench at our forthcoming shows. The well-known Hawfinch has improved after his moult, he is richer in colour, improved in markings, and better polished. The old Bullie is looking as well as ever. Mr. Williams has also a promising field-moulted Bullie, which will make a name for himself. One young Shrike seemed well ahead of the others; the Bramble has much improved in spangling, and looks a treat; the Yellow Bunting is well through his moult, and the Geldie very fair. Sorry he has lost his best Greypate, which was so often described as one of the best. He has been very successful with a few good Norwich, especially an unflighted yellow Plainhead cock, a stormer, ideal in type, plenty of substance, rich level colour, full of quality, grand head and neck, nicely cut away, the best he ever bred, will trouble the best; also a grand buff hen, and several others, promising, but not quite ready yet. The old buff is looking very fit, also the yellow. Pleased to understand that he is adding to the list in Borders; he should feel proud of the stock doing so well. Wishing him every success.

J. O. Williams.

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Are Show Birds Stolen When at Shows?

Serious allegations by Manchester Fancier who has just suffered a severe loss.

Sir,—May I issue a warning to all exhibitors who are in the habit of sending specimens to the various shows up and down the country. On Thursday, the 17th inst., I staged a team of four birds for Hanley show. Now, although the show closed on Thursday night, I did not receive my birds back until 5.30 on Friday night, when, on being examined, it was found that one was missing—needless to say, the best of the lot. The cage-door was partly open, which looks as if the bird had had a hurried exit. When I tell you the bird won in the unflighted hen class at Leeds on Oct. 5, is the daughter of the hen which won me a first at Longton, and the grand-daughter of my winning hen at the Palace, you will understand that its loss is a very serious matter for me. That the bird was stolen by a very good judge, and one who knows a good bird when he sees one, is quite clear. The position it received in its class proves this, and if the bird was taken before your issue of that week, as I said before, he is an expert. On the other hand, if it was not taken until after your issue on the Friday morning, my contention is this, that after reading such a splendid report of Leeds show, someone thought they had more right to it than I. It may be argued that the chances are it might have been stolen whilst in charge of the railway company. Now, even granting that, the fact must still remain that it was the work of an expert. My object in writing to you is to warn other fanciers about this pilfering which is going on, because I believe mine will not be an isolated case, and if exhibitors are put on their guard such unpardonable conduct as this will be impossible in future. I have written, as I think, in the interests of the Fancy, and because I believe that such persons who are mean enough to purloin other fanciers' best birds should be severely punished.

W. N. Turner.

Leyton's First Open Show: An Appeal for Support.

Sir,—May I be permitted to appeal, through the columns of your popular paper, Cage Birds, to exhibitors in London and the Provinces, to support our first open show at Leyton. The committee are a thoroughly experienced and enthusiastic lot of fellows, and the secretaries are workers of whom any society may well be proud. Everything possible will be done for the comfort and care of all exhibits entrusted to us, and I shall assist to pack and return all British and Foreign exhibits on the closing night. Now, exhibitors, rally round our first open event, and make the occasion a red letter day in the history of the society.

A. J. A. Marley.

Traders: Wake Up!

Sir,—May I very briefly, notwithstanding your closure, refer again to this question? In the week ending Oct. 12, I wrote to six advertisers, enclosing a stamped-addressed post-card in four cases. Not one has had the courtesy to use the card I provided. Of the others, one replied that the birds I wrote about had been sold, but offering me another. I accepted the offer if I could have it over a certain day for approval—a fairly reasonable request. Result, no answer. I am not troubling you with this plaint for personal reasons entirely, though I feel most strongly on the matter. Your columns, and conversations with fanciers prove that the evil—for an evil it is—is very general amongst a certain class of advertisers. In our society we warn members of dealers or others we find to be shady in their transactions. If other societies would act similarly, and include in their black list, those guilty of gross discourtesy and other "unprofessional conduct," one phase, at any rate, of bird-keeping would be much more pleasant.

Geo. Oglethorpe.

A Remedy for Linnets Going Light.

Sir,—I should be pleased if you would publish in your valuable paper that I have lost two house-moulted Linnets this season through "going light." I have tried a great many things, but have failed to find a certain cure. I shall be very pleased if any fancier will give me a remedy.

A Linnet Fancier.

Two Notable Rounds.

A Nottingham Crest Breeder's Great Luck.

Sir,—The following facts relating to the past breeding season might prove interesting to the readers of Cage Birds. I started breeding in April with 15 pairs of birds, 11 pairs of Crests, and 4 pairs of Yorkshires. All of them went to nest, and I only had one bad feeder amongst them. I reared 44 youngsters from the first round, and thinking I shouldn't have sufficient cages to moult them in, I stopped 5 pairs and started the second round with ten pairs. I bred 35 youngsters from this round, and had got the last lot pecking for themselves the last week in July. I have been a breeder of Crests many years, but never remember having such a successful season as this. They were bred in a room with a south aspect, and without any artificial heat. This, in my opinion, will take some beating—79 youngsters from 15 pairs (or, rather, 25 nests) of birds in two rounds.

Alex. Onion.

How Can We Make Our Shows Pay?

Our correspondent says: By providing more Novice Classes.

Sir,—As both "Secretary" and "Ex Show Manager" differ from me in that they consider the Specialist Club's patronage a doubtful asset, it behoves me to offer up a little evidence in support of the stand I have taken in defending them. The N.P.C. demands no fewer than 16 classes before they give their patronage, and two of their shows have just passed in Huddersfield and Burnley. Sixteen classes constitute a remarkable demand for any specialist club to make, and I think that no other club does demand the same number; yet the two shows that I have mentioned seem to have been successful so far as the Norwich classes were concerned. At Huddersfield the Norwich classes averaged 15.55, while those at Burnley gave an average of 27.40, a result that can scarcely be reckoned a "doubtful asset." Reckoning the entry fees at 1s. 6d., I find they amount at Burnley to £25 1s., while the prize-money over the same section amounts to £17 1s., leaving a profit of £8 to the society on the Norwich classes alone. In this district, novice classes seem to pay the best, and while societies about here give more classes for them than anywhere in the country, I think they ought to provide more still. It is a common occurrence about here for novice classes to contain 40 in a class, the profit from which goes to help pay the prize-money in the sparsely filled champion classes. Last year, about this time, I gave the averages of the novice classes at Manchester show as compared with the champions, and showed where the champion had a much easier chance of making it pay than the novices. This year I notice they have added two extra novice classes. Last year at Burnley, only seven classes were provided for novices, and they gave an average of 19.57. This year they provided nine classes, which resulted in the novices showing their appreciation to the extent of an average of 28.29—a fraction below 29 a class! The champion classes at Burnley averaged 12.36, which just about paid their own prize-money, and I have calculated that the nine novice classes gave the Burnley Society an approximate profit of £10. If you ask me how to make our shows pay, I should say: Provide novice classes. I don't quite agree that, as "Secretary" says, we should do without catalogues. I have always found that with most fanciers, the next best thing to winning themselves is to know who has won, and that as soon as possible. But most small shows would find that, excluding rules and advertisement matter (which no one reads) the catalogue of exhibitors and the awards could be written on a double sheet of sermon paper. A good copying machine would do the rest; and a good secretary could have the sheets ready for sale fifteen minutes after the last judge's slip was handed in.

Sub Rosa.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Treharris.—Oct. 31, Pantanas Hall.—Judge, Mr. W. Crow. 3 classes: Yorks., Nor., A.O.V. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/9. Ent. close Oct. 24 to W. J. Davies, 6, Edward Street.

Matlock—Oct. 31, Victoria Hall.—Judge, Mr. W. Vardy. 12 open classes: Nor. 5, Yorks 2, Mule 1, Brit. 3, Sell. 1. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 24 to G. Poyser, Wilmot Street, Dimple Road.

Ystradgynlais.—Nov. 14, Workmen's Hall.—Judge, Mr. Messuers. 4 classes: Nor., Yorks, Brit., For. Prizes 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 7 to D. Evans, Ynis Cott., Brecon Road.

Portsmouth F.S.—Nov. 27-28. Full classification and list of specials will be found in the advertisement columne.—Sec., W. E. Tyrrell, 38, Commercial Road, Portsmouth.

Swansea.—Nov. 13-14, Working Men's Institute.—Judges, Messrs. J. Robson, J. F. Dewar. 60 open classes: Nor. 9, Yorks 9, Bord. 7, Bord. Greens 3, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 2, Mule and Hyb. 8, Brit. 19, For. 2, Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 9 to S. H. George, 32, Fisher Street.

Canterbury.—Nov. 13-14, Lower Corn Exchange, Judge, Mr. H. Norman. 22 open classes: Nor. 5, Yorks 4, Bord. 1, Liz. 1, A.O.V. 1, Pairs 2, Sell. 2, Mule 1, Brit. 5. Prizes 10/-, 5/- 2/6. Fee 1/9. Ent. close Nov. 5 to J. W. Sargeant 25, St. Peter's Street.

Dover.—Nov. 6-7, Market Hall. Judge, Mr. W. R. Miles 34 open classes: Nor 8, Yorks 6, Bord 2, Liz. 1, A.O.V. 1, Mule 3, Sell. 4, Brit. 7, For. 2. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/9. Ent. close Oct. 30 to Abbott and Austen, 13, Eric Road.

Grantham.—Oct. 31.—Auction Mart, Finkin Street. Judge, Mr. J. C. Barnes. 28 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks 5, Sell. 2, Liz. 4, Crest 2, Mule 1, Brit. 6, For. 1. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 28, to W. E. Allen, 119, Alexandra Road.

Nottingham.—Nov. 9-11, Mechanics' Lecture Hall.—Judges, Messrs. T. Heath W. Vardy, G. E. Weston. 72 open classes: Nor. Champ. 11, Amat. 6, Crest 7, Y.B. 4, Sell. 5, Nov. Crest 2, Lancs. 4, Liz. 4, Yorks 6, Brit. 12 (2 Nov.), Mules 3, For. 7, Gift 1. Prizes 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/- (in For. 12/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-). Fee 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 4 to G. E. Wilkinson, 86, Lenton Boulevard.

Avonbridge.—Nov. 16.. Public School.—Judges, Messrs. P. M'Kenzie, A. D. Duncan. 47 open classes: Nor. 5, Crest 2, Sell. 1, Bord. 16 (2 Sell.), Mules 3 (1 Sell.), Brit. 19 (2 Sell.), For. 1. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 9 to P. Gentleman, Cowan's Buildings.

Baslow.—Nov. 7, Stockdale Institute. Judge, Mr. A. E. Barnes. 5 open classes: Yorks 2, Nor. 2, For 1. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 2/-. Ent. close Oct. 31 to Sheldon and Alsop, Baslow.

Some Favourite British Seed-eaters.

A lecture delivered by Mr. H. J. Chittenden, a well-known fancier and judge before the Leeds C.B.S.

(*Concluded from page 695*).

The Time is Approaching.

The best time to buy Goldfinches is after the moult, when they have attained their adult plumage. I was intimate with a gamekeeper some years ago, and asked him if he would try to get me a few, and after a time he sent me along half a dozen of the best Goldfinches I have ever seen. I think he must have scoured the neighbourhood for miles around for these beauties. I sold two or three of them, and I believe they nearly all won at shows. I don't know how it was, but I never managed to get any more like them, but I have proved that in certain districts birds are much larger than those of another district, perhaps not many miles away.

Where Bullfinches are Small.

Here again you will find a great variance in size according to the district which the birds have been caught. For instance, I have found those which have been caught near Harrogate rather on the small side, whilst those coming from the districts of Malton and Skelton are much larger.

As you will perhaps know, an exhibition Bullfinch must be in the first place a big bold bird, a big head on a big body, with wide expanse of chest, and clean cut away. All his markings must stand out clearly, wing marks well defined, and good density of body colour; breast to be a bright rich red. A Bully possessing these fine points would be a treat to behold, but taking Bullies generally, I find most of them are only moderate. A curious fact about Bullfinches is that they are a soft tongued bird, and the only Hardbill possessing such.

Feed on plenty of mixed seed, with not too much hemp; they are especially fond of this latter seed, and speaking from long experience I do not hesitate to say that it is a harmful seed to all our Finches. Give them plenty of hawthorn buds; they are passionately fond of these. To feed in this way along with a few mealworms, charlock, shepherd's purse, and plenty of insect life is the surest way to get your hen Bullies into breeding condition for hybrid breeding.

Handsome Hybrids.

This species produces our best and handsomest hybrids. I have been very fortunate with my Bully hens, having had the satisfaction of rearing young from three different crosses. At the present time I have together Bullfinch hen and Redpoll cock. Previous to pairing up see that your hens are not too fat, or your efforts will prove unfruitful. To avoid this let them in a large flight during the winter months. I find by doing so they come into condition much easier.

A Giant Among Finches.

The best time to get our largest Finch, the Hawfinch, is when about eight or ten weeks old. At this age you will be able to pick out the cocks, as these are much better in colour than the hens. About August they will commence to moult, and a good plan to strike them is to leave out for two or three successive nights if the weather is inclined to be misty. This will generally have the desired result. The Hawfinch, like all our British birds, improves with age, and not till the third year will he be any use for showing, and for this he will have to possess size in abundance, with large broad head, well braced wings, bars well defined, bold eye, tight feather, and all his colours clear and distinct, with an even bib the shape of thumb nail, and beak dark blue, similar in colour to a Linnet's beak when in condition. He must also be fearless and steady in the show cage. The majority of the winners on the show bench are Siberians, the British bird generally speaking having no chance on account of being so much smaller.

Can it be True?

I have heard it said that all the Hawfinches that reach our shores from Siberia are brought out of that country secretly, and against the wish of the inhabitants—they are looked upon as part of their religion, hence the scarcity I should think.

The diet for a Hawfinch should consist of hemp seed, Spanish canary, summer rape, and green peas. They are also very fond of mealworms, and if given judiciously will keep them in good health. If you follow out these instructions and give a good spraying on fine days you will have no difficulty in keeping them in show condition.

Nocturnal Noises by Bramblefinches.

With Bramblefinches also size plays a prominent part; a good specimen should be nicely mottled on the head, and well laced with a sound colour. I have found they can be improved wonderfully by colour feeding, and have never experienced the slightest difficulty in getting them to eat it. For the show bench you must have them well trained, and in good condition.

A great fault of these birds is the peculiar noises they make in the dead of night, and if kept in company with other birds they are apt to cause a panic among them. I would not recommend you to keep them in a room with Canaries at any time; I have one or two at present, and only last night was awakened by them committing this unmusical noise. I was thinking of making a place in the garden for them, but the wife says I am not content with taking nearly all the house but want to take the garden as well (however, I think I shall get it).

The lecturer invited members to ask him any questions they liked, and he would answer them to the best of his ability. Needless to say, his kind offer was eagerly accepted. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Chittenden was proposed by Mr. Owen, seconded by Mr. Middleton, and closed an enjoyable evening.—W. A. Wilson, Hon. Sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES, continued.

Markinch.—Nov. 2, Town Hall.—Judges: Messrs. J. Watson, A. Chalmers, A. Bennett, W. Connelly. 55 open classes: Scotch Fancy 10, Nor. 11, Crest 7, Bord. 11, Mules 3, Brit. 12 (1 Sell.), Com. Canary 1. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 26 to G. Mitchell, Coaltown, Markinch.

Haverfordwest.—Nov. 12, Market Hall.—Judge, Mr. J. M. Lewis. 11 open classes: Yorks 2, Nor. 1, Mule 2, Brit. 4, Sell. 1, Gift 1. Prizes 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee 1/3. Ent. close Nov. 5 to W. Rees, Bridge End Square.

Derry.—Nov. 14, Union Hall.—Judge, Mr. S. Hadwin. 25 open classes: Scots Fancy 2, Crest 4, Nor. 4, Yorks 6, A.O.V. 1, Mule 2, Sell. 2, Brit. 3, For. 1. Prizes 10/-, 5/- 3/- 2/-. Fee 2/-. Ent. close Nov. 7 to M. Kerr 99, Foyle Street, Londonderry.

Brechin.—Nov. 2, Temperance Hall. Judges, Messrs. A. Harris, W. Mossie, J. Fyfe. 35 open classes: Nor. 14 (2 Sell.), Bord. 12 (2 Sell.), Mule 1, Brit. 6, For. 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 28 to G. Mitchell, 118, Montrose Street.

Kilmarnock.—Nov. 2, Co-operative Hall.—Judges, Messrs. D. Hamilton, J. Calderwood, G. Marlin. 51 classes: Scots Fancy 4, Crest 4, Nor. 11, Bord. 10, Mule 5, Brit. 11, For. 2, Gift 1, Novice 3. Prizes 2/6, 1/9, 1/3. Fee 4d. Ent. close Oct. 26 to R. M'Caw, 7, North Hamilton Street.

Abertillery.—Nov. 13, Drill Hall.—Judge, Mr. W. Mundell. 19 open classes: Nor. 7 (2 Nov.), Yorks 7 (2 Nov.), Sell. 1, Brit. 2, Mule 1, A.O.V. 1. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/-. Ent. close Nov. 7 to E. Churchill, 29, Tillery Street.

Leyton.—Nov. 7-8, Grange Park Hall.—Judges, Messrs. J. Frostick, J. Robson. 44 open classes: Nor. 9 (4 Nov.), Yorks 10 (4 Nov.), Crest 4, A.O.V. 1, Mules 3, Brit. 12, For. 2, Sell. 3. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 31 to Forse and Son, 31, Thornhill Road.

Dunbar.—Nov. 9, Assembly Rooms.—Judge, Mr. H. Bennet. 26 open classes: Scots Fancy 4, Bord. 8, Crest 7, Nor. 2, Brit. 2, For. 1, Mule 1, Gift 1. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 2 to M. Gilhooly, Dunbar.

Blaydon-on-Tyne.—Nov. 1-2, U.M. Schoolroom.—Judges, Messrs. W. A. Cowgill, C. A. House. 56 open classes: Nor. 17, Yorks 9, Bord. 7, Cinn. 2, Liz. 2, Scots Fancy 2, Sell. 5, Mules 2, Brit. 8, For. 2. Prizes 10/- 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 20, to G. Harver, 1, Theresa Street.

Paignton.—Oct. 30, Badminton Hall.—Judge, Mr. J. H. Payne. 30 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks. 6, Crest 2, Bord. 1, A.O.V. 1, Mules 3, Brit. 6, For. 2, Sell. 2. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close this week-end to J. N. and J. Jeffery, Sartor House.

Halifax.—Nov. 8-9, Friendly and Trades Hall.—Judges, Messrs. W. A. Cowgill, A. G. Davies. 39 open classes: Yorks 24 (8 Nov.), Nor. 8 (2 Nov.), Brit. 4, Mule 1, Sell. 2. Prizes 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 5 to H. Clegg, 15, Melrose Street, Lee Mount, Halifax.

Enfield.—Nov. 16, Drill Hall.—Judge, Mr. A. E. Enfield. 15 open classes: Yorks 1, Nor. 1, Crest 2, A.O.V. 1, Mules 1, Brit. 3, For. 3, Sell. 2, Gift 1. Prizes 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 6 to H. Jackson, 77, Southfield Road, Ponders End.

Wolverhampton.—Nov. 1-2, Co-operative Hall.—Judge, Mr. J. Robson. 45 open classes: Nor. 16 (4 Nov.), Yorks. 10 (3 Nov.), Crest 2, Bord. 3, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 2, Mule 3, Brit. 6, For. 2. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, 1/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 27 to J. Gibbons, 64, Napier Road.

Cleator Moor.—Nov. 2, Market Hall.—Judge, Mr. C. A. House. 30 open classes: Yorks 7 (1 Sell.), Bord. 5, Nor. 5, Mules 2, Brit. 11. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 26 to J. E. Byrne, 110, Birks Road.

Appleby.—Nov. 7, Public Hall.—Judge, Mr. F. Thompson. 5 open classes: Bord. 1, Nor. 3, Brit. 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Oct. 31 to J. Blades, Vernon House, Clifford Street.

Maidstone.—Nov. 1-2, Corn Exchange.—Judge, Mr. A. E. Enfield. 10 open classes: Nor. 5, Yorks 3, A.O.V. 1, Pair 1, Mule 1. Prizes 6/-, 3/-, 2/-. Fee 1/-. Ent. close this week-end to A. Day, 10, Old Tovil Road.

Kilburton.—Nov. 9, Parochial Hall.—Judge, Mr. L. Dyson. 8 open classes: Yorks 5, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 1, For. 1. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 4 to A. Scott, Kilburton.

Lowestoft.—Nov. 6-7, Kirkley Swimming Baths.—Judge, Mr. W. E. Greeves. 36 open classes: Nor. 7, Cinn. 2, Crest 7, Pairs 1, Mule 1, Sell. 1, Amat. Nor. 9, Crest 2, Brit. 4, For. 2. Prizes 10/-, 5/- 3/-. Fee 1/-. Ent. close Oct. 26 to E. Crow, London Road.

Pentrebach.—Nov. 28, New Hall. Judge, Mr. G. Gardner. 29 open classes: No. 4, Yorks. 4, Bord. 1, Unflight. 1, Nat. Col. 1, A.O.V. 1, Nov. 1, Limit 1, Mules 3, Brit. 9, For. 1, Sell. 2. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 23, to A. E. Brown, 66, Clare Street, Merthyr Tydfil.

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

The Norwich Distress Fund.

Since the last list the only subscriptions to hand are 1s. from Miss Ruby and 1s. from Miss Storey, both CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE members. This brings the total to £13 3s. 6d., and a cheque for this amount will be forwarded to the committee of gentlemen who have so kindly promised to see that the money shall be distributed in the relief of really necessitous cases.

When They May Wake Up.

In sending her subscription, Miss Ruby writes: "I am beginning to think that some bird fanciers will not realise that their hobby is in danger until a bill is brought into Parliament. Then they may wake up." We have in CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE a solid body of bird lovers who are strong enough to make their presence felt, and in the Associates of the League who have taken advantage of the coupons published week by week we have another thousand or more of bird keepers, who, although they have not seen their way clear to become full members of our LEAGUE, by reason of not being able to afford the subscription, are none the less bird lovers. Each of these has signed an undertaking to take every care of his or her pets, and to induce others to do the same, and in doing this each associate has obtained the signatures of five others to the same promise.

The total number of bird lovers now associated together, either as members of the LEAGUE, associates of the LEAGUE, or humane keepers of birds in captivity now runs into several thousands, and there are thousands of parliamentary votes behind our movement. In the general election which may be nearer than some are inclined to think, the opinions of these thousands of electors will be entitled to respect, and if everyone of the fifty thousand readers of CAGE BIRDS would support the LEAGUE, either by becoming a member or an associate, every candidate in the forthcoming general election would know that among the people he was canvassing were those who held opinions diametrically opposed to those of the few professional humanitarians and their mistaken, if kindly intentioned, supporters.

Preferential Treatment to League Members at Shows.

Last year, at a large number of shows CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE members were admitted, by arrangement with various committees, on preferential terms. At shows at which the admission was a shilling LEAGUE members were passed in at ninepence. At sixpenny admission rates LEAGUE members paid fourpence upon production of their badges. This arrangement proved very popular, and worked alike to the advantage of the gate and to the individual members of the LEAGUE. One of the shows included in the list was Enfield, and I have this week been favoured with a call from the Enfield secretary, who says he will be glad to admit LEAGUE members again this year at fourpence instead of sixpence, which will be the ordinary admission money.

I shall be glad to hear from the secretaries of other shows who will welcome CAGE BIRD LEAGUE members on similar terms, and the names of the shows will be published in these columns as last year. This year it will be necessary for LEAGUE members to produce their receipts at the gate instead of showing their badge, for the badges are, of course, no longer evidence that the wearers are paid members of the LEAGUE. Their subscriptions may have lapsed, or they may be associates who have not paid any subscription at all.

The Reward of Perseverance.

Many readers, in sending along the coupons accompany them with some little note, but about the best I have received, is as follows:

Sir,—As a constant reader of CAGE BIRDS for over three years, I have often thought how I would like to become a member of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE, and wear the badge, which so many readers are proud of, but the opportunity never came my way to become a paying member. I soon discovered the coupon in dear old CAGE BIRDS, and I made a start to save these, and finally I got the number required, and was waiting for an old friend of mine to come and sign the last one, when they disappeared. Any way, I started again, and did not cut them out of the issues. I got four put away, and my wife, who helps me with my birds, gave these four to some lady friend, so I was done again. I thought out another scheme, and it answered very well; and finally, I am able to post them on for the much-coveted badge. Thanking you for the many useful hints I have gathered from CAGE BIRDS,, wishing it all the success it so richly deserves.

W. J. DAVIS.

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How to become an Associate.

Many readers of CAGE BIRDS have written to say that they would like to join CAGE BIRDS' LEAGUE, but cannot afford the subscription. To meet their wishes we have decided to form, in connection with the LEAGUE, a body of Associates. All we ask of these Associates is that *they will promise to give every possible attention to the wants of their birds.* And they must induce others to see that their birds are kept happy and contented.

All that the intending Associate has to do is to sign the coupon herewith, get five of his or her friends to sign each a similar coupon, and send the six, together with a penny stamp, to the Secretary of CAGE BIRDS' LEAGUE, who will forward by return an enamelled Button Badge of the LEAGUE. There will be no other charge. **NOW, THEN, BIRD LOVERS!—USE YOUR BEST EFFORTS IN THIS SPLENDID CAUSE.**

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Singing Contests.

LEEDS.

Contest for quality, held at old bird house, King's Head, Shanuon Street, October 19, when 17 birds sung for 3 good prizes given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson. Judges, S. Hardcastle and W. Naylor; also Oct. 20, when 27 birds sung for 4 good prizes. 1, 3, Ward; 2, Butler; 4, Chadwick. Judges, A. Jennings, W. Sissons and W. Naylor. Open contest held every Saturday at 2.30.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quality singing Linnet contest, held at Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, October 20, when 20 birds sang for 3 good prizes. Result: Ramsden and A. Binns shared 1, and 2; 3, A. Binns. Judges, Lorriman, Turner and Soloman.—J. Smith, Sec.

TYLDESLEY.

Tyldesley Linnet Club having been disbanded for a few months, has now started afresh, with 14 members paid, and promise of several new members. Will fanciers please note our new headquarters, Queen's Hotel, close to Tyldesley Station, and my new address? I would like Pendlebury to include us in their Manchester and District contests.—Isaac Harrison, Sec., 3, Lime-st., Tyldesley.

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CLUB REPORTS. (Continued.)

NORTHERN BRITISH M. & F.B.C.

Meeting held September 25, in Lockhart's, Grainger Street. Chairman, Mr. C. Petterson, who presided over a good attendance. Decided to open a subscription list to replace mule and foreign cups won outright last season. Some of the members present gave donations. I should be pleased to accept donations from any member or fancier for this purpose. Decided to have three classes at our next meeting: 1, Linnets, F.M.; 2, British, Housemoulted; 3, Foreign. Mr. M. C. Potts promised to give a pair of dressed horns for most points over the table shows. A vote of thanks was given to Mr. Potts for his kind offer. Re granting patronage to Blaydon show, our old friend Mr. J. Maddison kindly gave two medals, one each for Mules and British, and Mr. A. C. Young promised one for the foreign. A table show was held in connection with the meeting, Mr. J. Maddison judging. LIN.: 1, Petterson; 2, 3, Scott; 4, Watson; vhc, McGuire; he, Harrison. Class 2: 1, Young; 2, Scott; 3, vhc, Voult; 4, C. McGuire; he, Petterson. Mr. Maddison brought three drawings of the Linnet with him, and we had a judging competition amongst ourselves, and not one of us placed them right. Mr. Maddison kindly pointed out to us why he placed them, and with a few remarks regarding each Linnet, brought a most interesting and most instructive meeting to a close. Members please note that subs. are now overdue. The following specials are being competed for over the table shows: Pair of dressed horns, a pair of vases, cheese dish, and a silver medal.—W. Curry, Sec.

NEW CROSS AND DIST. C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held People's Hall, Tanner's Hill, Deptford, Oct. 5, when we had a grand attendance of members. The schedule for the annual show, Nov. 7 was discussed, and the members thought it best to condense the Yorks. and Border classes, and only have one section for each of these. The minute in respect of entry fee was not passed. It was decided to charge 1s. first cage, and 6d. each after, 6d. being deducted from the 1s. for the benefit of the society. Selling class 4d., 1d. deducted, the rest as prize money on the sliding scale. Decided to purchase white calico to cover the staging. During the last few weeks the committee have worked hard, and have got enough specials to cover each class. The two cups will also be up for competition for most points through 1912, and for the best Borders bred 1912. As usual we made another Border Fancy member, and are getting quite a strong class of Borders. After business, questions on birdie subjects followed. Each member wrote a question on paper, and put same into a hat, which was then handed round for each member to take one and answer same. Some of the members gave some good answers. Whenever a member failed to answer, it was passed on to the chairman, Mr. Hill, to answer same, who did so to the best of his ability. This seems an excellent way to help the novice on. Mr. Rowson brought a Canary alive as a question for the evening. The bird had two or three lumps as large as a marble on its body. The bird was passed round (in its cage), but the members could not come to any conclusion as to the cause of the lumps. A post-mortem examination afterwards showed that all the organs of the bird were in good condition except the liver, which was decayed.—Barton and Barton, Joint Hon. Secs.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

Mr. Ransley presided over a fair meeting of the society at the Earl Cathcart, Osnaburgh Street, Oct. 5. A letter received from our esteemed member, Mr. H. Bell, stating he was a little better. The Chairman then called on Mr. F. Harrison for his demonstration on cage-making. Mr. Harrison spoke as follows: I want to bring before your notice this evening the extent to which a working man can go to house his birds in comfort, and at the same time to combine cheapness and usefulness. I don't want any of you to think that I am a carpenter, but I will point out to you how easily you can turn them about and thoroughly clean them out. I have made them so that I can feed and water my birds inside, but of course that is left to any one's taste. Now, as to the cost: I first get five 10ft. lengths of tileing batten, which costs 10d. These are for the uprights and bearers; then two sheets of three-ply wood, 4ft. x 2ft., cost 1s. 6d. You can see how I cut it up, the back is in one piece, and so are the sides. The top I cut in half, to allow of fixing the top runner firmly. The wire fronts cost 2s. 6d. per dozen. The floors and runner I make out of ordinary boxes, which you can get for about sixpence, and if you say threepence for nails, and sixpence for glue and distemper, that would make it come to about five shillings. Say that it cost six shillings to make them; even then I don't think you would miss it if you buy it bit by bit, as you want it. You can see how they are finished off, and let me tell you that all joints are well glued to keep out the red mite.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Harrison for his interesting lecture, and a vote of thanks to the chairman brought a very pleasant evening to a close.—W. Gilbert, Hon. Sec.

SCOTTISH METROPOLITAN (Open Derby) O.A.

Annual general meeting held Buchanan's Hotel, High Street, Edinburgh, Oct. 8. Mr. C. R. Drysdale, hon. president, presided over a good attendance of members. The financial statement for the year showed income was £29 5s. 1½d., expenditure £28 8s. 1d., leaving 17s. 0½d. to be carried forward. Mr. McLennan, auditor, certified the correctness of the books, and the balance-sheet was approved. The following were elected office-bearers to carry out the necessary work for the 1913 show:—Hon. Pres., Mr. C. R. Drysdale; hon. vice-pres., Mr. W. Thornton; sec. and treas., J. R. Meikle, 51, Lothian Road, Edinburgh; acting committee, Messrs. J. Dalgleish, A. Paterson, J. Hendry, P. West, J. McLennan, W. Allan, and M. Petrie; auditors, Messrs. McLennan and Allan. The Scotch Fancy classification remains as hitherto, but Belgians are now reduced to one class. The association has during the last five years done everything possible to popularise this section, but have reluctantly been compelled through the lack of sufficient support to meet the expenses to take this action. There will be no meeting in September for the receiving of members' entries for show. These now have to be sent direct to the secretary through the post. Re sale of birds at show, "should a member agree to make an exchange of bird, the transaction must be reported to the sec. at the time." The remaining rules were re-adopted without amendment. It was agreed to rent the Buccleuch Parish Hall, Buccleuch Street, Edinburgh, for the next exhibition. Judging by the good feeling which existed, and the enthusiastic way in which the members carried through the business, the officials look forward to having a good advance in the progress of the society.—J. R. Meikle, Sec.

City of Glasgow O.A. Grandly Supported

A RECORD ENTRY.

Last year's disaster retrieved.—Magnificent show in almost every section is splendidly patronised by bird-lovers.

The City of Glasgow O.A. held their 59th exhibition on October 18th and 19th, and it proved, we are pleased to say, a great success, being a record show, the entries numbering over 1,300, an increase of 320 over the unfortunate venture of last year. Norwich Plainheads were a great show in themselves, such a collection of unflighted birds never having been drawn together at this fixture before. The old bird classes were also keenly contested, and some gems were out. The sp. for best cock was secured by a tip-top buff, a bird of great size and substance, exceedingly well put down by Mr. Mabon, of Kelso, while the sp. for best hen was secured by a gem of an unflighted buff shown by Mr. R. Martin, of Kirkintilloch. The judges were Messrs. A. G. Cameron and A. Harris, and their awards were well received. Crests and Crestbreds, on the whole, were good, some sweet exhibits being staged. That old warrior of a Crest, so successfully staged by Mr. Howie, of Dunfermline, secured the sp. for best in section, while Mr. Noble's Crestbred cock did the deed in its classes. Mr. W. Paul carefully judged this variety, and his awards were well received. Yorkshires followed, and although on the whole the numbers were good, we expected to see more, as the Glasgow district is now becoming a hot-bed for this variety. The sp. for best was secured by a sweet yellow hen, of nice length and good position, in grand order. Mr. D. F. Webster judged, and we heard no adverse comments on his awards.

Some Life in the Scots Fancies.

The Scotch Fancy section saw a large turn-out. Yellow, Green, and Foul classes might have been better, but what was lacking in these was amply made up for in the others. The number of entries was ahead of last year's total by 20—very satisfactory progress; in fact, all through the collection the birds were, in point of quality, far ahead of last year, comprising as they did the very pick of the Fancy. Indeed, on no previous occasion has a better lot of Scotch Fancies been staged. It is no small wonder that this part of the hall was busy with fanciers and breeders on both days, especially so on the Saturday, when the hall was packed with people. Secretary John Young, who was responsible for the Scotch Fancy section, was well supported by a hard-working committee, who had all their arrangements made to perfection, a task which must have entailed a lot of hard work. The exhibits were exceptionally well staged. The gate must have proved a good one, and would no doubt go a long way to make up for last year's drop. The judges for Scotch Fancies were: Messrs. W. Rodger (Colinton), J. Dalgleish (Leith), A. Nisbet (Galston), G. Fulton (Partick), J. Park (Govan), and J. Ward (Shettleston). Their duties were difficult, but their awards seemed to give all-round satisfaction, being certainly well received. The best old bird in the hall was Mr. Dalgleish's famous yellow cock, and the best young bird Mr. J. D. Brown's yellow hen, the cup winner to-day; a most popular win, and the bird worth it; a perfect beauty. The same owner had the runner-up in his buff foul cock, a young bird of exceptional merit. Mr. Brown is the gentleman who a year or so ago purchased a pair of Scotch Fancies at the record price of £100. He is an all-round sportsman, and his successes to-day were very popular among the Fancy. In some cases really fine birds, which have already figured on the prize list elsewhere, were left cardless, which goes to show what a hard task the judges had to tackle in making their awards. Some good birds changed owners, Mr. Wm. Beattie taking the 5th yell. pied cock to Dundee with him at a fair figure; Mr. W. Thornton (Edinburgh) a yell. hen, also at fair figure; Mr. Andrew Jardine (Maryhill) purchased the first birds in the pair classes at a good price. We wish him good luck and trust he will do well with them. Mr. Smith (Howood) purchased the 5th buff cock. All the known fanciers of the day were to be seen in the hall.

A Collection of Gems.

Borders—what a collection of gems; all shades of colour were forward, and every class was very keenly contested. The B.F.C. medal was secured by a buff cock, well put down by Mr. J. Craig, of Brechin, grand all over and greatly admired, while the novice medal was won by the 2nd prize foul, shown by Mr. Campbell, and it was a gem, staged to perfection. Greens and Cinnamons were good, while even-marks were a notable feature. Messrs. T. Arnot and G. Hislop judged, and their decisions were very well received.

In the Mules and British we had something good to look at, though the clear, etc., Mules were a shade disappointing, and the Bullfinch Hybrid class low in numbers. No new crosses were out, but some good ones were amongst the winners. British were grand classes, and splendid exhibits were to be seen in all of them. The pick of the section, perhaps, were the winning Bramblefinch, Corn Bunting and Linnet; three outstanding birds of great merit. Lesser Redpolls were a grand class; we heard that a protest was laid against a certain bird, but as the owner had received his prize money the Society refused same. It is a pity, as it only causes ill-feeling in the Fancy. Softbills were a grand lot. Foreigners were rather few, and as they always make an attraction at a show the committee feel loth to reduce the classes, and it is to be hoped fanciers will support them better next year. The judging of these classes was in the capable hands of Messrs. J. Livingstone and A. W. Watson, and we heard very few adverse comments on their awards.

The Excellent Management.

The show was held, as usual, in the Taylor Street Drill Hall, a first-rate place for an exhibition of this size. The staging was A1, while the stewards and committee had everything in apple-pie order. The society are fortunate in having such a genial and popular president as Mr. D. Black, and he was ably backed up by Mr. F. Taylor, the worthy vice-president. The Committee are fanciers of the right sort, and kept everything well in hand, the birds being catered for in first-class style. The committee comprise Messrs. J. M'Ilwaine, F. Bullions, A. Jardine, W. Gray, W. M'Clure, G. G. Aitkenhead, A. M'Millan, A. Clark, J. Smith, A. Macdonald, J. A. Stewart, Jun., R. M'Kissock, W. Hutchison, T. Erskine, M. Craig, A. Sloan, E. Barron, John M'Lay, P. Houston, George Smart, M. Donaghy, A. Maxwell, A. Cant, W. Jackson, J. Fleming and P. Thom. The worthy secretaries, Messrs. J. Young and R. Beggie, were kept fully employed, and they got through their duties in masterly fashion. They were very hard workers, indeed, and most obliging, desirable qualities which earn them the good-will and respect of all with whom they come into contact. The show was splendidly patronised, and we hope to hear of a financial success.

Scotch Fancy and Belgian Classes.

SCOTS FANCY YELL. CK. (19) 1, 2 spls, Dalgleish, best adult bird in the hall, 1st last year, bears its honours well, still keeping its old form, a beauty; 2, spl, Allerdice, noted winner, showing well to-day; 3, Brown, neat exhibit, full of style, grand condition; 4, J. A. Stewart, good head, neck and shoulders, nice bird; 5, spl, Gray; vhc, spl, McClure; he, spl, Morrison; c, spl, Trail. YELL. PIED (10): 1, McAdam, good head, neck, nice depth through, fine drive and plenty of style, grand pose; 2, Muir, nice size, good drive, nicely set up, fine length of wing, good body; 3, McIlwain, hardly so good for size as those in front, nice reach and style; 4, Dalgleish, fails a shade in style and size; 5, Young; vhc, Burnside; he, Lawson; c, Hamilton. YELL. FOUL CK. (10): 1, Smith, last year's champion, when judged was not in his usual condition, fine bird, looking all right on second day; 2, J. Muir, nice square top, plenty of substance, fine style, typical bird; 3, spl, Caldwell, neat tail, well under, fine reach and droop; 4, spl, Ferguson, nice length of wing, fails in style a shade to those in front; 5, Allerdice, sen.,; vhc, Montgomery; he, Jackson; c, Morrison (Helensburgh). YELLOW GREEN (10): 1, W. and R. C. Muirhead, nice reach and shoulders, good length of wing, nice and deep through, grand pose, wins; 2, P. Maxwell, nice decided drive, fine depth and plenty of substance; 3, J. D. Maxwell, fine size and length of wing, fine reach; 4, J. A. Stewart, fine reach, fair size and plenty of style; 5, Aitkenhead; vhc, Hendry; he, Torr; c, Strathcarn. BUFF (16): 1, Thornton, fine size, grand shoulders, good reach and droop, tail well in to spar, grand position; 2, J. Morrison, fine reach and droop, fine pose and depth of chest, fine length of side; 3, Montgomery, fair size, good reach, nice droop and pose, a beauty.; 4, Black, shade small and plenty of style; 5, Strathcarn; vhc, Burnside; he, Caldwell; c, Fleming. BUFF PIED (21): 1, Smith, fine size and droop, determined drive, tail nicely set, well in to spar, very typical; 2, spl, J. Y. Millar, better size and depth through, fair style, shade shorter in reach; 3, vhc, spl, J. Hunter, nice shoulder and reach, good droop and substance; 4, spl, Dalgleish, shade small to those in front, fine bird; 5, spl, Maxwell; he, spl, J. Morrison; c, J. D. Brown. BUFF FOUL (11): 1, 2 spls, J. D. Brown, runner-up at open Derby at Edinburgh, fair size, good reach and droop, grand type; 2, Ward, shade better for size, but not quite the style of leader, a good bird; 3, spl, Allerdice, sen., fine size and reach, good depth through, nice shoulder and depth; 4, A. Jardine, not so thick through, shade plainer than those in front; 5, Lang; vhc, Thornton; he, J. A. Stewart; c, Caldwell. BUFF GREEN: 1, McIlhenny, fair size, good shoulders, well filled and nice length of wing, tail well in, nice pose; 2, Montgomery, similar size and reach, fine drive and droop, nice length of wing and side; 3, McClure, fair size, but lacks style to those in front; 4, A. R. Campbell, fair size and nicely set on pins; 5, McMillan (Port Glasgow); vhc, Gray; he, J. Morrison; c, spl, Slater. YELL. HEN (16): 1, 4 spls, J. D. Brown, cup winner, spl for best young bird in the hall, a gem, full of style, a very typical exhibit; 2, Montgomery, fair size and depth through, nice reach and droop, full of style; 3, spl, Jackson, very fine exhibit, a good all-round bird; 4, spl, McClure, plain to those in front, but a fine bird; 5, spl, Clark; vhc, spl, Price; he, spl, McAdam; c, spl, A. Lawson. YELL. PIED (9): 1, H. R. Caldwell, Paisley winner, fine size and reach, good droop, nice length of wing and style; 2, Higgins, very nervy hen, not so thick through as first, plenty of style; 3, Allerdice, sen., not quite so good in reach and fails a shade in thickness to those in front; 4, McIlwain, fair bird; 5, Jardine; vhc, Price; he, Thornton; c, Dewar. YELL. FOUL (6): 1, R. Neill, a very typical hen of nice all-round substance; 2, Muir, good size, nice shoulder and depth through, good length of wing, nice pose; 3, J. D. Brown, shade plain to those in front, but a fair exhibit; 4, W. Neil, nice substance and style; 5, Hannay; vhc, Lawson. YELL. GREEN (8): 1, Burnside, fine size and substance, plenty of style and fair reach and droop; 2, J. D. Maxwell, better for size and depth through, shade short in reach, fine droop and style; 3, Bryce, good shoulders and action, nicely set-up, good style; 4, Allerdice, sen., nice deep chest, good action; 5, P. Maxwell; vhc, Luke; he, McLauchlan. BUFF (11): 1, McClure, nice hen, well proportioned, good shoulders and rare action; 2, A. Ferguson, nice top and hard up, sweet action; 3, J. D. Brown, fine head and neck, well set up; 4, Dalgleish, good top end and splendid drive; 5, Beattie; vhc, spl, J. Orr; he, McAdam; c, J. Y. Millar. BUFF PIED (13): 1, spl, J. D. Brown, wins in a canter to-day, 4th at Edinburgh open Derby, neat head, extra long in neck and nice droop, good style; 2, spl, ex spl, McClure, 1st and cup bird Edinburgh open Derby, beaten to-day, a good typical hen, not much between them; 4th good substance, fails in style a little.; 3, spl, Gray, neat head, well set up and nice droop; 5, spl, J. Y. Millar; vhc, J. Orr; he, spl, Renwick; c, J. A. Stewart, 3rd at Paisley. BUFF FOUL (12): 1, J. D. Maxwell, grand hen, good shoulders, rare action, nice bird; 2, J. D. Brown, grand top, hard up, full of style, nice type; 3, Luke, nice deep chest, splendid drive; 4, spl, Clark, nice top end, shade small to others; 5, Strathcarn; vhc, Beattie; he, J. Morrison; c, W. and R. C. Muirhead. BUFF GREEN (15): 1, J. McMillan (P. Glasgow), grand style, nice full shoulders and length of wing, full of style; 2, John McMillan, another good bird, grand droop and reach, full of action; 3, Higgins, neat, but fails in substance to those in front; 4, J. Morrison, good length of wing, nice one; 5, Nairn; vhc, Clark; he, Maxwell; c, H. R. Caldwell. SCOTCH FCY. PAIRS: 1, spl, Black, sold at a good figure; 2, J. A. Stewart, 1st at Paisley; 3, spl, McClure; 4, Wilson; 5, J. Morrison; spl vhc, McElwain; he, spl, Leiper; c, J. D. Brown. BELGIAN CK. (8): 1, Traill; 2, spl, McIlwain; 3, 5, spl, White; 4, spl, Russell; vhc, spl, Young; he, spl, Walmsley; c, spl, Higgins. HEN (8): 1, spl, Howden; 2, 4, White; 3, spl Young; 5, Black; vhc, Thornton; he, Harvey; c, Walmsley. I could not pass any opinion on the Belgians, as in my opinion they are so much mixed with Scotch Fancies as to be part crosses. SELL, CK. (22): 1, spl, A. R. Campbell; 2, spl, Caldwell; 3, spl, Lawson; 4, spl, Hannay; 5, Neill; vhc, Hainey; he, Thomas; c, spl, Forsyth. HENS (12): 1, Palmer; 2, Hainey; 3, Baillie; 4, Edgar; 5, Burnside; vhc, Lawson; he, Higgins; c, Knox.

Norwich, Crests, Yorks, and A.O.V.

NOR. CL. OR TK. YELL. CK. (16): 1, Maxwell, large even col., cobby, shapely, well filled in at neck, good head, neat carriage, wins; 2, A. Watson, large, good, well-made exhibit, scarcely so hot in col. and not just so perfect in wing carriage, otherwise well up; 3, Bishop, capital shape, good col., fine skull and neck, typical throughout, must have pressed hard for higher honours; 4, D. Smart, good one for size and condition, bit weak at top end and faulty a little in wing carr; 5, Woodhouse, small in build but hot in col., nice type, lacks size to help it further; 6, spl, Colley; 7, Grewar; 8, Sinclair. BUFF (21): 1, 2 spls, Mabon, fine large framed shapely bird, good feather and carr., well filled in, stands well across the perch, real nice bird; 2, Mitchell, all there for type and qual., massive well balanced, we shared in the opinion of many that it pressed for a win; 3, Gibson, not quite so large in build, fine type and carriage, neat head, short beak (this latter appendage does not receive the attention from breeders that its importance merits); 4, Mathieson, not just up to leaders in size, but nice type, fine tight silky feather; 5, Naismith, good size and shape, fine head and neck, good front; 6, Donaghy; 7, Scobbie; 8, spl, McCall. VAR. OR GREEN YELL. CK. (8): 1, W. P. Campbell, not just the substance that we like, but shapely and typical, nice qual., rather too fine; 2, Barron, similar in size and shape, good in chest and skull, not quite finished yet; 3, Houston, nicely got up, good in type and qual., neat in carr., might have gone up a peg with credit; 4, Calderwood, nice type, qual., carr. and col., well put down; 5, Holmes, very shapely; 6, Paterson; 7, Sloan; 8, Roberts. BUFF (15): 1, Griffiths, stylish, good qual., neat carriage, fine head and neck, set on broad shoulders, expansive front, a creditable one; 2, Martin, similar in size, grand qual., neatly filled in all through, fine top end, one of the right sort, must have gone close; 3, spl, Harper nice type and qual. fine feather with a better balanced top-end would take some beating; 4, Calderwood, nice type and qual., fair size, grand body substance, fails a trifle in wing carr.; 5, Marr, nice one; 6, Hutchison; 7, Bishop; 8, Jones. CLR. OR TK. YELL. HEN (13): 1, Aspinall, grand level even col., capital shape, typ al throughout, feather just inclined to lift at throat, still catches the eye well; 2, A. Watson, smaller in build than leader, but fine col. and qual., rather inclined to be coarse in beak, a much neglected point; 3, Calderwood, a little more massive but not quite so hot in col., still type and quality put it well in the run for 2nd; 4, Whitelaw, good size, pale in colour, nice make, fine carriage, wings, and tail, well placed; 5, Martin; 6, Potts; 7, Barrie; 8, Paling. BUFF (22): 1, spl, Barron, fair size, grand qual. feather, nice carr., very well shaped at top end; 2, Maxwell, good qual., neat at front, good top but a wee shade long behind; 3, Barrie, fine size and qual., wet when we made our notes; 4, F. Taylor, good size, nice full head and neck, cobby body; 5, Dobbie; 6, Noble; 7, W. Scaife; 8, Scobbie. VAR. OR GREEN YELL. HEN (10): 1, Blackley, short and chubby yellow green, broad, neat and well filled in throughout, a good one; 2, Parker, shapely, saddle mark, nice qual. and neat, not just so sweet in wing carriage as might be; 3, spl, nice thick-set cobby exhibit, showing too much brow and inclined to be guttered at side of neck; 4, Dowell, fair one for size and qual., but bit narrow in skull for our liking; 5, Maxwell, nice sized, short and chubby; 6, McNaughton; 7, Barron, 8, spl, Calderwood. BUFF (14): 1, F. Taylor, very neat, typical, stylish lady, sweet head and neck, but we failed to observe any variegation; 2, Barron, nice size, head and wings mkd., neatly folded wings and tail, a trifle soft when we saw it; 3, Todd, very lightly mkd., fine type, nice silky feather, short, cobby, deserves its place; 4, Webster, another really good specimen broken green, sweetly made, typical, neat throughout, hard up in the chase; 5, Marr, very nice var.; 6, spl, Hutchison; 7 Sinclair; 8 Dobbie. NON-FED COCK (23): 1, spl, Mitchell, massive shapely cl. yell., shown in the pink, a Norwich from beak to tail, nothing amiss, a proper foundation-maker, a credit to owner; 2, Lawrie, buff fine size and qual., neat carr., hardly so broad-fronted or finished as leader; 3, spl, c, Campbell, buff, nice type and qual., not so massive as those in front, still nice one; 4, Chalmers, grand yell., fine size and qual., right good one, hard lines to give way to buffs; 5, Laidlaw; 6, spl, Simpson; 7, Naismith; 8 spl, Hutchison. NON-FED HEN (20): 1, Laidlaw, fine sized cl. buff, very stylish and shapely, good head, neck, short neat beak, fine carr., clean cut away behind; 2, Martin, rare qual. yell. green, put down in capital style, cobby, typical, ran hard for 1st place; 3, Bishop, capital shaped buff green, type from top to toe, well holds its position here; 4, Chalmers, massive buff green, neat frouted, thick-set; 5, Smeaton, good sound col., yell. green; 6, Lawrie; 7, Condie; 8, Cummings. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (21): 1, 3, spl, Maxwell, leading with a fine, deep even col. cobby bird, fine carriage and A1 qual., feather short, clean cut behind; 3rd large level-col., cl., bold, well-filled head and neck, with a little less length behind might have gone up a peg; 2, Mabon, good sized tick, fine col., nice make, fine wings and tail, bit browy; 4, Marr, smallish, nice qual. and carr.; 5, Smith, fair size, good col.; 6, McNaughton; 7, Hector; 8, Gray. BUFF (39): 1, spl, Simpson, nice tick, rare feather, fine qual., not just the sweet symmetrical appearance one likes or expects in the reserve for the medal; 2, Martin, fine one for size, type, and qual., broad front, cobby body, full bull neck, just a trifle weak at entrance to head; 3, 6, spl, Young, leader a really good all-round exhibit, stylish and typical, full head and neck and cobby made, laid down in fine trim and must have pressed hard; 4, Campbell, another nice one for qual.; 5, Sloan, fine size and neat carriage; 7, Barron; 8, spl, Smart. YELL. HEN (35): 1, Smeaton, type, qual. and col. all here, well put together, only fault inclined to cross at times; 2, Morrison, fine size, beaten in type and col. by leader, yet a good one; 3, Young, small but typical yell., green, fine broad front, short cobby build, a sweet one; 4, Buchan, real nice one for type and qual., neat throughout; 5, A. Watson, hotter in col., real good one all over; 6, Martin; 7, Woodhouse; 8, Dickie. BUFF HEN (42): 1, 3 spls, Martin, nice chubby, well-got-up exhibit, all qual., rare silky feather, stylish, shapely lady, put down in spanking form; 2, Morrison, nice one for style and qual., hard condition; 3, spl, Grewar, large, well-made, shapely lady, fine qual. and style, rare top end, just inclined to cross, otherwise very nice one; 4, Naismith, rather smaller made, but of the right stamp; 5, 8, Cairns, quite a taking exhibit; 6, spl, Holmes; 7, Noble. NOVICE CK. (22): 1, Melrood, large buff, fine feather, but weak head, grand body and style, some thought lucky

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here; 2, 4, Blacklock, leader lline size, lovely deep even col., cobby, well made body, short and clean cut, nice type, might have gone up; 4th short cobby yell., perfection of carr., good as anything in class and fit for open; 3, Munro, nice grizzled cap yell., line head, short beak, well balanced at all points, nice one; 5, Fulton; 6, Wood; 7, Anderson; 8, Pierce. HEN (16): 1, spl, Naismith, nice level col. cl. yell., nice make, good qual. and style, staged in nice condition; 2, Edward, fair sized cl. buff, nice type and substance, just if anything a trifle thin in neck; 3, spl, McLeod, fair looking buff, but wet when we saw it; 4, Henderson, neat; 5, Davidson, fair, good yellow varieg. SELL., los., NOR. CK. (35): 1, Noble, good size, cheek marked buff; 2, Blacklock, shapely yell. tk; 3, spl., A. Crawford, varieg.; 4, Bishop, good size, varieg. buff; 5, Adams; 6, Holmes; 7, D. B. Irons; 8, sp., Dempster. HEN (15): 1, sp., Melville, cl. buff,; 2, Strachan, nice yell. tk.; 3, Campbell; 4, Mitchell, large varieg. yell.; 5, Donaghy; 6, sp., Guthrie; 7, Bowman; 8, Woodhouse. CREST CK. (16): 1, sp., Howie, even wing, dark crest, abundant substance, densely clad in fine leafy feather, lovely radiating crest, fine droop and frontal, in grand trim; 2, 6, sp., Hector, leader, wing mark. D.C., massive, immense quantity feather, of the proper texture, lovely shaped top, capital frontal, well over beak end, really good one, must have pressed hard; 3, sp., 7, Noble, leader good one, but beaten in general substance; 4, Cram, nice even wing D.C., fine body, good feather, groomed to perfection; 5, Young; 8, Sharp. HEN (16): 1, 5, Noble, leader light tail, green capital body, rare top piece, densely clad with the right material, a tip-topper; 5, wing, D.C., fine body, substance, just fails to winners in shape and spread of top; 2, Adamson, rather more body than leader, but not quite the quantity of crest; 3, 8, Hector, 3rd, monster varieg., great body and wealth feather, well laid on, tight fit for 2nd place; 4, Young, well up in size, close in feather; 6, McLay; 7, King. C.B. CK. (11): 1, sp., Noble, the old champion, looking very fit, magnificent bird, clings tenaciously to the red card; 2, Hector, grand cl., immense size and substance, a real topper, only just beaten at entrance of head, no shame to be 2nd here; 3, sp., Brown, nice broken green, not quite so massive in build, but nice quality feather, fine head; 4, McClemeut, large tick, nice length; 5, Hamiltou; 6, Smitb; 7, Young; 8, Cram. HEN (9): 1, Sharp, large green, good substance, but not in the best of feather, in the opinion of many, somewhat lucky to win; 2, McLay, another green, fine body, plenty feather, fine dome skull, good entrance, might have gone up; 3, Noble, massive varieg., in topping form, with a better entrance would be difficult to shift; 4, G. Smart, large built varieg.; 5, Summerhill, lightly varieg.; 6, sp., Young; 7, Kiug; 8, Liddle. SELL., 20s., CREST OR C.B. (14): 1, sp., McLay; 2, Cram; 3, sp., McClement; 4, sp., Ritchie; 5, McMillan; 6, sp., Noble; 7, Griffiths; 8, sp., Coombe. YORKS, CL. or TK. YELL. (17): 1, Gennet, very waxy looking gent., real bot, level col., fine length and taper, good style and car., wins well; 2, McRobbie, nice one, scarcely so bot in col., but well up for style and qual., well placed; 3, sp., Heggie, nice one for shape, col. and qual. feather, only fault just inclined to open a wee bit at front; 4, Anderson, nice slim, shapely exhibit; 5, Welsh, rare length and shape; 6, McLellan; 7, Girvan; 8, Cochrane. BUFF DITTO (8): 1, Walsh, all there for type and qual., fine boxy appearance, carriage the best; 2, Syson, rare qual., lengthy exhibit, grand shape and style, just inclined to cross at times, otherwise as good as leader, and hard up; 3, Cobb, nice one for length and quality, but does not pose so sweetly as those in front; 4, Heggie, good Yorkie, but a bit unsteady when handling; 5, McRobbie, tight and typical, might have gone up 1; 6, Martin; 7, Heggie; 8, McLellan. YELL. HEN (10): 1, 2 spls., Anderson, really taking lady, fine length and style, neat, smooth as glass, in capital trim, wins well; 2, Priest, good one, sweet head and neck, fine shoulder, tapered grandly away to a nicety; 3, sp., Syson, very taking, faultless condition, not a feather out of place, a perfect picture; 4, Walsh, very shapely, tick., in A1 trim; 5, Heggie, good one for length shape and qual.; 6, McLellan; 7, Cobb; 8, Marr. BUFF (10): 1, Erskine, real topper, feather like glass, neatly rounded, sweetly tapered, well drawn, real good; 2, Girvan, well up in type and qual., nice length feather, like glass, not much to choose between this and 1st; 3, Park, another nice one, lovely qual., not a ruffle, in the pink; 4, Heggie, again a good one, this class must have given the judge some tronble to separate; 5, Anderson, good length and shape; 6, 7, Crichton; 8, Reid. A.O.C. CK., 1912 (20): 1, sp., Barnet, nice qual., tick grand, length good, feather nice shape and taper, very stylish, a trifle unsteady; 2, Martin, grand col. and condition, feather of the best, sweetly moulded, beautifully tapered, tight and typical throughout, might have won; 3, sp., Jeffrey, we missed; 4, Gibb, real sleek gent.; 5, Syson, clinking cl. yell.; 6, sp., Heggie; 7, Cochrane; 8, McLellan. HEN, 1912 (21): 1, Jeffrey, we missed; 2, McRobbie, a real clinker, staged to perfection, fine length and shape, carriage of the best, feather like glass, a beauty; 3, sp., Syson, another topper, out ou the top for qual. and type, fine feather and col., nicely placed; 4, good one; 5, Gibb, nice exhibit; 6, Crichton; 7, Park; 8, Cochrane. A.O.V. (8): 1, 3, 4, Hamiltou, leading with a good thick, chubby bodied buff cinn. Nor., of fine feather, a good one, 3, nice yell., Cinn., good type and qual., fine size, 4, falls short to leaders in type; 2, sp., Thomson, grand silver Lizard, cl. cap cock, very distinct in spangling, beautifully rowed, a good one; 5, Jackson, again fairly nice buff Cinn., in fine condition; 6, Crane; 7, Chalmers; 8, Wood.

The Border Fancy Classes.

BORDER, CL. YELL. CK. (29): 1, Craig, good one, grand head, fine, full, well rounded front, nice wing carriage, well put down; 2, Kay, lovely shape, fine rounded head and splendid carriage, shade longer in side, extra good in finish, well placed; 3, Murray, sweet shape, shade smaller but extra well polished, grand front and taper; 4, Spence, lovely size, grand shape, rare good head and wing carriage, beaten in finish; 5, Nairn, good stamp, well-balanced wing carriage; 6, c, G. Bennet; he, Montgomerie; c, Auld. HEN (20): 1, Hamilton, one of his old sort, a clinker, grand shape, lovely head and body, rare wing carriage, sweetly cut, and extra good in style, grand feather and finish, claimed at £2 2s.; 2, Halliday, another of the right sort, splendid head and front, fine level wing carriage, good shape, grand finish; 3, Thomson, good quality, grand style, well drawn, fails a little on head; 4, Kay, well placed, sweet one, in grand order, fine head and front, splendid position, inclined to cross wings at times; 5, Gilchrist, close up, boxey feathered one; vhc, Walker; he, Montgomerie; c, Crabb and Finlayson. CL. BUFF CK. (22): 1, sp, B.F.C. medal, Craig, splendid feather, grand balanced wings, well cleaned out, grand position, a shade full in head, but all over a good one, fine col., extra well staged; 2, Gordon, good stamp, paler in colour, grand head and front, well polished, nice wing carriage and taper; 3, H. Bennet, lovely texture of feather, line position, falls a little in front, nice balanced wings; 4, 5, Watt, grand finished birds, leader the best in feather, lovely heads and fronts, grand style; vhc, Allan; he, Collins; c, Halliday. HEN (29): 1, G. Bennet, hot one, grand shape, rare rounded head, and lovely body, fine wing carriage, beautiful style, staged to perfection; 2, Walker, grand stamp, nice weight, fine jaunty carriage, little nervous at times, grand wing carriage; 3, Halliday, grand style, lovely shape, good head and well cleaned out, sweet wings, correct weight, lacks the polish of winners; 4, Arnot, grand head and front, nicely moulded, good quality of feather, shade stronger in build; 5, Robertson, sweet shape, grand feather; vhc, Craig; he, Auld; c, Irons. EVEN MARK (13): 1, Watson, jun., buff, warm in colour, lovely body, grand type, rare head and front, finely balanced wings, grand eye and wing markings, well balanced, gem, wins; 2, he, Dixon, also a buff, stronger in build, good in feather, grand wing markings, fails a shade in eyes; 3, Hamilton, another buff, grand shape, fine balanced markings, but on the light side, lovely position; 4, Nelson, sweet yell., very close up, good markings, fine style and finish; 5, Findlay, sweet buff, grand body, fails a little in eyes; vhc, Haddow; c, Scott. A grand class. UNEVEN, ETC., YELL. (27): 1, H. Bennet, hot one, grand shape, nice head and front, tip top wing carriage, sweet body, extra good in finish; 2, Auld, grand front, sweet head, fine balanced wings, shade unsteady, good quality of feather; 3, Dixon, gem of a 5-point, grand quality of feather, rare head and front, splendid wing carriage, sweet positioned bird, fails perhaps a shade in weight; 4, Brown, another good one, fine body, splendid balanced wings, rare head and lovely finish; 5, Allan, good shape, nice head and wings, scarcely so forward in condition; vbe Beck; he, Aitkin; c, Campbell. BUFF (17): 1, H. Bennet, again leading with a good all-round exhibit, beauty for finish, nice head and front, good wing carriage and fine weight, exceedingly well staged; 2, 4, Walker, sweet exhibits for quality of feather, leader the best in head, grand front and taper, well put down; 3, Beck, good stamp, grand head, nice rounded front, shade pointed in wing carriage, well drawn, lovely order; 5, Auld, nice weight, good head and wing carriage; vhc, Allan; he, Buchanan; c, Findlay. FOUL (34): 1, Craig, gem, extra sweet, lovely shape, grand front, rare taper, splendid head and wings, in rare bloom, yellow, shade warm in colour; 2, novice medal, Campbell, model buff, lovely short feather, rare rounded front, sweet head and neck, grand wing carriage, real good, hard lines to meet winner; 3, Smellie, sweet yell., grandly drawn, extra good head and front, lovely feather and finish, well put down; 4, Young, buff, grand body and head, rare wing carriage, splendid position; 5, Watt, good yell., nice front and head, good quality; vhc, H. Bennet; he, Dick; c, Cunningham; the best class in section, and could be easily divided into buffs and yellows. CINNAMON (31): 1, H. Bennet, yell., sweet size and shape, great depth of colour, lovely quality, well pencilled on back and flanks, extra good in type and finish; 2, 3, 5, Wilson, leader grand buff, splendid pure colour, distinct lacing on back and flanks, rare shape and finish; 3rd, grand yell., best shape in class, fine weight, lovely position, shade more work on back than winner, not so pure in colour; 5th, a yell., a grand trio, well put down; 4, Whitelaw, sweet buff, lovely weight and grand pure lacing, extra good in type and finish; vhc, Lawrie; he, McColl; c, Findlay; a grand class. YELL. GREEN (16): 1, Murray, fine distinct lacing, rare size, lovely head, grand carriage, pure in col. throughout, real good one, well put down; 2, Campbell, sweet shape, grand pencilling, pure in colour, extra good flank markings, in grand order; 3, 4, vhc, Wilson, good ones, leader best in markings, grand shade of col., in lovely order; 5, Wm. Murray, close up, grand shape and quality, fails in pureness of ground col.; he, Haddou; c, Gunning. BUFF (11): 1, Campbell, wins, good one, grand shape, lovely head and wings, rare depth of col., pure in lacing, plenty of work; 2, Dick, sweet shape, grand col., fine lacing on flanks; 3, 4, 5, Wilson, grand trio, all good shape, rare quality of feather, leader the best in lacing; 4th, grand flank markings, and good in ground col.; vhc, Kerr and Smith; he, Glass; c, A. and W. Thomson. SELL., 10s. (25): 1, sp, Gill; 2, Lawson and Sons; 3, Walker; 4, Gilchrist; 5, Munro; vhc, Thomson; he, G. Bennet; c, Watson, jun.

Mule, British, & Foreign Classes.

CL., ETC., MULE (5): 1, sp, Martin and Archer, almost cl. Greenie, buff, in nice order, well up in size, beautifully put down; 2, Crosbie, nice even buff Goldie, good shape and col., grand size, well mkd., very light on eyes and wings, well placed; 3, Heggie, buff even, scarcely so good in markings as winner, but fine size and quality of feather; absent, No. 1, Martin and Archer. VARIEG. (11): 1, Tams and Son, topping Greenie, lovely size, grand shade of col., very lightly mkd., sweet head and front, well put down, wins; 2, Martin and Archer, also Greenie, very lightly mkd., in rare order, fails in size, well staged; 3, 5, McQuiston, hot fed Goldie, rare warm col., lovely size and shape, well staged; 5th, good one, also variog. Goldie; 4, Bishop, varieg. Goldie, also a yell., romping size, plenty of col.; vhc, Whiteford; he, Bruce; c, Buchanan; No. 7, Baird, wrong class, alleged to be a Canary. DARK GOLDIE (16): 1, Gilchrist, hot one, outstanding in class, rare size, great face, dense blaze, lovely flights and back, Spangle, put down in rare order; 2, McWatt, sweet bird, but a shade slim compared to winner, nice depth of col., scarcely up in face yet; 3, vhc, Roy, good one, grand shape and col., nice flush face, extra well mkd., many thought might have been 2nd to-day; 4, Muir, good one when ready, rare shape, grand full chest and broad skull, lovely markings, warm in col., will improve; 5, McQuiston, large buff, grand face, plenty of size, nicely mkd.; he, Scobbie; c, Steel; wrong class, No. 15, a varieg. Mule. DARK LINNET (15): 1, 3, Prattis, leader in grand trim, lovely size, extra good in shape, rare dense col. and markings, sweet quality, tip-top yell., well put down, wins; 3rd, fails a little in size, but good stamp, grand front and markings, well shown; 2, McQuiston, good bold bird, plenty of size and well mkd., well up in col., fails in finish to winner; 4, Buchanan, smaller a shade, grand shape and col., in full bloom; 5, Richardson, good stamp, close up, again very nice quality, sweet shape; vhc, Taylor; he, Peters; c, Allan. DARK GREENIE (11): 1, Roy, sweet yell., grand level col., nice shape, good head and front, very well put down, extra good quality; 2, Leigh, sweet buff, well up in size, good quality of feather, bold head and front, very well put down; 3, Johnston, yell., well up in col., good qnality, scarcely the size of winner; 4, Bald, romping buff, best shade, rough yet, will improve; 5, Craig, sweet yell., plenty of col., bold head and front and well put down; vhc, Crosbie; he, McCalfary; c, Wilson. DARK, A.O.V. (18): 1, Whiteford, romping yell. Siskin, rare size, splendidly laced, sweet cap, lovely wing bars, in full bloom, extra well put down; 2, Allan, sweet Redpoll, grand size, splendidly laced, sweet head and front; 3, McQuiston, good Twite, well up in size and col., grand shape, beautifully pencilled; 4, Frew, nice fed Siskin, plenty of lacing, good cap; 5, Young, Redpoll, rather dark in body, well up in size, nicely mkd., good quality; vhc, Jeans; he, Richardson; c, Craig. HYBRID (4): 1, 2, Heron, two nice Goldie Bullies, leader best in size and well up in col., good front, lovely shape, nice face and breast, 2nd loses in size to winner; 3, Baird, nice Linnet-Bullie, scarcely up in col. yet, but all there for size, sweet bird; 4, Sneddon, sweet Goldie-Bullie, grand shape, fails only in size to winner, good order. A.O.V. (between two Brit.) (11): 1, Martin and Archer, Greenlinch-Chaffinch, in good form, showing cross well, well staged, not much improved since last year; 2, Marlin, sweet Redpoll-Greenie, well up in size, very good in col. and markings; 3, c, Williams, another Redpoll-Greenie, larger than 2nd, but fails a little in col., fine feather, well staged; 4, Mitchell, Redpoll-Goldie, fine size, lovely markings, behind in col. yet, will greatly improve; 5, Craig, Siskin-Greenie, well up in size, nicely marked, scarcely ready; vhc, McGavin; he, Gardner. BRITISH GOLDFINCH (16): 1, Nicholson, romps home, streets ahead, in full breeding condition, immense blaze, lovely size and markings; 2, McMinn Bros., good all round bird, fine shape, dense body colour, good flights and buttons, nice face; 3, Alexander, sweet exhibit, fine shape and body colour, well up in size, very good face; 4, Kerr and Sons, good shape, grand flights, lovely tan; 5, Cranna, splendid quality, scarcely up in bloom; vhc, McPherson; he, Hutcheson; c, McGregor. BULLFINCH (17): 1, Cranna, wins, good all round Bullie, fine breast colour, rare wing bars, splendid shape, good cap and bill, as tight as wax, well shown; 2, McQuiston, better in head and bib than winner, but rougher in feather, nice breast and body colour, but not ready yet; 3, McClay, nice stamp, good body colour, rare sheen, nice cap and head; 4, Dunlop, fine breast, nice shape, good bold front; 5, Thomson, grand colour and shape, shade thin in front, ex good qual., worth its place; vhc, Watt; he, Laidlaw; c, Anderson Bros. LINNET (35): 1, 4, McQuiston, leader a marvel, extra large, grand head and front, splendid lacing, profusely pencilled, lovely depth of colour, real eye-opener, well put down; 4th slimmer, nice markings, good shape, again in full bloom; 2, Allan, sweet shape, grand head, very nice lacing and whites, well up in size, good ground colour; 3, Tucker, nice tone of colour, level througout, finely marked, fails a little in size; 5, Nicholson, again all there, good shape, plenty of size, fails a

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little in colour, but well polished and nicely laced; vhc, Thomson; he, c, Leckie. SISKIN (20): 1, Kerr and Sons, wins, in real tiptop form, beauty, nice cap and bib, lovely colour, well laced, grandly staged, non-fed, quickly claimed at catalogue price; 2, Duncan, nicely fed, well up in size, good cap, neat bib, shade harsh in feather yet; 3, Sykes, also fed, sweet size, good shade of colour, again a little short of bloom; 4, Bishop, nice shape, good cap very neat wing bars; 5, Williamson, well up in size; vhc, Todd; he, Reid; c, McPhee. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (26): 1, McQuiston, rare Twite, grand size, splendid colour, lovely pencilling, bold head and front, rare flights, in full bloom; 2 Quinn, Mealy, rare bib, splendid cap, enormous size, good shape, tight in feather, well put down; 3, Davidson, Twite, grand shape and pencilling, very dark col., nice flights, well staged; 4, Kennedy, sweet Poll, scarcely so large as winner, but grand col., good cap and bib, well staged; 5, Boslem, also a 'Poll, good col. and finish, nice all round exhibit; vhc, Webster; he, McMilan; c, Calder. LESSER REDPOLL (35): 1, Davidson, very hot coloured one, lovely cap, nicely laced, looking soft when we were taking notes; 2, Marlin, fine shape, good cap and bib, well laced on flanks, nice shade of col.; 3, Hopkins, close up, sweet size and shape, grand col., well pencilled, real good exhibit; 4, vhc, Williams, rare size, sweet bib, good shade of col., fine form; 5, Bruce, plenty of size, grand bib, nice col.; he, McQuiston; c, McGillivary Bros. GREENFINCH (14): 1, J. Sharp, good one, rare size, lovely qual., bold head and front, grand wing flights, well-fed buff; 2, McGregor and Boyd, another Buff, good body, rare back and wings, splendid qual. throughout, fails in head to winner; 3, Rennie, nice yell., splendid col., lovely flights, good bold front, shade rough in feather yet; 4, Stuart and Dalling, sweet shaped bird, grand bold rounded front and head, extra good in feather, fails a little in size; 5, Thomson, nice stamp, good head and wings, grand quality; vhc, Nelson; he, Tams and Son; c, W. and J. Linton. CHAFFINCH (22): 1, McQuiston, good colour, fine shape, well up in size, nice pure whites and grand head, steady and well shown; 2, Chalmers, sweet one, nice shade of colour, pure in wings and warm on breast, nice head, in grand order; 3, Stuart and Dalling, close up, good all-round bird, plenty of size, not so steady; 4, Allan, good shape, fine size and qual., beaten in density; 5, c, Sykes, grand col., plenty of size, rather unsteady at times; vhc, Raine, good one; he, Leach. BRAMBLEFINCH (16): 1, Sykes, noted warrior, looking better than ever, streets ahead of anything in class, well put down; 2, Sharp, sweet size and well laced, darker on the back than winner, good wing flights, extra good body colour, steady and well shown; 3, McQuiston, monster for size, good head and back lacing, lacks the sheen and col. of winners; 4, McGavin, sweet bird, grand size, very well marked, fails a shade in body colour, grand quality, claimed at catalogue price; 5, Mason, good stamp, fine depth of col., nicely cut, well up in bloom; vhc, Allan; he, Corbett; c, Reid. YELLOWHAMMER (15): 1, Gibb, nice one, steady, in grand bloom, lovely body colour, pure markings and nice cheeks, well put down; 2, Dunlop, shade heavier on head, sweet cheeks, grand body colour, well up in size; 3, Livingston, not fed one, nice stamp, well marked, shade dark in body; 4, Stuart and Dalling, nice exhibit, fails a trifle in eye; 5, McLay, good one, rare cap and cheeks, lovely body colour, wants a claw; vhc, Bishop; he, Crosbie; c, Lawson. No. 1, Ramsay, "wrong class," almost a clear Yellowhammer, grand bird, fine order, an albino. BUNTING (11): 1, McQuiston, good Corn Bunting, rare size and markings, grand tone of col., sweet shape, steady, a clinker, well put down; 2, Sykes, nice Meadow, grand size, well marked, lovely, and in full bloom; 3, Sharp, Ortolan, grand shape pure in colour, steady, well shown; 4, Nicholson, Cirm, large, but rather heavily marked on cheeks, bee col.; 5, Raine, sweet Cirl, full of life, well up in size, nicely marked, vhc, Morris; he, Sharp; c, Laidlaw. SMALL SOFTBILL (11): 1, sp, Tavor, good Redstart in full bloom grand size, fine head and breast col., grandly put down; 2, McQuiston, tip-top Bearded Tit, grand size and col., in boxy order, well staged; 3, Taylor, Dartford Warbler, fine order, nice shape, steady and well shown; 4, Telfer Bros., nice Redstart, good head and breast, scarcely the size or depth of colour of winner; 5, Henderson, Blue-headed Wagtail, lovely order and col., scarcely ready yet, sweet one, well known; vhc, Bell; he, Laurie; c, Erskine. LARGE (5): 1, Sykes, grand Hawfinch, noted winner, but looking a shade thin to-day, rare colour, well staged; 2, Telfer Bros., Waxwing, good size and shape, well up in col., steady, well shown; 3, McQuiston, nice Chough, grand trim, plenty of size, rare bill and legs, well staged, worth its place; 4, 5, Kerr and Sons, good Magpie and Jay respectively, well up in size and markings, nicely staged; vhc, Craig, an uncommon exhibit, a Lapwing. BELL. HEN (18): 1, McQuiston, wins, hot one, grand finish, rare cap and bib, nice size, lovely breast colour, good wing bars, well staged; 2, Stuart and Dalling, shade larger but paler on breast, good cap and bib, nice wing bars; 3, Morton, fine hen, good shape and col., claimed at catalogue price; 4, Bowie, plenty of col., very nice quality of feather; 5, Cranna, sweet shape and col.; vhc, Perrin; he, Buchanan; c, Telfer. A.O.S. (22): 1, McQuiston, Linnet, grand size, rare col., finely pencilled, good wing flights; 2, Taylor, sweet Bramble, well up in size, steady, well put down, rare body colour and lacing; 3, Laing, Yellowhammer, splendid markings, good col., fine shape; 4, Graham, good Greenie, sweet exhibit, plenty of size, bold head and front; 5, Leach, Linnet, good size, shape and col.; vhc, Craig; he, Boslem; c, Hunter. GOLDFINCH, FOREIGN (15): 1, Howie, in grand order, lovely dense face, splendid whites, rare shape, shown in extra good form, clear win; 2, Graham, good all round, grand shape, splendid body col., lovely wings, well up in face, not so expansive as winner; 3, 4, Stuart and Dalling, leader in nice order, scarcely up in face yet, but all there otherwise; 4th, soft when taking notes. 5, Miller, good Finch, rare size and shape, scarcely up in bloom yet; vhc, Guthrie and Son; he, Steven; c, McGavin. FOR., LARGE (4): 1, Proudfoot, grand King Parrot in full bloom; 2, 4, Morrison, sweet Crimson-Wing in lovely order, and Mynah, little rough in feather, splendid talker; 3, White, Rosella in fine order. SMALL (5): 1, Bruce, Crimson Finch in good form, nicely staged; 2, Webster, Black-faced Love-Bird, in rare feather; 3, Ross, good Red-headed Gouldian, shade rough in feather; 4, Hayes, pair of Weavers, in fine form; 5, Nesbit, sweet White Java in spotless order.

WALKLEY C.B.S.

Table show, held October 19. Sixty birds put in an appearance. Some good birds were staged. Judges, Messrs. Cowley, Scott, Dalton. MEMBERS, YORK., YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Thorpe. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Thorpe; vhc, Tomlinson. NOR.: 1, Lawton; 2, vhc, he, Cowley; 3, Woolhouse. BUFF: 1, Lawton; 2, vhc, he, Cowley; 3, Woolhouse. NOV., YORKS.: 1, 3, Carr; 2, he, Hadfield; vhc, Wardley; c, J. Smith. BUFF: 1, Carr; 2, Abbott; 3, Thompson; vhc, Cowley; he, Chadwick; c, J. Smith. NOR.: 1, 2, R. Smith; 3, Bailey. BUFF: 1, 3, Abbott; 2, c, Curley; vhc, Simpson; he, Bailey. BRIT.: 1, 3, vhc, he, J. and C. Scott; 2, c, Bailey.

KEIGHLEY.

Third show of the season, held October 19, at the Hare and Hounds Hotel. 107 birds faced the judge. Principal winners: J. Mitchell, 16 points, J. Middleton 16, and J. Bower 15, in the open classes; and G. Bolton 15, F. Pemberton 14, and R. Burnett 13 in novice. Mr. F. Townsend, of Halifax, judged, and gave every satisfaction. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 3, E. Middleton; 2, Smith. BUFF: 1, Crowther; 2, Bower; 3, Spencer. UNEVEN, ETC.: 1, J. Middleton; 2, Lawley; 3, Mitchell. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, J. Middleton; 2, Spencer; 3, E. Middleton. BUFF: 1, Mitchell; 2, Bower; 3, E. Middleton. UNEVEN, ETC., HEN: 1, Mitchell; 2, Spencer; 3, E. Middleton. SELL., CK., 12s. 6d.: 1, Smith; 2, Bower; 3, Crowther. HEN, 10s.: 1, 2, Miles; 3, J. Middleton. NOV. YELL. CK.: 1, Burnett; 2, Myers; 3, Burrows. BUFF CK.: 1, Pemberton; 2, Burnett; 3, Bolton. YELL. HEN: 1, Myers; 2, Pemberton; 3, Burrows. BUFF: 1, 2, Bolton; 3, Town.—J. Binns, Sec.

BRADFORD EAST O.S.

Members' show, Oct. 8, at Park Chapel Schools, West Bowling, when a splendid entry of 164 birds was made. Some grand exhibits were staged, and good teams of birds were put down by Messrs. H. Hill, W. Stables, C. E. Walker, Wilkinson Bros., F. Allen, J. Farrar, Riley Bros., S. Binns, W. Fielding, S. Wood, and C. Hardaker, who were successful in winning most points in their respective sections. Messrs. J. Greaves and W. Crabtree, Bradford, judged, and gave entire satisfaction with their awards. CHAMPION: CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. (7): 1, Walker; 2, Hill; 3, 4, Wilkinson Bros.; vhc, Cruise; he, c, Northrop. BUFF (7): 1, Hill; 2, Allen; 3, White; 4, Wilkinson Bros.; vhc, Farrar; he, E. Riley; c, Calloway. EVEN, ETC. (9): 1, 2, Farrar; 3, Riley Bros.; 4, White; vhc, Stables; he, E. Riley; c, Hill. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, Hill; 2, Cruise; 3, vhc, Allen; 4, Stables; he, Laycock; c, Walker. BUFF (7): 1, 3, Riley Bros.; 2, Cruise; 4, he, Northrop; vhc, Stables; c, White. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Stables; 2, Walker; 3, White; 4, Calloway; vhc, Riley Bros.; he, Northrop; c, Hill. BUFF (17): 1, vhc, Stables; 2, Walker; 3, Northrop; 4, Calloway; he, Laycock; c, Allen. EVEN, ETC., HEN (9): 1, Wilkinson Bros.; 2, Allen; 3, White; 4, he, c, Farrar; vhc, Laycock. NOVICE: CL., OR TKD. YELL. (9): 1, Binns; 2, 3, Fielding; 4, vhc, Midgley; he, Hardaker; c, Metcalfe. BUFF (8): 1, Rhodes; 2, Myers and Lightowler; 3, c, Wood; 4, Midgley; vbc, W. Gornall; he, H. Gornall. EVEN, ETC. (10): 1, 2, vhc, he, Woad; 3, Hudson; 4, Hardaker; c, H. Gornall. UNFLIG. YELL. (7): 1, Fielding; 2, Woad; 3, Hardaker; 4, Midgley; vhc, Rushworth; he, Gregson; c, Binns. BUFF (9): 1, Binns; 2, Fielding; 3, Hardaker; 4, Taylor Bros.; vhc, Midgley; he, Metcalfe; c, Hudson. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Myers and Lightowler; 2, Wroe; 3, Rushworth; 4, Taylor Bros.; vhc, c, Binns; he, Midgley. BUFF (14): 1, Binns; 2, Taylor Bros.; 3, Gregson; 4, H. Gornall; vhc, Rhodes; he, Myers and Lightowler; c, W. Gornall. EVEN, ETC., HEN (4): 1, Turner; 2, Hudson; 3, Woad; 4, Midgley. EXTRA NOV. SECT., COCK (2): 1, 2, Newbould. HEN (2): 1, 2, Newbould. SELL., 15s., COCK (7): 1, he, Farrar; 2, Hardaker; 3, Midgley; 4, Priestley; vhc, E. Riley; c, Rushworth. 12s. 6d., HEN (4): 1, Rushworth; 2, Priestley; 3, Farrar; 4, Midgley.—U. Hill, Sec.

KELTY & BLAIRADAM.

Unaccountable Drop in the Entries; Fine Management and Excellent Classification Poorly Rewarded.

Annual open show held in the Gothenburg Hall, on October 19th, a splendid place, beautifully lighted, and of fine size. The birds were well staged round the sides of the hall, leaving room for the numerous visitors who thronged the show during the afternoon. We are sorry to see that the entries were down on last year. Scots Fancy were poorly represented; Borders had some grand birds, notably Mr. Spence's yellow hen, which won the Border Club medal; Yorkies were very short in numbers, but contained some good birds; Crests and Crestbreds were also down. Norwich were the best section in the show, both in numbers and quality. British, with a splendid classification (22 classes) only averaged about five, not a great reward for such generous treatment. The management was absolutely all right. Mr. Stenhouse, the President, was very energetic and the pink of courtesy, while the Vice-Pres., Mr. Fotheringham, backed him up ably, and Mr. McConville, the Treasurer, was also doing his little bit in his usual genial style to ensure the success of the show. The secretarial work was excellently looked after by Mr. Adam Dickson, who is a most popular and capable fancier, while a grand set of stewards gave the judges every assistance. The Laing cup for best bird was won by Mr. R. Jamieson, jun., with a beautiful clear Goldie Mule. Points cups: Scotch Fancy, Mr. Stenhouse; Borders, Mr. J. Anderson; Crests, Mr. James Veitch; Plainheads, Mr. Ramsay; British, Mr. Bell. Mr. Adam Dickson won the Fife Club medal. The judges were: Scots, Mr. Hogg; Borders, Mr. Stevenson; Yorks, Mr. Hunter; Crests, Mr. Robertson; Norwich, Mr. Martin, and Mules and Brit., Mr. Raine, and their awards seemed to give general satisfaction.

The Critique.

SCOTS, CL. YELL. CK. (6): 1, McGregor, fine model, good length of wing, nice droop; 2, 4, Stenhouse, leader fine shoulders, grand reach; 3, Cook, nice size, good top end; 5, Foulton; 6, Fernie. HEN (4): 1, Anderson, fine size, good shape and substance; 2, Maxwell, follows well, head well down; 3, Gilmour, nice size, very typical. BUFF CK. (5): 1, Maxwell, good leader, erect, neat head, fine drive; 2, Cook, very smart, good head and neck, determined drive; 3, Wilkie, good exhibit, fine style, grand head and shoulders; 4, Fernie; 5, Hutt. HEN (2): 1, Maxwell, well set on perch, good top, fine depth of chest; 2, Laing, erect, fine reach, good head and neck YELL. PIED, ETC., CK. (4): 1, Sutherland, good one for size and substance, grand wings, rare top-end, stands well on perch; 2, 4, Stewart, fine model, nice thickness through, well set up; 3, J. Anderson, rare position, good reach, just fails size. HEN (2): 1, 2, Stenhouse, both good ones, in rare fettle. BUFF, PIED, ETC., CK. (6): 1, spl, Maxwell, grand frame, erect, hard drive, neat head and neck, good top and body; 2, Gilmour, very good and stylish, in fine order; 3, 5, Fulton, neat head, plenty of reach, good style; 4, Anderson; 6, Cook. HEN (7): 1, spl, Stenhouse, neat head, fine reach, good body and wings; 2, McLean, well set on legs, neat and full of action; 3, Stewart, fine depth of chest, good quality; 4, Wilkie; 5, Cook; 6, Hutt. SELL. CK. (9): 1, Stenhouse; 2, Fotheringham; 3, McIntosh; 4, Wilkie; 5, Laing; 6, Stewart. HEN (3): 1, Ross; 2, Fotheringham; 3, Anderson. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Smart, little beauty, grand style, good head and neck, fine wing carriage, beautifully laid down; 2, Peters, another good one, very typical, presses hard; 3, Stirling, splendid carriage, nicely furnished; 4, Hutchison; 5, Rowe; 6, Arnott. HEN (11): 1, B.F.C.C. medal, Spence, lovely feather, grand head, nice wings and tail, fine jaunty carriage in the pink, wins; 2, Anderson, lovely order, tight as a bottle, typical, good second; 3, Shields, rare style, good head and grand feather, fails slightly in wing carriage; 4, Gray; 5, W. Munro; 6, Peters. BUFF CK. (9): 1, Shields, cl., fine size, good style, rare wing carriage, well laid down; 2, Peters, still another good one, nice shape and size, neat head and neck, fine carriage; 3, Anderson, fine style and shape, splendid condition; 4, Henderson; 5, Cargill; 6, Hastings. HEN (11): 1, Myles, nice size, fine feather, beautiful wings and head, well put down; 2, Anderson, nicely rounded body, good head and wing carriage, rare good feather; 3, Arnott, fine size, nicely tapered body, good wings and tail, excellent condition; 4, Hutchison; 5, Beveridge; 6, Spence. VAR., ETC., YELL. (7): 1, Hutchison, nice eyes and wing mkd., wee gem, feathered like wax, neat head and neck, good wings and tail, wins; 2, Henderson, also a good one, in extra fine fettle; 3, Rea and Reid, fine style, good head and neck, scarcely the finish of leaders; 4, Peters; 5, Webster; 6, J. and A. Duncan. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Hutchison, pair of beauties, and this exhibitor knows how to put them down; 3, J. and A. Duncan, real good style, well tapered body, grand wings; 4, Cargill; 5, Henderson; 6, Burt. EVEN MKD. (2): 1, Arnott, grand buff, fine head and neck, nice wings and tail, wins on condition; 2, J. and A. Duncan, nice yell., not so forward as winner, will improve. GREEN OR CINN. (4): 1, Dodds, good Green, fine head and wings, nice carriage; 2, Campbell, green, stylish exhibit, nicely marked; 3, Holmes, green, good condition, nice type, fine wing carriage; 4, Aitken. SELL. CK. (10s.) (13): 1, Myles; 2, Holmes; 3, Gray; 4, 5, Anderson; 6, Peters. HENS (7s. 6d.) (4): 1, 3, J. Anderson; 2, Rintoul; 4, Stirling. YORKS, CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, Syson, nice length, well drawn, good head and front, excellent colour; 2, Clayton, fine length, good wing carriage, stands well on perch; 3, Laird, good length, fine wings, paler colour; 4, Cargill. HEN (5): 1, Crichton, nice length, good head and wings, fine feather and col., fails tail a little; 2, Cargill, nice length, well filled in back, takes fine position; 3, Gray, nice head and wings, fine length, good condition; 4, Syson; 5, Clayton. BUFF (9): 1, Crichton, good type and quality, nice mealing, fine wings, rare length; 2, Gray, nice length, very shapely, very erect, fails wing carriage; 3, Reilly, head tkd., good size, nice length, well filled in back, well put down; 4, Reid; 5, Laird; 6, Gibb. HEN (5): 1, spl, best hen, Syson, very typical, grand colour, nicely frosted, capital carriage; 2, Crichton, nice length, close rich feather, nice wings and tail, well carried; 3, Gray, nice one, paler colour, good head and wings, well staged; 4, Cargill; 5, Clayton. VAR. CK. (3): 1, spl, best cock, Gray, nice length of body, fine rich feather, good head and wings, grand shape; 2, Reid, similar, mkd. wings, fine length and shape, good wing carriage; 3, Syson, nice length, good type, takes perch well HEN (2): 1, Reid, very typical, good head, nice feather; 2, Cargill, excellent hen, in good condition. SELL. (15s.) (3) 1, Cargill; 2, Syson; 3, Simpson and Baxter. COMMON (8): 1, McGregor; 2, 5, J. and A. Duncan; 3, Jack; 4, 6, Bell. CREST CK. (2): 1 Sneddon, nice exhibit, big body, well formed crest, grand leafy feather; 2, Duncan, nice variegated, dark crest, splendid size, well formed crest, dense formation, presses; 3, A. Howie, big variegated, great substance, nice crest. HEN (3): 1, McGregor, Green, grand size, well rounded crest, coming well over beak; 2, Burt, great size and substance, very good crest; 3, Ismay, fair crest, good feather. CRESTBRED CK. (4): 1, 2, Veitch, both Greens, good size, fine bold heads, well lashed, nice pair; 3, Blyth, very fair substance, good head, nice entrance; 4, McGregor. HEN (3): 1, McLaren, nice variegated, good size, bold head, wide entrance, well feathered; 2, Feency, variegated, good bold head, well lashed; 3, Malcolm, variegated, good quality. GRIZZLE CREST (2): 1, Burt, nice crest, good formation, fine leafy feather; 2, Sneddon, good body, fair crest, not so well centred. CREST (Bred 1912) (3): 1, Blythe, nice Green, the Ferry winner, looking well, nicely filled-in crest of dense formation, will improve; 2, McLaren, clear body D.C., good size, well-formed crest, good feather; 3, Veitch, nice variegated, fine size, good substance, good crest. CRESTBRED (Bred 1912) (6): 1, 3, 4, Veitch, leader nice var. buff, good size, grand wide skull, nice leafy feather; 2, Blythe, fine variegated, good big body, bold skull with good wide entrance, well lashed; 5, 6, McCall and Henderson. SELL. (20s.) (4): 1, Feeney; 2, McGregor; 3, Veitch; 4, Hynd. C.B. (15s.) (4): 1, Feency; 2, Veitch; 3, McGregor; 4, Kemp. NORWICH, CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, Rodger, grand size and substance, fine front, nice colour, fair head; 2, Spence, smaller, rare quality, good head and neck, nice wings and tail, presses; 3, Perret, very typical, rare quality of feather, nice wings and tail; 4, Mathewson; 5 Christie; 6, Stormont. HEN (6): 1 Fleming, well set up, good head, extra nice feather; 2, Fisher, good exhibit, fine size and substance, good head and wings; 3, Philip, nice quality, bold head, good wings; 4, Skinner; 5, Wildridge; 6, Dunsire and Young. BUFF CK. (9): 1, Simpson, good but rather slim, nice wings and tail; 2, Kerr, bold head and front, nice quality feather, well mealed; 3, Wilson, good type and quality, nice feather, good wings; 4, Spence; 5, Connelly; 6, Dunsire and Young. HEN (9): 1, McConville, shapely, good front, nice head and wings; 2, Ramsay, nice typical body, good head and front; 3, Perret, good hen, nice quality and substance, well staged; 4, Skinner; 5, Fisher; 6, Wildridge. VAR. YELL. CK. (12): 1, Rodger, fine size and substance, good head and wings; 2, Grewer, nice quality, good wings and tail, stands well over perch; 3, Fleming, shapely, good head and neck, nice wing carriage; 4, Taylor; 5, Ramsay; 6, McLeod. HEN (6): 1, Wildridge, plenty size and substance, nice quality feather, in good order; 2, Kirk, nice head and front, good wing and tail carriage, well up; 3, Fleming, well up in size, good condition, nice wing carriage; 4, Mathewson; 5, Grewer; 6, Spence. BUFF VAR. (5): 1, Simpson, very typical, good head, well filled-in back, nice wings and tail; 2, Spence loses in size, still a very taking one, fine type and carriage; 3, McQue, nice size, good head and wings; 4, Logan; 5, Ramsey. HEN (5): 1, 4, Dickson, good size and substance, rare head and wings, nicely put down; 2, Ramsey, good size, close feather, good wings and tail; 3, Stormont, fair size, good front, nice wings, well carried; 5, Logan. UNFLIG.YELL. (8): 1, Grewer, good one, nice bold head, fine quality feather, nice wing carriage; 2, McConville, rare quality, good head and nice front, presses; 3, Mitchell, nice quality, good wings and tail; 4, Ramsay; 5, Logan; 6, Blythe. HEN (9): 1, Barclay, very taking hen, fine quality feather, should be heard of again; 2, Thomson, good head and front, nice wings, good quality; 3, Spence, rare quality, fine wings and nice front, good feather; 4, Mitchell; 5, Kirk; 6, Mathewson. BUFF CK. (11): 1, Simpson, big heavy variegated, great substance, good front, gets down too close to perch; 2, Mitchell, nice size, good wings and tail, fine feather; 3, Henderson, good quality feather, very tynical; 4, Fleming; 5, McConville; 6, Barclay. HEN (12): 1, Simpson, good hen, in nice bloom, will come on a lot yet; 2, Fleming, very taking, lovely quality, well put down; 3, Smith, good one, fine wings and tail, nice quality; 4, Mitchell; 5, Taylor; 6, Kirk. NON-FED CK. (7): 1, Pirret, really good size and substance, nice quality; 2, Grewer, Green, fine size, good quality, nice wings; 3, Craig, good one for size and quality, well staged; 4, Ramsey; 5, Sumner; 6, Harris. HEN (3): 1, Craig, beauty, fine size, good substance, nice quality feather; 2, Kirk, good quality, nice head and wings, good carriage; 3, Ramsay, good quality, in grand order. SELL. CK. (14): 1, Christie; 2, Mitchell; 3, Fleming; 4, Smart; 5, Logan; 6, Kirk. HEN (8): 1, Kirk; 2, Taylor; 3, Ramsay; 4, Langan; 5, Cowan; 6, Barclay. We were sorry to learn that Capt. Collier's team of Norwich failed to turn up for some reason unexplained. MULES, LIGHT (6): 1, 2, cup for best bird in show, R. Jamieson, jun., both grand Goldies, leader Lochgelly winner, in beautiful order, described last week; 3, Reid, another beauty, in grand condition, unlucky to be in such company; 4, Bell; 5, 6, Purves. DARK (9): 1, Bell, nice Linnet, fine size, well pencilled, rare good quality; 2, 5, Jamieson, leader nice Grecnie, grand size, good quality, shows parentage well; 3, Brown, Linnet, good size, nicely pencilled, bold front; 4, Reid; 6, Turner. HYBRID (6): 1, Bell, good Goldie-Bullie, nice face, good wings and breast, fine size, grand bloom; 2, Jamieson, nice size, good head, well-defined cap, fine breast colour; 3, Turner, nice Siskin-Greenie, good size and quality, fine wings, beautiful condition; 4, Cook, nice Goldie-Bullie; 5, Stenhouse; 6, McLean. GOLDFINCH (4): 1, Allen, nice Finch, well up in face, good wings, fine buttons; 2, Bell, good, well tanned, fine blaze, well cut; 3, Kinnear, another good Finch, well placed; 4, Smart. BULLFINCH (7): 1, 5, Bell, grand size, dense cap, very rich breast colour, good bars; 2, Palmer, nice size, fine cap, beautiful back, rich breast, shines like satin; 3, Thomson, fine size, rare quality of feather, good cap and wing bars; 4, Watt; 6, Angus. GREENFINCH (5): 1, Reid, rare size and colour, good bold head, fine flights; 2, 5, Aitken, good and big, capital wings, well carried, in rare order; 3, Thomnson, fine size, good head, shows wings well; 4, Taylor. BRAMBLE, ETC. (7): 1, 2, Sykes, leader good Chaffie, rare size and shape, nice breast, good whites, 2nd Bramble, good size, well spangled, nice colour; 3, Baird, another Bramble, fair size, good colour and spangling; 4, McLaren; 5, Kinnear; 6, McLean. LINNET (5): 1, Bell, fine size, rich colour on back, rather open on breast; 2, Thomson, nice shape and colour, good pencilling; 3, Sykes, good size, fair, good colour, good back; 4, Reid; 5, Stormont. SISKIN (5): 1, Brown, good one, nice cap, grand colour, good wing bars, well put down; 2, Sykes, nice size, good cap and colour, scarcely so good bloom; 3, Jamieson, nice wee chap, fine wing bars, good colour, fine cap; 4, Bell,; 5, McLaren, TWITE, ETC. (8): 1, 2, Bell, leader, sweet Twite, fine size and colour, good markings; 2nd a Mealy Redpoll, good size and nice cap and bib, fine lacing, presses; 3, Campbell, another good Poll, fine head and nice bib, good col.; 4, Neilson; 5, Inglis; 6, Adamson. LESSER (6): 1, Bell, bonnie wee chap, capital lacing, good cap, rare col.; 2, Anderson, another wee dandy, well groomed, in rare fettle; 3, Gibb, well laced, nice cap and bib; 4, Baird; 5, Cordery; 6, Colville and Son. SOFTBILL, SMALL (3): 1, Arnott, nice Grey Wagtail, in grand order; 2, Taylor, fine Redstart, as usual beautifully put down; 3, Cordery, another good Grey Wagtail. LARGE (3) 1, 3, Anderson, leader well-known Waxwing, often described, looking better than ever; 3rd good Song Thrush, nicely marked, in grand order; 2, Mulligan, grand Missel Thrush, splendid size, marked to perfection. A.O.V. HARD (2): 1, Sykes, fine Hawfinch, grand bib, splendid colour; 2, Clubb, another good Hawfinch, loses only in size. BUNTING (3): 1, Palmer, good Snow, in grand fettle; 2, Clubb, fine size and good colour; 3, Simpson, good Yellow, grand head marking, beautiful col, in splendid order. HEN (7): 1, 3, Taylor, leader Black Redstart, in grand fettle, looking well; 3rd good Bramble, nice size, well marked; 2, Jamieson, very good Greenie, grand head and wings; 4, 6, Kilpatrick; 5, Lowe. SELL. (10s.) (7): 1, Bell; 2, McGregor; 3, Brown; 4, McLeod; 5, Peel; 6, Raeburn. SELL. (7s. 6d.) (7): 1, Thomson; 2, Palmer; 3, Sykes; 4, Malcolm; 5, Watt; 6, Turner. GOLDFINCH, FOR. (3): 1, Williams, graud size and substance, well up in blaze, grand colour; 2, Hegg, another good one, fine wings, well tanned; 3, Jamieson, also really good one, in grand bloom. BULLFINCH, FOR. (1): 1, Watt, beauty, rich breast col., grand deep cap, splendid bars. SMALL FOR. (4): 1, 2, 3, Arnott, grand team, Pintailed Nonpareil, Cuban, and Rufous-tailed Finches, a credit to this exhibitor; 4, Cornville and Son, very nice Yellow Budgerigars. LARGE (1): 1, McConville, nice Grey Parrot in grand order, which won three specials and deserved another for his speaking powers, a great attraction to the young visitors to the show.

AYLESBURY.

Fourth annual show held in the Town Hall, Oct. 17. Cage birds came up well both in numbers and quality, and formed a great attraction to visitors. Mr. F. Rayner, the efficient hon. sec., spared no pains to realise success, and achieved his object. He was ably assisted by the chairman of committee, Mr. J. Stephens. The following stewards also rendered invaluable aid: Messrs. F. Bursill, T. Barnard, F. Cheshire, T. Franklin, R. Franklin, R. M. Gill, G. D. Meadows, G. Rayner, W. G. Weston, Riley, Fountain, and others, in various sections of the show. Some of the open Norwich were well-known winners, and in Yorks. Mr. Grant sent a couple of beauties from Southampton. Mr. A. J. Kilby secured the open special for best bird with a topping yell. green Norwich, a bird much admired. The society has amongst its patrons Lord Rothschild, Mrs. Lionel de Rothschild, A. de Rothschild, Esq., and others of the aristocracy of the district, who take a great interest in the society's doings. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged.

The Critique.

OPEN CLASSES—NOR. (10): 1, sp, 2, res, Kilby, leader magnificent yell. green, big bold head, short body, flights and tail, full chest, dense col., a topper; 2nd, cl. buff, beautiful qual., nice head, good back, wings and tail, rich undercolour, stout in build, well mealed; 3, hc, Lovegrove and Lovegrove, rich and level yell., lovely tone of feather, good body, but head slightly inclined to flatness; vhc, Fountain; c, Miss Glaves. YORKS. (9): 1, Grant, sweetly pretty buff, feather like wax, stands well away from perch, nervy, well braced wings and good tail carriage; 2, Clarke, a cinn. variegated, yell., full of fire, not quite so nicely proportioned, grand on leg, just a trifle necky; 3, res, vhc, Buckingham, very nice trio, leader showing best style; hc, Clarke; c, Grant. BRIT. (7): 1, Swain, lovely 'Gale, shown in tip-top fettle, very steady; 2, Olliffe, rich coloured, good bibbed Hawfinch; 3, Richings, Raven, by no means suitable to a show cage, but in fairly nice feather; res, Wakefield; vhc, c, Stephens; hc, Fountain. FOR. (8): Splendid class for quality; 1, 2, 3, res, Buckingham, grand team, put down in lovely feather, leader a sweet Black-headed Gouldian, a study in tints and feather, as close as a Java; 2nd, beautiful Crimson-Finch; 3rd, equally fine Red-headed Gouldian, scarcely so compact as 1st; vhc, Yates; hc, Mrs. Hearn; c, Scrutchings. MEMBERS' NOR. CK. (5): 1, sp., 2, Buckingham, leader capped yell., good body and head, needs tightening up yet; 2nd, buff, another good bodied bird, nice feather; 3, vhc, hc, Rayner. HEN (5): 1, Buckingham, clear buff, very typical; 2, 3, vhc, Rayner, the former a capped buff, finely frosted feather, good carriage; hc, Fountain. 1912 (5): 1, cup, sp., 2, vhc, hc, Rayner, winner a lovely feathered buff hen, rare shape, nicely moulded, sweet head, rare undercolour, a good one; 3, Horne, buff, rare qual. NOR. YELL. CK., NOV. (5): 1, sp., 2, 3, Horne, good qual., rich col.; 2nd, fails trifle on head; Nos. 2, 4, buffs. BUFF (6): 1, sp., Todd, combines shape, col., and quality; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Horne, former a good quality tkd. bird, wings a little crossed; c, Miss Gurney. HEN (4): 1, sp., 2, Horne, leader a bonny buff hen, rare head, short wings and flights; 2nd, neat, good qual. yell.; 3, Todd; vhc, Miss Gurney. YORKS. (5): 1, sp., good upstanding green, finely drawn, nice behind the leg; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Buckingham. NOV. (4): 1, Perkins, green, good pose; 2, Riley; Nos. 3, 4, wrong class. CRESTS (4): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Fountain, leader a neat centred, nicely formed Grey Crest. C.B. (4): 1, Barrett, green, nice skull and head feather; 2, 3, Fountain, former good headed, lightly variegated, loses in length of head feather. NAT. COL. (6): 1, sp., Riley, beautiful feathered, nice shaped variegated. Nor., well shown; 2, 3, Fountain, variegated, D.C., and a neat but small yell. coppy; vhc, hc, Horne; c, Hooker. GOLDIE OR BULLIE (4): 1, sp., 2, 3, Riley, leader really good hen Bullie, well shown; vhc, Horne. A.O.S. HARDBILL (4): 1, 2, Buckingham, winner lovely sheened and mkd. Chaffinch, very steady; 3, vhc, Horne, Yellow Bunting leading. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, 3, Buckingham, winner sweetly pretty 4-pointed Goldie-Can., beautifully staged; 3rd, Redpoll Can., rich col.; 2, Fountain, rich col. yell. dark Greenie Can.; vhc, hc, Horne. SELL., 15s.: 1, vhc, Rayner; 2, 3, Horne.

LLANDUDNO.

5th annual show, held in the Garage, Oct. 19. The birds were backward in moult, which kept the entries down. The chairman, Mr. Pike, was in attendance all day, and Mr. Cragg, the secretary, was looking well after the exhibits. In the Norwich section some fine birds were benched. Mr. W. H. Williams, of Llangoed, won the Sheldon Challege Cup for best unflighted with a clear yell. Norwich, a topper, and will be heard of again; he also won the Garie Roberts' Challenge Cup and special for best bird, with a clear buff Norwich, put down in the pink of condition. Mr. H. Jones, of Penygroes, won special for best Yorks. with a yellow full of quality, and nice position. Messrs. Hartle and Berry won in the British classes with a beautiful Grey Wagtail. Mr. W. Mundell, Bradford, judged.

The Critique.

NOR., YELL., CL. OR TKD. (6): 1, Sheldon's cup, 2, Williams, unflig., grand head, blaze of col., short and chubby, good breast, teeming with qual., grand wings, 2, very hot, good head, nice wings and tail, boxy feather, just a shade long; 3, Sheldon, nice type and qual., good head and neck, not quite ready; vhc, Messrs. Evans and Roberts; hc, Nolan; c, Sheldon. BUFF (4): 1, sp., Garie's cup, Williams, a gem, in the pink of condition, lovely col., good head and neck, nice wing carriage.; 2, vhc, Sheldon, good head, rich col., nice type and qual., not ready yet; 3, Aitken and Son, smallish head, rich col., boxy feather. VARIEG. (10): 1, 2, vhc, c, Pike, 1, buff eyes and wings, mkd., boxy feather, lovely col., good head and chest, wins, 2, variegated, yellow, blaze of col., good head and neck, boxy feather; 3, Nolan, buff, grizzled on cap, rich col., full of qual., grand wing carriage; hc, Parker. YORKS., YELL., CL. OR TKD. (14): 1, sp., c, Jones, pale col., grand wings and tail, position A1, well on leg, boxy feather; 2, T. G. Roberts, rich col., boxy feather, good head, well on leg, grand wings and tail; 3, Pike, very typical, lovely qual., nice head, bit loose on front; vhc, Williams; hc, H. Roberts. BUFF (13): 1, Pike, boxy feather, position A1, rich col., well on leg, good head, nicely piped tail; 2, Roberts and Kershaw, full of qual., nice head, rich col., well braced wings; 3, Thompson, good wings and tail, rich col., fails somewhat in front; vhc, Williams; hc, Gallichan; c, Jones. VARIEG. (9): 1, 2, Joncs, 1, yell., uneven mkd., blaze of col., good head, wings and tail, position full of quality, 2, uneven mkd. buff, boxy feather, nice type, good wings, piped tail; 3, Thompson, uneven mkd. yell., well on leg, long flights, piped tail, nice qual. of feather; vhc, Williams; hc, Roberts; c, Sergt. Evans. CREST. (2): 1, sp., 2, Evans and Roberts, 1, droop Crest, good centre, plenty of body feather, 2, good crest and feather. A.O.V. (5): 1, Jones, wing tkd. buff Bord., lovely feather, neat head, good wings and tail; 2, 3, Williams and Green, two Borders; 2, buff, lovely feather, neat head, grand wings and tail, 3, yellow hen, nice type, boxy feather, neat head, very showy; vhc, Aitken and Son. MULE OR HYB. (9): 1, 2, hc, Evans and Roberts, 1, Goldie-Bullie, grand blaze, shown in the pink of condition; 2, evenly marked buff Goldie-Can; 3, vhc, Griffith, nice Siskin-Can; hc, Hughes Bros. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Williams, grand blaze, bars and button, fine condition; 2, Evans and Roberts, good bars and button, lacks richness in blaze a little; 3, Griffiths, square blaze, good bars, wants a little more time. A.O.S. (8): 1, Hartle and Berry, Grey Wagtail, in the pink of condition, and very steady; 2, 3, Williams, 2, Hawfinch, grand bib, good head, rich col., condition A1, 3, Bullie, good cap, nice bars, in fine form; vhc, Griffith; hc, Evans and Roberts; c, Jones. SELL., 10s. 6d. (9): 1, 3, Roberts and Kershaw; 2, Hughes Bros.

HALIFAX O.S.

Members' show held at the Plummet Line Hotel, Oct. 19th; 62 birds were staged, all cocks. Mr. F. Allen, of Cleckheaton, judged, and pleased all.

CL., ETC., YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, Burdekin Bros.; 3, Ross; vhc, Graham. BUFF: 1, vhc, Burdekin Bros.; 2, Graham; 3, Ross. FOUL MKD.: Ross. YORKS GREEN: 1, 2, Pilling. NOV. CL., ETC., YELL. YORKS.: 1, Saville; 2, Holroyd; 3, Lord; vhc, Ogden; hc, Wilkinson; c, Lord. BUFF: 1, Saville; 2, Ogden; 3, Sladdin; vhc, Horsman; hc, Mann; c, Tinkler. FOUL MKD.: 1, Saville; 2, Holroyd; 3, Mann; vhc, Lord; hc, Tinkler. YORKS. GREEN: 1, 3, Mann; 2, Sladdin; vhc, hc, Wilkinson. CL. ETC., YELL. NOR.: 1, Mottram; 2, Graham. BUFF: Mottram. CL., ETC., YELL. NOR. NOV.: 1, 2, Watson BUFF: 1, 2, Corney; 3, Saville; vhc, Lord; hc, Dewhirst; c, Jackson. BRIT.: 1, vhc, hc, Macpherson; 2, 3, Benn. Special win-Burdekin Bros., champ.; E. Saville, novice.—H. Clegg, Sec.

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Newcastle's Record Average.

Huge Show of 1,600 exhibits: Great Crowds at the Mecca of northern enthusiasts: Interesting opening ceremony: Good advice from an inspector of the R.S.P.C.A.

When the members of the Newcastle Society held their seventh annual open exhibition, on October 18th and 19th, another remarkable achievement was added to their already long list of successes. The now famous Cambridge Drill Hall, the scene of so many of Newcastle's great shows, was again selected as the venue, and it is, without a doubt, one of the finest halls in the kingdom for the purpose. Large, lofty, well lighted, and provided with everything conducive to the comfort of both exhibits and exhibitors, small wonder that it is the Mecca of such a large army of cage bird enthusiasts, who congregate here every year upon the occasion of this great northern fixture.

A splendid schedule was again issued by the society, consisting of 80 open and 44 members' classes, and these, with a grand array of both class and section specials brought forth the splendid total of 1,600 entries. This great entry, although nominally the same as last year, is really a greater record than ever, seeing that the classes numbered 25 less than last year, thus bringing the entry per class to a much higher average. The staging of this vast array of exhibits was carried out on similar lines to previous years, with the same gratifying results, long rows of staging, three tiers high, running the length of the hall, with the usual breaks here and there to enable visitors to cross from one row to another with the utmost ease, and view without the least inconvenience the beautiful specimens in the different sections. This part of the arrangements was in the hands of the late secretary, Mr. J. E. Atkinson, and this popular fancier, in his new role of show manager, left nothing to be desired, being simply par excellence, which means that everything passed off without the slightest hitch. The splendid manner in which he attended to the wants of both visitors and exhibitors reflects on him the greatest credit, and simply endorses the high opinion we previously held of his great capabilities.

The Society's Lucky Vein.

We have previously commented on the fact of Newcastle always being most fortunate in its choice of first-class secretaries, and here we find the present secretary, Mr. J. W. Reed, although quite new to his position, taking to it as a duck takes to water, and getting through his arduous duties as though he were an old hand, all his work, even to the minutest detail, being carried out with clockwork regularity and precision. Only those who have had any experience of secretarial work can fully realise the enormous amount of time and labour that has to be expended in the working of such a large show as Newcastle, yet our friend appeared to have everything well in hand, and this, together with his courteous and attentive manner, marks him as a good example of what an ideal secretary should be. We hope, for the benefit of the Newcastle society, that they may retain his services for many years to come.

The assistant secretary, Mr. E. Coltman, is another splendid worker, and, like his chief, appeared to know exactly what to do and when to do it. He got through a tremendous amount of hard work in splendid manner.

The society is particularly well supported by local gentlemen, and Mr. A. J. Haggie, the popular president, has proved himself a real good friend to them. He is well supported by a body of 25 local gentlemen acting as vice-presidents. Mr. T. C. Crawhall, the popular northern enthusiast, as chairman of the society, leads the working committee, and shows them a good example by working hard himself. He is well supported by the able vice-chairman, Mr. M. C. Potts. The committee, a grand body of fanciers, consists of Messrs. T. Robson, J. Mackenzie, R. Young, A. Holden, A. C. Young, J. Maddison, F. Wyndham, R. Tindale, J. Milne, W. Scott, W. Curry, R. Hope, J. Brown, F. Laidlaw, J. Irving, M. Coxon, C. Farrer, W. Mackenzie, A. Hermiston, C. G. Petterson, and R. Topping. With such sterling fanciers doing their best it is not to be wondered at that everything passed off without the slightest hitch.

Crests Collar the Chief Cups.

The exhibits themselves were a splendid lot, both in numbers and quality, every section being well filled. The champion Norwich classes averaged 15, and the quality on the whole was very good. Mr. W. McGinn took the special and diploma with a very good unflighted yellow, following up his success last week at Morpeth with the same bird. The two novice classes totalled 45, and some really grand birds amongst them. Cinnamons, though small in numbers, were all there for quality, and the winner for best was a splendid buff shown by Mr. W. Dormer. Crests and Crestbreds totalled 35 in four classes, and though small, this section provided both the winner of the challenge bowl for best young bird in show, a splendid wing mkd. Dark Crest shown by Mr. R. L. Bewick, and the winner of Hindhaugh's special of £1 1s. for best bird in show, this, along with the "Kate Haggie" challenge cup going to a splendid Crest exhibited by Messrs. Dobson and Son.

Yorkshires were a grand lot, averaging over 13 per class, many of the exhibits being most stylish and brimful of quality. The winner of diploma for best was a splendid buff shown by Mr. L. Dykes. Green Yorkshires averaged over ten per class, the special winner being a grand self-coloured buff of fine length and position, exhibited by Mr. T. Rowlands. We thought this section very good in point of quality, many of the birds being wonderfully true to type, and full of col. and qual. The three novice Yorkshires classes were stormers, 24, yellow cocks, 27 buff cocks, and 30 hens, and some grand birds were staged here by Messrs. Deighton, Cattell, Bostock, Reed, Collins, Lyall, and Ridley Brothers. Scotch Fancies were slightly above the average in numbers (just over 10 per class), and the quality was of a nice standard, the diploma for best going to Messrs. Thompson Bros., with a charming, clear of grand size, with good drive and reach.

Borders made a really beautiful display, being quite one of the features of the show. The seven classes gave the splendid average of over twenty-one, and some real stormers were staged. The diplomas for best went to Mr. A. Gilchrist, with one of the loveliest yellow hens we have seen for some time. Green Borders were really wonderful, 86 birds in four classes, type and colour predominating throughout. The special for best went to Messrs. A. and W. Thompson, with a really grand self buff cock, but we thought he must have been closely pressed by the grand yellow shown by Mr. T. Parker, this bird repeating his performance of last year by again winning in the yellow class. Cinnamon Borders were a grand lot, 19 yellows and 17 buffs. The Novice Borders mustered 64 in two classes, fit to hold their own in open competition, and the manner in which the birds were staged reflects the greatest credit on their owners. Lizards were not strong in numbers, but what was lacking there was amply made up in quality, nice birds being staged in both classes, Messrs. J. Riseborough and W. Ollerenshaw taking premier honours, and the latter the special for best in section.

The Mule classes were only fairly well filled. Mr. J. Maddison's winning Clear Goldie-Canary is a real topper, this bird taking the special for best in section. British made a capital display, the field-moulted Linnet class being the strongest with 27 entries. The winner was catalogued at £1, and being quickly claimed, realised the price of 35s. at the finish. Other grand birds in the British section were staged by Messrs. C. Waters, W. Curry, G. Pearson, W. Gregory, A. Marley, J. Scott, who took special for best Brit., and M. Woodhouse, while the novice winners were Messrs. Jos. Carr and W. Gregory. Foreign birds were splendid, and attracted a great deal of attention, the many beautiful specimens being a great source of attraction to visitors. Mr. Young took special for best in this section. The white Canary exhibited by Mr. Kiesel, of London, also came in for a good deal of attention, this being the first time one of this variety has been exhibited in the North of England.

A Fair Recruit to the Hobby.

The show was opened by Miss Mary Baxter Ellis, daughter of the first Lord Mayor of Newcastle. The president, Mr. A. J. Haggie, occupied the chair, and in introducing Miss Ellis, stated that he was very pleased to do so, as she was taking a great interest in the Fancy, and was entering into foreign bird keeping herself. Miss Ellis, in a very nice speech, declared the show open, and said it gave her much pleasure to be present that day. She was very pleased to have seen such a splendid exhibition, and was greatly impressed by the beautiful condition of the birds, and the care and attention that were bestowed upon them. She was taking up the hobby herself, and hoped to be made a member of the society, and she had much pleasure in giving a donation of two guineas towards the funds, and would also give a gold medal for competition. Inspector Robinson, R.S.P.C.A., proposed a vote of thanks to Miss Ellis, and in the course of his speech declared that he wondered why more ladies did not take up the fascinating hobby of bird-keeping. He hoped that the presence of Miss Ellis that day would be an incentive to many other ladies to take up the hobby, and devote as much care and attention to the feathered beauties as they did to their cats and dogs. Mr. J. E. Atkinson ably seconded. Mr. T. Robson proposed a vote a vote of thanks to the judges, and this was seconded by Mr. R. Tindale. Mr. T. C. Crawhall then proposed a vote of thanks to the president, Mr. A. J. Haggie, and after eulogising his great services to the society, said that two great events had happened to Mr. Haggie during the course of the week. The first was that he had just become a grandfather, and the second was that be was exhibiting cage birds for the first time, and had been successful in winning a 2nd and a 3rd prize. Mr. Crawhall said he would leave it to the public of Newcastle to judge which was the greater event of the two! Before the proceedings terminated, Miss Ellis was presented with a beautiful pair of Bullfinches by Miss Mackenzie, the daughter of one of the partners in the noted firm of Newcastle naturalists, Messrs. Mackenzie Bros.

Faces that were missed.

The show was grandly patronised by visitors, many coming long distances to view the great exhibition, and we were pleased to resume acquaintance with many old friends. Two or three well-known faces were missed, however, notably Messrs. J. Currah and Son. These two well-known fanciers have emigrated to Australia since the last show, and we feel sure that their presence in the land of the cornstalks will do much to give an increased impetus to the Fancy out there. Another well-known figure was sadly missed, that genial and popular northern enthusiast, Mr. Tom Taylor, who passed away a few months ago, and during the course of the show we heard many expressions of regret at his untimely end, and many expressions of sympathy with his widow, who, we are glad to say, is still keeping up the Fancy so well-loved by her late husband. During the course of the show a good number of birds changed hands, amongst which were an unnoticed unflighted buff Yorkie, claimed for £3 10s., and a clear buff Norwich, claimed at £3 4s.

There was one alteration in the original list of judges, Mr. J. Patterson, who was down to judge Scotch and Border Fancies, being unfortunately unable to come owing to illness, and his classes were ably taken by Mr. Duncan, late Duncan and Logan. The judges were: Messrs. J. C. Barnes (Norwich), J. T. Clark (Cinn., Crests, and Lizards), J. Stewart (Yorks.), J. Duncan (Scotch and Borders), and A. Silver (Mules, Brit., and Foreign).

Before leaving the hall, I was informed by the officials that there was every prospect of the show being a financial success. I must also mention CAGE BIRDS stall. It was in charge of Messrs. Mackenzie Bro., and was well arranged and generally surrounded by visitors, who took great interest in the up-to-date books displayed thereon.

Mr. J. C. Barnes's Classes.

CL. YELL. NOR. (11): 1, 2, sp, Holden, a brace of charmers, former well up in substance, rare head, neck, and chest, grand qual., lovely wing carr.; 2, delightful col. and feather, very shapely, jaunty carr., clean cut away, not quite the size; 3, Harland, ablaze with col., feathered to perfection, nice shape, neat flights and tail, good 3rd; 4, Riseborough, capital feather, and body shape, well across perch, might possess more col., yet a good one; vhc, McGinn; hc, Cameron; c, Thomas. BUFF (15): 1, Lawson, magnificent shape, fine size, superb feather and col., richly frosted a treat to gaze upon; 2, Snowden, slashing qual., true type, full of action, rare substance, beaten in col. only; 3, 4, sp, Heap, smooth as a bottle, sweetly moulded, moves gracefully, not quite so deep fronted, 4th bouncer, shapely and of capital qual., bit flat in col., yet one we liked; vhc, Robson and March; hc, Dobinson; c, Thomas; No. 12, Harland, w.c., tkd. eye, hard lines, would have won had it been in its right class, a marvellous specimen. TKD. YELL. (9): 1, sp, Thompson, mkd. wings and head, unbeatable for qual. and col., rare shape and carr. not a feather misplaced, gem, Morpeth winner; 2, Richardson, mkd. eye, red hot, A1 qual., well up in size, beaten a little in style; 3, Thomas, variegd. of great substance, lovely tone of col., unique qual., fine head, neck, and chest, longer in body, flights, and tail; 4, Lawson, mkd. wing, A1 for col. and qual., nice size, not quite so shapely, still one to admire; vhc, Macdonald; hc, Mason; c, Curry. BUFF (11): 1, sp, Cuthbertson, mkd. neck, tight as a Java, delightful shape, rare substance and carr., catalogued at £3 3s., bargain; 2, Burdett, mkd. over beak, grand feather and meal, rare head, neck, and chest, fine action, one of the best; 3, Hymers, mkd. neck, richly clothed, shapely, capital carr., clean cut, hardly so large; 4, Pickering and Wright, mkd. wings, superior col., grand feather and frosting, well up in substance, not so neat in contour; vhc, Butler; hc, Thomas; c, Marshall. YELL. HEN: 1, sp, Heap, mkd. head, round as a ball, feathered to perfection, delightful col., one of the best we have seen benched this season, topper; 2, Richardson, cl., model for shape, full of col. and qual., very dainty in carriage, rare size, close up indeed, beauty; 3, Thomas, cl., smooth as wax, fine shape, moves most gracefully, not of the biggest but of the best; 4, Cameron, rare size, grand shape and col., well cut away, not so close in texture of feather; vhc, Pearson; hc, Hymers; c, Smith. BUFF (18): Fine collection: 1, 2, sp, Heap, brace of eye openers, winner for size, shape, quality, col., and frosting, all one need wish for, many envious eyes were cast on this fascinating damsel, 2nd tkd. eye, good in feather and col., lovely expression of head, bold front, jaunty carr., quite a "Lady of the Lake"; 3, McMillan, magnificently fed cl., delightfully dressed, sweet shape, a charmer; 4, Smith, very fine shape, superb qual., wanting a wee bit in col., also beaten by those above in substance, yet very catchy to the eye; vhc, Richardson; hc, McMillan; c, Holden; No. 17, Harris, absent. YELL. 1912 (23): Many gems, and easily two sets of winners could have been selected: 1, McGinn, also awarded sp for best in section, cl., model for shape, good substance, fed to perfection, delightfully feathered, correct carriage, should have a great future; 2, 3, sp, Mason, gems, leader cl., lovely shape, A1 qual. and col., grand carr., clean cut, should make a name, 3rd mkd. head and root of tail, full of fire, rich feather, beautiful head, neck, and chest, again one of the right stamp; 4, Wyndham, fine cobby cl., lovely col., good size, moves nicely, lacking a wee bit in texture of feather to those above; vhc, Thomas; hc, Pickering and Wright; c, Lawson; No. 22, Harris, absent. BUFF (20): Grand class: 1, vhc, sp, McGinn, cl., rattling shape, fine substance, beautiful col. and qual., clocklike action, will want stopping; 2, Harland, mkd. wing and eyes, teeming with qual. and col., fine size and shape, lovely carr., very close up indeed, gem: 3, Forbes, mkd. head, ablaze with col., well clothed, bit raw about eyes yet, will improve a lot, and should be heard of again; 4, Crass, mkd. head, short and thick set, fine symmetry, A1 col. and feather, just on the small side; hc, Dobinson; c, Mason. YELL. HEN, 1912 (17): 1, sp, Thomas, delightful shape, rich col. and qual., nice size, most bewitching maiden; 2, Lawson, gem of a cl., magnificent type, col., and qual., hardly ready, or might have won, take care of her; 3, Forbes, cl., sweetly moulded, tight as a Java, delightful col. and feather, not quite the substance; 4, Harland, mkd. wing, full of col. and qual., grand shape and style, should develop into one of the "right sort," bit wild; vhc, McGinn; hc, Scott; c, Holden; No. 6, Gardner, w.c., mkd. buff. BUFF (17): 1, sp, Thomas, cl., unbeatable for type, slashing qual. and Col., lovely carr., neatly frosted, very promising girl; 2, Seeley Bros., mkd. head, even hotter in col., A1 feather, nice substance, moves well, hardly the shape, yet a beauty; 3, Heap, mkd., wing and tail, superb feather and col., capital shaped body, lacking a shade in head and neck character, hut good; 3, 4, Butler, very shapely cl., clothed delightfully, rare col., not of the biggest, hut of the sweetest: vhc, Cameron; hc, Scott; c, Robson and March; No. 2, Gardner, w.c., cl. yell., grand one, hard luck; 16, Harris, absent. NAT. COL. (12): 1, sp, Butler, yell. mkd. wing, rich in qual. and col., fine head and neck, bold front, clean cut away, honny: 2, Smith, buff griz. cheek, bouncer, grand feather, nicely mealed, good shape and carriage, close up; 3, Dobinson, fine qual. cl. yell., A1 col., good head and neck, not quite so deep in front; 4, Hermeston, buff mkd. neck, wonderful substance, rare feather, longer in harrel flights and tail: vhc, Forbes; hc, Wyndham; c, Hymers. NOV. COCK (28): Rare lot, many of which were capable of doing well in the "upper circles": 1, sp, Forbes, cl. yell., great size, red hot, magnificent feather, A1 shape and carriage, easy win; 2, c, Wellsbury, very charming unfli. cl. buff, teeming with colour and qual., grand shape, should make up all right; 3, Wood, yell. mkd. head, true type, lovely col. and feather, nice carr., little on the small side; 4, Lawson, good shaped cl. buff, A1 col. and feather, not overdone with substance, yet one we liked; vhc, hc, Topping. HEN (17): 1, 3, sp, Wellsbury, brace of dainty damsels, former unflig. cl. yell., grand shape, beautiful qual. and col., lovely expression, neat carriage, gem, 3rd cl. yell., very shapely, and of good size, rich col. and feather, moves gracefully, hardly ready; 2, Topping, cl. buff of rare shape, qual., and col., nice substance, clean cut, extremely pleasing; 4, Newton, buff mkd. wing, full of fire, richly clothed, nice head, neck, and chest, not quite so neatly cut away; vhc, Davison; hc, Forster; c, Coutts.

Mr. J. Stewart's Classes.

YORKS CL. YELL. (10): 1, Hutler, grand length, straight as a rush, neat head and neck, grandly rounded shoulders and waist, well drawn, hot colour; 2, Sutcliffe and Son, fine length, straight up, neat narrow shoulders, neat head, grandly braced wings aid tail, loses to leader in col. only; 3, Ogden Bros., scarcely so neat in head and neck as leaders, beautiful style and position, grandly drawn, neat shoulders and waist, grand col. and qual.; 4, Towers, trifle shorter and thicker than others, well rounded, neat head, splendid wing and tail carriage; vhc, Thomas; hc, Crawhall; c, Wells. BUFF (9): 1, Tindale, grand length, straight as a gun barrel, beautifully rounded, neat shoulders and waist, grandly drawn, wings and tail carried to perfection: 2, Wells, trifle longer than winner, neat head and neck, good shoulders, well rounded, grand position, finely drawn, just beaten by leader in finish; 3, Crawhall, shade paler in col., gets well up on good legs, neat head and neck, well rounded body, nicely drawn, grandly braced wings and tail; 4, Tweedie, scarcely so well rounded in head as leaders, grand length, very erect, neat narrow shoulders, well rounded, well braced wings; vhc, Towers; hc, Marshall; c, Thomas. TKD., ETC., YELL. (11): 1, Dykes, beauty for length and position, stands well up, beautifully drawn, slim and well rounded, neat head, perfect wing and tail carr.; 2, Towers, even longer than winner, very slim and beautifully rounded, sweet head and neck, lovely carr., grand wing and tail, loses only to leader in col; 3, Thornton and Bower, shade shorter, yet beautiful style and position, red-hot col., neat head and neck, trifle thicker at shoulders than leaders, yet well rounded, nice wings and tail; 4, Tomlinson, another hot one, neat head and neck, nice length, grand position, well braced wings and tail, loses a trifle to leaders in qual.; vhc, hc, Sutcliffe and Son; c, Thomas. BUFF (8): 1, Dykes, gem, grand length, stands like a soldier, beautifully rounded body, neat head and neck, well tapered at waist, nice col. and qual., closely carried wings and tail, takes special for best Yorks; 2, Morrison, nice length, very slim and well rounded, nicely drawn, neat head and neck, scarcely so tight in wing carriage as winner; 3, Sutcliffe and Son, grand col. and qual., scarcely so well rounded in body as leaders, neat head and neck, grand position, again scarcely so neat in wing carr.; 4, Crawhall, paler col., very erect, sweet head, grandly rounded back, beautifully carried wings and tail, loses in col. only; vhc, Hutler; hc, Ogden Bros.; c, Brown and Son. YELL HEN (16): 1, Dykes, slim, well rounded hen, fine length, grand position, neat head, grand shoulders and waist, perfect wing and tail carriage, rich col. and qual.; 2, Shackleton, scarcely so rich in col. as leader, grand length, beautiful position, straight as a rush, neat, well rounded shoulders, finely drawn, grandly braced wings and tail; 3, Hutler, very slim and beautifully drawn, grand position, neat head, shoulders, and waist, nice wing and tail carriage, shows a trifle open in breast feathers; 4, Thomas, trifle heavier in build, well rounded, neat head and neck, nice length and position, grandly braced wings and tail; vhc, Wigglesworth; hc, Thornton and Bower; c, Mather. BUFF (12): 1, Ogden Bros., rather pale in col., but beautiful style and position, neat head and neck, well rounded back, grand quality, lovely wings and tail; 2, Thornton and Bower, trifle thicker than leader, grand position, good col. and quality, nice length, neat head and neck, nice shoulders, well rounded, well braced wings and tail; 3, Shackleton, scarcely so neat in head as leaders, fine length, lovely position, slim and well drawn, neat shoulders and waist, lovely carr.; 4, Hutler, smaller, but very sweet, beautiful type and finish, grandly drawn, well rounded, feathered to perfection, a good hen, equal to any except in size; vhc, Tomlinson; hc, c, Crawhall. YELL., 1912 (19): 1, Sutcliffe and Son, mkd. left wing, good length, straight as a gun barrel, nice col. and qual., good shoulders and waist, beautifully rounded, slim, and well drawn, wings fitting like a glove; 2, Ogden Bros., cl., scarcely so slim as leader, grand position and style, neat head, beautifully rounded back, well drawn; 3, Tweedie, cl., bit shorter, but rare style and position, well rounded, nicely carried wings and tail, good shoulders, trifle thicker at waist than leaders; 4, Moore, grizzle head, fine length and position, straight up, grand col., neat head and back, nice wings and tail, just lacks finish of leaders; vhc, Shackleton; hc, Thomas; c, Hutler. BUFF (19): 1, Dykes, mkd. left wing, beautiful type, grand length and very stylish position, neat head and neck, grandly braced wings and tail, neat shoulders, well rounded back, a good one; 2, Sutcliffe and Son, better col. than leader, but scarcely so slim, fine length, beautiful position, well rounded and drawn, neat head and neck, good wing and tail carriage; 3, Wigglesworth.

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beautiful quality, neat narrow shoulders, sweet head and neck, nice length, good back and wings, does not show quite so well as leaders; 4, Towers, grand one for length and position, good head and neck, nice col. and qual., well rounded back, loses a little in wing carriage; vhc, Shackleton, hc, Dix; c, Crawhall. YORKS, GREEN YELL. (14): 1, Beneon, magnificent self, grand level col, rich and pure, fine length and position, very slim, well rounded back, neat head, grandly braced wings and tail; 2, hc, Rowlands, self, equal col. to winner, perhaps even more level in tone, straight as a rush, neat head, well rounded back, nice length, but not the same grand wing carr.; 3, Morement, self, trifle shorter, nice level col., beautifully rounded back, neat shoulders and waist, well drawn, not quite so neat in head; 4, McDermott, self, scarcely so level in col. as leaders, or so tight in feather, very typical, grand length and position, neat shoulders, finely drawn; vhc, McNulty; c, Hickson. BUFF (12): 1, Rowlands, grand self, fine length, straight as a gun barrel, rich level col., nice qual., grandly rounded back, beautifully braced wings and tail, a good one and takes special for best Green; 2, McNulty, another self, grand type, longer and slimmer than winner perhaps, but not the same rich level col., good position, grand back and wings; 3, Young, self, built on smaller lines, very slim and well drawn, neat head and back, nice wings and tail, nice col., but scarcely so rich in tone as leaders; 4, Morement, foul, grand style and position, beautifully carried wings and tail, nice back, not the same rich col. as some; vhc, McDermott; hc, c, Handley. YELLOW (9): 1, Morement, nice self, fine length and position, grand rich col., pure and level in tone, neat head, grand back and wings; 2, Rowlands, self, scarcely so slimly built, but nice length and position, rich tone of col., very level throughout, neat head and back, nice wing and tail carr.; 3, McDermott, self, very slim and stylish, nice length, good col. but scarcely so rich on breast as leaders, neat head, back and wings; 4, Pilling, another self, fine length, nice position, neat shoulders and waist, well braced wings and tail, loses a trifle in brightness of col.; vhc, Benson; hc, Mockridge; c, Handley. BUFF (6): 1, Rowlands, foul tail, beautiful type, neat head and back, grandly packed wings and tail, nice position, good col., very rich and level in tone; 2, Young, self, trifle lighter in col., neat head and neck, nicely drawn, neat shoulders and waist, nice position; 3, Handley, shade heavier in build, good length and position, neat wing and tail, nice col., but runs shade light in front; 4, McDermott, smaller, model for shape, slim and well rounded, nice col., shade light under, perhaps, yet a good little one; vhc, Pilling; hc, Hickson. NOVICE YORKS YELL. (24): 1, Deighton, clear, grand length and position, stands like a Guardsman, lovely rounded back, sweet head and neck, grand quality, neat narrow shoulders, grandly drawn, well braced wings and tail; 2, 3, Lyall, both clears, leader hotter col. than winner, but scarcely the same grand qual., very smart and slim, nicely rounded back, well drawn, beautifully carried wings and tail; 3rd red-hot col., fine length and position, neat head and neck, well rounded shoulders, nicely tapered, loses to leaders a hit in wing carriage; 4, Kennerson, var., nice length, good style and position, hot col., slim and well drawn, nicely rounded, lacks the finish of leaders; vhc, Bostock; hc, Huntingdon; c, Reed and Collins. BUFF (27): 1, Cattell, cl., good one all over, grand length and position, straight as a gun barrel, sweet head and neck, grand shoulders and waist, beautiful back and wings; 2, 3, Ridley Bros., both cl., leader grand col., fine length and position, neat narrow shoulders, grandly braced wings and tail; 3rd nice length, beautiful style and position, lovely wings and tail, scarcely so well rounded on shoulders as leaders, yet a very nice bird of good qual.; 4, Coomber, var., extra length, grand position, neat head and back, grand wings, not quite so boxy in feather; vhc, Thurston; hc, Huntington; c, Deighton. HEN (30): 1, hc, Bostock, cl. buff, lovely type and finish, nice length, very erect, sweet head and neck, nice back and wings, neat narrow shoulders and waist, beautifully drawn; 2, Reed and Collins, tkd. right eye, lovely style, slim and well drawn, good position, neat head, nicely rounded back, well carried wings and tail, loses only in size; 3, Lyall, cl. buff, beautiful feather, neat shoulders, but hardly so finely drawn at waist, grand position, sweet head and neck, nice quality, well ronnded; 4, Huntingdon, mkd. left wing, yell, very stylish lady, but built on shade smaller lines, very slim and well drawn, a good one in all but size; vhc, Witberley; c, Studholme.

Mr. J. T. Clark's Classes.

YELL. CINN. (6): 1, vhc, sp, Godley, rare shape and size, delightful col., magnificently burnished, grand carr., topper; 2, Seeley Bros., well up in size, rare col. and polisb, good shape, beaten slightly in texture of feather; 3, hc, Dormer, nice qual. and col., fair shape, open in feather somewbat; 4, Mrs. F. E. Deacon, good size and feather, rich col., longer in build. BUFF (4): 1, Dormer, wonderful substance, delightful qual. and shape, splendid col. and finish, gem; 2, Mrs. F. E. Deacon, well up in size, nice head and neck, A1 qual., not so thick-set; 3, 4, sp, Godley, very shapely, good carr., fair col. and feather, 4th neat shape, fine qnal. and col., on the small side. CREST (6): 1, sp best in show, also "Kate Haggie" cup, Dobson and Son, buff variegated. D.C., wonderful substance, wealth of rich qual. feather, crest of immense size, thickly thatched, round as a hoop, delightful droop and centre, real "knockout"; 2, vhc, sp, Marsball, buff variegated. D.C., abundance of featber, fine size, crest large and of grand formation, not so dense as winner, yet of exceptional merit and a beauty; 3, Mrs. T. Taylor, cl. body, grizzled crest, heaps of grand texture of feather, nice substance, crest of fine frental, capital centre, very taking specimen; 4, Armstrong, buff mkd. wings D.C., lovely qual., very shapely crest, rich leafy feather, round as a hoop, smaller in build, yet neatness itself; hc, Cracknell. C.B. (8): 1, 4, sp, Mrs. T. Taylor, brace of clinkers, buff variegated, a giant, marvellous width and rise of skull, lashed to perfection, with an immense amount of rich feather, a stormer, 4th buff, almost green, shapely, A1 qual., full of true character, certainly not in it with winner, as regards substance, yet beauty; 2, Bewick, buff var., grand body shape, plenty of feather, well up in size, beaten in skull, still a wonderful specimen; 3, Tate, buff mkd. wings, abundance of capital feather, rich col., nice body, very neat skull and lash; vhc, Routledge; hc, Dobson and Son; c, Armstrong. CREST. 1912 (10): 1, 2, sp, and challenge bowl, Bewick, buff mkd. wing D.C., wonderful substance, great wealth of rich qual. feather, lovely shaped crest, of rare density, drooped to perfection, centre really in the centre, a study, 2nd buff mkd. wings D.C., heaps of feather, good shape, lovely radiation and of nice size, A1 droop and centre, promising indeed; 3, Armstrong, buff, almost green, fine shape, lovely feather, crest round as a crown, neatly drooped, good centre, pleasing "baby"; 4, Hutchinson, buff, almost green, shapely, delightful qual., crest veiny, capital droop and centre, smaller throughout, but a living picture; vhc, Dobson and Son; hc, Simpson; c, Mrs. J. Taylor. C.B. (11): 1, 2, sp, Bewick, brace of toppers, buff variegated., wonderful feather, well up in substance, rattling width and rise of skull, browed finely, "one of the nuts" shortly, 2nd buff variegated, very massive in skull, heaps of feather, grand body, full of qual., will with luck make a name; 3, hc, Hutchinson, buff variegated., rich qual., good shape, neat in skull character, very promising; 4, Dobson and Son, buff green, A1 qual., good amount of feather, neat skull and lash, not so massive, yet a charmer; vhc, Routledge; c, Dr. A. N. Deane.

LIZARD, CL. CAP (7): 1, c, Riseborough, gold, lovely col., grand size and shape, plenty of good back work, laid on in regular order, well laced, nice wings, good feet and toes; 2, vhc, Hyslop, silver leading, good size and shape, nice bold spangle, clear and distinct, well laced, too light in toes for our liking, should have given way to 3, Ollerenshaw, even larger than 2nd, and good ground col., fine shape, grandly rowed back, plenty of nice bold spangling beautifully laced, dark feet and toes; 4, hc, Barnes, gold, smaller than winner, nice spangle and rowing, good lacing and ground col. BROKEN CAP (7): 1, Ollerenshaw, silver, magnificent col., nice size and shape, lovely back work, beautifully rowed, nice lacing, grand ground col., nice wings, takes special for best Lizard; 2, vhc, Barnes, leader gold, nice shape and ground col., clear distinct spangle, nice wings, scarcely so well laced as leader; 3, 4, Hyslop, both silvers, leader good size and shape, plenty of back work, but lacks the clear spangle of leaders; 4th shade smaller, grand col., good spangling, nice rowing and lacing; hc, c, Riseborough. SELLING, 20s. (18): 1, Hutchinson; 2, Fletcher, 3, Armstrong; 4, Burdett; vhc, Riseborough; hc, Holden; c, Hudson. 15s. (12): 1, Riseborough; 2, Fletcher; 3, Clark; 4, Pickering and Wright; vhc, Hutchinson; hc, Fox; c, Archbold. 10s. (9): 1, Curry; 2, Craig; 3, Coutts; 4, Topping; vhc, McKenzie hc, Reed; c, Clark. BRIT., 12s. 6d. (10): 1, Kearton; 2, Hutchinson; 3, Scott, 4, Coltman; vhc, Bowerbank Bros.; hc, Hudson.

Mr. J. Duncan's Classes.

SCOTS FANCY, YELL. CK. (10): 1, 4, Chapman, leader Green, rare top end, grand drive and reach, fine length and good thickness through; 4th scarcely so nervy as leader, nice length, good drive and reach; 2, Thompson Bros., cl., scarcely so massive perhaps, yet a good one, most decided drive, good reach, nice length of side, good depth; 3, Lugton, trifle smaller, and scarcely the same reach as leaders, neat shoulders, very nervy, good action; vhc, hc, Harvey; c, Little. BUFF (13): 1, Thompson Bros., cl., beauty for size grand top end, very nervy, quick into action, grand drive and reach, good length of side, good depth throughout, takes special for best in section; 2, Little, plenty of substance, good action and drive, nice reach, very quick mover, nice depth of shoulder, good length; 3, Harvey, trifle smaller, yet very nice, good drive and reach, very stylish, loses in substance to leaders; 4, vhc, Chapman, nice size, good reach, but not so decided in drive, nice substance and length; hc, Lugton; c, Willison. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Lishman, cl., grand top end, quick action, grand drive and reach, gets tail well under, nice length and substance; 2, hc, Fleming, lacks substance of leader, nice drive, good reach, nice length of side; 3, Craig, more substance than 2nd, pronounced drive and nice reach, moves quickly, nice length of side; 4, vhc, Harvey, good length of side, gets tail well under, not the same good drive and reach; c, Willison. BUFF (9): 1, Willison, grand top end, nice drive and reach, good length and thickness, quick action, and gets tail well under; 2, Lugton, more substance than leader, nice reach, good length and depth, not quite so quick in action; 3, Buchan, scarcely the same grand top end as leader, nice drive, good reach, nervy; 4, Chapman, nice substance, good action, nice length of side, does not get her head so well down as leaders; vhc, Little; hc, Thompson Bros.; c, Craig. BORD., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (21): 1, Smart, beauty for shape, magnificent colour, lovely quality, clothed to perfection, tight as wax, beautifully rounded back, lovely wing and tail carriage; 2, Nicholson, shade better head than leader, grand shape, lovely back and wings, good col., just lacks the same grand qual. of winner, yet a good one; 3, Gilchrist, scarcely so sweet in head, beautiful rich col., lovely qual., tight as a drum, grand body, back and wings; 4, Walker, magnificent col., fine qnal., beautifully rounded body, sweet bead, runs a trifle thin in neck; vhc, Espie; hc, Ayre; c, Christer. BUFF (35), a grand lot: 1, Purves, griz. left wing, model for shape, lovely col. and qnal., well rounded back, grandly carried wings and tail, sweet head and neck, not a feather out of place; 2, McKenzie, tkd. back of head, scarcely the same rich col. of leader, grand qnal., feathered like boxwood, beautifully rounded, sweet round head, grand back, wings and tail 3, 4, Smart, leader trifle slim, yet grand shape, grandly rounded, lovely col. and qual., beautifully carried wings and tail; 4, tkd. back of bead, grand shape, perhaps not so well rounded at shoulders as others, good col. and qual., sweet head, good wing and tail carriage; vhc, Voy; hc, Craig; c, Montgomery. YELL. HEN (17): 1, Gilchrist, real lady all over, magnificent shape, clothed with the finest of feather, tight as wax, lovely col., and teeming witb qual., sweet bead, lovely back and wings, takes special for best Bord., deserves it too; 2, Wilson, another grand one for shape, beautiful col. and qual., sweet bead, grand back and wings, just lacks the same grand finish at waist of leader, yet not far behind; 3, hc, Smart, scarcely so rich in col. as leaders, magnificent shape, grandly rounded body, sweet head and neck, lovely wings and tail; 4, Chapman, tkd. right wing, rich col., grand shape, fine qual., sweet head, lovely wing and tail carr., beaten in closeness of feather; vhc, Halliday; c, McDonald. BUFF (28): 1, Halliday, gem all over, lovely shape, grand col. and qual., sweet head and neck, lovely back, wings and tail, feathered to perfection; 2, Ayre, model for shape, but trifle heavier in build, beautifully rounded, sweet head and neck, good col. and qual., grand back, wing and tail; 3, Gilchrist, gem for shape, real model, but lacks the same grand col. of leader, sweetly moulded, neat head and neck, lovely wing and tail carr.; 4, Smart, another topper, grand shape, nice back, good wings, nice col. and qual., scarcely the same tight finish of leaders; vhc, Smith; hc, Bates; c, McDonald. EVEN MKD. (8): 1, Gilchrist, lovely buff, grand col. and qual., well balanced markings, neat head and neck, beautifully drawn, appears to be a bit slack in wing carriage at times; 2, Nicholson, scarcely the same qual. as leader, nicely balanced marks, lovely shape, beautifully rounded, grandly carried wings, some thought might have won; 3, 4, Chapman, fine shape, nice markings, neat head, lovely wing carriage, not quite so rich in qual. as leaders, yet very good; 4th, we could not find; vhc, Dickenson Bros.; hc, Smith; c, Graham. UNEVEN YELL (19): 1, Nicholson, lovely cinnamon mkd., nearly even, lovely shape, magnificent col. and qual., clothed with exquisite feather, sweet head and neck, lovely back wings and tail, a gem, Chopwell winner; 2, Smart, grand col. and qual., scarcely so well finished as leader, yet fine shape, sweet bead and neck, grandly carried wings and tail; 3, Large, magnificent shape, richer col. than 2nd, well rounded, head and neck, grand back, wings and tail, not much to choose between it and 2nd; 4, McDonald, fine shape, grand col. and qual., well rounded, sweet head, good back, nice wings and tail, just lacks the same tight finish of leaders; vhc, Rea; hc, Yule; c, Aitchison. BUFF (22): 1, Gilchrist, a topper all over, lovely shape, grand col. and qual., sweet head and neck, clothed with feather of the finest texture, well rounded, grandly braced wings and tail; 2, Wilson, scarcely so well rounded as leader, yet a grand one otherwise, nice shape, lovely col. and qual., neat head, well braced wings and tail; 3, Yule, lovely shape, grand qual., sweet head and neck, beautifully rounded body, scarcely the same grand wing carriage of those above it; 4, Denholm, beauty for col. and qual., trifle flat sided perhaps, sweet head and neck, lovely wings and tail; vhc, Ross; hc, Graham; c, Voy. YELL. GREEN CK. (23): 1, Parker, real gem all over, lovely shape, magnificent col. and qual., pure and level throughout, sweet bead and neck, well rounded body, lovely wings and tail, repeats his success of last year; 2, Hay, not quite the same rich bright col. of leader, yet a grand one, beautiful shape, sweet head and neck, grand back, wings and tail; 3, Cubby, bright and rich in col., but scarcely so pure in tone, again correct type, nice head and neck, grand back, grandly braced wings and tail; 4, vhc, Christer, another topper, fine shape, rich level col., nice tone, lovely carriage, trifle penny about neck yet; hc, A. and W. Thompson; c, Johnstone. BUFF (17): 1, A. and W. Thompson, lovely shape, beautiful rich col., level all through, sweet head and neck, lovely back, grand wings and tail, takes special for best Green or Cinn. Border; 2, Campbell, again lovely shape, grand col., but scarcely so pure in tone as leader, nice qual., good head, neck and back, nice wing and tail carriage; 3, vhc, Johnstone, trifle dull in col. compared to leaders, yet very good, level in tone, grand shape, beautifully rounded, sweet head, grandly carried wings and tail; 4, Little, trifle heavier in build, nice shape, good col., very level throughout, nice head, neck and wings; hc, Affleck; c, Gentleman. YELL. HEN (23): 1, Little, sweet little lady of grand col., exquisite feather, fine qual., beautiful shape, grand carr., a nice one; 2, c, A. and W. Thompson, even better col. than winner, but scarcely so level in tone, magnificent shape, grandly rounded, sweet head, nice back and wings; 3, 4, Johnstone, leader trifle thicker in build, grand level col., very pure in tone, neat head, good wing and tail carriage; 4th scarcely so neat in head as those above it, yet good shape, rich level col., good qual., nice back and wings; vhc, Campbell; hc, Parker. BUFF (23), another strong class: 1, 2, A. and W. Thompson, two beauties, leader lovely shape, well rounded, rich level tone of col., grand qual., close tight feather, sweet head, grand back, nice wings and tail; 2nd, again grand shape, rich col., very level, neat head and neck, grandly braced wings and tail, not much between them; 3, Johnstone, shade lighter col., very level, fine shape, neat head, good back, well braced wings and tail; 4, Young, shade heavier in build, very level col., scarcely so rich as leaders, nice shape, good head, nicely balanced wings and tail; vhc, Parker; hc, Campbell; c, Beevor. CINN. YELL. BORD. (19): 1, 3, Johnstone, two beauties, leader gem for shape, true cinny tone of col., rich and bright, neat head, well rounded back, beautifully cleaned under; 3rd most level col. bird of any, but lacks the bright rich tone of leader, fine shape, grandly rounded, good wing and tail carr.; 2, Parker, scarcely so level in back col. as winner, yet very good, grand shape and carr., nicely moulded, grandly feathered, sweet head, back and wings; 4, vhc, Montgomery, nicely shaped, nice col., trifle uneven perhaps on wings, neat head and neck, gets wings over a trifle at times; hc, Coulthard; c, McDonald. BUFF (17): 1, Montgomery, lovely col., very level all through, grand shape, sweet bead and neck, lovely back, and grand wing carriage, a gem all over; 2, vhc, Wilson, nice rich col., trifle lighter under than winner, yet very nice, good qual., fine shape and carriage, neat head and neck, nicely balanced wings and tail; 3, McDonald, real model, grand col. and qual., very level in tone, sweet head and neck, grand carr., must have been close up; 4, Whittaker, trifle slimmer build, nice level col., good qual., nice head, good wing and tail carriage; hc, Greenwell; c, Christer. NOVICE BORD. CK. (32): 1, catalogue credits Davison as winner, but we understand there was some mistake, and as we did not know of this until too late to make enquiries, we do not know if the catalogue is correct or not; 1, cl. yell., grand shape, beautifully rounded, rich col. and qual., sweet head, nice back, beautifully braced wings and tail; 2, Lennox, saddle mkd. yell., very rich col., shade slimmer build than leader, beautiful boxwood feather, well rounded back, scarcely so neat in head as leader, grand wings and tail; 3, Wilson, cl. buff, magnificent col. and qual., sweet head and neck, grand wing carriage, nicely rounded, looked a bit thick when we took our notes; 4, Little, we could not find; vhc, Tallantyre; hc, Denholm; c, Elliott. HEN (32): 1, Grenson, magnificent cl. buff, lovely texture of feather, sweet head and neck, rich colll and qual., well rounded back, beautifully carried wings and tail; 2, Brown, we could not find; 3, Stevens, another grand buff, sweet shape, grand col. and qual., neat head and neck, loses to leader in wing carriage; 4, Pape, lovely yellow, grandly feathered, rich col., neat head, good back, well carried wings and tail; vhc, Hillary; hc, Atchison; c, Lennox.

Mr. A. Silver's Classes.

LIGHT MULE, FTC. (2): 1, Maddison, lovely cl., Goldie Can., grand size and col., fine shape, a real good one, Morpeth winner, takes special for best in section; 2, Curry, very nice Goldie-Greenie, not a big one, but lovely col. and shape, grand feather and condition, shows cross well. UNEVEN MKD. (11): 1, Kearton, lightly var. Goldie Can., nice size, lovely col., rather slim in build, nice face and wings; 2, hc, McPartling, lightly var. Linnet-Can., nice size and shape, lovely feather and condition, not one could have grumbled had it won; 3, Butler, lightly mkd. Goldie-Can, better condition than leader, nice size, good face and wings, exquisite feather; 4, Johnson, lightly mkd. Goldie Mule, best shaped bird of lot, beautiful feather, grand condition, nice wings; vhc, Bowerbank Bros.; c, Cuthbertson. DARK GOLDIE, ETC. (10): 1, Maddison, lovely yell. Linnet-Can., magnificent col. and polish, fine size and shape, in grand feather, we thought easy win, Morpeth winner; 2, hc, Bowerbank Bros., yell. Goldie-Can., a good one for size, fine col. and polish, nice face and wings, good condition; 3, Johnston, yell. Linnet-Can., scarcely the size and polish of leader, yet a good one, fine shape, good col. and condition; 4, Robson, yell. Goldie-Can., bit smaller than 2nd, nice shape, good col. and polish; vhc, Turner; c, Ford. A.O.V. (6): 1, Johnston, well-known yell. Siskin-Can. "Kelly," grand size, wonderful col. and polish, nice cap, shows cross well, exquisite feather; 2, 3, Maddison, both yell. Greenie-Cans., leader grand size and shape, rich level col., rare polish, beautiful feather; 3, scarcely the same size, again rich col. and polish, wonderful condition and feather; 4 Sokell, another yell. Greenie-Can., not the size of leaders and perhaps a shade weak in neck, grand col., very rich in tone, rare polish and condition; vhc, Purves; hc, Caisley; a good class for quality, though small in numbers. BRIT. GOLDFINCH (10); 1, Waters, lovely size and shape, grand blaze, pure and deep in col., beautifully tanned, grand wings, in tip-top condition; 2, Stewart, scarcely so stout as leader, lovely feather, beautiful blaze, dense and pure in col., well tanned, lovely wings; 3, Dunn, another topper for shape, grand col., lovely tanning, grand rich col. blaze, but scarcely so pure as leader, grand wings and buttons; 4, Maddison, deep red blaze, square cut, but scarcely so pure in tone as leaders, grandly tanned, nice buttons; vhc, Kearton; hc, Tomlinson; c, Robson. BULLFINCH (10): 1, Curry, stormer, grand size, shape, lovely breast col., deep and put in tone, carried well down, grand shaped cap, clean cut and dense in col, lovely back and bars, splendid feather; 2, Nicholson, equal to leader in shape, and perhaps a shade larger, grand level breast col., though not so rich and bright as leader, nice cap, clean cut, good back and wings, shown in perfect feather; 3, 4, Woods, 3rd big and shapely, grand col., rich and pure, good cap, nice back, scarcely so tight in feather as leaders, yet a grand one; 4th scarcely so chubby as others, good col, very level, nice cap and wing bars; vhc, McQuiston; hc, Turner; c, Dixon. LINNET, F.-M. (27): 1, Pearson, stormer for pencilling, fine size and shape, nice col, beautifully pencilled, clear and distinct all over, scarcely as a rock, catalogued at 20s., and sold for 35s.; 2, Petterson, larger even than winner and perhaps shade better col., lovely pencilling, clear and distinct, scarcely so dense on breast as leader, yet nevertheless a real tip-topper, must have run very close for leadership; 3, Carr, loses in size to leaders, but wonderful col. and lacing, beautifully pencilled, clear and very profuse all over, again as steady as a rock; 4, Maddison, another topper, grand size and col., splendid back work, grandly pencilled, very distinct, but scarcely so dense on breast as some, Morpeth winner we think; vhc, McQuiston; hc, Irving; c, Vanner. HOUSE-MOULTED (13): 1, Marley, lovely size and shape, nice col, graudly pencilled, very profuse, well laced, extra condition; 2, McQuiston, shade dark in col, beautifully pencilled, clear and distinct all over, and a perfect gem for lacing, fine size and shape; 3, Waters, nearer the ideal col. than 2nd, nice shape and size, well pencilled, though scarcely so profuse on breast as leaders, perfect condition and feather; 4, Kearton, scarcely so shapely, but very nice lacing and pencilling, good wings and tail; vhc, Tomlinson; hc, Jobling; c, Dunn. GREENFINCH (11): 1, Marley, stormer for shape, magnificent col, nice size, neat head and chest, lovely feather and condition, wins well; 2, Nicholson, larger than winner, grand shape, massive head and neck, nice col. but lacks the rich tone and polish of leader; 3, Ford, short cobby bird of correct type, nice col., good head and neck, nice condition, loses to 2nd only in size; 4, Butler, another grand one for size and shape, big massive, bold head, grand chest, good col.; vhc, Gregory; hc, Hyslop; c, McGuire. SISKIN, ETC. (20): 1, Gregory, Siskin, nice size, wonderful shape and col., grand boxy feather, lovely cap, well laced, grand condition, a gem all over; 2, Marley, Lesser Redpoll, grand one for size, nice shape, wonderful col, beautifully laced, grandly polished, one of the best Lessers we have yet seen; 3, McQuiston, real stormer of a Twite, wonderful size and shape, beautiful rich tone of col, grandly pencilled and laced, lovely polish and condition, a topper; 4, Douglas and Glaister, Mealy Redpoll, nice size and shape, good col, well laced, nice head and wings, grand feather and condition; vhc, Waters; hc, McVay; c, Boyd.

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NEWCASTLE SHOW, continued from previous page.

CHAFFIE, ETC. (12): 1, 3, Marley, catalogue gives Bramble first and Chaffie second, but the first prize card was on the Chaffie cage and Bramble 2nd, and we noted them in that order, leader grand Chaffie, wonderful substance, beautiful breast col., pure and deep and carried well down, lovely head, grand back and wings, lovely feather and condition, a gem; 2nd Bramble, lovely size, grand rich breast col., well spangled back, beautifully laced, lovely condition, not a feather out of place; 3, Tomlinson, Bramble, scarcely so rich in breast col. as second, yet a grand one all over, well spangled and laced, nice size and shape, lovely condition; 4, Dixon and Son, Chaffie, scarcely the same substance of leader, but again good col., nice cap and wing bars, grand feather; vhc, Ford; he, no award in catalogue; c, Lane. HEN FINCH OR BUNTING (11): 1, Marley, Hawfinch, good size and shape, very level in col, nice head, good wings, nice feather and condition; 2, Barkess, lovely Bullie, beautiful condition, shown in perfect feather, tight as wax, nice col., good cap and wings; 3, Scott, Hawfinch, not the size of leader, yet a good one for shape, lovely col, nice head, lovely feather and condition; 4, c, Forster, Corn Bunting, nice size, beautifully pencilled, lovely col. and feather, rather unsteady; vhc, Stewart; he, Lane. A.O.V. FINCH, ETC. (6): 1, Marley, Hawfinch, medium size, wonderful col, nice shape, grand level col. head, nice bib and wing bars, beautiful polish and condition; 2, Waters, Hawfinch, larger than winner, but lacks the same rich col, yet a good one, nice head and wings, good bib, lovely feather and condition; 3, Douglas and Glaister, Yellowhammer, not a big one, but very rich in col., nice head markings, wonderful feather and condition; 4, Gentleman, yet another Hawfinch, shade slimmer build than leaders, nice head, good bib and wing bars, lovely close feather; vhc, Storey; he, Dixon. SOFTBILL, LARGE (7): 1, 2, Scott, magnificent Chough leading, grand size, wonderful col, grand feet and legs, good beak, splendid condition, not a feather out of place, takes special for best British; 2nd Pigott, grand condition, nice col. and marking, extra feather; 3, Boyd, Jay, beautiful feather, nice size and col.; 4, Roper, Song Thrush, medium size, nice col., well spotted, grand condition and feather; vhc, Boyd; he, Hancock Museum; c, Peet. SMALL (9): 1, Woodhouse, Dartford Warbler, very brisk and sprightly, nice col. and size, rare condition, very nice exhibit; 2, Welch Bros., Tree Creeper, in charming condition, shown in nice feather; 3, Robson, Whinchat, nice col. and pencilling, grand condition and shown in perfect feather; 4, Woodhouse, Wryneck, "Perfection," nice size and col, but hardly in the same grand condition we usually see him; vhc, he, c, Young. NOVICE BRIT. LINNET (13): 1, Carr, nice shape, grand col., well pencilled, clear and distinct, very profuse all over; 2, Tarn, larger than winner, good col. and pencilling, but scarcely so profuse on breast as leader, nice condition; 3, 4, Cockhill, leader grand shape, nice col. and lacing, loses in breast markings a little, yet a good one; 4th very shapely bird, well pencilled, nice col, good wings, in good condition, little to choose between them; vhc, Boyd; he, Swann; c, Mrs. Simpson. A.O.V. FINCH, ETC. (12): 1, Gregory, very nice Hawfinch, good size, nice level col, good head and wings, fine feather and condition; 2, Walton, Bramble, nice size, good col. and suangle, but wears a pair of spectacles, nice condition; 3, Hall, Goldie, nice size, good col., nice rich col blaze, well tanned and buttoned; 4, McGuire, Yellowhammer, nice size, good col., neat head markings, nice lacing and condition; vhc, Young; he, Boyd; c, Riley. FOR. PARROTS (6): 1, Christer, Red-naped Lory, Morpeth winner, in splendid feather, lovely condition; 2, 3, Scott, grand King leading, in lovely col. and feather, beautiful condition, 3rd Yellow-naped Parrakeet, another grand exhibit, in lovely feather and condition; 4, Porteous, another good King, but lacking the grand col. of other, nice feather; vhc, Davison. AVADAVATS, ETC. (12): 1, 3, 4, Almond, lovely pair of Fire Finches leading, in beautiful plumage, followed by a really splendid Lavender Finch, perfect feather and condition; 4th Golden-breasted Waxbills, beautiful pair, nice condition; 2, Howe, splendid pair of Golden-breasted Waxbills, beats Mr. Almond's pair in col, lovely feather and condition; vhc, Scott; he, Young; c, Haggie. MANNIKINS, ETC. (13): 1, Howe, lovely pair of White-headed Finches, in splendid condition, not a feather out of place; 2, Haggie, Green Singing Finch, lovely col., grand feather and condition; 3rd catalogue credits this to Miss Dooly, but it should read, Christer, beautiful Madagascar Weaver, resplendent in its scarlet and black, lovely feather; 4, Almond, very fine pair of Bib Finches in lovely feather; vhc, he, Young; c, McGuire. PARSON FINCHES, ETC. (11): 1, Mrs. T. Taylor, lovely pair of Gouldian Finches, in magnificent trim, a lovely combination of colours; 2, 4, Young, Diamond Finches leading, in beautiful feather, lovely condition; 4th Parson Finches, in lovely waxy feather; 3, Howe, Yellow-rumped Mannikins, looking a treat, in the most splendid feather; vhc, c, Hay; he, Scott. A.O.V. SEEDEATERS (6): 1, Haggie, pair of lovely Nonpareils, in lovely order, perfect feather; 2, 4, Young, leader magnificently feathered Chinese Quail, 4th Long-tailed Whydah, in nice condition; 3, vhc, Scott, very nice Black-headed Siskin leading, in grand col., lovely feather. INSECTIV. (7): 1, 2, he, c, Young, grand team, Sunbird leading, a really charming exhibit, in lovely feather, takes special for best Foreign; 2, Yellow-winged Sugar Bird, hardly up in col. yet, but yet very nice; 3, vhc, Wilson, leading with a Hardwicke's Fruit Sucker, in lovely feather and condition; 4, Haggie, Tricolour Tanager, scarcely up in condition yet, yet a charming exhibit.

Members' Section.

Members' classes came up well, and the quality was quite up to the usual standard. Special prize winners were: Messrs. W. McGinn, R. Armstrong, J. G. Hutchinson, W. Harvey, T. Chapman, T. C. Crawhall, J. Smart, J. Johnstone, J. Maddison, J. Scott, C. Waters, A. C. Young, E. Coltman, and W. Curry. Novice members also made an excellent display, both in numbers and quality, and the special prize winners in this section were: Messrs. R. Topping, J. Lumley, W. M. Forbes, J. W. Coutts, C. Cattell, J. W. Reed, M. C. Potts, W. Fox, W. Robertson, J. Irving, and J. R. Watson.

NOR. YELL. (9): 1, spl, McGinn; 2, Wyndham; 3, Butler; 4, Fletcher; vhc, he, Crow; c, Curry. BUFF (11): 1, 3, spl, McGinn; 2, vhc, Crass; 4, Dobinson; he, Butler; c, Laidlow. HEN (12): 1, spl, McGinn; 2, Butler; 3, Holden; 4, Dobinson; vhc, Laidlow; he, Fletcher; c, Cross. CREST (4): 1, spl, Armstrong; 2, Hutchinson; 3, Dobson and Son; 4, Mrs. T. Taylor. C.-B. (4): 1, spl, 3, Hutchinson; 2, Dobson and Son; 4, Mrs. T. Taylor. CINN. YELL. (5): 1, Markwell; 2, 3, Armstrong; 4, Young; vhc, Roy. BUFF (3): 1, 2, spl, Armstrong; 3, Markwell. SCOTS FANCY YELL. (4): 1, Chapman; 2, 3, 4, sp, Harvey. BUFF (6): 1, 3, sp, Chapman; 2, 4, Little. YORKS, YELL. (6): 1, 4 hc, spl, Crawhall; 2, Tindale; 3, Dix; vhc, Wigglesworth. BUFF (6): 1, Wigglesworth; 2, Dix; 3, spl, 4, hc, Crawhall; vhc, Tindale. HEN (8): 1, spl, 3, c, Crawhall; 2, Tindale; 4, vhc, Wigglesworth; he, Dix. BORD. YELL. (7): 1, spl, Smart; 2, Espie; 3, Smith; 4, Ross; vhc, Hawkins; he, Hay; c, Graham. BUFF (18): 1, spl, Smart; 2, Chapman; 3, Hay; 4, Montgomery; vhc, Hawkins; he, Espie; c, Ross. HEN (16): 1, spl, 3, Chapman; 2, Smart; 4, Espie; vhc, he, Peel; c, Smith. BORD. GREEN (21): 1, Hay; 2, spl, 4, Johnstone; 3, Christer; vhc, Hawkins; he, Greenwell; c, Affleck. CINN. (11): 1, spl, Johnstone; 2, Graham; 3, vhc, Hawkins; 4, he, Greenwell; c, Hay. MULE: 1, spl, 3, Maddison; 2, Haggie; 4, Crawhall. LINNET (6): 1, Petterson; 2, Waters; 3, Maddison; 4, vhc, he, spl, Scott. GOLDIE, ETC. (6): 1, spl, he, Waters; 2, Maddison; 3, Butler; 4, Gibbs. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, spl, 2, Waters; 3, Scott; 4, he, Petterson; vhc, Davison; c, Gibbs. A.O.V. HARDBILL (5): 1, spl, Waters; 2, Scott; 3, vhc, Hay; 4 Voutt. SOFTBILL, SMALL (6): 1, vhc, Robson; 2, 3, 4, spl, Young; he, Holden. LARGE (3): 1, 2, spl, Scott; 3, Christer. FOR. SEEDEATER, SMALL (22): 1, Mrs T. Taylor; 2, spl, 4, nc, Young; 3, Haggie; vhc, Scott; c, Christer. LARGE (7): 1, Christer; 2, spl, 3, Scott; 4, Voutt. SOFTBILL (5): 1, spl, 2, 4, vhc, Young; 3, Haggie. GIFT (6): 1, spl, Coltman; 2, Hay; 3, Crawhall; 4, Hope; vhc, Forster. GROUP (4): 1, spl, Curry; 2, Petterson; 3, Haggie; 4, Curry. NOVICE, NOR. YELL. (14): 1, spl, Topping; 2, Wellsbury; 3, Dobson; 4, Forbes; vhc, Cockburn; he, c, Bell. BUFF (22): 1, Wellsbury; 2, Forbes; 3, spl, 4, Lumley; vhc, Newton; he, Dobson; c, Topping. HEN (19): 1, Wellsbury; 2, spl, vhc, Forbes; 3, Newton; 4, Lumley; he, Reed; c, Bell. CREST OR C.-B. (10): 1, spl, Coutts; 2, Lawson; 3, c, Gillespie; 4, Fox; vhc, Tate; he, Craig. YORKS, YELL. (10): 1, spl, 3, he, Cattell; 2, vhc, Thurston; 4, Vallance Bros.; c, Carr. BUFF (6): 1, spl, 3, he, Cattell; 2, vhc, Thurston; 4, Carr. HEN (7): 1, Carr; 2, Thurston; 3, 4, spl, Dixon; vhc, he, Cattell. BORD. YELL. (5): 1, spl, 2, Reed; 3, 4, Greason; vhc, Smith. BUFF (9): 1, Smith; 2, spl, 4, Reed; 3, Brown; vhc, c, Vallance Bros.; he, Greason. HEN (6): 1, Brown; 2, spl, 3, Potts; 4, Snaith; vhc, he, Smith. A.O.V. Can. (8): 1, spl, vhc, Fox; 2, he, Dixon; 3 Dobson; 4, Reed; c, Carr. MULE, ETC. (3): 1, spl, Robertson; 2, Willis; 3, Winter. LINNET, ETC. (5): 1, spl, Irving; 2, Dixon; 3, vhc Watson; 4 Greason. A.O.V. FINCH (3): 1, spl, Watson; 2, Dixon; 3, Irving.

HANLEY.

Exhibits of Rare Quality. Winning Unflighted Buff Norwich Claimed at £6.

Hanley C.B.S. held their seventh annual open show on October 17th, at the George and Dragon Hotel, and the room in which the show was held is a very good one for the purpose. Entries turned up well, about 360 birds being staged, and as there appeared to be a good attendance of visitors, the committee have good reason to be well pleased with the venture. The Yorkshire classes, under the patronage of the M.C.Y.C.C., were the feature of the show, being well filled with birds of the highest quality. Lovers of the long and straight ones met a sight to please their eyes. Norwich were not quite so numerous, but were a big improvement on last year's display, as the quality was of the best; some of the birds staged here will be heard of again before long. The winning unflighted buff was claimed at catalogue price, £6, and with ordinary luck he should be a good bargain to his plucky purchaser. British were not numerous, but the quality of the exhibits in this section was exceptionally good, several recent winners having to be content with minor honours. The hardworking and able committee comprised Messrs. G. Lawton, T. Bates, J. Williamson, S. Pygott, T. Newman, T. Dunn, S. Wild, S. Taylor, J. Charlesworth, T. L. Swetnam, H. Cooke, B. Peake, W. Evans, W. Llewellyn, J. Toplass, W. T. Lowndes, and S. Brough. The show was very well managed indeed, the committee being very fortunate in having the services of Mr. C. J. Robinson, who is one of the oldest fanciers in the district, and who carried out the secretarial duties in a most satisfactory manner. Mr. A. Hirst judged, his awards giving general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL.: Cancelled. BUFF (9): 1, Smith, tkd. cheek, fine size, good quality and colour, very nice condition; 2, Hall, mkd. eyes and wings, very shapely, lovely feather, nice carriage, not quite the size of leader; 3, Victor Williams, bouncing cl., short and cobby, in rare form; 4, Yates, large cl., rich colour, nice condition; vhc, Brotherhood; he, Dr. McConaghey; c, J. M. Williams. YELL. HEN: Cancelled. BUFF (7): 1, sp., J. M. Williams, dark tail, very shapely, nice carriage, lovely quality, well placed; 2, James, short cobby cl., good quality, nice feather and condition; 3, Brotherhood, mkd. wings, sweet shape, rare quality, nice size, close up; 4, Hall, cap and wings mkd., good size and shape, nice feather; vhc, Newman; he, Turner. YELL., UNFLIG.: 1, sp., Hall, very fine cl., lovely type, short and compact, grand colour and quality, well staged, bonny youngster; 2, Rathbone, another beauty, not over large, nice carriage, well worth his place; 3, Yates, fine size, grand shape and col., not the quality of the leaders; 4, V. Williams, good size, nice feather and condition; vhc, Bowers; he, Bagshaw; c, McConaghey. BUFF (9): 1, sp., Hall, very fine youngster, grand shape, lovely quality, wins well here; 2, Victor Williams, grand cl., lovely feather, fine size, hot colour, well put down; 3, McConaghey, nice cl., very shapely, well up in size, good quality; 4, Rathbone, tkd. head, good type, nice quality and condition; vhc, Turner; he, Yates. UNFLIG. HEN (7): 1, Smith, clear yell., good size, nice carriage and quality; 2, Victor Williams, very fine cl. buff, grand head, well up in size, nice quality, runs winner very close; 3, Brotherhood, shapely cl., nice colour and quality; 4, James, good shape, nice feather, pale colour; vhc, Durston; he, Springall; c, Turner. YORKS., YELL. (16): 1, V. Williams, good length, grand feather and position, well drawn; 2, Dykes, sweet type, rare quality and position, fails in length only; 3, Boote, tkd. wing, fine length, rare position, excellent quality; 4, Wells and Clempson, tkd. neck, grand length, lovely feather, shade strong; vhc, Lawton; he, Millincamp; c, Lane. BUFF (10): 1, 2, Kearns, brace of beauties, winner tkd. head, fine length, rare quality, good position, second, fine cl., warm colour, well drawn, lovely feather and condition; 3, V. Williams, tkd. head, grand col. and feather, fine length and position; 4, Pygott, nice, slim cl., good quality, not the length; vhc, Lane; he, Williams; c, Hawley. MKD. (7): 1, sp., Slater, mkd. eyes and wings, very typical, lovely colour and quality, nice pipe tail, well staged; 2, Dykes, neat buff, mkd. head and wing, well drawn, beautiful feather, nice position, in the pink of condition; 3, Wells and Clempson, var. yell., fine size, grand shape and feather, worth his place; 4, Lane, neat shape, good quality and colour; vhc, Pitchford and Stocker; he, B. Peake. YELL. HEN (13): 1, J. M. Williams, grizzled head, sweet type, grandly feathered, well drawn, nice position; 2, Hughes, neat cl., very typical, excellent quality, close up; 3, Pygott, neat cl., very typical, nice feather and condition; 4, Burdekin Bros., nice cl., good length, nice feather; vhc, V. Williams; he, Lane; c, Kearns. BUFF (9): 1, Ellis, lovely cl., grand position, nice feather and condition; 2, Lane, very lengthy, grand quality, warm colour, in good form; 3, Baxter, cinn. mkd. wings and eyes, lovely type, beautifully feathered, rare position; 4, Dykes, shapely cl., very typical, good quality; vhc, Hawley; he, V. Williams; c Slater. UNFLIG. YELL. (11): 1, Kearns, grand type, very slim, splendid position, well drawn, lovely quality; 2, Lane, good length and position, rare col. and quality, not quite so slim; 3, Pygott, sweet shape, stands well, well drawn, rare quality, close up; 4, Wells and Clempson, good length, nice feather; vhc, Andrews; he, Hawley; c, Durston. BUFF (15): 1, Bennett, mkd. right wing, very typical, rare quality and col., nice condition; 2, 3, Kearns, two nice cls., second, lovely type, beautifully drawn, rare position, must have pressed hard for first place; 4, Burdekin Bros., very neat, grand feather, not quite so long; vhc, Dykes; he, Hughes; c, Shepard. UNFLIG. HENS (15): 1, Lane, fine lengthy cl. yell., grand position, nice col.; 2, Kearns, grizzled back buff, nicely drawn, neat pipe tail, lovely feather; 3, Slater, good yell., tkd. wing, very typical, rare quality, fine position; 4, Boote, cinn. buff, mkd. wings, lovely feather; vhc, Ellis; he, Burdekin Bros.; c, Bennett. SELL., 20s.: 1, Pitchford and Stocker; 2, Beckett; 3, Durston; 4, Windsor; vhc, Robinson; he, Hickman. SELL., 12s. 6d.: 1, Roberts; 2, Pitchford and Stocker; 3, Bennison; 4, A. Peake; vhc, Bailey and Son; he, Ellis; c, Windsor. LIGHT MULE: Cancelled. DK. MULE (5): 1, Davis, Can.-Bullie, showing well the characteristics of both parents, grand colour, in rare form; 2, Tams and Son, yell. Siskin, nice size, rich colour, fine condition; 3, J. Davis, yell. Goldie, well up in size, excellent colour and condition; 4, Smith, buff Goldie, good size, nice condition; vhc, Dean. HYBRID: Cancelled. GOLDFINCH (7): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, well-known winner, coming into fine form, much admired; 2, 4, c, Davies, good size, fine shape, nice blaze, not ready yet, will take some beating later on; 3, J. M. Williams, nice bright blaze, well up in size, nice condition; he, Tams and Son. LINNET (9): 1, 3, Lovatt and Mason, leader lovely nut brown colour, very shapely, splendid condition, 3, very similar, just lacking the size; 2, Davies, Longton and Derby winner, fine specimen, grand colour and markings, beaten in polish; 4, Bate, rare size, grand colour and condition; vhc, c, Tams and Son; he, Pitchford and Stocker. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, Twite, Longton and Derby winner, much improved; 2, Davis, very smart Siskin, quite "pals" with the winner, occupied same position at Longton and Derby; 3, Bate, nice Redpoll, good bib, excellent colour and markings, fine condition; 4, Poole, smart Siskin, natural colour; vhc, Weedall; he, Tams and Son. A.O.V. HARD (7): 1, Poole, very fine Hawfinch, rare size, good bib, excellent colour and condition; 2, Brotherhood, well-known Bramblefinch, in rare form; 3, Davis, nice Hawfinch, very steady, grand condition, beaten in size; 4, Weedall, nice cage moulted Bullfinch, bit pale in colour yet; vhc, Pitchford and Stocker, good Bramblefinch; he, Davis, nice Bullie. SOFTBILL: Cancelled. FOREIGN: Cancelled. NOVICE, NOR., YELL. (6): 1, Parker, neat, typical cl., grand feather and condition; 2, Bonsall, tkd. neck, good size and shape, excellent quality, well placed; 3, Bailey and Son, natural col., grand shape and size, if fed would take some beating; 4, Butters, well up in size, grand shape, not ready yet; vhc, Windsor. BUFF (10): 1, Bonsall, good cl., nice size and shape, excellent colour and quality; 2, Bradley, nice cl., good type and quality, fails a trifle in substance; 3, Williamson, good shape, nice feather and condition; 4, Butters, very neat, good quality; vhc, Beckett; he, Sutton; c, Everill. UNFLIG. (19): 1, H. Hall, fine cobby cl., well up in size, rare carriage and condition; 2, vhc, Bradley, real good buff, good shape, fine size and quality; 3, Bennison, short cobby yell., close feathered, good carriage, nice condition; 4, Sutton, variegated buff, good type and quality; he, Oakes; c, Siddall. HENS (16): 1, Bennison, short cobby buff, very good quality, nice feather; 2, Parker, nice typical cl. yell., grand feather, colour and condition; 3, Windsor, good buff, well worth her position; 4, Everill, really nice type; vhc, Wilkinson; he, Clarke; c, Bailey and Son. YORKS., YELL (12): 1, Foster, good length, well drawn, nice feather and position; 2, McMurtrie, tkd. neck, very typical, slim and stylish, good quality; 3, J. Clay, nice shapely cl., good quality and condition, close up; 4, Farrell, nice type, good quality; vhc, Salt; he, Bradbury; c, Gibbons. BUFF (12): 1, Swetnam, nice shape, good length, fine position, well placed; 2, Weekes Bros., tkd. bead, lengthy and well drawn, good quality, nice condition; 3, Gibbons, good type, nice feather, not quite so slim; 4, J. Clay, very neat, good type and quality; vhc, R. Ratcliff; he, McMurtrie; c, Harley. HENS (16): 1, J. Clay, nice marked buff, very typical, rare quality, good win; 2, Hearnshaw, neat cl. yell., slim and stylish, nice position, well braced wings; 3, Foster, good buff, nice shape, rare feather, in nice condition; 4, Salt, slim yell., very typical, close up; vhc, c, W. Ratcliff; he, R. Ratcliff. UNFLIG. (19): 1, he, Hearnshaw, real good yell., grand type, nice quality, should be heard of again; 2, vhc, Salt, very typical, good position, runs winner very close; 3, Farrall, nice type, good quality and condition; 4, Sutton, good shape, nice feather; c, Bradbury. MEMBERS, NOR. YELL. (4): 1, Sandiford's sp., Dunn; 2, Charlesworth; 3, Newman; 4, Williamson. BUFF (4): 1, Hyde's sp., Wild; 2, Newman; 3, Dunn; 4, Williamson. HENS (8): 1, c, Williamson; 2, 3, 4, Dunn; vhc, Wild; he, Newman. UNFLIG. YELL. (4): 1, 4, Dunn; 2, Williamson; 3, Wild. BUFF (5): 1, Wild; 2, Charlesworth; 3, Dunn; 4, vhc, Williamson. YORKS., YELL. (3): 1, sp., Taylor; 2, 3, Pygott. BUFF (7): 1, he, Robinson; 2, vhc, Taylor; 3, 4, Pygott. UNFLIG. YELL. (3): 1, 3, Robinson; 2, Taylor. BUFF (5): 1, sp., Taylor; 2, 4, Robinson; 3, Pygott; vhc, Peake. HENS (11): 1, 4, Pygott; 2, he, c, Lawton; 3, Taylor; vhc, Robinson.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. CK. (10): 2, sp best Nor. and cup, extra 2nd, 3, W. Davies, cl. yell., massive head and neck, nice chubby body, well cleaned cut, good col.; extra 2nd, another bright coloured cl., similar to winner, but lacks headpiece; 4, yet another cl., nice type, col. and qual.; 3, Hill, cl. again, bonny bird, chubby, nice col., bit open on chest; vhc, Cook; he Cleaver; c, Allen. BUFF (10): 1, Allen, neat cl., excellent size and col., well filled in, nice feather and meal; 2, withheld; 3, Hill, heavily var., nice depth of chest, good head and neck, capital feather; extra 3rd, Cook, lightly var., extra good col. and qual., cobby, shade open on chest; 4, vhc, W. Davies, variegated, one of best in show, but for looseness at thighs; he, c, Thomas. HEN (3): 1, 2, withheld; 3, Cleaver, cl. buff, good full chest, chubby, nice col. and qual.; 4, (no name), heavily var. buff, nice type and feather; vhc, W. Davies. YORKS. YELL. CK. (14): 1, Thomson, long slim cl., good legs, wings and tail, nice and narrow in shoulders, neat head; 2, Wright, another cl., shade stronger built, very good position, well filled in; 3, Thomson, right wing ticked, very smart all round bird, true Yorkie, smaller; 4, James and Wells, cl. rich coloured, smart, upstanding bird, on small side; vhc, Phillips; he, Hillman and Broom; c, Weeks. BUFF (12): 1, Brown, J. H., grand cl., long slim, and stylish, lovely feather, and condition; 2, Phillips, another very smart slim cl., better col., nicely filled, inclined to cross wings at times; 3, James and Wells, rather larger, cl., nicely moulded, grand feather, wings, and tail, wants training, too fond of the wires; 4, Weeks, right wing tick, slim, lengthy, nice position, rare qual.; vhc, Parfitt; he, Thomson; c, Bevan. HEN (10): 1, spec., best Yerk, and spec. best hen, Parfitt, right wing tkd. yell., nice length and position, well drawn, fine col., splendid wings and tail; 2, withheld; 3, c, Brown, J. H., heavily var. yell., good size and position, appears bit fat, feed sparingly, Mr. B., well-known winner; extra 3, Cook, cl. buff, well up in size, nice head, wings, and tail; 4, Phillips, lovely cl. yell., grand position and qual., extra smart, only for lump on chest; vhc, Weeks, he, Hillman and Broom. A.O.V. CAN. (3): 1, withheld; 2, 4, Allen, Foul Green Crest, fair body, thick, well formed crest of nice size, good back and front, nice quality; 4, very similar, but trifle thinner in crest, capital centre and front; 3, withheld; No. 3 absent. FINCH. BRIT. (6): 1, withheld; 2, Perry, good, shapely Goldie, nice square cut blaze, good col. and qual., bit dark in tans; 3, he, c, Palmer, Linnet, capital type, nice col. and pencilling, good whites; he, is the Treharris winning Goldie, now heavy in moult; 4, vhc, Morgan, Chaffinch, lovely feather and condition, fair col., and nice Bramble. 10/- SELL. (5): 1, withheld; 2, Wright; 3, Cleares; 4, Hillman and Broom; vhc, Powell; he, (Mrs.) Rushton.

BLACKWOOD (Mon.

Eighth Annual Show (in conjunction with Poultry, etc.), held in the Corn[illegible] Hall, October 12th, in grand weather. Though a [illegible] and with only three Cage [illegible] ours, our friend out to be the largest and best [illegible] yet seen at this fixture. The hall, though small, was just large enough to accommodate the entry, and quite the best place was found for the cage birds on the platform, all to themselves, with a beautiful light. There is a talk of running an open show in the near future, when we think the committee may with advantage add at least an unflighted class in the Nor. and Yorks. sections. The same remark will also apply to several other shows around these parts. Right here we should like to warn exhibitors to be more careful in tying on their cage tickets, not only on the right cages, but also in the right places (in York hires on the drink hole end), quite a number of birds were found to be in their wrong classes, but fortunately corrected in time. The stewards, Messrs. Palmer, Hunt, Davis, and Poole, together with the hardworking and able secretary, Mr. W. H. Coleman, seemed eager to oblige all and sundry, and everything passed off very smoothly, notwithstanding that judging was late starting, owing to several late arrivals. The decision of the committee in withholding 1st, and giving instead two 2nds, etc., in certain classes is rather unique, and was done to save the society (which appears to be in rather low water) from getting deeper into the mire. (The rules have no bearing on the matter). The gate, when we left, gave every promise of their retrieving their losses. Special for best Nor., and cup for best bird, was won by Mr. W. Davies (Aberaman) with a bouncing yell. Nor. cock. Special best Yorks., also for best hen, by Mr. H. Parfitt, with a very smart yell. wing-ticked bird, much admired. Mr. E. J. Davies, Cardiff, made the awards and appeared to give entire satisfaction.

The Critique.

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SPEN VALLEY C.B.S.

Show held at Commercial Hotel, Cleckheaton, Oct. 10. Class 1: 1, 2, Binns; 3, Smith. Class 2: 1, 4, Sheard; 2, 3, Binns; vhc, Rothery; he, Wood; c, Smith. Class 3: 1, 4, Wood; 2, Binns; 3, Rothery; vhc, Pearson. Class 4: 1, Wood; 2, Rothery; 3, Pearson. Class 5: 1, Rothery; 2, 3, Binns; 4, Smith; vhc, Cooper. Class 6: 1, Pearson; 2, Binns; 3 Rothery; 4, Smith. Class 7: 1, Sheard; 2, Smith. Class 8: 1, Binns; 2, 3, Wood; 4, Cooper; vhc, Rothery; he, c, Smith. Class 12: 1, 2, Smith.—John Barnford.

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At the above old established society's annual show, on October 19th, in the Congregational Schools, 444 birds were staged in the 29 classes provided, an average of slightly over 15 per class, the quality being of the highest throughout. Mr. Herbert Sutcliffe, junior member of the well-known firm of Messrs. Sutcliffe and Son, officiated in the capacity of judge, and he was assisted by Mr. T. Bennett, Lidgett Green, both giving every satisfaction in their awards. The latter took unflighted hens, selling, and Norwich novice classes, and Mr. Sutcliffe the remainder. The room is the very best that can be had for the purposes of a show, splendidly lighted, lofty, free from draughts, and within easy reach by train or tram of the principal districts of Canarydom. Mr. J. Holroyd, the popular secretary, is well versed in the work appertaining to a show, and had all things in splendid order. He was ably assisted by Mr. B. Hainsworth, whilst the president, Mr. F. Self, was here, there, and everywhere, attending to the wants of exhibits and exhibitors, and Messrs. F. Self, A. Lister, G. Snead, J. Shackleton, J. Hainsworth, W. Ormondroyd, A. Sykes, and others, rendered valuable aid in making the show a success. Prize money was paid out on the Saturday afternoon to the winners present, a point that should not be overlooked by intending exhibitors next year. There was a good attendance of visitors during the afternoon, and several meetings in connection with specialist clubs were held in conjunction with it.

The Critique.

CL. YELL. YKS. (8): 1, Fieldhouse, lengthy and very shooty, good head, back, and wings, nice qual., fails a little in position; 2, Tyas, good type, very erect in position, rattling wings and tail, lovely qual.; 3, Thomas, nice length, very straight, good wedge shape, smart feathered; 4, Ogden Bros., rare shape, good position, leggy, grand qual.; vhc, Bailey; hc, Dykes; c, Shackleton. BUFF (13): 1, Simonett, rattling type, very well up in position, good shoulders, well braced wings and tail, lovely qual.; 2, Whitaker, nice shape, straight, good head, perfect feather; 3, Ackroyd, great length, stronger, good wings, rattling feather and col.; 4, Radley, monster, good shape, nice qual.; vhc, Bailey; hc, Jennings; c, Thomas. TICK. YELL. (8): 1, Burdekin Bros., good type and straight as a rush, well filled back, lovely qual. and col.; 2, Helliwell, nice shape and extra position, good back, rattling qual.; 3, Ogden Bros., good length and shape, rattling position, smart feather; 4, Wilson, grand long sided bird, good shape and leggy, neat head, nice qual.; vhc, Fergusson; hc, Snead; c, Thomas. BUFF (9): 1, Dykes, tic. head, grand length and shape, rattling position, good back and wings, lovely feather; 2, Jebson, tic. cheek, nice type, good head, smart style, rare qual.; 3, Ogden Bros., splash breast, neat, narrow shoulders, good position, grand qual.; 4, Shaw Bros., tic. head, splendid shape and position, feathered to perfection; vhc, Radley; hc, Allen; c, Tidswell. UNFLTD. YELL. (8): 1, Thomas, grand length and very straight, leggy, and fine position, well drawn out, gem for qual.; 2, Walsh, red hot col. and lovely qual., rounded as a bottle, good head, nice length; 3, Allen, good shape and style, neat, very clean front, good qual; 4, Lee, slim, beautifully drawn out, leggy, rare qual.; vhc, Snead; hc, Firth; c, Whitley. BUFF (12): 1, Mason, grand shape, very compact, good position, rattling col. and qual., all in one piece, gem; 2, Jebson, good shape, shows well, leggy, extra qual.; 3, Burdekin Bros., good col. and feather, showy, good shape body, bit thin top end; 4, Chittenden, good shape and position, leggy, nice qual., rather wild; vhc, Lister; hc, Blackburn and Mitchell; c, Ogden Bros. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Thomas, grand length and shape, good head, back, and wings, lovely qual. and col., gem all through; 2, Shackleton, tic. head, slim, straight, shooty, shows well, nice back and wings, rare qual.; 3, Casey, nice type, well cut away, good back, nice feather; 4, Lee, grand length, good shape, nice wings, neat qual.; vhc, Burdekin Bros.; hc, Craven; c, Bailey. BUFF (13): 1, Ogden Bros., tic. wing, grand length and shape, well filled all through, marvellous qual., smooth as glass, put down in rattling form; 2, Dykes, extra good position, nice type, rattling shoulders, back, wings and tail, nice qual., but a bit loose under; 3, Whitley, nice shape, showy, leggy, lovely qual., wants a wash; 4, Craven, good shape, straight as a rush, lovely feather, nice position; vhc, Peel; hc, Bodgeon; c, Midgley. UNFLTD. HEN (15): 1, vhc, Radley, not over long, good shape, leggy, nice back, good qual., yell; 2, Clegg, buff, good shape, straight, fine head and back, nice feather; 3, Elsegood, tic. yell., grand length, slim, beautifully drawn, leggy, nice qual., we liked; 4, Peel, rattling buff, good shape, well cut away, extra qual., smart; hc, Ackroyd; c, Moss. GREEN MKD. YELL. (18): 1, Denby, four pointed, rare length, grand shape, drawn out well, splendid flights, good qual.; 2, Farrar, mkd. wings, eyes, head, grand wedge shape, good shoulders, extra smart feather; 3, Thomas, foul, great length, good style, leggy, rare wings, full of col. and qual.; 4, Brown & Son, mkd. wings, eyes and cheek, stronger, good shape, very smart feather, bit across perch; vhc, Chittenden; hc, Snead; c, Dykes. BUFF (17): 1, vhc, Ogden Bros., mkd. wings, eyes, grand shape and style, beautifully cut away, good head, extra col. and feathered like wax; 2, Towers, four ptd., grand shape, nice position, marvellous col. and qual., smart; 3, Dykes, mkd. wings, eyes, and breast, straight as a gun barrel, good shape, rattling feather and col.; 4, Hall, mkd. wings, cheeks, throat, good shape, leggy, shooty, nice qual., pale col.; hc, Craven; c, Whitley. DITTO YELL. HEN (17): 1, Stobart, three ptd., grand shape and position, leggy, beautifully rounded, perfect feather, gem; 2, Dykes, grand length and shape, shooty, good back, wings, and tail, lovely qual., beaten in position; 3, Shackleton, mkd. wings, cheeks, head, typical, and stylish, leggy, nice qual.; 4, hc, Thomas, mkd. wings, cheeks, head, splendid shape and position, well drawn, extra qual; vhc, Myers; c, Bailey. BUFF (14): 1, Mason, mkd. wings, rattling shape and position, grand head, back, and wings, marvellous feather, very compact; 2, Brown and Son, mkd. wings, eye, plenty of size, grand shape and position, good qual.; 3, Morrison, mkd. wings, eyes, good type, leggy, smart style, good feather; 4, Bailey, good shape, rattling position, lovely qual.; vhc, and c, Chittenden; hc, Shackleton. CIN. TIC., ETC., YELL. (11): 1, Bailey, marvellous shape, leggy, and fine position, full of col. and qual.; 2, Ogden Bros., lightly mkd., lovely type and style, leggy, slim, grand qual.; 3, Hilas, mkd. wing, head, grand shape and position, grand head, smart feather; 4, Myers, mkd wings, eyes, good type, well cut away, rattling style, nice head, good qual. and col.; vhc, Brown and Son; hc, Towers; c, Thomas. BUFF (6): 1, Morrison, mkd. wings, cheek, good size, nice shape, rattling col. and qual.; 2, Graysbon, mkd. wings, eyes, strong, fair shape, not looking so well when we saw it; 3, Brown and Son, mkd. wings, head, neck, and good shape, leggy, nice position ex. qual.; 4, McDade, mkd. wings, eyes, head, good shape, ex. position, nicely drawn, fair qual.; vhc, Ormondroyd; hc, Allen. DITTO. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Allen, 4 ptd. and head, leggy, rattling shape, good position, nice qual., real smart; 2, Ogden Bros., very fine, 4 ptd., typical, leggy, fine position, good head, extra qual.; 3, 4, Moss, both nice length and shape; 3, grand wings and tail; 4, very leggy and good position; vhc, Bailey; hc, Thomas; c, Bullen. BUFF (14): 1 and hc, Allen, mkd. wings, good size, rattling shape, very good head and neck, lovely qual.; 2, c, Morrison, mkd. wings, cheeks, breast, grand wedge shape, rattling style, extra qual.; 3, Myers and Lumb, straight, good shape, nice position, neat feather; 4, Casey, mkd. wings, eyes, nice type and style, rattling good col., and qual.; vhc, Simonett. NOVICE SECTION (limit £5 5s.) CL. or TIC. YELL. (19): 1, Ellis, self, nice shape, lengthy, good back, smart qual., might be better in position; 2, Crabtree, grand shape, well drawn out, rare long wings, neat feathered; 3, Firth, grand shape and position, grand head, back, wings, extra qual., bit patchy in col.; 4, Spencer and Maiden, good size, good shape, rattling col., fair qual.; vhc., Marshall Bros.; hc, Powell; c, Long. BUFF (21): grand class: 1, Marshall Bros, grand shape and position, good col., nice head, rattling qual., we thought a bit cracked in back; 2, Dibb, tic., check, great length, good shape, and leggy, lovely qual., very clean made; 3, Oddy, fine position, rare shape, full of qual., smart; 4, Tyas, nice length and shape, well filled throughout, good head, smart feather; vhc, Binns; hc, Firth; c, Fisher and Dyson. GREEN MKD. (21): 1, Binns, 4 ptd. yell. very nice and slim, neat type, leggy, straight, good qual.; 2, Wood, buff, extra position, fine shape, lovely qual.; 3, Brook and Oldfield, mkd. wings, eyes, great length, good body, rattling qual., fails, shade in head; 4, Long, foul yell., good type and style, grand col. and qual., bit flat on head; vhc, Tasker; hc, Higley; c, Nichols. UNFLTD. (19): 1, Powell, yell., nice length and shape, leggy, fine position, good back and wings, lovely qual.; 2, Radley, buff, smallish, neat, extra well up, nice head, perfect feather; 3, Townley, grand shape, good back, splendid wing carriage, nice qual; 4, Binns, yell., good shape, leggy, nice qual., bit soft; vhc, Greenwood; hc, Taylor; c, Bushby. CIN. TIC., ETC. (9): 1, Grange, buff, mkd. wings, eyes, grand type and style, neat, good back, lovely qual.; 2, Deighton, yell., grand length and shape, well drawn out, good wings, ex. col. and qual.; 3, Slater, yell, slim, neat type, nicely cut away, mod. qual.; 4, McLaughlin, buff, good shape, ex. qual., good back and head, neat; vhc, Boulton; hc, Gill; c, Moore. DITTO HEN (12): 1, Leather, yell., lengthy, good shape, nice, well filled back, nice qual.; 2, Swaine, very straight in shape, good length, rare feather; 3, Grange, buff, good type, extra fine qual., good head; 4, Taylor, buff, tic. head, grand type, nice head, neck, good wings, lovely feather; vhc, Binns; hc, Woad; c, Spencer and Maiden. YELL. HEN (22): 1, Ward, grand shape, rattling head, carries wings well, clean front, grand qual.; 2, Bennett, nice length and shape, good, well filled in back, well braced wings and tail, perfect feather; 3, Naylor, mkd., nice shape and position, very clean made, leggy, grand qual.; 4, Crabtree, lengthy, grand type, leggy, good long wings, nice qual; vhc., Tasker; hc, Shackleton; c, McLaughlin. BUFF (35): marvellous class: 1, Helliwell, straight, nice shape, leggy, grand feather; 2, Naylor, great length, rare shape, good shoulders, grand back and wings, nice position, lovely qual.; 3, Mountain, grand wedge shape, extra position, splendid qual., gem; 4, Beaumont, nice type and very stylish, lovely qual., smart; vhc, Rhodes; hc, Greenwood; c, Bower. NORWICH CK. (9): 1, 2, Birbeck, buff, leading, marvellous sub., grand qual. and col., the runner up a yell., grand head, unfltd., rattling shape, nice qual.; 3, Ingham, yell, splendid shape and sub., full of col. and nice qual.; 4, Airton, buff, nice type, good head, all there for qual. and col.; vhc, Pearson; hc, Hall; c, Hunter. HEN (14): 1, Birbeck, yell., grand shape and head, nice sub., good col., nicely feathered; 2, Clarke, buff, very massive, chesty, rare qual.; 3, Kaberry, buff, good size, rattling shape, nice feather, tic. eyes; 4, Hunter, neat cobby type, rattling qual; vhc, c, Airton; hc, Wiseman.

ATTERCLIFFE AND DIST. C.B.S.

First table show of Canaries and British, held headquarters, Horse and Jockey Hotel, October 10, when 65 birds were staged. The birds entered showed a marked improvement, both in numbers and all round quality upon those of the first of these series last year. The following gentlemen placed the awards, and gave every satisfaction: Mr. Perry (Yorks), Mr. Richinson (Norwich), Mr. Welbon (Brit.). MEMBERS, YORKS., CL., OR TKD. (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Webster. MKD. OR HEAV. VARIEG. (4): 1, 3, Walker; 2, 4, Webster. NOR., CL., TKD. YELL. (4): 1, Grainger; 2, Smith; 3, Havenhand; 4, Watson. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Havenhand; 3, Grainger; 4, Watson. MKD. OR HEAV. VARIEG. (10): 1, Havenhand; 2, 3, 4, c, Smith; vhc, hc, Watson. NOV., YORKS., CL. OR TKD. (7): 1, 3, Hammond; 2, vhc, hc, c, Merrills; 4, Duce. MKD. OR HEAV. VARIEG. (9): 1, 4, c, Eason; 2, Duce; 3, vhc, hc, Dyett. NOV., NOR., MKD. OR HEAV. VARIEG. (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Harrison. BRIT., LINNET (6): 1, 2, Smith; 3, hc, Harrison; 4, Ritson; vhc, Hailstone. REDPOLL (4): 1, Smith; 2, 4, Harrison; 3, Ritson. GREENFINCH (9): 1, Hailstone; 2, 3, 4, Green. A.O.V.: 1, F. Dyett; 2, 3, 4, Hailstone; 4, Green.

BRADFORD WEST C.B.A.

Members Show, October 16th, at Headquarters, Shoulder of Mutton, Girlington. Entries came in very nicely, 90 birds being staged. Mr. R. Halliday, Shipley, judged and gave every satisfaction. Most points were gained by F. Western, 41; A. Bennett, 28; A. Whitley, 21; Mr. E. Clegg, Dewsbury, won 1 and sp. for best bird in show, with a very fine spe. cl. buff, of fine length and quality. Champions, 1, CL. TKD. YELL. YORK: 1, Whitley; 2, 4, Cowgill and Son; 3, E. Clegg. BUFF: 1, Clegg; 2, Wallbank; 3, 4, Cowgill and Son. CL. or TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Wellock; 2, Cowgill and Son; 3, Clegg; 4, Wallbank. BUFF: 1, Whitley; 2, Clegg; 3, Cowgill and Son; 4, Wellock. MKD. COCK: 1, 3, Wood and Stirk; 2, 4, Whitley. HEN: 1, 2, Whitley; 3, Wood and Stirk; 4, Wellock. VARI.: 1, 2, Clegg. Novice: CL. or TKD. YELL. YORK: 1, McEwen; 2, Bennett; 3, Robinson; 4, Mountain. BUFF: 1, Smith; 2, Butterfield; 3, Chambers; 4, Mountain. CL. TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Smith; 2, 3, Bennett; 4, Western. BUFF: 1, 3, Western; 2, Kilburn; 4, Bennett. MKD. COCK: 1, 2, Western; 3, Smith; 4, Bennett. HEN: 1, 3, Bennett; 2, 4, Western. VARIEG. HEN: 1, Western; 2, Robinson; 3, Goodwin.—Kilburn and Western, scco.

BURNLEY.

Wonderful Canary Sections

Again Remarkable Entries in the Amateur and Novice Classes.

Twenty-sixth Annual Show, held Fullage Assembly Rooms, October 18th and 19th. This is an ideal hall for the exhibition of cage birds, being on the ground flood, well lighted, and free from draughts. Entries totalled 500. There was a grand display of both Yorks. and Nor. British and Foreign came up badly, only one class filling. We think if the committee will be more liberal with their classification this section would do better. Mr. F. Cunliffe makes an ideal secretary, he seems to have everything in systematical order. He was well backed up by an excellent committee, comprising president R. Braybrook, vice-pres. J. Hayhurst, treas. G. Watson, and Messrs. Holden, Seed, Smalley, Taylor, Lingard, Moorhouse, Entwistle, Edmondson, Huggins, Baker, Barwise, and Clayton. The show was opened by the Mayor, Ald. Keighley. There was a good attendance of visitors, and the show proved a complete success. Mr. J. Trengove judged Nor., and Mr. J. H. Roe the remainder. Sandiford's special was won by W. Grimshaw. The Arbuthnot rose bowl and Hyde's special by Mr. Lingard.

The Critique.

NORWICH CHAMP.: CL. or TKD. YELL. (13): 1, 2, Davies, 1st cl., grand size, shape, good head and neck, short, well packed wings and tail, rich, even col., stands well over perch, splendid carriage and qual; 2, nice size and shape, neat head and neck, rich, even col., splendid qual.; 3, Lingard, good size and shape, neat head and neck, nice carr. and qual., not quite the col. of winners; 4, Hargreaves, good size, nice shape and substance, fair level col., fails a bit in wing carriage; vhc, Braybrook; hc, Beswick; c, Oliver. BUFF (15): 1, Davies, cl., grand size and shape, good head and neck, short wings and tail, rich, even col., stands well over perch, perfect carr., and qual.; 2, Vardy, cl., grand size and shape, neat head and neck, good wings, and tail, nice col., hardly qual. of winner; 3, Wrigley, cl., good size and shape, nice head and neck, neat level col., crosses wings just a little; 4, McConaghey, nice shape, good wings and tail, nice level col., loses in size to winners; vhc, Thomas; hc, Barnes; c, Leonard. TKD. or VAR. YELL. (8): 1, 2, Davies, wonderful pair, leader, marked head and wings, grand size, shape, and col., good head and neck, neat wings and tail, perfect carr. and qual.; 2, var., very little between this and winner; 3, Whittaker, grizzle cap, good size, nice shape and substance, neat wings, trifle behind in col.; 4, Thomas, varig., grand size and shape, nice and cobby, fails little in col.; vhc, Raynes; he, Wrigley; c, Sutton. BUFF (14): 1, 2, Cook, leader, marked eyes and wings; 2, cl., both grand size and shape, good level col., nice heads and neck, well packed wings and tail, grand qual., good pair; 3, Vardy, grizzle cap, nice size and shape, good head and neck, rich even colour, fine qual., fails little in wing carr.; 4, Leonard, neat size and shape, good wings and tail, rich level col., fails little in head; vhc, Johnson; hc, Seed; c, Wrigley. YELL. HEN (14): 1, Cunliffe, cl., nice size and shape, good head and neck, nice wings and tail, good level col.; 2, Hurst, marked eyes and wings, good size and shape, nice wings and tail, splendid quality; 3, Thomas, var., nice size and shape, nice level col., good wings, trifle weak in head; 4, Whittaker, eye tkd., nice size and shape, good even col., neat wings and tail, very smart; vhc, Seed; hc, . and J. Hopkins; c, Sutton. BUFF (12): 1, Whittaker, cl., good size, shape, head, and neck, neat wings and tail, rich even col., grand qual.; 2, Vardy, var., good size and shape, neat head and neck, grand carr. and qual.; 3, Lingard, cl., fair size, good col. and qual., neat wings, fails bit in substance; 4, Braybrook, cl., good size and shape, neat head and neck, nice wing carriage, good level col.; vhc, Leonard; hc, Marsh; c, Hartley. UNFLIG. YELL. (18): 1, Cook, grizzle cap, grand size and shape, good head and neck, short, well packed wings and tail, red hot col., grand qual.; 2, Vardy, cl., nice size and shape, good head and neck, neat wings and tail, rich even col.; 3, Mercer, mkd. eyes and wings, fair size, neat wings, good col., just beaten in head; 4, Johnson, wing mkd., good size, nice cobby shape, good col.; vhc, Marsh; hc, Hirst; c, Mattinsou. BUFF (18): 1, Whittaker, cl., grand size, shape, good head and neck, nice wings and tail, rich level col., splendid qual.; 2, McConaghey, var., good size and shape, neat head and neck, nice level col., not quite the polish; 3, Senior, cl., nice size and shape, fair col. and qual., fails a little in head; 4, Lingard, grizzle, neck, fair size and shape, nice wings and tail, good level col., not quite so cobby; vhc, Hayhurst; hc, Nickeon; c, Hirst. HEN (23): 1, Granger, cl., yell., nice size and shape, good head and neck, short, well packed wings and tail, rich even col., grand carr. and qual.; 2, Beswick, cl. buff, fair size and shape, good head and neck, fair col.; 3, Whittaker, buff, mkd. neck and wings, good size and shape, nice head and neck, rich level col., very neat; 4, Marsh, tick. yell., neat size, nice shape, good wings and tail, rich even col., hardly the substance; vhc, c, Mercer; hc, Thomas. NAT. COL. COCK (8): 1, Taylor, cl. yell., good size and shape, neat head and neck, nice wings and tail, nice qual.; 2, Rayne, var. buff, grand size and shape, good head and neck, grand carr. and qual.; 3, Hopkins, yell., marked eyes and wings, fair size, neat head and neck, nice wings, hardly substance; 4, Marsh, yell., grizzle neck, fair size and shape, nice wings, very neat; vhc, Huggins. HEN (6): 1, Davies, yell, mkd. head and wings, good size, shape, and qual., very neat; 2, Cook, var. yell., good size and shape, neat head and neck, nice level col.; 3, Venables, var. buff, grand size and shape, neat head and neck, well carried wings and tail, good qual.; 4, Gerrard, cl. buff, nice size and shape, good head, fails a little in qual.; vhc, Pike. AMAT. CL. ETC. YELL. (26): 1, hc, Fowler, grand size and shape, good head and neck, neat wings and tail, red hot col., grand qual.; 2, Proctor, good size and shape, good head and neck, short, well packed wings and tail, rich even col., very close up; 3, Heaton, cl., good size and col., neat head and wings, hardly the substance; 4, Bell, var., fair size, nice head and neck, good level col., trifle slim; vhc, Grimshaw; c, Burton. BUFF, a grand class: 1, Heaton, cl., grand size and shape, good head and neck, grand wings and tail, rich level col., stands well over perch, grand qual.; 2, Lawton, fair size, grand qual. and shape, good head and neck, well packed wings and tail, splendid carr. and qual.; 3, Rhodes, cl., good size and shape, nice head and neck, well carried wings and tail, grand qual.; close up; 4, Hitchen, heav. var., grand size, nice shape, good head and neck, nice level col., not quite the polish; vhc, hc, Proctor; c, Fulton. UNFLIG. YELL. (24): 1, Harris, cl., grand size, splendid shape, neat head and neck, well carried wings and tail, rich even col., grand qual.; 2, vhc, Huggins, leader, grizzle head, good size, nice shape, neat head and neck, very cobby, hot col., very near; 3, Greenhalgh, mkd. eye and neck, good size and shape, well carried wings and tail, rich level col., good carr. and qual.; 4, Fulton, var, good size and shape, nice head and neck, well carried wings and tail, red hot col.; hc, Hitchen; c, Lawton. BUFF, another grand class: 1, Scott, mkd. eyes and neck, good size and shape, nice head and neck, well carried wings and tail, rich even col., grand carr. and qual.; 2, Garbutt, wing mkd., good size, splendid shape, good head and neck, neat wings and tail, nice col., good qual.; 3, Cooper, cl., good size, nice shape, grand wings and tail, good level col., fails a trifle in head; 4, vhc, Proctor, leader, cl., grand size and shape, very cobby, well carried wings and tail, nice level col., not quite the polish; hc, Hopwood Bros.; c, Bulton. YELL. HEN (20): 1, 2, Proctor, two good ones, leader, cl., good size and shape, grand head and neck, neat body and wings, nice level col.; 2, mkd. head, good size and shape, neat head, nice substance, grand col., both grand carr. and qual.; 3, Thompson, cl., good size, nice shape, good head and neck, well carried wings and tail, good col., very neat; 4, McKail, var., grand size and shape, nice head and neck, grand body, well carried wings, fails trifle in col.; vhc, Fildes; hc, Garbutt; c, Edmundson. BUFF (37): yet another grand class: 1, Grimshaw, var., grand size and shape, good head, well carried wings and tail, rich, level col., grand qual.; 2, Collis, var., good size, nice head and neck, grand body, good wings and tail, rich col., close up; 3, Southworth, cl., nice size and shape, good head and neck, neat wings, nice col., trifle longer; 4, Fielding, var., good size and shape, neat head and neck, grand carr., rich level col., very neat; vhc, Hopwood Bros.; hc, Barton; c, Vint. CHAMPION YORKS. CL. ETC., YELL. (14): 1, Rigg, cl., nice length and shape, beautifully drawn, well carried wings and tail, grand style and qual.; 2, Wilkinson Bros, cl., neat, and shapely, nice wedgy body, well up on leg, nice style; 3, Craig, cl., nice length, good shape, neat head and neck, well carried wings, nice style; 4, Dykes, cl., fair length, nice head and back, good wings and tail, nicely drawn; vhc, Hirst; hc, Leonard; c, Stottart. BUFF (12): 1, Rigg, tkd. head, grand length and shape, well up on leg, beautifully drawn, straight as a rush, grand style and qual.; 2, Hirst, cl., grand length and shape, nice wedgy body, well up on leg, grand style and finish, close up; 3, Dykes, var., nice length and shape, neat head, well carried wings, fails a trifle in col.; 4, Stottart, cl., nice length and shape, nice wedgy body, well up on leg, well carried wings and tail, fails in col. to winners; vhc, Miller; hc, Leonard; c, Braybrook. CL. TKD. ETC. YELL. HENS (8): 1, Wilkinson Bros., mkd. eyes and wings, good length and shape, beautifully drawn, well up on leg, grand style and finish; 2, Leonard, wing mkd., good length, steady as a rock, nice wedgy body, neat level col., close up; 3, Craig, cl., fair length, nice shape, good head and back, well carried wings and tail; 4, Dykes, leg tkd., nice length, nice back, well carried wings and tail, fails neck to winner; vhc, Hodgson; hc, Miller; c Brookes. BUFF (6): 1, Craig, cl., nice length, good shape, neat head, well carried wings and tail, good level col.; 2, 3, Greenwood, leader, ticked neck, nice length and shape, good back, well up on legs; 3, cl., fair length and shape, good head and wings, nicely drawn, both nice level col., and good qual.; 4, Brooks, cl., nice length, shape, well carried wings and tail, trifle wild; vhc, Wilkinson Bros. NOVICE, YELL. (26): 1, Gill, cl., nice length and shape, well up on legs, well carried wings and tail, steady as a rock, good level col., nice and stylish; 2, Green, cl., nice length and shape, well carried wings and tail, grand style and finish; 3, Williams, cl., good length, nice shape, good wings and tail, inclined to frill on breast; 4, Tidswell, tick. neck, grand length and shape, neat wings and tail, fails a little in neck; vhc, Evans; hc, Pickup; c, Livesey. BUFF (27): 1, Green, mkd. head, eyes, and wings, grand length, nice shape, well carried wings and tail, well up on leg, even col., very stylish; 2, Appleton, cl., nice length and shape, nice wedgy body, well carried wings and tail, grand finish, close up; 3, Stanfield Bros., cl., good length and shape, red hot col., well carried wings and tail, fails a trifle on breast; 4, Harrison, tick head, good length, neat shape, well up on leg, well carried wings and tail, very stylish; vhc, Tidswell; hc, Evans; c, Gill. HEN (24): 1, King, Cinn. mkd. eyes and wings, grand length and shape, nice wedgy body, well up on leg, well carried wings and tail, good level col., very stylish and neat; 2, Pickup, cl., nice length and shape, neat head, well carried wings and tail, nice finish; 3, Tidswell, cl., nice length, good shape and head, nice level col., inclined to be rough on eyes; 4, Brierley, yell, mkd. eyes, good length and shape, grand back, well carried wings and tail, fails trifle in col.; vhc, Pearson; hc, Clayton; c, Riley Bros. A.O.V. Can., Mules, and Hyb. (8): 1, 2, Walsh, leader, Can. Bullie, fair size, nicely marked, grand level col., a real gem; 2, eyes and wings mkd., Goldfinch-Can., grand face, good size and shape, nice col., well staged; 3, 4, vhc, Johnson, marked, grand qual.; 4, Coldie Bullie, good face, nice eyes and shape, well marked, very neat; hc, Hartley; c, Cunliffe. Brit. HARD. (12): 1, 2, 4, Johnson, 1st Hawfinch, grand size and shape, good bib, leader, Hawfinch, grand size and shape, good bib, well marked, good wings; 2, Yellowhammer, good size and col., nice shape and tail, nice shaped head markings; 4, Corn Bunting, grand size, nicely mkd., very steady, all well staged; 3, Beswick, Bramble, grand size and col., nicely spangled head and back, might be staged in a more suitable cage; vhc, Walsh; hc, Holden; c, Fisher. Other Brit., the For., and Gift class cancelled. Mr. Howes' birds, Wellingborough, arrived too late and did not compete.

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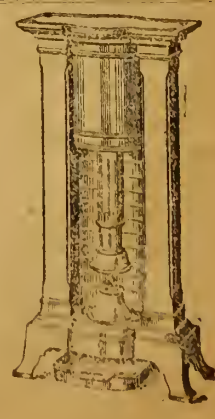
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Record Breaking at Burton-on-Trent.

Fine All-Round Display: Norwich Plainheads a Grand Section

The sixth annual show proved a record in every way. The entry was 450, which is more by a hundred than last year. The quality of the exhibits was the feature of the show; we have never seen anything like this at Burton. Mr. A. Wood, the hardworking secretary, is to be highly congratulated on getting such a show together; he makes an ideal secretary, and sits at the table just as if there is no worry at all—he finds it pays to keep cool. Mr. Wood was well backed up by a splendid committee, viz., Colonel Ratcliffe, President; vice-presidents, Messrs. W. J. Read and E. Street; chairman, Dr. Dockerty; vice-chairman, Mr. H. Hathaway; treas., E. Bond, and Messrs. England, Ford, Kirkland, Lee, Springhall, Elliott, Bond, Crouch, Morris, Mason, Freer, Ames, Oldham and Emery, who all worked hard for the benefit of the society. The birds were as usual staged on the "Bass" barrels, which make an ideal staging, and no fear of getting pushed over. There was a rare crowd of fanciers present from all over the Midlands, among whom wo noticed the genial Mr. F. Fox, Messrs. Eckersley, Halse, Hanford, Caremon, and many more, whom we cannot just think of. Mr. John Robson judged, and had a very hard day's work, which made him very late in the afternoon before finishing. Norwich were an excellent collection, the unflighted classes being keenly contested. The winner in the unflighted yell. class has, if we are not mistaken, a great future. Cinnamons were also grand, as were Yorkshires. The British section contained some really fine birds; in fact, the finest the county can produce. We regret to see the foreign class so poorly filled, as at one time Burton used to be a noted show for foreign birds.

The Critique.

NOR., YELL. (12): 1, 2 spls., Judd, very hot col. cl., lovely type, size and shape, most beautiful quality, short, well carried wings and tail, stout, full chest, nice head, grand condition; 2, Aspinall, cl., grand type, very cobby, good size, nice broad head, full neck, neat wings and tail, A1 col. and quality, beautiful condition and feather; 3, Corrall, cl., little rough in feather, but very nice col. and quality, nice head and neck, capital wings and tail, good front, lovely bloom; vhc, Simpson and Vertigan, cl.; hc, Mason; c, Dodd. BUFF (13): 1, Bowyer, most lovely cl., splendid size, shape and carriage, quality of the best, grand head and neck, nice short wings and tail, grand col., condition and feather, wins; 2, Judd, very taking cl., lovely col. and quality, good shape, size and front, nice wings and tail, lovely condition; 3, Allen, well up in col. and shape, capital size, lovely quality, well filled back, capital bloom; vhc, Willoughby, clear, grand size, shape and col.; hc, Jeacock; c, Elliott. YELL. MKD., ETC. (12): 1, Judd, lovely, shapely, head and wing mkd., full of quality, neat flights and tail, good size, well up in col., good head and neck, nice bloom; 2, 3, Hathaway, neck and wings mkd., lovely shape and size, well filled, back, nice head and neck, full of quality, close up, 3, wing tkd., grand shape and type very cobby grand col., qual., condition and feather; vhc, Aspinall; hc, Baker; c, Houghton. BUFF (10): 1, Elliott, eye tkd., nicely frosted, good col. and shape, capital size, nice back, head and neck, little rough at sides, grand feather and bloom; 2, 3, Hathaway, two really grand head and wing mkds., most lovely colour and quality, both grand shape and size, faultlessly shown; vhc, Aspinall, grand col. and quality, rare shape and type; hc, Emery; c, Holder. VARIEG., ETC. (8): 1, Hathaway, large, shapely yell.-green, grand col. and quality, full neck, grand head, neat flights and tail, nice front, capital bloom; 2, Winterbottom, variog. buff, nice style, shape and size, rare type and quality, nice head, good back, rare condition, close up; 3, Houghton, yell.-green, lovely col. and qual., neat head, good neck and back, lovely feather, must have pressed hard; vhc, Baker; hc, Elliott; c, Mason. YELL. HEN (10): Good class. 1, Critchley, lovely neck and wings mkd., grand type and shape, nice col. and feather, beautiful qual., short, well-carried wings and tail; 2, Wright, very large, nice shaped cl., grand col. and qual., nice head, neck and front, very cobby, faultlessly shown; 3, Garfield, nice, typical cl., well up in col. and qual., rare head and neck, best of wings and tail, beautiful feather and form; vhc, Hathaway, nice typical cl.; hc, Mason; c, Bowyer. BUFF (11): 1, Aspinall, lovely cl. good size, grand shape and qual., good broad head, nice full chest, capital, well carried wings and tail, lovely col. and feather; 2, Turner, grand shape, full of quality, best of wings and tail, nice head and neck, capital size, grand bloom; 3, Judd, cl., lovely qual., size and shape, beautifully cobby, nice short wings and tail, some thought at least equal to winner; vhc, Collier; hc, Williams; c, Hakes. UNFLIG. YELL. (25): Splendid class. 1, Houghton, wins easily, one of the best clears out this season, grand shape, size and qual., most lovely col. and condition, nice wings, tail, head and neck; 2, Wright, cl., nice qual., well up for col. and size, nice head and neck, good shape, feather and coudition; 3, Elliott, neck mkd., good size and shape, rare head and neck, lovely col. and qual., nice full chest, lovely bloom; vhc, Collier, variog., grand shape; hc, Yates; c, Corrall, hot cl., of grand quality, spoilt by broken tail, don't have your perches so close together, Mr. C. BUFF (17): Nice class. 1, Hulse, cl., capital col. and shape, nice head and neck, perfect flights and tail, well filled in neck and back, A1 feather and condition, wins; 2, hc, Houghton, cl., little rough at sides, but grand qual., shape, size and type, sweet head, nice back; hc, eye and wing mkd., we really liked, fine quality and col., must have pressed hard; 3, Turner, rattling good cl., bold build, rare head, shape and front, nicely frosted, fine feather and quality, in beautiful feather; vhc, Gowdridge, in rare trim, grand size, nice feather; c, Allen. UNFLIG. HENS (27): Best class in show for quality. 1, Judd, very cobby, cl. buff, lovely quality, nice head and neck, grand shape and size, capital wings and tail, splendid feather, faultlessly shown; 2, 3, Elliott, cl., buff, rare type, shape and qual., nice head and neck, grand col. and bloom, splendidly frosted, well staged, 3, eye and wing mkd., rare shape and size, col. and qual., fine condition and feather; vhc, Mason, very taking cl. buff; hc, Willoughby; c, Emery. NAT. COL. (8): 1, Barratt, cl. yell., nice col., shape and size, bold head, nice bloom and qual., wins well; 2, Hathaway, capital head and wing mkd., of grand col. and quality, nice head and neck, capital order; 3, Hewitt, nicc cl., in rare form, hardly so large as leaders, nice col. and qual.; vhc, Springhall; hc, Mason; c, Elliott. PAIRS, 80s. (11): 1, Hathaway, grand pair, in lovely feather; 2, Wright, nice pair, hardly so large; 3, Springhall, good pair, nice qual. and col.; vhc, Cooper; hc, Smith; c, Mason. NOV. CKS. (20): 1, Kirk, very taking, stylish cl. buff, lovely head, shape and size, grand col. and condition, nice wings and tail; 2, Mrs. Hinde, cl. buff, grand size, shape and col., broad head, nice neck and back, A1 bloom, close up; 3, Slaymaker, cheek and wings mkd. buff, well up in col., grand shape and size, nice head, cobby build, capital order; vhc, Wood, neck tkd. yell., in lovely form; hc, Lewis; c, Cratchley., HENS (11): 1, Bell, lovely shaped, eye-tkd. buff, nice feather, good size, col. and qual.; 2, Ford, wing-mkd. buff, good col. and qual., nice head, well carried wings, cobby shape, nice bloom; 3, Muddiman, capital cl. buff, in lovely trim, nice col. and shape, good size and condition; vhc, Peter, taking cl. yell.; hc, Wood; c, Martin. UNFLIG. (17): 1, Wood, real model for shape, grand size and col., beautiful qual., claimed at catalogue price, hard lines, Mr. W; 2, hc, Muddiman, two nice, typical cl. yells., lovely col., shape and qual., nice form; 3, Martin, really fine cl. yell., in tip-top form, good size, cobby shape; vhc, Kirk, yell.; c, Burdett. YORKS., YELL. (8): 1, Dykes, neck and wing mkd., lovely style and position, nice head and neck, lovely wings and tail, rare col. and feather, wins; 2, hc, Lane, cl., capital col. and qual., neat head, nice style and position, very slim and typical; 3, Muxlow, cl., real good col., nice length, very slim and upstanding, perfect feather; vhc, Walker; c, Harrison and Fancourt. BUFF (6): 1, Dykes, long, leggy, wing and neck mkd., beautiful col. and qual., neat wings, pipe tail, lovely condition; 2, Richards, very long indeed, but we scarcely followed the judge here, the bird showed some frill, and was not tight in plumage; 3, Beanmont, cl., grand qual., very neat all over, rare type, length and condition, must have pressed hard for 2; vhc, Harrison and Fancourt, beautiful cl., some thought should have been in money; hc, Lane; c, Halt. HENS (10): 1, 3, Walker, leader grand, slim, upstanding yell., in capital order, nice length and style, perfect feather; 3, cl., buff, nice col. and qual., rare shape, style and feather; 2, Beaumont, cl. yell., grand position, nice head and neck, grand qual., perfect trim; vhc, Dykes, looks like his noted cl. yell., in capital order; hc, Williams; c, Harrison and Fancourt. UNFLIG. (11): 1, Walker, very slim and stylish, grand legs, nice head, neck, wings and tail, rare qual. and col., beautiful feather; 2, Dykes, head mkd. yell., rare type and shape, grand col. and trim, real nice all over, rare form; 3, hc, Lane, neck-mkd. yell., in nice feather and condition, neat wings, back and tail, good legs, nice length; vhc, Pass, cl. buff, might be Derby winner; c, Swinden. A.O.V. (7): 1, Mills, C.B. D.C., grand Crest and feather, perfect centre, nice size and shape, lovely feather; 2, c, Barker, green Crest, good qual., very massive, nice feather; 3, Dodd, Lancashire coppy, of good shape and size, grand trim; vhc, Wagstaff; hc, Wharam. CINN., YELL. (8): 1, Dormer, rare size and shape, grand col., massive head, good qual., wins; 2, Mrs. Deacon, lovely shape, good head and neck, capital col. and qual., close up; 3, vhc, Roberts, shade smaller, nice head and wings, good col. and qual., grand feather; hc, Godley; c, Hartup. BUFF (11): Splendid class. 1, 2, Dormer, both massive build, grand shape, lovely col. and qual., neat wings and tail, both in beautiful coudition; 3, Mrs. Deacon, grand shape, size and qual., splendid col., feather and bloom, close up; vhc, Godley; hc, Yates; c, Heys. UNFLIG. (12): 1, Mrs. Deacon, capital yell., good size, shape and col., lovely head, nice wings, tail and feather; 2, Hartup, grand yell., massive build, neat head, nice body and type, perfect feather; 3, Godley, nicely frosted buff, grand size and shape, must have pressed very hard, lovely feather; vhc, Bentley; hc, Heys; c, Roberts. HENS (12): Grand class. 1, Mrs. Deacon, yell., rare size and shape, nice level col. all through, capital head and neck, in perfect order; 2, Dormer, yell., beauty for shape and build, rattling col. and qual., close up; 3, hc, Godley, two nice buffs, in capital feather and condition; vhc, Hartup; c, Heys. NOVICE (5): 1, vhc, Smalley, good yell., nice head, full neck, and back, nice wings and tail; 2, 3, Mrs. Tweddle, two rare exhibits, capital feather and condition, massive head and neck, close up; hc, Wagstaff. GOLDFINCH (12): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, grand size and shape, good square cut blaze, nice wings and bars, lovely col. and feather; 2, Davis, beautiful col. and size, nice shape, hardly so rich in tanning, good bars and buttons; 3, Hurst, good size, cobby shape, real good feather, nice blaze, good bars and wiugs; vhc, Jones; hc, Metcalfe; c, Williams. BULLFINCH (12): 1, Baseley, splendid size and shape, grand breast col., nice cap and wing bars, very steady and in rare form; 2, Poole, another good one, capital size, nice cobby shape, lovely col. and condition; 3, Lawrance, splendid size, good build, capital breast col., beautiful bars and cap, very steady; vhc, Jeffreys; hc, Gilbert; c, Hakes. LINlet (11): 1, Lawrance, very large, good shape, grandly pencilled breast, nice feather and condition; 2, Lees and Smith, very large one, steady and finely pencilled, lovely condition; 3, Davis, hardly so nicely pencilled, good size and feather; vhc, Aitken; hc, Hurst; c, Jones. GREENFINCH (10): 1, Hurst, very massive build and size, capital col. and feather; 2, Lawrance, equal in every respect, wonderful size, just a matter of condition, leader shade finer; 3, Durston, good size and shape, lovely tone of col., nice bloom; vhc, Baseley; hc, Metcalfe; c, Jones. SISKIN, ETC. (13): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, grand col. and size, lovely feather and condition, nice win; 2, Lees and Smith, sweet little Siskin, in capital order, grand cap, lovely feather; 3, Jeffreys, grand shaped Redpoll, in nice order, good size, and col.; vhc, Jones; hc, Lees and Smith. BRAMBLE, ETC. (15): 1, Brotherhood, looks like noted winner, needs no comment, coming into perfect form; 2, Jeffreys, lovely Chaffinch, beautiful col. and feather, grand markings and condition; 3, Pitchford and Stocker, Bramble, good size, shape and markiugs, nice feather and condition; vhc, Lawrance, smart Chaffinch; hc, Hakes; c, Brookes. HARDBILL (14): 1, Jones, massive, good coloured Hawfinch, grand cap and bib, lovely feather; 2, Fallding, very steady, tame Corn Bunting, grand bloom, rare mks., nice feather; 3, Lawrance, massive, good shaped Hawfinch, bold head, good bib, lovely feather; vhc, Lawrance, noted Yellowhammer, in grand feather; hc, Caunt; c, Baseley. SOFTBILL (4): 1, Caunt, very uncommon pair Bearded Tits, lovely mks., col. and feather; 2, 3, Jeffreys, Nightingale leading, lovely bloom, followed by beautiful Wryneck, in the pink; vhc, Dr. Wilson. A.S. LARGE (2): 1, Jeffreys, the largest and most beautiful Missel Thrush we have ever seen, faultlessly shown; 2, Dr. Wilson, lovely Waxwing, in faultless condition, grand col. and mks. LIGHT HYBRID (6): 1, Gilbert, cl. Goldie-Can., beautiful col. and size, lovely feather; 2, 3, vhc, Lawrance, noted Linnet-Can, also Gold-Can., in the usual form, close up; hc, Metcalfe; c, Wood. DARK (9): 1, 3, vhc, Lawrance, usual team, in lovely feather, Green Can. leading, followed by Siskin-Can.; 2, Metcalfe, Linnet-Can., in grand order, nice size and col.; hc, Barrett; c, Tonks. HYBRID (5): 1, Lawrance, massive Can.-Bullie, in beautiful feather and col.; 2, Gilbert, Brambie-Chaffinch, rare feather, nice markings; 3, Dr. Wilson, Linnet-Bullie, nice size and shape, good col. and conditiou; vhc, Wood; hc, Lewis. ALBINO (3): 1, Hakes, capital white Blackbird, in fine condition; 2, Johnson, white Linnet, the other, Burrows, we could not find. FOR. (2): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, Blue Tanager, in nice order; 2, Baseley, massive, good coloured Bullfinch. LARGE: Cancelled. SELL., £1 (13): 1, Martin; 2, Triskey; 3, Dodd; vhc, Beaumont; hc, Draper; c, Dallmann and Sons. 12s. 6d. (15): 1, hc, Cooper, two nice Nor.; 2, Springhall; 3, Wood.; vhc, Hathaway; c, Thomas. MEMBERS, NOV., YELL.: 1, Oldham Bros., massive built Green; 2, Crouch, cl. yell., in rare order. BUFF (3): 1, Crouch, nice cl. yell.; 2, 3, Emery, two huffs, in nice condition.

HYSON GREEN (Notts).

Annual show at the Cricket Players' Hotel, Linsley Street, Oct. 12, and a very nice show, too. Although entries hardly came up to last year, the quality was very good indeed, and many very promising birds were staged. The society have a fine secretary in Mr. W. Cottingham, who has had many years' experience, and has the thing at his finger tips. It was somewhat of an inconvenience to visitors to find no catalogues. If they were only inst in card style, the writer is sure they would be a success. Norwich were a capital collection. Some were hardly through the moult, but were showing great promise. Crests and C.B.'s were hardly so good as have been seen here, but it is a little early for this variety. British and foreign classes did not come up to expectations, but the quality was nice. We think the society would find a little advertising money well spent. Mr. J. Goode judged, and no complaints were heard.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (4): 1, Boaler, cl., capital shape, size, col., and qual., very cobby, nice full front, neat head and wings, fine feather; 2, Sharpe, rare type and shape, lovely col. and qual., nice broad head, neat short wings and tail, fine plumage; 3, Brown, capital cl., lovely col. and feather, good front shape and size, hardly the substance or qual. of leaders; vhc, Barnes. BUFF (4): 1, Drinkwater, head and wing mkd., grand size, shape, and col., lovely feather and qual., nice head, neck, wings, and tail; 2, Sharpe, large, lovely col. cl., must have pressed very hard, splendid shape and size, good substance; 3, Bown, grand shape, col., and size, neat head, nice full chest, hardly the quality or substance of leaders; vhc, Hodgkinson, very stylish and shapely, nice col. and qual. MKD., ETC. (7): Good class: 1, Bown, very heavily variog. yell., grand col. and shape, nice type, col., and quality, neatly carried wings and tail, good chest and head, wins; 2, Sharpe, variog. buff, grand col., shape, size, and substance, rare head and neck, grand build, lovely feather and condition; 3, Birkett, very similar but hardly such size and substance, rare col., qual., and type, beautiful silky feather; vhc, Drinkwater; hc, Wills. HEN (9): Splendid class: 1, Boaler, beautiful col. cl. yell., very large and shapely, splendid broad head, good full neck, lovely type, shape, and qual., in faultless condition; 2, Sharpe, nice smart head, tkd. yell., again good size and shape, lovely col., quality, substance, and condition, close up; 3, Drinkwater, very taking capped buff, lovely shape and size, nicely carried wings and tail, capital feather; vhc, Deverill; hc, Wallis; c, Bown. UNFLIG. YELL. (5): 1, Barnes, largest in class, fair col. and qual., nice head and neck, grand shape and type, rare front, nice short wings and tail; 2, Boaler, capital cl., grand shape, size, col., and feather, good qual. and substance, beautiful condition; 3, Deverill, small cl., nice type, cobby build, nice head and neck, but on small side, good feather and condition; vhc, Bewer, larger but not so good in type or shape. BUFF (9): 1, Boaler, neck mkd., beautiful col., shape, and size, nice head, neck, wings, and tail, lovely qual., and feather; 2, Sharpe, very taking head and wing mkd., splendid style and size, very shapely, nice head, good col. and condition; 3, vhc, Drinkwater, very nice type and shape, grand col. and qual., but much smaller, beautiful feather and bloom; hc, Birkett; c, Moult. STOCK PAIR (2): 1, Sharpe, grand pair, nice size, shape, and col.; 2, Deverill, pair clears, not so large. CREST, YELL. (2): 1, 2, White, two splendid wing mkd., D.C.'s, lovely shape, nice shapely crests, good qual. of feather, lovely condition. BUFF (3): 1, White, large, shapely D.C., grand crest, with nice centre, good feather and condition; 2, Wolfe, grizzle, good crest, nice shape, lovely feather and bloom; 3, Taylor, wing mkd. D.C., good col. and shape, nice type and size. YELL. C.B. (1): 1, Wolfe, grizzled on neck, beautiful col., shape, and size, hard lines not more competition. BUFF (5): 1, 2, White, two large, shapely variog., in capital order, grand feather, good heads and necks; 3, Taylor, green, in nice form, rare shape and type, capital feather and condition; vhc, Wolfe. STOCK PAIR (1): 1, Wolfe, nice pair, in good feather. UNFLIG. CREST (2): 1, Taylor, very promising green, large and shapely, grand feather and bloom; 2, White, grizzle, hardly so large, nice crest and centre. C.B. (2): 1, White, large, shapely buff, good col. and type, capital feather; 2, Taylor, very similar, but hardly so large or shapely. MULE (2): 1, 2, Hayton, leader noted Greenfinch Can., in lovely feather, 2nd nice shapely Linnet-Can., good size and shape. HYBRID (2): 1, 2, Haytor, Bullie-Greenie, in capital col. and feather, and Goldie-Redpoll, nice size, good colour, well staged. GOLDFINCH cancelled. LINNET, ETC. (2): 1, Hayter, grand Twite, nice marks, capital col. and shape; 2, Wood, sweet little Redpoll, very steady, good col. and size. SOFTBILL cancelled. FOR. (2): 1, Cottingham, pair nice Green Budgies, in capital feather; 2, Wood, pair good coloured Weavers, in nice feather. LARGE (1): 1, Cottingham, splendid, lovely col. Lemon-crested Cockatoo, in rare feather. SELL., 12s. 6d. (6): 1, Sharpe, cl. yell. Nor.; 2, 3, Barnes, 2nd cl. huff Norwich; vhc, White. CREST AND C.B.: both cancelled. SONG BIRD (8): 1, Barnes; 2, Moult; 3, Brown; vhc, Barnes; hc, Sharpe; c, Birkett.

KINGSLEY F.A. (Bristol).

First annual show held Kingsley Hall Oct. 5th. Considering the small entry fee and the sliding scale it was a great success. No doubt it will be enlarged upon next year. Mr. F. Buckland judged and gave general satisfaction.

NOR. (adult): 1, Corkell; 2, Pace and Williams; 3, Greenslade. 1912: 1, Pace and Williams; 2, Corkell. YORKS. BUFF, 1912: 1, 3, Greenslade; 2, Pace and Williams. YELL.: 1, 3, Greenslade; 2, Pace and Williams. NAT. COL. (adult): 1, Pace and Williams; 2, Suly and Wren; 3, Price. 1912: 1, Gallop; 2, Pace and Williams; 3, Norman. HEN (adult): 1, Pace and Williams; 2, Gallop. MULE: 1, Silcox; 2, Watts; 3, Silcox. GOLDFINCH: 1, Ball; 2, Houldsworth. TWITE, ETC.: 1, Sage; 2, Lowton.

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BEDFORD.

Tenth annual show of the Bedford and Bed's. C.B.S. was held in the Town Hall, October 17th. Mr. J. H. Roe, of Birmingham, judged. The six open classes were well filled, and included a number of very choice specimens from such well-known exhibitors as Messrs. W. H. Howe, T. Irons, A. Lewin, E. J. Rippon, J. Thomas, etc. Special mention may be made of Mr. Timæus's foreigners, all of which were in the very fine t condition, and worth going a long way to see. Local classes were also well patronised. The show was opened by the Mayor of Bedford (Mr. W. Roff), who congratulated the society upon the quality of the exhibits.

The Critique.

YELL. NOR. (11): 1, Howe, wonderful sized yell., excels in body properties, very rich in plumage; 2, Lewin, a smaller bird, just a bit heavy in brow, nice qual. and good condition; 3, he, Irons, lovely head, very smart, exc s in col. and qual.; 4, Rippon, falls a bit in wing carr., but good in col. and qual.; vhc, Hodder; c, Thomas. BUFF (20): 1, Howe, rare big bird, correct type, teems with quality; 2, vhc, Rippon, put down in prime condition, correct type, rich in col.; 3, Bushby, paler in col., excellent type and qual.; 4, Hodder, nice short, cobby bird of rare col., hardly so light as winners; he, Bonnde; c, Irons. NOR. HEN (19): 1, he, Irons, sweetly pretty clear yell., very smart, good col.; 2, Wren, cl. buff, bit pale in col., but full of bloom, and excellent type; 3, Howe, cl. yell., well made bird, and full of qual.; 4, Lewin, mkd. buff, correct type, nice qual.; vhc, Thomas; c, Fennell. YORKS. (17): 1, Mrs. Ballard, tkd. yell., nice length, well trained, stands well on perch, nice qual.; 2, c, Smart, cl. yell., trifle longer than winner, close run for premier honours; 3, 4, Thomas, very fine cl. buff, correct type, prime condition; 4, cl. yell., of nice length and qual., crosses wings a little, which no doubt put it back; vhc, Dicker; he, Muxlow. SELL. £1 (10): 1, Bateman, mkd. yell. Nor., good col.; 2, Dicker, two nice buff Yorks.; 3, Gentle, cl. yell. Nor., nice type; vhc, Corrie; he, Notley; c, Wilson. FOR. (8): All prizes to Mr. Timæus; 1, charming Paradise Whydah in wonderful plumage; 2, pair of Black-faced Love birds, tight as wax; 3, pair of Pekin Robins, lovely col.; 4, excellent Queen Whydah in the best of condition. Mr. Timæus also showed pairs of Longtail Grass Finches, Ruficanda Finches, Cordon Bleus, and Diamond Finch, all in prime condition. LOCAL: Mr. A. Bushby won Sandiford's special for hottest fed bird; Mr. A. Keech, silver cup, for most points in young Nor., this being the third time, and it now becomes his property. YELL. NOR. (13): 1, Bushby, fine large bird, good col., has "duck wings" which rather spoil his general appearance; 2, vhc, Keech, nice short mkd. yell., very warm in col., must have run very close for special; 3, he, Smith, cl. yell., nice qual.; 4, Corrie, bigger bird of rare type, carries one wing badly, or must have been higher; c, Gentle. BUFF. (19): 1, Pedder, rare bodied bird of good col., and in prime condition; 2, 3, Keech, mkd. on head, well proportioned, rare size and qual.; 3, a smaller bird of excellent type, excels in head and richness of plumage; 4, Millard, one of the largest in class, well made, good col., perhaps a bit too long; vhc, Osborn; he, Gentle; c, Smith. YELL. HEN (11): 1, 4, Keech, sweetly pretty, cl. yell., well made, lovely condition; 4, very smart cl., rich qual.; 2, Osborn, mkd., good type, rare col.; 3, Corrie, excellent cl., correct type, nice size, rare qual., some thought might have been second; vhc, Gentle; he, Millard; c, Gentle. BUFF (15): 1, Keech, one of the very best, will make a champion, simply crammed full of meal; 2, Pedder, nice type, good col., but fairly beaten here in head and qual.; 3, 4, Osborn, very smart mkd. bird, full of qual.; 4, nicely made, hardly equal in richness of plumage; vhc, Gentle; he, Millard; c, Corrie. NAT. COL. NOR. (9): 1, 3, Notley, mkd. buff, good type; 3, also mkd buff, nicely made, just a trifle long in flight; 2, vhc, Osborn, very good mkd. yell., nice qual.; 4, Prudden, excellent cl. buff, good condition, some slight fault as third bird; he, Page; c, Smith. SELL. 12/6: 1, Osborn; 2, Smith; 3, Gentle; 4, Notley; vhc, Millard; he, Gentle; c, Litchfield. PAIRS 17/6: 1, Notley; 2, he, c, Gentle; 3, vhc, Corrie; 4, Smith. CREST or C.B. (4): 1, Bennett, a green, fine large crest, will improve; 2, Bloomfield and Rose, well made crest, trifle smaller than winner; 3, 4, Smith, mkd. body, smallish crest; 4, good green C.B. It is evidently a bit early for crests at present. A.O.V. CAN or MULES (8): 1, Finedon, very fine brilliant col. Siskin Mule, lovely markings; 2, 3, Armitage, dark Goldfinch Mules, excellent col. and condition; 4, vhc, he, Notley, fine large Greenfinch Mule of good colour. SMALL BRIT. (9): 1, Timæus, charming Bearded Tit, prime conditien; 2, 3, Armitage, smart Goldfinch, good blaze; 3, very fine large Greenfinch; 4, he, Notley, nicely pencilled Linnet, good condition; vhc, Brewer; c, Bryant. STOCK (8): 1, 2, he, Corrie; 3, vhc, c, Gentle; 4, Oliver. NOVICE (18): 1, vhc, c, Oliver, marked yell. of good col., wins Hyde's special; 2, Johnson, nice typical buff, good condition; 3, Fowkes, nice cl. yell., just a trifle long, otherwise good; 4, Armitage; he, Swaun.

GUILDFORD AND DISTRICT F.A.

Members' show, held Oct. 1. A.V. CAN. (5): 1, res., Stevens; 2, vhc, he, Arthurs. Points for cards all count towards the spoon to be given at end of season. Will members or others write to the Secs. if they are willing to guarantee any classes for cage birds at the annual show, to be held Jan. 14th next. The Manual and Year-book will shortly be issued. Will all those who desire a copy, besides members, please write to the Secs.?—G. Russell-Cox, E. Stevens, Hon. Joint Secs.; S. W. Barter, Assist. Hon. Sec., 34, Quarry Hill, Guildford.

MORLEY C.B.S.

First old bird show, held at the Sycamore Hotel, October 19, judge, Mr. H. J. Chittenden, Bradford. 76 birds staged. Mr. Gomerstall won sp. for most points, 36, Pyrah 30, Birdstall 34, Mitchell 26, Greenwood 26, Scholes 19. CHAMP. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, vhc, Birdstall; 2, 3, Pyrah; he, c, Mitchell. BUFF: 1, 3, Birdstall; 2, vhc, Pyrah. EVEN OR UNEVEN: 1, 2, vhc, Mitchell; 3, Birdstall; he, c, Pyrah. CL., TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Birdstall; 2, Rhodes; 3, Pyrah; vhc, Mitchell. BUFF: 1, Birdstall; 2, 3, vhc, c, Pyrah; he, Rhodes. EVEN, ETC., HEN: 1, Birdstall; 2, 3, he, Mitchell; vhc, Pyrah. NOV., CL., OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Scholes; 3, Greenwood. BUFF: 1, Greenwood; 2, Scholes; 3, Brook. EVEN, ETC., CK.: 1, 2, Scholes. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN.: 1, 2, Greenwood; 3, he, Scholes; vhc, Brook. BUFF: 1, 2, Greenwood; 3, vhc, Brook. EVEN, ETC., HEN: 1, 2, Scholes; 3, Greenwood. GREENFINCH: 1, Pyrah; 2, 3, vhc, he, Gomerstall. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, 3, vhc, Gomerstall; 2, Pyrah. A.O.S. HARDBILL: 1, 2, 3, vhc, c, Gomerstall; he, Pyrah. —J. Rhodes, Sec.

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Second annual fixture, Oct. 19. Entries were about seventy above last year's total, which is very gratifying indeed, considering the large amount of shows being held on the same day, and the officials are to be congratulated on their success. The Scotch Fancy Section showed the most marked advance. Some capital exhibits were forwarded from a few well-known fanciers, the most prominent being Mr. John Dalgleish of Leith, who, with his six entries, scored in every class. The Coronation Cup for best young bird in S.F. Section was won by Mr. J. Gordon, Macmerry, with a bird of good properties, with plenty of size and substance. The B.F.C.C. Medal was won by Mr. H. Bennet, Kelso, with a clinking buff cock shown in faultless condition. Special for best British went to a Jay belonging to Mr. Henry Craft, Leith, shown in splendid plumage. Mr. Syke, Middlesbrough, won special for most points in British Section. The hall is an ideal one for such a purpose, there being no draughts and plenty of light. The management of the show was in the capable hands of Mr. J. M'Holme, secretary, ably assisted by a hard-working committee of genuine fanciers, who did everything in their power to make the show a success and looked well after the exhibits. We hope to see in the future a steady increase, as the society is well worthy of the support of fanciers and exhibitors. There was a capital attendance of the general public. The judges were:—Scotch Fancies and Borders, Mr J. Thomson, Newtongrange; Norwich and British, Mr. G. Brown Leith; and their awards were well received. The Hall Blyth Cup for most points was won by Mr. Jas. McHolme, secretary, and silver teapot for most points in Norwich and Border Fancy Sections by Mr. Chas. Barrie, Haddington.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY, CL., ETC., YELL. COCK: 1, Dalgleish, grand stamp, splendid top and drive, fine front; 2, Graham, well set up, fine free neck, nice length of side, good head; 3, Tait, grand substance, capital droop, fine free action, good one; 4, Livingstone; 5, Hendry. Hen cancelled. CL., ETC., BUFF CK.: 1, Dalgleish, heads a grand class, rare model, good size and substance; 2, Tait, nice droop, good head and neck, splendid action; 3, Gordon, fine size and position, nice droop; 4, Howden; 5, Thomson; 6, Gordon. HEN: 1, Dalgleish, stylish, good top end, well set up, good action; 2, 4, Gordon, very typical, good shoulders, lovely droop; 3, McHolme, nice size, good action, fine depth; 5, Paterson; 6, Thomson. YELL. PIED OR GREEN CK.: 1, Dalgleish, good size and substance, capital reach, well filled in; 2, Paterson, rare reach, fine free action, good position; 3, Thomson, rare droop, fine head, good side and action; 4, McHolme; 5, Gordon. HEN: 1, Howden, grand substance, rare shape, good head and action, capital pose; 2, Thomson, good one for droop and action, fails size to leader; 3, Graham, fine length of side, capital reach. BUFF PIED OR GREEN CK.: 1, Dalgleish, clinking Pied, nice qual., good shoulders, nice droop, grand back; 2, Johnstone, stylish, good top end, well set up, good one; 3, Scott, another nice one, good drive, close up; 4, Paterson; 5, 6, Gordon. HEN: 1, Dalgleish, grand size and qual., rare reach, fine depth of chest; 2, 4, Graham, nice style and action, splendid drive and top end; 3, Gordon, good top, well filled back, fine reach; 5, Scott; 6, Gordon. SELL.: 1, Livingstone; 2, Scott. BORDERS—CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Wood, little beauty, clinker for type and qual., lovely condition; 2, Gilchrist, shade longer in body, fine texture of feather, nicely drawn; 3, Bennet, good one, fine head and back, well braced wings; 4, H. Bennet; 5, Briggs and Schooler; 6, Gentleman. HEN: 1, H. Bennet, good head and neck, capital wings and tail, nice front; 2, Young, well up in size, nice tone of col., stylish carriage; 3, Wood, very typical, neat head and back, fine wing and tail carriage; 4, Bennet; 5, Skeldon; 6, Lawrie. BUFF CK.: 1 and B.F.C.C. Medal, H. Bennet, fine model, feathered like a Java, bonny head, wing and tail carriage, staged to perfection; 2, Smith, nice type and col., good qual. feather, nice jaunty carriage; 3, G. Bennet, grand condition, good front and substance, well placed; 4, Gilchrist; 5, Young; 6, Barret. HEN: 1, Bennet, grand size, good head and neck, fine col. and qual.; 2, Lambie, good head and wings, stylish carriage; 3, Wood, fine exhibit, rare wings and tail, nice qual. throughout, 4, Grant; 5, Gentleman; 6, Smith. EVEN MKD.: 1, Gilchrist, capital marks, good qual. and type; 2, Lambie, finely balanced markings, good feather and substance; 3, Briggs and Schooler, fails a bit in markings to leader, but equal in type, nice qual.; 4, Johnston. UNEVEN MK. YELL.: 1, Barrie, good type, fine head and back, well braced wings; 2, Young, lovely exhibit, fine qual. feather, nice stamp; 3, Thomson, close up, nicely marked, fine close feather, well placed; 4, Skeldon; 5, Lawrie. BUFF: 1, Young, good one for type and qual., mkd. eye and wings, graudly staged; 2, Johnstone, head, eye and wing mkd., good head and wing carriage; 3, Barrie, mkd. eye and left wing, fine smooth feather, well rounded on front, nice position; 4, 6, Scott; 5, no name. GREEN, ETC.: 1, Lambie, good one for type and col., finely pencilled; 2, Dodds, fine depth of col., good type and lacings; 3, Bennet, shade darker in col., all there for type and qual.; 4, Wood; 5, Fairgrieve; 6, Gentlemau. CINN., ETC.: 1, R. Lambie, buff Cinn., leading, sound colour, finely pencilled on back; 2, W. Lambie, yell., capital col. and type, well carried wings; 3, Bennet, nice yell. hen, fine texture of feather, well shown; 4, Wood; 5, Gentleman; 6, Grant. BORDER CK. (CONFINED): 1, Wood, gem for type and qual., well rounded on front and back, good carriage; 2, Grant, finely moulded body, good head and neck, nice level col.; 3, Anderson, capital yell. Green, fine depth of colour, nice pencil; 4, Murray; 5, Fairgrieve; 6, Scott. HEN: 1, Wood, buff Cinn., capital type and qual. well put down; 2, Barrie, cl. Buff, sweet shape and qual., very close feather; 3, Murray, nice yell. hen, good head and back, well braced wings; 4, Steele; 5, Fairgrieve; 6, McHolme. SELL.: 1, Barrie; 2, Gilchrist; 3, Forrest; 4, Potts; 5, Wood; 6, Fairgrieve. CREST: 1, Cremar, big headpiece, lovely texture, grand radiation; 2, 3, Brown, pair of beauties; 2nd large leafy crest of splendid formation and shape; 3rd good feather and droop; 4, McHolme; 5, Burns; 6, Turnbull. C.B.: 1, R. Burns, grand skull and entrance, plenty of head feather; 2, McHolme, grand body and feather, fine width of skull; 3, J. Burns, fails a bit in skull to winners, splendid feather. CREST (1912): 1, 2, Forsyth, capital pair, both good shapely crests, leader excels in frontal; 3, Burns, good radiation and shape, lovely texture of feather; 4, R. Burns; 5, J. Burns. C.B. (1912): 1, R. Burns, fine body, good wide skull, splendid substance; 2, Tait, similar stamp to leader, immense skull and wealth of body feather; 3, Lambie, falls in substance to winners, good skull; 4, Henderson; 5, J. Burns. YELL. P.H.: 1, Mollat, grand head, front and neck, lovely shape and col.; 2, McHolme, splendid cl., grand shape and feather, fine bloom; 3, Nisbet, good size and shape, sound col., well laid on wings; 4, Burns; 5, Wood; 6, Murray. BUFF: 1, Mollat, bouncer for size and shape, grand head and front, finely mealed; 2, 4, Barrie, nice type and qual., hot fed, lovely feather; 3, Wood, fine size and substance, fails feather to leaders; 4, Barrie; 5, Mather; 6, Laird and Mathew. YELL (1912): 1, Mollat, excellent col. and type, finely rounded head and front, wins; 2, Mather, good all round type and quality, fine level col., capital wings; 3, Mollat, fine, chubby, good head and neck, hot col.; 4, Hilson; 5, Steele; 6, Willmet. BUFF: 1, Barrie, splendid size and shape, good qual., clean cut; 2, Burns, A1 type and qual., good head and neck, well put down; 3, Lees, rare substance, fails head to leaders, capital wings and tail; 4, Barrie; 5, Hilson; 6, Burns. SELL.: 1, Laird and Mathew; 2, Turnbull; 3, Burns; 4, Mather; 5, Wood; 6, Henderson. BRIT. LARK OR LARGER: 1, Craft, capital Jay shown in fine condition, takes spl for best Brit.; 2, Sykes, good all round Hawfinch, fine big bib, scarcely through moult. BULLFINCH: 1, Craft, deuse black cap, capital breast col., fine wings bars, wins; 2, Gordon, fair breast col., fails in cap to winner, nice condition; 3, Scott, fails a little in breast col., good cap, rough at thighs. GOLDFINCH: 1, 2, McHolme, leader capital Finch, good square blaze, nice wing bars, good moons and buttons; 2nd very wild, but a good bird, fine tannings; 3, Grant, fails blaze to-day, fine yellow flights, will improve; 4, Sykes; 5, Scott. GREENFINCH: 1, Craig, romps home, grand shape, capital wing bars, nicely fed, put down in spanking order; 2, 4, McHolme, buff, fine bold head and front, very shapely; 3, Nicholson, bit thin in neck, sound col. and condition, well placed; 5, Sykes; 6, Whiteford. LINNET: 1, Laird and Mathew, shade dark in col., fine markings, good whites; 2, Tait, nice big Linnet, good back and breast markings, unsteady; 3, Sykes, nice nutty brown col., grandly laced on breast, fine polish; 4, Gordon; 5, 6, Whiteford. A.O.S. BRIT.: 1, 2, Sykes, lovely Nightingale leading, very interesting exhibit, capital order; 2nd nice Bramble, good breast col., nice spangling; 3, Lees, Yellowhammer, good col. and marking; 4, McHolme; 5, Whiteford; 6, Barrie. MULE: 1, Craig, Greenie Mule, leading, shown in grand colour and feather; 2, McHolme, six-pointed buff Goldie-Mule, nice col., will improve with another moult; 3, Tait, variegbuff Goldie Mule, pale in col.; 4, Nicholson; 5, Wood; 6, Whiteford. FOR. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH: 1, Vass, nice size and shape, excellent wing bars, fine crimson blaze; 2, Wood, grand lace, pure whites, good wing bars and buttons; 3, Sykes, Bullie, rather pale in breast col., good cap and bars; 4, McHolme. SMALL FOR.: 1, 2, Lawrie and Welsh, well-known Whydah leading, tail just growing after moult, in fine order; 2nd, nice pair of Budgerigars, shown in grand bloom; 3, Sykes, Rufous Finch, well put down; 4, McHolme; 5, Steele. LARGE: 1, Sykes, Glossy Starling in lovely sheen, just getting over moult; 2, Nisbet, Crimson-wing Parrot, nicely staged; 3, Scott, Turtle Dove, nice colour.

JOHNSTONE (N.B.).

The annual show of the Johnstone Society was held in the Town Hall, Oct. 19. Entries were considerably in advance of last year. Mr. McMecking (Glasgow) judged, his awards meeting with general satisfaction. Secretary D. P. Ritchie, assisted by an able committee, had all arrangements made to ensure success, and, judging from the busy aspect of the hall, and the bumper entry, the results of their efforts, must have been satisfactory. Visitors turned out well, and the gate must have been a good one.

The Critique.

BORD. FCY. CK. (6): 1, 2, Frazer, nice round head and active, well filled back, tight feather, well staged, wins; 2nd, buff, shade longer than 1st, grand head, well filled back, nicely laid wings; 3, 5, Findlay, leader a real good one, neat head and neck, nice tight feather, very close on 2nd; 4, Smith, nice body and well laid wings, plenty of style; vhc, Cunningham; he, Service. HENS (6): 1, Findlay, Cinn. mkd., real beauty, feather like wax, lovely carriage, neat and compact, sweet head and neck; 2, Thomson, lovely size and finish, well laid wings, and tip-top action, a little gem; 3, Frazer, must have run 2nd hard; 4, Cunningham, eye and wing mkd. buff hen; vhc, Service; he, Smith. NOR. CK. (11): 1, 2, Devoy, lovely head, grand back and chest, splendid wing carriage, in rare condition; 2nd, nice size and carriage, lovely feather, rich col., nice type; 3, Goddard, nice hot col. and shape, barely so good in chest as those in front, good bird; 4, McFarlane, fine head and wings, good carriage; vhc, Barr; he, Dickie; c, Clark. HEN (9): 1, 2, Devoy, non-fed, all round merit, grand head, wings nicely placed, neat carriage, very typical; 2nd, grand back and chest, nice wing carriage, excellent feather and condition; 3, McFarlane, head tkd., grand position and wing carriage, splendid feather and body; 4, Kelly, grand head, shade hollow in neck, nice feather, good type; vhc, McFarlane; he, Dickie; c, Barr. CAN. MULE OR HYB. (8): 1, McFarlane, Goldie-Bullie, great blaze, nice body, fine shape, rich breast and wing markings, a beauty; 2, Cowan, lovely mkd. Mule, splendid feather and condition; 3, Heron, Goldie-Bullie, shade dark, and barely so well mkd. as 1st; 4, Mills, Linnet-Bullie, shows crowing well, rich breast col., nice bird; vhc, Paterson; he, Morrison; c, Adam. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Cowan, Greenfinch, grand col., good head and body, splendid feather; 2, Thomson, Grey Linnet, nice head and body, well laced, good carriage, and nutty-brown col.; 3, McFarlane, another nice Greenie, not so rich in col. as leader, fine shape; 4, Kidd, Greenie, all right for shape and style, rather wild and dark in feather to those in front; vhc, Dickson; he, Morrison. BRIT. SOFT-BILLED (4): 1, 2, Morrison, Waxwing, lovely shape and col., feather tight as wax, rare condition; 2nd, Blackbird, nice shape, and deep glossy black, grand type; 3, 4, J. and R. Pirrie, Fieldfare, nice rich col. and markings, lovely feather, tip top condition, might have changed places for 2nd; 4th, Nuthatch, rare condition. BRIT. HARD-BILLED (6): 1, 4, Morrison, 1st Bramblefinch, a well-known winner, in the pink of condition to-day; 4th, mixed; 2, J. and R. Pirrie, Yellowhammer, very taking exhibit, lovely markings, rich col., grand type; 3, sp., Jardine, a very typical Goldie, good square cut blaze, nice moons and buttons; vhc, Morrison; he, Crone. HEN (4): 1, Paterson, Bullie, nice cap and col., good shape and feather; 2, Morrison, Meadow Pipit, nicely mkd. and rare condition; 3, J. and R. Pirrie, Bramblefinch, in nice feather and condition; 4, Crane, Snow Bunting, shade rough in feather, otherwise a good one.

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The Critique.

YORKS YELL., CL. OR INVISIBLE TICK (15): 1, Barker, grand shape and position, nervy, lovely qual. and col., well fitting wings, neatly packed tail, on small side; 2, Pyman, fine qual., good length, paler col., well up on legs; 3, Cook and Hood, good level colour, A1 quality, neat type, well up, good wings and tail, bit wild, or might have gone up; 4, Hardaker, grand quality, nice shape and condition; vhc, Clegg; hc, Watts; c, Rand. BUFF (10): 1, Barker, nice salmon colour, lovely quality and condition, smooth as glass, good shape and position, well up on leg; 2, Clegg, paler colour, splendid qual., slim and stylish, excellent stand; 3, Campling, A1 quality, good head and back, fine position, not quite so shapely as leaders; 4, Prentice, grand quality and colour; vhc, Wigglesworth; hc, Dixon; c, Wilson. TICKED, ETC., YELL (10): 1, Pyman, thigh tick, neat narrow shoulders, leggy, rich quality, nicely moulded; 2, 3, 4, Cook and Hood, grizzled head, good shape and position, nice quality, level colour; 3rd, ticked neck, good type, well up in position, good wiugs; 4, varieg., hot col., fails on chest; vhc, Want; hc, Dixon. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Cook and Hood, wing marked, rich colour, A1 quality, and condition, nice position, typical, good wings; 2nd grizzled butt of wing, rare col. and qual., good type and shape; 3, Prentice, varieg., good shape and style, well up on leg, beaten qual.; 4, S. Campling, heavy markings, good shape and qual.; vhc, Green; hc, Carter. UNFLIGHTED (36): 1, 4, Cook and Hood, varieg. yell. leading, slim and stylish, good length and shape, well up on leg; 4th cl. yell., grand shape, good legs, nice length, A1 qual.; 2, 3, cx 4, Pyman, buff leading, grand shape, rare qual., good legs, wings, and tail, not quite fit; 3rd head and wing marked yell., grand quality, stylish, nice shape; vhc, Taylor; hc, Walker; c, Woodhead and Son. HEN (30): 1, 2, Clegg, two yellows, leader hot colour, length, rare quality, grand stand and style; 2nd paler colour, beautifully drawn, very stylish, slim, grand position, well up on leg, our choice; 3, 4, Pyman, grand coloured buff leading, like a piece of glass, good shape, neat wings and tail, might get up a bit more; 4, yell., good length and shape; vhc, Chesworth; hc, Dixon; c, Campling. NORWICH YELL, CL., ETC. (10): 1, W. Thompson, beautiful qual., rich col., good shaped body, nice head; 2, 3, H. Wilson, good col., rich and even, grand chest and back; 3, close up, fine shape, colour, and quality; 4, Pickles, neat and shapely; vhc, Middleton; hc, Woodhead and Son; c, Wake. BUFF (14): 1, 2, W. A. Wilson, grand chest and back, neat cobby shape; 2nd, good col., nice meal, not quite so shapely; 3, Jeffries, sound, level colour, grand quality and shape; 4, Cook and Hood, neat, good quality, shapely; vhc, hc, Freeman; c, Angell. TICKED, ETC. (11): 1, Pickles, varieg. yell., rare substance, rich col., good head and chest; 2, 3, Waller, buff, good size and shape, stout and compact, A1 qual.; 3rd, yell., rare qual., cobby shape, good head and back; 4, Popple, buff, grand shape, rich quality, good chest and head, not quite fit; vhc, C. W. Watson; hc, Ashcroft; c, Clayton and Smith. UNFLIG. YELL. (10): 1, Tweddle, tight in feather, good shape and substance, grand qual.; 2, H. Wilson, A1 qual., good chest, head and back, rich col.; 3, Pickles, grand shape, full of quality; 4, C. W. Watson, nice col., good shape and qual.; vhc, Woodhead and Son; hc, Jeffries; c, Bennett. BUFF (15): 1, W. A. Wilson, short compact body, rare feather nice rich col., good chest and head; 2, Mays and Allison, nice even col., good shape and feather; 3, Pickles, rare quality, good colour, not quite as shapely; 4, Watson, good shape and col.; vhc, Thompson; hc, Summers; c, Middleton. HEN (24): 1, W. A. Wilson, yell., compact and chubby, grand head and chest, close and fine in feather; 2, Thompson, good body and head, level colour, A1 quality; 3, vhc, H. Wilson, grand shape and size, fine quality; ex 3, Palmer, good colour and shape, fine quality; 4, Freeman, rare shape, good chest, nice size; ex 4, Wake, very good shape and quality; vhc, Pickles; c, Middleton. CINNAMON (6): 1, Calvert, good shape and size, well pencilled, rich colour and quality; 2, 4, Bentley, real good col. and qual., nice shape; 4, also good in size and quality; 3, vhc, hc, Mrs. Hinchcliffe Turner, nice quality and shape, good colour. CREST (11): 1, 2, Hugill, leader good shaped body, plenty of feather, crest of great size, well radiated, nice droop, fairly good centre, feather of good quality; 2nd not quite so large a crest, but good; 3, hc, Gibson, crest good size, nice droop; 4, Robson, nice quality feather, good droop and shape, crest feather rather thin; vhc, Taylor, well groomed crest, neatest centre in class, might be denser, still we thought could have gone up a bit; c, Jeffries. CRESTBRED (10): 1, Hugill, rare size body, good feather, not biggest of heads, but covered with feather of good length and quality; 2, Orton, good head, clothed with plenty of feather, nice shaped skull; 3, c, Gibson, good shaped body and skull, nice broad feather; 4, hc, Widdowfield, good head and feather; vhc, Taylor. A.O.V. (6): 1, Summer, even-marked Norwich, nice markings, good shape, fine quality; 2, vhc, Sanderson, buff Lizard, neat, well-defined cap, fair spangling, good shape; 3, Thompson, Green, good quality shape and substance; 4, hc, Henderson, Border, neat and natty, nice quality and shape. LIGHT MULE (5): 1, Kay, good Golden Bullie, rare col., nice condition and size, fine shape, showing blending of colours to perfection; 2, Chadwick, Golden Canary, marked wings and eye, fair size, nice shape and col.; 3, Dr. Wilson, Green Bullie, nice condition, fair size; 4 Wiggins and Harrison, nice Golden Canary. DK. MULE (15): 1, Dr. Wilson, Canary Bullie, well known, in nice condition, we heard grumbling about this cross being eligible in this class instead of being shown in previous class, and perhaps the committee will alter the wording another year; 2, John Carr, Green-Can., grand colour, rare bloom and size, nice exhibit; 3, Nicholson and Son, Green-Can., fine size and shape, just beaten in quality; 4, Robinson, Siskin-Can., nicely marked, good size and shape; vhc, Barker; hc, Pyman; c, Husband. LINNET (14): 1, Brewster, nice size, beautifully laced, grand nut-brown col., steady, fine feather; 2, Davidson, fine quality feather, good rich colour, beaten markings; 3, Foster, grand shape, good col., nice condition; 4, Calvert, in good order, nice size and shape; vhc, Stamp; hc, Hughes; c, Cowey. GOLDFINCH (12): 1, Dr. Wilson, good face, blaze well cut, nice size, well buttoned, good colour; 2, 4, Thompson, leader good shaped bird, nice blaze, grand chestnut, good back; 3, Nicholson and Son, good size, nice on chest and back, fine square blaze, not up in colour yet; vhc, c, Smurthwaite; hc, E. Pearson. Most of the birds in this class wanted more time, as they are not up in colour yet. BULLFINCH (13): 1, hc, Woods, plenty of size, good cap, rich colour, nice wing bars, in fine trim; 2, Brewster, good col. and shape, fine cap, good back and breast colour; 3, Davidson, rare shape, grand cap, good wings, fails a bit in condition yet; 4, Henderson, rare sized hen, good head and shape; vhc, Lee; c, Robinson. GREENFINCH (10): 1, Lee, gem, rare size, grand shape, lovely quality and colour, grand bloom; 2, Robinson, plenty of size, good shape, not yet so well finished; 3, hc, Dr. Wilson, fine shape, good qual., nice size; 4, Foster, good in size, quality and col.; vhc, Milburn; c, Nicholson and Son. SISKIN, ETC. (11): 1, c, Todd and Son, Siskin, nice cap, well laced, good colour; 2, Nicholson and Son, good shape, nice size, well pencilled, rare condition; 3, Woodhead and Son, Mealy Redpoll, good bib, well laced, fine order; 4, Foster, another Mealy, close up; vhc, Dr. Wilson; hc, Briscoe and Son. A.O.V. (9): 1, J. P. Stamp, real good Hawfineb, plenty of size, well cut bib, grand feather, good condition; 2, hc, Foster, Bramblefinch, good shape and size, well laced, good solid colour; 3, Wilson, Hawfinch, nice order, good col. and size; 4, Davidson, we could not find; vhc, Lazenby; c, Dr. Wilson. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (6): 1, Robinson, fine Starling, grand bloom, plenty of markings, good shape and size; 2, 4, Briscoe and Son, pair of nice Thrushes, second very good size and col., distinct breast markings; 3, Swan, Thrush, good size, shape, and col., well marked; vhc, Foster; hc, Lazenby. A.O.V. SOFTBILL (11): 1, Davidson, we could not find; 2, Wilkinson and Danby, very nice Wryneck in good order; 3, Dr. Wilson, Nightingale, steady as a rock, grand feather, good size, well staged; 4, vhc, Briscoe and Son; hc, Nicholson and Son; c, Parnaby; good class, several grand birds out of tickets. FOREIGN (9): 1, 3, 4, vhc, hc, Nicholson and Son, lovely team, all in perfect order and well put down, lovely Sugar-bird leading, a gem, followed by Gouldian Finch showing his lovely colours to perfection, a grand Scarlet Tanager, a pretty if modest pair of Parson Finches, and pair of very good Zebra Finches; 2, Reeks, grand Adelaide Parrakeet, fine exhibit; c, Gatenby. NOVICE—CANARY (12): 1, vhc, T. Acheson; 2, R. Husband; 3, F. Marsey; 4, hc, T. Carlisle; c, J. F. Chesworth. HEN (10): 1, J. Ronald; 2, Chesworth; 3, Acheson; 4, Marsey; vhc, Carlisle; hc, c, E. Hall.

ASHTON UNDER LYNE O.S.

Final table show of the season held at head quarters, the P.S.A. rooms, Oct. 12th. Considering the early date and the bad luck experienced by many of the members, the muster of 77 exhibits was gratifying. Judging was in the capable hands of Mr. Fred Barraclough, of Hyde, and his awards were generally received as satisfactory.

NOR. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Mellor; 2, 3, Foxall; 4, Jones, vhc, Dowling; hc, Flowers; c, Kelsall. BUFF (13): 1, 3, Foxall; 2, Colville; 4, Flowers; vhc, hc, Dowling; c, Kelsall. YELL. HEN (7): 1, 2, Foxall; 3, Kelsall; 4, Jno. Mellor; vhc, c, Dowling; hc, Jackson. BUFF (7): 1, 2, vhc, Foxall; 3, Mellor; 4, Kelsall; hc, Colville; c, Flowers. NON-FED: 1, Jackson; 2, Flowers. YORKS. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Green; 2, Fearns; 3, 4, R. Jackson; vhc, c, Storey; hc, Barnes. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Smalley; 3, 4, Barnes; vhc, Green; hc, Storey. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Jackson; 2, 4, Smalley; 3, hc, Barnes; vhc, Green. BUFF A.V. (7): 1, vhc, Barnes; 2, Green; 3, 4, Smalley; hc, c, Storey. GOLDFINCH, ETC. (8): 1, 4, J. Heap; 2, Flowers; 3, Gavin and Broadhurst; vhc, hc, c, Baron. LINNET, ETC. (6): 1, Baron; 2, vhc, hc, Gavin and Broadhurst; 3, 4, Heap. A.V. SOFTBILL: 1, Flowers. Winners of specials: NOR.: 1, Foxall; 2, Mellor; 3, Dowling. YORKS.: 1, Barnes; 2, Smalley; 3, Green. BRIT.: 1, Heap; 2, Baron; 3, Dyson.—J. R. Colville, Sec.

SITTINGBOURNE C.B.S.

Table show held October 7th, when there were over 60 birds staged, including some very fine specimens. In all sections quality and type have much improved since this Society was first formed, in 1910. In the Canary section Messrs. Olive, Clayton, Broadbridge, Whatford, and Attwood shared the leading points with some good specimens. In the British bird section Messrs. Grant, Attwood, and Jacobs took the lead. Mr. Grant exhibited a fine specimen of a starling, of which more will be heard during the coming show season. Mr. Grant also showed a splendid Pin-tailed Whydah. Mr. F. J. Wickham, Chatham, placed the cards:—NOR. YELL. (cock): 1, Broadbridge; 2, Whatford; 3, Attwood. BUFF: 1, Whatford; 2, Churchill; 3, Wakelin; 4, Attwood; vhc, Olive; hc, Broadbridge. TKD. VARIEG.: 1, 2, Broadbridge; 3, vhc, Wakelin; 4, Tidy. UNFLIGH.: 1, c, Wakelin; 2, vhc, hc, Olive; 3, Attwood; 4, Broadbridge. NON-FED: 1, 3, Broadbridge; 2, Stevens. YORKS. YELL. (COCK): 1, 2, 3, Olive. BUFF: 1, Clayton; 2, 4, Olive; 3, Tidy. YORKS. TKD. ETC.: 1, Clayton; 2, 3, Olive; 4, Tidy. UNFLIGH.: 1, 2, 3, Olive; 4, Clayton. LINNET: 1, Grant; 2, 3, Hyland. GOLDFINCH: 1, Attwood; 2, Ives; 3, Grant. CHAFFINCH, ETC.: 1, 3, Grant; 2, Attwood; 4, Stevens. SOFT BILL: 1, Grant; 2, Jacobs; 3, Whatford. SMALL FOR.: 1, 4, Grant; 2, 3, Jacobs.

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Late Entry Nuisance Responsible for Unfortunate Happenings.

Fanciers' Show, held October 17th, in the Bath Saloon. The committee did well in adding an Open Cage Bird Section, which proved a strong attraction; they were staged to perfection, and the birds were thoroughly well looked after. Mr. J. R. Fox had charge of the section; no one could have worked harder, as when we commenced to take notes just after midday Mr. Fox appeared to be working single handed a most unthankful task. Some of the open classes were not judged until three o'clock, just three hours after opening time, the result being that mistakes that were made could not be satisfactorily altered, as Mr. Tope had left the hall, having had a still task in taking so many sections. The secretary, Mr. Walker, is not to be blamed for the mistakes, as a more efficient secretary would be hard to find. The usual late entries caused most of the trouble, and it would be advisable that these be not accepted another year, after the catalogue is printed. Owing to these late entries some of the awards could not be traced in the catalogue, but these were kindly supplied to us by Mr. Fox, as Mr. Walker was dealing with about 1,000 exhibits in another part of the hall. A most unfortunate happening occurred with two of these late entries; one, a yellow hen, showing mealing, got put in a buff class, with the result that two classes had to be re-judged, and then wrongly, as Mr. Redwood's var. buff hen, entered in the hen class, got among the buff cocks and stood 1, and special. This bird was taken back to the hen class with the result that this class stood with two first prize birds. Then it was discovered that the judge had awarded Mr. Boundy's winning yellow Yorkshire special for best in show, although it had lost to a buff for a special for best in two classes, but, as previously stated, Mr. Tope having gone, this had to stand. Unfortunately, we cannot give the numbers in each class as several entries were missing in catalogues. Mr. R. B. Tope judged.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL.: 1, hc, Noyce, grand size and style, lovely col., good head and neck; 2, Fox, nice shapely body of good size, splendid qual. of feather; 3, vhc, Redwood, grand col. and qual. of feather, stylish; res, Mitchell; c, Ferrill. BUFF: 1, Noyce, cl., good size and col., very stylish, wings might be better; 2, Ferrill, unflighted, very neat, splendid feather; 3, Daw, nice shape, close feathered, nice wiugs, well carried, this bird stood above 2nd, when first judged, but owing to a wash before re-judging its head got soiled to this exhibitor's loss; res, Scholes; vhc, Rowden; hc, Rowly. HEN: 1, sp, 2, vhc, Redwood, large varieg. unflig. buff, somewhat chesty, and not enough head for size of bird, splendid wing col. and feather; 2, unflighted buff, sweet exhibit in perfect condition, good throughout; 3, Rowden, yell., nice size, good feather, thick in flights; hc, Scholes; c, Mitchell. Also 1, Fox, well-known yell., 1st Exeter, etc., wings badly down. BUFF, BUFF: 1, Redwood, thick set, [illegible] quals. and col., but spoilt [illegible] good [illegible] and col., [illegible] quals., has been [illegible] by Boundy; 2, R. [illegible] c, Noyce. YORK. YELL: 1, [illegible] show. Boundy, cl., lovely quals. and style, [illegible] and Plymouth winner 2, Boden, good [illegible] stands well, splendid feather and col.; [illegible] hottest in class, splendid head, good [illegible] Berry, vhc, Hardiman; 3&4, Mills. [illegible] BUFF: 1, Thomas, grand col. and qual of [illegible] tail, perhaps a trifle short, well shown; [illegible] Parton and Bowle, good back and waist, nice together, shows slight fault; c, Stoneclake, good [illegible] stands well, nice size; res, Pratt; vhc, Bell; hc, Berry; c, Julian. YORKS UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, sp., Hardiman, grand size and length, hot col., well folded tail and flight; 2, Boundy, tkd., splendid qual. of feather, good size and style; 3, Bell, very neat, good wing and tail, trifle small; res, Fulford; vhc, Brett; hc, Berry; c, Pincombe. MULES: 1, Lamb, Can. Bullie, trifle ragged, nice qual.; 2, Collins, wing and head, mkd. yell., Canary Goldie, very neat wings and tail, splendid col.; 3, Rapson, lightly mkd. buff, excellent col. and qual., Can. Goldfinch; res, Lamb, almost cl. Can. Goldie, sweet exhibit, trifle small; vhc, Lambie; hc, Rapson; c, Collins, good class. SELF: 1, 2, 1, Ferrill, Nor., quickly claimed; 2, Badcott, Yorks.; 3, Williams, Crest; res, Redwood; vhc, Mitchell; hc, Dyer; c, Brett. MEMBERS C.B.: 1, 3, vhc, G. Williams; 2, hc, Berry. CREST: 1, sp, 2, 3, G. Williams. NOR. BUFF: 1, Noyce; 2, Redwood; 3, vhc, Fox. YELL.: 1, sp, Redwood; 2, Fox; 3, Noyce. 1912: 1, 3, Noyce; 2, Redwood; vhc, hc, Fox. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, hc, Bishop, best in members' classes; res, hc, c, Berry; vhc, Saunders. DITTO, 1912. YELL: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Bishop; 3, res, Berry. BUFF: 1, J. Sanders; 2, res, Bishop; 3, vhc, Berry. NAT. COL.: 1, sp, 2, Derrick; 3, vhc, hc, c, Berry. MULE: 1, sp, Fox; 2, Skinner; 3, Berry. BRIT.: 1, sp, Fox; 2, vhc, Skinner; 3, Berry; res, Whitley. FOR.: 1, sp, 2, H. Whitley. SELL.: 1, Noyce; 2, c, Berry; 3, Whitley; vhc, Williams; hc, Bishop.

SOWERBY BRIDGE C.B.S.

A grand show of unflighted Canaries was held October 12, at headquarters, Wharfe Hotel, when upwards of 60 birds were staged. Mr. Wm. Spencer, Hebden Bridge, judged in a very able manner. CL. TKD., ETC., YELL.: 1, 2, Robertshaw; 3, vhc, Graham; 4, c, Highley; hc, Sutcliffe. BUFF: 1, hc, Robertshaw; 2, vhc, c, Highley; 3, Stobart; 4, Graham. HEAVY VARIEG., ETC.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Highley. NOR.: 1, Graham. NOVICES, CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, 4, Hardy; 2, hc, Wild; 3, vhc, Walker; c, Riley. BUFF: 1, hc, Rilcy; 2, 3, 4, Turner; hc, c, W. Wild. HEAVY VARIEG., ETC.: 1, 2, Lumb; 3, Riley; 4, Parker; vhc, Fielding; hc, Walker; c, Howarth. NOR.: 1, 4, Turner; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Howarth.—Sutcliffe and Walker.



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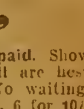
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BORDERS, clears and marks, cocks from 5/-, hens 4/-, see club show report this issue; approval: Morland, 9, Silver-st., Berwick-on-Tweed. (172)

TWO clear yellow cocks, uneven yellow cock, 7/6 each; uneven yellow hen, clear buff hen, 4/- each, 1912 type, quality excellent; Linnet, 1/6; approval: Marshall, Bridgefid, Duns. (172)

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TWO heavily marked Crested cocks, 1912, 8/- each; ditto, 12/6; Crested hen, 7/-; Crestbred cock, 9/-; lightly marked Crestbred hen, 6/-; approval: W. Baxby, 20, Ridge, Woodlands, Doncaster. (175)

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TWO pair 1912 large buff Lancashire Coppies, col.-fed, 13/- pair, or offers: L. Jones, 72, Bethe-da'el., Amlwch. (168)

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GRAND Norwich Greens, show or stock birds; approval, inspection invited: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (159)

1912 Norwich Greens, cocks from £/-, also some 1911 birds, untried, cold room: Shepherd, 15, Robin Hood-st., Castleford. (176)

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1912 NORWICH songsters, bred from winners, 6/- each to clear: Hyde, 1, Raydon-st., South Highgate, N. (171)

FEW pair of Norwich from 7/6 per pair; also few good buff cocks, 6/- upwards: Barlow, Hilcote, Alfreton. (180)

TWO good stock cocks, type, feather, 1911, 20/-, or exchange Bulldog pup; genuine: Fish, 30, Bath-st., Poplar. (175)

GRAND Norwich, 12/6 to 15/- per pair, for show and stock; all letters answered: Hook, 68, Belvoir-st., Norwich. (181)

CANARIES, large, handsome, rich yellow cocks, in full song, 3/-, two 5/6: Harris, Mill Bridge, West Drayton. (182)

W. HOWSE, 49, Orme-rd., Worthing, has a few grand Norwich for disposal from 8/6 upwards; approval. (171)

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A. FLEET, Breeder, exhibitor Norwich Plainhead. Few good birds for disposal; approval: 16, Kings-rd., Upton Park. (178)

ONE clear unflighted yell cock, 2 buff hens, 1 ticked, prize bred, 17/6; approval: Hickson, 56, Lock-rd., Broadheath. (173)

FEW Norwich, bred from winners from 6/6 each, 12/6 pair: J. Eccles, 32, Kay-st., Ardwick Green, Manchester. (179)

FOR sale, high-class Norwich, several pairs, or single; reasonable: approval: Gudber, 9, St. James'-st., Paisley. (174)

40 NORWICH Canaries, cocks, on song, 5/-, 6/-; pairs from 6/6; approval: Gater, 6, Jones-sq., Troedyrhiw, Glam. (158)

GRAND Norwich from 10/- pair, half value to clear, approval, cash or deposit: Calam, 59, Baxlergate, Whitby. (159)

FEW grand Norwich cock Canaries, in full song, 6/6 each: Thirkettle, Confectioner, 5 and 7, Grapes Hill, Norwich. (170)

THREE Norwich hens, 7/6; good feeders, pair 7/6; yellow hen, 3/-; approval: John Starling, Barney Guist, Norfolk. (180)

A FEW good Norwich for sale; matched pairs from 10/6; Buff cock, two Yellow hens, 25/-: Thompson, 57, Nunhill-st., York. (179)

TYPICAL colour-fed Norwich cocks, 10/- upwards, from Irish winners; R. Barker's strain: J. Osborne, John-st., Sligo. (169)

THREE Norwich hens (2 Greens, 1 variegated), 1 Norwich cock, in 3 compartment aviary, 29/-: 47, Idlecombe-rd., Tooting. (180)

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NORWICH, fine specimens, Silk's, Thomas's strain; reasonable; seen any time: Dracup, 163, Half Moon-lane, Herne Hill, Loudon. (177)

CLEARING out six pairs good Norwich, 9/- to 15/- pair; approval, deposit: Andrews, 3, Alma-view, South-st., Melbourne, Derby. (179)

ONE pair large Norwich 1912, perfect health, single breeder, 26 long, 19 high, as new, 5/6: Bingham, West-st., Long Sutton, Lincs. (182)

STOUT unflighted Norwich colour-fed cocks, 5/6; hens, 3/6 each; approval anywhere; deposit: Smith, 102, Russell-st., Northampton. (173)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich pairs, from 10/-; single birds, approval; inspection invited, genuine: Patterson, 22, Watson-st., Plaistow, E. (170)

SEVERAL good Norwich, yellows and buffs, bred from my own winners, colour-fed, 15/- upwards: Williams, Pharmacy, Ashbourne. (175)

BARRY HITCHEN has few good Norwich for sale, see show report Huddersfield, Burnley; on approval: 17, Cedar-st., Burnley. (177)

GRAND Norwich, few winning yellows and buffs, bargains, approval; wanted, Norwich Greens: Bown, 125, Harvist-rd., Kilburn, London. (170)

HANDSOME Norwich cocks, bred from the best hardy, 15/-, 10/- and 7/6 each; approval: Miss Edwards, 54, Reigate-hill, Reigate. (176)

OLLE, 37, Aldeman-rd., Ipswich, winner 1st Norwich; few matched pairs, grand quality, col.-fed, from 20/-; approval; worth double. (183)

MUST reduce stock; three pairs 1911 typical Norwich, £1 pair or 50/- lot; approval, deposit: W. Wackett, Fleet-rd., Holbeach, Lincs. (172)

SCHOFIELD, Saddler, Ipswich, wants offers for 20 pairs Norwich Plainheads, related winners Crystal Palace, Norwich, etc.; seen by appointment; singly, cocks from 7/6 to 40/-; hens, 4/6 to 30/-. (183)

COMPULSORY sale, all toy stock of Norwich, including breeding and show cages, utensils, etc.: Middleton, Bothal-terr., Pegswood, Morpeth. (169)

CAN spare several good typical yellow and buff cocks, 1911-12; winning strain; 10/- upwards: Ironside, 41, Main-st., New Deer, Aberdeenshire. (183)

NINE prize-bred Norwich, size, type, and quality, from 10/- each; inspection invited; Hayward, 21, Marlborough-avenue, Manley Park, Manchester. (174)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich for show or song, sure winners; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Scabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

TWO cocks (1912), 1 yellow, 1 ticked, correct type, excellent birds; only birds have to spare; sacrifice, 10/6 each: Hewitt, Temple, Normanton, Chesterfield. (168)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, colour-fed, yellows and buffs, cold room; see Club Show report this issue; approval: Chas. Makins, Palace Green, Berwick-on-Tweed. (172)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, yellows and buffs, cocks and hens; see Club show report this issue; cheap to clear; approval: Morland, 9, Silver-st., Berwick-on-Tweed. (172)

JOHN WILKERSON is offering grand typical Norwich Plainheads, Robson's strain; state wants fully and satisfaction guaranteed: Hemblington, Norwich.

TYPICAL Norwich, Baker's strain, buff cock, yellow hen, 30/-; yellow cock, buff hen, 25/-; single birds, 10/- upwards; approval: Moorman, Carisbrooke, Wight. (181)

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GRAND colour-fed Norwich Plainheads, cocks 7/- to 10/-, hens 3/6 to 6/6; good class birds; approval, cash or deposit: Nadin and Flanagan, 13, Russell-st., Leek, Staffs. (172)

TYPICAL colour-fed 1911 buff Norwich cock, limit class Palace winner, sacrifice 15/-; cost 35/-, worth treble for stock; approval: Hawkes, 390, Grove Green-rd., Leyton-tone. (184)

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HIGH-CLASS Norwich Plainheads, few stock and exhibition birds for sale, cheap (see Manchester show report); state requirements, and satisfaction guaranteed: Percy Davies, Steel Green, Millom. (173)

FOR sale, three good Norwich cocks, 2 yellow, 1 buff, good colour, show condition, cold room bred, by owner, 12/6 each; worth double; approval; deposit system: Reynolds, Cranleigh Common, Surrey. (167)

LARGE unflighted yellow cock, vhc, City of Glasgow, 20/-; two others, 15/- each; also unflighted buff cock and yellow variegated hen, 25/- pair: William Wood, 21, Franklin-st., Bridgeton, Glasgow. (177)

NORWICH. Business compels me to give up my birds, cup winning strain, 60 good birds; flight, breeding, stock and show cages; state wants; deposit; approval: McMillan, 29, Kilmaine-rd., Fulham. (181)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich Plainheads, two buff unflighted cocks, 15/- each; also yellow and buff hens, from 5/- upwards; pairs from 7/6 upwards: Simpson and Vertigan, 13, Southfield-terr., Pye Bridge, Derbyshire. (175)

TWENTY 1912 Norwich cocks, bred from winners over 400 prizes, from 10/-, 15/-, £1 each, to clear; see last week's report, Aylesbury, Bromley shows: Lovegrove Lovegrove, 43, King's-rd., Henley-on-Thames. (180)

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D. DEVOY has some good Norwich for disposal, all bred from my winners, see report of Johnstone and Ayr, special for the best bird in Norwich section; state wants; stamp reply: 23, George-st., Stranraer. (172)

STILL have some of my typical Norwich for disposal; bargains at 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, hens 2/6, 5/-; strain includes, among others, such blood as Mitchell's, Robert's, Silk's, Hodder's: Pargeter, Grimsbury, Banbury. (171)

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FOR sale, nine new Norwich show cages, club standard, joiner-made, 1/6 each, or 11/- the lot; also a basket to hold eight show cages, 6/-; one box to hold three show cages, 3/6: Jones, 9, Boundary-terr., Carlisle, Cumberland. (151,166)

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CLEARING out. Have still left a few good high-class Norwich cocks, 8/-, hens 5/-, pairs 12/-; yellow cock buff hen, good stock pair, 20/-; buff cock, yellow marked hen, 15/-; worth double; stamp reply; genuine: Owen, 5, Argyle-st., Paisley. (151)

ABOUT 40 good Norwich, just over moult and singing, Clears and variegated, all bred from prize strain; took 1st, 2nd and 3rd at Croydon and Carshalton young bird show; cocks from 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, up £4: G. Lock, Phono Stores, Sutton, Surrey. (172)

MR. HAWKES offers the following exhibition colour-fed Norwich, unflighted yellow ticked cock, 20/-; unflighted clear yellow cock, both won Stratford young stock show last week, 20/- each; 7 days' approval: Heathbank House, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (184)

G. C. KING, breeder of high-class Norwich, offers champion Norwich, reliable typical stock birds, cocks 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, hens 4/-, 5/6, 7/6, 10/-; unrelated matched pairs 10/-, 15/-, 20/- upwards; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: 14, Ashby-st., Norwich. Seo Mules. (179)

A. E. EBBAGE, breeder and exhibitor of champion Norwich Plainheads, for sale, 60 pairs, for exhibition or stock, bred same as winners at Norwich; unflighted buff hen, sold £6, first in pairs, quickly claimed; from 12/6 to £8 pair: 57, Hotblack-rd., Norwich. (157)

NORWICH clear buff cock, 12/6: variegated buff cock, 10/-; both large birds, good type and quality; also clear buff and yellow marked hens, 7/6 each, both very typical; about twenty other buff and yellow cocks and hens, from 5/- upwards: E. Hendry, Fraserburgh. (172)

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YELLOW cock, buff hen, 1911 bred, cost last season 45/-, accept 25/-; buff cock, yellow hen, large birds, 15/-; another pair, 8/-; above colour-fed: 1911-1912 hens, 2/6; cocks, 4/6, 5/-; seen any time; splendid condition; approval; cash or deposit: Wright, 189, Mill-rd., Wellingboro'. (168)

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A. L. HAWKES, being unable to exhibit this season, offers the following colour-fed typical Norwich, at great sacrifice, massive framed, thick-set cobby 1911 yellow cock, big winner, gem for size, type and style, 45/-; unflighted yellow cock, won first last week, only time out, will make a champion, 40/-; 1911 buff cock, noted winner, grand size, plenty of substance, lovely type and quality, 40/-; unflighted buff cock, real model for style, size and substance, and will take some beating, 40/-; also 2 yellow, 2 buff 1911 and 1912 hens, massive framed, rare skull, neck and chest, perfect gems, 20/- each; these have taken honours, and guaranteed winners in keenest competition; any above specimens cheap at £5; cold-room bred, and sent on 7 days' approval; golden opportunity to fanciers requiring high-class specimens: Heathbank House, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (184)

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Must reduce stock, owing to business, few for sale from well-known winners (see frontispiece Sept 14); cocks, 10/-; hens, 5/-; pairs, 15/-; upwards: Jellries, 31, Brighton rd., Stoke Newington. (186)

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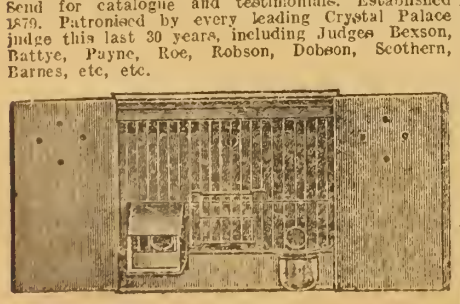
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Siberian cock Goldfinches, 4/6 each; hen do., 2/- each; Senegal Waxbills, 2/6; Red-billed Weavers, in colour, 2/6; Fire Finches, 2/6; Bronze-wing Mannikins, 2/6; Bearded Tits, 10/-; Cutthroats, 2/6; Grey Java Sparrows, 2/-; Silver Bills, 2/6; Spice Birds, 2/-; Avadavats, showing colour, 2/-; Zebra Finches, 7/6; adult Green aviary-bred Budgerigars, 5/-; yellows, 7/6 pair; Avadavats, full scarlet colour, 3/-; Black-headed Mannikins, 2/-; Bengalese, 3/-; Tricolour Mannikins, 3/-; White Java Sparrows, 7/6 pair; cock Napoleon and Orange Weavers, cock Whydahs, Weavers, yellows, etc., all in full colour, 5/6 each; Pekin Nightingales, 1/6; Grey Cardinals, red-crested, 4/6 each; all sent at my risk on approval: C. A. Luer, 32, East-st., Walworth-rd., London, S.E.

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Amazon Parrot, 25/6; Tovi Parrakeet, rare, 15/6; Tovi Parrakeet, very pretty, 10/6; Yellow-cheeked Parrakeet, 7/6; Orange-winged Parrakeet, 15/6; Cockatiels, 10/6 pair; adult imported Budgerigars, 6/6; yellows, 8/6 pair; cock Saffrons, outdoors six months, 3/- each; red-crested Cardinals, very fine, 7/6; pair Diamond Sparrows, 10/6; Sydney Waxbills, 25/6; Ruficaudas, 25/6; Zebra Finches, 7/6; Cutthroats, 2/6; Bishops, 3/6; Silverbills, 3/-; Combassous, cocks, in colour, 3/6; Masked Weavers, 3/-; Madagascar Lovebirds, 3/-; Zebra Waxbills, 3/-, all pairs; Napoleon and Orange Bishops, showing colour, 2/6 each; Long-tailed Paradise Whydahs, 5/6 pair; Barbary Doves, 3/6 pair; Demoiselle Crane, 60/6; Common Heron, 12/6; pure white Heron, 80/-; Night Heron, 50/6; Rhea, £8; Crown Crane, £9; Mexican Crested Quail, 30/6 pair; cock Californian Quail, 10/6; Curassow, 80/6; 20 Pigeons, 15/6; 20 mixed Doves, 20/6; largest selection in Great Britain. Telephone 6341 Avenue: John Hamlyn, 221, St. George's-st. East, London. (11)

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Have now a few intelligent young Green Cocks, own breeding, make capital talkers. Those whose applications were too late for last lot advertised, please note 3/6 each.—Collingbourne, 21, Avenue-gardens, East Sheen, Surrey. (183)

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FOR sale, 4 Roller hens, 5/-; three hand-reared Linnets, two cocks, one hen, 4/-; one hand-reared Wagtail, 2/6; all birds through moult; Yalden, 8, Nicolas Rectory, Guildford. (174)

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Yellow ticked Norwich cock, grand head and body; 2 buff hens, 3 yellow (Norwich); 1, buff variegated cock (Norwich); 1 yellow variegated Crestbred cock, 60 Yorkshires (1912 Greens and Cinnamons, Cinnamon-marked, Green-marked, and clears, yellow and buff), principally cocks; 7 yellow 1911 cocks; 3 buff 1911 cocks; 3 yellow and 14 buff 1911 hens; 5 house-moulted cock Goldies, 4 Linnets, all of which are breeders and winners; Redpoll, Goldfinch and Linnet hens, house-moulted, these latter all laid in cage; 3 hen Bullies, house-moulted, all had fertile eggs this season; 2 house-moulted cock Chaffinches; 4 cock Goldfinch-Canary Mules, colour fed; 2 exhibition and Song Thrushes, 20 pinewood double breeding cages; 2 six-compartment Norwich training cages; 1 three-compartment, large flight cage, Hawfinch, Whitethroat, Wagtail, Goldfinch, Norwich, Yorkshire show cages (about 50); 9 travelling cases; egg and seed mills; nursery cages, baths, sprays. Sell, through ill-health, one lot or separate. Inspection any week day; stamp reply: Durston, Bootmaker, Lancaster. (155)

JOHN MACE

Warranted cock Linnets, 8d. each, 3 for 1/6, six for 2/6, 4/6 doz.; cock Goldfinches, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6 each, hens 9d.; cock Larks, 8d. each, in full song, 1/-; cock Blackcaps, 5/- each; cock Woodlarks, 2/- and 3/- each; Ringnecked Parrakeets, 5/-; Quaker Parrakeets, 5/-; Cockatiels, 5/-; White Cockatoos, 20/-; Green-billed Toucan, 30/- each; Cactus Conures, 15/- pair; Zebra Finches, 7/6 pair; small foreign Finches, 2/6 pair: John Mace, Naturalist, Exchange-st., Sheffield. (184)

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COLOUR-FED hen Canaries, cheap: Gillard, 99, Albion-st., Rotherhithe. (183)

CANARIES, exchange mandoline, 16/-; offers: Gillard, 99, Albion-st., Rotherhithe. (183)

WANTED, Norwich, Plainheads and Crests; also Cinnamons: W. Powick, Eastfield-cottage, Dewsbury. (182)

OFFERS in Canaries. Exchange pair Scotch Blankets, sell 25/-: Drummond, 15, Hutcheson-st., Glasgow. (177)

WANTED, Scotch cock Linnets, Twites, and Bullies, hens: Cruickshanks, Bird Dealer, North Bridge-st., Bathgate. (175)

WANTED fishing rods, basket, exchange Crestbred cock and Crested hen, sell 30/-: Meggitt, Whitebridges, Boston. (173)

WANTED, any quantity of Goldfinch mules or Linnet mules for cash: Shaw, 97, Essex-rd., Islington, London, N. (Q)

HEN Canaries for export, will give 1/3 Yorkshires, 1/- others; cages, anything bought: Manager, Bird Stores, Wakefield. (178)

WANTED, a large yellow Cinnamon, 1912 Norwich, or Crestbred hen cheap: Murray, 84, Eddlewood, Hamilton, Scotland. (180)

WANTED pair for Crest breeding; exchange 1st prize-winning bull bitch, sell £5; particulars: Hay, East-st., Chichester. (177)

WANTED, any quantity Mules and Hybrids, cocks and hens; best prices given: Sandiford, Bird Specialist, Preston, Lancs.

WANTED, offers in Yorkshire hens, Parrot, etc., for 3 Crest, 2 Crestbred hens, sell 18/—: Stevens, Manor-rd., Guildford. (182)

WANTED buyer for fifty Canaries, Yorkshire, Norwich, Border, 1911-12, £6 the lot or offers: Wise, Bootmaker, Keswick. (177)

WANTED, full size square Parrot cage, good condition, cheap: G. S. Drinkwater, 3, Morris-st., New Islington, Manchester. (170)

WANTED set grooving, beading, and smoothing planes, exchange pair Norwich, sell 30/-: Meggitt, Whitebridges, Boston. (173)

WANTED, weekly supply Goldfinches from catchers; will give 16/- dozen cocks, 5/- hens: West, 30, Lamprell-st., Old Ford. (179)

WANTED pair Canaries, exchange lad's tweed overcoat, or silver watch, sell 15/-: Drummond, 15, Hutcheson-st., Glasgow. (177)

WANTED, Roller Canary, Goldfinch or good songster: exchange gent's silver keyless watch: Knowles, Trafalgar-rd., Laneaster. (177)

WANTED, small urn or set of small counter scales; exchange breeder's cages or Canaries: Elliott, 40, Ashby-rd., Loughborough. (175)

WANTED, Canaries, in exchange for Scotch woollen blankets, sell 25/-; or anything useful: M'Dougall, 134, James-st., Bridgeton. (186)

H. OLIVER, 2, Bridport-place, Hoxton, wanted Yorkshires, colour-fed; send particulars, price, will deposit cash; stamp, reply. (183)

WANTED offers in April hatched pullets for good fox terrier bitch, 5 months old, sell 12/6: Yates, 74, Rushes-rd., Petersfield. (177)

WANTED two large yellow Norwich cocks or five hens, exchange china tea set, forty pieces: 35, Elliot-st., Newcastle, Staffs. (180)

WANTED, Roller Canaries, give cash, or good value in classical show homers; offers, anything: Todd, Chiltern-rd., Dunstable. (184)

WANTED good yellow 1912 Norwich hen, exchange Sib York hen and 4 hen Mules, sell 7/6: Pugh, Bettisfield, Whitchurch, Salop. (177)

WANTED birds, any description, in exchange for cages or loose fronts; dealers supplied: Leigh, 26, Netherfield-rd., South Liverpool. (173)

WANTED offers in Canaries; exchange pair of Scotch blankets, sell 25/-: Andrew Dawson, 185, Duke-st., Dennistown, Glasgow. (172)

WILL give 5/- per pair for large Canaries, Norwich only, colour-fed preferred; stamp reply: B. Soanes, Tailor, 92, Bevan-st., Lowestoft. (184)

LINNET Mule, in song, for catching, exchange singing Norwich cock or hens; no rubbish: Riddington, Mafeking-terrace, Newmarket. (172)

WANTED, good yellow or buff cock, fed, fit to win; exchange 20 Columbia records, bands and songs; approval: Maclean, South-st., Forres. (183)

WANTED, acclimatised healthy African Grey Parrot cheap for cash; state price to: Garthwaite, 72, Surtees-st., Bishop Auckland, Durham. (159)

WANTED, Canaries, exchange hamper with six Norwich show cages; also breeding cages, 20 cage fronts: Horne, Stanley-rd., Herne Bay. (175)

WANTED, good Norwich, in exchange for Cockatiels, good talking strain, outdoor bred: Chas. C. Hodgson, Newton House, Northallerton. (184)

WANTED strong English lever watch, exchange Cinnamon marked Canaries; approval both ways: Stephen Barber, Burringham, Doncaster. (175)

WANTED for cash, Mules, Goldfinches, either sex; please state lowest price: Trask, Bird Specialist, Chesham House, Broadway, Deptford, S.E. (183)

WANTED Cage Birds, Pigeons, Rabbits, exchange two good secondhand Rugby footballs, cost 10/6 each: Moore, 60, Mutley Plain, Plymouth. (179)

WANTED, to sell, genuine hand-reared cock Nightingale, finger tame, 30/-; exchange, golden pheasants: Turner, Chase, Ashingdon, Rochford, Essex. (185)

WANTED from catchers, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Linnets; state lowest price: J. Corcoran, Wholesale Bird Dealer, 36, Devonshire Street, Northampton. (168)

WANTED Siskins, Siberian Goldfinches, or small Foreign for new pair razors in case; offers invited; approval willingly: P. Edwards, Sunnyside, Frome. (172)

WANTED, light Mule or Hybrid, good; exchange unflighted Norwich and dark Mules, cocks, well bred, cold-room, sell 10/- each: Bowler, Fancier, Aylesbury. (183)

WANTED mack, leggings, trousers, give 30 mole skins, bird wings, also scrap brass and lead wanted; Goldies or Canaries: Cook, East-st., Pembridge. (174)

WANTED, for cash, any quantity Canaries, Yorkshires, and Norwich, must be guaranteed cocks: Alf. Lewis, Maes, Pwllheli, North Wales. (165)

NOTICE; wanted from catchers, weekly supply Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Siskins, etc.; state prices: Hollinshead, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport. (184)

WANTED, birds, Parrots, guinea pigs, dogs, pigeons, poultry, monkeys, rabbits, rats; purchase or exchange other Fancy: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (186)

WANTED Goldfinch or Hawfinch (cocks) in exchange for four Yorkshire show cages and hamper, or offers: E. Chisholm, 1, Glenurquhart-rd., Inverness. (177)

WANTED pair Yellow Norwich for three pairs flying Tipplers; approval both ways, birds first: Chas. Harrison, Alrewas Mills, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. (176)

WANTED, good Parrot cage, square preferred (or offers); exchange Yorkshires to value; approval; yours first: Proctor, 33, Alexander-rd., Hitchin, Herts. (181)

HEN Cockatiel, pair Yellow Budgerigars, adults, would exchange exhibition Norwich, do. British, small foreigners; outdoor: Wyndham, New Clifton, Bristol. (180)

WANTED, pair clap nets; exchange cock Bullfinches, or sell, 3/6 each, or pedigree working homer, 5/- and 7/6 pair: Tupholme, Union-rd., Bourne. (180)

OFFERS in Yorkshires for A1 fretwork machine, 60 designs, gross saws; also silver English lever watch, by Benson, London: Marshall, 75, Trafalgar-rd., Beeston, Notts. (170)

WANTED two German cocks or cock Mules, for large Lancashire bull coppy cock; also one singing cock for two Lancashire show cages: West, 80, Tweedale-st., Rochdale. (172)

WANTED, hen Goldfinch Mules and Canaries, give 1/- each; hen Goldfinches, 6/- dozen; I buy any kind of birds, cocks or hens: W. Perkins, 207, Hast-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (181)

NOTICE, will give 6/- per pair for colour-fed Norwich or Yorkshires, 10/- per pair for Crests; also wanted Scotch Fancies, cock Mules, reasonable: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (169)

WANTED, thick-set Norwich cock or hen, colour-fed, yellow preferred, give cash, or exchange exhibition cock Goldfinch, rich scarlet square blaze: Edgeley, 491, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (184)

WANTED, two cock Canaries, or Mules, singing; exchange 6 ivorine-handle knives, with nickel-silver forks to match; I have all kinds of cutlery or silver plate: Mr. Robinson, 32, Peal-st., Sheffield. (185)

WANTED young Lancashires or Cinnamons, exchange 24 sweep's canes and two brushes, cost 60/-, nearly two; approval both ways; no rubbish, or sell 35/-: J. Coman, Norwich-rd., Wymondham. (172)

WANTED in exchange for high-class pedigree strain of flying homers, or in pairs, Canaries or British birds; no rubbish offered or wanted; mutual approval: Trotter, Woodside House, Dumbarton. (173)

WANTED surplus stocks of large colour fed Norwich Plainheads, and Crests; also Cinnamons, Rollers and Lizards; state price and particulars to: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (176)

LADY'S gold guard, set of trap harness, or exhibition foreigners; exchange pedigree Wolf Sable Pom dog, 10lb. weight, £3; also pedigree Orange Sable bitch, 5lb., £2: Harry Lohr, Confectioner, Carmarthen. (171)

WANTED, 500 Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also cock Goldfinch Mules, best price given for good birds; reliable and honest business dealings; write, stamp envelope for prices: Enock Power, 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London, E. (187)

WANTED, from catchers, weekly supply of Siskins, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Hawfinches, best price given to reliable catchers; send stamped envelope for price; honest dealings only done: Enock Power, 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London, E. (187)

CANARIES wanted, exchange superior quality boots, gent's 16/6, lady's 12/6, boy's or girl's 7/6; lady's shoes, 7/6; gent's and boy's suits, etc.; send for particulars; I guarantee to give you satisfaction: Wressell, Outfitter, Crowle, Doncaster. (10)

WANTED, exhibition cock Siskin; exchange pair Norwich, few feeding hens; exchange Linnets or other British for exhibition; three British show cages; what offers British Hardbills? approval; yours first: Alexander, John-st., Larkhall, N.B. (181)

WANTED, offers in large common Norwich for any of the following:—Gent.'s cycle, 50/-; butchers' scales, class 11, 40/-; brass weights, 20/-; spring balance up to 3001bs., 15/-; sausage machine, 20/-, as new; particulars: Epps, 7, The Villas, Gordon-rd., Herne Bay. (171)

WANTED, exhibition British Mule or Hybrid, first-class birds only, give good exchange in Sib. Canaries, guaranteed Light Mulers, also Norwich, winning strain, or cash; wanted British, foreign house-moulted hen Bullies: Metcalfe, 8, Village-st., Lr. Broughton, Manchester. (181)

THE EXCHANGE CO., 81, Chippinghouse-rd., Sheffield, estab. 1900, give extra good value in everything for home; boots, blankets, sheets, overcoats, tools, electroplate, cutlery, etc., for your surplus stocks of Canaries; state wants and offers; cash given for British from catchers and Norwich of good quality; genuine business done; state wants and offers. (181)

WANTED, GOOD SEIFERT COCK

full song, in exchange for Yorkshire show case and cages; new condition; approval; bird first: F. Nicholas, Margaret-st., Pentre, Rhondda. (182)

WANTED FOR EXPORT

Will give 7/- per pair for large colour-fed Norwich; 10/- per pair for good Crests. I also require cock Mules, British Rollers, Lancashires, Scotch Fancies, Lizards, Cinnamons, and Borders. Send full particulars and stamp for reply. Will deposit cash with Editor: H. Gledhill, Exporter, Fleet-lane, Queensbury, Bradford. (164)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

GRAND cock Goldfinch, for Canaries; offers: Robinson, Aldgate, Ketton, nr. Stamford. (184)

WHAT offers in Britishers, fit for show bench, for good 6 show cases; approval: Maclean, South-st., Forres. (183)

WILL exchange pair clapnets, complete, 8 yards by 4ft., for six cock Goldfinches: Williams, 9, Waterloo-road, Burslem. (174)

GRAND Siberian cock Goldfinch, bred Mules, full song, 6/6; cash or deposit: Howard, 80, Queen's-rd., Dalston, London. (171)

EXCHANGE Light Goldie Mule, dark Greenie Mule, for Siberian Goldfinch or Yellow muling hens: Cowan, Alexandra-terrace, Troon. (173)

YOUNG cock Hawfinch, also Brambellinch, exchange puppy, fishing tackle, anything; sell 8/6 the two: Lake, Hairdresser, Reigate. (178)

MONSTER hand-reared Jay, finger-tame, good colour, sell or exchange; what offers; apply: 103, Hards-rd., Wimbledon, S.W. (182)

TWO hand-reared cock Goldfinches, perfect condition, 6/- each: 1912 Norwich cocks, 4/6: Morley, Balsham-rd., Linton, Cambs. (179)

COCKS, 3 Greenfinches, 2 Yellow Buntings, 3/-; cock Bullfinch, 2/6; 3 hens, 3/-; approval: Conic, Newtown, Raunds, Wellingboro'. (180)

SEVERAL good stamp cock Finches, healthy, in good song; exchange young common Canaries or sell: Saunders, Paperhanger, Tiverton. (176)

EXCHANGE hand-reared cock Thrush, good markings, fine large bird, for British seedeaters: Fowley, 14, St. Andrew's Plain, Norwich. (171)

FOR sale or exchange grand cock Greenfinch Mule, 7/6; or exchange show cock Goldfinch; yours first: Butler, Old Park, Dawley, Salop. (175)

EXCHANGE 1912 exhibition cock Goldfinch Mule for two Muling Goldfinches; sell, 5/6; approval: Williamson, High-st., North Berwick. (176)

HOUSE MOULTED yellow cock Goldfinch; exchange yellow cock Siskin, house-moulted. While, Seed Establishment, Park-st., East Cowes. (181)

EXCHANGE 3 cock Greypates for lady's boots, size 3, or children's secondhand clothing; yours first: B. Wilson, 53, Albert-st., Spalding. (174)

TIP-TOP exhibition British; exchange for gent's left off clothing, cycle covers, anything; approval: Ernest Whiteley, Crowle, Doncaster. (186)

TO exhibitors. Six mixed British cocks, exchange Canaries, Budgerigars, show cages; particulars, write Hulland, 9, St. Phillip's, Cheltenham. (178)

WHAT offers? Fifteen Goldfinches, caged two months, believed to be all cocks, good colour and song: Webb, Victoria Hall, Rhayader.

SINGING cabinet for Roller Canary, 3/-; house-moulted Goldfinch, 3/-; house-moulted Linnet, 3/-; cage, 1/6; Smiddy, 7, Springstone, Ossett. (176)

HOUSE MOULTED cock Linnet, in song, also 2 young cocks, coming in song; exchange cock Siskin: H. Casey, 20, Sidney-st., Illey-rd., Oxford. (182)

TWITES, 6 very large, exhibition specimens, 1/- each; exchange lot for Goldfinch or Linnet Mule, pure song: West, 30, Lamprell-st., Old Ford. (179)

COCK Linnet Mule, three hen Canaries, exchange exhibition cock Goldfinch; Goldfinch first: Henry Anderson, North-st., Clackmannan, Scotland. (169)

EXCHANGE two hand-reared cock Blackcaps for 1912 Buff Norwich cock Canary, or sell 10/-; Canary first.—H. Lawes, Perranwell Station, Cornwall. (167)

HAWFINCH, cage moulted, 2nd at Kelty and Blairadam, only time shown, sell 20/-, or exchange Waxwing: Clubbs, 51, Battlefield Avenue, Glasgow. (154)

EXCHANGE cock Linnet Mule, 2 cock Goldfinches (one a Peathroater), for 1911 cock Goldfinch Mule, singing. Finch song: Hiuder, Crosshayes, Malmesbury, Wilts. (178)

EXCHANGE large cock Goldfinch-Canary Mule, feed, for two large cock Goldfinches, on approval both ways, or sell, 7/6: J. Arlow, Kentis-st., Banbridge, Ireland.

WILL exchange exhibition cock Goldfinch, perfect colour and condition, for colour-fed Norwich, cock Hawfinch or Bunting: Edgeley, 491, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (184)

EXCHANGE house-moulted cocks, 2 Chaffinches, 1 Linnet, 1 good Norwich hen, for good Borders or British Rollers; yours first: A. Stubbs, 7, Middlefell-st., Farnworth. (177)

GOOD house-moulted cock Linnet, two good stock cages, one flight cage, new, the lot 7/6; exchange for good yellow Norwich hen, clear; yours first: Ferguson, 588, Duke-st., Glasgow. (180)

TWO good house-moulted cock Siskins, proved Mulers, 5/- each, or exchange for good 1912 buff or yellow Norwich cock; Norwich first: E. Chisholm, 1, Glenurquhart-rd., Inverness. (177)

TWICE h.m. cock Goldfinch, 3/6; pair Chaffinches (had young in aviary), 3/6; Reed Buntings, Yellow Buntings, Redpoll in aviary 12 months, 2/6 pair: Heath, 273, Stretford-rd., Manchester. (176)

SALE or exchange 2 Linnets, 2 Greenfinches, 1 Siskin, 1 Goldfinch, cocks, all house-moulted, proved mulers, exchange 1 pair Yellow and Green Budgerigars: James Peters, East High-st., Buckhaven, Fife. (175)

NOTICE! will exchange all kinds British birds for show, muling, contest-singing, for any variety Canaries, Mules, and foreign birds; state wants: Hollinshead, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport. (184)

EXCHANGE cock Goldfinch, hen Bullfinch (laid eggs in cage), two cock Linnets, hen Goldfinch, hen Siskin (been together in cages), four hand-reared Greenfinches for good Norwich: Beck, Islield, Uckfield. (175)

LARGE Siberian cock Bullfinch, full blaze and colour, 7/6, and a Siberian cock Goldfinch, 7/6, and one St. Andreasberg Roller on full song, 8/6, or exchange anything: Saunders, Greengrocer, Clarence-st., Gravesend. (178)

Mainly Canaries.

WANTED, high-class Rollers or Norwich; see miscellaneous: Marks, Stallbridge, Dorset. (171)

GOOD buff Norwich cock, 10/6, useful exchange: J. Terry, 7, Gladstone-st., Desboro', Northants. (188)

WORKING models wanted in exchange for good prize-bred Norwich or Crests: J. Osborne, John-st., Sligo. (169)

FIVE York hens, exchange British Hardbills; offers or Budgerigars: W. Ducks, 68, Alexander-rd., Sheffield. (178)

YORKSHIRES, 7-inch buff cock, 2 smart yellow hens, double breeder; £1 the lot: 30, Mildmay-grove, Islington. (179)

YORKSHIRE Canaries of superior quality, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- pair; or exchange; what offer: Wressell, Crowle, Lincolnshire. (10)

FOR sale 40 good young Canaries, 12 British, appliances, cages; write: F. H. Banes, Rhosmore, Potton, Beds. (162)

EXCHANGE five hens, two cock Canaries, for new cork lino, or anything useful: Rowe, Brunswick-rd., Shoreham, Sussex. (181)

WILL exchange prize-winning Norwich, all colours, for first-class British; approval: Wm. Sharp, 112, Mid-st., Bathgate. (Q)

OFFERS for 4 Yorkshire hen Canaries, 1 cock, for oak timepiece; no rubbish: Harling, 138, Lockswood-road, Huddersfield. (173)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires for sweets' scales or hearthrugs, no rubbish offered: Imeson, Commercial House, Ossett. (187)

EXCHANGE three Yorkshire hens, 1912 bred, for 1911 Yorkshire songster; approval; yours first: Ford, 19, Perry-st., Hull. (178)

EXCHANGE three good Yorkshire hens for Cinnamon Borders, or sell, 10/6: Bartlett, 18, Northload Bridge, Glastonbury. (179)

SELL 4 good hen Canaries and 2 hen Linnet Mules for 7/-, or will exchange for cock Yorkshire: Coote, North-st., Axminster. (169)

GIVE pair Norwich or Yorkshires for fresh-caught Goldfinches and Bullfinches: Morrison, 7, Stone-lane, Millfield, Peterborough. (173)

CHANCE novice; two yellow Norwich cocks, can win, 35/-; exchange pied songster: Gillard, 99, Albion-st., Rotherhithe. (183)

TWO cock Canaries, 5/- each; 1911 Yorkshire hen, 5/-; exchange Norwich or offers: Buck, 4, Beatrice-rd., Richmond, Surrey. (169)

TWO pairs high-class Yorkshires and cages, complete, £1; approval, exchange anything: Davies, Ipstones, Stoke-on-Trent. (174)

TWO grand buff Norwich hens, cold-room, for Seifert Roller cock: George Parkes, 5, Green-lane, Blackheath, Birmingham. (174)

GRAND big dark cock Linnet Mule, splendid colour; exchange good Yorkshire cock or sell, 10/: Gregg, Butterford, Notts. (178)

71, Rushes-rd., Petersfield. (177)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires, bred from winners, for March or April hatched pullets: Yates,

TWO Norwich cocks, one Crest-bred hen, for two large 1912 yellow Norwich hens: E. Blake, 24, Forest-rd., Cheshunt, Herts. (171)

PAIR grand Yorkshires, 7/6; cock Canary, 4/; pair lomers, young, 4/-; exchange Goldfinches; anything: T. Hulton, Baker, Holbeach. (173)

TWO pairs Norwich Canaries, 10/6 pair; cock Goldfinch Mule, 7/6; exchange anything useful: Royce, 273, Oundle-rd., Peterborough. (172)

EXCHANGE, a large 1911 yellow Norwich cock, 10/-, for a Cinnamon or Crestbred cock: Murray, 84, Eddlewood, Hamilton, Scotland. (180)

EXCHANGE good Yorkshires, for exhibition Cirl Bunting, or other first classe British: Pickles, 2, Margate-street, Sowerby Bridge. (179)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires, including winners, for good jewellery; diamond pin wanted: 65, St. Quintin-av., North Kensington. (170)

MONSTER clear buff Norwich cock, from winners, 10/-; exchange 1912 Roller; no rubbish offers: J. Wager, Cainscross, Gloucestershire. (177)

I will give twenty Norwich hens for about 25/-, or what offers; or exchange for any useful things: Warr, 15, South-terrace., Bletchley. (183)

TWO nice Yorkshire hens, double breeder, fitted complete, lot 14/-; exchange, or would sell separately: Cuningham, Fulshaw, Wilmslow. ((181)

EXCHANGE three Yorkshire bred hen Canaries for large Clear Yellow Norwich cock, 1911, singing: Wilson, Dazellowlie, Maybole, Ayrshire. (176)

EXCHANGE yellow unflighted Yorkshire cock, or sell 12/6, for good yellow Norwich unflighted cock or hen: Greenaway, 7, Gladstone-rd., Tonbridge. (186)

TWO Yorkshire cocks, can win small shows, for big Buff Norwich Plainhead cock, for stock; yours first: Roberts, Quay, Port Dinorwic, Wales. (176)

EXCHANGE Green Yorkshire Canaries, 1912 standard length, for 20-key English concertina, in box, value 30/- (no refuse): Simon, Mayo-st., Cockermouth. (181)

SALE or exchange big Clear Buff Crestbred cock, 10/-; Buff Ticked Plainhead hen, 5/-; beauties, 1911; or exchange Goldies, etc.: Robert Dyer, Haystoun, Peebles. (176)

A FEW good Yorkshires for sale or exchange gentleman's lever watch or boots, size 6; approval; inspection invited: L. Dale, 9, Parliament-street, Sheffield. (179)

NORWICH cocks, 5/-, hens 2/-; cock Goldfinch Mule, 5/-; hen Bullfinch, 3/-; cock Redpoll 2/-; all house-moulted: Finigan, 36, Bircham-st., Stanley, Durham. (169)

LARGE Buff Norwich cock, good stock bird; accept 7/6; cheap; or exchange for good yellow Cinnamon hen: Arthur Fletcher, Sedgefield, Co. Durham. (171)

NOTICE! Selected pair young Canaries, 3/6 pair; Green Linnets, Redpolls, Chaffinches, Linnets, Larks, 8d. pair: Brain, Aviaries, Aston, Birmingham. Price list, stamps. (169)

YORKSHIRE or Norwich Canaries, cocks coming on song, 6/-; hens 3/6; double breeding cages complete, 4/-, pair with cage 10/-, or offers in exchange: Dyster Scott, Ilford. (170)

VARIEGATED Crest hen, show cage and case, 12/6; large Buff Norwich hen, show cage, 4/-; exchange, poultry preferred: J. Starling, Eye-rd., Newark, Peterborough. (174)

EXCHANGE cinamon Border cock and pair green Yorkshires, unflighted, for matched pair clear Yorkshires; no wasters: Saul, 20, Village Grove, Everton, Liverpool. (178)

WHAT offers in Canaries, Foreign, or British birds for suit length good tweed, or sell 35/-, or lady's dress length or sell 12/6: McKeand, Scabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

COCKS, two colour-fed Norwich, 20/-; one non-fed, 6/-; one Yorkshire, 7/6; exchange, Cinnamon Borders, showcages, anything: Pearce, 231, Cathedral-rd., Cardiff. (182)

WANTED, good bicycle or Minorca Pullets (March hatched) give good exchange in high-class Yorkshires; no rubbish; yours first: Larman, Orchard-rd., Walsworth, Hitchin. (179)

EXCHANGE young, healthy Canaries, for any jewellery, clothing, sewing machine, musical instruments; what offers; yours first: Lloyd, 28, Cecil-rd., Gorseinon, near Swansea. (180)

LARGE yellow cock and two buff hens, 11/- lot; exchange pair of Borders, buff cock and yellow hen; yours first; mutual approval: James Pollock, 18, Marshall-st., Larkhall, Lanarks. (186)

TWO good Yorkshire hens, yellow and buff: ditto Norwich hens, 4/- each; exchange either couple for 3 by 6 Welsh Goldie; lot for H.M. exhibition Welsh Goldie: Crowle, Grocer, Penzance. (172)

FOR sale or exchange, Yorkshire Canaries, pairs, or British Goldfinches; good blaze, house-moulted; will exchange for large Goldfinch Mules: Clarke, 2 Ct., 1 Ho., Stafford-st., Park, Sheffield. (173)

EXCHANGE nine large, clear, young Norwich Canaries, Iron's strain; clear Yorkshire cock, two hens, anything useful: cash £2 10s., worth double; approval: Crawshaw, Epworth, Doncaster. (168)

LONG Cinnamon Ticked Buff Yorkshire cock, good stock bird, sale or exchange for good Green Marked Buff Yorkshire hen, 1912 bred; no rubbish offered, none wanted: Francis, New-st., Lymington. (175)

YORKSHIRE cocks, with show cage, 7/6; pairs with breeding cage, 10/-; hens from 2/-; would exchange Canaries for gramophone, with records, must be in good order: Gibbard, Corn Stores, Dunstable. (185)

WANTED, a Roller Schoolmaster with cage or a good Yorkshire cock, a winner or that can win; exchange three Scotch Fancy hens and one cock: Foote, Yetminster, near Sherbourne, Dorset. (176)

LOOK! My entire lot of Yorkshires to dispose of, going out of the Fancy, at reasonable prices to suit customers; exchange anything useful, drapery preferred: Sam Smith, Stanley-rd., Ingrow, Keighley. (176)

BEAUTIFUL wing-marked yellow dark crested cock Norwich Canary, 12/6; would exchange extra large Lancashire coppy cock, hatched 1912; cash to value, good bird: Lewis, Milborneport, Somerset. (182)

RARE chance; 3 Crested cocks, 20/-, or separately; pair yellow Borders, 7/6; 2 hens, 3/6; toy dog, Pomeranian and Schepperke cross, beautiful coat, affectionate, 18/-: Paul, 111, Rosebery-st., Glasgow, S.S. (182)

1912 ROLLER, splendid songster, day or gaslight, handsome pair 1911 black magpie pigeons, large cock Greenfinch, fit to show, lot 12/-; exchange 2 yellow Norwich cocks: Roper, 134, Chester, Seven Kings, Essex. (183)

EXCHANGE large Buff Marked Yorkshire cock, good stock bird, exhibition Redpoll, Muling Greenfinch, four new Yorkshire show cages for Border or Roller cocks; offers, anything: Wiseman, 29, Radnor-rd., Cardiff. (175)

FOR sale, big tck. buff cock, winner, 15/-; two yellow hens, 7/; one buff, 5/-; pure Shackletons; two big buff hens, 6/6 each to clear (Ambler's); on approval, or exchange: Percival, 43, Woodfield-rd., Ellesmere Port. (177)

I WILL give one pair of Cinnamon Borders, matched for an exhibition yellow or ticked Border hen; or one pair of exhibition foreigners, in cage: M. Ogden, 45, Pembroke-st., Lecholme, near Bishop Auckland, Durham. (180)

1912 COCK Linnet muler, 5/6; young Canary, 2/6; 1911 hen Canary muler, 2/-; all healthy; two double-breeding cages, 4/6; exchange good singing Roller and hen; offers; yours first: Crawley, 76, Albion-st., Castleford. (172)

PAIR of Yorkshires, buff, make good stock birds, 12/6; exchange large Yellow Norwich hen, house-moulted Linnet and hen Canary, two Mules from same, sex unknown; exchange anything, offers: Shuttleworth, 7, Derby-st., Leigh, Lancs. (176)

SELL two smart Norwich cocks, moulted, on full song, 6/6 each; 2 hens, 1912, 2/6 each; 5 large splendid colour cock Goldfinches, 2/6 each; one 2/6; cock Bullie, 2/-; nice cock Linnet, 1/6; stamp reply; cash, deposit: F. Robinson, Florist, Witham, Essex. (170)

EXCHANGE 3 Goldfinch-Canary Mules, as bred, 2 house-moulted cock brown Linnets, 1 house-moulted cock Mealy Redpoll, and 1 hen Canary (has bred Mules), for good Crests, or offers: H. Dyball, The Stables, Overstrand Hotel, Overstrand, nr. Cromer, Norfolk. (174)

28 HIGH-CLASS Seifert Roller Canaries, can guarantee 18 cocks, nicely on song, bred from best strain, yellows and variegated, business pressure cause of sale; offers wanted for lot or separate: Call or write, Burry, Dairyman, 60, Broad-street, Kidderminster. (179)

SEVERAL good Buff Norwich, hens from 7/6; also matched pair yellow marked cock, buff hen, 25/-; songsters, cocks, 6/-; hens, 2/6; also drying cage, breeding cages; exchange anything useful; no live stock; seen any time by appointment: Luff, 47, Winstanley-rd., Clapham Junction. (133)

TWO pairs Borders, 12/6; cocks (1912); Rollers and Norwich from 5/6; cock Goldfinch, 5/6; cock S'skin, 5/6; twice house-moulted, proved mulers; pair Pekin Robins, twice house-moulted, cock good songster, 9/-; wanted self Cinnamons or Greens, Norwich, Yorkshire: 26, Vernon-avenue, Wimbledon, Surrey. (167)

WILL exchange lovely British Goldfinch, fine blaze and buttons (twice house-moulted) and bred Mules twice; also two lovely Goldfinch-Canary Mules (cocks) and two hens, bred from the above, for two first-class exhibition yellow Norwich Plainhead hens; no rubbish; approval willingly: Orchard, 319, Gloucester-rd., Horfield, Bristol. (174)

Mainly Foreign.

WHAT offers in Canaries for talking Parrot and cage: Watts, Grocer, Albert-st., Merthyr. (180)

WILL exchange young Rosella, for two pair of Norwich, or sell, £1: E. Bewley, 2, Walton-lane, Liverpool. (177)

EXCHANGE fine hen Cockatiel from large garden aviary for pair of lady's shoes, size 5: Apply 18, Eastfield-road, Andover. (178)

TEN Budgerigars, little rough but healthy, 12/6 lot, exchange double-sided records; Goldfinches, offers: Criddeford, Honiton, Devon. (176)

EXCHANGE eight young Budgerigars, yellow, three months old, for anything useful; sell £1: Bailey, 38, Ivanhoe-st., Leicester. (171)

COCK Budgerigar, 4/-, splendid condition, or exchange pullets, pigeons, terrier dog: Arthur Hollingshead, 21, Fonthill-rd., Hove, Sussex. (170)

PARROT, green, yellow breast, red beak, with cage, acclimatised, £1, or exchange Canaries or anything useful: L. Skidmore, 23, Terrace-rd., Buxton. (182)

ACCLIMATIZED blue fronted Amazon, finger tame, 20 months' old, says few words; £3 or exchange song birds or fowls: Evenson, Lansdowne, Bournemouth. (179)

Miscellaneous.

CLAPNETS, 18ft. by 4½ft., 6/-, or exchange Roller cock: C. Bycroft, 6, Oak-terrace, Doncaster. (182)

SPANIEL. Will exchange for Crestbred hen Norwich, or sell 7/6: Lewis, Brook-lane, Ormskirk. (173)

EXCHANGE fox terrier puppy, well bred, for birds, what offers: Aukerson, Butcher, Blackwater, Hants. (184)

BANTAMS. Two cocks, five hens, exchange rabbits, concertina, or offers: H. Cook, Barstable, Wickford. (170)

EXCHANGE Scotch blankets for Canaries or sell, 25/-: Wright, 11, Mannering-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow. (175)

PAIR second-hand shooting boots, size 9; exchange 2 cock Canaries: Tompkins, 111 High-rd., Willesden Green. (185)

ALL kinds of British and foreign birds, exchanged for all kinds of dogs: Walter Smith, 98, Tib-st., Manchester.

BRINDLE Bull bitch, 2 years, exchange cage birds or Black Spaniel dog pup: T. Towers, 15, Orchard-st., Hinckley. (172)

EXCHANGE for Canaries and cages box mangle, cost £15, gramophone and 50 records: Brickell, Shrivenham, Berks. (156)

THREE large healthy Flemish Giants, buck, two does, sell, exchange two hens: Day, 34, Paynter-st., Fenton, Staffs. (172)

MODEL steam engine, in working order, sell, 9/-; or exchange Rollers: A. Welch, 11, Cavendish-st., Chorley, Lancs. (181)

TWO pair white Fantails, prize strain; exchange for Zebra Finches or Budgerigars: Armstrong, Bridge Hotel, Kendal. (186)

EXCHANGE, "Animal Life," complete 24 7d. parts, for good gramophone records, or offers: S. Welch, Hexham-on-Tyne. (173)

EXCHANGE five well-marked Dutch does for Canaries or bird house; offers: Wakefield, 45, Treharris-st., Cardiff. (171)

FOUR pairs of long distance homers, very good birds, 3/6 pair, or exchange: James Jackson, Hill Top, Knottingley. (186)

CHAMPION Wire-hair Fox Terrier puppies, sell 10/-; exchange Yorkshire or Norwich cocks: Bennett, Jevington, Sussex. (173)

EDISON Standard Phonograph, 2 horns, stand, 60 records, sell £5; exchange birds (no rubbish), 5, Greek-street, Hull. (178)

SALE or exchange for birds, 2 Yorkshire Terrier dog pups: R. J. Andrews, 16, Howick-st., Monkwearmouth, Sunderland. (174)

EXCHANGE, hand camera, 2½in. x 3½in., dishes, etc., complete, for pair Budgerigars, or good Yorkshire cock: Bates, 425, Stony Stanton-road, Coventry. (179)

GOOD mallcart, exchange pair Norwich or Borders, or sell 14/-, no rubbish; bird food: Greenfield, 30, Pickett-st., Balham. (174)

BREEDING show and parlour cages, house moulted Lark, sell, exchange Mules to value: 5/-, Cheetham Hill-rd., Manchester. (186)

THREE Hondan cockerels, April hatched, will exchange for birds or appliances, what offers: C. W., 3, Denzil-rd., Neasden. (187)

GENT.'S dark overcoat, new, fit tall man, sell £1, exchange mackintosh, anything; no birds: Muir, bootmaker, Slamtland. (180)

WOODEN showcase, hold 4 Yorkshire cage (maker, Reece), as new; exchange H.M. Goldfinch cock: Mills, 31, Sutton-rd., Liscard. (180)

GRAMOPHONE and 6 10in. tunes, brand new, £2 2/-; exchange; approval, anything useful: Agar, 16, Bedford-st., Sunderland. (180)

CHAMPION Welsh Owl for sale, 10/-, splendid feathers and tame, or exchange: Roberts and Slater, Aviary, Trefriw, Wales. (177)

EXCHANGE, high-class pedigree wire-haired fox-terrier bitch, 6 months, for Canaries, value 20/-: 98, Prescot-street, Liverpool. (179)

GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-, as new, exchange Canaries, fowls or fancy pigeons: Ellis, 7a, Smith st., Clerkenwell, London. (185)

ENGLISH rabbit, male, six months, from winners, exchange buck and bitch, tools, or birds: 20, Richard-st., West Hartlepool. (171)

EXCHANGE gent's silver watch, good order, for clapnets, complete; sell 15/-; approval: Lewis, 55, Letitia-st., Middlesbrough. (174)

BLACK tan terrier dog, five months, splendid little house dog, 7/- or offers in birds, anything: Holt, Ironmonger, Bacup. (171)

WHAT offers in Canaries or cock Goldfinches for three pairs of high-flying Tipplers, or sell, 7/6: E. Stone, Beighton-st., Ripley. (179)

26in.x 12in. PALMER'S special roadster cover, almost new, for singing Canary, bird first: Purle, 30, Charlotte-sq., Barnsbury, N. (183)

EDISON Bell phonograph, 35 records, £1, or exchange blankets, value 25/-, on approval: Garton, 9, Eton-rd., Burton-on-Trent. (182)

EXCHANGE Beck lens, 33/- for Norwich Crest singing cock or good Schoolmaster Roller: Anderson, 62, Janet-st., Liverpool. (176)

GOOD bred Wire-hair Fox Terrier bitch for sale, 25/-, or exchange anything useful: J. Tyler, 26, Witchell-rd., Redfield, Bristol. (172)

OIL paintings (Academy canvas) 1912, beautiful scenery framed, gilt, 18/-; exchange, offers: Shepard, 52, Hunslet-lane, Leeds. (176)

PAIR dumbells, massage chain; 16/-'s worth health-culture books; offers new caught birds, anything: Broxup, Whittlefield, Burnley. (182)

FIFTEEN genuine 2/6 fountain pens, new, 1/1 each, post free to clear; approval; offers birds: Cawthornes, Brotherton, Yorkshire. (174)

EXCHANGE catcher's outfit in case, six breeding cages, four Linnet cages, offers; disc records wanted: Yeomans, Penketh, Lancashire. (169)

HAND lockstitch sewing machine, good worker, cost £4, 30/-; exchange Canaries: Anderson, 422, Portobello-rd., Notting Hill, London. (183)

EXCHANGE catcher's carrying box and four small cages, for good British, Hawfinch or Siskin preferred: H. Pinnell, Warminster. (179)

EDISON Gem Phonograph and 30 records, 30/-; 30 cock Canaries, from 3/6 upwards, exchange boots: Beaven, 3, Park-place, Devizes.

WILL exchange four-compartment breeding cage, enamelled black, for Roller schoolmaster; bird first: Beckett, 18, Mill-st., Congleton. (172)

PAIR wire fox terrier pups, 10/- each; Parrot cage, 7/6; child's walking chair, 5/-; exchange Rollers: 201, Chester-rd., Hulme. (171)

CHAMPION bred whippet; exchange for Linnet Mule, Linnet song; yours first; approval: Measures, Grocer, 112, Wheat-st., Leicester. (186)

THREE volumes of "Automobile," not soiled, cost 37/6, accept £1 or anything useful: Gannaway, 11, Stanley-st., Stapleton-rd., Bristol. (170)

NORWICH cock Canary, wanted, in exchange for Whiteley's developer: Trotman, 10, Goodwin-buildings, Southwark Bridge-road, S.E. (177)

SEVEN White Fantail pigeons, never handled; exchange for Yorkshires or best offer: F. Deavall, Confectioner, Warwick-rd., Banbury. (170)

WHAT offers in Roller Canaries for 10 homing pigeons, flown Nantes; no rubbish offered or wanted; yours first: Morton, Bamber Bridge. (175)

EXCHANGE two football jerseys, Australian and All Blacks, spiked pumps, sweater, for Canaries: Gray, 263, Manchester-road, Bradford. (179)

GENT.'S overcoat, pair brown leggings, few good breeding cages, double and single, exchange Canaries: Russon, 2, Bush-street, Burnley. (179)

HARTZ Mountain Roller cock Canary, 12/6, splendid songster, genuine Schoolmaster; exchange entertained: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (186)

EXCHANGE anything on my list (which is free) for Canaries; no rubbish offered, none required: Pimm, Icknield Port-rd., Birmingham. (9)

SALE or exchange, lovely silver-haired Yorkshire terrier bitch, age 12 months, champion companion, and pedigree: Collinge, Bankside, Baeup. (177)

HANDPRESS, suitable for piercing punchbars for cagemaking, 12/-; or exchange Canaries: Cage Works 68, Grosvenor-st., Ladywood, Birmingham. (184)

WHAT offers in exchange for wired haired terrier bitch, kill anything; true to hole, rat or rabbit: Thomas Cole, 77, Butchers-lane, Cradley. (186)

THREE large brown Linnets, singing, 2/- each; wild seed, 6d. quart; three quarts carriage paid; exchange anything useful: G. Fritb, Crowle, Lincs. (185)

BILLIARD cue and case, good Yorkshire show box, containing three show cages, exchange Canaries, Mules: Jones, 16, Wyndham-road, Cardiff. (177)

VIOLIN, complete, including music, value 35/-; boy's violin, value £1, exchange Canaries, Budgerigars: Violinist, 65, Ewart-road, Nottingham. (177)

EXCHANGE pair hollow ground razors, in silk-lined case, for 1 cock or 3 hen Canaries; approval: Herbert Marsden, 175, St. Phillips-rd., Sheffield. (186)

ITALIAN mandoline, splendid instrument, with case, new, 18/6; exchange Roller cocks, singing; approval: Gravett, 100a, Kingwood-rd., Fulham. (181)

EDISON Gem phonograph, 36 records, sell 35/-; gent's cycle, good condition, sell 30/-; exchange Canaries, anything: Fletcher, 11, Angel-st., Dudley. (180)

TWO pairs of prize-bred colour-fed Norwich, 1 cock Mule; exchange for Leghorn pullets, sell 20/-: Robinson, 28, Young-st., Haverton Hill, Middlesbro'. (176)

SIX cock Canaries, 5 green, 1 yellow, 10 hen Canaries, mixed; quarter-plate camera, with accessories, lot £3: Kenchington, Neatham, Alton, Hants. (182)

EXCHANGE 30 Fancy Mice, Black, White, Brown, Spotted, for birds, Goldfinches preferred; offers wanted: Alfred Otten, Westend, nr. Southampton. (169)

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ROUND THE SHOWS.

Record Show at Cheltenham.

Nearly 900 Exhibits: Magnificent Yorkshire Section: Splendid Management.

Cheltenham's claim to rank as one of the leading shows was fully maintained at the annual fixture held in the Drill Hall on October 30th and 31st. The entries came up well, nearly 900 birds being entered—a substantial increase on last year of over 150. Good luck to you, Cheltenham—you will have 1,000 next year! Of the management we cannot speak too highly, but this is not to be wondered at with Messrs. Treasure and Pomsett acting as Sec. and Show Manager. These gentlemen have had a good many years' experience, and have everything at their finger tips, and are withal courteous and obliging to exhibitors and visitors alike. They were ably supported by Mr. D. Lewis, chairman, and Mr. A. Hands, Vice Chairman, and a splendid body of stewards, composed of Messrs. Madagan, Brown, Elston, A. Smith, R. Smith, Child, Kilminster, Hamblin, Houghton, Hayling, Hiles, Sallis, Hope, Stevens, and one or two others whose names we did not get. The birds were grandly staged at a convenient height, so that every bird could be seen without any effort. The beautiful palms which so enhanced the appearance of the room were kindly lent by Mr. Geo. Pates, florist. We were glad to see so many of the Welsh fanciers represented, no doubt the Shellam and Longden medals were an attraction. All the sections, Canary, Brit. and For., were magnificent, the quality of the exhibits being very high. The judges were Messrs. W. E. Greeves (Crests), C. Rochl (Rollers), H. W. Battye (all other Canaries) and John Frostick (Hyb., Brit. and For.). We are pleased to say that their awards seemed to give very general satisfaction.

Mr. Battye's Classes.

NOR. YELL. CL. (12): 1, Folwell, good head and neck, neat wings and tail, rare good col., fine bird; 2, Spillman, grand head, neat wing carriage, good depth of chest, back well filled in, must have pressed hard; 3, 4, Gill and Pethick, former good size, fine head nice back fails in wing carriage; vhc, he, Baker, both fine birds; c, Col. Routh. BUFF (10): 1, he, Baker, grand head and neck, neat wings and tail, well filled in back, real nice exhibit; 2, vhc, Houghton, another nice bird, good depth of chest, neat wings and tail, close up; 3, 4, Gill and Pethick, former wealth of bloom, good wings and tail, neat head, fails only in substance to leaders; he, Col. Routh; c, Williams. TKD. or VAR. (13): 1, Gill and Pethick, cheek mkd. buff, good width of skull, neat head and neck, grand back, well filled in; 2, Houghton, eye and wing mkd. yell., neat exhibit, hardly the substance of winner; wealth of col.; 3, 4, Baker, leader cap mkd. yell., good colour, neat wings and tail; latter neck mkd. buff, well built and finished; vhc, Mortara; he, Follwell, c, Wasley. GREEN or FOUL (6): 1, 2, Houghton, pair of grand foul Greens; leader yell, grand depth of col., good head and neck, neat wing carriage, latter buff, rare substance, good skull, well filled in back, neat; 3, Col. Routh, buff Green, another nice exhibit, good head and neck, neat wings and tail; 4, Davis, good head and neck, wealth of colour, nice substance; vhc, Follows; No. 3, wrong class, Baker. UNFLIG. YELL. (10): 1, vhc, Houghton, cl. yell., Clapham and Burton winner; lovely exhibit, good head and neck, well filled in back, neat wings and tail, fine col.; 2, 4, Gill and Pethick, former eye and wing mkd., good head and neck, neat wings and tail, well filled in back, rare good col.; 3, E. Stephenson, cl., neat exhibit, hardly the substance, still a good one; vhc, Wesley; c, Brookes. UNFLIG. BUFF (13): 1, 4, Houghton, leader eye and wing mkd. buff, lovely exhibit, short and compact, good head and neck, latter a cl., hardly fined down yet; 2, Baker, very close up, cl., neat head and neck, well filled in at back, fine wings and tail, nonny substance and shape; 3, Follwell, another cl., neat head and neck, good wings and tail, not the substance of leaders; vhc, Midgley; he, Spillman; c, Mrs. Rogerson. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Houghton, cl., neat head and neck, good wings and tail, well filled in on back, not one of the biggest, still quite a lady; 2, 4, Gill and Pethick, leader head and neck mkd., good width of skull, pair of well-braced wings, well filled in back, must have pressed hard; latter, cl., not so well finished; 3, E. Baker, cl., neat head and neck, good depth of chest, fine wings and tail, also very close up; vhc, Col. Routh; he, Matthes. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Houghton, rare good hens, leader cl., of grand substance, neat head and neck, good wings and tail, lovely quality; latter, another nice hen, must have pressed leader hard; 3, he, Baker, another bonny hen leading neat head, neck, well-filled back, shade longer; 4, Mortara, another cl., good depth of chest, neat wings, rough at thighs when we saw her; vhc, Gill and Pethick, we liked. NOVICE YELL. (11): 1, 3, Chedgey, former head mkd. yell., real hot col., good head and neck, neat wings and tail; latter cl., another red hot one, not quite so good in head, but nice exhibit for a novice; 2, Tanner, head, eye and wing mkd. yell., good head and neck, neat wings and tail, close up; 4, Mrs. Williams, really nice exhibit; vhc, A. Williams; he, c, Priddle. BUFF (11): 1, c, Tanner, good head and neck, neat wings and tail, rare good colour for a buff, wins well; 2, 4, Philpot, leader another cl., good depth of chest, well filled at back, not the finish of winner; 4th, another cl., fails only in wing carriage; 3, Phillips, cl., good head and neck, neat wings, well up in colour; vhc, Mrs. Williams; he, James; c, Godwin. YORKS. YELL., CL. or TKD. (18): 1, 3, Jones, former tkd. head, lovely braced wings and tail, neat head, stands like a soldier; latter a cl., straight as a rush, neat wings and tail, hardly the length; 2, Mock, cl. yell., neat wings and tail, sweet head; 4, Hawes, neat head, good back, nice wing carriage; vhc, Easterling and Carson; he, T. Bennett; c, Mrs. Owen and Son. BUFF (25): 1, Jones, straight as a rush, good wings and tail, nice length; 2, Berke, another gem, stands like a soldier, nice braced wings, clean cut; 3, vhc, Hawes Bros., good length, neatly braced wings and tail, rather stouter; 4, Knight, neat wings and tail, nicely moulted exhibit; he, Steer; c, Russell. MKD. or VAR. (16): 1, sp. best, Berke, head and wing mkd. yell., straight as a rush, with the best of wings and tail; 2, c, Crisp, former cheek and wing mkd. buff, neat wings and tail, nicely moulded body, as sleek as a bottle; 3, Pattrick, head and wing mkd. buff, neatly moulded body, good wings and tail, hardly the length; 4, Jones, head and wing mkd. yell., neat head and neck, good wings and tail; vhc, Skinner; he, Hawes Bros. UNFLIG. (33): Very strong class, some rare exhibits having to be left out 1, 3, c, Pattrick, former cl. yell., sleek, straight as a rush, neat wings and tail, wins; latter, cl. buff, neat, nicely moulded, good length; 2, he, Col. Routh, former cl. buff sweet head, neat wings and tail, as sleek as a leek; 4, Rorke, varieg. yell., neat wings and tail, nicely moulded body, not quite the length; vhc, Atkins. YELL HEN (20): 1, he, Crisp, former mkd. on cheek, perfect lady, neat head and neck, well braced wings and tail, a gem; 2, Hawes Bros., cl., neatly moulded body, straight as a rush, well braced wings and tail; 3, Knight, cinn. mkd., very slim and neatly braced, in tip-top condition; 4, Pattrick, ticked on head, nice shape and style; vhc, Mrs. Owen & Sons; r, Mock. A most excellent class. BUFF (19): 1, Mock, wing mkd., straight as a rush, neatly braced wings and tail; very sleek and stylish; 2, 4, Col. Routh, former varieg., like a piece of boxwood, lovely shape, good length, close run for 1st, latter neatly braced wings and tail, shade stouter than winners; 3, Knight, cheek and wing mkd., nicely moulded body, neat wing and tail, good length; vhc, Stokeley; he, Penton; c, Rorke. NOVICE, YELL. CK. CL. or TKD. (10): 1, 4, J. Pinnell, former cl. yell., nice head and neck, neat wings and tail, straight as a rush; 2, Adams, shade stouter, neat wings and tail, nicely moulded body; 3, Avis, fine length, closely braced wings and tail, well moulded; vhc, Payne; he, Hall; c, Mock. BUFF (9): 1, Pritchard, straight as a rush, well up on legs, neat wings and tail, wins; 2, Kent, neat wings, nicely moulded body, sleek as a bottle; 3, Nicholls, stands up well, good pair of legs, neat head, nice wings and tail; 4, Mock, neatly packed, nice length; vhc, Avis; he, Hall; c, Blackman. MKD. or VARIEG. (4): 1, Kent, wing mkd. yell., straight as a rush, neat head and neck, nicely moulded, in rare form; 2, King, varieg. yell., very sleek, neat head and neck, grandly braced wings and tail, close up; 3, Clift, varieg. buff, good length, stands on good pair of legs; 4, Hall. UNFLIG. (14): 1, J. Pritchard, varieg. buff, as straight as a rush, neat head and neck, nice wings and tail; 2, Kent, varieg. yell, neat, well braced, nicely moulded body; 3, G. Nicholls, ticked winged buff, stands up well, good legs, neat wings and tail, nice qual.; 4, Hall, hot col., nicely braced wings, shade shorter than leaders; vhc, Blackman; he, Payne; c, King. YELL HEN (7): 1, 4, Dugmore, former cl., straight as a rush, neat head, round as a bottle, latter not quite so fine in feather; 2, he, Kent, head and cheek mkd., grand wings and tail, nicely moulded body; 3, King, neatly made bird, nice carriage; vhc, Hall; c, Blackman. BUFF (10): 1, Nicholls, ticked both eyes, neat wings and tail, nicely moulded body; 2, Kent, cl., nice carriage, lovely qual. and shape; 3, Hall, straight as a rush, well up on legs, neat wings and tail, close run; 4, Griffiths, smart stylish; vhc, Adams; he, Watkins; c, Pritchard. BORDERS; CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (15): 1, 3, G. Pratt, cl., former neatly moulded bird, plenty of nerve, in fine fettle; latter similar type, but not quite the finish; 2, vhc, Jenkins, clear, in grand form, feather like boxwood, in the pink of condition, must have run winner very hard; 4, Edwards, neat head and neck, nicely braced wings, unsteady; he, Madagan; c, A. Pratt HEN (11): 1, J. Madagan, gem from beak to tail, sweet head and neck, nicely braced wings, neat, wins; 2, Jenkins, similar bird, in fine form, not a feather out of place; 3, Hocking, sweet exhibit, nice head and neck, good wings aid tail, lovely feather; 4, Brown, another neat exhibit; vhc, Ellwood; he, Pratt; c, Bennett. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (15): 1, Bennett, gem in grand form, neat wings and tail, feather, like boxwood; 2, Pratt, another rare nice exhibit, neat wings and tail, feathered like a Java, must have pressed; 3, c, Jenkins, another of the right sort, in grand form, lovely bloom; 4, Madagan, sweet head, neat wings and tail, lovely condition; vhc, Beard; he, Edwards. HEN (15): 1, 2, Jenkins, former grizzled on front of head, gem of the first water, feathered like boxwood, latter a cl. in tiptop form, neat wings, tightly braced, little to choose; 3, Bennett, sweet exhibit, in nice form, neat wings and tail, very typical; 4, G. Pratt, also good type and quality; vhc, A. J. Pratt; he, Jeremiah; c, Peppernall. EVENLY MKD. (1): 1, Owen, yell., sweet exhibit, could win in strong competition. UNEVENLY MKD. (8): 1, 3, Jenkins, former buff marked wings and head, feather like a Java, in tiptop form, latter three pointed yell., neat head and neck, lovely carriage, nice brace; 2, Dr. Lawrie, buff mkd. both wings, gem, in lovely condition, close run; 4, Owen, eye and wing mkd. yell., rare nice exhibit; vhc, Ford; he, Beard; c, Hands, jun. GREEN, ETC. (12): 1, Jenkins, green, feather like boxwood, grand colour, lovely head and neck, neat wings and tail, wins; 2, Jeremiah, Cinn., neat head and neck, lovely feather, in tiptop form, good colour; 3, Tyler, Green, sweet head and neck, nice feather, rare bloom; 4, Dr. Lawrie; vhc, Edwards, c, Hocking. A.O.V. (4): 1, J. H. Jones, Belgian, rare nice exhibit, in grand form; 2, Col. Routh, buff Cinn., nice head and neck, neat wings and tail, lovely feather; 3, James and Wells; 4, Mrs. Fryer.

Mr. Greeve's Classes.

BUFF CREST, CL. BODY (3): 1, Kilminster and Hooper, green Crest, good size, nice texture, a lovely radiation and droop, a stormer; 2, Ley, clear Crest, neat, good radiation and droop, grand qual. of feather, hardly so well filled in at centre as winner; 3, Gilbert, grey Crest, good radiation and droop, fairly massive. BUFF CREST, A.O.V. (11): 1, A. J. Smith, fine frontal, lovely radiation and droop, massive crest, good size, champion; 2, Jones and Crest, good radiation and droop, nice spread, not so well filled in at centre; 3, Greenwood and Burson, good length of head feather, neat radiation and droop, nice exhibit; 4, Evins Bros., lovely radiation and droop, grand centre, neat; vhc, Ley; he, Hammett; c, Routh. BUFF HEN (2): 1, Brotherton, massive Crest, good texture of feather, nice radiation and droop; 2, Mrs. Thynne, fine bird, nice big crest, neat radiation and droop; 3, Smith, nice feather, neat crest, well filled in at centre; 4, Evins Bros., lovely exhibit, neat crest, well filled in, nice radiation and droop; vhc, Kilminster and Hooper; he, Shearman; c, King. BUFF CREST-BRED (16): 1, Evins Bros., good width of skull, neat lashings, rare length of feather, wins; 2, Ley, good entrance, grand skull, neat lashings, close up; 3, Gilbert, good lashing, nice length of head feather, good skull; 4, Allen; vhc, Hesketh; he, Kilminster and Hooper; c, Smith. HEN (12): 1, Allen, rare width of skull, nice lashing, free from horns, rare good hen; 2, Hesketh, good width of skull and length of head feather, neat lashing; 3, Smith, good entrance, bold head, lengthy feather; 4, Mrs. Thynne, rare entrance and bold head, trifle horny; vhc, Brotherton; he, Kilminster and Hooper; c, Evins Brothers. YELL. CREST (6): 1, Evins Bros., lovely radiation and droop, neat centre; 2, 4, King, leader lovely colour, neat centre, fine radiation and droop, must have pressed winner hard; 3, Ley, nice radiation, good droop, neat; vhc, Allen; he, King; c, Evins Bros. BUFF C.-B. (7): 1, Brotherton, good width of skull, neat lashing, good length of head feather; 2, Mrs. Litchfield, rare good colour, neat lashing and free from horns; 3, Jones and Crest, larger bird, fair width of skull, grand feather; 4, Mrs. Thynne, good width of skull, neat lashing, close run for 3rd; vhc, Ley. BUFF CREST (bred 1912) (15), a strong class: 1, Ley, wealth of crest, neat centre, good radiation and droop, grand quality; 2, Greenwood and Burson, good, lovely radiation and droop, well filled in at centre; 3, Evins Bros., neat shaped crest, well filled in, not quite so massive; 4, Hamblin, good radiation and droop, hardly ready yet; vhc, Allen; he, King; c, Evins Bros. BUFF C.-B. (bred 1912) (18): 1, Greenwood and Burson, grand width of skull, lovely brow, free from horns, rare good exhibit, in fact one of the best youngsters seen for some time; 2, Evins Bros., good lashing, wonderful length of head feather, not quite so wide in skull as leader, still a good one; 3, 4, Kilminster and Hooper, grand width of skull, neat lashing, in rare condition; latter good skull and lashing; vhc, Allen; he, Brotherton; c, Hesketh. YELL. CREST (bred 1912) (5): 1, Ley, nice radiation and droop, well filled in crest, splendid spread for a yellow; 2, 3, King, former neat shaped Crest, good radiation and droop, latter nice formation, radiation and droop, hardly ready yet; 4, Evins Bros., good centre, nice radiation, hardly so good in crest as leaders; vhc, Smith. YELL. C.-B. (bred 1912) (7): 1, Evins Bros., good width of skull, fine lashing, grand body, free from horns; 2, Smith, good width of skull and lashing, fine build, must have pressed winner hard; 3, vhc, Ley, good feather, nice width of skull, close up; 4, he, King, rare col., nice width skull; c, Ind. CINN. (4): 1, Mrs. Thynne real good radiation and droop, nice neat crest, good size; 2, King, another nice crest, lovely centre; 3, Col. Routh, good radiation and droop, fails centre; 4, King, nicely formed crest. NOVICE CREST (2): 1, Dr. Twigg, nice radiation and droop, good formation of crest, excellent body; 2, Stevens, good radiation and droop, fails centre to leader. CREST-BRED (2): 1, 2, Stevens, good width of skull, neat lashing, fine body and feather; 2nd also good, trifle horny.

Mr. Roebl's Classes.

The Roller classes were not so well patronised as they should have been, but considering this is the first effort of this society to introduce Rollers at this show, and that the Midland R.C.C. show at Wolverhampton was on same date, and most of the Roller fanciers were sending their birds there, the entries were fairly good, and the birds were in fairly good song. We hope in the future Cheltenham and District will make a special effort to cultivate this splendid variety of Canary. Open Any Age: 1, sp., F. Wilson, specially good in hollow roll, and other tours, points, hollow roll 6, hollow bell 1, bass 3, schockel 4, flute notes 3, water roll 2, deep B.W.T. 3, bell tour 1, bell roll 2, general effect 3, total 28; 2, Carruthers, another good bird, H. roll 5, bass 3, schockel 4, flute 3, water roll 2, D.B.W.T. 2, bell tour 2, bell 1, general effect 3, 25 points, 1 off high schockel, total 24; 3, Mrs. Manley, specially good in hollow roll, points, H. roll 5, bass 3, schockel 4, flute 3, water roll 2, D.B.W.T. 2, bell tour 2, bell 1, general effect 3, 25 points, 1 off for high schockel 24; 4, Luther Short, a very decent bird, specially good in his hollow roll, and schockel, which he displayed in wonderful style, points, hollow roll 3, H. bell 2, schockel 4, flute 2, bell tour 2, general effect 2, total 15; vhc, Carruthers; he, Wilsden; c, Allsop. Young Birds: This class must have been a real trouble for the judge, as we have been informed that he had many of the birds for 4 hours on the table to get some more if possible out of them, but unfortunately there were several which, with all the trouble did not open. 1, Netherwood, a bird with many good qualities, but not nearly in his prime, hollow roll 5, bass 2, schockel 4, flute 3, water roll 2, bell roll 2, general effect 3, 21 points, 1 off for high schockel, total 20; 2, Netherwood, nearly the same qualities at the first winner, hollow roll 5, bass 3, Schockel 4, flute 2, water gluche 3, bell roll 2, general effect 1, 20 points, 1 off for high schockel, total 19; 3, 4, Lister, very nice soft bird which will no doubt be heard of again, hollow roll 5, bass 3, schockel 3, flute 2, bell 2, bell roll 1, general effect 2, total 18; 4th almost the same qualities as 3rd, hollow roll 4, bass 2, schockel 3, flute 2, bell tour 1, bell roll 1, general effect 2, total 15; vhc, he, Allsopp, 12 and 11 pts; c, Lewis. MEMBERS—A very fair class, and the keenness of the members who showed will be greatly appreciated by the other Roller fanciers in Cheltenham: 1, Allsopp, a very good bird, with a splendid hollow roll and other good tours, points: hollow roll 6, bass 4, schockel 4, flute 3, bell tour 2, bell roll 2, general 4, total 25; 2, Roberts, very decent bird, specially good in hollow roll and hollow bell, hollow roll 5, hollow bell 1, bass 4, schockel 4, flute 2, bell tour 2, bell roll 1, general effect 3, total 22; 3, 4, Short, very nice bird, with a beautiful water gluche, hollow roll 4, bass 2, schockel 4, flute 3, water gluche 3, bell tour 1, bell roll 1, general effect 1, 1 off for high schockel, total 18; 4th a bird of almost equal qualities, hollow roll 3, bass 2, schockel 4, flute 2, water gluche 3, bell tour 1, bell roll 2, general effect 2, 2 points off for high schockel and sharp bell, total 17; vhc, Lewis, 13; he, Roberts, 11; c, Lewis. One bird in this class expelled for zitt and chop.

Mr. J. Frostick's Classes.

GOLDFINCH (13), really fine class, thus early in the season, and the tables will be turned in many cases at later shows: 1, Harris, large expansive blaze, well burnished, very forward, rich chestnut, well put down; 2, Routh, fine face, fails only in breast colouring to winner; 3, vhc, Jeffreys, both typical birds, but not yet up in colour; 4, Ray, will improve; he, Edwards; c, Tilley. GOLD., F.M. (3), disappointing class; 1, Lewis, beautiful specimen, in full bloom; 2, Nash; 3, Jeffreys. BFLLEFINCH (12), 1, Carrier, nice col., splendid cap and wing bars; 2, Brown, good in col., beautifully steady; 3, Harris, nice all round bird, fails slightly in cap; 4, Tilley, fine type, trifle unsteady; vhc, Wren; he, Gregory; c, Ford. GREEN (8): 1, Tams, grand massive yell., rich col.; 2, Harris, another large yell., fails only in high condition, will be heard of later; 3, Marley, well-known buff bird of great merit, might be bigger; 4, Ford, very nice, will improve; vhc, Wren; he, Jeffreys; c, Mrs. LINNET (14): 1, Heal, Clapham winner, perfect wonder for density of markings, richness of col., clear wh.; 2, Nicholas, beautiful quality, nice col. but trifle open in breast work; 3, Marley, good bird, nicely staged, but beaten to-day; 4, Rees; vhc, Jones; he, Jeffreys; c, Routh. LIN., F.M. (8): 1, Bancroft, well selected bird, grand col. and mkgs., steady, should be heard of again; 2, Elston, another of the right sort; 3, Davies, full of work; 4, Lewis; vhc, Jenkins; he, Tams; c, Gregory. LESSER REDPOLL (9): 1, Nicholas, nice even tone of col., good markings; 2, 3, Jeffreys, brace of good ones; 4, Whishaw, fine size and markings, trifle pale breast col.; vhc, Routh; he, Marley; c, Heal. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, c, Jones, Siskins, leader a bonny natural col. bird, good thigh marks, well laced cap; 2, Bancroft, nice Mealy, well staged; 3, Hawkins, rich col. Twite, trifle unsteady; 4, Dark, good Siskin, fed; vhc, Heal; he, Bull; c, Jones, last two exhibits both clinking good Siskins, but had unfortunately lost flights in transit to show. BRAMBLE, ETC. (9): 1 Brotherhood, Bramblefinch, Clapham winner, a walk over here; 2, 4, Marley, Chaffinch and Bramblefinch, brace of well-shown beauties; 3, Jeffreys, another very excellent Chaffinch; vhc, Routh; he, Wren; r, Tyler. A.O.S. HARDBILL (13): 1, Harris, the well-known champion Hawfinch, looking as well as ever; 2, Marley, beautiful Cirl Bunting, shown in best possible condition; 3, Bancroft, nice cage-moulted Crossbill, in grand feather; 4, Whishaw, another good Hawfinch; vhc, Older, nicely marked Cornbunting, should make a good one; he, Ford; c, Ray. BULL., HEN (7) Unsatisfactory class, with exception of 1st, all wearing "stockings" when judged: 1, Jones; 2, Wren; 3, Gregory; 4, Elston; vhc, Routh. A.O.S. HEN (9): 1, Ford, bonny Cornbunting, well fed, rich col.; 2, Marley, real good Hawfinch; 3, Jeffreys, good yell. Siskin, sweet little bird; 4, Jones, nice Linnet; vhc, Brown; he, Hawkins; c, Jenkins. THRUSH ETC. (4): 1, 2, Marley, magnificent Mistle Thrush, L. and P.O.S. winner and clinking good Blackbird, beautifully shown; 3, Jeffreys, also a fine Mistle Thrush; 4, Price, yet another Mistle. A.O.S. (1): 1st, Lewis, wonderful hen Jackdaw that prefers living in a cage to sweet (?) liberty. Humanitarians please note: This bird tore the kitchen mat to shreds to build its nest, went out and found a wild mate and finally brought back to her old master two of her offspring to enjoy the comforts of captivity. Who will say after this that it is cruel to keep birds in cages? HYBRIDS, CLR., ETC. (8): 1, Shellam, well-known cl. Greenfinch, the Plymouth sensation; 2, 3, Lawrence, equally well known light Goldfinch, turned out in tip-top order; 4, Spillman; vhc, he, Bartlett; c, Prosser. DARK GOLD. (8): 1, Lawrance, very fine buff; 2, Harding, well-fed yell.; 3, Rees, real good buff; 4, Hingley; vhc, Brookes; he, Brown; c, Dark. DARK GREEN. (4): Lawrance, good Cinn.; 2, Hingley; 3, Edwards; 4, Bevan, all excellent specimens. DARK LIN. (5): 1, Shellam, fine bird, hardly at its best to-day; 2, Lawrance; 3, Portman; 4, Bull, a trio of real good ones; vhc, Lanham. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, Shellam, Siskin, real topper, put down in A1 style; 2, Buckingham, an old favourite, the well-known Redpoll; 3, Tams, another good Siskin; 4, Lawrance; vhc, Rees; he, Moss. A.O.V. (4), only four entries, but a really delightful class, every bird a champion grand to behold: 1, Shellam, probably the best Canary-Bully living, real picture; 2, Lamb, equally good Goldfinch-Bully, and 3rd, same owner, Goldfinch-Redpoll, both well-known and staged to perfection; 4, Edwards, Goldfinch-Bully. A.V. HEN (7), a new venture in the exhibition world; by the way, is it correct to call a hybrid a male or female? 1, Lamb, clear Goldfinch-Canary; 2, Portman, Greenfinch-Bully, a big bird, but rather rough; 3, Pitchford and Stocker, nice Goldfinch-Bully; 4, Prosser, lightly var. Goldfinch; vhc, Davies; he, Maddocks; w.e., No. 7, Linnet-Can., thought to be a cock (?). FOR., PARROTS (7): 1, Sage, grand Senegal, best we ever remember seeing; 2, 3, 4, vhc, Rogerson, quite a nice team, comprising Barnards, Mealy Rosella, Bloodwing and Ringneck in the order named; he, Davis, Alexandrine. AVADAVATS, ETC. (13), a splendid class, good enough for anywhere; 1, Watts, Golden-breasted Waxbills, the Clapham and L. and P.O.S. winners, rare form, he same owner, nice Diamond Sparrow; 2, vhc, Howe, beautiful pair of Diamonds and Golden-breasts; 3, Routh, excellent Parson Finches; 4, Rogerson, clean pair of White Javas; c, Sage, White-headed Mannikins; two Weavers in this class, not being named in list, were marked w.e., Nos. 3 and 11. FINCHES, ETC. (7): 1, Routh, really magnificent pair of Violet-eared Waxbills, in the most perfect condition possible, simply glorious colour, fit to win anywhere; 2, Watts, the well-known rare Queen Whydah, looking very fit; 3, Routh, a good cock Red Gould; 4, Howe, rare Yellow-rumped Finch, not quite in the best of feather yet; vhc, Buckingham, Rufous-tails; he, Routh, Rufous-tails; c, Rogerson, Green Singing Finch. INSECT., ETC. (5): 1, Edmunds and Smith, rare Black-backed Tanager, in great form, easy win; 2, 3, 4, Routh, Superb Violet and Blue Tanagers, very good let indeed, turned out in tip-top order, perfect in feather and rich in colour.

The Member's Classes.

MEMBERS' CLASSES—CREST (3): 1, Kilminster and Hooper; 2, 3, Hands. C.B. (3): 1, Kilminster and Hooper; 2, 3, Hands. PAIRS, CREST (5): 1, Hamlin; 2, Kilminster and Hooper; 3, Hands; 4, vhc, Mrs. Macnechy. NOR. CL. YELL. (3): 1, Houghton; 2, Rogerson; 3, Williams. BUFF (7): 1, he, Houghton; 2, 4, Kenyon; 3, Stephenson; vhc, Rogerson; c, Brown. TKD. ETC. (9): 1 vhc, Houghton; 2, Pomsett; 3, 4, Wasley; he, Rogerson; c, Williams. HEN (6): 1, Brown; 2, he, Wasley; 3, Houghton; 4, Davis; vhc, Kenyon, PAIRS (6): 1, 3, Wasley; 2, Stephenson; 4, Williams; vhc, Child; he, Pomsett. YORKS (2): 1, 2, Edmunds and Smith. BORD. YELL (13): 1, 2, 3, Madagan; 4, Miss Dent; vhc, E. H. Hope; he, Smith; c, E. Hope. BUFF (13): 1, he, Madagan; 2, 4, Sallis; 3, Smith; vhc, Hands; c, Hope. GOLD. OR BFLLEFINCH (5): 1, 4, Pomsett; 2, vhc, Elston; 3, Brown. LINNET, ETC. (4): 1, Mitchell; 2, Rogerson; 3, Elston; 4, Sallis. GREENFINCH (5): 1, Stubbs; 2, 4 Pomsett; 3, Smith; vhc, Madagan. A.O.S. SMALL (4): 1, 4, Elston; 2, Smith; 3, Davis. HYB. (7): 1, Pomsett; 2, 3, Rogerson; 4, Brown; vhc, Madagan; he, c, Elston. FOR. (11): 1, Edmunds and Smith; 2, 3, 4, vhc, Treasure; he, c, R. Smith.

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Dec. 12.—**Frome F.A.**—(C. I. Young, 8, Palmer St.). H.N.

Dec. 13 and 14.—**Gateshead.** (J. G. Greason, 24, Newman Terrace). G.H., J.C.B., J.R., J.M., W.C.D.

Dec. 14.—**Sheffield C.B.S.**—(A. Hobson, 66, Langsett Avenue) J.R., H.W.B.

Dec. 14.—**Winstord.**—(S. S. Brooks, 157, Station Rd.) C.H.

Dec. 20.—**Anfield, Everton.**—(R. B. Wright, 15, Worcester Drive, Clubmore, Liverpool). A.W.

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Jan. 11.—**Yarm, Eaglescliffe.** (T. W. Wilson, High-st.)

Feb. 7, 8, 10, 11.—**Great National (Crystal Palace).**—(J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Av., Brixton, S.W.).

Scotland.

Nov. 2.—**Bo'ness.**—(T. Cameron, 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans).

Nov. 2.—**Brechin.**—(G. Mitchell, 118, Montrose St.) A.H., W.Me., J.F.

Nov. 9.—**Forfar.**—(D. Kerr, 15, Green St.). A.S., A.P., W.B.

Nov. 9.—**Hamilton Cadzow Oak.**—(C. Marlin, 21, Glebe Street.) J.Sn., J.Hu., R.B.

Nov. 16.—**Cowdenbeath.**—(J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland-pl.) J.P., J.W.B., C.C., G.A., W.R., L.J.A.

Nov. 16.—**Galashiels.**—(J. Brown, 156, Croft St.). G.F., T.B., A.G., A.H.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Glasgow and Dis. C.B.A.**—(Wm. Hutchison, 163, Hospital Street.) J.H., R.L., Dr. S., R.B., S.W.

Nov. 23.—**Blairgowrie.**—(M. Irvine, 17, Brown St.)

Nov. 23.—**Uddingston C.B., etc., S.**—(Jas. Corgrove, 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell.)

Nov. 30.—**City of Dundee.**—(A. Miller, 3, Park Ave.). J.S., R.T., R.W., W.M., J.H., G. McA.

Nov. 30.—**Musselburgh.**—(W. Nisbet, 101, High St.). J.McL., T.A., R.B.

Dec. 4.—**Forres and N.O.S.**—(W. Cumming, 28, North Rd.). J.L.

Dec. 7.—**Cupar.**—(Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar.)

Dec. 11.—**Broxburn.**—(W. M'Laren, Church Street). J.McL., A.C., G.H., R.V.R., J.Gw.

Dec. 14.—**Kilsyth.**—(A. D. Duncan, "Chronicle" Office.)

Dec. 31 & Jan. 1, 1913.—**Scottish National.**—(J. S. Meikle, 51, Lothian Rd., Edinburgh.)

Jan. 1 & 2.—**Edinburgh Open.**—(R. Life, 15, Argyll Terr.)

Jan. 1 & 2.—**Paisley O.A.**—(W. Lambie, 23, Caledonia Street.)

Wales.

Nov. 13 & 14.—**Swansea.**—(S. H. George, 32, Fisher Street). J.R., J.F.D.

Nov. 20 & 21.—**Cardiff.**—(E. Thomas, 43, Craddock-st.) W.M., W.V., D.A.S.L.

Nov. 26.—**Llanelly.**—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) W.V., J.F.

Nov. 28.—**Pentrebach.**—(A. E. Brown, 66, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil). G.G.

Dec. 4.—**Pontypridd.**—(A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser-st., Macsycoed).

Dec. 11.—**Mid Rhondda.**—(A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwynypia, Porth.)

Ireland.

Nov. 14.—**Derry.**—(M. Kerr, 99, Foyle St., Londonderry). S.H.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Holywood and Dist.**—(Jno. Dunwoody, jun., 42, Church-st.).

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Lurgan.**—(S. McCollum, Drumgor). J. McL., A.H.

Nov. 28 & 29.—**South County Dublin (Kingstown).**—(D. Smyth, 21, Eden Terr., Kingstown.) W.M.

Dec. 6 & 7.—**Ulster O.A. (Belfast).**—(R. Trimble, 11, Waring St., Belfast.) J.F.D., W.V.

Dec. 12 & 13.—**Larne.**—(T. Mayne, 35, Barnhill.)

Club Reports.

HIGHGATE & HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

Meeting held Oct. 25th, Spencer Hall. Washing competition for members; Mr. Shakespeare judged to satisfaction of all, and awarded medals to Mr. J. Hyde (amateur section), and Mr. J. Street (novice). There was a good muster of members and friends who thoroughly enjoyed themselves. A vote of thanks to Mr. Shakespeare for judging ended meeting. J. Hyde, Hon. Sec.

NORTH WALES C.B.S.

As will be seen from advertising columns, the open show will be held at the Assembly Rooms, Market Street, Carnarvon, on Dec. 7. Schedules will be sent out this week. There are 3 classes for novices and 26 specials (to be competed for by members only). We are making great efforts to double last year's entry; 3 challenge cups given. Particulars from J. Wynne Parry, Hon. Sec., 18, Tithebarn Street, Carnarvon.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, held at Maskell's Hotel. Mr. Whetton presided over a good number of members, Messrs. Whetton, Smith and Stocking promised a bird for our prize drawing. I am still one short. Mr. Merrit and J. H. Brown volunteered to act as night stewards. Judges' stewards are: Messrs. Maggs, Chedgey, James, Morgan, Adams and Dugmore. Messrs. J. Hind and C. Martin, Cardiff, were enrolled members. Next meeting, Nov. 11, as our usual meeting would be on the show date. Those not able to attend please let me know if they can help at the show.—E. Thomas, Sec.

GATESHEAD AND DIST. C.B.S.

Meeting held Oct. 22nd, Mr. R. Tindale in chair. Discussion as to best means to advertise show to the general public. Several propositions were placed in secretary's hands to make application, to be placed before members at next meeting. A fair amount of business was gone through in connection with show. Several specials were accounted for; hope those who have books will endeavour to have all in for next meeting, Nov. 13th. A few subscriptions are overdue; please see to these at once. Admission tickets for show are now ready; will members try to push these to best advantage. Schedules ready soon after next meeting.—J. G. Greason, Sec.

MUSSELBURGH O.S.

Meeting held in Mr. Cossar's rooms, Oct. 25. President, Mr. A. Moffat, occupied the chair. Show business claimed attention. It was decided to have 12 open and 1 novice classes for Norwich Plainheads, 11 open and 1 novice for Borders, 3 for Mules, 13 for British, and 3 for Foreign. Mr. John Evans, Amusement Caterer, Leith, has granted the society a trophy for the best insectivorous British bird. Mr. Evans was cordially thanked for his handsome special. Messrs. J. Lawson, T. Taylor, D. Moffat, A. Fleming, G. Storie, and J. Sykes were appointed stewards; doorkeepers were also appointed. Next meeting, 8th Nov., at 7.30, when final arrangements will be made. Schedules will be posted to applicants and leading fanciers at early date.—Wm. Nisbet, Sec.

LLANELLY AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

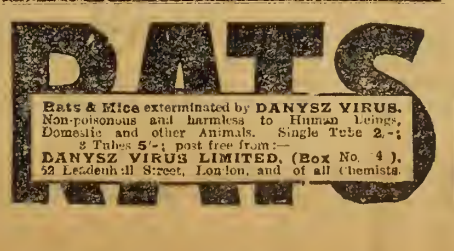
Meeting held Oct. 23, at Headquarters, Greyhound Hotel. Members turned up well, Mr. D. R. Jones in the chair. Having finished the classification, we commenced placing the specials, and am glad to say our next schedule will be the best sent out by us. Grand array of cash specials and cups. The society are very fortunate in having as president Jos. Holmes, Esq., who never loses a chance to befriend the society. This year again he is giving a silver cup to be won outright, which was received by the members in high glee. The example was well followed by members present, who came out well. The work of secretary is getting rather heavy, Mr. H. Webster was appointed to assist him, which he well deserves, as he is no shirker, and leaves nothing undone to bring the show to a successful issue.—D. John, Sec.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Usual fortnightly meeting held Oct. 28, at the Church Institute, Paddington Street, W. A. Shepherd, Esq., in the chair, Mr. W. H. Dickinson, Hon. Sec., and 35 members present. In reply to letter from London Federation, it was agreed to lend the society's staging for their second annual show and also to grant 10s. towards special prize fund. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Hon. Mrs. Bourke, Mrs. Barker, Mr. and Mrs. Weston, Mr. T. C. Picard, and others for their kind donations towards special prize fund for annual show, Nov. 15 and 16 next. The feature of the evening—a judging competition of Yorks—then took place. Members staged a very fine lot of birds, which were divided into two classes—12 yellows and 13 buffs—Mr. J. Burton acting as final judge. After answering several questions, members expressed their hearty appreciation of his services.—F. Thynne, assist. hon. sec.

BOURNEMOUTH C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Quadrant Restaurant, Oct. 17. Mr. H. Goodland gave a very instructive and interesting demonstration of washing and generally preparing Canaries for show. He dealt with his subject in a very able manner. He remarked on the necessity of having the proper pattern and colour of show cages to suit each type. He invited anyone present to wash a bird under his superintendence. His invitation was accepted by Miss Dennis, who was highly complimented by those present on the able manner in which she carried out her task. The meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. H. Goodland. Mr. H. Mathews announced that his firm (Messrs. F. H. Powell and Co., Ltd., Cartage Agents, Poole) were presenting a valuable silver cup for competition amongst members at show, Nov. 19th and 20th. In addition to the open specials offered in the schedule, specials of 2s. 6d. will be given for best unflighted Yorks cock; and best unflighted hen. Other specials will also probably be offered.—G. W. Jones, Chairman.



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The attention of Show Secretaries is directed to the following list of gentlemen willing to act as Judges. Terms for insertion on application.

J. C. BARNES, 113, Northfield Road, Walkley, Sheffield. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Long, practical experience. Terms moderate.

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GEO. GARDNER, 11, Haverstock Road, London, N.W. Judge of all kinds of Cage Birds.

C. A. HOUSE, Briardene, Idle, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and other Cage Birds.

S. HADWIN, 56, Richmond-row, Liverpool, judge of cage bird, all varieties; 25 years' practical experience.

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W. MUNDELL, 6, Carlisle Place, Manningham, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds.

J. W. METCALFE, The Yorkshire Aviaries, 63, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. Judge of Cage Birds; specialist, Yorkshire and Norwich.

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J. H. PAYNE, 17, Northgate Street, Gloucester. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Cage Birds.

C. E. SILK, The Aviaries, Emsworth, Hants. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience.

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DOVER SHOW

Nov. 6th and 7th, 1912. Judge, W. R. Miles, Esq. Under patronage of K.C.C.B.A. Entries extended to Sunday morning's post. Schedules.—Abott and Austen, Essex Villa, Erie Road, Dover. (178)

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Banbridge

CAGE BIRD and Pigeon Assoc. SHOW,

Thurs. and Fri., Nov. 7 and 8.

Under the patronage of the Yorkshire Canary and Cage Bird Society of Ireland. 56 CLASSES FOR CAGE BIRDS; 12 for Pigeons. Judges: A. Livingston (Paisley); J. Hartley (Bingley); J. W McIlhagga (Belfast). Send for Schedule at once to: A. McCAGHERTY, BELMONT TERRACE, BANBRIDGE, IRELAND.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO ENTER AT

LEYTON

Grand Open Show, at Grange Park Hall,. Open 4 p.m., Thursday, 10 a.m. Friday. Full particulars last week's advert. Entries extended to Monday, Nov. 4th. If you have no schedule, send for one at once, or send on particulars, and we will classify. If too late for post, enter by 'phone, 451, Waltham stow.—Forse and Son, 31, Thornhill Rd., Leyton. (3)

INVERURIE Nov. 23. 32 Classes; Cups, Medals, Specials; good Prize money. Judges: Sandison and Fannie. Schedules, J. Simpson, 27, High Street. (150)

Singing Contests.

LEEDS.

Open contest for quality held King's Head, Shannon Street, Oct. 26, when 17 birds sung for three good prizes, given by Mr. Tillotson: 1, C. Ward; 2, T. Stead; 3, Wigfield. Judges, S. Hardcastle, W. Naylor, A. Jennings. Also Oct. 27, when 20 birds sang for four good prizes: 1, 3, 4, A. Butler; 2, C. Ward. Judges, S. Hardcastle, W. Naylor, A. Jennings.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Linnet contest at Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe Lane, Oct. 19. 12 birds were hung: 1, 2, Sellors; 3, Playfair. Judge, Lockman. Contest, Oct. 20; 14 birds hung: 1, Sellars; 2, Hullan; 3, Chadwick. Judge, J. Grainger.—C. W. Smith, Sec.

Quality contest held Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, Oct. 27; 24 birds competed for three prizes. 1, 3, Clark; 2, Playforth. Judges, Messrs. P. Madden and T. Solomon.—J. Smith, sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Warrington.—Nov. 9, Kendrick St. Schools. Judges, Messrs. A. Wellings, H. W. Battye. 43 open classes: Yorks. 11 (6 Nov.), Nor. 11 (6 Nov.), Bord. 5, Greens 3, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 2, Mules 3, Brit. 6, Gift 1. Prizes, 10s., 6s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. Ed. Ent. close Nov. 5, to G. M. Nelson, 466 Knutsford Road.

Galashiels.—Nov. 16, Volunteer Hall. Judges, Messrs. G. Fulton, T. Brown, A. Gilchrist, A. Hay. 39 open classes: Scotch Fancy 9, Beig. 1, Sell. 2, Bord. 9, Sell. 1, Nor. 4, Sell. 1, A.O.V. 1, Mules 2, Brit. 5, For. 4. Prizes 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 12 to J. Brown, 156, Croft St.

Brighton and Hove.—Nov. 14-15, North Road, Lecture Hall. Judges, Messrs. C. A. House, J. Robson. 39 open classes: Nor. 7 (1 Nov.), Crest 3, Yorks. 8 (2 Nov.), Bord. 2, A.O.V. 1, Pairs 1, Sell. 2, Mules 3, Brit. 9, For. 3. Prizes, 10s., 6s., 4s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 6, to W. H. Gibb, 19, Bond Street.

Swansea.—Nov. 13-14, Working Men's Club, Alexandra Road. Judges, Messrs. J. Robson, J. F. Dewar. 60 open classes: Nor. 9, Yorks. 9, Bord. 10, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 2, Mules 8, Brit. 19, For. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 9, to S. H. George, 32, Fisher Street.

Bournemouth.—Nov. 19-20, Central Hall. Judge, Mr. J. H. Payne. 40 open classes: Nor. 9 (1 Sell.), Yorks. 6 (1 Sell.), Crest 2, A.O.V. 3 (2 Sell.), Nat. Col. 1, Pairs 1, Collection of 6 or 8, 1, Gift, 1, Stock 1, Mules 3, Brit. 8, For. 4. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 9, to G. W. Jones, 156, Holdenhurst Rd.

Banbridge.—Nov. 7-8, Town Hall. Judges: Messrs. A. Livingston, J. Hartley. 49 open classes: Scots. Fancy 15, Nor. 11 (1 Sell.), Yorks. 15 (1 Sell.), A.O.V. 1, Mules 4, Brit. 4, For. 1. Prizes: Yorks., 10/-, 5/-, 2/6; fee, 1/6. Others, 8/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-; fee 2/-. Entries close Nov. 2, to A. McCagherty, Belmont Terr.

Bradford East.—Nov. 16, Park Chapel Schools. Judge, Mr. H. W. Battye. 35 open classes: Yorks. 25 (8 Nov.), Sell. 3, Brit. 5, Nor. 2. Prizes, 10s., 6s., 3s., 2s., 1s. Fee, 1s. 6d., Ent. close Nov. 12, to H. Hill, 15, Settle Terrace, Thornton Lane, Little Horton, Bradford.

Codnor Park and Eastwood.—Nov. 15-16, Three Tuns, Eastwood. Judge, Mr. J. C. Barnes. 32 open classes: Nor. 10 (1 Nov.), Yorks. 7 (1 Nov.), Crest 2, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 2, Gift 1, Mules 2, Brit. 7. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 11, to J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton.

Hamilton, Cadzow Oak.—Nov. 9, Town Hall. Judges: Messrs. J. Smeaton, J. Hamilton, R. Bald. 51 open classes: Nor. 11 (1 Sell.), Crest, 2 Ford. 11 (1 Sell.), Yorks. 4, A.O.V. 1, Mules 5, Brit. 15, For. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 4, to G. Martin, 21, Glebe Street.

Whitehaven.—Nov. 8-9, Oddfellows' Hall. Judges: Messrs. J. H. Roe, R. Davidson, J. Clark, J. J. Robinson. 46 classes: Nor. 8 (1 Sell.), Yorks. 11, Bord. 10 (1 Sell.), A.V. Sell. 2, Mules 3, Brit. 9, For. 2, Gift 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 4, to W. J. Douglas, 2, Croft Villa, Prospect, Whitehaven.

Newport (Mon.).—Nov. 6-7, Exhibition Hall, Cattle Market. Judges: Messrs. C. A. House, D. A. J. Longden. 58 classes: Nor. 12, Yorks. 12, Crest 4, Bord 6, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 12, Mule 5, For. 1, Sell. 5. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 2, to J. Hammett, 56, Milman St.

Wivelliscombe.—Nov. 21, Town Hall. Judges: Messrs. W. G. Elsmore, E. Sprankling. 12 open classes: Yorks. 4, Nor. 3, Sell. 1, Mules 1, Brit. 2, For. 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 9, to Hill and Dascombe, Wivelliscombe.

Alnwick.—Nov. 13, Century Hall. Judges, Messrs. A. Hay, J. Maddison. 24 open classes: Nor. 6, Bord. 4, Yorks. 2, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 7, Mules 2, For. 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s., 1s. Fee, 1s. Ent. close Nov. 7, to R. Foster, 42, Bondgate Without.

Cowdenbeath.—Nov. 16, Drill Hall. Judges: Messrs. W. Rodger, J. Paterson, J. W. Bruce, C. Campbell, G. Arnott, L. J. Arrighi. 80 open classes: Scotch Fancy 10 (2 Sell.), Bord. 10 (2 Sell.), Yorks. 9 (1 Sell.), Crest 9 (2 Sell.), Nor. 16 (2 Sell.), A.O.V. 1, Comm. 1, Mules 5, Brit. 16 (1 Sell.), For. 3. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 11, to J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland Place.

Kirkburton.—Nov. 9, Parochial Hall. Judge, Mr. L. Dyson. 8 open classes: Yorks. 5, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 1, For. 1. Ent. close Nov. 4 to A. Scott, Kirkburton, nr. Huddersfield.

Blackwood.—Nov. 16, Southfield Hall. Judges, Fulton, Ritchie, Chalmers. 32 open classes: Scotch Fancy 9 (1 Sell.), Bord. 9 (1 Sell.), Comm. 1, Nor. 6, Mule 1, Brit. 6. Prizes, 6s., 4s., 2s. Fee 9d. Ent. close Nov. 11 to J. Hamilton, Blackwood, Mon.

Portsmouth F.S.—Nov. 27-28, Connaught Drill Hall. Judges, Rev. G. W. Joyce, Mr. C. Prior. 26 open classes: Bord. 7, Nor. 3, Crest 2, Yorks. 4, A.O.V. 1, 1912 1, Mules 2, Sell. 2, Brit. 11 (1 Sell.), For. 3 (1 Sell.). Prizes, 10s., 7s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 19, to W. E. Tyrrell, 38, Commercial Road.

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£5 Limit, November 9. 8 Classes. Judge, L. Dyson. Prize Money, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Entry, 1s. 6d.; close Nov. 4.—A. Scott, Hon. Sec., Kirkburton, nr. Huddersfield. (186)

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November 12th.

Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, Cavies, and CAGE BIRDS. CAGE BIRDS CLASSIFICATION: Judge—J. M. LEWIS. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Entrance Fee, 1s. 3d. Members, 9d. Class 54, Yorkshire Cl., Yell., or Buff; 55, Yorks, Tkd., or Variegs.; 56, Norwich, A.V.; 57, Light Mule or Hybrid; 58, Dark Mule; 59, Goldfinch, British (Foreign disqualified); 60, A.O.V. British Finch; 61, A.O.V. Small British not larger than Lark (Lark included); 62, Thrush, Blackbird, or Starling; 63, Selling, A.V. Cagebird, price not to exceed 10s.; 64, Gift, A.V. Cagebird, no entry fee, prizes, 2s. 6d., 1s. 6d., 1s. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 5. W. REES, SEC., 30 BRIDGE END SQUARE, HAVERFORDWEST. (3)

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ALNWICK

Wednesday, November 13

The best British Classification of any one day show in the North. 4 Money Prizes and Special each Class. 1/- entry fee. Judges: A. Hay (Berwick), Canaries; J. Maddison (Newcastle), Mules, Brit. and Foreign. Entries close Saturday, Nov. 9, three days before show. Sec., R. Forster, 42, Bondgate (Without), Alnwick. (2/161)

ABERTILLERY

and Six Belts (Mon.) (S.W. and Mon. Fed.)

5th Ann. Open Show. WED., NOV. 13. Judge, W. Mundell. PRIZES, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Entry, 1s. 6d. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 7 to E. CHURCHILL, 29, TILLERY ST., ABERTILLERY, MON. (179)

CRYSTAL PALACE OF THE WEST.

Newport (Mon.)

November 6th and 7th.

Under patronage of the W.C.B.C. Judges: C. A. House, D. A. S. Longden. PRIZE-MONEY: 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; Entrance Fee, 1s. 6d. NOTE THE CASH SPECIALS. Guaranteed Exhibits to be on rail by 10 p.m. on November 7. Classification: 12 Norwich, one Novice; 12 Yorkshire, one Novice; 2 Crest; 2 Crestbred; 6 Border; 1 A.O.V.; 17 British, 1 Novice; 1 Foreign; 5 Selling. Send Entries; I will classify. Entries very short, must EXTEND until LAST POST MONDAY, November 4. J. HAMMETT, 56, MILMAN STREET, NEWPORT, MON. (169-3).

WARRINGTON

SAT. NOV. 9TH

The One Day Show

Silk's Cup for Novice Norwich. Classes for Yorkshires, Norwich, Borders, Mules, and British. SIX CLASSES EACH FOR NOVICE YORKSHIRES AND NOVICE NORWICH. A. WELLINGS will judge Norwich, Mules, and British; H. W. BATTYE remainder. PRIZE MONEY, 10s., 6s., 4s., and 2s., with a NICE ARRAY OF SPECIALS.

Entries Close November 5th

to: G. M. NELSON, 466, KNUTSFORD ROAD, WARRINGTON. (2)

HAMILTON

NOVEMBER 9TH. ONE DAY ONLY.

Cadzow Oak O.S. PRIZE-MONEY PAID AT SHOW, OR WITHIN 3 DAYS OF SHOW. Enter at once. Schedules: G. MARLIN, 21, GLEBE STREET, HAMILTON, LANARKSHIRE. (3)

MERTHYR TYDFIL

NOV 14 AFFIL. TO S.W. & MON. FED.

SILK'S CUP FOR NOVICE NORWICH; HANDSOME CUP, BEST BIRD IN SHOW, FEDERATION CUP; SPECIALS GALORE. Judge: J. H. Jones. PROMPT PRIZE-MONEY. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 7. Schedules: J. THOMAS, 30, GILFACH, CYNON. (183)

NOTTINGHAM

NOVEMBER 9th and 11th Norwich Plainhead Cup Show. Patronage of C.C.C., N.B.B. and M.C., F.B.C., L. and L.F.A., L.C.A. Judges: Messrs. THOS. HEATH, W. VARDY, and G. E. WESTON. ENTRIES CLOSE NOVEMBER 4th.
Hon. Assistant Sec., J. G. ROYCE, 29, TENNYSON ST., NOTTINGHAM.

BRIGHTON

Open, Nov. 14th and 15th.

FINEST PRIZE MONEY ON SOUTH COAST. Model Prize Cards. Judges: C. A. House, J. Robson. 6 Money Prizes in British, added Prize Money in Non-colour-fed classes. Entry fee 1/6. Close Nov. 6. Schedules of Will H. Gibb, 19, Bond Street. (1)

PRIZE-MONEY POSTED AT CLOSE OF SHOW.

18th. ANNUAL SHOW HULL C.B.S. NOV. 15 & 16

Under patronage O.N.P.C., in the CORN EXCHANGE, NORTH CHURCH SIDE (one of the best rooms in the country (see Fancy Press). 48 OPEN CLASSES. (1 to 8) Nor., (9 to 16) Yorks., (17 to 19) Borders, (20) A.O.V., (21 to 23) Selling, (24) Gift, (25 to 27) Novice Nor., (28 to 30) Novice Yorks., (31 to 35) Mules, Hybrids, (36 to 45) Brit., (46 to 48) Foreign. PRIZE MONEY, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d., 1s.; and CASH SPECIALS. Entry, 1s. 6d. JUDGES: JOHN ROBSON (London) and H. W. BATTYE (Huddersfield). Entries CLOSE TUES., NOV. 12. Schedules: E. R. RIDLEY, 19, LAMBTON STREET, HULL.

COWDENBEATH

Saturday, November 16th. 80 Classes. 6 Specialist Judges. 14 Cups, 31 Medals, and 100 Specials. Patronage of all the clubs. Schedules from: J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland Place, Cowdenbeath. (137)

BRISTOL

C.B.S. 6th Annual Show,

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13th.
GOOD CLASSIFICATION. 40 SPECIALS. Judge: J. H. Roe. PRIZE MONEY GUARANTEED. Hon. Sec., B. L. POOL, 37, MANOR ROAD, BISHOPSTON, BRISTOL. (180)

CANTERBURY

42nd Annual Show, Cage Birds, etc. Open to Kent, Surrey, and Sussex. November 13 and 14. Under the patronage of the K.C.C.B.A. Judge, Mr. H. Norman (Carshalton). Good Classification. Entries close November 5th. Prompt payment of Prize Money.—J. W. Sargeant, Hon. Sec., 25, St. Peter's Street, Canterbury.

SUPPORT

Londonderry

2nd Open Show,
14th NOVEMBER. Judge, Mr. S. Hadwin (Liverpool)
26 Classes; 3 Silver Cups; 30 Specials. Schedules ready. M. Kerr, Sec., 99, Foyle Street, Londonderry.

STOKE-ON-TRENT

ONE DAY ONLY

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 14TH.

held in SUTHERLAND ASSEMBLY ROOM, GOOD CLASSIFICATION, including SIX NOVICE NORWICH and SIX NOVICE YORKSHIRE; Splendid LOT OF SPECIAL PRIZES; prompt payment of Prize-money. M.C.Y.C.C. Patronage. Judge: H. W. Battye. For schedules, apply to: J. PITMAN, 218, LONDON ROAD, STOKE-ON-TRENT. (3)

CODNOR PARK

And EASTWOOD C.B.S. 3rd Annual Open Show

NOVEMBER 15 and 16.

32 Classes. Prize money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, and good specials. Entry fee, 1/6. Judge, J. C. Barnes. Send for Schedules: J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton.

PRESTON

AND DIS. C.B.S. Annual Show,

November 15 and 16.

BEST CLASSIFICATION AND SPECIALS IN THE NORTH. Enamelled MEDALS for BEST OLD HEN and BEST YOUNG HEN. SILVER GOBLET FOR GIFT CLASS. Judges: J. H. Roe and A. Welling. Schedules from: J. LEEMING, 40a, WEST CLIFF, PRESTON.

AVONBRIDGE

O.S. Ninth Ann. Show, Sat., Nov. 16. Patrons, B.F.C.C. Judges: Nor. and Bords., P. McKenzie; Brit., etc., A. D. Duncan. Schedules from: P. Gentleman (Sec.), Cowan's Buildings, Avonbridge, Stirlingshire. (161)

BLACKWOOD

Annual Show, CAGE BIRDS and Pigeons, NOV. 16. 32 CLASSES. Canary Judges: Messrs. Fulton, Ritchie, and Chalmers. Schedules from JAS. HAMILTON, SEC., KIRKMUIRHILL, LANARKSHIRE. (182)

BRADFORD EAST

O.S. Fourth Ann. Open Show, Canaries and British, NOV. 16, PARK CHAPEL SCHOOLS, Y.U. Rules and Y.C.C. Cup, N.G.M.Y.C.C., and Y.C.B.B. and M.C. Patronage. Judges: H. W. Battye, P. Halliday. BRADFORD EAST ROSE BOWL FOR BEST UNFLIG. BIRD BRED BY EXHIBITOR. For schedules apply to: H. HILL, SEC., 15, SETTLE TERRACE, THORNTON LANE, BRADFORD. (176)

COVENTRY

O.S., "THE ORIGINAL SHOW OF COVENTRY." Note: 36th Annual Open Show, NOV. 16th. PRIZE MONEY GUARANTEED. NO CANCELLING. NO AMALGAMATION. Judge: W. Vardy, Esq. SPLENDID CLASSIFICATION AND SPECIALS. ENT. CLOSE NOV. 11th. Schedules: A. J. BARRATT, 38, CRAVEN STREET. (182)

ENFIELD

Open Show of Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, and Cage Birds, NOVEMBER 16. Popular judges. Good Prize Money; Specials galore. Entries close Nov. 6. Schedules ready. Apply: Jackson, 77, Southfield Road, Ponders End. (183)

Scotland's FIRST Classic!

GALASHIELS

O.S. 52nd Annual Show. NOVEMBER 16th. SCOTCH FANCY (12 classes), T. Brown; (Duns), and G. Fulton (Patrick); BORDERS (10), A. Gilchrist (Coldstream); NORWICH (6), MULES (2), BRITISH (5), FOREIGN (4). Judge: A. Hay (Tweedmouth).—Entries close Nov. 12th.—Schedules: JOHN BROWN, 156, CROFT-STREET, GALASHIELS.

TIDESWELL

C.B.I.S., NOVEMBER 16th.
GOOD CLASSIFICATION AND SPECIALS.
Judge: W. Mundell.
PRIZE MONEY, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; entrance, 1s. 6d.
REMEMBER—One Day Show, birds returned same day, and PRIZE MONEY GUARANTEED.
Schedules: W. F. SWARBRICK, HIGH ST., TIDESWELL. (182)

INVERNESS

O.A. 32nd Annual Show, Nov. 20.

PRIZES, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. 38 MEDALS. 100 SPECIALS. Entry, 1s. 6d. Judges: Dewar, Watt, Laidler, and Stewart. ENTRIES CLOSE 13th. Schedules: T. SUTHERLAND, 92, TELFORD ROAD, INVERNESS. (178)

NORTHAMPTON

One day only, Nov. 20. Judge, Cage Birds, Mr. Wilmot. Entries close Nov. 13. Schedules: Cox and Barrott, 59, Hunter Street. (3)

READING. November 20th

20 OPEN CLASSES, 5 Nor.; 5 Yorks.; 1 A.O.V.; 3 Brit.; 2 Selling; 4 Foreign. Judges: J. Robson, Jr. D. Astley, M.A., F.Z.S. (Foreign). Entry 1s. 6d. for PROMPT PRIZE-MONEY, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. and SPECIALS. Good train service; three railways. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 13th. Schedules ready, from W. H. PYKE, 102 RADSTOCK ROAD, READING. (169)

CARDIFF

NOVEMBER 20 and 21.
Judges: W. Mundell, W. Vardy, and D. A. S. Longden.
ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 13.
Schedules: E. THOMAS, 48, CRADDOCK ST., CARDIFF. (3)

SOUTHAMPTON 24th Annual Show. **NOVEMBER 20th & 21st.** Open to United Kingdom. £5 limit. Guaranteed prizes, over 100 specials. **Entries close November 12th.** Schedules.—**A. L. Kiddle, "Homelands," Bitterne, Southampton.**

AMBLESIDE AND DIS. Open Show of Canaries: Brit. and For., **Nov. 21.** Judge, F. Archer (Huddersfield). **Entries close Nov. 16.** Good Specials. Full Prize Money guaranteed. Schedules: **J. M. King (Sec.), The Green, Ambleside, Westmorland.** (151)

Darley Dale

7th Open Show, **Thursday Nov. 21st. Entries close Nov. 16th.** Numerous Specials; no amalgamation. **Prize Money, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.** Entry 1s. 6d.: members, 1s. 3d. Schedule members' classes (8-mile radius) from Secs. Sub., 2s. 6d. Judge: Chas. Ward. Schedule: 73 Yorks. ck.; 74, do. hen, 75, Nor. P.H. ck.; 76, do. hen; 76a, du. A.V. any col., unflg. ck. or hen; 77, A.V. Mule or Hybrid, ck. or hen; 78, A.V. British Finch, ck. or hen; 79, A.V. Selling, not exceeding 10s., inc. cage. For schedules other sections see "Feathered World," "Poultry World," "Pigeons," "Fur and Feather."—**Dawson and Fearn, Hon. Secs., Darley Dale, Derbyshire.**

WIVELISCOMBE

(SOM.) Open Show, NOVEMBER 21. Prizes: 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; Entry Fee 1s. 6d. MEDALS AND CASH SPECIALS. Judges: W. G. Elsmore (Canaries and Mules), E. Sprankling (Brit. and For.). ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 9. Schedules from: HILL AND DASCOMBE, SECS., WIVELISCOMBE. (169)

DONCASTER

NOVEMBER 22nd & 23rd.

46 Open Classes. Good Specials. Judges: Messrs. Battye, Vardy, and Walsh. **Schedules now ready.—G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion St., Doncaster.** (3)

GLASGOW AND DIST. C.B.A. NOV. 22 and 23.

65 Classes; Cups and Specials galore. Schedules ready next week, from: **W. Hutchison, 163, Hospital St., Glasgow.** (2)

HALTWHISTLE

and Dis. C.B.S. Second Annual Open Show, **Friday and Saturday, Nov. 22nd and 23rd.**

Patronage, N.C.N. and C.C., B.F.C.C., and N.B. and S.F.C. Judges, Mr. J. Dixon and Mr. A. Holden. **Prize-money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-, and 1/-.** Entry fee 1/-. **Grand array of specials.** Schedules now ready from—**Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate, Haltwhistle, Northumberland.**

ROCHDALE

O.C. 32nd ANNUAL OPEN SHOW, NOVEMBER 22 and 23.

JUDGES: C. A. HOUSE and W. MUNDELL. 70 OPEN CLASSES; 22s. PER CLASS; 1s. 6d. entry. Schedules from: R. BLINCOE, SEC., 160, DRAKE ST., ROCHDALE. (3)

BIGGAR and Dis. Show. Nov. 23rd.

26 Open Classes (Can., Brit.). Many splendid Specials. Judges: Marlin and Hamilton. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 16th. G. MITCHELL, BIGGAR.

BLAIRGOWRIE.

NOVEMBER 23rd.

29 Cage Bird Classes. Gold and Silver Medals. Judge, J. F. Dewar, Esq.—**Sec., M. Irvine, 17, Brown St., Blairgowrie.**

ILKESTON

AND DIS. 12th Open Show. 43 CLASSES. NOV. 23rd and 25th. SPLENDID CLASSIFICATION. NO CANCELLING. NO AMALGAMATION. LIBERAL LIST OF SPECIALS AND PROMPT PAYMENT. Judges: J. C. Barnes and Chas. Houlton. ENTRIES CLOSE, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19th. Send for schedules to: THOS. SMITH, 5, KING STREET, ILKESTON. (178)

CONSETT (Co. Durham).

November 23rd.

35 CAGE BIRD CLASSES. Judge: Mr. T. Robson. SCHEDULES NOW READY, from: J. HEDWORTH COUPLAND, LEADGATE, CO. DURHAM.

CRAMLINGTON

Great Annual Show, SATURDAY, NOV. 23rd, Co-operative Hall. 16 OPEN CLASSES. PRIZE MONEY 8s., 4s., 2s., 1s.; entry, 1s. per cage. Judges: A. Hay and H. Seely. SEE NEXT WEEK'S ISSUE FOR FULLER PARTICULARS. ENTRIES CLOSE Nov. 16th. Schedules now ready, from J. R. CHESTNEY, HON. SEC., CRAMLINGTON. (3)

HETTON B. and C.B.S. 2nd Annual Open Show, **Sat., Nov. 23rd,** in **Workmen's Club Hall, Hetton-le-Hole.** Judge, Jas. Stanger. **Prize-money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-.** Entry fee, 1/-. **Entries close Sat., Nov. 16th.** For schedules apply—**Notley, Sec., 1, Minor Street, Hetton-le-Hole, Durham.**

HINCKLEY (Leics.) Nov. 23. ONE DAY SHOW.

Judge: J. H. Roe (B'ham) Schedules from: H. RIDGWAY, HINCKLEY.

BOURNEMOUTH

NOVEMBER 19th and 20th.

21st Great Annual Open Cage Bird Show. Judge: Mr. J. H. Payne. **Don't miss the most attractive schedule of the year. Points to note:** Handsome Specials all sections; Full Prize Money guaranteed; Night and Day Attention during show; heating arrangements of Hall perfect.—**Show Manager, 156, Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth.** (2)

WIMBLEDON Nov. 19th & 20th Open Classes.

CHAMPION AND NOVICE. Good Specials. ENTRY FEE 1s. 6d. Judges: Messrs. R. HALLIDAY, M. JACQUEMIN, H. NORMAN, and J. ROBSON. S.N.P.C., S.Y.C.C., B.R.C.C. and N.B.B. and M.C. Patronage. Send for Schedules to: H. SMITH, 115, MERTON ROAD, WIMBLEDON. (180)

L.C.B.A. Royal Horticultural Hall NOV. 28th to 30th. Great Novice Classes.

Annual Exhibition of Canaries, British, Hybrids, and Foreign Birds. 140 Open Classes. Quantity of specials. **Prize-money, 12/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-.** Twelve Specialist Judges. Schedules will be sent to exhibitors at last L.C.B.A. and Palace Shows. **Entries close Nov. 21st.—Messrs. Mugford and Knight, 1, Strathearn Road, Wimbledon, S.W.**

ANFIELD, EVERTON, AND DISTRICT C.B. SOCIETY'S

LIVERPOOL

Open Show. December 26th. (Boxing Day.)

LARGE HALL, BURLEIGH ROAD, SOUTH ANFIELD, under N.G.M.Y.C.C. Patronage. OPEN CLASSES FOR YORKSHIRES, GREEN MARKED, CLEARS, AND GREENS. All the Crack Yorkshire Men show at this Show. Judge, Alf. Wellings. Also OPEN NOVICE CLASSES. 120 Members' Classes. PRIZE MONEY AND SPECIALS, A KNOCK-OUT. Schedules to all known Fanciers. Others apply to R. B. WRIGHT, HON. SEC., 15, WORCESTER DRIVE, CLUBMOOR, LIVERPOOL. ENTRIES CLOSE FINALLY DEC. 22. (3)

THE ONE DAY SHOW OF THE NORTH.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES

NOVEMBER 23rd.

8th Annual. 42 CLASSES, 4 MONEY PRIZES, SPECIALS GALORE. 1s. Entrance Fee. Judges: J. Robson and J. Maddison. Schedules from: J. W. LOWES, 17, CANNING STREET, STOCKTON-ON-TEES. (182)

REMEMBER!

UDDINGSTON

and Dis. Cage Bird Show,

23rd November.

Schedules: **J. Cosgrove, Hon. Sec., 2, Crofthank Terrace, Bothwell.** (3)

Don't Overlook LAUNCESTON

SHOW, NOVEMBER 26th. NO SLIDING SCALE; NO PRIZES WITHHELD, but full prize money promptly, not weeks or months after. 21 OPEN CLASSES. PRIZES, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Judge, J. H. Payne (Gloucester). EXHIBITS FORWARDED TO TAVISTOCK SHOW NEXT DAY FREE OF CHARGE IF ENTERED BY NOV. 16th. If no schedule by 7th PLEASE WRITE: N. H. REED, HON. SEC., who will not show. (3)

LLANELLY

AND DISTRICT C.B.S. SHOW,

November 26.

D. JOHN AND H. WEBSTER, Secretaries, 9, POTTERY PLACE.

PEMBROKE DOCK. Nov. 27th

D. P., Pgs., **Cage Birds.** Increased Classification.—**J. C. Morris, Sec., "Grinow," Park St.** (150)

TAVISTOCK

November 27th.

2nd Annual Show. GOOD CLASSIFICATION. Judge: Thos. Pope. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 16th. Schedules of JNO. YOUNG, HON. SEC., TAVISTOCK.

WEYBRIDGE Annual Show, **Wednesday November 27, Holstein Hall.** Ptry., Pgs., Cage Birds, R., C., and Cvs. Judges: W. H. Cook, A. E. Enfield. **Numerous Cups, Specials,** etc. Full Classification. **See next week's issue.** No schedules.—**Sec., S. Howard, Oatlands Farm, Weybridge.** 182)

WHITBY YORKS

Fanciers' Show, **Wednesday, NOVEMBER 27th.** SPLENDID CLASSIFICATION. Judge: H. W. Battye. Sec.: J. G. TOMLINSON. BAXTERGATE, WHITBY.

WANDSWORTH

NOV. 27th and 28th.

Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, Cavies, and CAGE BIRDS. 100 SPECIAL PRIZES. Cage Birds staged in the Gallery of the Hall. Schedules: W. LIGHTFOOT, HON. SEC., 86, HEYTHORP ST., SOUTHFIELDS, S.W. (183)

BRISTOL Nov. 27 & 28

Schedules ready shortly.

EXHIBITORS, PLEASE SUPPORT THE OLD ORIGINAL

PORTSMOUTH FANCIERS'

SOCIETY'S 26th ANNUAL SHOW, NOV. 27th and 28th. 50 CAGE BIRD CLASSES and SPECIALS to VALUE £50. FULL PRIZE MONEY GUARANTEED: 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Entrance Fee, 1s. 6d. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 19th. The Show of the South, and a Show run by Fanciers. ENTER FROM "CAGE BIRDS" OF OCTOBER 26th, or for schedule apply: W. E. TYRELL, 38, COMMERCIAL ROAD, PORTSMOUTH.

NOTE: NO SLIDING SCALE PRIZE MONEY BUT FULL PRIZE MONEY GUARANTEED, and ALL PRIZE MONEY PAID WITHIN 24 HOURS CLOSE OF SHOW.

SWINDON

Nov. 27 and 28.

24th Annual Open Show. **Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6.** Entry fee, 1/6. Judge: J. Payne, Esq. 3 Crests; 4 Norwich; 4 Yorks.; 1 A.O.V.; 2 Mules; 5 British; 2 Foreign; 3 Selling. Schedules from: **W. J. Moran, 2, Brunswick Street, Swindon.** (161)

PENTREBACH

(GLAM.), 28th NOVEMBER.

ENTRIES CLOSE 23rd NOV. (affil. South Wales Federation). 30 CLASSES, SPECIALS EACH VARIETY, INCLUDING FEDERATION CUPS. Judge: G. Gardner. PRIZES: 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Entry, 1s. 6d. Schedules: A. E. BROWN, 66, CLARE ST., MERTHYR TYDFIL.

South Co. Dublin

First Annual Show, Nov. 28 and 29.

Open to all. **55 Classes.** W. Mundell, Esq., Judge. For particulars, apply to: **D. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Tivoli Terrace, N. Kingstown.**

SALE

and District C.B. Soc,

6th Annual **Open Show, Technical School, Sale.**

NOVEMBER 29th and 30th.

Schedules ready shortly. Judges: Messrs. C. Houlton and A. G. Davis.—**A. Royle, Sec., 99, Harley Rd., Sale.** (3)

DARLINGTON

C. and B.B.F.A. Seventh Annual Open Show, Canaries, Mules: British and For. Birds will be held in the **Corn Exchange, Darlington, on Sat., Nov. 30.** Judge, J. H. Roe, Esq. **21 Open Classes. Prize Money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-** Entrance fee 1/- per cage. Schedules from: **Arthur Walker, 47, Montrose St., Darlington.** (153)

HARROGATE C.B.S. Show, Nov. 30th

Y.C.C. and Y.C.B.B. and M.C. Patronage. Schedules ready shortly. G. H. BARNWELL, HON. SEC., 20, COLLEGE RD., HARROGATE.

Coventry Godiva

C.B.S. 6th Ann. Open Show, Canaries: Mules and Hybrids; British and Foreign. **Nov. 30.** H. Sanders (Sec.), 31, Vernon St., Coventry (2)

Musselburgh

O.S. First Annual Show, **Saturday November 30th.** Under the full patronage of the S.B.B. and M.C. the S.P.C., and B.F.C.C. **Cups, Medals, and Numerous Specials.** Judges: Norwich, J. McLay; Border, T. Arnott; Mules, British, and Foreign, R. Baird. Schedules from: Sec., **Wm. Nisbet, 101, High Street, Musselburgh.** (165)

Now then, Fanciers!

FORRES

and Northern O.A., 26th Annual Show of **Cage Birds only,** on **Wednesday, December 4th. 2 Handsome Cups, Numerous Medals and Specials.** Judge, J. Lyon, Aberdeen. **Entries close, Nov. 29th.** Schedules from: **Wm. Cumming, 28, North Road, Forres.** (5)

North Wales C.B.S. 2nd Annual Open Show

ASSEMBLY ROOMS, MARKET ST.,

CARNARVON

DECEMBER 7th.

Judge: W. A. Cowgill (Bradford). GRAND CLASSIFICATION. Specials (for members only), and 3 CHALLENGE CUPS. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 30. Show open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., admission 6d. SCHEDULES, J. WYNNE PARRY, 18, TITHEBARN ST., CARNARVON. (176)

HERE WE ARE AGAIN!

We want you to support **Our First Annual Open Show, DECEMBER 11th.**

MID RHONDDA

and Dis. C.B.S. (Rhondda Valley, Glam.). Judge, J. H. Payne, Esq. Affiliated South Wales Fed. **2 Handsome Cups and Rose Bowl. Silk's Novice Norwich Cup.** Schedules will be sent out as soon as received from printers. Apply early to: **A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwyncelyn, Porth Glam.**

PONTYPRIDD

F. and F.S. Show, DEC. 4th. (affil. S. Wales and Mon. Federations). GOOD CLASSIFICATION; EXPERT JUDGE; NUMEROUS MONEY SPECIALS. SILK'S NOVICE NORWICH PLAINHEAD CUP. W.C.B.C. patronage. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 28th. Schedules: A. A. GORDON McLUCAS, 48, ROSSER ST., MAESYCOED, PONTYPRIDD.

TONBRIDGE

6th Open Show, DECEMBER 3rd and 4th. Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, Cavies, CAGE BIRDS. Cage Bird Judge: John Robson. Entries Close Nov. 23rd. Schedules from: P. STONESTREET, 102, HADLOW ROAD, TONBRIDGE. (168)

STRANRAER (WIGTOWNSHIRE) DEC. 13.

18 classes. 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d., and SPECIALS. ENTRIES CLOSE DEC. 6. Schedules: W. McMeekan, 8, Clenoch Street.

CITY OF DUNDEE

C.B.S. 12th Annual Show, **Saturday, NOVEMBER 30th. Entries close November 26th.** Judges:—Crests: R. Whitton (Broughty Ferry). Plainheads: J. Holmes (Edinburgh). Scotch Fancy: Jas. Strachan (Arbroath). R. Thoms (Dundee). Borders: W. Mossie (Annbank). Mules and British: G. McArdle (Arbroath). Schedules from **Alex Miller, 3, Park Avenue, Dundee.**

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I beg to thank you for the excellent report of our recent show, writes Mr. E. Cowling, Sec., Morpeth C.B.S. Also your reporter for the many nice things said about myself and fellow members. We shall still, in the future, endeavour to make ourselves worthy of the compliments paid to us.

We wish to thank you, write Messrs. Keymer Bros. (Gorleston-on-Sea) for depicting our clear buff hen winner at Norwich, on the front sheet of your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS. It is a faultless image of her. It was a pleasure to read the "knowing ones" acknowledged her the best hen in the show. We should like to remark that this hen is one of three buff hens we bred in one nest, all of which have proved themselves winners.

I have been informed, writes Mr. R. B. Wright, hon. sec. Annfield, Everton, and District C.B.S., that a report has been circulated in the Bradford district, that there will be no railway facilities for our show on December 26. I hasten to inform Yorkshire fanciers that very satisfactory arrangements have been guaranteed by all the railway companies running into Liverpool from the Yorkshire districts, particulars of which will very soon be in the hands of all members of the N.G.M.Y.C.C. and Y.C.C., and other well known fanciers.

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Twitterings.

Exhibitors note! Hamilton (Cadzow Oak) one day show. Enter at once, see advt.—(Advt.) (3)

Mr. A. W. Bacon, Hon. Sec., writes that Mr. A. T. Bellinger will judge at Redhill show, Nov. 13.

My yellow Norwich hen, 4th at Manchester show, was claimed at £5 10s., writes Mr. P. Davies (Millom).

"A Twenty-five Year Fancier" writes congratulating the Portsmouth C.B.S. on their collection of specials, etc.

Mr. R. S. Bewick (Newfield) will judge Chester-le-Street and Dis. C.B.S. annual members' show on Nov. 23.

The judge of the cage birds at Guildford show on Jan. 14 is Mr. J. Robson, writes Mr. E. Stevens, the Hon. Sec.

All Edinburgh and Glasgow birds will be despatched with the 7.50 train from Bo'ness show, writes Mr. T. Cameron, the Sec.

I omitted the dates of our show, Nov. 6 and 7, from my advert last week, writes Mr. C. Tapper, joint sec., Southend and S.C.O.S.

We hear that a Fanciers' Society has been formed for Wingate (co. Durham) and Dist. The hon. sec. is Mr. J. Burdett, 3, Todd St.

Will show secretaries in the South or South-East send me on schedules, writes Mr. F. J. Smith, 72, Tideswell Road, Eastbourne.

Will show secretaries, etc., please note the following change of address:—Mr. E. Pettet from Walthamstow to 8, Etchingham Rd., Leyton.

At Burnley show the winner of Sandiford's medal, vhc, ticked yellow and 1st buff hen should be Mr. W. Crawshaw (Accrington), and not W. Grimshaw.

The silver cup for most points at Stamford show was won by Mr. G. Lawrence (Coventry) with a total of 93 points, writes Mr. A. Harrison, the Secretary.

Mr. Sarjeant, hon. sec. Canterbury F.S., writes asking us to state that a class for Yorks hens, yell or buff was omitted from the schedule. This is class No. 39a.

Mr. E. Lindley, of Wombwell, is, we hear, on Nov. 11 sending some winning Yorkshires to New Zealand, which should make a name for themselves in their new home.

We have omitted the British Goldfinch class from the schedule of Leith O.S., writes Mr. G. Brown, Sec. This will be class 39a. Will members please note when entering.

Stockport members' show will be held Nov. 22 and 23. Judge: Mr. W. Bowyer. New members joining at once will be entitled to show, writes Mr. W. Stafford.

Through unforeseen circumstances, the Wood Green Society have found it necessary to postpone their annual show till Jan. 4, 1913, writes Mr. G. T. Harris, Hon. Sec.

Heywood and Dis. O.S. hold their annual members' show on Nov. 16, when Mr. Robert Barrass (Rochdale) will judge, writes Mr. A. H. Meadowcroft, the Hon. Sec.

By an error, our prize-money appears in Manchester show catalogue as 10s., 8s., 4s., 2s.; it should read 10s., 6s., 4s., 2s., writes Mr. R. Blincoe, Sec. Rochdale O.C. show.

An entry form, bearing neither name nor address (envelope post-marked Coventry) has been received at Nottingham show. Will the sender please communicate with the sec.?

I won second at L. and P.O.S. show in light Canary Hybrid class, with a buff Goldfinch Canary, writes Mr. E. J. Lamb. Mr. Mortlock's bird, reported as second, stood vhc.

Fanciers should visit the Metropolitan record show this Saturday, Nov. 2, All Saints' Parochial Hall, Battersea Park. Rare lot of Yorks, Norwich, etc., for sale.—Advt.

Will members of the Bootle C.B.S. kindly let me have unpaid subscriptions as early as possible. Anyone wishing to join should communicate with me, the Secretary, L. S. Hamilton (The Lodge, Linacre Lane, Bootle).

The novice Border classes (New Cross C.B.S.), write Messrs. Barton and Barton, Hon. Secs., were omitted from schedule of the annual show, Nov. 7, and they will now read 13a, 14a, 15a, and 16a. Judge, Mr. Norman.

Owing to clashing of dates, we have changed our show of cock birds from Nov. 9 to Nov. 16, write Messrs. Sutcliffe and Walker, Hon. Secs., Sowerby Bridge and Dis. C.B.S.

In the Yorkshire section at the City of Glasgow show, first in the clear, etc., yell. cock and first in the A.O.C. cock, bred 1912, were won by Mr. T. Bennett, of Lidget Green, Bradford.

Oldham C.B.A. have decided to hold their show at the Textile Dining Rooms to-day, Nov. 2, when we shall be pleased to see all old fanciers and friends, writes Mr. Jas. Cope, the Secretary.

Mr. Joe. Thomson (Newton-grange) will judge Canaries at Gorebridge show on Jan. 18, writes John Lambie, Secretary. We have a better classification for Borders this year, and six classes for British.

The success of our show at Hamilton depends on the readers of Cage Birds giving us a fair share of their entries, and I hope they will not overlook us, writes Mr. G. Marlin, Sec. Hamilton, Cadzou Oak O.S.

I would like to express my gratitude and appreciation for the splendid report of our show given by Cage Birds, writes Mr. John Young, joint Sec., City of Glasgow show. What a boon your Journal is to the Fancy.

Messrs. Hill and Dascombe, Secs. of Wivelscombe show, hope that exhibitors of cage birds will give them a big entry, as their birds will be well cared for, and they have good judges, prize-money, and specials.

We are informed by the respective secretaries that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows:—Glasgow, L. and P.O., S. (Holborn), Burton-on-Trent, Stamford, Newcastle, Bromley, Mumbles, Chatham.

Fanciers will do well to visit the New Cross and District Cage Bird show at the People's Hall, Tanner's Hill, Deptford Broadway (adjoining Theatre) on Thursday, Nov. 7. All South London trams pass the door.—(Advt.) (184)

OBITUARY.

Our Glasgow readers will regret to learn that the esteemed Hon. President of the Govanhill O.A., Mr. Wm. Tennant, has lost his wife, at the age of 63 years, after a short and painful illness, following a serious operation. Quiet and kindly, and ever ready to assist in her husband's hobby, she leaves a grown-up family of sons and daughters to mourn her loss, and their grief will be shared by a large circle of friends, by whom she was much respected. Her remains were laid to rest in the little churchyard of her native village, Rutherglen, on Oct. 25.

The winners of the £5 5s. challenge cups at the London and Provincial O.S. show were: Norwich, Mr. E. Baker; Crests, Mr. Lazarus; Yorks., Mr. J. Wilcock; Mules, Mr. E. J. Lamb; Brit., Mr. Marley; Foreign, Miss Bousfield.

Mr. W. H. Howe, of Wellingborough, has bought my unflighted yellow cock, first Morpeth, first Newcastle, and special best Norwich in show, for a good figure, writes Mr. W. McGinn, and I hope it will win many firsts for its new owner.

As will be seen in our show advt. columns, the Swansea C.B.S. have engaged Mr. J. F. Dewar, of Edinburgh, to judge Mules and British. This is the first visit of Mr. Dewar to Wales as a judge, and the society deserves a large entry for its enterprise.

Metropolitan fanciers should visit Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S. show held Tuesday next (2 to 9.30 p.m.) at Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane. Some of the best birds in the Fancy on view; and some bargains for buyers. Admission by tickets, sixpence.—Advt.

Haverfordwest show, held Nov. 12, deserves the support of fanciers, as a good committee attends on the birds, the hall is a fine one, and a main railway line serves the town. There are some excellent specials, including silver medal for best Canary (see advt. this week).

The eleventh annual International poultry, etc., show is due at the Crystal Palace on Nov. 12, 13, and 14. In addition to this year's exhibition being a record for entries, we understand that a great many foreigners have sent over and will compete for the valuable prizes. The visitors, too, will include distinguished representatives of many foreign nations. Nearly 1,300 birds will be on view.

The Brighton and Hove C.B.A. are offering the finest prize money on the South coast at their forthcoming open show, Nov. 14 and 15, writes Mr. W. H. Gibb, the Hon. Sec., and six money prizes are offered in the Brit. classes, while added prize-money is given in the non-col. fed. classes, besides many specials. The entry fee is only 1s. 6d. The show is being held in the splendid North Rd. Lecture Hall, situated close to the Central Station and on the tram route. Entries close Nov. 6; fanciers, give us a bumping entry.

Although our entries close Nov. 2, writes Mr. E. A. Stickland, Hon. Sec. Windsor show, at the present time I have only received three. We have 9 novice classes, classes which all bird-men are asking for at shows, and I hope that the novice bird-keepers will fill up all the classes.

Barnsley and Dist. C. B. S. hold members' show to-day, Nov. 2, at Clarence Hotel, Sheffield Road, writes Mr. F. C. Sims, the Hon. Sec.; 17 classes. Judge: Mr. J. Overend (Ravensthorpe). Birds to be staged by 3 o'clock. Exhibition open to public at 5 o'clock; local fanciers will do well to visit the show.

We have, writes Mr. J. R. Reid, Sec. Cowdenbeath C.B.S., 7, Woodland Place, Park Avenue, posted 1,100 schedules this week to all known exhibitors, including members of the Border Fancy Club, Scottish Yorks Club, the Scottish P.C. and the Scottish B.B. and M.C. If any exhibitor has been overlooked, will he kindly apply to me for one.

Tavistock fanciers are this year holding their show Nov. 27, the day following Launceston, and we understand from Mr. J. Young, hon. sec., that exhibitors entering for both shows before entries close will be given free carriage between the two towns, thus enabling them to exhibit at two shows at one railway charge.

Our report of the unflighted Yorks class at Middlesbrough credits Mr. Pyman with 2nd, 3rd, and extra 4. We understand from Mr. W. Rand that he won 3rd, and Mr. Pyman extra 3. In Blackwood report, Mr. Cook is credited with vhc in Nor. yell and extra 3 in buff. Mr. W. Morris, Ebbw Vale writes that these should be credited to his name.

We have omitted from schedules, writes Mr. Mitchell, hon. sec. Codnor Park and Eastwood show, the special prizes in the gift class, viz., 1st bottle spl. whiskey, 2nd one stone canary seed, 3rd value 2s. 6d., 4th tin of cigarettes; bottle whiskey for most points in gift class; also that Cage Birds' special is to be for the runners-up for the cup.

At Spalding show, Nov. 7 (see advt. in this issue) the stewards are well-known bird fanciers, and exhibitors need have no fear that their exhibits will be treated otherwise than with the greatest possible care. We are hoping, write Messrs. Elviss and Mouncey, Secretaries, to have a good entry; closing date extended to Monday, Nov. 4.

Record Gone at Sheffield.

All Sheffield records broken, nearing thousand, wires Mr. Bishop, just as we go to press.

A True Help-meet.

Owing to my wife's illness, I will not be able to show my birds for a time, as she steadies and colour-feeds them, and also enamels all my show cages, writes Mr. T. Brown, Foxhouses, Whitehaven, as I have not time myself. This is the first time I have missed Carlisle show, and it is a great disappointment.

Where Our Section is Appreciated.

I should like to say that the cage bird section at Lewes show was quite distinct from the poultry, and established in the gallery free from draught, and not stuck away in a corner like we see at most mixed shows, writes Mr. J. Martin, the Hon. Sec. The birds were a good lot, and although the classes did not fill as we should like, full prize-money will be paid. All exhibits were on rail before 10 a.m. the morning after the show.

Liberal Treatment for Exhibitors.

The entries for that very old-established and always splendidly-managed Midland fixture, Nottingham show, held Nov. 9 and 11, are due to close and the officials are anxious to beat all records this year. The classification is excellent, and the prize-money very liberal, while the special prizes are both valuable and numerous. Fanciers should send at once for a schedule to Mr. J. G. Royce (29, Tennyson St., Nottingham) and participate in the good things. There are classes for novices and amateurs (including two for British birds) and specialist judges for all sections. Foreign birds have 4s. extra prize-money in each class.

Bramblefinch's Successful Career.

Allow me to express my appreciation of the very excellent sketch by Mr. H. Norman of my Bramble, which appeared in the last issue of Cage Birds, writes Mr. C. Brotherhood, (Newport, Salop). Not only is the drawing in every way admirable, but the work of your staff is equally fine, when one takes into account the fact of the issue being actually on sale before the show (at which the bird was sketched) closed. Smart work this. The bird is a well known face on the show bench, and is enjoying a most successful career. Up to the present he has been exhibited 31 times under 16 different judges, result: 20 firsts, 4 seconds, 2 thirds, 5 fourths, including premier honours at the Palace, 1911, and most of the leading exhibitions throughout the country.

Wild-Bird Life.

The Chough at Home.

From time to time, at our most important shows, there appears a big black bird, with coral red beak and legs, in the class provided for the larger British birds. To the uninitiated the Chough has a somewhat foreign appearance, and his scarcity aids the deception. He has been driven from his old haunts by various means, not the least of which is the greed of the egg collector for annexing the eggs of a species which is now fast disappearing. The writer of these notes was fortunate enough recently to visit the home of a pair or two of these fine birds. The spot



THE CORNISH CHOUGH.

was a rough, rocky coast, where in some cases the cliffs rose straight up from the beach, and at high tide the waves dashed against them. At first the two or three large black birds seen occasionally were thought to be Crows or Jackdaws, and, as many other species claimed immediate attention, no particular notice was taken of them, but one day happening to get the glasses fixed upon the shape and the red legs and beak, identified them at once as Choughs, consequently for the rest of the visit a considerable time was given up in observing their doings. There appeared to be two pairs of them, and, although they mostly haunted a particular line of cliffs, at times one was unable to locate them. But chancing one day to get further inland in search of scenery and birds, the Choughs were noticed upon the side of a hill, pecking about in the neighbourhood of a flock of sheep. Some books tell us that the Chough never settles upon grass, but from personal observation it seems very probable that he gets most of his food upon the hillside and meadow-land. At times one could see them hunting upon the edge of the tide, or upon a sand-bar that was exposed at low water. The flight of the Chough is rather peculiar, somewhat resembling the dipping flight of the Wagtail: he drives through the air uttering a metallic "chaar."

I have been greatly interested, writes Mr. W. Hainsworth (Preston) in the articles "Musical Box of the Canary Family," "Unprolificacy in Canaries," and "Experiences of a 50 year breeder of Yorks. Canaries." They are splendid.

Everything that can be done to encourage exhibitors to support us, we are doing, even to accepting entries up to the last moment, which will include those bearing Saturday's (Nov. 2) postmark, write Messrs. King and Joiner, the hon. secs. of Portsmouth show. Good prize-money, magnificent specials.

Mr. R. Halliday has been engaged as assistant judge for Bradford East show, Nov. 16, writes Mr. H. Hill, the Sec., and he will judge at the Union novice classes and the selling. A silver-plated breakfast cruet will be given by Mr. J. W. Ramsden, Esq., for best colour-fed Yorks., fed solely on Ramsden's peppers, exhibitors to mark 'R.P.' on entry form. Dr. M. A. Wilson will give a bound volume for most points gained by member of Y.C.B.B. and M.C. in British.

Cause for Congratulation.

A most remarkable number of foreign orders have been received within the last week or so by that enterprising Norwich bird specialist, Mr. W. Rudd, which clearly evidences the great business his ability has built up, and the satisfaction his methods afford bird-keepers the world over. Here are a few of the orders in question (the originals can be inspected at Mr. Rudd's offices) and each order is from a different customer: Consignments of birds to Holland, France (3 lots), Gibraltar (3 lots), New Zealand, Belginm (2 lots), Turkey, South Africa (3 lots), Canada (5 lots), India (2 lots), Australia (3 lots), Italy, etc. Consignments of goods, cages, and other Bird Room requisites, to Malta, India (5 lots), Canada (3 lots), Ceylon (2 lots), Switzerland, Belginm, South Africa (3 lots), Australia, Nova Scotia and Asia Minor.

Through a Bird-room Window

This article on Blue-Crowned Hanging Parrakeets is No. 29 of the new series of personal birdy experiences related by that eminent aviculturist, the Rev. C. D. FARRAR.

No. 29.—My Blue-Crowned Hanging Parrakeets.

SOME years ago I was visiting my friend, Mr. Stevens, of York, who at that time had a fine collection of foreign birds; but who has now, alas, deserted his former love. Among some of the birds I greatly coveted were some lovely little Blue-crowned Hanging Parrakeets. For some reason, I forget what now, Mr. Stevens was in a reasonable mood, and agreed to let me have them. These were in a fairly large compartment in his bird-room, and looked the very picture of health. I believe, now I come to think of it, that Mr. Stevens was making some alterations in his premises, and was compelled to reduce his stock.

I had never been able to get any Blue Crowns before. They are fairly scarce at any time, as can be seen by scanning the advertisement columns of CAGE BIRDS and the dealers' weekly lists; so that I had no sort of hesitation in buying. Nature has no more intoxicating illusion than that of turning over a new leaf, or beginning a new life. When I got home, I felt a bit tired. Nothing fills one with so exquisite a weariness as a day spent in good resolutions and good thoughts, and when I started for York that morning I was positively brimming over with good resolves; and the chief was, that I was not going to buy any new birds (I believe because I thought Mr. Stevens wouldn't sell any) but merely to spend a happy day in looking at his treasures.

I know it only needs courage to say "No" at any time, but I always lack courage most of all. In vain I said to myself that it was like swimming, and all that one needed was the courage to make the plunge. That was the very thing I couldn't muster courage for. When, therefore, Mr. Stevens happened to say that the birds were for sale, I fell an ignominious victim to their beauty. If I hadn't, somebody else would.

There were lots of other birds for sale that day, and my eyes flew like bees from one to another; but alas, the res angusta domi presented a fatal obstacle to universal purchase, so I decided that it must be the Blue-crowned Love birds. It is worth while to interfere with such an accepted beatitude as—"Blessed are the untempted, for they shall be accounted the best men."

A Surreptitious Introduction.

On reaching home, I felt there would be a serious difficulty—how was I to get the birds upstairs without being found out? In the world, although deceptions are welcomed everywhere, it is only on certain conditions, one of which is that they must be carried through with a high hand. Still, I never neglect caution. There is a little window by our side door, and on this ledge I quietly deposited the cage, trusting that the birds would not betray me by any unseemly cries, and then went boldly forward to see how the land lay. The moment I entered the dining-room I was asked if I had spent a happy day, and a hope was expressed that I had enjoyed myself. I answered in general terms, and then, on the pretext that I must go upstairs to feed the birds, I quietly slipped across the hall, got the cage and stole upstairs as silently as a Chinese Empress returning to her disturbed dominions.

If anyone had met me they would have learnt nothing from my face, and would probably have concluded that the box I carried contained only some necessary items of food. The first woe was passed, but the second was about to begin. I wanted some honey, and there was none in the house. Tender enquiries were made as to why I wanted it. "Did I fancy some for tea?" No. Well, what did I want it for? At last I had to confess that I was going to give it to some of the birds. I made it as vague as possible, and my people are so accustomed to my strange ways that they probably concluded I was only making some curious new mixture.

Wherever I had seen Hanging Parrakeets in the shops, they looked so woe-begone and moribund that I felt sure the feeding was to blame. My birds were in such perfect form that I was sure that Mr. Stevens had done the right thing by them. Whenever I buy new birds, I carefully note how they have been fed. In this case I noticed that though there was a pot of soft food in the cage, there were also some lovely ripe bananas, and also a pot of honey.

The Way to Give Honey.

Now, honey, I believe, is absolutely essential to these birds to keep them in health, but honey is very messy stuff, and given unwisely will defile the most careful of birds. I don't say that my plan of giving it is the best, but I know of none better. I get a long deep glass vessel with a narrow neck, and hang it on the wires of the aviary near a perch, and fairly high up. The birds will soon find it. I suppose by the scent, and you will find that they make constant visits to it through the day; and they never make themselves in a mess. In fact, they can't. Whereas, give them an open vessel and they will get into it and smear themselves all over, like children who have free access to the jam-pot.

It is well to have a pot of soft food about, in case the birds seem inclined for it, but I believe they get the chief of their nutriment out of the banana and honey. It is well to put the food vessels all on the wires, as Blue Crowns very seldom descend to the floor, but spend most of their time on the wires or perches, hanging upside down. I put my Blue Crowns, of which I had some seven or eight, into a compartment of my indoor bird-room, and I arranged it with natural branches, which afforded them plenty of resting-places.

Blue Crowns, like all soft feeding birds, are very dirty in their excretions, and highly smelly; and so after a lot of thought I decided to cover the floor of the compartment with pine sawdust. This not only absorbed the moisture, but killed all smells. I forgot to say that I fastened a tin to the wire, filled with fine grit, as, of course, like all birds, they need it to assist digestion.

The Blue-crowns Described.

Blue Crowns are most lovely little creatures, of a beautiful metallic green, with a long blue crown of turquoise blue and a bib of the same. They are very small, about half the size of the Redfaced African Lovebird, and very weak billed. This is a distinct comfort. A nip from them is merely a gentle nibble, whereas the bite of a Red-faced African Lovebird is like the bite of a rat.

They are gentle little creatures, far more fond of climbing and creeping about than of flying; so that a compartment 4ft. by 6ft. is ample for half-a-dozen, and they agree perfectly with their cousins, the Red-crowned Hanging Parrakeets. I don't think that they are at all delicate; as I kept them all through a Northern winter in an unheated room, and I could never see that they seemed to suffer. They were always tight and spruce, which is the sure sign of health.

Kindness goes unrequited.

I hoped that I should be able to get them to nest, and I gave them every encouragement, I am sure, in the shape of tempting little log nests, but they refused to snap my well meant attempts. In fact, they were doing the same things day after day—a visit to the honey-pot, a mouthful of banana, a scramble in the soft food dish (wasting more than they consumed), and then a wild scramble up and down the branches, and at length a gentle snooze upside down and side by side.

Satiation—and a Fable.

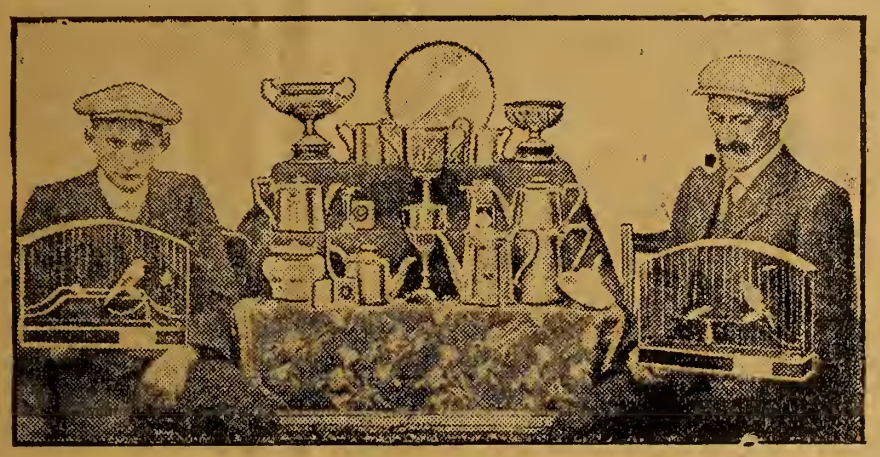
Day after day to do the same thing, and month after month, is like eating a quail a day for thirty days. A quail toward the middle of the month, a fellow begins to feel for a boiled Crow or a slice of cold dog. That's how I felt after six months with my Blue Crowns. Still, I thought I ought to ask advice. You know you need never take it! There is a passage in Seldon's Table Talk, which if I recollect aright may be paraphrased in some such form as this: The lion reeking of slaughter, met his neighbour the sheep, and, after exchanging the time of day with her, asked her if his breath smelt of blood. She replied, "Yes." Therefore he snapped off her head for a fool. Immediately afterwards he met the jackal, to whom he addressed the same question. The jackal answered, "No," and the lion tore him to pieces for a flatterer. Last of all he met the fox and asked the question a third time. The fox replied that he had a cold in his nose, and could smell nothing.

I received a visit about the time of indecision from my friend, Mr. Oates, and I asked him what he would do. I fancy he must have read my fable, the moral of which is of course, that wise men say little at dangerous times, for he would give no advice, but told me I was old enough to please myself. Probably he did not wish to be called either a fool or a sycophant, and so meet the fate of his friend in the story.

A Sorrowful Parting.

I hate, above all things, having to make up my mind, and here clearly was a case where I should have to do so, but here again Fortune helped me. I fell ill, and for many weeks I was not allowed so much as to look at my birds, and their entire care devolved upon others. I can't tell the agonies I went through, wondering whether things were going right, whether anything had been forgotten. It is fearful to think what a single little act of forgetfulness may involve in an aviary. They said when I came down, my hair was perceptibly whiter. Everybody urged me to give up my birds, but this was too big a sacrifice. Still, I felt I must do something to appease the present unrest, so I determined to sacrifice my Blue Crowns.

I had studied them from all points, and found out all I could about them, and had discovered apparently that they had a rooted objection to reproduce their kind in this country. This being the case, I felt they must go, and make room for some more sympathetic species. One day a rich Ahab came along, coveted poor Naboth's vineyard, and got it, though without enacting murder by deputy, as in the old story. Alas, my poor little friends did not long survive. They were entrusted to the care of a "bird-man," and though I tearfully impressed upon him that without honey these birds would not live, he soon forgot to give it, and they got weary of life. I wished then that I had never seen them, and I have never been able to get them again.



LOVERS OF THE "WEE GEMS."

Mr. J. Patterson, of Chirnside, the famous judge and breeder of Border Fancy Canaries and three promising youngsters, viz., his son Jim, and two even-marks bred in 1912. In the background are seen some of the fine trophies won by his birds.



NOT A FEATHERED SUFFRAGETTE!

Our photograph depicts a Canary fledgling being given food out of a "Fil-up" feeder. The youngster is not at all shy but swallows it eagerly, and, needless to say, is soon ready for more.



Drawn by H. Goodchild.

FAVOURITES OF FAIR EXHIBITORS.

Loo Choo Robin, exhibited by the Hon. Mrs. Bourke, first prize at the L. & P. O. S. Show, etc., and White-capped Tanager, third prize at the same show, etc., for Miss M. Bousfield, of Bournemouth.

Our Coloured Plate Through Expert Eyes.

Views upon Norwich Plainheads in general and this week's Plate in particular.

Mr. E. Baker as critic, ai
Mr. H. Norman, as arti:
combine in a helpful obj
lesson.

Accompanying this issue will be found a coloured plate by Mr. H. Norman, of a group of Norwich Plainhead Canaries. When composing this picture Mr. Norman had not in mind the portrayal of ideal, or even idealised, specimens, but specimens with failings such as may be found in many of the exhibits seen at our shows. His reason for so doing was to enable us to get one or other of the leading Norwich Plainhead experts of the day to frankly criticise the birds depicted, so that we might thus provide what may be described as an object-lesson for those of our readers who are striving to secure a footing near the top of the ladder of success in the breeding of this popular variety. We are pleased to have been able to secure the kindly co-operation of that very good fancier, and famous breeder and exhibitor of the Plainhead, Mr. E. Baker, of Cowes, Isle-of-Wight, whose notes are given below. This gentleman's shrewd observations and helpful criticism will, we are sure, be widely appreciated. That the combination of Messrs. Norman and Baker will assist many to a better understanding of both the finer points and the failings of the Norwich Plainhead we have no manner of doubt.—Editor.

The Gentle Art of Criticism.

I HAVE much pleasure in acceding to your request for my opinion on the birds so well portrayed by Mr. H. Norman. I presume the Greens represent a yellow and buff. The top bird, the buff, has many good points, being short and cobby, and with wings well braced. It is, however, a little too stilty on legs, showing a little too much thigh, and has too straight a rise from base of beak to skull. The second Green I like much better. It has a nice rise or arch from the base of beak to skull, is smaller in beak, thicker in neck, and not so stilty on legs. This is a nice, typical bird, and one that many fanciers would call an ideal bird for putting type and colour into their stock.

The last bird is very nice bodied, stands well across the perch, but is not quite so nice at the tips of the wings. The worst feature, however, is its head. It is what I term "pigeon-shaped," that is, runs almost parallel from point of beak to the crown of the head. This is a fault I detest, for however good a bird may be in every other point, one of these heads drowns, so to speak, every other good feature. The bird has a very taking style, shows a very nice neck, though possibly a trifle too hollow.

In offering these criticisms on the birds portrayed, I have no doubt that many fanciers will not see eye to eye with me; others will say it is all right to write or talk about the perfect ones, but how many of them do you get? To such I would say the latter are few indeed, and although personally I do not claim that my judgment is worth much, I do claim to be a real lover of the Norwich, and every spare moment I have is spent with the birds, and every show that I can conveniently attend, I do. In my ramblings amongst them I have found that, although the breeding of the Norwich Canary has wonderfully improved, there remains much to be desired.

The Greatest Failing of All.

The chief fault is with the heads. This season I have visited two good shows, and have seen many real gems, but—what a lot I have seen with most beautiful bodies, short and cobby, with lovely quality of feather, but with thin necks, and narrow heads absolutely out of all proportion to the other parts of the bird. Now, as a breeder, I know only too well how very difficult it is to get the perfect ones. Still, I am confident that it can be improved upon. I am not a believer in pairing an almost perfect bird to an inferior one. Many a fancier will look out a real good one, nice in type, good in quality, with grand head and neck, and then for its mate will select a much more imperfect specimen, with poor body and weak head and neck, and pair up with the idea that the progeny from these will possess all the good points of the perfect parent, and none of the bad ones of the imperfect one. What a rude awakening they get.

How Failings Persist in Strains.

We often hear that you need not expect to get the best results from prize birds; that does not necessarily follow. Common sense should teach us that if we try to breed with the best of type and quality we have the right to expect that better results will follow. For instance, if you pair two grand headed birds with full necks, you have no reason to expect their progeny to have snipey heads and weak necks. True, you may get some that will be throw backs; one cannot altogether avoid undesirables.

I have been much impressed with the fact that you can go into a particular neighbourhood and begin to examine the birds of the fanciers of that district, and you perceive a weakness in the birds, it may be only a slight one, but as you go from room to room your experienced eye detects the same weakness. Then try and find out whence the stock originated, and you will in almost every case find it came from an old, or fairly successful fancier, and there you will find this same weakness. It has been perpetuated by all the stock coming from that strain. I remember being invited into a bird-room in the North; directly I entered I noticed a glaring fault with almost every bird. It was an enormous lump of fat on the chest, which absolutely spoilt the outline of the bird, and rendered it unfit for exhibition.

Why Not, Indeed?

Now, if all these failings can be perpetuated, why not the good points? Hence my advice to all fanciers and breeders is: Breed with those birds, both cocks and hens, possessing the most perfect points. I do not say that you may not then get plenty of wasters, but I do say that we shall see birds on the show bench containing a far greater percentage of good points, which will enhance their value, and be far better to look upon.

Before closing, I should like to put in a word for the judges. Almost every fancier must admit that judging is a most difficult task. A bird is often so wild durin the time a judge is making his selection, and so persiste in its apparent determination not to give the judge a chan of discovering its perfections or otherwise, that often has to be placed on one side. Yet possibly in an hour time a fancier comes into the room and says: "Oh, look here's the best in its class, and not a card." Little do they think of the anxious time that has been spent over it, and the utter despair of the judge who has conscientiously tried to do justice to the bird and its exhibitor.

At Plymouth I looked over a particular class of Norwich soon after entering the show, and was very pleased to see how well it had been judged, although my own bird had to take a second place. It gave me great pleasure to raise my hat to the first as being the best in the class. On visiting the class again some hours after, however, I could scarcely believe my eyes. The first prize bird then, even its owner would scarcely recognise it. It was drawn up like a Yorkshire; in fact, had its owner offered it me for 7s. 6d. and I had not seen it previously, I should have declined it. In one's own room one can see the rapid change in appearance of one's own birds. Hence every fancier should be as charitably disposed as possible towards the judges, and let the true spirit of a good fancier and sportsman dominate him. If we are beaten to-day, let us come up smiling to-morrow, and the possibility is that, whereas we are down to-day, we may see a first and special adorning our own cage to-morrow. That all good fanciers may meet with unbounded success this season is my sincere wish.



A sketch of the fine Nightingale, winner of first prizes at Clapham and the L. and P.O.S. Shows for Mr. G. W. Swain, of Watford.



A PILLAR OF THE FANCY IN LANCASHIRE.

Mr. Sam Cook, of Newton Heath, a celebrated breeder and exhibitor of Norwich Plainhead Canaries, with some of the trophies won by his birds.

In travelling from show to show I have been much impressed with the very fine type and style of the Green Norwich, and often have I heard the remark passed, "What a pity it is we cannot get the Clears so good." I have invariably found that where the Greens were of such exceptionally good type and quality the breeders had bred from the same strain for many years, hence, doubtless, the birds were more or less inbred; consequently the type had become thoroughly established. My previous opinion was confirmed in looking at the perfect specimens exhibited by my friend Mr. Deacon of Liverpool. His, of course, were the grass green kind, which many fanciers refuse to breed into their Norwich because of the tone of colour.

A Reputation Besmirched.

Many fanciers are of opinion that the bronze greens are great producers of colour. From many years' experience in breeding I doubt somewhat whether this kind deserves all that is claimed for it. I have introduced some of the best bronze greens procurable, and paired them with some of my best yellows and buffs, but the results have been most disappointing. I do not say that some fanciers may not have obtained satisfactory results. I merely give my own experimental results. Undoubtedly the secret here, as with almost all others, lies in getting the two birds whose feathers are best suited to produce the best results, or, as my friends in the North would say, "You want two that hits it."

The yellow eye and wing-marked represents a very nice bird but possessing some of the faults of the first Green, viz., is too straight from beak to crown of head, and too leggy for a good Norwich. In spite of these slight faults, it is a bird of nice type, and one doubtless many fanciers would like to possess.

The centre bird of the three, lightly marked on the eye, is a really bonny specimen, and my choice of the five, being very short and typical, standing well across the perch and possessing a nice head and neck, a nice short beak, and that very desirable rise from the beak to the skull. The plate I have seems to show a slight flatness on the top of the head, which somewhat spoils the otherwise almost perfect specimen.

UNPROLIFICACY IN CANARIES.

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with other partners. If despite these manifestations, the eggs are unfertile, I consider such infertility may be attributed to incompatibility of disposition, mutuality being, I believe, essential to successful impregnation.

Thus we have innumerable instances of unfertile eggs from Canary (and especially Hybrid) pairs which have given more grounds for the belief that the mating would be productive than another pair which have produced fertile eggs. In the latter case mutuality will have existed for a period sufficient to allow an effective copulation, however antagonistic may have been their previous or subsequent attitude. In the course of the experiments I have described in testing the fertilising powers of the male, I am fairly certain that I have succeeded in getting fertile eggs from pairs which, if mated in the orthodox manner, would have proved unreproductive, the antagonism displayed after copulation being, in many cases, so acute as to give grounds for the belief that such forced company would have the effect of engendering a repulsion detrimental to further copulation if the first should prove premature or ineffectual. But I fear I am going too deeply, and though I should have liked to give my views of certain other causes of unprolificacy and hereditary effects I will close with the hope that the above has given the breeder grounds for belief that a remedy for unprolificacy is possible.

A HORRIBLE PARASITE.

When I was examining a freshly-killed Song Thrush, an evil-looking insect appeared from under its feathers, slid rapidly along with a peculiar skating movement, and vanished once more in the plumage, says a writer in the "Manchester Guardian." It was a flat-bodied, green, blood-sucking parasite, one of the *Diptera* or two-winged flies. Next time it appeared it took wing, but after a buzz round alighted on my jacket. It repeated this manœuvre every time I tried to catch it, pitching upon me time after time, but at last I bottled it. My museum friend, to whom I sent it, tells me that this is a well-known habit, and quotes from Austin's "British Blood-sucking Flies":—"If a bird infested by one of these insects be shot, the parasite will sometimes take wing and fly with great pertinacity round and round the person carrying the bird."



VARIETIES OF THE NORWICH PLAINHEAD CANARY.

Uneven-marked Yellow.
Ticked Yellow.

Foul-marked Buff Green.

Self-Yellow Green.
Clear Buff.

Unprolificacy in Canaries.

By J. STEEL (Dalkeith).

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The final instalment of a well-considered and intensely interesting article which has caused Canary breeders to think.

Effect of Vibration or Shock.

MANY fanciers dread shock as being detrimental to incubation; a slammed door or the dropping of any heavy article being sufficient to raise their hair. While I deprecate any unusual shock or noise, as being likely to frighten sitting hens, the fact that I have seen eggs successfully incubated in such places as main line signal boxes, with expresses thundering past within a few feet of the breeding cages, and in engine-houses where the vibration of the machinery was distinctly visible on the cages, convinces me that the dangers are more apparent than real. Extremes of vibration and shock must have been endured by a Wagtail whose nest I located under the sleeper of a main line where traffic was almost continuous, yet she not only continued to sit while the trains passed over her, but reared her brood.

I have on a few occasions seen a clutch of eggs condemned as having perished because they failed to hatch out on the fourteenth day. I would warn the young fancier against such action, as the incubatory period is slightly elastic, and may be prolonged either because of the hen not sitting very close, or failing to generate sufficient heat, and an extension of incubation should always be allowed. Placing eggs in tepid water reveals whether or not the chick is alive. If the egg shows no signs of motion, it may safely be presumed the embryo has perished. I will now return to the bird and deal with

The Bad Feeder.

This is one of the most common causes of mortality, and if anything could be more annoying than a failure of chicks to make their appearance, it is the seeing their parents or foster parents allowing them to die of starvation. I need hardly picture the feelings of the fancier who has had his hopes raised by producing valuable Canaries or Hybrids, only to have them shattered by a failure of the hen to feed. The fact that he may not be able to estimate the value of his losses is not consolatory. In one case which came under my notice, the breeder had made an arrangement with certain members of his society to let them have all the young he should get from a certain pair at £5 each. He got nine, every one of which perished for lack of maternal attention. The good wife of another breeder here adopted a sole survivor and mothered it in her breast with a zeal which was rewarded by seeing it later proclaimed champion of the year.

Not Always Mother's Fault.

I am convinced that a large percentage of the infantile mortality ascribed to bad feeding is not due to any lack of attention on the part of the mother or foster, but to an inherent weakness in the chick, such weakness being only so much less pronounced than with those which perished in the pre-natal stage as to delay the fatality. Thus it would be wrong to ascribe all such fatalities to failures on the part of the hen, as it is sometimes not a case of she would not, but that she could not feed them. A refusal to take food almost invariably becomes manifest in infantile debility. I have seen hens fail to rear the offspring from certain parents notwithstanding that they had proved their maternal qualities by repeatedly rearing other broods, and I have seen this happen so often, and with such reliable feeders, that no other conclusion seems feasible. I have even placed two eggs from high class stock under a common hen, together with two from common birds, giving the former a few days' start to ensure their getting the best attention. The nobility went under, and the common survived in a manner which, however desirable to a communist in politics, is disgusting to a bird-breeder.

Even Good Feeders Fail.

Residing, as I do, in a centre of breeders once noted for a type of birds dependent on foster parents, I have had many times a request for feeding hens, and, in hopes of saving valuable stock, have given of my best, but the results were so unsatisfactory that though I had hens which I could guarantee to feed, I ultimately refused to recognise the rearing of these degenerates as a fair test of my hens' abilities.

An instance of such failure is worth recording. In order to save four nestlings for a brother fancier, I was under the necessity of increasing a brood to eight, and, despite that the hen was unaided in the task, she reared the lot. Before she laid her second clutch she was transferred to a class breeder as a feeder, and to my surprise returned as being of no use for the purpose. On the very day of her return some cricketers brought a nest of Pipits, the mother bird of which they had accidentally killed. They were about four days old, and, having no other means of saving them, I placed them beside the alleged bad feeder, and although she had not been broody she at once covered and ultimately reared them. Needless to say, I let the party who condemned her witness the performance. That there are bad feeders is beyond question, and my opinion is that, bad as they are, they will require to degenerate still further before the bird-breeders of Britain awake to the fact that an improvement is necessary or possible.

Fighting Against Nature.

The ancients had a maxim "Whom the gods wish to destroy they first make mad." A modern version of this may read, "Whom nature would destroy, she first makes unnatural." The Canary culturist has obviously produced a type in which a decline in maternal instinct is very manifest. His method of combating such manifestation of deterioration in a feature of such paramount importance is neither sound in theory nor effective in practice, being confined to food and conditions. He never dreams of stamping out an unnatural and inherent departure and tendency by eliminating from his stock those individuals which reveal such deterioration, but, by transferring their progeny to those which have not yet deteriorated, he endeavours to circumvent the natural law which would have of itself provided a check. On the contrary, by breeding and inbreeding with even the worst of these, he has perpetuated and increased the unnatural tendency.

The tendency naturally reveals itself in its most malignant form in the most valuable specimens, and these are transferred to a less valuable type as fosters. The result has been the production of certain types in which the maternal instinct has been almost extinguished, and that the tendency is spreading to the less valuable types is evident from the increasing difficulty of providing reliable foster mothers for the higher class, but more degenerate, types.

A High Estimate of Infantile Mortality.

We have no reliable means of ascertaining how much of the mortality in young Canaries and Hybrids is attributable to bad feeding, as those which die in the nest would include those weaklings I have already referred to, but I have no hesitation in saying that more than fifty per cent. of the birds bred each season succumb during the nestling period. No doubt many succeed in rearing a large proportion, but I could give instances of experienced breeders who have failed to rear more than five or six per cent. of their young birds this season, notwithstanding that they had fifteen to twenty hens as feeders. That the introduction of even one individual bird which is a degenerate in prolific or maternal qualities may, by breeding and inbreeding, result in transmitting such degeneracy to a hitherto prolific and good feeding stock, I have proved by repeated experiments.

Special Feeding No Remedy.

We have lately had in these columns a good illustration of the diversity of opinions which obtain as to feeding methods, the claim of each advocate being that his method either imparted a robustness to the young or tempted the hen to perform her maternal duties, and thus promoted prolificacy and reduced mortality. That each and all of these methods or materials have proved effective in rearing young I do not for one moment doubt, but that in any method of feeding we have a remedy for an inherent weakness, or a like decline in maternal instinct, I do not for one moment credit.

That individual birds exhibit an idiosyncrasy in taste I am well aware, and by pandering to such they might be induced to so gorge themselves as to respond to the call of their brood for a share, and thus the latent maternal instinct might be stimulated or awakened. I have on quite a few occasions brought about a similar result by placing a brood of vigorous, clamorous Greenfinches under a hen, but that in any method of feeding we have a cure for the evils I have described is discountenanced by the fact that each and all have proved, or will prove, a failure when applied to a degenerate stock, and that a healthy and prolific stock can be maintained on each, all, or even none, of these materials as an addition to the ordinary seeds.

A Food that is Wanted!

If a chemist were to claim that he had discovered a food which had the combined properties of eradicating inherent weakness and imparting strength and a high form of intelligence, reducing infantile mortality to a minimum in the human race, that food or cure would have to prove its efficacy by test on obvious degenerates. If on the other hand, a physiologist were to claim that he could by lethal or preventive methods stamp out insanity and hereditary diseases, I believe that not a single physician in Europe would deny the truth of his claim, though they might decry the drasticity of his suggested methods.

How can those who advocate any particular form of food as a preventive of infantile mortality in Canaries explain why some breeders experience a most prolific season though they have used such apparently unsuitable foods as dog biscuits, oatmeal or maize, while other breeders have nothing but a beggarly array of empty cages to show for a heavy expenditure on foods possessing a much higher, or at least more concentrated, form of nourishment?

I have myself used as a food for birds the seeds of Ragweed, a weed of which the famous Burroughs said it must be the food of the gods, if anything, as nothing terrestrial (not even billygoats) would eat it; but even though it possessed the miraculous powers popularly ascribed to it, it still would not provide a solution to the question.

Incompatibility of Temperament.

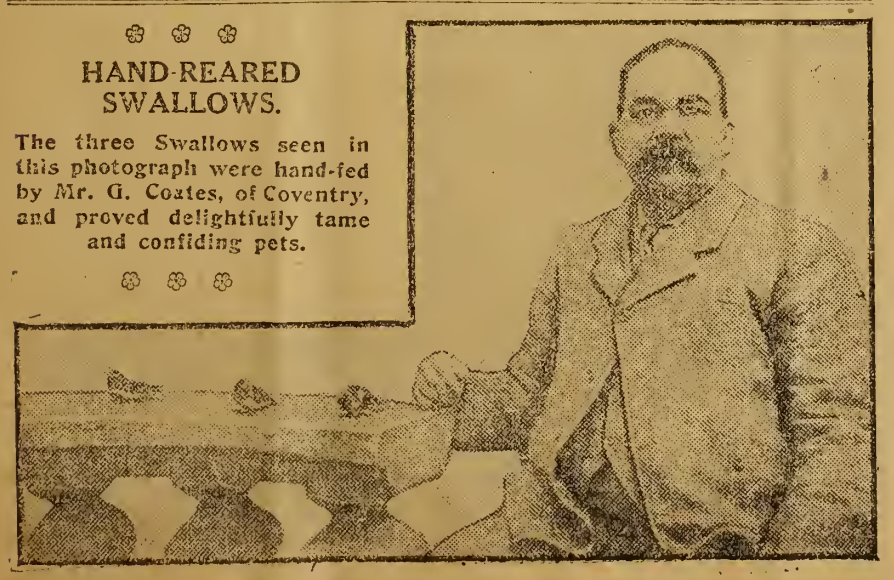
Another cause is one which, for reasons mentioned in the first part of this article, I cannot deal with as I should wish without introducing generative phenomena which would be out of place in these pages. I may state that this is contesting the fertilising powers of the male. I am fairly certain American town. I believe they term it incompatibility of temperament. However, applied in an avicultural sense, it may be explained thusly: a pair of birds may be so opposite in temperament (nature or disposition) that copulation either becomes ineffective or never takes place. It may be that there has been every reason to believe that the eggs from a certain pair should have been fertile, by the friendly disposition of the birds towards each other, copulation taking place, and the birds both having proved reproductive

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THE NEWEST THING IN WHITE CANARIES.

Two White Canaries of Border Fancy type (the first of this kind), were exhibited at the L. and P.O.S. Show by Mr. C. H. Goodman, of Kempston, Bedford. They were bred by Mrs. Martin, of New Zealand.



HAND-REARED SWALLOWS.

The three Swallows seen in this photograph were hand-fed by Mr. G. Coates, of Coventry, and proved delightfully tame and confiding pets.

Have you seen that Marvellous Text Book

OUR CANARIES ?

The information it contains will put money in the pocket of every breeder of Canaries.

Note the Advertisement in our pages this week.

The Fascinating Goldfinch.

By F. J. WICKHAM (Chatham).

A well-known South-country exhibitor and judge relates his experiences with and gives some practical advice concerning this most popular of all British Birds.

EARLY December is the best time to buy Greypates, as they are by that time in full colour. The young birds are easily selected, those which have a nice light crimson in blaze should be chosen. Avoid all birds that show too much blackness around the beak; also those which have dark lines through the under-blaze, which would count against them in keen competition.

In selecting possible exhibition birds, careful study is necessary. The bird of our choice should have a full head and an extra large square blaze, while there should be plenty of tanning on the breast. One must not be led away by expecting the bird to improve out of recognition with a house-moult. If the blaze is not very large when the bird is purchased and the tanning is not pronounced, nothing can be done to make it an ideal one; there must be the good blaze and plentiful tanning on the bird when it is purchased.

For my Goldfinches, I use a single Norwich breeder; that is, a cage about 18in. long and 11in. deep. I believe in giving birds plenty of room. Two or three birds may be put together for a time in one of these cages, until they get well on seed. It is then best to let each have a cage to itself; they steady down much quicker if treated thus. I cover my cage-bottoms with coarse pine sawdust; from my own experience, there is nothing better. I recommend the use of a glass fountain for seed; Greypates, generally speaking, are wasteful, and you will find that glass vessels are better than a box for feeders—the birds will not be able to waste so much.

Where Opinions Differ.

I cannot pretend to say which are the "correct" seeds for Master Goldie when kept in confinement, now that fanciers are recommending plain canary seed; but whatever you have been successful with, stick to it. I am inclined to believe, however, that we do give Goldfinches too rich a diet. My seed mixture is as follows: 1 part hemp seed, 1 part teazel seed, 3 parts canary seed, ½ part niger seed, ½ part linseed. Be sure to buy only the best quality seed; it is far cheaper in the end. I have known exhibitors feed their Goldies on hemp seed only, and their birds have been in splendid condition. For myself, I do not believe in giving too much hemp seed, and I recommend cracked sunflower seed in place of a too generous use of it.

Being a Canary fancier also, in the spring when I am thinking about getting cages ready for the breeding season, I take my Goldfinches out of the stock cages and turn them into a large flight; by this time your field-moulted Goldfinches should have become fairly tame. If you are fortunate enough to have a garden aviary, turn them into it in preference to keeping them in the bird house during the summer.

When Perfection Should be Attained.

The moult is the most important part of the Goldfinch's career. Nothing beats a good outside aviary in which to moult your birds, if you want to get the colour so necessary in exhibition Britishers. You will notice that some of your birds will moult earlier than others; watch these, and when you see the blaze finished (this is the final part of the moult) get your stock cages ready in the bird house, and transfer the birds to these to get the finishing touches in readiness for the shows.

You should then run those that you purchased the previous winter, and that have not previously been trained for the show bench, into show cages; do this as many times as possible, once a day at least, until they settle down quietly, which they will soon do, after which it is no longer necessary. At the same time, you must not forget the bath. You can hang this on your cage almost any day, and it should be removed by noon to avoid the bird's feathers being damp too late in the day, which may set up a chill. The bath is the king of "conditioners," without which there can never be obtained that beautiful glossy finish so much desired in exhibition specimens.

The Treatment of Invalids.

Before I close this brief account of the way I have successfully moulted and exhibited the Goldfinch, the reader may possibly like to know how I treat my Goldfinches when they ail in any way: also what tit-bits I give them. First, I will deal with the tit-bits that I give throughout the birds' moult. The same treatment will suffice to bring Master Goldie into breeding condition. After I remove my birds from the aviary to stock cages, I commence by adding a liberal supply of linseed to my usual mixture; also twice a week I add a small piece of sulphate of iron, the size of half a split pea; this tones the bird up, and it also counteracts the laxative effect of linseed on the bowels. After the bird has completed the moult, and is ready for exhibition, I continue the use of iron, and give only a small quantity of linseed. I collect my own wild seeds, as this ensures my having new seed each year. The wild seeds I use are: Dandelion, thistle, lettuce, and maw (poppy); equal parts of each, mixed each morning, and supplied throughout the moult. I give half a teaspoonful to each bird, and I crack for them a few sunflower seeds, giving to each not more than half a dozen seeds.



It is when the special prizes come to be awarded that "trouble" sometimes ensues. How many challenge cups have led to "words," we wonder, before the winners of them were finally decided upon?

The Importance of Promptitude.

Now, with regard to the treatment of ailing birds. You will find that Greypates or fresh-caught Goldies have a habit of "going queer" after you have had them a month or so. This is possibly brought on by the extreme change from a wild life to a cage life. A quick eye is valuable here to notice the bird immediately it shows any signs of ailing. If you wait till the bird has his head under his wing you will be too late. The slightest sign of slackness of feathers is time for action. If the bird is with others, remove it to a single cage; you will generally find that the bird is wasting. Give him a liberal supply of good maw seed (as much as he will eat); it will do him no harm. Also, be sure to give clean water, twice a day if possible; this treatment I have followed with success. At the same time, keep the bird supplied with the usual mixture. In about a week's time the bird should be well again. In obstinate cases, if the bird is not too thin, I give a few drops of syrup of buckthorn in the water—only once, however—following this with a tonic in the water; this I keep up for a few days. If you have any mealworms, tempt the bird with one, cutting one in halves and putting a piece on the perch with a little maw seed sprinkled over it; this will generally put the bird right again. A word of warning: On no account give an ailing bird much niger; I never use this for a sick bird. Niger will keep birds alive for a good while, but eventually they "join the majority." I believe it is the extravagant use of niger seed that kills so many of our imported Siberian Goldies. This is the way I have successfully kept and exhibited Goldfinches for the last fifteen years.

Up in the Morning Early!

A pleasing interlude in the career of a fancier who wanted to "know things."

By E. H. FULCHER (Levenshulme).

"CAN I catch birds? Well, if you can find a man in Manchester that can learn me anything about bird-catching, I should jolly well like to see him."

This was the answer to a question I asked a man to whom I had been introduced as a likely chap to give me an insight into the methods adopted by bird-catchers. I will call him "Charlie." Charlie and I soon made a bargain. I did not haggle a great deal about terms, as I thought that a man with all the confidence in himself which Charlie seemed to have must be a very independent individual indeed. So, as I have said, a bargain was struck.

Charlie knew a chap who had all the necessary implements, including clap-nets, lime-twigs, call birds, etc. He himself had given up catching, as he found it did not agree with his health. Nevertheless, out of friendship for the gentleman who had introduced us (possibly helped by the liquid refreshment I had paid for) he decided to break through his usual arrangements and personally conduct me. It was decided that we should meet on the outskirts of the city at a very early hour the next morning.

Striking the Happy Medium.

Now, if there is one thing I object to these cold mornings it is getting up early. I have nearly as strong an objection to going to bed; so I decided that the best way out of the difficulty was to do neither. Thus I was able to get to the trysting place well on time. I have come to the conclusion that this particular place is the coldest and bleakest place in Great Britain—not forgetting Ireland. I waited for my guide for two solid hours. I did not know his address, or I would have gone and played "knocker-up" for him. I hardly liked to go away and leave him, as I thought he might have had some difficulty in getting the nets, etc. So I kept myself awake, and fairly cool, doing "sentry go" on a narrow strip of dry footpath.

I am glad to put it on record that my patience (pig-headedness, I have heard it called) was at last rewarded—Charlie turned up. Of course, I wanted to know what he took me for; and equally of course, Charlie had a good excuse ready. He pointed out that he was not two hours late. The hour we had decided on was 4 a.m.; I had turned up at 3 a.m.; he had turned up at 5 a.m. So, seeing that we were both one hour wrong, we decided to split the difference and say no more about it. I was reminded of a friend of mine who always turns up late to an appointment. He considers it a great waste of time to be punctual and wait for the other man.

Charlie's Stock Begins to Fall.

However, let us get along with the story. We divided into two parts the bundle which Charlie had brought, and each taking a share of the tackle, we started off to the place of which Charlie knew. This place, according to Charlie, is absolutely the best place in England for wild birds of all kinds. But by this time I had come to the conclusion that I should be quite safe in knocking off ten per cent. for cash from anything which Charlie said. Allowing this discount, I came to the conclusion that it was perhaps the second, or probably the third, best place in England.

Eventually, we arrived at the second (or third) best place in England. Here we set about fixing our nets and snares. I had often heard about the folly of spreading the nets in sight of the birds. We, at any rate, did not make this mistake. I may as well say right here that it was precious few birds we saw, either during the fixing, or afterwards! However, we got the clap-nets fixed. We had a good deal of trouble, and I came to the conclusion that Charlie was very much out of practice at fixing nets.

I tried my hand at pulling the string, so that I might be in readiness in case Charlie was otherwise engaged at a critical juncture. I found there was more art in this than I had imagined: the nets did not budge. Charlie assured me that it would be "all right on the night," so to speak. "There's a trick in pulling the nets that takes practice to acquire," he said.

After we had scattered a quantity of seed around to entice the birds to come down, we thought we might as well take the drag nets, and bag a few Larks while waiting for things to mature. We dragged that net from end to end of the field; then we dragged it from side to side; but we caught nothing. It may have been that the Larks had not yet arrived. Day was only just beginning to dawn. Still, we decided to stick by the clap-nets, and thus make sure of a few of the Finches.

I noticed that the seed did not seem to have been disturbed; but Charlie said that we could not tell to one or two amongst all that lot. We settled down to the serious business of waiting for the birds to come down and be caught. I had not had time for a smoke since arriving at the scene of our sport (or perhaps I had better call it labour), so I pulled out my pipe and started to charge up.

Charlie pulled me up at once with the remark: "The last thing you should do if you want to catch birds is to smoke. You have no idea what a keen scent the birds have for anything like that."

The Result of the "Night Out."

I felt quite guilty, but just at that moment there was a commotion at my elbow. Charlie was tugging at the string for all he was worth! On looking up, I saw a bird calmly eating our seed; but the nets refused to act. I get quite excited, and made a dash with the bag which had contained our tackle. I managed with this to capture the cheeky little glutton. It turned out to be a Sparrow.

I now had a good look at the nets and found it was impossible for them to work the way they were fixed. I decided that fifty per cent. was a reasonable discount to allow in future when listening to anything Charlie had to say! I thought, too, that I had wasted enough time messing about with tackle which I did not understand. Charlie offered to have another try at fixing the nets, but I excused him. Think of the time I had wasted when I might just as easily have been in bed—or smoking!

The net result of my night out amounted to one Sparrow and a pair of the coldest feet I ever had in my life. I found out afterwards that Charlie was a non-smoker; but after I pointed out to him that it was quite possible to create a thirst by the use of tobacco, he decided to have a try with the weed.

Correspondence.

How Can We Make Our Shows Pay?

Sir,—A mistake in the figures has crept into my letter of last week, under the above heading. The Norwich classes at Burnley averaged 20.23, and not 27.40, as therein stated.

Sub Rosa.

[New Cage Bird Society for Selby, Yorks.

Sir.—Fanciers will be pleased to hear that the Selby and Dis. birdy men held a very enthusiastic meeting on Tuesday, October 22. The meeting was unanimous that a cage bird society should be formed, with that old fancier, Mr. J. H. Dixon, as chairman and treas. All old and new fanciers are heartily invited to join and attend the next meeting, to be held in the Public Rooms, Nov. 21st.

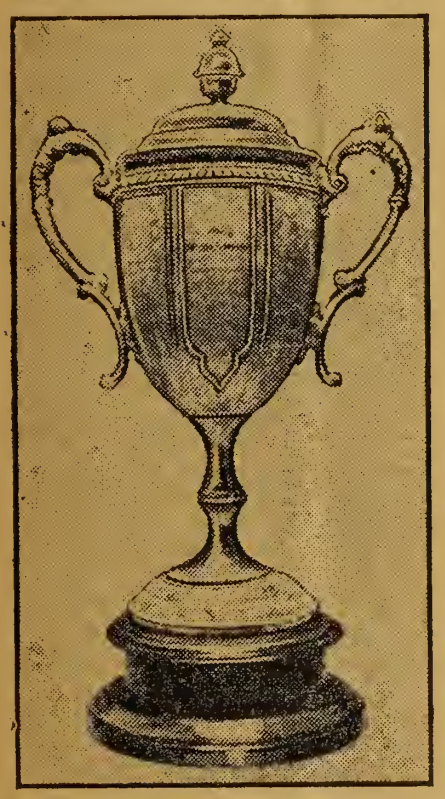
S. Watkinson,
Hon. Sec.

55, Millgate, Selby, Yorks.

A Useful Wild Seed for Birds.

Sir,—Those of your readers who live in the country may like to know what a favourite food for Finches, especially Greenfinches and Goldfinches, the Devil's-bit is when in seed. This plant (*Scabiosa succisa*) is of the Scabious tribe, and grows commonly in damp meadows and paths of woods. Its stems and both sides of its leaves are hairy, and in August the purplish-blue flowers occur at the ends of the many branches that emanate laterally from the stem. The seed heads follow very quickly, and may be found quite up to the end of October. The plant is closely related to the teasel and the knap-weed, the latter of which bird-keepers know by the name of hardheads.

(Rev.) G. H. Raynor.



This fine silver cup has just been presented by Councillor Robert Keddie, to the Leith O.S. It is for best Mule, Hybrid, or British Bird.

Alleged Protest at the City of Glasgow O.A. Show.

A Contradiction.

Sir,—In looking over your report of the City of Glasgow O.A.'s Show, I find that your reporter has said that he "heard that a protest was lodged against a certain bird, but as the owner had received his prize-money, the Society has refused same. It is a pity, as it only causes ill-feeling in the Fancy." I wish this statement contradicted, so far as I am concerned, as secretary for the Norwich, Border, Yorkshire, British and Foreign bird sections, as no protest was ever lodged this year, and consequently the society could not refuse same. I may further state that should a protest have been lodged, it would have been my duty to accept same and not refuse, although prize-money had been paid. Further, you might state that in class 34, unflighted Norwich yellow hen, the 3rd prize was won by Mr. Wm. Simpson, of Airdrie, and not by Mr. John Young, of Rutherglen, as stated.

Robt. Heggie.

The Cleansing of Closed Top Water Fountains.

Sir,—Concerning the cleansing of blue top water bottles (or drinking fountains), we recommend your correspondents to try a small quantity of coarse gravel, and a little soap powder.

Liverpool. Dean & Son.

A Starling with a Ring.

Sir,—I enclose a metal ring of Messrs. Witherby, High Holborn, numbered 7,000, which I have no doubt was on a Starling shot by some society on Oct. 22 at Oak Hill, Woodford Green.

R. M. Presland.

[We hope all cases of birds found wearing rings will be reported to us, with date and place of capture, as if this is done, valuable help will be given to the study of bird distribution and migration.—Editor.]

A Novel Material for Nest Linings.

Sir,—The best substitute for cow hair I have found to be combings from rough haired terrier dogs. It makes capital lining material. Put it in a box with a piece or two of carbon or camphor to drive away all insects, and it is ready for use. In combing my own dog, though, I have never seen anything alive among the hair! A piece of carbon placed here and there among the cages keeps away red mite. I have never seen any since using it, that is, for years.

W. G. Smithson.

A Vexed Point.

The Half-prize Money Under Eight Entries Rule.

Sir,—A most vexed point with regard to exhibiting is that at some shows you find in the schedule the prize-money given in large type, and in small type amongst the rules that half-money only is paid in classes with less than 8 entries. In my opinion the right method is not to support such shows, for the exhibitors cannot help how many are sending birds in each class, and 8 is a lot too much to look for. On the other hand, who cares to send out birds for a first prize of a few shillings, with fee and rail expenses to pay? If this rule must be adopted, it should be for classes of under 5, then shows would get better support.

John Andrews.

A Remedy for Linnets Going Light.

Sir,—Seeing in your popular paper, Cage Birds, that a fancier wants a remedy, I can tell him of a cure for Linnets going light. First give a change of food, such as maw seed and niger, and a little egg food; also give a supply of shepherd's purse, and dandelion leaves. Use a handful of garden mould in the place of sand. You must give Linnets clean water twice a day, taking care to clean the water vessels out before putting fresh water in. The writer should get the "Nutshell" booklet on the Linnet from Cage Birds office (2½d. post free); it tells him the best seeds for a Linnet.

Hy. Phillips.

Sir,—I should recommend "Linnet Fancier" to try the "Maryline," a remedy which has been advertised in Cage Birds. My birds were going light, and they were cured with this.

Joseph Owen.

Foreign Birds at the City of Glasgow Show.

Sir,—Your correspondent's remark on the above in last week's Cage Birds are pertinent and highly appropriate. The falling-off in entries cannot be attributed to lack of classification or prize-money offered, as the City of Glasgow is the only society, to my knowledge, that guarantees full prize-money in every class. Then what is the reason? Is it faulty judging? Then, again, on any schedule we get how often do we see: "Unless seven or more entries, first prize money will be withheld." Very few foreign bird fanciers will go to the trouble and expense, not to mention the risk, of sending rare and valuable specimens on the almost certainty of getting half prize-money with a shilling kept off for prize-card, which very few want. My advice is, do away with the prize-card, and as this section is an attraction (as witness the Scottish National Show) the committees ought to guarantee it, and the enhanced gate would certainly follow.

G. H. Sellars.

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Is the Progress of the Scotch Fancy Being Retarded?

Hints of a Combine and Inflated Prices.

Sir,—I agree with your correspondent, "Norwich Cock," that Scotch Fancy breeders are on the down grade, and, in my opinion, the reason is not far to seek. The extravagant price that is demanded for class stock birds is entirely out of the reach of the average fancier. No later than the last Glasgow City show, a pair of birds was claimed at a very handsome sum. Now where is the ordinary club member that is able to compete against the produce of this pair at the club shows? They can't, and they simply cease to be members. I am sorry to state that I met several old and respected fanciers at the City, who are giving up and who have bred some good ones in their day. One reason I got for their retirement, was that they were up against a combine, and good stock could not be had at a reasonable price. Personally, I agree that there is a great deal in this argument. Also I am satisfied that there are plenty of grand stock birds to be had at a reasonable price; if town fanciers would only visit our country shows more, it would be to their interest, and leave this so-called combine severely alone when buying in stock. I have no doubt there will be a reaction in prices in the near future, and I sigh for the days when we had about a dozen club shows around Glasgow, as against three to-day.

St. Mungo.

A Novice's Crystal Palace Winner.



This bonny Norwich Plainhead won first at the 1912 Crystal Palace Show, for Mr. C. E. Bown, of Kilburn, also 3 1sts at Queen's Park C.B.S. Shows, only times shown (see letter on this page).

Colour-fed Greenfinches at the Scottish National Show.

A Disclaimer.

Sir,—I am very much surprised to see in Cage Birds of Oct. 19 that Mr. A. J. A. Marley says, in his advertisement, that the 1st prize fed Greenfinch at the Scottish National show last year was bought from him. Well, I say it is not true, for the bird was caught on the Bathgate Hills by its owner, and that's me. So I hope Mr. Marley will correct the mistake he has made.

A. McLean.

How a Novice Attained Success with Norwich Plainheads.

A Win at the Palace in His Second Year

Sir,—I must thank you for the fine drawing you are publishing this week of my lightly marked buff Norwich cock, which stood first in its class in the open novice section at the last Crystal Palace Show. This was the bird's first appearance in the open, although it had won several firsts and specials at my club's shows under various judges. It was not, I consider, a bad performance for a second year novice to win at the Palace, the first time of asking, with a youngster of his own breeding. I took up Norwich Plainheads as a hobby at the latter end of the year 1909, with a few pairs purchased from a well-known London fancier and successful exhibitor. With these I had good results, breeding the first year 56 fine youngsters, and among them my Palace winner. The second year I did not do so well owing to illness at home, and other reasons. Last season was a good one, my youngsters numbering 52. I generally put up eight to ten pairs, and only take two rounds. I attribute what measure of success I have attained first of all to joining a good club, and although the Queen's Park (London) and District C.B.A., to which I have the honour to belong, is comparatively small as regards the number of its members, it comprises a very keen and enthusiastic set of fanciers, and real jolly good fellows, a visit to the society's shows and meetings invariably intensifying one's "bird fever." Next I attribute success in my hobby to absolute cleanliness, good, roomy, comfortable cages, with rather wide perches, abundance of sound, wholesome seed (the best that can be bought), boiled drinking water and regularity in feeding. My favourite seed next to giant Spanish canary is niger, of which I use quite a large quantity, with beneficial results. And last, but not least, to a careful perusal of Cage Birds week by week, cutting out any important hints and notes and pasting them in an indexed book for handy and easy reference. I once more thank you for your capital sketch of my bird, and wish Cage Birds, which has done so much for the Fancy, every prosperity.

Charles E. Bown.

The Mislaid Entries at Huddersfield Show.

Yorkshire Canary Club Takes Action.

Sir,—A committee meeting was held at Great Horton Show, to take into consideration what should be done in fairness to the members who, through no fault of their own, had practically been put out of the running at the first competition show of the season. Various propositions were considered by the committee, and eventually it was decided that each member whose entries had been overlooked should be allowed 11 points for that show.

John Greaves, Sec. Yorks. Can. Club.

(Correspondence continued on page 892.)

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Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mule and Hybrids—**G. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.H.S., &c., Wild Bird Life—**H. Norman.**

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CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

WEAK AND TENDER CLAWS (J. H.).—It is the toe rather than the claws, I suspect, which appear red and tender. The fact of the bird being the only youngster in the brood and the hen sitting on it closely should not have had this effect if the bird had been well fed. But it was probably neglected by the parents and only half-fed, so to speak, and consequently has grown up weakly. Give it proper sized and shaped perches, which it can grip comfortably, and see they are well-fitting and not "wobbly." Bathe the feet once a day for a week in a saucer of warm water to which you have added a teaspoonful of extract of wych hazel. Dry gently and paint on with a feather a little of the undiluted extract. Give the bird, in addition to its usual seed diet, a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut on which you have dropped two drops of cod-liver-oil emulsion and sprinkled well with maw seed every second day for two or three weeks, and on the alternate days a pinch of mixed seed and a piece of some green salad. Add twenty drops of Chemical Food to the water every second day for a month.

NOT SINGING AND BAD PLUMAGE (F. F.).—(1) There is evidently a risk of the Crest cock overfeeding if you are too liberal with luxuries, so be careful to limit it to the quantities I am going to name. The bare patch at back of crest is a natural defect, and nothing will cure it. To bring it on song, see that it is kept in a comfortable and healthy place, and quite free from cold draughts and fumes of burning lights in the evenings. Give a staple diet of plain canary only. In addition give separately half a teaspoonful of a mixture of summer rape, hemp, niga, and teazle in equal parts every second day for two or three weeks, and on the alternate days in the first fortnight give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod-liver-oil emulsion mixed in it and sprinkled with equal parts maw and gold of pleasure. Give a spray of watercress daily. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepennypiece every second day for a week, and in the next week four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid. (2) The bad plumage of this hen is undoubtedly due to red mites, which would be harbouring in the cage it had occupied during the summer. See that this pest is now kept at bay, and allow bird to bathe freely in mild weather. Feed for a month the same as the Crest cock, but add another one part of millet to the mixed seed, and instead of the oil and sherry in the sponge cake, slightly dust it with flour of sulphur each time before sprinkling with the seed, and in the water add as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepennypiece every second day for a fortnight instead of the above-named drugs.

FAULTY TOE (W. T. H. S.).—Give the bird full-sized perches, and see that they fit securely and firmly, so as to be free from wobbly movements when the bird alights on them. Get two saucers, place side by side, and fill one with cold water and the other with fairly hot water—about as hot as you can easily bear holding the tenderest part of the front of your wrist in for some time. Then catch the bird and hold the foot immersed in the hot water for a minute or two, then transfer it at once to the cold water for a similar length of time, then back to the hot again, next the cold, and so on, repeating the changes until the foot has been tormented in both waters four or five times, and be careful to finish in the cold water. Then dry the foot, and paint the weak toe with a feather dipped in Friar's Balsam. Repeat this process every second day for a fortnight, or you may cease sooner if the toe quickly resumes its proper functions.

A QUARTETTE (R. S., Hull).—(1) The common practice is to mate up in the spring any birds bred in the previous season. Thus a late-bred bird may not be more than eight months old when mated in, say, the following March or April. These birds will be quite old enough to breed successfully, but they should, as far as possible, be given mates over a year old. It is not judicious, to say the least, to breed always with very young birds, which must be still nordering on immaturity. This is especially the case with large breeds, and here at least some breeders hold over a portion of their yearling stock until the second season before mating them, which is a very sound policy. The last week in March and first week in April is the best all-round time to mate the birds. Birds kept in a warm kitchen, however, cannot always be kept back so late as this, and it is often necessary when they get very forward to mate as early as February. But

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Buttye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

I do not advise this if it can be avoided, as the risk of things going wrong is considerable. (2) The song of this bird will gradually grow stronger until it is in its normal condition. You may treat him for a fortnight as advised in first part of reply to "F. F." See he is not exposed to cold draughts. (3) It is immaterial which sex is the elder in a pair, provided, of course, both birds are in good breeding condition. (4) As a singer pure and simple, the Roller is easily first. Borders, Yorkshires, and Norwich come next, in the order named. To avoid disappointment, you should get one or two of our manuals—"Canary Breeding for Beginners," 7d.; House's "Manual," 1s. 2d.; both post free, or "Our Canaries." The latter will inform you on every point from A to Z of Canary lore and breeding.

A SINGING HEN (Erin's Isle).—There is no reason whatever why the hen should not breed successfully. The fact of her having already laid eggs seriously discounts the tale you have been told about her uselessness as a breeder. Many hens twitter quite cheerily, or "sing a few notes," as you put it, and are not less useful breeders in consequence. It is only in very exceptional cases where a hen really assumes singing powers comparing favourably with a cock that there are grave doubts of her success as a breeder.

WHICH IS FAULTY? (R. E. Gerton).—Really, I cannot say that either of the items of diet of which you enclosed samples is the cause of your birds dying. The canary seed is quite sound and of very fair quality; the biscuit food appears to be a mixture of two well-known brands, and is quite good and perfectly wholesome; and the colour is a very good sample of tasteless pepper, and therefore harmless. The colour certainly contains more oil than I like, though not more than many fanciers use, so this could not be the cause of death. Was the colour food given mixed in the biscuit food, and the full strength given quite suddenly, and did you remove the seed when you gave colour food? The answers to these questions might perhaps help to explain the deaths, but whatever the cause it was certainly not due to either of these items of food. The only really satisfactory way of clearing up the matter was to have had a post-mortem on one of the bodies.

A QUINTETTE (S. L. Thuthill).—(1) It depends solely upon the temperament of the three cocks, whether it is advisable to run them together in the aviary. If they agree well together the extra space they would have for exercise, would be very beneficial, but if they quarrel and pluck each other the scheme is, of course, impracticable. (2) The only effect upon their health would be to improve it; plumage also should be benefited, provided the birds do not pluck each other; the song would, in quantity at least, be badly affected. They would sing more and better caged separately. (3) It is quite too late to colour feed the birds now. This can only be done whilst the birds are moulting. (4) If it is a sash window push up the bottom two inches and place a strip of wood two inches wide firmly beneath the bottom sash. The air will then come in between the sashes in the middle, and be directed upwards. (5) Sawdust is undoubtedly the cheapest covering for floor. It is also very clean and healthful to use. But gritty sand is best during the breeding season, and at other times when sawdust is used grit must always be provided in a shallow vessel.

STARTING WITH WINNERS (Printerdom, Walworth).—As regards naming a fair price for birds capable of winning prizes, you set me an impossible task. To a certain extent it depends upon what you are willing to pay, but much more upon what the seller is disposed to consider the birds' value to himself, and, finally, upon the typical qualities of the birds, and the kind of competition they can win in. A bird may meet with little competition at one show, or only mediocre specimens, and thereby win easily, at its next show it may have to compete with better birds, or may itself be a little run down, or badly "got up," and thereby lose. A bird that could hold its own in any competition would probably not be easily bought for £10. But for moderately good birds that can stand a good chance of finding the tickets at ordinary open shows I should think you would have to pay something like £4 or £5 per pair. You could, of course, buy birds able to win and show them once or twice during the season as you suggest, but I think you would be better advised to put yourself in the hands of a good breeder, who breeds his own winners, and get him to supply you with one or two pairs, as may suit your pocket, of good stock birds, which are likely to breed winners. Start with birds of one strain, but not closely related, and do not mix up several different strains.

NOT MOULTING (A. T.).—You omit to say how old the bird is, and when she last moulted. Possibly she postponed her last moult until early this year, in which case it will be difficult to get her to moult again before next spring. Move her to a fairly warm room again, cover over the cage, and treat her as advised to "Greenie," last week, for two or three weeks, except that you should not take her back to the cold room until the moult is quite finished, in case it sets in under this treatment.

MAKES CLICKING NOISE (L. Cullen).—The symptoms you describe are the early stages of bronchial trouble. The bird has probably been exposed to cold draughts, extreme and rapid fluctuations, or impure air. See that any or all of these causes are avoided in future. Keep in a comfortable, but not overheated, place. In addition to usual seed diet, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion, mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight. On the alternate days give a good sized spray of watercress. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece for three days, and afterwards 20 drops of whisky, five each of oxymel of squills and ipecac. wine, and two of eucalyptus oil well shaken in the water every second day for a fortnight.

UNFERTILE EGGS (May).—Your letter is not very clear. I am not certain after reading it whether you have had two or three nests this year. But, anyway, as you say the only cause was mating too early the remedy should be obvious—do not be so impatient next spring. As to the many causes of unfertile eggs you might have gleaned some knowledge from the article on unfertility now running in our columns, besides what you may gather from "Canary Breeding for Beginners." With the latter hand-book and the article in the current issue of CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL on overcoming difficulties you should be well able to avoid this trouble as far as it is possible to do so next season. Be careful to avoid mating too early. The end of March or first week in April is the best time to start breeding operations, and the only natural season. Treat during the winter as advised in the hand-book.

BUILDING BIRDROOM (S. J. C.).—Your ideas concerning the structure of the building seem so sound in a general way that I offer no criticism, and think you may safely go ahead with it. As regards the shape of the roof I would certainly take advantage of the wall at the back and build against it, making the room with a lean-to roof. It would be advisable, however, not to fully utilise the face of the stone wall as a part of the interior of your room on account of the harbour it is likely to afford for insect pests. Place a single thickness of boards over the face of the wall to form the back of the house inside. You make no mention of the floor or nature of the site, so I will venture to remark that if the site is affected by damp, considering the stability of your structure, it would be well worth your time and trouble to make a floor of concrete to build on, or raise the floor a foot or so off the ground.

ROLLER COCK DYING (An Anxious One).—I have very little doubt the cock died from congestion of the liver, which might well have been brought about by the bird feeding itself a little too luxuriously during the breeding season, though this was not absolutely certain to be the cause. Other predisposing causes might have been present, and the bird's age would not help it much. The food you name is used quite successfully by many fanciers, but, personally, I do not care for the long-continued use of any of these medicated foods, however good they may be for occasional use, and in special circumstances. Good wholesome fresh made egg and bread or biscuit food is still hard to beat as a generally useful soft food. I note you say the "soft food," which kind I am not clear about, does not in any way affect the old birds, but you mention only the loss of the six-year-old cock, and do not speak of losing any of the young. If I have not interpreted your wish correctly please write again, and I shall be pleased to help you as far as possible.

CONVERTING FOWL-HOUSE (Constant Reader).—With a very little alteration the house should make a most serviceable bird-room. The door in the end facing the high wall, where you have marked it will be the best place to put it, and a window in the front 4ft. by 2ft. 9in. or 3ft. will be ample. If the window is made to open so much the better. The ventilator should be placed in the highest part of the end in which the door is made, and a fanlight, or one on the model of a Venetian blind, but with the laths rigid and inclined upwards towards the outside would be best. It would really be better to have a ventilator in each end, but if you cannot alter the other end the one must do. As regards the floor if it is usually dry, and not permeated with dampness, it would be quite sufficient to beat down the mould quite firm and smooth, and put down a good thick layer of gritty sand to make the surface just a little higher than the mould outside. Arrange the cage along the back, and flights at the end opposite door.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

A.L.N.—If bathing the foot in comfortably hot water twice daily for a time, and afterwards "massaging" the toes gently with a little of some stimulating ointment, or liniment, has no good effect, then the case is hopeless. Birds crippled in this way are seldom cured; and in any case immediate treatment is necessary. I have heard of Mules being bred from a one-legged Linnet (one foot lost through an accident), but, personally, I should hesitate to try with such a bird, or with one which had the toes of one foot doubled up into, so to speak, a ball.

SCOTTIE.—Your outdoor aviary seems very well thought out; in fact, it is decidedly ingenious, while at the same time being thoroughly practical. I cannot suggest any important improvement now, although I should have advised its width being 3ft. instead of 2ft. had I been consulted earlier—even an additional 6 inches would have been a decided advantage. One idea will not work—that of converting the upper part into "sleeping quarters" in the winter. The birds would not go through the small holes shown in your plan. However, it is quite unnecessary to partition off the portion under the span of the roof; it will provide sufficient protection as it is. Just fix a number of short perches (about 4 inches long) high up under the roof, and the birds will roost on these, and be well sheltered. Keep the glass lights up both sides during the inclement weather, and, of course, those in the upper part of the front. I strongly advise you to give at least the chief seed separately; note other recent replies on this point. The birds you name are certainly not too many. Breeding results, however, are very unlikely with more than one or two pairs; in any case, the Yellowhammers are hopeless in this respect.

E. MATTHEWS.—Thanks for your letter. Am glad to know that my advice so quickly improved the condition of your Thrush.

A GOLDFINCH-GREENFINCH HYBRID (W.W.).—How do you know the hybrid is a cock bird, when you cannot tell whether it is through its moult, and what the chief markings of this variety are? As the bird was hatched on August 10th it is hardly likely to have moulted into adult plumage yet. The Goldfinch-Greenfinch cross is not very rare; on the contrary it is one of the commonest, and is easy to obtain. The value of an ordinary specimen is 10s. to 15s.; a really first-class show specimen would be worth three or four pounds, when in exhibition form. Goldie-Greenie hybrids are often advertised at but a few shillings each; note the Mule and Hybrid column recently in the advertisement pages. You should get that part of "Cage Birds Hybrids" which contains a coloured plate of an exhibition specimen of this cross (it is 7d. post free), then you would be able to see at a glance the chief markings.

A MOULTING PROBLEM (R.H.).—The condition you mention is solely the result of weakness due to the strain of the moult. Larks at this period should certainly have live food provided. The best medicine you can try is malt extract and hypophosphates (in combination). Get a small jar from a chemist, and accustom the bird to eating soft-food moistened in this; commence with a very small quantity, and gradually increase to about a small teaspoonful. Birds are shy at any change in their food; hence the reason for beginning with the small quantity.

A BALD BULLFINCH (W.H.C.B.).—Under the circumstances you cannot do better than try the effect of a few applications of a good healing ointment, which will improve condition of the skin, and maybe pave the way to a renewed growth of plumage. Try Kerol ointment. It is advisable to use it

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1, 1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

warm, to cause it to "work" as thinly and freely as possible. Apply a tiny smear with the tip of a finger, rubbing gently the way the feathers should lie. Repeat morning and evening for five or six days; then await events for a reasonable time. I hope it will have the desired effect. Sorry to hear of the accidental death of the Greenfinch.

THE "PEARTREE" BIRDS (Paddy).—The "pear-tree" Goldfinch is supposed to be a bird hatched in a pear-tree; and the said Goldie is supposed to be a superior sort of creature to his kith and kin hatched in other kinds of trees. Whether he is likely to be so in actual fact I will leave to your own common sense to decide. How is it possible to tell what kind of tree any given Goldfinch was hatched in?

A MULING QUESTION (A.H.).—I always lean to the Linnet and Canary as the best couple for the novice Mule-breeder to commence with. But given a well-behaved Goldie, or Greenie, then there is practically nothing between either of the trio. The Goldie when in high breeding condition has a clear beak, and is in full, vigorous song; the Linnet acquires a deep slate-blue beak, and is also in vigorous song. Don't mix queries for different specialists (not rules) or delay ensues in the reply.

A VARIETY (C. S. Harding).—I have never tried the limits of a Magpie's capacity for mealworms. I am not a wealthy man, you see. One might as well give cherries to pigs. Far better for getting a Magpie (young or old) into condition would be a nice plump freshly-killed mouse every day; or varied with a fat Sparrow. A few Blackbeetles, big and juicy, are also more than a little useful. I never yet had a Magpie which would not bathe, given a suitable vessel. In fact, all my Magpies have been perfect demons for their "tub," no matter whether the thermometer registered 100 in the shade or 10 below zero. You could turn the garden (plant) spray on to your bird, but don't half-drown him; no need to use warm water. Steep the feet a few times in fairly hot water, and afterwards rub them well, but gently, with a good liniment.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

AILING RING DOVE (E.A.B.N.).—(1) I can add nothing to my previous replies save that a round cage is a bad one, a good sized box with a wire front would be far better, but frankly, I consider that, considering the age of the bird and the condition the bird has got into (the round cage has done much to aggravate this) it would be kindest to chloroform the bird, as at its age but little relief can be given—put a few drops of chloroform on a sponge and put this and the bird into a close fitting box and it will quietly pass out of its misery. If you do not care to do this continue the treatment given in our previous replies for another month, but I consider it kindest to destroy it. (1) Waxbills do not take many mealworms; ask the vender to send small ones, one or two per bird daily will be ample. After they have become accustomed to them size will not matter. (2) Spray the birds with the quassia solution after they have had their bath. If your birds really have mites, the latter will be found in the cage, as mostly they do not remain on the bird during the day, but retire into crevices of the woodwork of the cage. Painting the crevices with fir tree oil is a good preventive, and dusting the birds with pyrethrum powder, especially under the wings and round the vent. Make a decoction of quassia chips, 2oz. to the quart of water, decant and bottle, take one part of the above to four of water for a spraying solution for small birds. It is often better to take the bird in the hand and wash (use a mop camel hair brush) and after thoroughly

wetting the plumage, dab off the bulk of the moisture with a soft cloth. A few applications and an occasional washing should keep the pests at bay.

WHAT PARROT (W. Colquhoun).—(1) It is an Alexandrine Parrakeet, either a hen or young cock. (2) I have heard very many really accomplished Alexandrines, but they vary much, though as a rule most speak, at any rate, a few words. They take more teaching than a Grey. But you cannot expect any result till it has become quite and thoroughly accustomed to its new house and owners.

AFRICAN GREY PARROT (Derby).—I should much prefer to cut off all sweets from its dietary, and put it on a course of Dinneford's magnesia, putting one teaspoonful in its drinking-water every other day so long as its voidings are not watery-loose; when this occurs cease giving it for a time till the voidings become normal, then give a dose once a week to keep the bird going. If you desire to try your own remedy then dissolve three grains in one ounce of water and put five drops of this in the drinking water every other day for a week, then after a lapse of four or five days, renew the treatment for another week, but you must give the Dinneford's in between so as to lower its tone a little. Supply as much ripe fruit as the bird cares to take. I am also of the opinion that to foment the legs and feet with hot water, dry with a soft cloth, and then paint with whiskey, would give some relief. I should certainly advise the latter being done daily for fourteen days, and then report progress, keeping your own remedy in abeyance for the time being.

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1 1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1 1); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet St., London, E.C.

BUDGERIGAR AVIARY (Amateur).—I take your query to read that you desire to give up the Budgerigars and devote the aviary to rearing Hybrids. You might try half-a-dozen pairs in it. Put in the following:—Hooded Siskin, Black-headed Siskin, Spice Bird, Hen Canaries, Goldfinch, Greenfinch, Linnet, Bullfinch, Silverbill, Cutthroat, Red-headed Finch, Grey Singing Finch, and Green Singing Finch, Bronze Mannikin, and Magpie Mannikin. You can easily make a choice from the above, but of course, there must not be a true pair of any one species in the aviary. If you put in plenty of cover in the shape of twiggy fir, heather, and other branches, and numerous nest receptacles, screening these with the branches, intruding upon their arrangements as little as possible, while attending to them, I think you might venture to put in nine pairs, with a reasonable prospect of several pairs rearing young. You must not expect every pair to breed, if you do, I fear there is a heavy disappointment in front of you.

WHAT TANAGER? (J. W. S.).—The only birds of the Tanagridae that range as large as Thrushes are the Saltators, which may be simply termed Giant Tanagers. There is a Blue-shouldered Tanager, and it is about the same size as the well-known scarlet Tanager, and yours may be that species, and you have overestimated its size. It will assist me if you as carefully as possible give me the measurement of your bird from tip of beak to tip of tail. It will probably assist you if I state that the Song Thrush measures 9 inches, and the Blackbird fully 10 inches.

CAGE OR AVIARY (Moss Side).—Your so-called aviary is but a large cage, but the arrangements will answer well. I should, however, have a wood and glass shutter to close over the front of it, for night use and during driving rain, especially during the winter months. In a cage of this size I should advise you to confine yourself to Budgerigars, as you desire some of these, and not to mix any of the Finch tribe with them, or, to give a little variety, say two pairs of Budgerigars (one pair each Green and Yellow) and one pair Blue-wing Lovebirds. It is better to have three pairs, with room to be happy and contented, than as many again with continual bickering, and usually more or less unfit. Use twiggy branches as perches, and hang up at least half-a-dozen small barrels or husks. They will thrive on a mixture of equal parts of canary seed and white millet, with an occasional millet spray and few oats, green-food (lettuce in winter), grit and cuttle-bone. You could keep with them, just for variety sake, a Red-crested Cardinal, who would have to have a little fruit (this would not harm the Budgies) and one or two mealworms per diem.

OUTDOOR AVIARY (Sussex).—(1) Re your plan, I should have No. 1 as open flight (wire netting at front, end and roof), No. 2 as flight covered in, open at front only, but with no partition between it and No. 1. No. 3 should be an enclosed shed, with a door in the middle of the partition between it and No. 2. The whole must be made weather-proof—no open fronts to let in draught, and the shed (No. 3) must be well lighted, or the birds will not use it; wire netting must be stretched over all glass on the inside, and for winter weather and night use a glazed shutter over the front of No. 2 would be an advantage. I should increase the height of it; you will see the birds better; make it 9½ft. at back and 8ft. at front, this fall will be ample. (2) Fifteen inches high will be ample for the boarding along front and end. Use only twiggy branches as perches (thick and thin) and put up an ample supply of nest receptacles, and make the open flight a jungle of evergreens, privet, grass and weeds. I should suggest the door to centre of No. 2.

FOREIGN BIRDS FOR PROFIT (A. Johnson).—It would not pay you to import the common species. Budgerigars and Cockatiels should certainly yield a little more than their keep with ordinary luck, but perhaps not during the first year. Do not overstock to begin with; get, say, three pairs, each pair from a different source, and then for a season or two you can safely leave them to interbreed without introducing fresh blood. I should only get one pair of Cockatiels, as more often interfere with each other's breeding arrangements. If you put up a roomy aviary, with shelter shed, open and covered-in flights, you could include pairs of Blue-winged Lovebirds and Rosella Parrakeets, but whatever you do, make your aviary roomy, so that the birds can get a good fly. Furnish with twiggy branches for perching accommodation, hang up a good supply of nest barrels and husks, and sow the open portion of flight periodically with canary seed, grass, and various cereals. Get our Nutshell, "Budgerigars," 7d., post free, from our manager, it will tell you how to feed, treat, etc.

BUDGERIGARS (Budgie). I would not destroy them at once, give them a chance indoors. So long as they are not in a draught, the cooler and more airy part of the room will be better for them, and so long as their voidings are not watery-loose put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia into the drinking water every third day, and on the other days half a teaspoonful of Bynophosphates. Supply the usual seeds, millet and canary, also spray millet, a leaf of lettuce two or three times a week, a slice of apple daily, grit and cuttlebone, and leave the rest to nature. If the skin is dry, take them in the hand and lightly wash the skin (using a mop camel-hair brush), with tepid water, and partially dry with a soft cloth, protect them from draught and cold until dry—report progress in a month. If they will eat it, a crust lightly damped with tepid water and dusted with flowers of sulphur will help.

HILL MYNAH (H. Weller).—Soft food (insectile mixture), several good ones are advertised in our pages, ripe fruit, green food, boiled rice, milk puddings, boiled potato, scalded grocer's currants and sultanas, and live insects (spiders, beetles, etc); in the winter you will have to depend mostly on mealworms, say 10 to 12 daily. It is not necessary to give all the above on any one day, but from it you can keep a varied menu—the main diet being soft food, ripe fruit and live insects. A little minced meat may be given twice a week. It should be accustomed to take its bath outside its cage, or in a roomy one hung over the open cage door. They do not need coddling, but must be kept out of draught, and, when tame, a daily fly round the room will help to keep it fit, and while taking this exercise it should be accustomed to take its bath

BUDGIES SLEEPING OUT (O. Miller).—You need not worry, put up one or two husks in the open flight, in sheltered positions, and when the birds feel the cold they will use them. Is your shelter well lighted? If not, you must make it so; remove all your food vessels to the shelter, and the birds will become more accustomed to it, having to go there to feed. I do not think cold kills Budgies, in very severe weather they may lose toes with frost-bite occasionally; damp, muggy, raw weather, is more harmful than frost; they should get sufficient exercise in your aviary to keep fit. Do not add fresh birds till the spring, then you could put in one pair each Cockatiels and Rosella Parrakeets, and also a pair of Red-crested Cardinals—in addition to seed you would have to give a little fruit daily (the Budgies will be the better for this), and the Cardinals two or three mealworms each daily.

OUT OF PLUMAGE ("China.").—Nevertheless, splendidly as the bird has done, its condition now is the result of the unwholesome sops you have been giving. I note you have reverted to a more wholesome diet now, but I advise the following seed mixture for present conditions: One quart each canary seed and white millet, one pint each oats and hemp, half a pint each paddy rice and sunflower seeds, one gill each grit (not sand), shelled nuts, and half a gill of chillies—well mix, and keep a supply in cage. Also supply ripe fruit regularly, and a piece of any plain biscuit it fancies. So long as the voidings are not watery, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the water (it can be left in cage) every fourth day, and on the other days put half a teaspoonful of Byno-phosphates in the water. Dust under the wings and round vent with Keating's, or spray with quassia solution. Report progress a month hence.

BAD PLUMAGE (F. Folkard).—(1) Possibly old age, from what you say as to its claws; let it have its bath every other day, and in addition to canary and millet seed keep a millet spray in the cage, a small leaf of tender lettuce during the winter months. Do not omit to supply grit, and keep a piece of clean cuttlebone in the cage. Get a bottle each of Dinneford's Magnesia, and Bynophosphates (always useful in the bird-room), and of the former put 10 drops in the drinking water every fourth day so long as voidings are not watery, and on other days the same quantity of the Byno-phosphates. It may not thoroughly renew its plumage till spring; keep it where it will get light and air. (2) For the table cage get one pair each of Cordon Bleus, Gold-breasted Waxbills, Avadavats, St. Helena Waxbills, and Firefinches. Be sure and stand your cage where the bird will be quite free from draught.

KEEPING PARRAKEETS (Budding Avieulturist).—(1) Budgerigars, Blue-wing Lovebirds, Cockatiels, Rosella and Ring-neck Parrakeets, usually agree together well in a roomy outdoor aviary if not overcrowded. The two latter are a little larger than Cockatiels, but I have found them quite safe with the others. (2) Too large an order, individuality in the same species has to be considerd, too: Red-rumps, Blue-bonnets and Pennants are notoriously pugnacious as a rule, but there are exceptions. (3) There is not much moping in a roomy aviary, very few of the Parrakeets are lethargic under such conditions. (4) Red-crested and Green Cardinals and Thrushes and Starlings can usually look after themselves in a roomy aviary with the above, but it is not advisable to house small species with them, nor to annoy the Parrakeets with too many.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

R. Howard.—Sorry, but we have on several occasions dealt with similar ideas.

M.—We know nothing of the difficulties of which you speak (or, rather, of which the dealer spoke) and we think they must have been advanced in the nature of an excuse. There are any number of shops, etc., at which you could purchase the British and foreign birds you mention. The number of foreign birds on the market varies, naturally, from time to time.

Ajax (Wrexham).—We have sent your letter to our Mr. W. T. Page, who will answer the questions therein in the query columns of our next issue.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Ashington and Hirst Dis. C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Harmonic Hall, 7.30. Annual show.—Wm. Hall.

Anfield, Everton C.B.S.—Nov. 11, 8 p.m. General meeting, headquarters. Open show arrangements.—R. B. Wright, Hon. Sec.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Nov. 5, Onward Hall, 8 p.m. Annual show business; final arrangements.—J. Spencer.

Ashton-under-Lyne O.S.—Nov. 5, P. S. A. Rooms, 8 p.m. Back-end show business.—J. R. Colville.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Victoria Hotel, during judging of members' show. Union judges. Members' show Nov. 2nd; birds staged at 2.30 p.m., judge, Mr. J. Bailey. Entries, Friday, 8.30 to 10 p.m.—M. Skirrow.

Bury C.B.S. Nov. 5, Textile Hall, 8 p.m. Minutes of amalgamated show, also own show business.—H. Jameson.

Bradford National Show Committee.—Nov. 6, Market Tavern, Bradford, 8 p.m. Very important; allotting special prizes. Final arrangement of committees and other business.—H. Hill.

Bradford East O.S.—Nov. 5, Park Chapel Schools, 8 p.m. Annual show business, very important; selection of Union judges.—H. Hill.

Boldon Colliery F. and F.S.—Nov. 2, Store Buildings, 7.30 p.m. All subscriptions must be paid. All tickets and money to be in. Entries taken and other important business.—A. Widdowfield.

Bolton C.B.S.—Nov. 5, Joiners' Arms, 8.30 p.m.—J. Gerrard.

Bristol C.B.S.—Nov. 6, City Hotel, Wine Street, 8. Final meeting before show, Nov. 13. Schedules now ready, over 40 specials.—B. L. Pool.

Bootle C.B.S.—Nov. 5, Wood Cafe, Stanley Road, 8 p.m. Schedule and show arrangements.—L. S. Hamilton.

Barnet F. and F.S.—Nov. 6, Dolton's Rooms, 35, Wood Street, Barnet, 8 p.m. General business for annual show.—F. Chandler.

Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.—Nov. 5, Staffordshire Knot, 8 p.m. Show business.—A. Wood.

Crewe O.S.—Nov. 6, Brotherhood Institute, 8. Monthly meeting; Nov. show business.—E. Jaycott.

City and County of Perth O.A.—Nov. 4, Laidlaw's Rooms, 8. Club show business.—James Kerr.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Arcade Hotel, 7. Final arrangements for show.—J. R. Reid.

Clitheroe C.B.S.—Nov. 4, Bennett's Tea Rooms, 8. Arrangements for show, etc.—J. Southworth.

Coventry O.S.—Nov. 6, Sydenham Palace, 8.30 p.m. Show business; schedules ready.—A. J. Barratt.

Calder Valley.—Inter-club show of Canaries, Wharfe Hotel, Sowerby Bridge, Nov. 2. Birds staged by 10 a.m.—Sutcliffe and Walker.

Chester-le-Street C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Butcher's Arms, 7.30 p.m. Show business, specials, etc.—J. Hedley.

Choppington C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Railway Hotel, 7.30 p.m. Show business.—G. H. Seely.

Clapham C.B.A. Nov. 4, Landor Hotel, 8.30 p.m. Whatever may crop up.—A. R. Coe.

City of Bradford O.S.—Nov. 2, Flying Dutchman Hotel, 8. To select judges for Yorks., Union Show, 1913-14.—F. Rhodes.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Black Bull, 7.30 p.m. Open show business; important.—G. Bescoby.

Dubmire Workmen's C.B.S.—Nov. 3, Dubmire Workmen's Club, 10.30 a.m. Annual show and other important business.—B. Robinson.

Edinburgh N.C. and M.B.S—Nov. 7, Halls, High Street, 8 p.m. Show business; entries taken.—J. Welsh.

Ealing and Hanwell F.S.—Nov. 2, 7 p.m., St. John's Memorial Hall, Leeland Road, West Ealing. Evening show.—R. Bamber.

Hyson Green, Nottingham, C.B.S.—Nov. 5, Cricket Players' Hotel, 8. Business important. Judges for next show, etc.—Wm. Cottingham.

Hartlepools C.B.S.—Nov. 6, St. George's Hall, 8 p.m. Important Business.—Woodhead and Pyman.

Halifax O.S.—Nov. 2, Plummet Line Hotel, 8. Final arrangements for old show.—H. Clegg.

Jarrow Hebburn C.B.S.—Nov. 6, Lockhart's Cafe, 7.30 prompt. Show business.—W. Ayers.

Loanhead C.B.S.—Nov. 9, Masons Arms, 7.30 p.m. Financial report, payment of prize money, new members enrolled.—W. B. Smart.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Nov. 6, Railway Hotel, 8. Election of Union judges.—J. E. Hudson.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Nov. 2, Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7. Note change of meeting place.—James Pollock.

Leicester C.B.S.—Nov. 6, Saracen's Head Hotel, 8.15 p.m. A.O.V. Can., unflighted; A.V. Mule or Hyb.; Goldfinches; Bullfinches. Judging competition for Brit. Fanciers invited.—J. Cook.

London and Counties' A.C.B.—Nov. 2, The Earl Cathcart, Osnaburgh Street, N.W.; 8 p.m. sharp. Two prizes for champ. and 2 for novice. Judge, Mr. Shakespeare.—W. Gilbert.

Leeds C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Lockhart's, next to Hope Bros., Briggate, 7.30 p.m. Questions and answers; draw for birds, and cages; other important business. Fanciers invited.—W. A. Wilson.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Greyhound Hotel, 7 p.m. Important show matters.—D. John.

Leigh C.B.S.—Nov. 6, Railway Hotel, 7.45 p.m. Schedule and entry forms for old show.—R. Charleson.

Liverpool B.B.A.—Nov. 14, Oldham Hall, 8 o'c. p.m. Novice night show and judging competition. Judges, Messrs. W. R. Knowles and J. Walker.—F. Eccleston.

Leeds Roller C.C.—Nov. 2, 55, Briggate, 7.30 p.m.—H. L. Davis.

Littleborough C.B.S.—Nov. 6, Coffee House, 8. Final show business and entry night.—H. Woodhead.

Musselburgh O.S.—Nov. 8, Cossar's, 7.30. Specials, etc.—W. Nisbet.

Metropolitan C.B.A.—Nov. 2, All Saints' Parochial Hall, Prince of Wales Road, Battersea, 2.30 to 10. Annual show. Judge, H. Norman; fanciers invited.—G. Denham.

Morley C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Sycamore Hotel, 7.30. Business, second old bird show.—J. Rhodes.

Manchester, Salford and Dis. Amalgamated Soc.—Nov. 7, H. Robinson's, 9 p.m. Delegates' meeting; allotting specials and other show business.—J. Spencer.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Nov. 4, Deansgate Hotel, 7.45. Judge for January show; amalgamated show business, etc.—H. Boothman.

Middlesex O.S.—Nov. 7, St. John's Hall, King St., Southall. Annual members' show; judge, Mr. F. Easterling. Admission 3d.—Jeffery Jefferie.

Manningham C.B.A.—Nov. 2, Headquarters, 8. Election of Union judges.—H. Grange.

Nelson C. and C.B.S.—Nov. 5, Fulton's, 68, Railway St., 7.30. Old show.—J. Speak.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Nov. 5, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Rd., Harpurhey, 8. Entries for show, Nov. 9th, at Headquarters.—John Davey.

Nottingham and Notts O.S.—Nov. 6, Mechanics' Institute. Final show arrangements.—J. G. Royce. (No time given.—Editor.)

Northern Border and S.F.C.C. Nov. 4, Pillar's Cafe, 8 o'c. Table show; 4 classes; novice and champion; judge, Mr. C. Farrer.—M. C. Potts.

North Shields C.B.C.—Nov. 6, 37, Howden Rd., N.S., 7.30 p.m. Topics regarding annual show.—R. P. Fox.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S. Nov. 7, 65, Grainger St., 7.30. Arrangements for social, Dec. 18th; payment of advertisements, receiving specials, etc.—J. W. Reed.

Ormskirk C.B.S.—Nov. 4, Church House, 8 p.m. Show business and coupons.—T. H. Tiffen.

Pudsey Stanningley C.B.S. Nov. 4, Fleece Hotel, 8 p.m. Bus.: Important. H. Rabstrick.

Redhill C.B.S.—Nov. 5, Lindsey's Hotel, 8. Complete arrangements for show, and a washing exhibition, by A. W. Bacon. A. W. Bacon.

Rochdale O.C.—Nov. 4, Club Rooms, 8.30, and every Monday till Nov. 22nd. Open show business.—H. Blincoe.

Rossendale C.B.S.—Nov. 5, Commercial Hotel, Stacksteads, 7.30 prompt. Show business.—H. Wantling.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—Nov. 6, Temperance Club, Toad Lane, 8. General meeting. Report of back-end show; amalgamated show business.—T. Holt.

Radcliffe and Dis. C.B.S.—Nov. 6, Wareing's Dining Rooms, 8 p.m. Show business.—W. Pickup.

Reading and Dis. C.B.S.—Nov. 6, Palmer Hall, 8. Show business; paper on "Foreign Birds and their Management," by Mr. G. H. Acton. Punctuality commended.—W. H. Pyke.

Sheffield C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Wentworth Cafe, 8. Washing exhibition by Mr. Tow, and competition for novices. Nomination of officers, issue of ballot papers and open show business.—A. Hobson.

Smallbridge C.B.S.—Nov. 4, I.O.G.T. Room, 7.30. Back-end show, specials, etc.; lecture on "Yorkshire Canary," by Mr. S. Clayton (Rochdale).—W. Lanyon.

Spen Valley C.B.S.—Nov. 4, Commercial Hotel, Cleckheaton, 8 p.m. Business important; members' show, Nov. 9th.—J. Bamford.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—Nov. 5, Liberal Club, 8. Important business; schedules members' show now ready.—J. Bird.

Sheffield C.B.S.—Nov. 7. Washing exhibition by Mr. Tow. Also washing competition for novices; two good specials promised for best washed birds.—J. Woolhouse.

Shipley O.S.—Nov. 5, Prince of Wales, 8 prompt.—A. Tillotson.

Shipley O.S.—Nov. 6, Prince of Wales. Members' show; birds staged 2 o'clock; judge, Mr. W. A. Cowgill. Entries, Tuesday night, 9 to 10 o'c.—A. Tillotson.

Stockton-on-Tees C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Leeds Hotel, 8 o'c. Open show.—J. W. Gower.

Stockport B.F.A.—Nov. 5, Boar's Head Hotel, 8 p.m. Classification for show; members' subscription must be paid same night.—W. Stafford.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Nov. 9, Fawcett St. Cafe, 7.30 p.m.—J. Jeffrey.

Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—Nov. 4, Red Lion Hotel, 8 p.m. Classification and judge for Boxing Day show.—J. Pitchford.

Stocksbridge C.B.S.—Nov. 9, Headquarters, 8 p.m. Members' show; birds staged 2 p.m.; judge, Mr. J. Woolhouse (Sheffield). Entries close Nov. 7th; important meeting close of show.—G. L. Sampson.

Thatto Heath O.S.—Nov. 4, "The Railway Hotel." S. Arrangements for annual members' show.—A. R. Macdonald.

Tong and Dis. C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 3.15. Yorkshire Union; judges and open show; members' show same date at 2; judge, Mr. A. Varley.—W. Walker.

Vale of Leven C.B.C.—Nov. 7, Village School Room, Alexandria, 8. Show business.—A. H. McLean.

Walsall C.B.S.—Nov. 6, White Horse Hotel, 8. Final arrangements for show; allotting specials, etc.—F. Price.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Horse and Groom Inn, 8 p.m. Members' show, 6 p.m.; prompt; judge, Mr. A. Cooper.—H. C. Crossley.

Wakefield O.S.—Saturday, Nov. 2, Crown and Anchor Hotel, 8 p.m. Cup business; paying prize-money.—J. Sherwood.

West of Scotland O.S.—Nov. 2, 7.30 p.m., Nelson's Temp. Hotel. Final arrangements annual show.—Wm. Hutchinson.

West Stanley C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Co-op. Hall, 7.30 p.m. Members' specials and annual show business.—W. Elliott.

Wigan and Dis. C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Legs of Man, 8. Distributing of schedules.—H. Young.

Walkley C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Mission Rooms, Westmoreland St., 8. Washing exhibition and issue of ballot papers.—A. Lawton.

Watford C.B.S.—Nov. 6, Essex Arms Hotel, 8.30. Schedule of annual show.—W. Rackley.

Wingate F.S.—Nov. 2, Literary Institute, 7. All fanciers residing within 3 miles' radius of Wingate heartily invited.—J. Burdett.

Wimbledon C.B.S.—Nov. 4, 6, The Broadway, 8 p.m. Final arrangements for annual show. Washing exhibition. Fanciers invited.—H. Smith.

Thanks for the valuable information you gave me through your bright and interesting paper, CAGE BIRDS, on my Canary, writes Mr. T. H. Liffen (Battersea), and am pleased to say the bird is quite itself again.

The eighth annual show of the Deal and Walmer F.A. will be held on November 27-28, writes Mr. W. H. Thompson, 185, High Street, Deal, hon. sec. 1s. entry fee, good prize money and upwards of 70 specials. Entries close November 20. Mr. F. J. Gibbs, Canterbury, will judge.

A silver cup will be given, writes Mr. R. B. Wright, Hon. Sec. Anfield, Everton, C.B.S., for most points in the four open classes—Yorks, Green Mkd. one for the four open classes in Yorks. clears, and one for the four open classes, Yorks Greens., at our big open show to be held on Boxing Day, Dec. 26. Yorkshiremen please note.

I have to thank you, writes Mr. W. Binns, of Blackpool, for publishing the very good drawing of my Yorkshire, which won the second prize at the Crystal Palace show last season. I may say that I have not missed an issue of CAGE BIRDS for the last six years, and the hints and advice given in it have been a good help to me many times.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from page 889).

Some Questions About Young Blackbirds.

Sir,—Could any of the numerous readers of Cage Birds, inform me at what age young Blackbirds turn black; also what age they are when they come on full song? These birds were hatched at the beginning of April. Ardlenshaw Red Cross.

The Autumn Show of the London and Provincial O.S.

Sir, Accept my thanks for the fine report of our autumn show in your valuable paper, Cage Birds. Copies were on sale in the hall at 4 p.m. on Thursday, and I was giving particulars to one of your representatives at 10 p.m. on Wednesday night—surely a record in printing! I was pleased to see the report was a true and unvarnished account of the show, which is what we want in the Fancy, also a little more friendly rivalry amongst the societies, and not so much of the bad feeling and jealous rivalry that exists to-day. I should also like to mention that most of our outside entries came from sportsmen who saw our advert. in your paper, and not from the 1,200 schedules sent out by the society. I should like to thank my committee for the splendid way in which they worked at the show: the hall was absolutely cleared by 11 p.m. on Thursday night. I wish Cage Birds every success.

Chas. W. Law,
Hon. Sec. L. and P.O.S.

Are Canaries Too Old at Three?

A South African Reader's Opinion.

Sir. By the time this letter comes to hand, I daresay there will have appeared numerous replies to the query, "Are Canaries too old at Three?" but I trust that it will not be too late. I have a Norwich Plainhead cock well over 5 years at present, rearing 3 of his own young ones. He is mated with a three-year-old hen, and the latter laid three eggs, all full. I think "A Fancier, Senghenydd," can rest assured that the cause of infertile eggs when using the cock in question is not his age. I have had common Canaries fertilising their eggs at the age of six years and over. If the bird is in condition there should be no reason why he does not fertilise the eggs. It is essential for breeders of Norwich Canaries to trim the vents of this heavy-feathered variety. But great care must be exercised in doing so. Avoid clipping the few long feathers growing immediately from the vent, as the stumps of these feathers when cut will prevent both sexes from fertilising the eggs. The trimming should be done by clipping the underflue which covers the vent, quite clear. I have never found it necessary to trim Canaries other than the Norwich. I trust that this will be of some assistance to "A Fancier, Senghenydd."

S. W. van Niekerk.

Are Show Birds Stolen when at Shows?

Other Noted Exhibitors Answer "Yes."

Sir.—In answer to Mr. Turner's query in last week's Cage Birds, "Are show birds stolen when at shows?" I venture to say, in my humble opinion, "Yes." I sent two unflighted Norwich to the Manchester and N.C.O.S. show at Belle Vue last Thursday night, Oct. 24, by the 6.45 train from Leek, waiting to see them off myself, so am quite positive they were all right at this end. You may imagine my surprise, on going to the show on the Saturday, to find the yellow missing, and a miserable, dirty-looking old buff cock put in my cage in its place; in fact the bird was a disgrace to the show. It is quite clear that my bird was stolen by an expert. The other one I sent was claimed at catalogue price, £10 10s., but the stolen one was catalogued at £15 15s., so you will see which I considered the better bird. Evidently the thief also knew. On looking through catalogue, I find the buff marked "wrong class," so it was missing on Friday morning. The railway company state it was practically impossible for the bird to have been stolen while in their charge, as the train only has one stopping place, which is Macclesfield. If this is so, then the bird was stolen between Belle Vue station and the show-room, or *from the show-room itself*, as two gentlemen told me they held an argument on the strange bird's colour on Thursday night. It is patent to me the thief had plenty of time at his disposal, and also came ready prepared with the valueless bird to exchange for a good one, which dirty action, I am sorry to say, he accomplished without being found out. In the interests of the Fancy, it is quite time that we, as fanciers, banded together to try all in our power to bring to book the wastrels that are sneaking about the country stealing our best birds, or otherwise I am afraid the shows will suffer, and we shall hear far more of the now only too familiar cry—"Short Entries." It will not be safe to send the cream of our rooms away from home, unless we accompany them, and this is far too expensive for the majority of bird fanciers.

Leek. W. Whetstone.

Sir. Following upon Mr. Turner's report upon losing birds at shows, we have to mention that we have suffered the loss of one of our dark Mules while in transit from the L.P.O. show held last week. While not so valuable a bird as Mr. Turner's hen, we think it advisable to warn all fanciers so that they may be on their guard, as once successfully accomplished, these pilferings of other people's property will be bound to be continued by the person or persons concerned. This is the first loss we have had during four years of exhibiting. Cannot some means of securing our cases be invented? Secretaries and others object to the screwing down of lids, which would not take a moment to unscrew. We may mention that the bird was taken out of cage, which, with another, was placed facing the air-holes of case. We have put in a claim to the railway company, and have also placed the matter in the hands of the police. We should be glad if any fancier hearing of anyone trying to dispose of a dark buff Goldie Mule "fed" in any way suspicious would notify us at once. Before closing, would like to thank the secretary, Mr. C. W. Law, for the prompt manner in which he answered our enquiry re missing bird.

F. and T. Bowler.

30, New St., Aylesbury.

The Breeding of British Birds in Captivity.

Should Societies Encourage it?

Sir.—Would it not be to the purpose if societies encouraged the cage breeding of our British birds more than at present? I know the objection is that birds so obtained are never so strong as the wild variety, but surely what has been done with such success in the case of the Canary is not utterly impossible with every other bird. Perhaps if a little more patience were shown by fanciers with time at their disposal, we might at least in a generation or two—it could not be done in a few months—even the Canary did not attain to its present perfection in a year or two—we might at least possess domesticated varieties of a few of the wild birds most usually kept, say, the Goldfinch, Linnet, and Siskin among the hardbills, and possibly the Blackbird and Thrush in the Softbills. Larks I rule out altogether, for I do not think they ought to be caged under any conditions whatsoever. Amongst the foreigners the cage bred Bengalese are not half so often seen in our houses as they deserve to be, owing possibly to the difficulty of depending so entirely on imported birds. I should like to see prizes offered by the cage bird societies for the best cage bred "wild bird," if one may so call it. I think a little work in this direction would in time produce good results, and remove from us bird-lovers the stigma we undoubtedly labour under of caging creatures which have known freedom.

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No. 612.
A Novel Decoy.

Sent by W. J. Williams, Ty Poeth, Cefn Cribbur, near Bridgend, Glam.

I think this decoy will prove useful. A stuffed bird acts splendidly. Or the dummy can easily be cut out with a knife from a piece of wood and be painted to imitate the bird you wish to catch. B shows the spring;

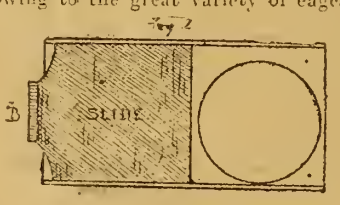


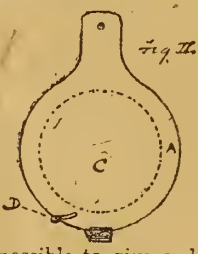
A, the staple for holding the thread down. When in working order the bird's beak comes down to the ground, appearing as if the bird was pecking away at some food. Standing a few yards off, it looks more life-like than ever.—W. J. Williams.

No. 613.
Two Useful Doors.

Sent by R. Barron, jun., Glen Cottage, The Glen, Waterford, Ireland.

I enclose sketches of two sliding doors for box-cages. They will be found very handy when shifting birds from one cage to another, as there is nothing to get in the way, as is usually the case with ordinary cages. The slide (fig. 1) is very easily made, but owing to the great variety of cages now





in use it is impossible to give a definite size for it. Two pieces of tin are first got, one about half an inch wider than the other. The edges of the wide one are then bent down at about a quarter of an inch from each side, thus forming a groove for the other piece to slide in. Two holes about 2½ins. in diameter are then made, one in the side of the cage, the other (which can be square) in the piece of tin with the sides bent down. The end of the narrow piece is then cut and bent as shown at "B," Fig. 1. All that now remains to be done is to tack the piece of tin with the hole cut in it to the side of the cage and fit the slide into it. Fig. 2 is a more simply made door, only one piece of tin being required. Cut the tin to shape, as shown in "A." Next bore a hole 2½ins. in diameter in the side of cage, "C." Hang the piece of tin over the hole so that it covers it. Let it hang down straight and make a mark where end of slit is. Then put in a screw where mark "D" is to act as a "catch" and the door is complete.—Richard Barron, jnr.

TIMELY HINTS.

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Lino for Cage Tops.

I think my bird friends will find the following a useful hint when cagemaking. Tack linoleum firmly on top of the cage, for the roof, instead of wood, it is much lighter to carry, and I find no red mites in the cages finished in this way; it is easily taken off for cleaning.—Mrs. Mannsell-Eyre, Congresbury Vicarage, Somerset.

Red Mite and Carbolic Soap.

To prevent red mite getting between the cage rack and the cage bottom I find with great satisfaction that I have prevented the same all this season by rubbing the rack with carbolic soap; also if there are any cracks outside the cage it is a very easy matter to fill them up with the soap, as you will find out that it soon dries hard.—T. Tootill (63, Park Street, Farnworth).

How to Treat Mealworm Beetles.

[Winner of Half-crown Prize.]

When the beetles begin to appear, soak a piece of sacking in sweetened porter or sugar and water is nearly as good; and put it on top of the meal. The perfect insect (beetle) does not, as some suppose, feed on meal, but instead, requires moisture. With this treatment, the female will live longer and lay more eggs. Miss M. Dunn.

60, Falmer Road, Eastbourne, Darlington.

Cheaper than Enamel.

[Winner of Half-crown Prize.]

I have been reading with much interest the articles in Cage Birds re enamelling of cages. Now enamel comes very dear for a working man to buy, so I thought I could find a cheaper method. After the cages are thoroughly cleaned, I get a pot of paint the colour I wish, put plenty of "driers" in it, to get a good hard surface give two coats evenly, and sandpaper over each time. Then I get some "paper" varnish and give an even coat over that, and I find that is as good as enamel and much cheaper. Trusting this will be useful to someone else, and wishing Cage Birds the success it deserves.—T. Jones, 389, High St., Smethwick, B'ham.

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Owing to severe pressure on our space, notes by the Secretary are unavoidably held over.

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PAIGNTON.

Sixth annual show of the Torbay O.S. held Oct. 30, in the usual venue, the Badminton Hall, and a better place for a show it would be hard to find, as it is lofty, well lighted, and quite free from draughts. The exhibits were staged right round the room, the centre as usual being reserved for a nice display of chrysanthemums and foliage, kindly lent by the president, H. Whitey, Esq. The quality all round was most excellent, and the entry was within two of last year's. Mr. Collings captured special for best in Nor. and Yorks. sections with the winning cl. yell., a grand exhibit. The winning Hybrid which captured the special, Mr. E. J. Lamb's Linnet-Bullfinch, is a gem. All the exhibits were well looked after by a thorough lot of fanciers, which comprised the committee, of whom A. N. Innes, Esq., is the popular chairman. Mr. J. N. Jeffery again held the secretarial reins, and we need hardly say that he was well on top of his work, and had everything working as smoothly as clockwork. He received valuable assistance from his son, Mr. J. Jeffery, the assist. hon. sec., and we think the society are fortunate in having such genial and capable officials all round. Mr. J. H. Payne judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. CL., ETC. (5): 1, sp, sp best over Nor. and Yorks., and Sandiford's sp, Collings, grand shape and subs., hot colour, well extended down flights and tail, grand back and chest, flights and tail well packed, good one; 2, he, members' cup, Noyce, grand shape, rare head and neck, nice short flights and tail; 3, Spillman, nice shape, well over perch, neat tail and flights, good qual.; vhc, Redwood. BUFF (6): 1, Rowden, head and eye mkd., rare cobby shape, short flights and tail, nice round chest, full neck, good feather and qual.; 2, Collings, neck mkd., nice shape, grand qual., good head and neck, shade slack right side; 3, Daw, nice shape, grand qual., well packed flights and tail; vhc, Noyce; he, Garland; c, Cowling. HEN. YELL. (9): 1, Collings, nice shape and size, grand qual., good head, neck and back, well packed, bit down in col.; 2, c, Garland, hot col., nice shape, short, well-packed flights, neat tail, not quite the substance; 3, Tristem, cobby shape, round chest, short neck and nice full head; vhc, Fox; he, Spillman. BUFF (6): 1, Collings, bonny shaped cl., well up in col., and full of qual., rare head and neck, nicely frosted; 2, Spillman, neck tkd., nice close fitting jacket of good qual., flights well packed, short tail, well mealed; 3, Noyce, good shape and col., nice back and chest, not so tight in feather; vhc, he, Redwood; c, Tristem. UNFLIG. YELL. (10): 1, Pope, mkd. eyes and wings, as tight as boxwood, lovely col. full of qual., good shape, well cut away, nice flights and tail; 2, Rowden, model for shape, but on the small side, good flights, shortest of tails, rare col. and qual.; 3, Collings, nice shape and qual., good head, neck, and back, bit longer in flights and tail; vhc, Tristem; he, Spillman; c, Daw. BUFF (5): 1, Pope, mkd. head and wings, lovely qual., full of col., nice shape, good flights and tail; 2, Redwood, mkd, neck and right wing, grand shape, full, nicely rounded chest, not quite at its best yet; 3, Tristem, nice shape, capital feather; vhc, Spillman; he, Nicks. NAT. COL. (8): 1, Veale, pied tail, buff green, rattling shape, rare head, neck and back, grand stock bird; 2, no name, buff tkd. head, nice shape, lovely qual., flights and tail; 3, he, Derrick, grand feathered cl. yell., neat wings and tail; vhc, Pope; c, Webber. YORKS. YELL. CL., ETC. (12): 1, Dykes, grand feather, nice col., stands like a soldier, good pair of legs, grand flights and tail, nice clean waist; 2, Newell, stands well, straight as a rush, grand col. and qual., loses just a bit on chest; 3, Bowden, long and slim, good position, fine flights and piped tail, pale col.; vhc, Buckingham; he, Lashbrook; c, Greenslade. BUFF (12): 1, Dykes, mkd. head and right wing, full of style, straight as a pencil, close fitting jacket of good qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, Buckingham, rare length and position, nice qual.; 3, Easterling and Carson, nice style and position, capital feather, but beaten on chest; vhc, Brett; he, Lovell; c, Lashbrook. YELL. HEN (15): 1, Dykes, mkd. eyes and wings, grand length, stands well on clever legs, nice back, wings and tail, well up in qual.; 2, Newell, lovely qual., nice head, neck, and back, stands well, not quite the length; 3, Hodge, variegated, good length, nice col., capital flights and tail; vhc, Easterling and Carson; he, Lovell; c, Maidment. BUFF (8): 1, Dykes, slim built, stylish cl., tight as a drum, stands well on good legs, well braced wings; 2, Newell, variegated, slim built, nice position, good qual., not quite so clean at thighs; 3, Greenslade, wing tkd., nice style, grand qual.; vhc, Fulford; he, Lovell; c, Buckingham. UNFLIG. YELL. (13): 1, Fulford, cl., nice shape, length, and style, good col. and feather, stands well, neat tail, well braced wings; 2, Thomas, mkd. head, neck, and left wing, long flights and tail, nice qual., not quite the position; 3, Easterling and Carson, long sided cl., nice feather and qual., neat head; vhc, Dykes; he, Bousfield; c, Mellow. BUFF (11): 1, Buckingham, straight as a pencil, grand position, boxey feather, capital wings and tail, nice back and head, stands to perfection; 2, Fulford, good length and position, grand qual.; 3, Thomas, grand feather, neat tail and wings, bit on small side; vhc, Snell; he, Dykes; c, Jewell. CREST (4): 1, Fellows, nice drooping frontal, good back crest, capital body; 2, 3, Williams, 2nd capital frontal, good texture feather, 3rd nice frontal, in pipe in centre, nice; vhc, Cockram. CRESTBRED (5): 1, Fellows, good shaped skull, well clothed with long and wide feather, good body; 2, 3, Williams, nice length of head feather, well lashed, 3rd good skull; vhc, he, Berry. BORDER (12): 1, 3, he, Pratt, cl. yell., nice shape, col., and feather, in good form, 3rd neck tkd. buff, lovely feather, shape, and style; 2, Bolsworth, four-pointed buff, good shape and feather, nicely balanced markings; vhc, Unwin; c, Burton Bros., nice class. A.O.V. CAN. (7): 1, Hyde's sp, vhc, Dyer, grand shaped buff cinn., rare size, good head and neck, sound level col.; 2, Pope, yell. cinn., good col., size, and shape, nice skull; 3, Unwin, yell. coppy, nice shape, fair size; he, c, Brown. LIGHT MULE (7): 1, Locke, five-pointed yell. Goldie, rare size and shape, lovely col., wonderful qual., in the pink; 2, Lamb, lightly variegated Greenfinch, grand feather, nice shape and col.; 3, Miss Joseph, yell. Goldfinch, mkd. wings and tail, nice col. and qual.; vhc, Rapson; he, no name; c, Scribbings. DARK MULE (12): 1, vhc, Miss Joseph, Greenfinch, rare size, shape, and feather, good head, nice bars; 2, Popplestone, buff Goldfinch, grand flash, rare size and shape, well up in col., close up; 3, Poole, Siskin, good size and shape, nice markings; he, Rowe and Richards; c, Lashbrook. HYBRID (4): 1, sp, 2, Lamb, Linnet-Bullfinch, beautiful shape, grand col. and feather, smooth as a glass bottle, gem; 2, Siskin-Greenfinch, another gem, grand feather and markings; 3, no name, Gold-Greenfinch, good col. and feather, nice bars; vhc, Joseph. BRIT. GOLD. (8): 1, sp, Coombe, regular swell, grand coloured blaze, nice buttons, back, bars, and tanning, in marvellous condition; 2, Cockram, square crest blaze, well tanned; 3, Locke, good size and shape; vhc, Furler; he, Fellows; c, Cheney. BRIT. (6): 1, Basely, good shape and size, grand cap, nice breast col. and bars, wins well; 2, Evans, nice feather, good cap, bars, and breast colour; 3, Tozer, nice one; vhc, Wilmot; he, Rowley; c, Derrick. LINNET, ETC. (9): 1, Poole, grand Mealy Redpoll, rare size, col., and flank markings, good bib; 2, Cheney, nicely pencilled, and good feathered Linnet, 3, Cockram, nice Linnet; vhc, Innes. CHAFF (8): 1, Fox, buff Greenfinch, nicely silvered, good size, shape, and col.; 2, Skinner, Chaffinch, nice feather and col., good sheen; 3, Webber, good feathered and col. Greenfinch; vhc, Welsh; he, Roper; c, Rowley. A.O.V. BRIT., LARGE (2): 1, Webber, Hawfinch, nice markings, shape, and col., well cut bib; 2, Madge, nice feathered, and good sized Blackbird. SMALL (2): 1, Hearn, nice buff Siskin, well laced cap, good col. and shape; 2, Lamble, Cirl Bunting, good feather and colour. FOR., SMALL (7): 1, vhc, Pulsford, Blue Budgeriar, grand col. and markings, rare exhibit; 2, 3, Welch, nice pair Paradise Whydahs, good condition; 3rd, grand feathered Madagascar Lovebird, lovely col.; he, Baseley; c, Wallis. LARGE (6): 1, sp, no name, grand King Parrot, lovely colour and feather, grand form; 2, c, Pulsford, grand Redrump Parrakeet; 3, Humphrey, lovely coloured Blue-fronted Amazon; vhc, Miss Welch; he, Miss Tozer. MEMBERS, NOR. YELL. (6): 1, Fox, good shape and quality, nice chest; 2, Daw, capital col. and shape; 3, vhc, he, Jeffery, nice colour; c, Ward. BUFF (6): 1, vhc, Jeffery, good shape, nice meal; 2, Daw, good feather and col.; 3, Sauders; he, Noyce; c, Bastard. HEN (5): 1, 2, 3, Jeffery, nice team, capital ticked buff leading; vhc, Noyce; c, Daw. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, Fox, grand shape and feather, level col; 2, Jeffery; 3, Noyce; vhc, Nicks; he, Daw; c, Sauders. BUFF (12): 1, 2, Jeffery, both grand qual. and shape, nice wings and tail; 3, Fox; vhc, he, Noyce; c, Bastard. YORKS. YELL. (7): 1, 2, Bishop, smart and stylish, nice pipe tail; 3, c, Berry; vhc, he, Hodge. BUFF (1): 1, Badcott. HEN (6): 1, he, Bishop, grand feather, good shape, stylish; 2, 3, Hodge, both very nice; vhc, Berry; c, Innes. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, vhc, Bishop, slim built, good; 2, Sanders; 3, Heathman; he, Badcott; c, Berry. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Bishop, slim, nice quality; 3, Berry; vhc, Dodd. GREEN (5): 1, 2, Innes, leader grand colour, rare length, well up; 3, he, Badcott. C.B. (1): 1, Berry. A.O.V. (1): 1, Berry. NAT. COL. (9): 1, 3, he, Roper, leader yell. Nor., good shape and feather; 2, Bastard; vhc, Webber; c, Madge. CAGE OF 4 HENS (4): 1, sp, Daw, Nor., two buffs and two yellows, level lot; 2, Jeffery; 3, vhc, Bishop. DARK CAN. MULE (7): 1, Lamble, nice feathered Linnet; 2, Tozer; 3, Fox; vhc, Mugford; he, Lamble; c, Webber. BRIT. GOLD. (2): 1, Innes, nice blaze; 2, Berry. BRIT. SMALL (6): 1, 2, he, Roper, leader Redpoll, nice markings, good feather and bib; 3, Innes; vhc, Dodd. HEN (5): 1, sp, 2, 3, Roper; 1st Bullfinch, lovely shape, grand feather; vhc, Webber. FOR. LARGE (2): 1, Pulsford, grand Blue-fronted Amazon. Small (3): 1, Rossiter; 2, Pulsford. JUNIOR NOR. A.V. (4): 1, 2, Roper; 3, vhc, Burridge. YORKS. (5): 1, vhc, he, Burridge; 2, 3, Roper. A.O.V. (1): 1, Roper.

ECCLESHILL CAGE BIRD ASSOCIATION.

Held 4th members' show, Oct. 26, at the Fountain Inn; 63 birds were staged and judged by Mr. F. Self (Clayton), who gave great satisfaction. CHAMP. CL., ETC., YELL. YORKS (6): 1, Wilcock; 2, 4, Chippendale; 3, vhc, Studd; he, Lee. BUFF (6): 1, 4, Chippendale; 2, he, Studd; 3, vhc, Wilcock. YELL. HEN (6): 1, 2, Chippendale; 3, vhc, Studd; 4 Wilcock; he Lee. BUFF (6): 1, vhc, Studd; 2, Wilcock; 3, 4, Chippendale; he, Wilcock, jun. NOV. —CL., ETC., YELL. (7): 1, 2, Fretwell; 3, 4, Sparks; vhc, Pullan; he, Pearson. BUFF (6): 1, Pullan; 2, Close; 3, Pearson; 4, he, Fretwell; vhc, Renton and Wheatley. CINN. OR GREEN MKD. YELL. (2): 1, Renton and Wheatley; 2, Fretwell. BUFF (3): 1, 2, Pullan; 3, Pearson. YELL. HEN (7): 1, 4, Pullan; 2, he, Sparks; 3, vhc, Pearson. BUFF (7): 1, 4, Close; 2, Pullan; 3, c, Simonett; vhc, Sparks; he, Renton and Wheatley. NOR. CK. (3): 1, Pearson; 2, Clark; 3, Simonett. HEN (5): 1, 2, Clark; 3, vhc, Simonett; 4, Pearson. J. Chippendale wins special best champion bird; F. Clark, novice; F. Studd best unflighted bird champ.; W. Sparks, novice.—W. Nettleton, Sec.

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WISBECH.

Third open show held Oct. 30, in the Selwyn Hall, which is a very suitable place for the purpose well lighted and free from draughts. Everything was carried out in a very perfectly satisfactory manner under Messrs. Ward and Cookson, secs., with a good staff of stewards, who gave the very best attention to the birds. Mr. J. Mackley judged, and his awards were received with every satisfaction. YELL. CL. OR TKD., CK. (8): Good class, all there for type and qual.: 1, sp, Brooke, grand exhibit; 2, Wilmot, close up; 3, Beilby; vhc, Bishop; he, Handley and Son; c, Keech and Son. BUFF CK. cancelled. YELL. HEN: Grand class this: 1, Edmunds, lovely hen, good wing carr., very useful; 2, Alpe, not quite so typical as winner; 3, Keech and Son, very nice lady; vhc, Beilby; he, Handley and Son, true Norwich type, with the best of head; c, Alpe. BUFF HEN cancelled, must be something wrong here. YELL., 1912 cancelled. BUFF, 1912 (8): Might have made two lots of winners here: 1, Handley and Son, grand bird, lovely head and neck, stands out well; 2, Goodman, very nice typical exhibit; 3, Bishop, close up; vhc, Wells; he, Goodman; c, Handley and Son. CREST, ETC., cancelled, also BRIT and A.O.V. cancelled. SELL., 25s. (13): Contained some cheap birds: 1, Handley and Son; 2, Harper; 3, Bishop; vhc, Harrold; he, Thompson; c, Rogers. 15s. (18): 1, Dawson; 2, Bennells; 3, Ramsdale; vhc, Thompson; he, Beilby; c, Harrold. MEMBERS (12): Good class: 1, sp, 2, no name, two grand birds, not much to choose, all there for type and qual.; 3, Beilby, variegated yell., lovely qual., but not the substance of winners; vhc, Mrs. Harper; he, Harrold; c, Rogers. NOV. (8): Some very nice birds in this class: 1, Courts, cl. yell., lovely qual.; 2, 3, he, Breeze, nice exhibits; vhc, c, Courts.

LISKEARD.

Annual show Oct. 30. The birds were staged at the end of the Market Hall, in a splendid light, and absolutely free from draught. The policy adopted this year of confining the competition to Cornwall did not meet with encouraging success. Time was when Liskeard show was looked forward to by all Western cage bird fanciers as one of the events of the year, but of late the committee have not been supported as they have deserved, whether the show has been open or confined. Perhaps if the bolder policy of open competition is adopted another year, things may improve. The entry numbered 89 in 14 classes, three classes being cancelled. Norwich was the strongest section, some real good specimens being staged. The Mule class was hot, two Goldie-Bullies having to put up with cards only. Messrs. Smith, Quilter, Kingdom, Martin, Wills, and Broad were the committee responsible for the management. The secretarial duties were ably carried out by Mr. Jones-Robins. Mr. E. White, Doublebois, judged in a most painstaking manner, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. cancelled. CL. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Stephens and Gaved, leader well-known winner, in good form, 2nd rather smaller, good type; 3, Ferrill, loses a bit in type to winner; vhc, Symons Bros.; he, Banks. MKD. (5): 1, Pascoe, yell., good type and size; 2, Banks, yell., Plymouth 3rd, must have pressed winner; 3, vhc, Smith, former tkd. buff, loses in size; he, Symons Bros. Hen (8): 1, Roberts, yell., easy win; 2, Stephens and Gaved, nice mkd. buff; 3, Symons Bros., cl. yell., on small side; vhc, F. Collins; he, Pascoe; c, Kemp. UNFLIG. (10): 1, 3, he, Pascoe, both good buffs; 2, Kemp, neat yell.; vhc, Smith; c, Symons Bros. YORKS. YELL. cancelled. BUFF (5): 1, Julian, neat cl., splendid style; 2, 3, he, Thomas, good type, well shown; vhc, Boundy. NON-FLIG. (5): 1, vhc, Boundy, winner, good yell., well up on leg; 2, 3, Thomas, former good cl., latter mkd. BUFF: vhc, Boundy. CREST AND C.B. (6): 1, 3, Rabey Bros., former excels in shape of crest, latter bigger; 2, vhc, Symons Bros., good green C.B. MULE (8): 1, 3, F. Collins, former eye mark, buff, rather small, latter grand four-point yell., Gold. Canary; 2, Stephens and Gaved, dark Gold-Can.; vhc, Honey and Vincent; he, Hobba and Son; c, Honey and Vincent. GOLD AND BULLFINCH (5): 1, 3, Stephens and Gaved, former grand Bullfinch, latter fair Goldfinch; 2, Symons Bros., Goldfinch, in splendid trim; vhc, Honey and Vincent. A.O.S. (6): 1, Stephens and Gaved, well-known Chough; 2, Collins, splendid Grey Wagtail; 3, vhc, Collingwood, Thrush, well shown; vhc, Robins. NOV. (5): 1, vhc, Quiller; 2, Smith; 3, Martin; he, Symes. NOV. YORKS. (6): 1, 2, Martin; 3, vhc, he, Mallet.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

33rd annual members' show, held Oct. 26, Montgomery Hall. Entries came up well, 254 birds being staged. Quality was very high. Many would be able to hold their own in open competition. A notable feature is the increase in the Norwich Section, which bids fair to outnumber the Yorks. Twelve yellow cocks in one class is a great improvement. Cup winners: Yorkshires, Mr F. Elliott, closely followed by Mr. J. Thorpe, with one point less; Norwich, Mr. A. H. Waters; Crest, Mr. Memmott; and Brit., Mr. P. Walsh. The stewards, Messrs. J. A. Curley and W. Simmonite, carried out their duties in a very efficient manner. Mr. J. H. Roe judged.

YORKS CL. ETC. YELL: 1, 2, Elliott; 3, Drabble and Bennett; 4, Bingham; vhc, Champion; he, Thorpe; c, Furniss. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Furniss; 3, Thorpe; 4, he, Elliott; c, Drabble and Bennett. MKD.: 1, Butler; 2, Thorpe; 3, c, Champion; 4, Tomlinson; vhc, Jones; he, Furniss. CL. ETC. YELL. HEN: 1, 4, Thorpe; 2, Jones; 3 he, Elliott; vhc, Champion; c, Drabble and Bennett. BUFF: 1, he, Elliott; 2, vhc, Thorpe; 3, c, Drabble and Bennett; 4, Furniss. MKD. HEN: 1, 3, Champion; 2, Jones; 4, he, Furniss; vhc, Drabble and Bennett; c, Thorpe. NOR. CL. ETC. YELL.: 1, 2, vhc, Waters; 3, c, Dunford; 4, Dodd; he, Hemming. BUFF: 1, 2, Duuford; 3, he, c, A. Hobson; 4, Cowley; vhc, Hemming. MKD.: 1, 2, 4, Cowley; 3, Waters; vhc, Woolhouse; he, Dodd; c, Hemming. YELL. HEN: 1, Waters; 2, vhc, he, Hobson; 3, Dunford; 4, Hemming. BUFF: 1, Waters; 2, Dodd; 3, Hobson; 4, Cowley; vhc, Cowley; he, Hemming; c, Bainbridge. CREST OR C.B.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Memmott; vhc, A. Hobson. BULLFINCH OR GOLDFINCH: 1, 3, 4, Walsh; 2, Hemming; vhc, Bailey. LINNET, ETC.: 1, 2, 3, Walsh; 4, Bailey. A.O.V. HARDBILL: 1, vhc, Walsh; 2, 3, he, Falding; 4, Bailey. SOFTBILL: 1, Falding; 2, 3, Walsh. HEN: 1, Walsh; 2, 3, Bailey. OLD BIRDS—YORKS YELL.: 1, Bingham; 2, Tomlinson; 3, vhc, Drabble and Bennett; 4, J. R. Webster; he, Jennett; c, Thorpe. BUFF: 1, Elliott; 2, Tomlinson; 3, J. R. Webster; 4, Drabble and Bennett; vhc, Thorpe. HEN: 1, vhc, Sorsby and Billord; 2, Elliott; 3, he, Drabble and Bennett; c, Hogan. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Bainbridge; 2, Dodd; 3, vhc, Waters; he, Cowley; 4, C. Hobson; c, A. Hobson. BUFF: 1, Waters; 2, 4, A. Hobson; 3, vhc, he, Dodd; c, Hemming. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Dodd; 1, c, Waters; vhc, Hobson; he, Cowley. CREST OR C.B.: 1, J. Woolhouse; 2, 3, vhc, Memmott; 4, A. Hobson. FELL. 12s. 6d.: 1, C. W. Hobson; 2, Butler; 3, he, Falding; 4, Jennett; vhc, Hemming; c, A. Hobson. NOV. YORKS. ETC. YELL.: 1, Wardley; 2, Sorsby and Billord; 3, J. Smith; 4, Simmonite; vhc, Webster; he, Blunt. BUFF: 1, Blunt; 2, Sorsby and Billord; 3, 4, Webster; vhc, Hogan; he, Jennett; c, Simmonite. MKD.: 1, Webster; 2, Chadwick; 3, 4, Sorsby and Billord; vhc, Wardley; he, Maynard; c, Simmonite. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Webster; 3, he, Hogan; 4, Wardley; he, c, Simmonite. BUFF: 1, Wardley; 2, 4, Chadwick; 3, he, Hogan; vhc, Smith; c, Jennett. NOR. CKS.: 1, 4, vhc, Curley; 2, 3, he, Marcroft; c, Simons. HENS: 1, 2, Bailey; 3, Curley.

PUDSEY, STANNINGLEY, C.B.S

Third members' show of the season held Oct. 26, at the Fleece Hotel, Stanningley. The entry was splendid, 113 birds being on view. Quality also was good all round, especially in hens. Mr. P. Armstrong, Halifax, judged, and had no light task considering the bad light during judging, but he got through his work in a very able manner. Principal point winners: W. Richmond 27, E. Marsh 25, Towler and Hargreaves 23, F. Page 19, H. Taylor 13, W. Wainright 13, A. Noble 12, and J. Butler 8.

CL. TKD. YELL. YORKS. (16): 1, Page; 2, vhc, Richmond; 3, Butler; 4, Taylor; he, Marsh; c, Towler and Hargreaves. BUFF (14): 1, vhc, Towler and Hargreaves; 2, Taylor; 3, Raistrick; 4, Richmond; he, Marsh; c, J. Butler. MKD. YELL. (11): 1, 4, Richmond; 2, vhc, Marsh; 3, Ackroyd; he, J. Butler; c, Page. BUFF (12): 1, 3, Richmond; 2, Towler and Hargreaves; 4, Allott; vhc, Noble; he, Page; c, Forrest. YELL. HEN (13): 1, 3, he, Marsh; 2, Wainwright; 4, Richmond; vhc, Noble; c, Ackroyd. BUFF (16): 1, c, Towler and Hargreaves; 2, Noble; 3, Oddy and Galloway; 4, he, Richmond; vhc, Taylor. MKD. (14): 1, 3, c, Marsh; 2, 4, Richmond; vhc, Page; he, Towler and Hargreaves. CL. OR TKD. NOR. (8): 1, 4, c, Richmond; 2, Page; 3, Pawson; vhc, Marsh; he, Wainwright. HEN (4): 1, Marsh; 2, 3, 4, Wainwright. MKD. CK. (3): 1, Page; 2, Pawson; 3, Richmond. SELL. (2): 1, Marsh; 2, Pawson.

STRATFORD & EAST LONDON FANCIERS ASSOCIATION.

Annual young stock show, held at the Workmen's Hall, Stratford, Oct. 24. The show was a splendid success, but it seemed a pity to crowd it into an evening fixture. Judging did not commence until after 6 p.m., so that visitors were allowed very little time to view the exhibits and ascertain the winners, although cards were up with exceeding promptitude and the arrangements were splendid. The quality was really first class. Mr. W. Maxey, the hon. secretary, is deserving of the greatest congratulation for his "never say die" policy with regard to the Stratford Society. "We are not dead yet," he said to the writer, with a merry twinkle in his eye. And surely ninety exhibits at an evening show bore striking testimony to the truth of Mr. Maxey's remark. Special for best Canary was won by Mr. G. A. Parker with a very smart Buff Yorks., second best, Mr. A. G. Leech, and third, Mr. A. L. Hawkes, sen. Special for best British bird fell to Mr. A. L. Hawkes for a rattling fine Missel Thrush; while Mr. J. Reed annexed the specials for best foreign bird, and also best cage bird in show, with a topping Glossy Starling, in splendid fettle. The show was thronged with visitors until its close. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged.

NOR. YELL.: 1, res, Hawkes, sen.; 2, 3, Manning. BUFF: 1, spls, 3, Leech; 2, res, Cooper; vhc, he, Hawkes, sen. BUFF MKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, 3, Hawkes, sen.; 2, Leech; res, Watson. YORKS YELL. CL. OR TKD.: 1, he, Skinner; 2, no name; 3, vhc, Parker; res, he, Hawkes, sen. MKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, spl, Hawkes, sen.; 2, 3, Parker. BUFF. CL. OR MKD.: 1, spl, 3, Parker; 2, Skinner; res, vhc, he, Hawkes, sen. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, Parker; 2, Skinner; 3, Manning. CINN.: 1, 3, Manning; 2, res, vhc, he, Parker. MULES OR HYB.: 1, 3, Cooper; 2, Hawkes, sen.; 3, Manning. BULLIE OR GREENIE: 1, Cooper; 2, Lathbury; 3, vhc, Hawkes, jun.; res, he, Reed. GOLDIE: 1, res, Hawkes, jun.; 2, Manning; 3, Hodson. LINNET ETC.: 1 Cooper; 2, Watson; 3, res, vhc, Lathbury; he, c, Reed. CHAFFIE: 1, Hawkes, sen.; 2, Reed; 3, Lathbury. A.O.S. HARDBILL: 1, Hawkes, jun.; 2, Cooper; 3, Reed. SOFTBILL: 1, spl, Hawkes, jun.; 2, Reed; res, vhc, Lathbury. FOR. LARGE: 1, spls, 2, 3, Reed. SMALL: 1, 2, 3, Reed; res, Hawkes, sen. SELL. 5s.: 1, 2, Hawkes, sen.; 3, res, Lathbury GIFT: 1, Hawkes, sen.

On getting our CAGE BIRDS recently, we were delighted and surprised to see our Buff Yorkshire on the front page, writer Messrs. Frost and Rogers (Brighton). It is a good likeness of him, and does the artist credit. We hope to win a few more prizes this coming season with him

Mr. Yeldart, of Otley Rectory, Ipswich, writes in the "Strand Magazine," that a Tom-tit found a novel place for a nest in the throat of a large wooden crocodile, where the young birds were to be seen. The crocodile is the work of Mr. Charles Scrutton, of Otley, and stands outside his house close to the high road. The bird discovered a secure retreat for her young in one of the most unlikely places where a nest would be looked for.

The following are the judges for Paisley O.A. Show, Jan. 1st and 2nd, writes Mr. W. Lambie, sec.: Scots Fancy, J. D. Maxwell, (Laurieston), J. Hannay (Dumfries), J. A. Stewart (Cathcart), A. M. Baird (Paisley), J. Watson (Glasgow), J. Hunter (Irvine); Norwich, Allan Chalmers (Kirkintilloch); Bord. and Yorks., R. Lambie (Whitburn); Mules, Hybrids, Brit. and For., A. Craig (Tollcross). The Thomas Love Cup, which was won outright last year by Mr. J. Fulton (Paisley), is to be replaced this year by another. The donor, the widow of the late Thomas Love, has very generously offered to provide, as long as she lives, a silver cup for competition, Scots Fancies, in memory of her late husband.—Wm. Lambie, Sec. and Treas. P.O.A.

GRIMSBY.

Grimsby and Dis. O.S. held their sixth annual show Oct. 30 and 31. The King's Hall, in which the exhibits were housed, is very easy, void of draughts, and with good light. The schedule was capital, and all prize money was guaranteed. The chairman, Mr. A. Oliver, and Mr. F. Yearing, vice-chair, are a brace of genuine fanciers, real workers, and not merely figure heads, both rendering excellent assistance. Committee consists of a band of willing and practical officials, great praise being due to Messrs. A. and T. Cartwright, W. Way, A. Towl, H. Beaumont, A. Robinson, C. Jacklin, and H. Harding. Mr. A. Oliver acts as show manager in up-to-date style, and his duties were carried out in masterly fashion. The hon. secs., Messrs. Towl and Smith, are a couple of rare good men, and pull well together. Both are most courteous, always doing the right thing at the right time, and keeping things in their proper course. The entry totalled 275—a very disappointing item to chronicle, and the officials deserved better fortune, as the management throughout was A1. The Mayoress of Grimsby, Mrs. A. J. Knott (in the unavoidable absence of her husband), declared the show open in a few most appropriate words. Mr. J. H. Roe judged.

Special for best Hardbill, Mr. W. G. Poole; best Softbill, Mr. P. V. Williams; Sandiford's for hottest-tted, Mr. T. H. Mason; Hyde's, Mr. A. Oliver; best Linnet (memb.), Mr. H. Towl; Goldie, Mr. D. Sadler. Other special winners were: Messrs. L. F. Harding, Briggs, H. Harding, J. Precious, Cockeram, and A. Wilson.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (5): 1, L. F. Harding, bouncing cl., grand shape and carriage, lovely feather, clean cut away; 2, 4, Howe, var., A1 col. and feather, well up in size, jaunty carriage, not quite shape; 3, Mason, var., cobby, good feather and col., nice body, wanting in head and neck. BUFF (5): 1, L. F. Harding, mkd. wings and eye, short and thick set, lovely feather, col., and mealing, moves finely, real gem; 2, Howe, cl., well up in substance, capital feather and col., richly frosted, note quite so full fronted; 3, T. H. Mason, cl., magnificent feather and col., short and thick set, in the pink; 4, McMillan; vhc, Marlor. YELL., 1912 (6): 1, Harding, cl., very shapely, nice size, good col. and feather, clean cut, very promising; 2, Howe, cl., better col. and feather, capital head, neck, and carriage, a beauty; 3, Harland, cl., red hot, cobby, A1 qual., shade smaller; 4, Young; vhc, Mason, T. H.; hc, Marlor. BUFF, 1912 (5): 1, Howe, cl., massive in build, clinking feather, rich col. and frosting, lovely shape, should do some winning; 2, Marlor, cl., ablaze with col., capital qual., fine head and neck, thick set; 3, T. H. Mason, cap mkd., red hot, very cobby in build, clean mder, not overdone with size; 4, Harding; vhc, Harland. YELL. HEN (7): 1, 2, Marlor, cl., wonderful substance, nice colour, soft silky texture of feather, rare shape, gem, wins easy, 2nd mkd. cheek, A1 col. and qual., fine head and neck, jaunty carriage; 3, McMillan, cl., cobby, nice feather, good shape; 4, Harding; vhc, Harland; hc, Young; c, Howe. BUFF (4): 1, 2, McMillan, cl., lovely shape, superior feather, nicely mealed, good size and carriage, grand damsel, 2nd cl., well up in size, capital head, neck, and chest, A1 col. and qual., not quite the carriage; 3, Harding, lightly var., beautiful feather, nice size, very neat; 4, Marlor. £3 NOVICE YELL. NOR. (9): 1, 2, 4, H. Harding, cl., rare substance, short and thick set, A1 col. and feather, clocklike action, very bonny, 2nd cl., rare col. and feather, nice shaped body; 3, Dalzell, cl., magnificent feather, grand carriage; vhc, Hesseltine; hc, Hallett; c, Briggs. BUFF (6): 1, Riley, cl., well clothed, capital col. and frosting, nice size, moves well; 2, H. Harding, cl., flotter in col., A1 feather, shapely, neat; 3, Briggs, cl., splendid col. and feather, richly frosted, well up in size, longer; 4, Hesseltine; vhc, Scorth. UNFLIG. (13): 1, Briggs, cl. yell., cobby, excellent feather and col., moves nicely, should come out well with time; 2, H. Harding, buff mkd. head, short and thick set, capital col., feather, and frosting, must have pressed; 3, 4, Livingstone, cl. yell., fine size and shape, good carriage, clean cut, open in feather; vhc, hc, Longhorn; c, Hallett. HEN (6): 1, H. Harding, very cobby cl. buff, feathered to perfection, beautiful expression, well up in size; 2, Ridley, cl. buff hardly the exquisite shape, yet one of nice size, col. and feather, clean cut; 3, 4, Thirsk, cl. yell., A1 col. and qual.; vhc, Hesseltine. YORKS. YELL. (4): 1, Wilkinson Bros., cl., stands like a guardsman, smooth as a bottle, fine length, clever legs, a picture; 2, Stamford, cl., rich in feather and col., nice length, well on leg; 3, Beaumont, cl., capital colour, nice feather, bit thick waisted; 4, Fawcett. BUFF (10): 1, Wilkinson Bros., mkd. head, capital feather and col., nice stand, fair length, neatly carried flights, good legs; 2, Precious, tkd. on head, rare length, stands beautifully, lovely feather, A1 wings and tail, many thought might have won; 3, Beaumont, mkd. wing, straight as a rush, well clothed; 4, Fawcett; vhc, Girling; hc, Ellis; c, Prentice. YELL., 1912 (6): 1, Beaumont, cl., well drawn, but rather short, nice feather and position, bit down in condition; 2, Brotherhood, cl., longer, straight as a rush, nice col. and feather, well on leg, in the pink; 3, Precious, cl., our choice, delightful feather, straight as a gun barrel, neat back, clever legs; 4, Barwick; vhc, Dixon. BUFF (3): 1, Barwick, cl., lovely salmon col., straight as a rush, well on leg, but short for present-day requirements; 2, Dixon, cl., lovely feather col. and frosting, fair length; 3, Precious, cl., capital feather and col. HEN (9): 1, Precious, yell. mkd. neck, sweetly moulded, rare length, not a feather misplaced, bewitching damsel, wins; 2, Ellis, buff mkd. wing, smooth as glass, erect and of A1 colour; 3, Fawcett, yell. mkd. back and thigh, straight up, well clothed; 4, Wilkinson Bros.; vhc, Williams; hc, Girling; c, Stamford. NOV. £3, YORKS. YELL (9): 1, c, Bardett, cl., rare length and qual., stands like a soldier, beautiful back; 2, Gibson, cl., hardly the qua., bit fine contour, nice col.; 3, Potter, cl., well up, nice length and feather; 4, Sowden; vhc, Lightfoot. BUFF (7): 1, Lightfoot, mkd. wing and eyes, smooth as a bottle, straight as a gun barrel, rare length, gem; 2, Potter, cl., feathered to perfection, lengthy, grand position, full of nerve; 3, Cockeram, thigh tkd., well up, grand feather, col., and mealing; 4, Lambert; vhc, Murray; hc, Ware; c, Lanckham. YELL. 1912 (13): 1, Smith, mkd. head, teeming with qual. and col., A1 position, good length, full of style, very bonny; 2, Murray, mkd. eye, slim and upstanding, very lengthy, not far away; 3, Smith, mkd. back of head, straight as a rush, good length, nice col.; 4, Bardett; vhc, Ware; hc, Hawkins; c, Parkes. BUFF, 1912 (13): 1, Gibson, mkd. wings and about head, grandly clothed, rich in col., delightful symmetry, well on leg, very bonny; 2, Lanckham, cl., lovely feather, col., and frosting, stands finely, rare feather and col., full of style; 3, Sowden, W. E., cl., smooth as a bottle, neat and narrow; 4, Ware; vhc, Hoskins; hc, Cockeram; c, H. Sowden. HEN (8): 1, Holmes, cl. yell., sweetly moulded, richly feathered, good position and length, neat back and wing carriage; 2, c, Cockeram, cl. yell., real gem, feathered beautifully, rattling position and length, much admired; 3, W. E. Sowden, cl. yell., not quite the length, but lovely feather and col., straight up; 4, Ware; vhc, H. Sowden; hc, Lambert. A.O.V. (1): 1, East and Hutson. LIGHT MULE (4): 1, Medley, yell. var., Gold-Can., lovely feather, good shape, nice col.; 2, 3, Pick, buff, lightly var. Gold-Can., fine qual., good size and shape, pale col., 3rd ditto, tight as a drum, very shapely, smaller; No. 3, Fisher, w.c., alleged to be an ordinary Canary. DARK (9): 1, Wilson, Can. Bull., capital shape, col., and qual., in absolutely best possible trim; 2, Stamford, yell. Gold-Can., very shapely, capital feather, nice face; 3, Kemp and Glover, buff Linnet Canary, tight as a drum, good shape, nice size, capital col.; 4, vhc, Jacklin; hc, Yearing; c, Normanton. HYB. (3): 1, 2, Wilson, Lin.-Bull., lovely col., grand qual., sweetly moulded, well staged, 2nd Greenie-Bullie, short and thick ed, fair col.; 3, Riley, buff Gold-Greenie, nice size and shape, not a feather misplaced. BRIT. GOLDIE (8): 1, Ward, rare size and shape, magnificent col., lovely rich face, capital bars and buttons; 2, Wilson, nice qual., good col. and carriage, not so large or so rich in face; 3, Williams, nice shape, col., and feather, well up in face col.; 4, Briggs; vhc, hc, Sadler; c, King. BULLIE (4): 1, Wilson, magnificent shape, lovely breast col., rare size, tight as wax; 2, Poole, again real picture, A1 col., nice cap, well polished; 3, Baseley, nice size and shape, neat cap; 4, Towl. LINN. (10): 1, Owen, magnificent shape and size, lovely markings, clear and distinct, grand col., A1 carr., in fine fettle; 2, 3, Judd, the right stamp, full of qual., A1 col., profusely and neatly pencilled, very close up indeed; 4, Medley; vhc, Kemp and Glover; hc, Towl; c, Poole. GREENIE (10): 1, Wilson, yell., delightful shape, magnificent col., rare size, a treat; 2, Cartwright, lovely col. and carriage, sweet shape, close on heels of winner; 3, Poole, very shapely, good substance, not the col. quite; 4, Drinkall; vhc, Sadler; hc, Basley; c, Yearing. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, vhc, Cotterill, Siskin yell., superior col., fine size and shape, neatly cut cap, rattling pencilling, little picture; 2, Sadler, Lesser Redpoll, grand col., fine contour, rich qual., grand one; 3, Cartwright, Mealy Redpoll, rare substance, nice shape and col.; 4, H. Towl. HARD (7): 1, Poole, Hawfinch, delightful shape and substance, superb qual. and col., grandly cut bib, truly a gem; 2, Baseley, Hawfinch, fine symmetry, teeming with qual. and col., fine bib and markings, beaten in size only; 3, vhc, Medley, Corn Bunting, good shape and col., well mounted; 4, Ridley; hc, Sadler. HEN (7): 1, vhc, Stamford, Hawfinch, shapely, good substance, well cut bib; 2, 4, Owen, Linnet, sweet shape, teeming with col.; 3, Cartwright, Bullie, well up in size, grand cap and breast col.; 4, Towl. SOFT (4): 1, P. V. Williams, (illegible) magnificent sheen, rare size, lovely beak and fine col., one of the best; 2, 4, Milne, Nightingale, well up in size, capital col. and shape; 3, J. W. Williams, Thrush, good in feather and col., nicely stained. FOR (2): 1, Harding; 2, H. Oliver. MEMB. NOR. NOV. (7): 1 hc, A. Oliver; 2, Ridley; 3, King; 4, Wood; vhc, Cartwright; c, Cotterill. UNFLIG. (3): 1, Wood; 2, Cartwright; 3, King. HEN (5): 1, 2, Wood; 3, Ridley; 4, Cartwright; vhc, Yearing. HARDBILL (8): 1, 4, c, Yearing; 2, H. Oliver; 3, vhc, A. Cartwright; hc, Cotterill.

CHATHAM.

22nd annual show held in the Queen Hall. Entries were not so numerous as in previous years. No doubt clashing with Bromley had something to do with it. With the exception of the winners, the Canaries were not wonderful in quality. Messrs. Wickham, Hobbs, Gooding, and Smith staged some nice Norwich. Yorkshires were not above the ordinary. British were small in numbers, but really good in quality. The members' cup was won by F. J. Wickham with a nice unflighted buff Norwich. Mr. S. E. Eastmead judged.

The Critique.

NOR.: 1, Hobbs, bonny bird, nice substance, grand head, wins; 2, Smith, nice bird, a little on small side; 3, Wickham, fine size, good head and neck, too long in body, close up to winner, some thought might have gone up one; vhc, Smith; hc, Gooding; c, Taylor. NOR. UNFLIG.: 1, sp., cup, vhc, Wickham, splendid bird, grand substance, lovely type and feather, wins; 2, Lynn, good bird, nice type, fails to winner in substance; 3, hc, Smith, another good bird, a bit on the small side; c, Gooding. NOR., NAT. COL.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, J. Smith, very nice team, nice type and qual., could do with more size perhaps. YORKS.: 1, Pilcher, lovely buff, grand length, neat head and neck, good shoulders, well filled back, grand wings, lovely feather, wins; 2, Clayton, good bird, fails in head, type, and qual. to winner; 3, Hinkley, a very useful stock bird; vhc, Allen; hc, Olive; c, Monday. MULE: 1, sp, 2, W. Smith, good, sound Greenfinch Mule, nice size, not yet fined down, will improve, 2nd very neat var. Goldie Mule; 3, Pankhurst; vhc, Knight, E. C.; hc, Carter, G. LINNET: 1, sp, Pankhurst, really good Linnet, beautifully pencilled, wants polishing, wins; 2, Wickham; 3, Smith, W., two good Linnets, very little between them; vhc, Pankhurst; hc, Knight; c, Taylor. MEMBERS: NOR.: 1, sp, Gooding, F. K., good bird, rather slack in feather, otherwise fit for keen competition; 2, 3, vhc, Smith, J., all nice specimens, but rather on the small side. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Hinkley, W., all Yorkshires, 1st very neat, typical buff, lovely feather, wants more length, 2nd better bird, but not yet fit, same remark applies to 3rd, altogether a very nice team. LINNET, ETC.: 1, sp, 2, 3, Pankhurst, nice Siskin, not so rich in col. as we should like, some liked the 2nd, a really first-class Mealy Redpoll, 3rd another very fine Redpoll; vhc, Bradley, W.

WAKEFIELD O.S.

Members' Show, held Crown and Anchor, Oct. 26, when an excellent entry of 99 birds was made. Mr. S. Wilcock, Bradford, judged, and gave every satisfaction. CL. TK. OR MK. YORK. CK.: 1, C. Parks; 2, A. Rollings; 3, hc, H. Taylor; 4, Talbot; vhc, Critchley; c, Slack. CL. ETC. MK. BUFF YORK.: 1, H. Taylor; 2, Slack; 3, Critchley. YELL. HEN: 1, A. Rollings; 2, Taylor; 3, Walmsley. BUFF: 1, 2, Holroyd; 3, Critchley. UNFLIG.: 1, vhc, Holroyd; 2, 3, Rollings; 4, c, C. Parkes; hc, P. Parker. Class 6: 1, hc, P. Parker; 2, 4, vhc, C. Parks; 3, Holroyd. CL., ETC. NOR.: 1, 3, vhc, Atkinson; 4, Midgley; hc, Talbot; 2, Walmsley; c, Daniels. HEN: 1, Midgley; 2, 4, vhc, C. T. Parks; 3, Walmsley. CL. ETC. NOR. UNFLIG.: 1, hc, C. T. Parks; 2, Daniels; 3, Atkinson; 4, Bedford; vhc, c, Walmsley. HEN: 1, 4, C. T. Parks; 2, Bedford; 3, vhc, Atkinson. PAIRS: 1, C. T. Parks; 2, 3, C. Parks; 4, Slack. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, 3, Daniels. GOLDFINCH: 1, Talbot; 2, Midgley. LINNET: 1, 3, Isherwood, 2, Slack; 4, Talbot; vhc, Midgley; hc, Taylor; c, Daniels. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Isherwood.

BARNSTAPLE.

Another Record—Entries 100 Up.

Twenty-fifth annual show in the Large Market Hall, one of the finest places in the kingdom. The birds were benched in a side annex of the great hall, an ideal place, well lighted with good top light and free from draughts. The entry was a record one, being nearly 100 more than last year. The newly formed Cage Bird Society, which was formed after the last show, took the matter seriously in hand, formed a good working committee of fanciers, with Mr. E. Collins, of British Bird and Mule fame, as chairman, and Mr. J. D. Horrill, of Belgian fame, as Hon. Sec., and the result has been splendid, the membership totalling about 60 for the year. Cups, spls., and cash spls., two spls. in every class. In Belgians Mr. G. S. Baker took 3 firsts out of the four classes, and 10 specials, including spl. for second best bird in show with his champion buff Belgian. In Yorks. some grand birds were staged; Mr. Richards won the members' cup. In Norwich we had some of the cream of the Fancy; birds of true Norwich type. Of Crest and Crestbreds what can be said? They were simply superb. Mr. Bale won challenge cup for best bird in show with a wonderful clear body dk. crest with dark tail, also winning the point spl. and spl. for third best. The Committee consisted of Messrs. G. S. Baker, F. G. Bale, T. A. Blackmore, J. W. Copp, C. Dart, W. J. Halls, F. J. Huxtable, E. G. Piper, F. Richards; Mr. E. Collins, Chairman; and Mr. J. D. Horrill, Hon. Sec., who all took share in the work, and everything went off in A1 style. Mr. R. J. Blackmore judged Belgians; Mr. T. Heath the remainder.

The Critique.

BELGIAN, YELL. CK. (6): 1, 2 spls, 3, hc, G. Baker, 1 his old champion, still looking young, grand bird often described 3 similar; 2, Hunt, another nice bird, hardly the substance of winner; 4, Horrill, another nice exhibit, hardly at his best yet; vhc, Horrill. BUFF (6): 1, 2, spls., spl. 2nd best bird, vhc., G. Baker, champion, wonderful shoulder and top end, always ready, often described; 2, Dart, very taking exhibit, not quite so heavy as leader, but very nervy, good neck and droop; 3, 4, vhc, Horrill, 3rd another nice exhibit, good shoulder and substance, hardly at its best yet. HEN (5): 1, 2, spls., vhc, Baker, grand buff, rare substance, sister to champion buff ck., Plymouth winner; 2, 3, 4, Horrill, all good birds, 4 last year's champion yellow, rare substance, hardly at her best yet. 1912 (15): 1, spl., challenge cup, 3, Bennett, 1 buff, tick on head, might perhaps have changed places with 3, a yellow of good quality, better top and substance for yellow than the buff, still both very nice exhibits; 2, 4, hc, G. H. Baker, yell., beautiful shoulders and top, nice droop; vhc, A. Baker; vhc, Horrill; many out of tickets can win; a grand class, contained two sets of winners. YORK., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (9): 1, spl., Greenslade, lovely type and style, good condition and col.; 2, Boundy, grand bird, nice style, good length; 3, Jewell, cl., another nice exhibit, similar to above; 4, Wills, not quite so close in feather; vhc, Thompson; hc, Richards; c, Lashbrook. BUFF (8): 1, spl., Thompson, mkd. head and neck, a beauty, nice style and shape, wins; 2, members' spl., Richards, cl., another good one, quite equal in style; 3 Craven, tkd. head, nice length, beautifully drawn, good exhibit; 4, Stirling, nice feather; vhc, Richards; hc, Lashbrook; c, Owen. HEN (12): 1, spl., Jewell, buff cl., nice hen, good length and nice feather; 2, members' spl., 4, Richards, tkd. headed yell., charming bird, very fine length, neat and beautiful style and feather, we heard 3rd Palace; 3, Mrs. Owen, another nice hen, nice style and length; vhc, Elston and Stone; hc, Lashbrook; c, Mellows. UNFLIG. (12): 1, spl., Jewell, tkd. wing bull, nice specimen, beautifully drawn, good length and shapely; 2, Mellows, cinn. mkd., real gem, feather close as wax, deserves its place; 3, Boundy, yell., nice exhibit, good shape; 4, Wills, wing mkd. buff, beautiful exhibit, grand feather, fails only in length to above; vhc, Greenslade; hc, Owen; c, members' spl., Richards. NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (9): 1, spl., Pope, beauty and no mistake, beautiful head, neck and body, wins; 2, Redmond, cheek and wing mkd., another good bird, nice cobby body; 3, Spillman, grand exhibit, ablaze with col., quite equal to above; 4, Turner, close run; vhc, Capp; hc, Newcombe; c, Lewis. BUFF (8): 1, spl, Spillman, head and wing mkd., beautiful qual., nice chubby body, excels in head and neck; 2, West, nice one, not quite so good in feather, capital shape; 3, members spl, Richards, grand bird, good head and body; 4, Copp, nice chubby body, fails only in neck and head to leaders; vhc, Newcombe; hc, Richards; c, Lewis. YELL. HEN (5): 1, spl, Rowley, large bird, body not quite cobby enough, some thought should have given way to Copp, 2nd and members' spl,, a grand hen, good head and neck, nice chubby body, nice and short, the right stamp; 3, Spillman, tkd. neck and head, nice hen, we liked much; 4, Richards; hc, Blackmore. BUFF (7): 1, spl, Redwood, bouncer for size, grand head, neck and body, wins; 2, Spillman, grizzle head and neck, another grand one, put down in A1 form; 3, Newcombe, another nice hen; 4, West, near; vhc, Jones; hc, Lemon; c, Pedlar. YELL. UNFLIG. (8): 1, 2 spls, Copp, var., real gem for shape, not one of the largest, best for qual., will want some beating, red hot in col; 2, Spillman, another variegs., not quite so chubby as winner, but a grand exhibit; 3, Moou, another var., good col, fails a bit in neck to above; 4, Blackmore, nice bird, nice type; vhc, Pope; hc, Pedlar; c, Blackmore. BUFF (9): 1, spl, Redwood, grand qual., extra good in head and body; 2, spl, Copp, another nice bird, close up; 3, Spillman, nice head and neck, hardly so chubby in body; 4, Richards, nice shape, fails only in size; vhc, Rowley; hc, Turner; c, Lemon. CREST BUFF CK. (8): 1, 2 spls, challenge cup best in hall, Bale, 1st wonderful cl. body D.C., immense size, grand texture of feather, delightful droop; 2, Bale, Plymouth winner, wing mkd D.C., grand formation, not quite so dense as winner; 3, Davey, var. Pied crest, large size, well centred, taking exhibit; 4, Rev. Joyce, var. D.C., lovely radiation, neat centre, not quite at its best; vhc, Evins Bros.; hc, Joyce; c, Bowden. HEN (8): 1, spl, Evins Bros., massive built, immense front, densely feathered, a good one; 2, Rev. Joyce, wing mkd. D.C., beautiful qual., nice droop and radiation, not quite size of winner; 3, Piper, wing mkd. D.C., crest immense size of good formation, very dense and nice centre; 4, Joyce, large green, expansive crest, not quite so neat as winner; hc, Davey; c, Joyce. C.-B. CK. (8): 1, spl, Davey, large heavy var., immense skull, clothed with long feather of rare density; 2, Evins Bros., green, massive body a beauty; 3, members' spl, Lane, green, another nice bird; 4, Joyce, var., fails a little in head; vhc, hc, Bale; hc, Bowen. HEN: 1, 2 spls, vhc, Bale, var., grand head and body, plenty of feather, a monster; 2, Joyce, another, good bird, grand body, plenty of feather; 3, Evins Bros., another good one; 4, Davey, was quite equal; vhc, Bale; hc, Joyce. CREST, 1912 (5): 1, 2 spls, 3 spl for 3rd best bird, cl. body, grizzle crest, wonderful youngster, winner of the Astor cup at Plymouth; 2, Davey, green, another nice bird, good crest; 3, Evins Bros., var., another grand bird; 4, Rev. Joyce; vhc, Bale. C.-B., 1912 (8): 1, 2 spls, Bale, green, an immense bird, one of the best; 2, Evins Bros., var., real good bird; 3, Rev. Joyce, green, another nice bird; 4, Davey; vhc, hc Bale. A.O.V. (6): 1, spl, 3, vhc, Pratt, Borders, 1st yell. tkd. eye and wing, beautiful qual., nice carr., 3rd bull, nice qual; 2, Pope, cinn. buff, nice qual; 4, members' spl, Taylor, cinn., another nice exhibit; hc, Taylor. PAIRS (5): 1, spl, Bale, lovely couple; 2, Piper, another good pair; 3, Davey, almost as good, 4, Lane; vhc, Reynolds (all Crests). NOV.: 1, spl, Hammett; 2, members' spl, Bowen; 3, Harris; 4, Shaddick; vhc, Gay; hc, Aye. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: 1, spl, F. Collins, Linnet-Can., beauty, often described, staged to perfection; 2, spl, Collins, noted Redpoll Goldfinch, in the pink; 3, Lamb, 4-pointed Goldfinch Can., grand exhibit; 4, Lamb, Redpoll-Bullie, a grand bird, fails a little in wing carriage; vhc, Collins. DARK: 1, spl, hc, Howick, Can.-Bullie, grand feather, nice exhibit; 2, F. Collins, Twite-Can., taking exhibit; 3, Lamb, Canary-Bullie, not quite so large as winner, still good; 4, Davies, Goldfinch-Can., beautiful exhibit; vhc, members' spl, c, E. Collins. GOLDFINCH: 1, spl, Newcombe, nice Finch, good face, wins; 2, Potter, another nice Finch, not quite in bloom; 3, Dix, nice face, all three close up; 4, Lugg, not ready yet; hc, c, James. BULLFINCH: 1, 2 spls, Southcombe, nice exhibit, fine col., wins; 2, Lugg, hen Bullie, nice in feather; 3, Goodman; 4, Huxtable. GREENFINCH, ETC. (10): 1, 2 spls, E. Collins, Chaffinch, real beauty and staged to perfection; 2, Lugg, Linnet, nicely pencilled; 3, Collins, Redpoll, a regular beauty; 4, Wills, grand Yellowhammer; vhc, Poole. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (5): 1, 2, spls, E. Collins, noted Starling, Palace winner, put down in the pink; 2, Bowden, Blackbird, nice exhibit; 3, Bennett, Thrush; 4, Dovell; hc, Brewer. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, spl, Poole, Hawfinch, grand bird, Plymouth winner, in grand fettle; 2, F. Collins, Yellow Wagtail, grand exhibit, shown in lovely condition; 3, F. Collins, Hawfinch, not quite up to winner; 4, Davey, Hawfinch; hc, spl, E. Collins, Hawfinch, a nice class. FOR. LARGE: 1, spl, Davies; 2, Davey; 3, Lemon. SMALL: 1, spl, Boyd; 2, 3, Meredith; 4, E. Collins, grand Siberian Goldfinch; vhc, Prance; hc, Davies. GROUPS SMALL: 1, 2 spls, Boyd; 2, Huxtable. LOCAL CAN. OR MULE: 1, 2, spl, dark Belgian; 2, Taylor, Mule; 3, West, Mule; 4, May, Belgian.

RUGBY AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

First show, Central Hotel, Oct. 26. Mr. G. Hall, Leamington, who judged, said he thought that both the quality of the birds and the arrangements had improved. General satisfaction was expressed at the awards. The arrangements were in the hands of the chairman and secretary, and they were ably assisted by the members of the committee. The weather was of the worst possible kind, and the attendance naturally suffered in consequence. Several birds changed hands during the evening. Mr. J. W. Veasey took spl for best Can., Mr. G. Nelson best Novice, and Mr. F. Ager best Brit. The most notable birds in the show were, perhaps, Mr. Best's Paradise Whydah and a nice looking Greenfinch belonging to Mr. Ager. Mr. Matthews staged a good Bullfinch, and Mr. Pain a very nice Yellowhammer and Starling.

NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, spl, Veasey; 2, vhc, Leng; 3, Muddiman. BUFF: 1, Veasey; 2, Muddiman; 3, Leng. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Muddiman; 3, Veasey; vhc, H. Leng; hc, c, Matthews. BUFF: 1, Veasey; 2, Leng; 3, Veasey; vhc, Nelson; hc, Muddiman; c, Mrs. Marshall. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Muddiman; 2, Mrs. Marshall; vhc, Matthews. BUFF: 1, Leng; 2, Muddiman; 3, Mrs. Marshall. NAT. COL. CK.: 1, Watts; 2, Veasey; 3, vhc, Grant. HEN: 1, 3, Veasey; 2, Matthews; vhc, Grant; hc, Ager. NOV. YELL.: 1, spl, Nelson; 2, Pain; 3, Martin. BUFF: 1, Nelson; 2, Martin. UNFLIGH. YELL.: 1, Nelson; 2, Martin; 3, Beet. BUFF: 1, 3, Salter; 2, Martin; vhc, Beet; hc, Nelson. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, Veasey; 3, Mrs. Marshall. MULES: 1, Beet; 2, Pain. FOR.: 1, Beet, Paradise Whydah; 2, 3, Mrs. Marshall, pair Java Sparrows, White, and pair Cut-throats. BRIT., Class 15: 1, Matthews, Bullfinch; 2, Ager, Goldfinch; 3, Leng, Bullfinch. 16: 1, 2, Pain, Yellowhammers; 3, Ager, Linnet; vhc, Watts, Linnet. 17, LARGE BRIT.: 1, Pain, Starling. 18, GREENFINCHES: 1, spl, Ager; 2, Nelson; 3, vhc, Salter.

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BERWICK-ON-TWEED.

Annual show held Oct. 26. The show proved a great success, a record entry being forward. Some of the members have had a very poor season, but others, especially the novices, a good one. Mr. Wm. Hay won sp. for best bird with a grand unlighted yell. Nor. cock, but Mr. Thompson's grand S.F. yell cock ran very closely indeed for the win. British were a good lot all round, sp. for best going to Mr. Grey's grand Magpie. Foreigners were a grand lot, some gems being staged; these were judged, in the unavoidable absence of Mr. Patterson, owing to illness, by Mr. Seely, of Messrs. Seely Bros., and his awards were well received. Borders, as is wont here, were forward in force, and some hot ones were staged. All the classes were good, and we were pleased to see a large number of young members prominent among the winners. The medal went to a grand buff hen, well put down by Mr. J. Smart. Mr. J. W. Bruce judged this variety and his awards were exceedingly well received. The evergreen Mr. A. Hay held the secretarial reins, and, as usual, had everything in apple-pie order. He was ably assisted by the worthy Chairman, Mr. C. Makins, whose presence at a show is always very welcome, and they were backed up by an enthusiastic committee. The show was held in a new hall, a great improvement on former years, staging, etc., being extra well arranged. The show was well patronised by local fanciers, among whom we noticed Mr. J. Young (Chirnside) with his late colleague, Mr. R. Johnstone, who is at present on a holiday from India, and whom we were pleased to see looking hale and healthy. Mr. G. Brown, late of Chirnside, we also noted among the numerous visitors.

The Critique.

In the four Scotch Fancy classes, Mr. Thompson was the only exhibitor, with a good all-round lot, a yell. cock leading, some way ahead, rare style, fine top end and droop, and well up in substance, good. CL., ETC., YELL. NOR. (9): 1, 3, Makins, fine weight, nice front and head, and good qual. of feather; 3, shade narrow in front; 2, hc, c, Moreland, leader, beaten in body; 4, Renwick, sweet shape, smaller; vhc, Hay. BUFF (13): 1, 3, vhc, Makins, wins, grand order, splendid front and head, nice size; 3, fails a little in skull, good feather; 2, Renwick, close up, beaten in wing carriage, good front and cut; 4, c, Purvis, fails in size, good feather; vhc, Thompson. A.O. YELL. (2): 1, cup, medal, and Sandiford's medal, W. Hay, wins, a hot one, great depth of col., lovely body and head and tip top wing carr., a good Nor. var. on rump and tail; 2, Renwick, sweet shape, beaten finish. BUFF (4): 1, Purvis, nice var., well up in size, and good body; 2, 3, Renwick, sweet qual., a shade smaller. CL. TK. HEN (17): 1, 4, Makins, leader, a hot one, grand head and front, and lovely wing carriage, well staged; 2, hc, c, Thompson, well up in size, beaten in head and front; 3, Moreland, good stamp, fails a little in wing carriage. A.O.C. HEN. 1, Renwick, nice size, good front and head, and fine qual. of feather. CREST (3): 1, Suthern, sweet crest, nice top piece, and well centred, plenty of size; 2, Makins, well laid on and centred, a shade smaller. C.B. (3): 1, Suthern, nice entrance and lash, well up in size. A.O.V. (1): 1, Crags, sweet, lengthy York, well put down. BORD. CL. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Suthern, sweet shape, grand style and taper, good head and wing carr.; 2, Meston, close up, better front, not so stylish, or good in col.; 3, Walker, sweet shape, smaller in head, good wing carr.; 4, Briggs, nicely balanced, and in rare bloom; vhc, Smart; hc, Moreland; c, Walker. HEN (12): 1, Meston, wins, good one, rare body and wing carr., lovely head, splendid bloom; 2, Briggs, shimmer, good pos. and shape; 3, Smart, sweet body, thin in neck and narrow in head, rare feather; 4, Moreland, good stamp, fails in finish; vhc, Walker; hc, Smart; c, Armstrong. CL. BUFF CK. (19): 1, Smart, sweet shape, grand feather, rare weight and style; 2, vhc, Walker, a shade stronger, good head and wing carriage, well put down; 3, Smart, fails in pos. and finish to winner; 4, Hay, good stamp, fails in wing carriage; vhc, Moreland. HEN (12): 1, B.F.C. medal, sp., 3, Smart, leader, grand one, fine front, and grand wing carr., splendid round body and lovely boxy feather, well put down; 3, fails in head and body to winner; 2, Moreland, sweet shape, lovely head and front, beaten in finish; 4, Briggs, fails a little in pos., good shape and feather; vhc., Walker; hc, Purvis; c, Armstrong. EVEN-MKD. (5): 1, Morland, good Buff, well balanced eyes and wings, grand type and qual.; 2, 3, Schooler; two nice ones, leader, best in eye-markings, sweet shape and finish; 4, Blackhall, fails in markings and feather. UNEV. YELL. (14): 1, Meston, good stamp, grand head and front, and tip-top wing carriage, full bloom; 2, McDonald, beaten in front, splendid head, and jaunty carriage, good feather; 3, Briggs, fails a little in head, good body and wing carr.; 4, Wakenshaw, beaten in finish, good shape, and nice style; vhc, Moreland; hc, Suthern; c, Walker. BUFF (14): 1, Meston, wins, in rare trim, splendid head and grand wing carriage, very stylish, well staged; 2, Hay, stronger in body and not so well burnished up; 3, Meston, good stamp, beaten in front; 4, Morland, rare feather, square in front, good wing carriage; vhc, hc, Schooler; hc, Smart. FOUL YELL. (14): 1, 4, Walker, wins, in rare order, grand head and front, and plenty style, good; 4th, longer in body and feather; 2, Meston, sweet front and head, lacks the style of winner; 3, hc, Purvis, a shade long, good feather and front; vhc, Wakenshaw; c, Hay. BUFF (11): 1, Purvis, wing tick, good one, neat head and front, good feather, nice weight and taper, well staged; 2, Walker, sweet hen, fine feather and finish, well drawn; 3, Hay, fails in head, grand order; 4, Meston, fails in body, good wing carriage; vhc, Wakenshaw; hc, Morland; c, Armstrong. GREEN or CINN. (10): 1, 3, vhc, W. Hay, leader a rare grass green, lovely shade of colour and pure pencilling, nice type; 3rd, a buff, good markings and shape; 2, A. Hay, grand type of a green, but a shade bronzy in col.; 4, Smart, beaten in ground colour and lacing; vhc, Morland; c, Morland. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (2) 1, Renwick, nice var. Goldie, on the dark side. DARK CAN. MULE (10): 1, 2, c, Purvis, two nice Greenie Mules, leader the best in size; 3, hc, Renwick, nice sized Goldie; 4, Roper, sweet Linnet, well marked; vhc, Smart. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (10): 1, Hay, good sized Bullie, nice cap and col., and well staged; 2, Irvine, sweet Goldie, good blaze, grandly buttoned, rare cheeks and nap, in full bloom; 3, Grey, Goldie fails in blaze, grand body col. and size; 4, Purvis, a Goldie, sweet size and shape, scarcely up yet, well staged; vhc, Grey; hc, Roper; c, Smart. LINNET, ETC. (19): 1, Suthern, good Linnet, well pencilled, good flights, shade soft; 2, vhc, c, Grey, good Linnet, plenty of work, a shade unsteady at times; 3, Purvis, grand all round Linnet, well marked, plenty size, good shape; 4, Roper, nicely marked, shade smaller, good ground col. and flights; hc, Hay. A.O.S. BRIT., SMALL (26): 1, 3, hc, Grey, nice Corn Bunting and Yellow hammer, well marked and staged; 2, 4, Hay, good col. Greenie and sweet Brambler hen, both in fine order; vhc, Purvis; c, Roper. A.O.S. BRIT. (7): 1, sp., best Brit., Grey, good all round Magpie; 2, 3, 4, Roper, grand trio of Thrushes, leader the best in markings, all well staged; vhc, Morland; hc, Schooler. FOREIGN (16): 1, 3, 4, c, Grey, leader, Madagascar Weaver, coming into bloom, good size, grand order, 3, Javas, 4, pair of lovely Zebra Waxbills; 2, vhc, hc, Hay, good Black-headed Gouldian Finch, in lovely order. NOV., BORD., YELL. (7): 1, Briggs, good hen, grand order, sweet head and front; 2, 3, and vhc, Irvine, sweet foul and a cl., well up in qual., good shape; 4, Knowles, nice body, fails a little in head; hc, Wakenshaw; c, Marshall. BUFF (10): 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, Irvine, a grand lot, leader best in head, all in fine order; hc, Wakenshaw; c, Briggs. NOR. (7) 1, 3, Thompson, good pair, well up in size and quality; 2, 4, Meston, sweet shape, beaten in weight, good heads; vhc, Craigs. AMAT., BORDER, YELL. (17): 1, 4, hc, McDonald, sweet cl. leading, good head and front, 4th, good body, fails in wing carriage; 2, Blackhall, close up, beaten in finish of neck, grand taper and style; 3, c, Meston, good one, beaten in taper, nice head and neck; vhc, Dickson. BUFF (16): 1, 4, hc, McDonald, sweet hen, grand head and front, and extra good in taper, well staged, 4, fails in front; 2, Dickson, good body and wing carriage, shade thin in neck and head; 3, Blackhall, good body and front, fails in finish to winner; vhc, c, Wakenshaw. MULE, BRIT, OR FOR. (5): 1, 4, vhc, Irvine, two nice dark Linnet Mules, leader the best in size; 2, Marshall, sweet Linnet, good size and markings. OLD BIRDS, PAIRS (8): 1, Thompson, good Scotch Fancies, plenty of size and substance; 2, hc, Hay, good Green Borders; 3, Suthern, Borders, well matched; 4, Roper, nice Borders; vhc, Suthren. GIFT CLASS, CK.: 1, Purvis; 2, Smart; 3, hc, c, Grey; 4, Irvine; vhc, Hay. HEN: 1, Knowles; 2, Hay; 3, Makins; 4, Marshall; vhc, Wakenshaw; hc, Meston; c, Morland. NOR. CK. (4): 1, 2, Makins, leader fine all round exhibit; 3, 4, Hay, beaten size, sweet shape. HEN (6): 1, 3, Makins, plenty size and good shape and quality, 3, smaller; 2, Hay, good feather and frill, in front; 4, Purvis, close up, sweet qual.; vhc., hc, Morland. BOR. CK. (13): 1, Walker, tip-top, yell. foul, grand style, A1 head and front, wins; 2, Smart, sweet buff cock, good stamp; 3, Purvis, var. yell., a shade stout, good head and wing carriage; 4, Morland, close up, good weight and finish; vhc, Hay; hc, Blackhall; c, Smart. HEN (7): 1, 2, Smart, sweet yell. variegs., grand type, a shade loose in feather; 2, clear yell., good one; 3, Briggs, foul buff, grand feather and finish; 4, Purvis, buff, shade thin in front; vhc, Suthern; c, Blackhall.

BRAINTREE.

Annual show, held Oct. 26, in Drill Hall, a splendidly lighted and cosy building. The entry was about the same as in previous years, and the quality was excellent all through. Mr. F. A. Runnable, the hon. secretary, had every arrangement made with great completeness, and it would be difficult to find a show at which everything worked with more uniform success. A splendid working committee was comprised as follows: Messrs H. A. Collins, A. Cole, E. H. Dowsett, W. French, G. A. Gage, H. Gage, F. Keys, F. C. Lupkin, A. L. Pulford, H. Spooner, W. H. Strutt, J. Thomason, T. Wheeler, J. Wright. All rendered efficient aid. Norwich made a splendid class for quality, the special winning buff of Mr. F. Clayden, a splendid unflighted bird of grand substance, also winning the Coronation Cup as "runner-up" for the Challenge Cup. Cup for best bird in the show was won by Mr. H. Sayward with a magnificent Magpie, the cynosure of all eyes, which took also special for best member's bird. Yorks were really good in point of quality, and there were one or two nice Crests. British were well up for quality. There were some very nice foreigners, particularly Mr. C. H. Row's Fire-tailed Finch. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged.

The Critique.

NOR. (11): 1, Collicott, cl. yell., nice carriage, deep col., good head; 2, Clayden, sweet headed soft feathered, rich col., very good type; 3, Brunning, cl. buff, close in feather, nice head, good carriage; res, vhc, hc, Rippon; c, Mattock. YORKS (8): 1, 2, hc, Strutt, leader good length, gets well up on perch, nice wing, back and neck; 3, Linn, racy, good qual., stands well; res, vhc, Spurgeon. 1912 (7): 1, Coronation Cup and spl. vhc, Clayden, leader bonny buff, rare type, undercolour, and quality of feather; 2, hc, Rippon, rattling yell. Nor., full of qual., grand head and neck; 3, Collicott, sweet buff Nor.; res, Linn; c, Witton. SELL. 20s. (6): 1, Rippon; 2, hc, Brunning; 3, Collicott; res, Clayden; vhc, Mattock. SELL. 10s. (8): 1, Clayden; 2, Rippon; 3, Collicott; res, vhc, Strutt; hc, Pepper; c, Sayward. NOV. (8): 1, Springett, grand yell. Nor., rare qual.; 2, Linn, neat Crest; 3, spl. Wisher, var. Crest, good body; res, Pepper; vhc, Andrew; hc, Tyler; c, Lock. MULE OR HYB. (4): 1, Witton. Siskin-Canary in fine trim, good size and col.; 2, Brown, four-pointed Goldie-Can., wants tightening up; 3, Sanling dark yell. Goldie-Can.; res, Row. GOLDIE (8): 1, c, Took, leader grand face, bars and buttons, rich tanning; 2, Sayward, very sweet little Finch, beautiful tanning, hardly full in col. yet; 3, Sarling, close up, a good one; res, vhc, Springett. A.O.S. (6): 1, cup, spl, Sayward, lovely Magpie, already referred to; 2, Row, sweet little Willow Warbler; 3, Lawrence, grand coloured Yellowhammer; res, Pepper; vhc, Lawrence; hc, Sayward. FOR. (6): 1, 2, Row, beautiful Fire-tailed Finch and pair of Yellow-breasted Waxbills, all in magnificent feather; 3, Bright, good conditioned Paradise Whydah; res, Eaton; vhc, hc, Bright.

BINGLEY AND DISTRICT O.S.

Third show of the season held October 26th, at the Co.-op. Assembly Rooms. 68 birds faced the judge. Principal points winners: S. Denby 21, A. M. Craven 19, Livesey and Son 18, R.-Wade 9, Ed. Townley 8, H. Shaw 8, G. Lee 6, and A. Blakey 6. Mr. H. Sutcliffe (Windhill) judged, and gave every satisfaction. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, S. Denby; 3, A. M. Craven; 4, Ed. Townley. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, Denby; 2, R. Wade. CL., OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Craven; 2, Denby; 4, Smith. BUFF: 1, Craven; 2, 4, Denby; 3, Livesey and Son. EVEN: 1, 2, Denby; 3, S. H. Bailey; 4, G. Lee. HEN: 1, 4, Craven; 2, Townley; 3, H. Shaw. FOUL, ETC., GREEN: 1, A. Godwin; 2, Wade. ROLLER: 1, 2, 3, 4, Livesey and Son. Features of the show were the good quality of birds, and the decorations by the secy's son.—A. Livesey, Sec.

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Nineteenth annual show of Scotch Fancy Canaries, in Grand National Halls, October 26th. Hon. Pres., the Right Hon. Lord Rowallan; Hon. Vice-Pres., Mr. A. Motherwell, J.P.; Pres., Mr. J. Renwick; Vice-Pres., Mr. P. McLellan; Sec. and Treas., Mr. J. Fleming. Judges: Messrs. Carlaw (Falkirk, Kennedy, junr. (Paisley), Park (Govan), McFarlane (Whitewick). Secretary Fleming and his able committee had everything arranged to perfection, the staging of the exhibits being well arranged, and the comfort of the large crowd of visitors duly attended to. The prizes, as usual, consisted of valuable and useful articles, along with some capital specials. The hall is one of the best in the kingdom for show purposes, large and well lighted throughout. Entries showed a considerable falling off compared with former years, which, we understand, was principally caused through the members having had a bad season's breeding, also within the last few years the membership has been reduced very much through deaths and old members leaving the district. Secretary Fleming is very popular in the Fancy, and deservedly so, and we wish him a record show for next season to make up for the present show's deficiency. With a few notable exceptions, the quality of the exhibits was not wonderful. The judges' awards seemed to give all-round satisfaction. In the selection of the cup bird a considerable difference of opinion was apparent, but ultimately Mr. Wm. Gray's buff pied hen was selected as the cup and gold medal winner and special for best bird in the hall; the runner up, a yellow cock belonging to the same owner, carrying off the gold medal for second best—a grand pair of birds, and well worth their positions to-day. In the unavoidable absence of Lord Rowallen, Pres., and Vice-Pres. Motherwell, ex-Baillie Young presented the prizes.

The Critique.

YELL. (8): 1, 2 spls., Gray, fine size and body, grand length of wing, nice full front, tail well circled, a good one, runner up for cup, winner of gold medal; 2, spl., 6, McIlwain, nice size and droop, hard up, tail well in, good reach, not so loose in feather as 1st; 3, Seywright, fails in size only to those in front, nice bird; 4, Lang; 5, spl., Lees; 7, 8, Stewart. BUFF (17): 1, Gray, grand thickness through, full top end, good reach and droop; 2, Lees, nice top end, hard up, fine pose, shade short in neck; 3, Jas. Orr, nice bird, fails a bit in size to those in front; 4, Kogo; 5, John Orr; 6, Low; 7, spl., James Orr. YELL. PIED (13): 1, Stewart, nice body and thickness through, grand reach and droop, wins; 2, 4, Gray, shade stiff, little short in reach to first, good body and length of side, 4 a nice bird; 3, John Orr, better body and size than second, but fails a shade in style; 5, Seywright; 6, Blue; 7, Renwick; 8, James Orr. BUFF (12): 1, 3, Phillips, great size, grand length of side, good reach, good stock bird, 3 another fine size, shade plain, loses in style to others; 2, Clark, fine size, not so thick through the chest nor length of side, but better for reach and droop than first; 4, spl., Shaw, first in Amateur class; 5, Stewart; 6, spl., Gray; 7, spl., James Orr. GREEN (8): 1 Kogo, grand size and reach, good droop and length of wing, very stylish exhibit; 2, Gray, fails in size only to 1st, fine reach, well up, nice thickness through, close thing; 3, 4, spl., Clark, shade plainer and barely the size of those in front, nice style; 5, James Orr; 6, Fleming; 7, Lorhead. FOUL (19): 1, 3, Montgomery, leader full feather in front, fair size, nice reach and droop, tail comes well to spar, good bird, 3 nice size, good reach and droop, plenty of style, good third; 2, Stewart, full frontal feather, fair depth through the chest, firm reach and droop, tail comes nicely to spar, some liked it for 1st place; 4, 6, spl., Clark; 5, Gray; 7, Alex. Orr; 8, spl., Shannon. YELL. HENS (19): 1, Clark, grand size and shape, good body and reach, nice droop, full of style; 2, 6, McIlwain, 2 all right for size, shade, stiff in tail, good body and reach; 3, 3spls., 4, Stewart, a shade more size wanted in leader, otherwise good bird; 5, spl., Shaw; 6, McIlwain; 7, spl., Johnson. BUFF (14): 1, James Orr, nice thickness through, good reach and droop, tail comes nicely to spar, very stylish exhibit; 2, Smith, perhaps more stylish bird than 1st, very little between them, well up; 3, 4, 5, Montgomery, 3, loses only in style to those in front; 6, spl., Seywright; 7, W. Gray; 8, Lang. YELL. PIED (8): 1, Gray, grand body, full of style, hard up, fine pose, tail nicely circled; 2, 3, James Orr, shade light to winner, fine reach and droop, 3rd better for body, shade short in neck, nice length of wing, tail well circled to spar; 4, Blue; 5, 6, McLauchlan; 7, Seywright; 8, Sharp. BUFF (24): 1, 2 spls., 2, spl., Gray, 1st, cup and gold medal, grand type all round, 2 the 1st has it for size only, neat bird; 3, McLauchlan, barely so good in reach and droop to winners, good type; 4, 5, spl., 7, Stewart; 6, spl., Seywright; 8, spl. Clark. GREEN (16): 1, McMillan, grand size fine reach and droop, nice and deep through the chest and length of side, wins; 2, 3, 4, 5, Clark, 2 not so full in frontal feathers as 1st, nor quite so hard up, but fine reach and droop, 3 shade plainer than those in front; 6, 7, McLauchlan. FOUL (17): 1, 6, John Orr, good body and reach, good droop and depth through; 2, 3, 7, 8, Clark, good thickness through, shade gripped on neck, nice length of side, keeps tail well in, 3 smaller, very neat, good type; 4, Kogo; 5 Blue. NOVICE: 1, Shaw; 2, Low; 3, Sharp; 4, 6, Alexander; 5, Lochead. HENS: 1, 2, Shaw; 3, 5, Sharp; 4, Lochead.

SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Evening show of members' young stock held Sydenham Hotel, Oct. 26. The weather conditions were terrible, and it was surprising to find over sixty birds staged, many of them from some miles away. Mr. G. Baker judged in the place of Mr. Wells, who was prevented by an accident from attending, and his awards gave every satisfaction. Show Manager Wright was again to the front, having all in good order, and much credit is due to the acting stewards, Messrs. Wright, Harding, Hughes, Murray, and Constable. Special winners: Best British, F. Derry, also most points novice Norwich; best Mule, Mr. Rabey; other winners being Messrs. Clay, Murray, Reeves, and Rees.

CHAMP. CINN. (3): 1, Hammersley. YORKS CL. ETC. YELL. (6): 1, 4, Hughes; 2, 3, Clay; vhc, Adcock; hc, Burke. BUFF: 1, 2, Clay; 3, Burke; 4, hc, Sheppard; vhc, Adcock. A.O.V. (1): Sheppard. BORD. YELL. (2): 1, Murray; 2, Sears. BUFF (3): 1, Murray; 2, 3, Sears. NOV. NOR. CL. TKD. BUFF (6): 1, 4, vhc, Derry; 2, 3, Austin; hc, Sears. A.O.V. (4): 1, Austin; 2, 3, Derry. NOV. YORKS CL. ETC. YELL. (6): 1, 3, Harding; 2, Clay; 4, Murray. BUFF (7): 1, spl, Rees; 2, Adcock; 3, Clay; 4, vhc, Sears; hc, Harding; c, Constable. A.O.V.: 1, Constable. MULES OR HYB. (6): 1, 3, spl, Raby; 2, Sheppard; 4, Derry. 1912 (1): Constable. BRIT. (3): 1, spl, Derry; 2, Constable; 3, Raby.

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GOOD SHOW AT AYR

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The fifth annual show of the Ayr and Dis. C.B.S. was held Oct. 26, in the Academy Hall. Except for its rather out-of-the-way position, which told against the "gate," the hall is a most excellent one for the purpose, very comfortable and lit in the correct way for viewing and judging the exhibits, which on this occasion aggregated 403 a decrease on last year's total of something like 30. The Yorks. and Borders were a very level and interesting lot, and must have given Mr. Dewar some anxiety in placing his awards. As not a single grumble was heard, it shows the care and good judgment exercised by that well-known adjudicator. The Mule and British bird exhibitors were forward in fair numbers with some most valuable and interesting exhibits, which proved the most attractive part of the show. The secretary, Mr. James Sloan, is very capable and efficient, and under his supervision the arrangements were well carried through. Possibly a little more "come-and-go" with exhibitors (especially from a distance) during the staging operations might be imparted with advantage to the club. Amongst the other office bearers we were pleased to note the following during the progress of the show, doing their best to make the venture a success, viz.: Hon. Pres., Robert M'Kay, Esq.; pres., J. Forbes, Esq.; vice-pres., C. C. Irvine, Esq.; committee, Messrs. J. Cameron, S. M'Harg, W. Lyall, J. Whitten, R. Aitken, A. Boyd, J. N. Hunter, A. Lindsay, J. French, J. Murray, J. Bell, A. Campbell, J. Kelly, R. Muir, and T. French. The Canary section was judged by Mr. J. F. Dewar (Edinburgh), and the Mule, Brit., and For. sections by Mr. J. Mason (Peebles), and their awards gave little cause for grumbling.

Mr. J. F. Dewar's Classes.

SCOTCH FANCY CK. (8): 1, 5, 6, Hainey, 1kd. buff, grand size, wonderful depth throughout, very nervy, gets into position quickly; 2, 7, McClure, buff pied, rare length and grand position, hardly the depth of winner, but a grand bird; 3, McLean, grand position, with head well forward, real nice one; 4, Robertson. HEN (5): 1, 3 spg, 3, McClure, cl. buff, grand size and position, very nervy and free, capital shoulders and reach, neat head, a beauty, wins sp for best bird in show, 3rd pichald, not quite the length of winner, very nervy, splendid shoulders; 2, 5, Hainey, 2nd grand one, but hardly so good a worker, grand shoulders and fine position; 4, McLean, smart and fine length of sides. CREST (4): 1, 2, Forbes, 1st var., fine head properties, good length of feather, nice lashing, 2nd self green, good head, entrance and lashing, full of qual., fine body, rare length and width of head feather; 3, French, var., just a trifle narrower at entrance, but nice length of head feather; 4, McKay. CRESTBRED cancelled. NOR. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Watson, cl., wonderful substance, rattling fine shape, delightful feather and col., beautiful carriage of flights and tail; 2, Scott, cl. yell., another good one for shape and qual. of feather, grand head and neck, staged in lovely bloom; 3, Maxwell, cl. yell., very shapely, superb qual. and col.; 4, Murray; 5, Gilmour; 6, McKay. HEN (5): 1, Watson, cl., of beautiful outlines, lovely expression of head, perfect shaped body, soft, silky feather, in great bloom; 2, Armour, A1 qual. and col., grand head, neck and chest, quite a charmer; 3, Devoy, grizzle tail, grand type, lovely feather, good wing carriage; 4, Paling; 5, McKay. BUFF (5): 1, Maxwell, cl., true shape, rare size, feathered to perfection, rich colour, beautifully frosted; 2, Devoy, another cl., massive in build, superior qual., moves finely, A1 wings and tail; 3, Anderson, cl., plenty of size, superior qual. and col., grand carriage, charming head and neck; 4, McKay; 5, Watt. HEN (6): 1, Paling, cl., for shape, qual., col. and size is all that could be desired, good wing carriage, real nice; 2, Devoy, magnificent feather and col., good head, thick neck, bold, deep chest; 3, Maxwell, teaming with qual. and col., very shapely; 4, Gilmour; 6, Watt. NON-FED classes both cancelled. UNFLIG. CK. YELL. (7): 1, 5, Maxwell, former cl., delightful shape, fine size, lovely qual. of col.; 2, Scott, short and thick, rich feather, shining like polished marble, A1 colour; 3, J. Muir, cl., capital type, best of qual. and col., fine head, neck, and chest; 4, Devoy; 6, sp, McKay; 7, McLachlan. BUFF (10): 1, sp, Devoy, cl., true shape, rare size, feathered to perfection, rich colour, staged in lovely bloom; 2, Cairns, wing nkd., massive in build, grand outlines, grand head and neck, grand mover; 3, Maxwell, plenty of size and superior qual., and col., charming head and neck; 4, 2 sps, H. Muir; 5, J. Muir; 6, Naismith. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Armour, cl., good head and wings, chubby shape, nice size, beaming with qual., bright level col.; 2, Cairns, grand shape, qual., and size, good wing carriage, staged in lovely bloom; 3, 4, sp, McKay, very shapely, and superb qual. and col.; 5, Naismith; 6, J. Muir. BUFF (12): 1, Devoy, wing nkd., sweetly moulded, well up in size, grand fronted, neat head and wings; 2, J. A. Murray, head nkd., for shape, qual. of col., and size all that could be desired; 3, Maxwell, teeming with qual. and col., very shapely; and of good substance and carriage; 4, Watson; 5, Cairns; 6, Kelly; 7, H. Muir. YORKS. CK., YELL., CL. OR TKD. (9): 1, 4, Heggie, cl., rich col., well up on legs, neat head, well braced wings, shown in the pink of condition; 2, MacRobbie, boxey feather, stands well on legs, good flights and tail position; 3, sp, Girvan, lovely bloom, even col. throughout, nice position, wings and tail; 5, Crichton; 6, McLellan; 7, Cobb. BUFF (6): 1, MacRobbie, cl., grand position, full of qual., grand head; 2, Martin, well braced wings and tail, neat head, clean on breast, good position, full of quality; 3, McLellan, good head and chest position, very stylish, well braced wings and tail; 4, Webster; 5, Cobb; 6, Cameron. YELL. HEN, CL. OR TKD. (8): 1, Cochrane, cl., very typical, rich col., neat head and boxey feather, good wing carriage; 2, McLellan, lovely qual., well up on legs, neat head, rare length; 3, Cameron, well braced wings and tail, lovely mover; 4, Crichton; 5, Anderson; 6, Martin; 7, Cobb. BUFF (13): 1, Dr. Syson, cl., grand position, full of qual., typical, good head, grand worker; 2, McLellan, very nice head, good level back, well braced wings and tail; 3, Erskine, neat head, grand shape and feather, good wing carriage and style; 4, Park; 5, sp, Telfer; 6, Webster; 7, MacRobbie. VAR. CK. OR HEN (6): 1, 2, Heggie, var. yell., rich col., boxy feather, very typical, good head and lovely position, 2nd head and wing nkd. buff, A1 position, full of quality, well braced wings and tail, good head and rich col.; 3, Cochrane, var. yell., good head and neck, well drawn, takes lovely position on sticks; 4, Park; 5, Hunter; 6, Webster. BRED 1912, CK. (12): 1, Jeffrey, cl. buff, rare length, grand qual. of feather, pipe tail, neat head, position A1; 2, Girvan, cl buff, splendid silky feather, grand shape and style, good level back, nicely braced wings and tail; 3, Dr. Syson, yell., head nkd., lovely col. and feather, nicely moulded body, stands well up when handled; 4, Cochrane; 5, Paterson; 6, Martin; 7, Cobb. HEN (16): 1, Erskine, cl. buff, lovely qual. feather, smooth as glass, lovely wing carriage, good head and lovely mover, wins easy; 2, MacRobbie, rich col., well braced wings, pipe tail, good head and breast, a good positioned bird; 3, Dr. Syson, cl. buff, full of qual., stylish, good head and breast; 4, Jeffrey; 5, Cameron; 6, Cochrane; 7, Paterson. NON-FED (10): 1, MacRobbie, cl. yell., neat head, close fitting shoulders, well braced wings and tail, lovely feather; 2, Anderson, cl. buff, stands well up to her work, shown in lovely condition; 3, Cook, neat head, lovely feather, nicely moulded body, A1 wing carriage; 4, French; 5, Hunter; 6, Webster; 7, Sloan. BORDER, CK., YELL., CL. OR TKD. (10): 1, Wilson, cl., good one, grand shape, fine level col. throughout, grand wing carriage, and well rounded all over, put down in fine trim; 2, Davidson, another hot one for position, grand type, rare mover, close up; 3, Smillie, head nkd., well made Border, lovely shaped bird, beautiful carriage, grand back and wings, staged in lovely form; 4, Mossie, yet another gem; 5, Broadfoot; 6, Nairn; 7, Aitken. HEN (11): 1, Davidson, in grand order, very typical, real hot one, should be heard of again; 2, Mossie, a sweet one for type, fine position, and beautifully tapered, in lovely feather, presses winner; 3, Laidlaw, Junr., a short, neat, but all there, in lovely feather, regular little beauty; 4, Alexander; 5, Gibson; 6, Beck; 7, Findlay. BUFF CK., CL. OR TKD. (15): 1, Mossie, cl., winning easy, a beauty, grand feather, lovely shape, fine level wing carriage, and a rare mover; 2, Findlay, a grand positioned bird, in lovely feather, a regular little beauty; 3, Nairn, a stouter built bird, but rare properties, grand head, front and wing carriage; 4, Broadfoot; 5, Taylor; 6, McGee; 7, Holden. HEN (16): 1, Broadfoot, cl., lovely tone of col., very fine positioned bird, good carriage, and very good taper, nice head and front; 2, Hutcheson, well rounded in front, put down in good order, rare head and wing carriage; 3, Walker, very nice type, shown in good order; 4, Davidson; 5, Findlay; 6, Beck; 7, Young. UNEVEN MARKED OR VAR. (15): 1, Smillie, almost even nkd., beauty for type, steady as a rock, grand col. and feather, rare front and taper, wing carriage a treat, very taking exhibit, well staged; 2, Allan, yell. var., very similar to winner, very nice fronted one, very free moving bird, of rare position; 3, Holden, eye and wing nkd. yell., good all round shape, in rare order; 4, Beck; 5, Walker; 6, Hutchison; 7, Laidlaw, jun. GREEN OR CINN. (12): 1, 3, D. Murray, 1st yell. cinn., lovely shade of col., deep cinnamon tone, nice position, and well made all over, a neat one, well staged, 3rd yell. cinn., lovely type and qual. of feather, in A1 order; 2, W. Murray, yell. green, in first rate order, good shade of grass green throughout, put down in rattling order; 4, Wilson; 5, Lambie; 6, Findlay; 7, Holden. A.O.V. CAN. cancelled. SELL. (10): 1, McKay; 2, Beck; 3, Hunter; 4, Bell; 5, Wilson; 6, Ramsay; 7, Kelly.

Mr. J. Mason's Classes.

LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, 2, McQuiston, former large jonque, almost 6-pointed Goldfinch Mule, shown in grand bloom, 2nd very large, almost clear Greenfinch jonque, grizzled on each cheek, barely finished moult, will take stopping when ready; 3, Mitchell, Goldie-Redpoll, nice exhibit, but showing white round neck; 4, Cowan; 5, Smart; 6, Graham. DARK CAN. MULE (8): 1, 5, McQuiston, 1st well-known jonque Linnet, now coming into form; 2, A. Muir, jonque Goldfinch Mule, showing nice flush face, will be a good one later on; 3, Steven, another jonque of grand size, beaten in face colour; 4, Lyall; 6, Cowan; 7, Duncan. GOLDFINCH, BRIT. (11): 1, McMinn Bros., well cushioned forehead, promising blaze, showing a few quills yet, clean cut cheeks, rich dark tan, regularly buttoned, staged in lovely bloom; 2, Nicholson, steady, expansive square blaze, richer in col. than winner, jaunty style, might have won the City of Glasgow winner; 3, Davidson, swanking attitude, plenty of blaze, attractive and steady, well groomed; 4, Hutchison; 5, MacRobbie; 6, Conkie; 7, Jardine. BULLFINCH, BRIT. (9): 1, McMinn Bros., grand size and type, good back and wing bars, not up in breast col.; 2, Wason, best of cap, splendid tone, extra light at all points, but also pale; 3, Dale, grand size, good breast colour, but dry in feather; 4, McCoy; 5, Henderson; 6, McQuiston; 7, Conkie. GREENFINCH (FED) (7): 1, Stewart and Dalling, large buff, chubby head and body, nicely rounded, closest of feather; 2, Nicholson, grand, square jawed, much richer in col., stands well on legs, staged in A1 bloom; 3, Cowan, big, thick set, rare short neck and chubby body, rich in col., and well staged; 4, Irvine; 4, McLean; 6, Conkie; 7, Waitt. GREENFINCH (NON-FED) (13): 1, Wason, yellow, lovely tone of grass green throughout, grand head and body, staged in A.1. form, wins easy; 2, Herron, last year's winner, but hardly finished moult yet, grand size, rare colour, good head, a little thin in neck; 3, Bald, big bold head, thick short neck, nice tone of colour, pressed hard for 2nd; 4, McCloy; 5, Laing; 6, Graham; 7, Lambie. LINNET (HOUSE-MOULTED) (9): 1, 2, McQuiston, former grand colour, specially distinct breast markings, 2nd larger bird but very wild, good big Norwich type, plenty of breast work; 3, Colbrow, capital size and shape, very defined markings, shade dark in colour, grand size; 4, 2nd spl. Boyd; 5, Boxburgh; 6, Thomson; 7, Davis. LINNET (F.M.) (14): 1, Downie, grand size, lovely breast work, very steady, markings of a good one; 2, Conkie, another good big Linnet, fairly steady, good sound colour all over, nice pencilling, staged in nice order; 3, McQuiston, largest in class, but very wild, grand col. and markings; 4, Morton; 5, Sproat; 6, Cowan; 7, Wason. SISKIN, ETC. (11): 1, Morton, Siskin, good bird, but rather too hot in colour for our liking; 2, Quinn, large Mealy 'Poll, grand size, lovely head and beak, well on its legs, best we have seen this season; 3, Bald, Siskin, we liked very much, broad black cap, eye and wing marks very clear, sweet tone of yellow, staged in rare bloom; 4, Conkie, grand Mealy 'Poll, beaten in size only; 5, Laing; 6, McQuiston; 7, Boyd. TWITE (6): 1, McQuiston, deep colour, nicely laced, glossy feather, large, graceful style, teeming with quality; 2, Webster, just beaten in size and lacing, but grand colour, very steady and well staged; 3, Morton, grand size, very hot colour, nice markings; 4, Wason; 5, Colbrow; 6, Conkie. LESSER REDPOLL (13): 1, Morton, very chubby type, good wing marks, clean cut jet black bib, very hot colour; 2, McQuiston, grand size and markings beaten in colour; 3, Hopkins, lovely size and shape, good head, best of breast markings, very steady; 4, spl., Wason; 5, Lambie; 6, Irvine; 7, Lyall. A.O.V. FINCH (11): 1, 2, McQuiston, well-known Corn Bunting and Bramblefinch; 3, Dunlop, Yellowhammer, natural colour, fine head and cheek marks, steady, staged in A1 bloom; 4, spl. Conkie, very good Hawfinch; 5, McCloy; 6, Mitchell; 7, Irvine. HEN (11): 1, Lyall, hen Linnet, grand size, lovely colour and breast work, steady, well shown; 2, Stuart and Dalling, Bullfinch, grand body type and colour, little weak in head otherwise good one; 3, Taylor, Bramblefinch, grand size and spangling, very steady, well staged; 4, McCloy; 5, Somerville; 6, McQuiston; 7, Thomson. SOFTBILL (SMALL) (5): 1, Taylor, well-known Redstart, staged in excellent condition, credit to its owner; 2, McQuiston, with his equally well-known Bearded Tit, looking as well as ever; 3, Telfer Bros., Waxwing, steady and shown in lovely condition; 4, Davis; 5, Miller. LARGE, cancelled. SELL. (6): 1, Conkie; 2, Morrison; 3, Cowan; 4, Henderson; 5, Alexander; 6, Irvine. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (FOREIGN) (12): 1, Graham, grand big Goldie, fine square face, wonderful colour, clean cut, pure white collar, wins easy; 2, Welsh. Bullfinch, lovely breast colour, good cap, back and wing bars, staged in A.1. condition; 3, 5, Guthrie and Son, well forward in blaze, good wings, well groomed; 4, McMinn Bros., Bullfinch; 6, Miller; 7, Stuart and Dalling. FOR. (SMALL) (5): 1, Webster, Blackfaced Lovebird, grand size, A.1. feather and condition, well staged; 2, McClure, same species, beaten in size, but grandly staged; 3, Telfer Bros., Pekin Robin, grand size, lovely colour, to the wild side or might have been higher; No. 2, absent. LARGE (5): 1, Morrison, Crimson Wing, beautiful bird shown in first-class order, charming exhibit; 2, White, Greater Hill Mynah, very interesting exhibit, talking very plainly all day, shown in the height of bloom; 3, Hellron, Sulphur Crested Cockatoo, shown in good bloom; 4, Mrs. Sinclair; 5, French. GIFT (5): 1, McLachlan; 2, 4, Lyall; 3, McClure; 5, Hunter.

FALKIRK.

ENTRIES IN EXCESS OF LAST YEAR.

24th annual show held Oddfellows' Hall, Grahamston, Oct. 26. The hall is well adapted for such an exhibition. Staging was erected along the three sides of the hall, also centre, which left plenty of room for visitors, and the light was good. Entries were in excess of last year, and this speaks well for the management of this society. The total of 458 must be considered very satisfactory. Judges were: Messrs. J. Sneaton, Musselburgh (Nor.); Baillie Lambie, Whitburn (Bord. and Crests); and R. Bald, Bathgate (Brit. and For.), and they seemed to give entire satisfaction.

Young Bird Section.

CL., ETC., YELL. NOR. (13): 1, 7, W. Moreland, rich col., good size, nice head and wings, good first; 2, Smart, another good one for size and condition, loses in wing carriage to winner; 3, Condie, capital shape, good col., fine skull and neck, typical throughout, close up; 4, Binnie, good sized bird; 5, McNaughton; 6, Stewart; 8, Jeffery and Stevenson. BUFF (20): 1, Smart, grand substance, rich col., nice head and chest, full of qual., wins cup, medal, two specials; 2, Moreland, bit rough in feather, but all there for size; 3, Patterson, another good bird, bit open in chest; 4, Simpson, smaller than winners, but full of qual.; 5, Morris; 6, Jeffery and Stevenson; 7, Scaife; 8, Binnie. A.O.V. P.H., Ch. (15): 1, sp, Stewart, grand shape, lovely order; 2, Smart, big typical variegated, nice head and wings, some thought might have changed places with winner; 3, Sharp, grand shapely bird, not quite ready yet; 4, Corbett, shapely, good qual., tail feathers damaged; 5, Jeffery and Stevenson; 6, Simpson; 7, Marshall; 8, Gorrie. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (11): 1, sp, Smart, capital shape, in lovely order, another easy win; 2, 3, Moreland, two nice birds; 4, Ovenstone, good size, nice make, bit rough in feather; 5, 6, Heard; 7, Patterson; 8, Jeffery and Stevenson. BUFF (15): 1, Smart, grand size, beautiful feather, nice wing carriage, deserves its place; 2, Scaife, good qual., neat in front, beaten here in wing carriage; 3, Simpson, restless, and in not the best of order, might perhaps have given way to 4, McNaughton, nice bird, good head and wing carriage; 5, Condie; 6, Godfrey Bros.; 7, Morris; 8, Sutton. A.O.V. P.H. HEN (15): 1, Marshall, nice, stylish, very shapely, a wee bit small to our fancy; 2, Woodhouse, tail nkd. yell., much larger, somewhat rough in feather; 3, Scaife, big, bouncing bird, some thought might have gone up a peg; 4, Heard, good bird; 5, Smart; 6, McNaughton; 7, Simpson; 8, Sharp. NON-FED YELL. (7): 1, sp, Jeffery and Stevenson, nice wing and eye nkd., bit small in head, but grand wing carr.; 2, Ovenstone, larger bird, rare qual., put down in good style; 3, Ainnie, nice bird; 4, Corbett, nice feather, shapely, clean cut; 5, Heard; 6, McGillivray Bros.; 7, Morris. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Ovenstone, cl., and head nkd., both well filled in head and neck, two nice birds; 3, Morris, large buff, not quite so shapely; 4, Woodhouse, nice specimen; 5, J. Moreland; 6, W. Moreland. CREST CK. (1): 1, Moir, nice head qual., fine, leafy feather, in good order; 2, McNaughton, good bird, not yet quite in condition; 3, Feeney, immense quantity of feather, a nice one indeed; 4, Burnett, another nice Crest, condition should improve. HEN (7): 1, sp, Moir, beautiful crest, grand body, put down in good order; 2, Angus, rather more body than winner, but not quite the quantity of crest; 3, Burnett, similar to second, closely pressed; 4, McNaughton, well up in size, close in feather; 5, Feeney; 6, Wilson. C.B. CK. (4): 1, 2, Moir, good win, grand bird, in splendid condition. 2nd finer qual., but not the same build; 3, Feeney, large bird, bit rough in feather, well placed; 4, McNaughton. HEN (4): 1, sp, Moir, grand bird, well put down, easy win here; 2, Smart, fine body, plenty of feather, 3, McNaughton, good and shapely. BORDERS, CL., ETC., YELL. (13): 1, 4, Auld, good one, inclined to be a little soft when we saw it, 4th, another sweet one, well placed; 2, Wilson, lovely shape, fine round head, splendid wing carr., well put down; 3, Reid, nice stamp, but fails in wing carr. to winners; 5, McWatt; 6, Jeffery and Stevenson; 7, 8, Conner. BUFF (15): 1, Jeffery and Stevenson, good win here, splendid feather, grand balanced wings, all over a good one; 2, Conner, nice bird; 3, 4, Reid, some preferred for second place, nice front and grand head, in tip-top order, 4th not the same qual. as winners, inclined to be crouchy on perch; 5, Auld; 6, Wilson; 7, Smart; 8, Leitch. A.O.V. YELL. CK. (9): 1, cup, 5, Wilson, neat and typical all over, a good one, good win; 2, Reid, another nice one, fine shape and carriage, well placed; 3, Jeffery and Stevenson, rare col. and qual., follows closely; 4, 6, Auld, neat typical, well put down; 7, McWatt; 8, Leitch. BUFF (10): 1, Jeffery and Stevenson, grand for type and qual., neat head and neck, nice wing and tail carr.; 2, 4, Wilson, well balanced, not much between them; 3, Conner, cinn., bit on the small side, but in good order; 5, McWatt; 6, Smart; 7, Conner; 8, Auld. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN. (8): 1, 2, Auld, two neat, typical birds, rich in col., full of qual.; 3, 5, Reid, very jaunty, neat head; 4, Wilson, sweet head, nice wings and tail, all over a good one; 6, Berry; 7, Conner; 8, Baxter. BUFF (6): 1, Auld, well rounded all over, neat head, very stylish, in lovely order; 2, Wilson, follows closely, grand carr., full of qual.; 3, Baxter, another nice one, close up; 4, Reid, very smart and typical, scarcely the qual.; 5, Berry; 6, Jamieson. A.O.V. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Wilson, sweet one, neat all over, grand col. and bloom; 2, Reid, very shapely, nice type and qual.; 3, Berry, nice type and qual., some thought could have gone up one; 4, Jamieson, sweet, all round bird, just lacks the qual. of winners; 5, Leitch. BUFF (13): 1, Wilson; 2, Jeffery and Stevenson; 3, Auld; 4, McWatt, little to choose between these, all grand specimens; 5, Baird; 6, Conner; 7, Reid; 8, Sutton. VARIEG. OR DARK MULE (11): 1, sp, cup, 4, McWatt, grand Goldie Mule, full of col., clear win, ahead of anything in class; 2, 5, Heard, Linnet Mule, nice bird, might perhaps be better shown; 3, 8, Wilson, good Greenie, bit mustardy; 6, 7, Bell. CL., ETC., MULE (5): 1, sp, 2, 4, Bell, grand team, well put down; 3, 5, Ovenstone, not the size and col., of winners. A.O.V. CAN. (7): 1, sp, 4, 6, J. Moreland; 2, McGillivray Bros.; 3, Morris; 5, Berry.

The Old Birds.

NOR. COCK (FED) (14): 1, sp, Smart, nice big yellow, just a little crossed in wing carr.; 2, Marshall, stouter build, same failings as winners; 3, Ovenstone, heavily variegated, grand size and substance, good head, thick-set body, presses hard; 4, 6, Jeffery and Stevenson; 5, Woodhouse; 7, McNaughton; 8, Rennie. HEN (FED) (17): 1, Smart, heavily variegated, medium size, nice head, sweet qual., very shapely; 2, Ovenstone, nice big yell., rich col., presses hard; 3, Marshall, good all-round buff, massive body, nice carr.; 4, Burnet, large variegated, little rough in feather; 5, Ovenstone; 6, McNaughton; 7, Jeffery and Stevenson; 8, Burnett. COCK (NON-FED) (15): 1, sp, Woodhouse, good shape and size, wins; 2, Baird and Taylor, another nice bird, close on winner; 3, 8, J. Moreland, good third; 4, Gorrie, well placed; 5, Condie; 6, Patterson; 7, Burke. HEN (NON-FED) (11): 1, Baird and Taylor, good Norwich; 2, W. Moreland; 3, 4, Marlin; 5, J. Moreland; 6, 8, Condie; 7, Jeffery and Stevenson. CREST CK. (5): 1, Sharp, grand bird, very neat, well shown; 2, McNaughton, not quite so shapely as winner; 3, Binnie, nice specimen, not yet finished; 4, Moreland, will improve; 5, Burnett. HEN (5): 1, Moreland, nice specimen, not yet at its best; 2, Moir, good front, but barely the shape of winner; 3, Burnett, good bird, barely ready yet; 4, McNaughton; 5, Hunter. C.B COCK (9): 1, 5, Sharp, large upstanding buff, dense leafy feathers, clear win; 2, Binnie, rare size, good head; 3, Moir, good substance and rare length of feather; 4, McNaughton, nice bird, beaten here; 6, Angus; 7, Feeney; 8, Kinloch. HEN (2): 1, Wilson, good stock bird; 2, Burnett, ditto. BORD. COCK (10): 1, 3, Auld, 1st, eye and wing nkd., good stamp, full of qual., grand order; 2, 5, Jeffery and Stevenson, close up, just beaten in head; 4, Baxter, nice wing carriage, barely finished yet; 6, Conner; 7, Reid; 8, Baird. HEN (11): 1, Jeffery and Stevenson, good one, nice quality of feather, wins; 2, Reed, shade longer one than winner, not finished yet; 3, Jeffery and Stevenson, good shape and carr., trifle rough in feather; 4, Auld, nice shape, good qual.; 5, Baxter; 6, Sutton; 7, Jamieson; 8, Kinloch. SELL., 12s. 6d. (16): 1, 5, Baird; 2, Marshall; 3, Kinloch; 4, 6, Jeffery and Stevenson; 7, Scaife; 8, Feeney.

The British and Foreign.

GOLD or BULLFINCH (11): 1, sp, Bell, Bullie, grand cap and bib, fine breast col., plenty size, wins; 2, Burnett, Goldie, nicely tanned, nice cheeks and wing flights, scarcely ready yet; 3, 4, Bell, Bullie, tails a bit in size to winner; 4th, Goldie, will come when finished; 5, 6, McGillivray Bros.; 7, 8, Robertson. CHAFFINCH or BRAMBLE (7): 1, 2, 3, Rennie, nice Chaffie, rather rough in feather to-day; 2nd, Bramble, bit wild; 3rd, Chaffie, sweet 3rd, in good order; 4, Corbett, we liked much; 5, Feeney; 6, Waugh; 7, Burnett. LINNET (13): 1, sp, Bell, good big bird, but somewhat open in chest, of the pale coloured kind; 2, Robertson, nice one; 3, 8, Godfrey Bros., one of the best Linnets in class; 4, Morris, nice bird, well placed; 5, Marshall; 6, Morris; 7, Wilson. GREENFINCH (14): 1, 8, McWatt, big buff, a little guttered in throat, won, however, for size only; 2, Rennie, nicely fed one, slightly broken in breast feathers; 3, Ovenstone, nice Finch; 4, McGillivray Bros., nice shaped Finch, little rough in feather; 5, Richardson; 6, Wilson; 7, Morris. SISKIN, ETC. (14): 1, sp, 2, 4, Bell, Mealy 'Poll, Twite and Siskin, all in lovely condition, well placed; 3, Sutton, nicely conditioned mealy; 5, Richardson; 6, 7, McGillivray Bros.; 8, Jeffery and Stevenson. LESSER REDPOLL (16): 1, 2, 3, McGillivray Bros., all in grand order and condition, not so distinct in markings as 4th, Bell, which unfortunately was a little soft during judging; 5, Wilson; 6, Sutton; 7, Moreland; 8, Heard. A.O.V. HARDBILL (10): 1, 5, Morris, Corn Bunting; 2, Baird, Yellowhammer; 3, Robertson, Hawfinch; 4, Jeffery and Stevenson, Yellowhammer; 6, Moreland; 7, Rennie; 8, Baird and Taylor. SOFTBILL (2): 1, Richardson, Waxbill, nice condition; 2, Moreland. VARIEG. or DARK MULE (9): 1, McWatt, grand Goldie, wins for size and col., nicely staged; 2, Bell, shade smaller than winner, still a sweet Mule; 3, Baird, not so nice in colour, bit mustardy; 4, 6, Wilson, fair birds; 5, Richardson; 7, Godfrey Bros., 8, Martin. FOR. (4): 1, sp, Kirkwood; 2, Robertson; 3, Stewart; 4, Ovenston. HEN BRITISH (11): 1, Heard; 2, Ovenstone; 3, Morris; 4, 5, Rennie; 6, McGillivray Bros.; 7, Kirkwood; 8, Richardson. SELL. BRIT. (9): 1, Rennie; 2, 8, McGillivray Bros.; 3, 4, Moreland; 5, Baird; 6, Morris; 7, Waugh. HYBRID PAIRS (5): 1, sp, 2, Ovenstone, grand sized Goldie and Bullie, likely pair, and Canary and Bullie hen; 3, Waugh, Goldie and Can.; 4, Ovenstone, Goldie and Greenie; 5, Robertson, all well placed.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.

Members' show held Oct. 26, at Flying Dutchman Hotel. 117 birds were put down, some extra good exhibits being staged. Mr. J. S. Clarkson, Halifax, judged Yorks., Mr. J. Wilcock, jun., of Beckshill, the rest. There was little cause for comment. CHAMP.: YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 3, Ludbrook; 2, 3, vhc, Hodgson; hc, Helliwell. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Ludbrook; 4, Birbeck; vhc, Hodgson; hc, Rhodes; c, Helliwell. VAR., GREEN: 1, 2, Ludbrook. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, vhc, Hodgson; 2, 3, Helliwell; 4, Birbeck; hc, Rhodes; c, Ludbrook. BUFF: 1, 3, Hodgson; 2, Rhodes; 4, vhc, Helliwell. VAR. BUFF HEN: 1, Rhodes. VAR. HEN, CINN.: 1, 2, Clark. NOV. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Smith; 2, Fletcher; 3, Rhodes; 4, McEwen; vhc, Hylton; hc, Hunter; c, Bower. BUFF: 1, Hylton; 2, Rhodes; 3, Hunter; 4, Rhodes. VAR., GREEN: 1, Rhodes; 2, Hunter; 3, Fletcher; 4, McEwen; vhc, Smith. CL. OR TKD. YELL HEN: 1, 2, Bower; 3, McEwen; 4, hc, Smith; vhc, Rhodes. BUFF: 1, Hylton; 2, hc, Bower; 3, Rhodes; 4, McEwen; vhc, Rhodes. VAR., HEN, GREEN: 1, McEwen. CHAMP. NOR. YELL.: 1, Clark; 2, 4, Roe; 3, vhc, Jones; hc, c, Plowright. BUFF: 1, 4, Roe; 2, 3, Jones; vhc, Clark; hc, Plowright. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Plowright; 2, vhc, Jones; 4, Roe; hc, Clark. BUFF: 1, 3, hc, Plowright; 2, 4, Roe; vhc, Clark. NOVICE, YELL.: 1, Hunter; 2, Lythell. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, vhc, Farrer; 2, Lythell. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Lythell. BUFF: 1, Hunter; 2, 3, Farrer. BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, hc, Lane; 4, vhc, c, Kuberry. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE: 1, Lane; 2, vhc, c, Clark; 3, hc, Morcment; 4, Kuberry.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

WONDERFUL ATTENDANCE AT MANCHESTER.

M. and N.C.O.S. Show attracts 1,500 exhibits, while the visitors surpass all records. Gate £33 better than last year. Sales another record; the Selling Classes alone realise over £20!

The Manchester and N.C.O.S. held their 30th annual show, Oct. 25 and 26, at the famous Zoological Gardens, Belle Vue. The room set apart for the exhibits is very spacious, lofty, and entirely free from draughts. Running down one side there is heating apparatus, which keeps the room at an even temperature. An innovation this year was that the members had a small room set apart for their exhibits, and this left more room for the visitors. The aisles were at least twelve feet apart, and even then the show was packed. Visitors turned up in thousands. Amongst the visitors we noticed Messrs. Geo. Ellison, H. Kinrade, L. N. Hale, Geo. Robertson, S. Morrison, all of whom had come over from the Isle of Man. These Manx gentlemen were astounded at the number and quality of the exhibits. Quite a number of Northern fanciers turned up under the leadership of Mr. Jeffreys, hon. sec., Sunderland C.B.S. Messrs. Dobson and Sons, the Blaydon cracks, were very busy amongst the Crests. The b'hoys from Bradford were in great force. Jimmy's face exhibited the usual smile, and the firm with the weak voice made themselves heard. Eh! what enthusiasts they are! Pity there's not more like them. Not a bird in Yorks. section they did not handle. Who took the unflighted at £11? It seems they can breed Yorkies outside Bradford. Southport fanciers will have to be reckoned with when they can command such a figure. We could not catch all the names of the visitors, but when you hear the Welsh, Manx, Irish, Yorkshire, and Lancie fanciers speaking in their various dialects, you know the North of England is well represented. Sales were a record. The selling classes realised £21. Mr. P. Edward Scarlett was auctioneer. There was some keen bidding. The claims in the open brought the nice sum of £50. The unflighted buff Norwich belonging to Mr. Whetstone went for £10—a cheap bird. Another one, £5 10s., and a Yorkie for £3 10s. The gate is £33 better than last year. Coming to the entries, we have to record a drop of 100, but 1,500 is very good considering the bad moulting season. Manchester are not the only ones who have suffered. CAGE BIRDS stall was well patronised. A fine array of literature for the Fancy was neatly displayed, and the attendant was quite busy. Messrs. Duttou's looked after the feeding of all the exhibits, and did it well. Their stall contained a varied display of seeds and appliances suitable for all varieties of cage birds. The special winners were so numerous that it would take up a column to report them all. Sandiford's case of cutlery for hottest fed bird was won by Mrs. J. E. Deacon, with one of her charming cinnamons. Jimmy Bailey took special for best Yorkie, and Mr. J. M. Walsh F.B.C. medal for best foreign.

The Folk Who Brought Success.

The management of the show was under the generalship of Mr. H. Boothman, whose abilities are tested to the full in running this great show. He has everything in A1 order. From every point he seems to be the man for the position. Nothing is too great a task, or too small a service. It is a pleasure to see him at his work. We trust the society will long have him as their most valuable asset. The assist. managers were Messrs. Raynes, Richards and Metcalfe, who attended to the secretarial duties. We hear friend Raynes has been very ill again, but be managed to look to his duties at the show. The stewards worked like Trojans; it was wonderful to see how quick they got the birds away on Saturday morning, so exhibitors must thank the following gentlemen for their early dispatch of birds: Messrs. Austin, Appleton, Humphries, Atkinson, Beswick, Sam Cook, Fairhurst, James Jones, Lythgoe, Moorhey, Pike, Schofield, Smith, Turner, Welsh, Fulcher (assist. sec. and treas.), Pease, Garner, Morgan, Dooley, Broughton, Bruce, Hayward, Tansey, and Vint. There is also one gentleman we never miss at Manchester, it is the genial president of the society, Mr. W. A. Bladon, who welcomes you as soon as you get into the show. He has a pleasant smile and handshake for all. The society are indeed lucky to have such a fancier for their president. We trust that the efforts of these ardent fanciers will meet with just reward—that is, financial success.

The Norwich Plainhead section was very well filled; the 14 champion classes averaged 14 per class, and the 5 amateur classes 18 per class. The quality of the exhibits all round was very good indeed, but in several cases we noticed birds staged that were, to say the least of it, of considerable length. Taken over all, however, this section contained some very fine specimens indeed. Mr. Booth judged this section, and his awards seemed to give much satisfaction. The Border section was very well filled, the 11 classes averaging 14 per class, and some grand birds were exhibited. The quality all through was very high. Mr. Johnston judged, and his decisions met with general approval.

The Lancashire Specialities.

The Lancs. and Liz., giants and spangled hacks of Canarydom, were under the patronage of their respective specialist clubs. The Giants held pride of place by opening the show, but they did not make the show they ought to do—50 in eight classes is not doing duty to the Manchester executive, who are very liberal with their classification. True, there was hardly a bad bird shown; in fact, it is years since we saw such evenness in the exhibits. There were one or two that stood out above the rest; for example, the young yellow Plainhead, shown by Mr. Beattie, and the buff coppy hen shown by Mr. Barrass. These two got more handling than they liked, but that's the fruits of being a good 'un. Messrs. Fitton, Hordern, Kay, and Hardy were well represented by birds of the right order. We do not notice new faces in the Giant family, but we think if novice classes were put on, it would encourage new aspirants. Certainly the majority of birds are backward, and may be Mr. Quantity was left at home and Miss Quality sent to Cottonopolis. However, we will fight again at Rochdale. The spangles were the hottest lot seen in Manchester for a long while. Talk about evenness of spangle, it did not take an eyeglass to find it. The work on some of the exhibits was more than marvellous—quite perfect. It's wonderful how many spectators this section attracts. The aisles were packed; perhaps, looking for a cheap pair.

Yorks. were a fine lot. Messrs. Ogden Bros., Bailey, Shackleton, Kearns, and Broughton put down some fine birds, Mr Bailey winning special for best. In greens, Mr. Rowlands, of Liverpool, took three firsts out of the four classes. His self yellow is one of the best we have ever seen.

In cinnamon marks, quality was in good force, and the competition was just as keen. The club's specials were to be competed for, and this brought out the cracks, who put down some most magnificent specimens, and outside one or two which always are in front, the placing might be reversed, and no one would grumble, as they are so even. What's a winner worth in this section? We notice last year's novice, Mr. C. Morrison, is making the top sawyer's gallop. He comes from the right stable, and a stayer at that. Crests were a great improvement on last year, both in numbers and type. The C.C.C. are greatly indebted to the Manchester Society for the classification provided. The winners did not stand out on their own, and Mr. Colledge had a hard day's work. Eh! what pains he took with each bird! He seemed very happy in his selections. The Northern cracks, Messrs. Dobson and Sons, ran up against something hot in Evins Bros., from the South, and got a Roland for their Oliver every time. But what a specimen the buff crest is, shown by the first-mentioned firm; quite a sensation. The youngsters of Mr. Bewick will take some whacking next year. We predict high honours for it. The novice classes contained some rare exhibits. The worthy Dr. Twigg and Mr. Barker had a battle royal, with the Dr. more than holding his own.

The challenge bowl in the Crest section for best current year bird was awarded to Mr. Bewick's buff Crest; the challenge bowl for best current year Crestbred went to Messrs. Evins Bros.

The Best Lot Ever Seen.

This being the club show of the famous Cinnies, we expected to find a few good ones on view, but we did not expect to find quite such a hot lot as were here. As the veteran Mr. W. A. Bladon (pres. of the C.C.C.) said, they were the finest lot that had ever been got together. This speaks well for the officers of the Cinnamon C.C., who are leaving no stone unturned to make the Cinnie one of the most popular varieties to keep. What colour! Enough to set you on fire. Why have heat at a show when the Cinnies will provide all the fire that is required! The champion classes were well filled. Mr. Dormer created a record by taking five firsts and a second in six classes. This is winning with a vengeance, but no one can begrudge him his success. He stood out on his own. The odd first went to Mrs. F. E. Deacon, who put down the finest hen that has ever been henched. It was a model. We notice Mr. Dormer could not keep his eyes off it. "Tha's not gooing to get it at Rishton, Billie, so keep thy eyes off." Mr. Goodley put out a great team and fairly held his own, size being predominant. The novice classes brought out some beauties. We noticed a few new names—the Rev. B. Nume, who more than held his own at the first fence. There is still plenty of room for recruits in this section; the C.C.C. have got classes put on for novices at all their patronage shows.

Popular Birds with the Crowd.

The hybrid section contained quite a host of the very best birds of the day. There were some really magnificent specimens both light and dark. The dark Gold. and Linnet-Can. class brought out birds of the highest merit. In the A.O.V. Can. Hybrid, both yellow and buff classes contained Greenfinch and Siskin-Canary crosses of superb quality, and some young budding talent here was asserting itself. The British classes were keenly contested, and taken all through there was hardly a poor specimen to be found in the lot. A fine Goldfinch in very prim condition secured for Messrs. Pitchford and Stocker a popular win of the special for best British in show. Foreign classes brought out quite a show of superb specimens, and competition ruled very keen. Mr. J. M. Walsh secured the F.B.C. special for best in this section. The foreign section is always a great attraction to the visiting public, particularly the ladies and children. Members' hybrid and British classes were well filled with birds of very good all-round merit. Mr. A. G. Smith took special for members' best British bird with a fine Grey Wagtail. Mr. Chas. Houlton judged these, and appeared to receive all-round approbation for his awards. The classes were very stiffly contested, and kept Mr. H. busy up to about half-past four in the afternoon.

The judges were Messrs. S. R. Compston (Lanes. and Liz.), W. Mundell (Yorks.), W. Booth (Nor.), G. Colledge (Crests), H. W. Battye (Cinns., Cinn.-mkd., Yorks, etc.), J. Johnston (Bord.), and C. Houlton Hyb., Brit. and For.). One and all seemed to be in very good "form," for we heard but little criticism of any kind upon their decisions.

Mr. Compston's Classes.

LANCS. COPPY CL. OR TKD. YELL. (5): 1, Hordern, nicely radiated coppy, great length of side, was crossing its wings when taking notes; 2, Fitton, grizzle, hardly as long, good width, grand flights; 3, Hardy, cl., again good length, but fails a little in substance to those above it; 4, Barrass, grizzle, not quite so shapely as above; vhc, Garner. BUFF (5): 1, Hardy, well centred coppy, immense body feather, extra fine quality; 2, Beattie, rare width of coppy, full of substance, not quite so well radiated as winner; 3, Garner, small coppy, plenty of feather; 4, vhc, Fitton, grand substance and length, shows rare shoulders. TKD. BUFF (6): 1, 4, Hordern, monster grizzle coppy, very stout, enormous stock of silky feathers, a right 'un; 2, Garner, nice coppy, thrown nicely from the centre, rare body feather, very broad shoulders; 3, Hardy, bit weak at top for size of body, rare good length; 4th big one, hardly so good in coppy; vbc, Ridyard; hc, Lowe. 1912 (9): 1, 2, Beattie, cl. yell., stormer for size and length of side, shows very nice coppy, well drooped, 2nd cl. buff, another whopping youngster, hard lines to meet yellow, will win; 3, Stansfield, immense skull and length, bit short of feathers; 4, vhc, Fitton, grizzle coppy, bit coarse in feather to above, split in back; hc, Ridyard; c, Garner. PLAINHEAD, CL. OR TKD. YELL. (6): 1, Kay, real topper for type and style, plenty of good silky feather, well drawn out, fine lashings; 2, vhc, Beattie, bit broader but not quite length enough, good wings, wealth of feather; 3, Fitton, very deep through shoulder, nice feather, fails a bit in size to above; 4, Barrass, fair length, just a bit weak at top end; hc, Hordern. BUFF (8): 1, Fitton, wonderfully lashed, plenty of the right qual. of feather, wins; 2, Kay, grand size and skull, nice qual., but not wealth of feather of winner; 3, Garner, raky chap, bit long in body, good head; 4, Hordern, topping head and shoulders, good width; vhc, Swallwell; hc, Stansfield; c, Barrass. 1912 (5): 1, Beattie, extraordinary good yell. Plainhead, as good a youngster as we've seen for some time; 2, vhc, Fitton, fair good buff, bit short of length, but holds its position; 3, Hordern, rare good skull and lashings, very wide at top end; 4, Ridyard, grizzle yell., great size, but a bit thick. HENS, A.V. (6): 1, Barrass, champion buff coppy, buxom lady, plenty of clothes on, the best of coppy; 2, 3, Hordern, buff Plainhead, beaten but not disgraced, shows a wealth of good feather, nicely lashed, 3rd yell. coppy, little short of length, but rare good flights; 4, vhc, Ridyard, buff Plainhead, not so much feather as others, nice head; hc, Kay. LIZARDS, CL. CAP GOLD (10): 1, Rukin, red-hot, grand cap, well rounded at back, very even spangling; 2, 4, Hamer, close up, well rowed on good ground, only beaten in formation of cap, 4th very even work throughout; 3, Barnes, beautiful work on back and thighs, just fails col. and cap to above; vhc, Dewsnap; hc, Millington; c, Garside. SILVER (8): 1, Rukin, round and even as could be wished, shows lovely front, grand size, one claw missing; 2, 4, Hamer, cap not so well finished, well spangled, put down in good form, rare good col., 4th pretty spangled back; 3, vhc, Ollerenshaw, work not quite so even, fine size, well finished cap; hc, Clegg; c, Stansfield. BROKEN CAP GOLD (9): 1, Ollerenshaw, extra good col. ground work, magnificent sides, laced to perfection, wins; 2, 4, Dewsnap, not so shapely, but very fair work and col., bit wild, 4th fine col. and condition, back work very nice; 3, Barnes, bit pale to winners and smaller, but laced on the right side; vhc, Rukin; hc, Bosworth; c, Stanfield. SILVER (8): 1, c, Ollerenshaw, slightly broken cap, well mealed, good work on back and sides, shows itself well; 2, Hamer, not so deep in col. good lacing, fair cap, shows a nice frosting all over, droops tail; 3, Barnes, exquisite work, well down to vent, neat exhibit; 4, hc, Dewsnap, bit unsteady, even rowing on fair ground; vhc, Rukin. HENS, GOLD (9): 1, Hamer, charming lady, sweet throughout, shows spangling of the best, breaks over beak, a topper of an exhibit; 2, Ollerenshaw, broken cap, just as hot in col., but fails in evenness of rowing to other, well placed; 3, 4, Rukin, very tiny lady, but exquisitely worked on back and thighs, 4th hardly col. enough, but should make good breed hen; vhc, Bosworth; hc, Clegg; c, Hampshire. SILVER (Great Class) (15): 1, vhc, Ollerenshaw, carries a wonderful sheen, very nice work on back, fails at sides a bit, wins though; 2, Dewsnap, not as big, well clothed, some good even spangling here, bit pale in col; 3, Barnes, pinched in head, very nice rows of work, should improve; 4, hc, Rukin, nice size and work, fails a bttle in col. and legs; c, Hamer.

Mr. Booth's Classes.

NOR. GREEN SELF YELL. (11): 1, Harding, good size and substance, neat shape, nice level col., well pencilled, hardly finished; 2, Walker, nice size, neat head and neck, level col. and pencilling; 3, Deacon, fair size, good head and neck, nice col. and pencilling, not quite so fine; 4, Handley, nice size, fair head and neck, level col., rather slimmer; vhc, Venables; hc, Lawson; c, Ball. BUFF (10): 1, Walker, good size and substance, neat head and neck, level col., well pencilled; 2, c, Lawson, neat size, nice body and wings, level col., fails little in head; 3, Jenkins, nice size and shape, good head and neck, fails little in col.; 4, Pike, fair size, nice body; vhc, Andrews; hc, Harley. NORWICH. GREEN, POUL YELL. (12): 1, Pike, good size and substance, nice head and neck, well packed wings and tail, rich even colour, good pencilling; 2, Harding, nice shape, neat head and neck, level colour, fails trifle in size; 3, hc, Handley, good size, substance, and shape, very cobby; 4, Jenkins, fair size, nice level colour, neat head and neck; vhc, Deacon; c, Hayes. BUFF (18): 1, Harding, romping big one, grand shape and substance, nice head and neck, well packed wings and tail, rich even col., nicely mkd.; 2, Walker, nice size and shape, good body, neat wings and tail, fails little in head; 3, Higham, good shape and substance, neat head and neck, well carried wings, rich even col.; 4, Nelson, nice shape, neat head, good wings, not quite the substance; vhc, Dyer; hc, Tomlinson; c, Handley. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (10): 1, Heap, good size and shape, nice head and neck, well packed wings and tail, rich even col., grand quality; 2, McConaghey, good size and substance, nice shape, well carried wings and tail, not quite so level in col.; 3, Hargreaves, nice size and shape, good level col., hardly so fine in quality; 4, Beswick, good size and substance, nice wings and tail, nice level col., inclined to be slimmer; vhc, Hayes; hc, Johnson; c, Cunliffe. BUFF (13): 1, Thomas, grand size and shape, nice head and neck, good wings, rich even col., grand qual.; 2, Davies, grand size, shape and substance, good head and neck, nice wings, grand col., must have pressed; 3, McConaghey, nice shape, neat head and wings, level col., fails trifle size; 4, Barraclough, good size, neat shape, nice level col., trifle long; vhc, Heap; c, Bixter. TICK OR UNEVEN MKD. YELL. (11): 1, Barraclough, clear, nice size and shape, good head and neck, neat wings and tail, rich even col.; 2, c, Wrigley, clear, nice size and shape, neat head and neck, well carried wings and tail, fair col., fails trifle quality; 3, 4, Thomas, both variegs., leader good size, neat head and neck, nice level col., a shade long; 4th, fair size, neat head and neck, nice wings, fails fall feathers to day; vhc, Raynes; hc, Bixter. BUFF (11): 1, [illegible], leader wing mkd., grand size and shape, nice substance, good head, neck, and col., nicely mealed, grand quality; 2nd, mkd. eyes, wings and neck, grand size and shape, neat head and neck, nice col., not quite so fine as winner; 3, Wrigley, mkd. eye, wing and neck, good shape, neat head and neck, grand col., nice qual., good exhibit; 4, Clegg, nice shape, neat head and neck and wings, not so clean at thighs; vhc, Wilson and Howarth; hc, Raynes; c, Beswick. CL., ETC., HENS (15): 1, Critchley, mkd. eyes, neck and wings, good size and substance, neat head and neck, well carried wings, good col. and qual.; 2, Thomas, variegs., good size and substance, nice head, well carried wings, level col.; 3, Clegg, cl., nice body and wings, fails col. to winners; 4, Davies, cl., nice size, good body, neat head and wings, level col., grand quality; vhc, Hirst; hc, Heap; c, Barraclough. BUFF (15): 1, 2, McMillan, cls., leader grand size, good head and neck, rare substance; 2nd, grand size and shape, good substance, nice level col., both grand qual.; 3, Heap, good size, nice shape, neat head and neck, rich level col., grand qual., very neat; 4, Turner, neat size, nice body, good wings and tail, not quite so level in col. as leaders; vhc, Barraclough; hc, Hirst; c, Beswick. UNFLIG., CL., ETC., YELL. (14): 1, Cook, mkd. neck, good size and shape, nice head and neck, good wings, tail, col., and qual.; 2, Johnson, wing mkd., fair size, good head and neck, well carried wings and tail, good col., hardly the substance of winner; 3, Beswick, eye-mkd., good size and col., nice body, wings, and tail; 4, Turner, nice head and neck, well carried wings, fails a little in substance; vhc, Thomas; hc, Simonett; c, Whetstone. BUFF (15): 1, Whetstone, cl., good size and shape, grand head and neck, neat wings, good col. and qual.; 2, Millward, mkd. head, good col., looking very soft when we took notes; 3, Hulse, cl., nice size and shape, neat head and neck, good col., nicely mealed, crosses wings just a little; 4, Hirst, variegs., neat shape, nice head and neck, well carried wings, good level col.; vhc, Grey; hc, McConaghey; c, Pleasance. UNFLIG. HEN (15): 1, Smith, cl. yell., good size and shape, neat head and neck, nice level col., carries one wing badly at times; 2, 3, Thomas, leader cl. buff, grand size and substance, neat head and neck, nice and cobby, good level col., must have pressed; 3, cl. yell., good size, shape, head, wings, and tail, not quite so good in col.; 4, Haigh and Son, wing mkd. yell., fair size, nice body, neat wings and tail, rich level col., rather long in head perhaps; vhc, Hulse; hc, Heap; c, Boothman. NAT. COL. COCK: Cancelled. HEN (6): 1, Cook, variegs. yell., grand size and substance, good head and neck, well carried wings, nice level col.; 2, Venables, variegs. buff, grand size, nice body, short wings and tail, just beaten in head; 3, Jones, cl. buff, good size, nice head and neck; 4, Raynes, variegs., nice size and shape, neat wings and tail; vhc, Clayton; hc, Henson. AMAT. NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. (16): 1, Bradley, wing mark, good size and substance, nice head and neck, well rounded body, rich level col.; 2, Broadhurst, cl., nice head and neck, level col., hardly the substance of winner; 3, Taylor Bros., variegs. yell., good size, nice body, neat head, rich level col., trifle long in wings; 4, Nume, mkd. neck, good size, nice head and neck, rich even col.; vhc, Mellor; hc, Moon; c, Cambridge. BUFF (18): 1, Nume, cl., grand size and shape, good head and neck, neat wings and tail, grand level colour, nicely mealed, good carriage; 2, Nolan, saddle mkd., good shape, neat head and neck, nice wings, hardly so big as winner; 3, Scott, mkd. eyes and wings, nice size and shape, neat body, well carried wings, nice col., not quite as round in head; 4, Holland, cl., fair size, neat head and neck, good level col., trifle long in wings; vhc, Lawton; hc, Bradley; c, Higham. UNFLIG., CL., ETC., YELL. (13): 1, Fulton, variegs., nice size and shape, neat head and neck, well rounded body, good level col.; 2, hc, Greenhalgh, leader mkd. eyes and neck, nice size, neat head and neck, good shape, rich level col., a bit inclined to cross wings; 3, Anderson, mkd. eyes, good size, nice body, neat wings and tail, not quite so level in col.; 4, Warburton, wing mark, fair size, nice body, neat shape; vhc, Cambridge; c, Marshall. BUFF (22): 1, hc, Bradley, leader cl., good size and shape, neat body, nice head and neck, well carried wings, rich level col., nicely mealed; 2, Scott, mkd. eyes and neck, nice size, neat shape, well carried wings, grand col., good qual.; 3, Sutton, variegs., nice size, good body, a wash would improve; 4, Anderson, cl., fair size, neat shape, nice body and wings, level col.; vhc, Freeman; c, McAndrew. NOR. HEN (22): 1, 3, Ball, leader yell., grizzle head, good size and shape, neat head, well carried wings, good body; 3rd, cl. yell., fair size, neat head and wings, nice level col.; 2, Crawshaw, variegs. buff, good size and shape, nice body, well carried wings and tail, good level col.; 4, Collis, variegs. buff, good size, nice shape, good head and neck, well carried wings and tail, level col., nicely mealed, some thought might have gone up; vhc, Freeman; hc, Stonier; c, Hattersley.

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SOME PROMINENT OFFICIALS AND FANCIERS AT MANCHESTER SHOW.

NAMES, reading from left to right: Back row: Messrs. E. Dooley, E. Baker, W. Dormer, and Caldwell. Middle row: Walker, H. W. Battye (judge), Morgan, W. Mundell (judge), E. H. Fulcher (hon. treas. and assist. sec.), S. R. Compston (judge), G. Colledge (judge), W. Broughton, ——— John Garner, ——— S. Cook, A. Austin, G. Houlton (judge), H. W. Schofield, W. Moorbey, W. Booth (judge). Front row: J. Johnson (judge), Richards (assist. show manager), H. Boothman (show manager), T. Pease, and J. Raynes (assist. show manager).

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Mr. Johnston's Classes.

BORD., CL. OR TICK YELL (23). 1, Dickson, cl., neat head, nice rounded body, well carried wings and tail, free action, level col.; 2, Ayre, cl., nice head, round body, neat wings, rich col.; 3, Poole, cl., nice round body, well carried wings and tail, not quite col. of winners; 4, Shackley, cl., nice head, neat round body, well carried wings, good col.; vhc, Large, hc, Moore and Son; c, Rea. HEN (13): 1, Ayre, cl., neat head and neck, nice round body, grand wings and tail, free action, rich level col., very neat; 2, Large, cl., neat head, well rounded back, neat wings and tail, good col.; 3, Ireland, nice body, well rounded back, well carried wings and tail, nice col., just a trifle flat on head; 4, Mugford, cl., neat head, well carried wings and tail, well rounded back, hardly so even in col.; vhc, Harrison, hc, Hudson; c, Eggerton. CL. BUFF (16): 1, Harrison, cl., neat head, nice round body, well carried wings and tail, good back, very stylish; 2, Hudson, cl., grand head, well rounded back and body, neat wings and tail, nice col., must have pressed; 3, Bayley, wing mkd., neat head, well rounded body, good wings and tail, nice free action, very neat; 4, Drinkwater, cl., nice round head, well carried wings and tail, level col., fails just a little in neck to winners; vhc, Moore and Son; hc, Ireland; c, Poole. HEN (14): 1, Dixon, wing mkd., nice round head, well rounded back and body, good wings and tail, free action, level col., very stylish; 2, Ayre, cl., neat head, nice back, well carried wings and tail, hardly so good in col. as 1st; 3, Harrison, tick wing, nice head and body, neat wings and tail, very fine and stylish; 4, Hudson, nice back and wings, good quality; vhc, Roberts; hc, Ireland; c, Davies. EVEN MKD. (4): 1, Dixon, four-pointed buff, nicely mkd., well rounded back, well carried wings and tail, free action, very sytlish; 2, Moore and Son, four-pointed buff, nicely mkd., neat head, nice back and wings; 3, Andrews, four-pointed yell., nice back, well carried wings, falls little in neck to leaders; 4, Nelson, four-pointed yell., nice back, nice wings and tail, not so round in head as some. BORDER, UNEVEN., ETC. (6): 1, Dixon, variegyell., neat head, grand back and body, well carried wings and tail, rich level col.; 2, Roberts, eye and wing mkd. buff, nice head, neat back and wings, very stylish; 3, Large, eye and wing mark yell., nice head, well carried wings, free action, very stylish; 4, vhc, Poole, leader eye and wing mark yell., nice head, grand wings and tail, level col.; hc, Pease. SELF OR FOUL GREEN YELL. (16): 1, Parker, self, neat head and back, well carried wings and tail, level col., good markings and pencilling; 2, Davidson, self, neat head, nice wings and tail, rich col., nicely pencilled; 3, Greenwell, self, nice head, well rounded body, good back and wings, hardly so well mkd.; 4, Campbell, self, nice rounded back and body, well carried wings and tail, fails trifle in head to winners; vhc, Hancock; hc, Little; c, Johnson. SELF BUFF (10): 1, Campbell, self, neat head, good round back and body, well carried wings and tail, free action, nicely marked; 2, Davidson, self, neat head, nice body, neat wings and tail, free action, hardly so level in col.; 3, Little, self, neat head, well rounded back, neat wings and tail, very stylish; 4, Parker, self, nice head, well rounded body, good wings and tail, grand action, hardly so distinctly mkd.; vhc, Wilson; hc, Bayley; c, Drinkwater. YELL. BEN (11): 1, Campbell, self, neat head, well carried back, grand wings and tail, free action, nicely mkd. back and thighs; 2, Parker, nice round head, good body, well rounded back, neat wings, nicely pencilled, very neat; 3, Wilson, neat head, good wings and tail, hardly so well marked; 4, vhc, Greenwell, leader self, good head and body, well carried wings and tail, well mkd., fails little in neck to others; hc, Little; c, Ennever. SELF BUFF (17): 1, Campbell, self, nice head and neck, well rounded back, well carried wings and tail, level col., well mkd. and laced, very stylish; 2, Little, self, neat head, well rounded back, grand wings and tail, hardly so well mkd. at thighs; 3, Greenwell, neat head, nice back, well carried wings, nicely mkd., nice free action, very stylish; 4, Wilson, self, nice head, well carried wings and tail, very tight, hardly so round in body as winners; vhc, McQuillan; hc, Hancock; c, Parker. CINN. (10): 1, 2, 3, Wilson, well rounded back, well carried wings; 2nd, buff, grand team, leader yell., rich sound col., neat head, 3rd, yell., good sound col., nice back, well carried wings, neat action, all three in first-class condition; 4, Moore and Sons, yell., nice head, well rounded body, well carried wings, hardly so sound in col. as others; vhc, Ayre; hc, c, Middleton.

Mr. Battye's Classes.

CINN. MKD. YORK, TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL. (7): 1, Bailey, wing marks, rare length and position, full of style, well filled-in neck, stands on nice pins; 2, Towers, wings and cap mkd., fails in col. to winner, bonny style, crosses wings just a bit, holds its position; 3, Joe Thomas, wing mkd., straight as a rush, well moulted; 4, Ogden Bros., very neat and stylish; vhc, Allen; hc, c, Brown and Son. BUFF (4): 1, Morrison, wing mkd., etc., exquisite feather, round as a bottle, full of swank; 2, Allen, cap and wings, well up on leg, shows nice length, opens tail a little; 3, Brow and Son, similar markings, glorious feather; 4, Cooper, wings and cap well drawn, pale colour. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Allen, topping style, sweet head and neck, plenty of leg, well put down, wins; 2, vhc, G. Moss, variegh, hot stuff, straight as a rush, shows just a slight frill; 3, Towers, wings and cap, very pale in col., excellent feather and position; 4, Joe Thomas, rare col., nice legs and style, only half tail; hc, Ogden Bros.; c, Bailey. BUFF (11): 1, 3, Allen, charming wing mkd. lady, daintily clothed, full of go, shows nice length of leg, 3rd only tick in wing, fine length and style, must have pressed hard; 2, hc, Morrison, variegh, rare length and plenty behind leg, fails a bit in wing carriage to winner; 4, Bailey, sweet girl, well drawn out for a buff; vhc, Simonett; c, Cooper. CINN. YELL., hottest lot for an age: 1, 4, Dormer, topper, last year's champion, pity there were not more like him, an eye-opener, a true Cinnie throughout, 4th rare quality, nice shape, immense head and size, not col. of those above it; 2, Mrs. Deacon, not disgraced, another hot one, rare head and col., well marked, put down in form, beaten size only; 3, Godley, size, a monster for head properties, fine shade of col; vhc, Heyes; hc, Roberts; c, Bentley. BUFF (12): 1, c, Dormer, massive, beautiful shade of col., compact and shapely, good head and neck; 2, 3, 4, Mrs. Deacon, better head and col. than winner, just runs a bit long or would have been up no doubt, 3rd another hot col. chap, exquisite feather, good head and shape, 4th down when taking notes, which put on false size, magnificent col.; vhc, Roberts; hc, Bentley. UNFLIG. YELL. (11): 1, 2, Dormer, like fire, rare good Nor. type, fine copper col., neat head and neck, 2nd slimmer than winner, equal in col. and head properties, very keen; 3, Robert., fair col., good head and neck, shapely; 4, Hartup, type of the best, extra col., falls in size to above; vhc, hc, Godley; c, Bentley. BUFF (12): 1, Dormer, grand tone of col., shows true type, exquisite feather and markings; 2, 3, Mrs. Deacon, falls col. but grand type, bold head and neck, charming feather, in spring form, 3rd good feather again, but slimmer, better col., shines like a mirror; 4, Roberts, weak in head, magnificent col. and marking, fair body; vhc, Hales; hc, Hargreaves; c, Wilson. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Mrs. Deacon, stormer, sweetest lady we've seen for a long time, polished like burnished copper, lovely head and neck, short flights and tail, staged to perfection; 2, 4, Dormer, bit long, grand col., again rare type of head and neck, nice size body, sprightly, 4th good all-round hen, but not quite up to above; 3, Godley, good col., feathery when taking notes, but a real good hen, the heat was affecting her; vhc, Hartup; hc, Bentley; c, Heyes. BUFF (10): 1, Dormer, big one, wild, would not keep quiet, put her out of shape, her col. is grand; 2, 3, c, Godley, nice size, rare head and neck, magnificent col., must have pressed very hard; 3rd longer but fair head and true col., put down in form; 4, Hartup, cobby, crosses wings a bit, topping col. and shape; vhc, Hargreaves; hc, Roberts. NOV. CINN. YELL. (7): 1, 4, Rev. B. Nunne, real grand bird, fit for the open, nice chocolate col., grand head and substance, 4th longer, rare head and col., good bird; 2, Mrs. Tweddle, again good type and col., good skull and front, just a bit longer than winner, well up; 3, Smalley, very bold head and neck, very deep col., in fact best col. in class; vhc, Proctor; hc, Thornton; c, Tomlinson. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Proctor, fair size and col., nice head and neck, somewhat wild, otherwise in nice order, 2nd topper for col. and shape, nut-brown, good head, slip keel keeps it back; 3, Thornton, monster for size, grand col., carries bit too much feather; 4, Mrs. Tweddle, neat bird, grand col., typical; vhc, Helm and Ashall. UNFLIG. (4): 1, Mrs. Tweddle, good yell, grand depth of colour, shows lacing well down, put down in style; 2, 3, Proctor, good buff, bit weak in head, rare tone of good Cinnie col., bit unsteady, 3rd very smart yell., good head and neck, neat flights and tail, well up; 4, Smalley, great head, shows a little break in neck. HENS (9): 1, 4, Rev. B. Nunne, smart buff leading, neat head and neck, not the best of col., but rare quality, 4th best type in class, all frout and fine col., wing wrong; 2, c, Proctor, thumping big yell., a real good hen, may be a bit long, but must have pressed hard; 3, vhc, Mrs. Tweddle, big buff, full of colour, rare type and qual., droops a bit behind; hc, Smalley. Belgians and Scotch Fancy cancelled.

Mr. Mundell's Classes.

YORKS., CL. YELL. (9): 1, Ogden Bros., lovely type, qual., rich col., fine wings and tail, good head, neat; 2, Pike, position, long flights and tail, good head, well on leg, full of qual.; 3, Wilkinson and Woodhead, rich col., full of qual., nice type, little loose on breast; 4, Shackleton, shade strong in head, full of qual., grand wing carriage, piped tail, rich col.; vhc, Morris; hc, Spencer; c, Dooley. BUFF (4): 1, Dooley, pale col., full of qual., nice wings and tail, good head; 2, Knowles, rich col., strong head, good wings and tail, full of qual.; 3, Morrison, bit on the small side, teeming with qual., rich col., neat head, piped tail, position A1; 4, Hirst, stylish, good head, clean on chest, well braced wings and tail; vhc, Kearns; 165, ticked on thigh. TKD., ETC., YELL. (13): 1, sp, best Yorks., Bailey, gem, blaze of col., position A1, nice wing carriage, piped tail; 2, Towers, wings tkd., lovely qual., well on leg, position, good head, piped tail; 3, Kearns, neck and wing mkd., good head, boxey feather, rich col., piped tail; 4, vhc, Broughton, eye tkd., qual. A1, nice wings and tail, position, good head; hc, Dewhirst; c, Smith. BUFF (9): 1, Bailey, cap and wing, rare length, rich col., long flights, well placed, piped tail, position A1; 2, Broughton, shoulder and cheek mkd., boxey feather, true type, grand wings and tail, good head, fine position, very steady, close run for 1st, 3, hc, Kearns, head and cheek mkd., position, neat tail, grand wings, rich col., full of qual.; 4, Norris, uneven mkd., beautiful feather, rich col., nice type, good head, piped tail, good wing carriage; vhc, Ogden Bros.; c, Atkinson. HEN, YELL. (10): 1, 2, Shackleton, 1st wing and eye mkd., pale col., lovely qual. of feather, position A1, grand wings and tail, 2nd cap mkd., rich col., full of qual., piped tail, neat head, well braced wings; 3, Ogden Bros., position A1, neat head, full of qual., well braced wings, piped tail; 4, Knowles, boxey feather, long flights and tail, position, shade strong in head; vhc, Kearns; hc, Slater; c, Spencer. BUFF (8): 1, Shackleton, full of qual., neat round head, grand wing carr., piped tail, position A1; 2, Pike, rich col., boxey feather, good head and neck, nice wings and tail, very stylish; 3, Bailey, good head, full of qual., position, nice wiugs and tail; 4, Linaker, very fine qual., nice type, good head and wings, fails a little in tail; vhc, Knowles; hc, Ogden Bros.; c, Kearns. YELL., 1912 (15): 1, Linaker, grand position, rare length, good wings and tail, well on leg, full of qual., good head; 2, Broughton, fine type and qual., rich col., good head and neck, well braced wings, piped tail; 3, Kearns, cheek tkd., lovely qual., well on leg, long flights, piped tail, good head; 4, Dewhirst, straight as a gun barrel, lovely feather, nice compact wings, piped tail, rich col., four grand birds; vhc, McNulty; hc, c, Pike. BUFF, 1912 (12): 1, Dooley, cheek tkd., lovely feather, position A1, grand wings and tail, neat round head, piped tail; 2, Thomas, eye mkd., rich col., boxey feather, grand type, shade on the stout side; 3, Kearns, rich col., long flights and tail, well on leg, not quite ready; 4, Pike, neck and wing mkd., lovely qual., neck, and head, good wings, and tail; vhc, Slater; hc, Snape; c, McNulty. AMAT. CL. YELL. (14): 1, Bain, A1 position, good head, well on leg, good wing carr., piped tail, rich col., full of qual.; 2, Gill, full of qual., neat round head, rich col., long flights and tail, slips perch a little; 3, Potts, rich col., long flights and tail, full of qual., fails a little in head; 4, Hamlyn, long flights and tail, rich col., bit loose on breast; vhc, Lansey; hc, Gregory; c, Alston. BUFF (14): 1, Smalley, pale col., boxey feather, position A1, good head, piped tail; 2, Gill, pale col., boxey feather, bit flat on head, position; 3, Gregory, rich col., boxey feather, nice wings and tail, very stylish; 4, Thomason, well up on leg, boxey feather, piped tail, very typical, shade on the stout side; vhc, Johnson; hc, Alston; c, Self. TKD. (19): 1, Self, yell., eye, breast, and wing mkd., rich col., neat head, long flights and tail, boxey feather, well on leg; 2, Evans, uneven, mkd. yell., rich col., neat head, boxey feather, nice piped tail; 3, Gregory, uneven, mkd. yell., rich col., nice wings and piped tail, neat round head, and clean on breast; 4, Wilson, yell., blaze of col., nice wings and tail, good head, piped tail; vhc, Bain; hc, Warburton; c, Barnes. A.O. HEN (20): 1, Bain, buff, position A1, lovely feather, good head, well placed wings, piped tail, rich col.; 2, Alston, yell., very stylish, boxey feather, good head, nice wing carr., piped tail, well on leg; 2, Evans, buff, rich col., full of qual., neat head, piped tail; 4, Jackson, buff, uneven, mkd., boxey feather, long flights and tail, nice position; vhc, Gregory; hc, Thomason; c, Pickup. A.V., 1912 (24): 1, Potts, gem, boxey feather, nice wings and piped tail, good head, rich col., very stylish; 2, Barnes, wing tkd., boxey feather, neat head, long flights and tail, well on leg; 3, Gill, buff, rich col., rare length, boxey feather, good head, neat tail; 4, Self, buff, shade strong, lovely feather, typical long flights and tail; vhc, Wilson; hc, Brierley; c, Pickup. GREEN YELL. (10): 1, 3, hc, Rowlands, 1st gem, grand position, long flights, well placed, piped tail, position A1, very nervy, 3rd nice type and qual., sound col.; 2, 4, McDermott, sound col., good position full of qual., crossed wings at times a little, 4th good position, sound col., neat head; vhc, Benson; c, McNulty. BUFF (15): 1, McNulty, sound col., good head and position, nice wings and tail; 2, vhc, c, Rowlands, position, qual., good head, long flights, piped tail, sound col.; 3, Handley, neat head, good wings, piped tail, position, sound col.; 4, McDermott, neat head, position, well braced wings, piped tail; hc, Young. FOUL YELL. (6): 1, Rowlands, foul tail, rare length, position A1, full of qual., neat head, grand wing carr., piped tail; 2, vhc, Robinson, foul tail, nice type, neat head, full of qual., well braced wings, well on leg; 3, Hickson, foul tail, full of qual., position, good head; 4, Handley, foul wings and tail, rare length, nice wings and tail; hc, McNulty. BUFF (11): 1, Rowlands, foul tail, full of qual., very stylish, well on leg, good head, compact wings and tail; 2, c, Handley, foul tail, good head, piped tail, well on leg, position A1; 3, Walker, foul tail, position, neat round head, nice qual. of feather, piped tail, well on leg; 4, McNulty, foul tail, slade on the stout side, nice position, qual.; vhc, Benson; hc, Robinson.

Mr. Colledge's Classes.

CRESTS, BUFF, CL. BODY (2): 1, Evins Bros., D.C., immense crest, grand radiation, well packed, fine quality of feather; 2, Ley, clear crest, another good one, not quite so webby in feather, but a clinking good specimen. BUFF CREST, OTHER THAN CL. BODY (9): 1, 3, Dobson and Son, var., wonderful crest, nice droop, well formed, very broad feather, 3rd D.C., and wing, rare width of crest, well centred, not quality of winner; 2, Smith, D.C. and wings, not quite so full, well packed, good in texture of feather; 4, c, Guy, D.C., real good 'un, shapely, fails size to others; vhc, Ley. HEN (10): 1, Smith, self green, enormous feather, rare droop, good centre, even, and leafy; 2, Brotherton, D.C., even bigger crest, but not so well radiated from centre, must have been near thing; 3, 4, Evans, var., whopping crest, shows nice formation and qual, 4th D.C., very similar, nice and round; vhc, Broad; hc, Barker; c, Evins Bros. BUFF C.B., GREEN OR FOUL GREEN (4): 1, Ley, green foul tail, great substance, grand skull and entrance, nice lashings, coming well down; 2, Evins Bros., green ditto, immense skull, carries wonderful wealth of coat, well up; 3, Smith, green foul tail, smaller, but very good head and feather; 4, Brotherton, foul, rare qual., well lashed, fair texture. CL. TKD. OR VAR. (6): 1, Evins Bros., var., grand rise, topper for size marvellous quantity of silky feather; 2, Bewick, var., great size, broad skull, and well lashed; 3, Ley, grizzle neck, big, grand entrance, full of qual., very leafy feather; 4, Dobson and Son, var., another big one, whopping head and feather; vhc, Memmott; hc, Brotherton. HEN (7): 1, Broad, whopper, foul tail, real beauty, grand type, extra skull and lashing, silky feather; 2, Evins Bros., almost green, another monster, shows a skull built to carry the largest of crests, well placed; 3, Brotherton, var., plenty of feather of silky nature, not quite so good in lashings; 4, Smith, weak in head to above, rare lot of leafy feather; vhc, Dobson and Sons; hc, Guy; c, Memmott. YELL. CREST (4): 1, 3, Evins Bros., D.C., wonder for shape, well centred, drooped round as near perfection as you could get, 3rd D.C., small crest, but neat, very regular in packing; 2, Ley, almost green, shows true properties, lovely feather, crest well radiated and very even; 4, Brotherton, broken crest, but good feather, will improve later. YELL. C.B. (3): 1, 2, Brotherton, var., short and compact, nice width of skull, the feather good enough for a clear Nor., 2nd var., very pale, not so broad or good in skull, isn't it a buff, Mr. B.? 3, Ley, shows good feather. BUFF CRESTED, 1912 (13): Champion class: 1, 4, Bewick, D.C., well packed and radiated, wonder for size and feather, immense skull and extra well finished, rare win to-day, 4th massive crest, rare droop and formation, bit down; 2, Dobson and Son, green, another stormer, wealth of silkiest of feather, just beaten in centre, in rare form; 3, Broad, almost green, pens in crest, very broad feather, will win later on; vhc, Ley; hc, c, Evins Bros. BUFF C.B., 1912 (12): Nice lot: 1, 2, Evins Bros., big youngster, massive skull, lashings well down, a great specimen, 2nd var., great body, rare shape, exquisite feather for a C.B., just beaten in width of skull; 3, Dobson and Son, green; 4, vhc, Bale, var., good lashings and skull, not quite size of above; hc, Beswick; c, Barker. YELL. CREST, 1912 (4): 1, Ley, green, real good 'un, rare density of crest, nice formation, right in centre; 2, Evins, D.C., smaller crest, but topping shape, rich tone of feather, well up; 3, Smith, D.C., bit short of feather, well radiated crest, will improve; 4, Brotherton, we could not find. YELL. C.B., 1912 (6): 1, Evins Bros., well lashed, immense width for a youngster, grandly lashed, wonderful body and shape; 2, Smith, almost green, fine width of skull, shapely, carries any amount of silky feather; 3, hc, Ley, var., nice lashing and skull, not quite broad enough, will possibly make up; 4, Barker; vhc, Brotherton. CINN., C. OR C.B. (1912): Cancelled. NOV. CREST. (9): 1, Barker, D.C. and wings, well packed, and evenly drooped, centre shows splendidly, nice leafy feather; 2, 3, hc, Dr. Twigg, grizzle crest, rare good team, put down like an old hand, 2nd beautiful in formation, densely packed, just beaten droop, 3rd cl., massive crest, well drooped, even and plenty of silky feather; 4, Broadhead, green, rare shape of crest, but on the small side to winners, a good one though; vhc, Arnett; c, Roper. C.B. (6): 1, 2, 3, Dr. Twigg, green, any amount of feather, rare lashings, fair size body 2nd similar col., good skull, would carry a good crest, plenty of the right quality coat, 3rd var., again of silky and broad feather, not quite so well lashed; 4, Broad, fine var., topping skull and lashings; vhc, Rober.

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Mr. Houlton's Classes.

CLR., ETC., HYB. (3): 1, 2, Martin and Archer, the superb Linnet-Canary, and a pale nice feathered cl. Greenfinch-Can., both in splendid condition; 1413 was in wrong class, a dark patch on top of head rendered it ineligible as a "marked" bird; it should have been in the variegy. class. VARIEG.: 1, Martin and Archer, noted very lightly variegy. Greenfinch Can., in grand order, a gem, won well; 2, R. J. Metcalfe, buff Goldie-Can., nearly evenly marked, in lovely feather; 3, Pitchford and Stocker, a very neat feathered variegy. Linnet-Can., nice shape, qual., and condition; 4, Walsh, rare coloured variegy. Goldie-Can., good size, qual., and condition; vhc, T. and J. Kearton, variegy. Greenie-Can., fine col. and feather, medium size; hc, Wilson and Howarth; c, Collis. DARK GOLD OR LINNET: 1, Metcalfe, very smart large yell. Linnet-Can., grand shape, deep col., good markings and glossy condition; 2, Martin and Archer, good sized, deep-coloured yell. Gold.-Can., rare finish and fine condition; 3, Somerfield, good shape, bright coloured yell. Linnet-Can,, very nice feather and condition, very close up; 4, Griffith, smart yell. Gold.-Can., good face, nice level col., fine condition; vhc, Jacklin; hc, Durston; c, Robinson. A.O.V. DK. YELL.: 1, Somerfield, grand all round Greenfinch-Can., in fine form; 2, Helm and Ashall, grand Siskin-Can., good size, col., shape, markings, and condition; 3, Hemmings and Brereton, very nice Redpoll-Can., good feather and condition. BUFF: 1, Morgan, grand, large, well-set Greenfinch-Can., rare col., bloom and condition, fine bird; 2, Richards (Manchester's Pride), lovely shaped Siskin-Can., great size, rare col., lovely markings and condition; 3, Brunskill, good shaped Greenfinch-Can., hardly the finish of first yet; 4, Griffith, (Welsh Prince), well-known winner, Siskin-Can., met his Oliver to-day, just beaten in substance and clearness of markings, nice col. and condition; vhc, Williams; hc, Helm and Ashall; c, Alexander; wc, Davies, nice yellow Green-Can. A.O. HYB.: 1, Martin and Archer, the rare and now well-kuown Chaffinch-Greenfinch, trifle sombre and flat in col., but in grand feather and condition; 2, Walsh, about the hottest fed Canary-Bullfinch ever seen out, extra good shape, in A1 condition; 3, c, Johnson, very fine Gold-Bull., in full col. and fine condition; 4, Metcalfe, very nice shaped Linnet-Bullie, bit pale in colours, grand condition; vhc, Smith and Chadwick; hc, Lewis; c, Johnson. BRIT. GOLDFINCH: 1, spl best British, Pitchford and Stocker, grand bird, well up in colours, good level blaze, nice rich tan, even bold moons and bars, very level feather and condition; 2, Hurst, grand face, good size and shape, nice tan, moons and bars, not quite so solid as first yet; 3, Walsh, very rich Finch, only just beaten in shape of blaze a little; 4, Hooson, very nice bird, just wants a little time and then will run others harder still; vhc, Robinson; hc, Metcalfe; c, Alexander. BULLFINCH: 1, 2, Woods, pair of beauties, hard to separate, lovely bloom, feather and condition; 3, W. H. Williams, grand bird, very close up, all three stout typical neat birds; 4, Hugh Jones, another good one, all there for cap, wings, and tail, nice shapely body; vhc, Nicholson; hc, Woodall Bros.; c, Austin; very good level class of high merit. LINNET (18): A rare good lot: 1, Lovatt and Mason, grand shape, neat cone shape, fine col., markings, and glossy condition; 2, Beswick, very cobby bird, nice col., markings and condition; 3, Kearton Bros., lovely shape, size, col. and markings, only wants to cease crouching to do better; 4, Marley, very nice size, shape, markings, and condition, close up; vhc, Holt; hc, Hurst; c, Morgan. LINNET, F.M. (12): 1, Brade, a regular slasher, and just the typical idea of the raw material to moult into a show specimen; 2, Kearton Bros., very nice, the right stamp, hardly so large as 1st; 3, vhc, Hughes; 4, Morgan, nice shape, markings, etc.; hc, Fairhurst; c, Whitney and Son. SISKIN, ETC. (13): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, rare good, well set Twite, fine markings, col. and condition; 2, c, Brade, well fed Siskin, nice cap, markings, and condition; 3, Metcalfe, very fine Mealy Redpoll, grand feather and condition; 4, Broadhurst, good Twite, very little behind winner; vhc, Woodward, nice Redpoll; hc, Griffith. GREENFINCH (10): 1, Brade, real gem all over; 2, hc, Sharp, another beauty and very hard to separate from winner, shade duller col. only; 3, Hurst, very fine buff in A1 condition; 4, Nicholson, nice bird, just behind in condition to leaders; vhc, Marley; c, Metcalfe. BRAMBLEFINCH (10): 1, Fairhurst, grand bird all out, good size, col., plenty spangle, fine glossy condition; 2, Marley, fine spangle and size, shade duller in col. than winner; 3, Hexter, very large, clean cut through, good spangle and condition, bit paler in body col. only; 4, c, Beswick, trifle smaller, grand colour, shape, markings, and condition; vhc, Sharp; hc, Williams. CHAFFINCH: 1, Marley, good one, in fine all-round condition; 2, Hurst, practically equal and hard to separate; 3, Barnett, bit wild, fine bird when steadier; 4, Broadhurst, rare col. and shape, beaten in head properties a little; vhc, Holt; hc, Smith. A.O. SEED (11), a grand lot of Hawfinches in this class: 1, Marley, capital Hawfinch, very deep and rich in col. and bloom, very fine polish in feather; 2, Johnson, lovely marked Yellow Bunting, splendid colour and condition; 3, Hurst, pretty Hawfinch, just a shade duller in col. to first only, a gem; 4, R. J. Metcalfe, good Yell. Bunting, bit smaller than 2nd, fine col., markings and condition; vhc, hc, Mort; c, Williams. SOFTBILLS: 1, 2, Sharples, fine Chough, and a rather pale coloured Hoopoe, former in best condition; 3, Ellis, bonny Jay, steady; 4, Dean, good Thrush, nicely spotted. PARRAKEETS, ETC.: 1, Bexby, grand pair of Alexandrines in fine condition; 2, Sharples, lovely Peach-faced Lovebird in grand condition; 3, E. Howe, Black-cheek Lovebird, hardly so light as 2nd. PARROTS: 1, H. S. Davies, lovely Ecrectus hen in splendid colours; 2, Teasdale, nice Blue-front Amazon; 3, Ditchfield, ditto, beaten in face feather. AVADAVATS, ETC. (13), a nice lot all through: 1, 3, Howe, very pretty pair of White-headed Nuns in superb condition, and very pretty pair of St. Helenas; 2, Barby, lovely pair Zebras in extra condition; 4, vhc, Beaty, grand pair of Diamond Sparrows leading in A1 form; hc, Miss Dooley; c, Hubbard. FINCHLIKE, ETC. (12): 1, vhc, Beaty, lovely Queen Whydah in perfect condition; 2, Hubbard, excellent pair of Pintail Nonpareils, faintless feather; 3, Fairhurst, very prim pair of Red-headed Gouldians, in tight form; 4, Howe, Golden-backed Whydah, a rare and prettily conditioned bird; hc, c, Simpson. HONEY EATERS, ETC. (6): 1, 2, 4, Walsh, very charming Wood Swallow takes spl best foreign, and a fine Tanager and Sugar-bird in the best of form, all shown up to the mark; 3, vhc, Saywell, Necklace and Blue-shoulder Tanagers, both in fine feather and condition; all these worthy of a first prize, in such perfect condition.

(Members' Classes next week.)

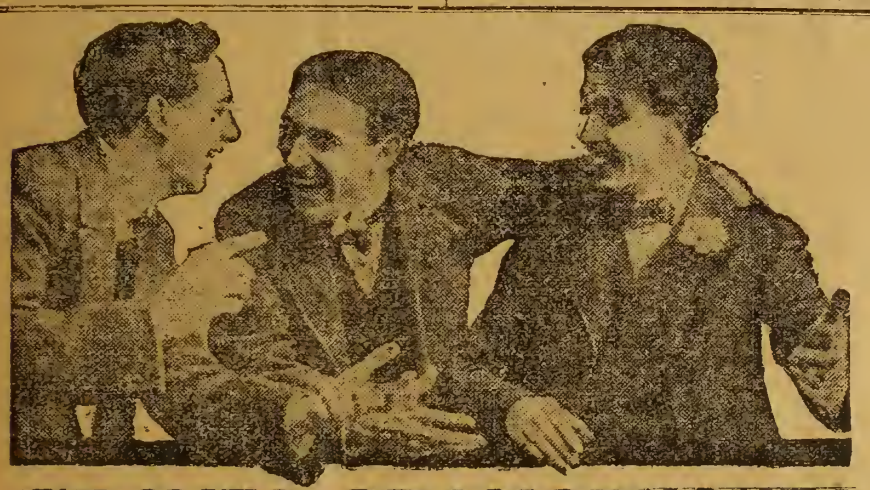
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Annual open show held at headquarters, October 26th. Entries came up about as usual. Norwich were a fine collection, and some of the classes were hotly contested. Crests were a fine show. Buffs were also good and classed. Mules had Sons having quite a holiday. The Secretary, Mr. J. Bunn, had things all in A1 order, and cards were up immediately each class was judged, the names being written on each card. As no catalogue was issued it makes it very difficult to get correct names. The Secretary is backed up by a hard-working committee, including Messrs. Hayter, Wood, Holmes, Rogers, Bill, Alsbrook, Bostock, Towe, Graham and Stevenson. Mr. W. Harris judged Canaries and Mr. J. Goode British and Foreign.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. YELL. (2): 1, W. Twine, lovely shape and size, nice head, good chest, het col.; 2, Bill, nice shape and size, good col. and type, nice front, grand condition. CL. BUFF (8): 1, W. Twine, very shapely, grand size, nice front and head, well filled in neck, lovely qual. and bloom; 2, Nuttall Bros., lovely shape and size, beautiful col. and qual., rare head and neck, lovely form; 3, Twine, grand shape, col. and size, good bold head, hardly so nice quality; vhc, Hill; hc, Caunt; c, C. Twine. MKD. (2): 1, Hill, yell. wing mkd., capital col. and shape, nice feather and bloom; 2, Horwood, stylish, typical ticked buff, in capital condition, lovely quality. HEAVY MKD (2): 1, Hill, lovely shaped green, in nice feather and condition, grand qual. and type; 2, Horwood, variegated, yell., in nice order, grand shape, size and qual. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, C. Twine, cl. of capital shape, size and qual., lovely head and neck, nice col. and feather; 2, Horwood, cl., nice shape, good head and neck, full chest, grand type and col.; 3, W. Twine, rare shape and col., grand qual. and size and feather; vhc, hc, Twine; c, Barnes. BUFF (8): 1, M. Twine, head mkd., we scarcely followed the judge here; 2, Hill, nice neck mkd., of grand col. and qual., rare head, nice wings and tail, grand feather, many liked very much; 3, W. Twine, nice typical variegated., in capital feather and condition; vhc, Nuttall Bros., grand shape, nice col; hc, Marshall; c, J. Twine. HEN (8): 1, Barnes, nice, typical cl. yell., grand shape, size and qual., both head and front lovely col. and feather; 2, M. Twine, head mkd. buff, grand col. and type, nice size, shape and feather, close up; 3, Hill, cl. yell., grand size and shape, lovely col. and qual., perfect feather; vhc, hc, W. Twine, cl., grand shape and col.; c, Bill. STOCK PAIR (3): 1, W. Twine, nice pair, in grand order; 2, C. and H. Twine, similar, in good order; 3, J. Twine, nice type and col. YELLOW D.C. (4): 1, White, green, grand shaped crest, good centre, capital feather; 2, Bent, variegated., massive build, nice crest and feather; 3, Holmes, nice variegated., rougher in feather, nice crest; vhc, White. BUFF (9): 1, Vost, variegated., good size and shape, nice feather and condition, good crest; 2, Mason, massive variegated., nice full crest, good feather and condition; 3, Barnes, wing mkd., nice shaped crest, good feather and size; vhc, White; hc, Shaw and Booth; c, Woods. LIGHT CREST (3): 1, Jacklin, grizzle, in fine form, massive build; 2, Bowers, good shape, nice feather and condition; 3, Nuttall Bros., good size and massive crest, nice feather. HEN (3): 1, Barker, lovely green, in perfect feather and condition, well shown; 2, Nuttall Bros., wing mkd., good size, shape and feather; 3, Statham, fine flow of feather, good shape and size. BUFF CR. (8): 1, Bowers, head mkd., wonderful size and feather; 2, Shaw and Booth, very nice green, in capital order; 3, Handley, green, hardly so nice feather, but large build; vhc, Holmes, hc, Bostock; c, Woods. HEN (6): 1, White, good size and shape, nice feather and condition; 2, Bostock, head mkd., in capital order, massive build; 3, Nuttall Bros., good neck mkd., lovely feather; vhc, Shaw and Booth; hc, Statham. UNFLIG. CREST (6): 1, Holmes, massive variegated, grand crest, nice shape, rattling feather; 2, Bower, green, monster for size, good crest, nice feather and condition; 3, Wood, nice shape, hardly so massive; vhc, Handley; hc, Wood; c, Mason. C.B. (7): 1, Marshall, cl., massive build, good shape, nice feather and condition; 2, Shaw and Booth green, good bold bird, nice quality; 3, Bostock, variegated., nice col. and feather, good shape and size; vhc, Bowers; hc, Statham; c, Goode. STOCK PAIRS (2): 1, Bent, grand shape; 2, Shaw and Booth, rather smaller but nice qual. 20s. SELF., CREST (6): 1, Holmes; 2, Bostock; 3, Jacklin; vhc, Radford. 20s. C.B. (6): 1, Skelford, head mkd., cheap; 2, Jacklin, variegated.; 3, vhc., Bostock; hc, Goode. NOR. SELF., 10s.: 1, hc, Barnes; 2, Martar and Fox; 3, Caunt; vhc, c, Bostock. A.O.V.: Cancelled. MULE (6): 1, James, grand shape and size, lovely col. and condition; 2, Hayter, greenie Can., nice shape, col. and size, perfect feather; 3, Tams and Sons, Siskin Can., lovely shape and feather, real good; vhc, Hayter; hc, Cirl; c, Radford. MULE or BYB. (3): 1, 2, Tams and Sons, neck mkd. Gold Can. and Gold.-Bullie, both in grand condition; 3, Hayter, Linnet-Bullie, in nice condition. LINNET (6): 1, Tams, splendid shape, size and mks., good col. and feather; 2, Marshall, nice mks., good col. and shape, nice feather; 3, Wood, capital col., hardly so distinct in mks.; vhc, hc., Caunt. GOLDFINCH, ETC. (2): 1, Tams and Son, well-cut Goldfinch, lovely col., bars and buttons, fine feather; 2, Caunt, nice Goldfinch, but not in such feather, good col. and buttons. GREENFINCH, ETC. (best class in show) (7): 1, Tams and Sons, Greenie, good size and shape, nice col. and feather; 2, M. Twine, Bramble, capital col. and mks., lovely feather, just a little wild; 3, Bunn, Chaffinch, grand col. and type, rare feather and condition; vhc, Coal; hc, Stevenson; c, Caunt. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, Hayter, Twite, nice shape, col. and mks., lovely form; 2, Barnes, also Twite, close up; 3, Wood, nice size Redpoll, in A1 feather; vhc, Sloppe; hc, c, Caunt. NOV. HARDBILL (3): 1, 2, Caunt, capital Hawfinch and Yellowhammer, both in lovely feather; 3, Holmes, SOFT (1): 1, Caunt, pair of Bearded Tits, in nice feather. Burton winners. FOR. (2): 1, 2, Caunt, Goldfinch and Bullfinch, both of great size, lovely feather and condition.

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WINDHILL.

Magnificent Entry of Grand Exhibits.

Windhill, Shipley and Dist. C.B.S. held their 25th annual Function on October 26th. The Carnegie Library, in which the exhibits were staged, is truly a capital venue for such a festival. The classification and prize money were excellent. Total entries, 430, the best for many years past, and exceeding last year's number by upwards of 70. The cream of the birds of "grace and beauty" were in evidence; no matter which way one turned a feast for the eyes presented itself. Unfortunately, nearly all day long King Fog was paying one of his visits, and we did not envy Mr. J. C. Barnes of his task in separating the "cracks." Nevertheless, he appeared happy in his selections, although hampered so much by the bad light. Amongst the many visitors were several of the "old Brigade (as the Fancy goes), viz., Messrs. John Broadley (looking well), Joe Wilman, Bob Sutcliffe, Joe Wilcock, Tom Bennett, and others. As to the management, it was great. The staging was neatness itself, and every bird could be seen at a glance. The stewards were Messrs. Matt Broadley, W. B. Atkinson, J. Chippendale, R. Sutcliffe, P. Gunn. What a worker, to be sure, is good old Matt! Messrs. E. and J. Halliday are also great assets; for four successive seasons they have acted as "despatch clerks" without a single hitch occurring—a fine record. The indefatigable and most courteous Secretary, Mr. J. A. Taylor, proved himself a very capable official, always doing the right thing at the right time, and keeping the ball rolling in the proper direction. Great praise is certainly due to him. Mr. P. Gunn fills the position of "understudy," and assisted practically and efficiently. Mr. R. Garnett, as Sales Sec., is also the right man in the right place. Prize money was paid out on the Saturday to all winners present. When we made our departure the showroom was well filled with visitors, and no doubt would have been much more so had not such uninviting weather been served up. Hard lines! We hope to hear of financial success being attained against even such great odds. Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

CL. YELL. YORKS (14): 1, Ogden Bros., lovely colour and feather, straight as a gun barrel, wonderful length, clever legs, gem; 2, Shaw, rare length and position, grand back, flights and tail, neat expression, beaten a little in finish; 3, Lunn, stands nicely, good length, neat feather, fine wing carriage, hardly so stylish; 4, Helliwell, nervy, good feather, capital position; vhc, Dykes; hc, Sutcliffe and Son; c, Lawford and Son. BUFF (13): 1, Bailey, delightful quality, beautiful position, rare length, lovely back and wing carriage, pipe tail, trained to the moment; 2, Radley, longer than winner, grand stand, rattling back, flights and tail, possessing clever legs, not quite the quality; 3, Farrar, rich salmon col., straight as a rush, A1 quality, tight as a drum, fails a little in style; 4, Towers, good length and position, well-filled back, neat flights and tail, shade open in feather; vhc, Chippendale; hc, Thomas; c, Ogden Bros. TKD. YELL. (12): 1, Ogden Bros., mkd. right wing, delightful feather, wonderful position and length, perfect back and wing carriage, neatly folded tail; 2, Towers, mkd. right wing, even more length, standing like a guardsman, very stylish, clever legs, wee bit behind in texture; 3, Helliwell, grandly fed, unflighted, thigh tick, delightful staud, capital feather, not so lengthy quite, yet most promising, we heard was the Horton 2nd; 4, Bailey, thigh tick, grand type, col. and feather, nice back and wing carriage; vhc, Burdekin Bros., mkd. wing, ablaze, fine specimen, the Horton winner; hc, Bennett; c, Dyson. BUFF (13): 1, Dyson, mkd. head and tail, feathered to perfection, tight as a Java, rattling position and length, delightfully frosted, gem; 2, Sutcliffe and Son, cheek mkd., rich col. and mealing, teeming with qual., delightful position, rare length, pressed hard; 3, Elsegood, mkd. neck, sweetly moulded, capital feather, grand back, flights and tail; 4, Shaw Bros., mkd. head, full of quality, good position and length, neat legs; vhc, Halliday; hc, Allen; c, Dykes, very nice when right, but untidy about thighs to-day. UNFLIG. YELL. (21): grand lot: 1, Walsh, cl., of wonderful feather and col, magnificent shape and length, most clever legs, shows for all he is worth, with luck should be "one of the b'hoys"; 2, Sutcliffe and Son, mkd. left wing, red-hot, delightful feather, beautiful outline, rare length, close up; 3, Thomas, wonderfully lengthy cl., rich quality, grand head and neck, capital back, wings and tail, inclined to be bulky in waist, yet a "good 'un"; 4, Drake, cl., full of nerve, smooth as glass, true type, but rather on short side; vhc, Allen; hc, Dykes; c, Mountain. BUFF (21), choice class: 1, Bailey, mkd. head, approaching perfection, magnificent from tip of toe to end of beak, a knock-out; 2, Whitley, var., teeming with quality, rattling col., slashing position and length, best of backs, flights and tails; 3, Radley, cl. wonderful length, rich salmon col., grand body, back and wing carriage, when worked draws a little thin in neck; 3, 4, Bennett, mkd. wings, great length, superb feather, nice position, neat; vhc, Sutcliffe and Son; hc, Dykes; c, Briggs. UNFLI. HEN (22) Charming array: 1, Elsegood, yell. mkd. left wing, slim and upstanding, marvellous length, fed to perfection, superb feather; 2, Allen, cl. buff, smooth as a bottle, straight as a pencil, fine length, lovely back and wing carriage, pipe tail, gem; 3, Ogden Bros., cl. yell., rare length, fine position, grand feather and col., clever legs, strong enough, still very catchy to the eye; 4, vhc, Clegg, braee of bonny wenches, cl. buff, A.1. qual. and col., good length, stand nicely, neat back and wing carriage; hc, Sutcliffe and Son; c, Radley. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Thomas, the sensational cl. of last season in fresh hands, wonderful size, not the hen she was, still wins, yet requires more condition to appear as her former self; 2, Stables, cl., capital qual. and col., slim and erect, grand back, flights and tail, beaten in length, yet one we liked; 3, Ogden Bros., cl., well clothed, rich in col., stands nicely, good length, pulls shade thin in neck; 4, Radley, mkd. head, full of colour and quality, good back and wings, solid front, not standing well to-day, which told against her; vhc, Lee; hc, Lawford and Son; c, Casey. BUFF (15): 1, Dykes, marvellous sized cl., as though chiselled out of marble, straight as a gun barrel, lovely back and wing carriage; 2, Ogden Bros., mkd. right wing, another bewitching damsel, very close on the heels of winner; 3, c, Stables, brace of clinkers, former cl., again of very great merit all through, capable of winning at most shows; 4, Peel, richly fed cl., A.1. quality, beautiful position, well on leg; vhc, Chippendale; hc, Whitley. CINN TKD. (5): 1, Ogden Bros., yell., mkd. wings and eye, superb col. and feather, delightful symmetry, rare length, grand legs, a stormer; 2, Grayshon, buff, mkd. wings and head, rare length and position, at time col. and qual., the best flight, Sutcliffe and Son, yell., mkd. and up tanding, choice qual col. side, 4, Brown and Son, buff col. and frosting, hc, Hudson. HEN (6): 1, Dykes, yell., mkd wing col., soft silky texture of feather, good position, solid front, 2, Cross, buff mkd eyes, feathered to perfection, clever legs, 3, Grayshon, buff, mkd and wing, close up; 4, Axford, yell., and head, neat and narrow, Farh, vhc, Brown and Son, hc, Hudson. VELL. EVEN, ETC. (17): 1, Ogden Bros., mkd. eyes, shining feather, shining like and head, stand like a guardsman, carriage, topper; 2, Dykes, mkd ablaze and as a rush, certainly not a giant, but a real 3, Chittenden, mkd. wings and length, capital position and col., well on leg, not quite the quality; 4, Mason, mkd. wings and upstanding, marvellous length, A1. col and all in pen on head, or would have been higher up vhc, Thomas; hc, Sutcliffe and Son; c, Towers. BUFF (13): 1, Ogden Bros., mkd. left wing and smooth and bright as polished marble, wonderful length, true position, stood 1st at Horton, week previous, gem; 2, Farrar, mkd. wings and face, straight as a gun barrel, rare length, capital back, flights and tail, clever legs, beaten in colour only; 3, Morrison, marvellous length, A1. col. and feather, beat head expression, at times crosses flights which tells against it; 4, Towers, mkd. wings and eyes, full of fire, true shape and character, richly fed, delightful feather, shorter; vhc, Dykes; hc, Dewhirst; c, Hall. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Stobart, mkd. wing and head, teeming with qual. and col., delightful shape, fine length, very nervy; 2, hc, Thomas, couple of A.1. specimens, mkd. wings and head, rare position, capital feather and col., good length, close up; 3, Mountain, mkd. wings and head, rattling col. and quality, nice length, well on leg; 4, Sutcliffe and Son, mkd. wings and head, good col. and feather, nice stand, well carried wings, neat tail; vhc, Dykes; c, Chittenden. BUFF (18): 1, Ogden Bros., mkd wings and head, superior feather and col., richly mealed, fine length and position, well filled in back, grand flights and tail; 2, Lunn, mkd. wing and eyes, teeming with quality, rich colour, stands well, full of character, close up; 3, Chippendale, mkd. wings and head, capital quality, A.1. colour, nice length, good back, wings and tail, not quite the style; 4, Shackleton, mkd. wings and head, good in feather and col., nice position, well on leg, fair length; vhc, Wilson; hc, Mason; c, Morrison. NOVICE (£5 5s. LIMIT) YELL. YORK. (15): 1, Harney, cl., rare length and position, good back and wing carriage, capital feather, good enough for open; 2, Beaumont, thigh tick, fine length, stands erect, nice feather; 3, Helliwell, cl., superior col., very lengthy and stylish, well filled back, not quite the quality; 4, Butterfield, cl., A.1. col. and feather, good in position, well on leg; vhc, Long; hc, Mountain; c, Crabtree. BUFF (20): 1, c, Dibb very fine check mkd., teeming with quality and col., grand position and length, clever legs; 2, Atkinson, well fed cl., smooth as wax, stands nicely, good back and wings; 3, Lee, cap mkd., red hot, teeming with qual., good length, does not get up quite as one would like; 4, Butterfield, nicely feathered cl., neatly frosted, stands well, shorter; vhc, Firth; hc, Saville. UNFLI. (26) Grand class: 1, Saville, cl. yell., grand col. and feather, capital position and length, well on leg, very promising; 2, Townley, buff mkd. wing and eye, delightful feather, col. and frosting, very lengthy, stands finely, pressed hard; 3, Deighton, yell., cinn. mkd. wings, full of col. and quality, nice position and length; 4, Wilkinson, cl. buff, lovely salmon col., A.1. qual., but on small side; vhc, Lee; hc, Taylor; c, Atkinson. HEN (15): 1, Smith, yell., mkd. neck, delightful feather, rich col., capital position and length; 2, Radley, exceedingly smart Cl. Buff, beautifully moulded, well clothed, nice length, in the pink; 3, Crabtree, yell., mkd. wing, full of quality and colour, neat position, lengthy; 4, Morley, Buff, mkd. wing, A.1. feather, nice col. and frosting, full of nerve; vhc, Beaumont and Marsden; hc, Greensmith; c, Bennett. YELL. HEN (16): 1, Morley, Cl., rare length, qual. and col., fine position, grand one; 2, Firth, another sweetly drawn Cl., little removed from winner, credit to owner; 3, Naylor, teeming with quality and col., true type, very stylish; 4, Atkinson, A.1. quality, capital position, neat; vhc, Wilkinson; hc, Rushworth; c, Pullan. BUFF (14): 1, Mountain, mkd., wing, slim and upstanding, superb feather, good carriage, could win many open shows; 2, Naylor, Cl., grand quality, nice position and length, neat back and flights; 3, Beaumont, Cl., lovely tint of col., A.1. quality, stands well; 4, Rhodes, rich qual. and col., very stylish, capital position; vhc, Grane; hc, Kilburn; c, Helliwell. EVEN, ETC. (22) Fine collection: 1, Binns, Yell., mkd. wings and head, lovely feather and col., grand position, nice length, clever legs; 2, Pullan, Buff, mkd. wings and head, capital qual., good length and stand, pressed hard; 3, Naylor, Yell., mkd. wings and head, full of qual., nice length, good wing carriage; 4, Highley, Buff, mkd. wings and head, stands well, nice length; vhc, Wood; hc, Helliwell; c, Ellis. HEN (9): 1, Padgett, Yell., mkd. wings and head, rich col. and qual., delightful position, well on leg; 2, Ellis, Buff, mkd. wings and head, rare feather, nice position, lengthy; 3, Tasker, Yell., mkd. wings and eyes, full of col., well clothed, stands nicely; 4, Moore, jun., Buff, mkd. wings and eyes, sweetly moulded, good feather, not so lengthy; vhc, Naylor; hc, Smith; c, Atkinson. CINN. TKD. (11): 1, Binns, Yell., mkd. wings and head, ablaze with colour, richly clothed, rattling position and length, clever on leg; 2, McLaughlin, Buff, mkd. wings, well fed, nice stand and length, neat back, flights and tail; 3, hc, Harney, Yell., mkd. wing and head, superior feather and col., good position, nice length, worth its place; 4, Wood, Buff, mkd. wings and head, delightful position, beautiful feather and colour; vhc, Ward; c, Deighton. HEN (7): 1, Binns, Yell., mkd. wings and cheek, A.1. qual. and col., nice position and length; 2, Grange, Buff, lighty var., sweet outline, grand col. and feather, well filled back; 3, Leather, Yell., mkd. wings and head, good length and col., stands well; 4, Moore, mkd. wings and head, richly fed, tight as a Java, grand stand; vhc, Wood; hc, Slater; c, Wood. NOR. (13): 1, 2, hc, Birbeck, fine team, former very promising Unfli. Cl. Yell., short and thick set, grand col. and feather, jaunty, clean-cut, 2, bouncing Cl. Buff, fine shape and quality; 3, Ingham, very hot Cl. Yell., A.1. quality, nice head and neck, good body, lights and tail; 4, Kaberry, buff mkd. head, capital feather and col., richly mealed, neat; vhc, Hunter; c, Wiseman. HEN (13): 1, Birbeck, Cl. Yell., massive build, delightful shape, well fed, jaunty carriage, in the pink; 2, c, Clark, Cl. Buff, well up in size, rattling feather col. and frosting, grand shape and carriage; 3, Airton, Cl. Yell, rare substance and shape, good carriage; 4, Bennett, Cl. Buff, smooth as wax, capital shape, A.1. col. and feather; vhc, Ingham; hc, Kaberry.

PERTH.

Fine all-round exhibition!
A sensation in the British Section.

The City and County of Perth Society's annual open show was held October 26th, in the Co-operative Hall, an ideal place for the purpose, having splendid light from both ends, and being very roomy. The exhibits were well staged right round, leaving the centre free for the visitors to move about. The entry was fairly good considering the number of shows on the same day, and numbered about 400, shows on the same day, and numbered about 400, while the quality was of the best. Crests were better than they have been in Perth for some years. Norwich were back in numbers, but some of the best were present. Borders had some grand classes, and the winners' names will show what it meant to win a red ticket. British were also a grand section, some of the classes having easily two set of winners. This section provided the sensation of the show, the winning Linnet belonging to Mr. Morton (Motherwell), being protested against as being faked. On being tested the bird was found to have been dressed with some colouring matter, which was taken off on a pad of wool, before the society's officials, and a representative company of prominent men in the Fancy, including CAGE BIRDS representative, along with several of the judges. Result, the bird was disqualified, and under the society's rules of competition all the other prizes won by the exhibitor are forfeited as well. The executive is a good one, Mr. Brown, the president, being an "old hand" at the game, while Mr. A. G. Forrest, his vice, was very active in assisting with the work, while the committee and stewards gave very valuable help in staging and packing of the birds, especially Messrs. Blythe and Bruce, Esslemont, Cranna, Sergt. Inst. Fullarton, R. F. Duncan, and Roy, while the treasurer, Mr. Borrie, was busy watching the "sillar." The obliging secretary, Mr. J. Kerr, had all his arrangements in a forward state, and on the whole the show was a success. The judges were: Crests, in the unavoidable absence of Mr. John Young, Mr. James Sandison (Aberdeen); Plainheads, Mr. W. Grewar (Lochgelly); Borders, Mr. Thomas Arnott (Kirkcaldy), and Mr. James J. Mackie, made his first appearance as a British judge, and all gave great satisfaction, very little grumbling being heard. The Sir John Dewar cup and gold medal were won by Mr. Munro (Strathyre) for best young Border, and runner-up, and silver medal, Mr. W. Bruce (Perth); Sandiford's medal was won by Mr. Allison (Aberdeen), Hyde's by Mr. Robt. Crawford (Pertb). The winning yellow Border hen started to sing merrily after the judging was over, and had to be wrong classed.

The Canary Section.

CREST CK. (6): 1, Howie, grand big body D.C., fine droop and radiator, nicely filled in centre; 2, Whitton, another good one, very massive, well formed crest, splendid lenty feather; 3, McLay, nice droop, good centre, well filled in; 4, Campbell; 5, Duncan; 6, Blyth. CRESTBRED (6): 1, 2, Whitton, leader variegated, rare depth of skull, good entrance, fine body feather, 2, rare size and quality, good head, well lashed, well up; 3, Veitch, nice one, good size and substance, good bold head, nice leafy feather; 4, Blyth; 5, G. F. Adamson. HEN (9): 1, McLay, good hen, grand outer; 2, Fox, nice Crestbred, grand skull, good entrance, nice lashing; 3, Patterson, good crest, great substance, nicely radiated, feather well down; 4, Blyth; 5, McMaster; 6, McLaren. CREST (Bred 1912): (8): 1, Patterson, good one, grand crest, good radiation, well centred, beautiful droop; 2, Adamson, another good one, fine drooping crest, good centre, grand body feather; 3, Blyth, Green, good one, well up in Crest, presses; 4, Whitton; 5, McLay; 6, Duncan. C.B. (Bred 1912) (9): 1, McLay, good Green, of rare size and substance, grand quality of feather; 2, McLaren, well filled in body, good bold skull, well lasbed; 3, McCall and Henderson, rare substance, grand leafy feather; 4, Adamson; 5, Low and Blyth. SELL., £2 (6): 1, Patterson; 2, Blyth; 3, Adamson; 4, Veitch; 5, Bruce; 6, Malcolm. SELL., £1; (3): 1, Low; 2, Cochrane; 3, Williamson and McAdam; 4, Veitch; 5, Blyth; 6, Watson. NORWICH CL., OR TKD. YELL. CK. (4): 1, Bisbop, good size and substance, grand head and wings, sweet quality, wins; 2, Dickson, another good one, hot colour, good head, nice wings, in grand order, close up; 3, Smith, nice bird, good substance, fine colour, scarcely up in size to leaders; Brown, good one, will improve. BUFF (7): 1, Mitchell, great size, good bold head, well laid on wings, nice colour; 2, McLeod, Glasgow, novice winner, looking well, rare size and substance, good head; 3, Kerr, good one, not so big, cobby, good head and wings, grand quality, worth its place; 4, McLagan; 5, Kennedy; 6, Booth. VAR. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Sandiford's medal, Allison, grand size and substance, bold head, good wings and tail, fine level colour; 2, Crawford, young one, good size and substance, bold head, fine set on wings, in grand condition, very creditable first attempt; 3, McLeod, another good one, grand quality, nice level col., well up; 4, Harris; 5, Fleming. BUFF (6): 1, Martin, grand size and substance, rare front, good wings, tail well set; 2, Masterton, still another nice one, grand quality, good condition; 3, Harris, fine type and quality, good substance, head and front; 4, Bishop; 5, Duff; 6, Parker. HEN, YELL. (12): 1, Fleming, good size and substance, rare quality, fine feather; 2, Mitchell, well up in size, good head and front, nice wings, in capital order, presses; 3, Wildridge, good size, coarser feather, nice wings and tail; 4, Parker; 5, Forrest; 6, Masterton. BUFF (9): 1, Mitchell, rare size and substance, grand quality of feather, good head and front; 2, Dickson, good size, grand head and wings, nice front, an old winner; 3, Sandison, good one, fine head, well laid on wings, grand quality; 4, Paterson; 5, Boath; 6, Allison. NON-FED CK. (6): 1, Mitchell, great size and substance, good bold head, nice wings and front; 2, Wildridge, fine size, grand quality of feather, good wings; 3, Kirk, grand size, good quality, fine col.; 4, Fleming; 5, Duff; 6, McLagan. HEN (6): 1, Mitchell, lovely hen, grand shape, splendid head and wings; 2, Bishop, good size and shape, grand front ,rare style, well laid down; 3, Martin, not same size, but good quality, fine deep chest; 4, Strachan; 5, Duff; 6, Cameron. UNFLIGHTED YELL. CK. (10): 1, Mitchell, very typical, good head and front, grand quality, well put down; 2, 5, Crawford, good heavy variegated, yell., hot col., wins Hyde's teapot, grand style, nice wings and tail, rare quality; 3, Duff, another good one, fine style, nice col., rare good quality; 4, Boath; 5, Blyth. BUFF (11): 1, J. Mitchell (Cowdenbeath), good size and quality, fine type, well laid on wings, grandly put down; 2, Fleming, excellent shape and size, fine quality, typical; 3, Sandison, another nice one, well put down, full of quality; 4, Martin; 5, Kerr; 6, Hutton. HEN, YELL. (7): 1, Harris, grand head and wings, teams with quality, well over perch, in rare order, wins; 2, Boath, beautiful hen, rare style, good front, grand wings and tail, well up; 3, Sandison, another good one, grand quality, fine head and front, worth its place; 4, Forrest; 5, Strachan; 6, Mooney. BUFF (13): 1, McLeod, grand size, good bold head and front, nice wings and tail, in lovely order; 2, Harris, very good one, well up in size and quality, grand shape, very stylish; 3, Smith, grand shape, good quality, well put down; 4, Kennedy; 5, Fleming; 6, J. Mitchell. SELL., 15s. (11): 1, McLeod; 2, Burnett; 3, Kerr; 4, Fleming; 5, Hutton; 6, Ritchie. HEN, 15s. (6): 1, Kerr; 2, Hamptou; 3, Strachan; 4, Sandison; 5, Ritchie; 6, Stirling. BORDER, CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (12): 1, Hutchison, good col., grand type and quality, rare bloom, tight as a bottle, spotless; 2, 3, Munro, leader, Dewar cup winner, one of the right stamp, scarcely finished, will be hard to put back later, 3, similar, both well staged; 4, Kay; 5, Peters; 6, Rohb. BUFF (13): 1, H. Bennet, in the usual faultless style, grand shape and quality, nice size, good col.; 2, Peters, another good one, hard to beat, in fine order; 3, Anderson, very typical, dandy wee chap, beautiful bloom; 4, Munro; 5, McKenzie; 6, Esslemont. HEN, YELL. (14): 1, Bennet, lovely little lady, wings well laid on, good head, spotless; 2, Anderson, another real good one, grand type and quality; 3, Rae and Reid, good for size and quality, well finished; 4, Munro; 5, Rintoul. BUFF HEN (16): 1, Hutchison, sweet, taking hen, nicely rounded, well laid on wings and tail, beauty; 2, Anderson, another good one for style, fine shape and quality, splendid wing and tail carriage; 3, McKenzie, fine head, good stamp, nice wing carriage; 4, Bennet; 5, Lambie; 6, Peters. VAR., ETC., YELL. CK. (9): 1, H. Bennet, very stylish, tight as wax, in shining condition; 2, Lambie, a topper, teeming with quality, grand feather, close up; 3, Munro, well up, will show better in a week or two; 4, McKenzie; 5, Rae and Reid; 6, Crabb and Finlayson. BUFF (6): 1, Lambie, grand stamp, rare head and neck, beautiful wings and tail, fine carriage; 2, Hutchison, fine stylish bird, well put down, stands well on perch, grand wing carriage; 3, Henderson, good size, nice quality, rare carried wings and tail, in grand order; 4, Campbell; 5, Esslemont; 6, Hampton. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Hutchison, good style, fine head, nice wing carriage, grand type; 2, Crabb and Finlayson, lovely style and finish, nice wings, tail, well carried; 3, Hampton, another nice one. BUFF HEN (4): 1, Lambie, very stylish, grand type, good wings and tail, well put down; 2, Dick, good size and nice finish, rare wing carriage; 3, Hutchison, good one, rare quality, grand type, well put down; 4, Bruce. SELL. CK., 10s. (12): 1, McKenzie; 2, Lambie; 3, Hutchison; 4, H. Bennet. HEN, 7s. 6d. (8): 1, Anderson; 2, H. Bennet; 3, Lambie; 4, Borrie. A.O.V. CAN. (6): 1, Thomson, good Lizard, well spangled, in grand condition; 2, 5, Smith, both Scotch Fancies, neat head, good droop, nice wing carriage; 3, 6, Junor, pair of nice Yorks., yell. leading, fine length of side, very erect, good position; 4, Malcolm. MEMB., SELL., 10s. (6): 1, 4, Kerr; 2, Smith; 3, 5, Borrie. SELL., 5s. (8): 1, Munro; 2, Bruce; 3, Brown; 4, Cranna.

Hybrids, British and Foreign.

GOLDFINCH (11): 1, Allan, nice blaze, well cut, good size, fine wings, nicely tanned; 2, Cranna, richer blaze, well tanned, nice moons and buttons; 3, Black and Lumsden, nice one, good blaze, fine wings and col.; 4, Harcombe; 5, Dunlop; 6, Hutton. BULLFINCH (10): 1, 6, Watt, leader, grand size, good back and breast, nice dense cap; 2, 3, Cranna, leader Glasgow winner, grand size, rare good wings, well laid on, beautiful breast colour, we liked to win, 3, similar, scarcely so rich in col.; 4, Butler; 5, Cameron. GREENFINCH (7): 1, Reid, grand size, nice green colour, rich yellow on wings, in grand order; 2, Morton, smaller, nice type, good quality; 3, Binnie, good Finch, fine size, grand col. and condition; 4, McGregor and Boyd; 5, Cranna; 6, Dunlop. SISKIN (17): 1, Morton, nice size, cap and wing bars, well marked on thighs, very hot col.; 2, McGregor and Boyd, good one, fine size and markings, in grand order; 3, Esslemont, biggest in class, rare good Finch, nice cap and bib, beautiful lacing, badly fed; 4, Leitch; 5, Sykes; 6, Brown. LINNET (13): 1, McMaster, nice size, good breast and back colour, nicely marked; 2, Roy, bonnie Lintie, fine size and well pencilled, good bloom; 3, Paterson, nice bird for size and finish; 4, Brown; 5, Paterson; No. 10, disqualified. REDPOLL (10): 1, Dunlop, fine wee Lesser, nice size, well marked on flanks, good condition; 2, Binnie, Mealy, good wing bars, rich colour; 3, Morton, Lesser, good col., fine size and condition; 4, Leitch; 5, Cairns; 6, Leitch. A.O.V., SMALL (5): 1, Langlands, Waxwing, nice size, rich waxing, beautiful col., steady; 2, Roy, good Chaffie, nice colour, shows whites well; 3, Sykes, good Meadow Bunting, fine colour, very steady; 4, Cranna; 5, Livingstone. HEN (9): 1, McCall and Henderson, nice Yellowhammer, good size and col.; 2, Colville and Sons, pretty Reed Bunting, very steady; 3, Cranna, Bullie, grand size and col., nice finish; 4, Dunlop; 5, Junor; 6, Leitch. LIGHT MULE, ETC. (4): 1, Bishop, nice light Goldie, rare col., shows parentage well; 2, Fyfe, good Siskin-Greenie, in grand order, very steady; 3, Dunlop, another Siskin-Grecnie, smaller, but in fine condition; 4, Junor, looks like hen Linnet-Bullfinch, rare front and good size. DARK MULE (11): 1, 5, Roy, grand Goldie, big winner, in lovely order, often described; 2, Dunlop, nice Siskin Mule, rare col. and markings, well staged; 3, McGraw, Greenie, nice one, good size and col., will improve; 4, 6, Brown. SELL., BRIT. 7s. 6d. (7): 1, Kerr; 2, Nicol; 3, Halley; 4, Cranna. FOR. GOLDIE (4): 1, Howie, noted old winner, looking well; 2, Vass, good size and finish, grand col.; 3, Roy, another good one, not up in face yet; 4, Simpson. FOR. (2): 1, Winton, an old Perth favourite, the Hill Mynah, in splendid order, had a crowd round him all afternoon; 2, Carstairs, good Parrot.

GUISBORO' C.B.S.

Table show, held Oct. 12th, at Charlton's Terrace, when a good number of birds faced the judge, Mr. A. Wake, Middlesbro'. The following points have been scored to date for president's cup:—Mays and Allinson 158, Cook and Hood 153, G. R. Barker 114. Novice: F. Massey 69, R. Husband 66. YORKS.: 1, 2, G. R. Barker; 3, vhc, hc, c, Cook and Hood. 1912: 1, 3, Mays and Allinson; 2, vhc, hc, c, Cook and Hood. HEN: 1, 2, 3, G. Barker; vhc, Mays and Allinson; hc, c, Cook and Hood. NOR.: 1, Cook and Hood; 2, Mays and Allinson; 3, R. Husband; vhc, F. Massay; hc, G. Barker. 1912: 1, hc, Mays and Allinson; 2, Cook and Hood; 3, c, R. Husband; vhc, F. Massay. HEN: 1, 2, Mays and Allinson; 3, G. Barker; vhc, F. Massay; hc, Husband. CREST OR C.B.: 1, Cook and Hood. A.O.V.: 1, 2, F. Massay; 3, vhc, Cook and Hood. LINNET: 1, Cook and Hood. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, hc, c, Mays and Allinson; vhc, Cook and Hood. MULE OR HYBRID: 1, vhc, hc, c, R. Husband; 2, 3, G. Barker. NOVICE. YORKS: 1, vhc, F. Massay; 2, 3, hc, c, R. Husband.—H. Hood. Sec.

KIRKCALDY.

Good, despite counter attractions.

The sixth annual exhibition was held Oct. 26, in the Pioneer Hall, Kirkcaldy, and despite counter attractions we believe the society will come out on the right side. The hall is admirably adapted for such an exhibition, being free from draughts, and affording excellent light, but the exhibits were rather closely packed. In Scotch Fancies, although not numerous, some excellent birds were staged. Borders came up to expectation, but we much regret to chronicle that we heard the judge was subjected to a good amount of heckling, and there are none better at it than the "Fifer." In the Yorks. many good specimens were staged. Crests and Crestbreds scarcely warranted the classification. Plainheads were a very even lot, and contained some noted winners. Mules, British and foreign made a nice show, some very creditable birds being on exhibition. The management was all that could be desired, and everything went off as happy as wedding bells. Mr. Thomas Adamson makes an admirable manager, and he was ably assisted by Mr. John Thomson and Mr. Chas. Rae. Judging was got through in good time. Quite a number of well-known faces were seen during the afternoon, and we trust that the coffers of the society will be greatly augmented. The judges were: Scotch Fcy., Mr. D. Low, Dundee; Borders and Yorks., Mr. J. Hutchison, Dysart; Crests and C.B., Mr. G. Arnott, Kirkcaldy; Plainheads, Mr. W. Hampton, Brechin; Mules, Brit., and For., Mr. J. H. Adam, Glasgow.

Mr. D. Low's Classes.

SCOTCH FANCY, CL. OR FOUL YELL. (6): 1, Black, rare size, grand position, length of wing, and side, hard up, rare, free drive, grand worker, well staged; 2, Archibald, another good one, not much between the two; 3, hc, Howie, real sweet exhibit, good top end, fine drive, in good order; vhc, Leslie; c, Aitken. BUFF (4): 1, Cairns, good top end, a fine reach, grand depth through, rare length, grand position, nice sweet head, tail well under; 2, Leslie, fine size, good reach, well punched up, deserves position; 3, 4, Hutchison, a brace of nice birds. PIE. OR GREEN YELL. (4): 1, Black, good one, full pose, grand worker, hard up, good free drive, nice length, good order; 2, Watson, hard up, good reach, very nervy, just fails a little in size; 3, Sutherland, a sweet one, put down in lovely feather; vhc, Gibson. BUFF (4): 1, Black, another good exhibit, wins all the way; 2, Thomson, very taking one, good worker, good top and drive, in fine trim; 3, Archibald, smart exhibit, could do with more depth through; vhc, Nairn. CL. OR FOUL YELL. HEN (1): 1, Nairn, quite a nice Fancy, decent top end and drive, fair length, in fine trim. BUFF (4): 1, Thomson, rare size, grand depth through, hard up, full, free drive, rare worker, good length, well set on pins, wins; 2, Howie, good stamp, could do with a little more size, hard up, good reach, fine order; 3, Nairn, creditable exhibit, put down in the pink; vhc, Watson. PIE. OR GR. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Black, nice pose, good top end, grand neck, rare length, good worker, well set on pins, sweet head, wins; 2, 3, Gibson, a brace of good ones, that will be heard of again; vhc, Cairns. BUFF (6): 1, Gibson, fine size, slashing top end, nice reach, good length of wing and side, in rare bloom, hotly pursued by 2, McLean, sweet hen, of good size, rare top end, full drive, grand worker, good length and depth, well set on pins, good condition; 3, Strachan, very neat hen, good size and substance, in the pink of condition; vhc, hc, Thomson; c, Howie. SELL. CK., £1 (7): 1, Strachan; 2, Watson; 3, hc, Gray; vhc, Gibson; c, Thomson. HEN £1 (3): 1, Strachan; 2, Watson; 3, Gibson.

Mr. Hutchison's Classes.

BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (11): 1, Craig; 2, Patterson; 3, McCrae; vhc, Grubb; hc, Duncan; c, Arnott. HEN (15): 1, Arnott; 2, Henderson; 3, Crabb and Finlayson; vhc, Patterson; hc, Fotheringham; c, Spence. BUFF (11): 1, Spence; 2, Grubb; 3, Patterson; vhc, Arnott; hc, Craig; c, Aitchison. BUFF HEN (10): 1, Spence; 2, Arnott; 3, Patterson; vhc, Grubb; hc, Craig; c, Irons. VAR. YELL. (13): 1, Henderson; 2, McCrae; 3, Welsh; vhc, Irons; hc, Craig; c, Blackie. HEN (6): 1, Henderson; 2, Marshall; 3, Yuill; vhc, Rintoul; hc, Aitchison; c, Hazzard. VAR. BUFF (8): 1, Arnolt; 2, Nairn; 3, Kerr; vhc, Henderson; hc, Spence; c, Peel. HEN (14): 1, Patterson; 2, Nairn; 3, Arnott; vhc, Henderson; hc, Beveridge; c, McCrae. EVEN MARK (6): 1, Arnott; 2, Lambie; 3, Patterson; vhc, Aitchison; hc, Mathieson; c, Arnott. YELL. GREEN (5): 1, Lambie; 2, Dods; 3, Spence; vhc, Lumsden; hc, Rae. BUFF GREEN (5): 1, Aitken; 2, Lumsden; 3, Rae; vhc, Whitclaw. CINN. (8): 1, R. Lambie; 2, W. Lambie; 3, vhc, Arnott; hc, Patterson; c, W. Lamhie. SELL. COCK, 10s. (6): 1, Lamhie; 2, Grubb; 3, Beveridge; vhc, Hastings; hc, Henderson; c, Marshall. HEN, 7s. 6d. (3): 1, Yuill; 2, Rae; 3, Agnew. MEMBERS' NOV. BORD. (9): 1, Nairn; 2, Frew; 3, hc, Rae; vhc, c, Mathieson. COM. CAN. (10): 1, hc, Bell; 2, Duncan; 3, Haxton; vhc, Dewar; c, Russell. YORKS., YELL. CK. (5): 1, 3, Heggie; 2, Christie; vhc, Crerar; hc, Low. HEN (5): 1, Gray; 2, Heggie; 3, Low; vhc, Juner; hc, Crerar. BUFF CK. (8): 1, Reilly; 2, vhc, Gray; 3, c, Heggie; hc, Reid. HEN (4): 1, Christie; 2, Gray; 3, Heggie; vhc, Reid.

Mr. Arnott's Classes.

CREST CK. (3): 1, Sneddon, green, good crest, nice veiny feather, good centre, nice frontal, wins; 2, Crerar, nice stamp of crest, just fails a trifle in centre; 3, Sneddon. HEN (4): 1, Brown, grand green, nice crest of good size and frontal, neat centre, wins; 2, McGren, another good one, could do with a little more frontal; 3, Crerar, another green, well staged and placed; vhc, Brown. 1912 (3): 1, 2, Brown, var. Buff, good crest of nice formation, neat centre, and a D.C., in nice bloom; 3, Sneddon, grizzle Crest, that should improve. C.B. CK. (2): 1, Summers, var. buff, good skull, well lashed, fine length of feather, rare substance; 2, Brown, green, loses in cushion. HEN (3): 1, Lindsay, good head, well lashed, fine substance, rare length of feather; 2, Brown, cl. buff, loses in length of feather. C.B., 1912 (5): 1, Summers, green, good head, fine substance, nice length, of fine, grand size; 2, Brown, var. buff, nice stamp, should improve; 3, Webster, green, could do with a little more substance; vhc, Crerar; hc, Summers. SELL., CREST OR C.B., 20s.: All awards J. Brown.

Mr. Hampton's Classes.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Adamson, nice size, good head and neck, fine chest, nicely braced wings, short tail, good col., fine qual., in faultless trim; 2, Spence, nice stamp of a Plainhead, fine qual., good col., in nice order; 3, Finnie, grand col., nice type, just fails a wee bit in head, well put down; vhc, Dempster; hc, Summers; c, Brown. BUFF (3): 1, Gibson, City of Glasgow 3rd, nice stamp, good round head, fine neck, nice chubby body, well mealed, good broad back in lovely bloom; 2, Summers, a nice one, put down in lovely trim; 3, Macfarlane, Jas., good head, crosses slightly at times. VAR. OR. GR. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Gibson, wing and cap mkd., good head, fine chest, well braced wings, good col., in the pink; 2, Reid, wing and cap mkd., nice stamp, could do with a little more size; 3, Mitchell, var. yell., nice one, just a wee bit long in barrel, rare qual. and col.; vhc, Weir; hc, McLean. BUFF (9): 1, Taylor, wing and neck mkd., good full head, rare neck, nice type, grand wings and tail, put down in lovely bloom; 2, Spence, var. buff, just a shade too long for our taste; 3, Moffat, eye and wing mkd., nice stamp all over, fails a trifle in head properties; vhc, Gibson; hc, Maltman; c, Cummings. CL. TKD. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Harris, grand size and col., rare head, good neck, fine chest, good wing, carriage, one of the right sort; 2, Myles, typical, grand col. and qual.; 3, Philip, good all over, well placed and staged; vhc, c, Thomson; hc, Boag. BUFF (5): 1, Harris, cl., good one, all there for size and qual., nicely mealed, and well put down; 2, Scott, nice stamp, in good feather; 3, Mitchell, fails in wing carriage, to others; vhc, Macfarlane, A.; hc, Taylor. VAR. OR GR. HEN (6): 1, Mathieson, var. buff, good size, and frontal, nicely mealed, trifle weak in head; 2, Gibson, good size and col, lovely bloom; 3, Wildridge, just a fair one, in good order; vhc, Macfarlane, A., many preferred for premier honours; hc, Brown; c, Adamson. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Adamson, cl., good size, rare col. and qual., fine head, good neck, nice chest, good wings, a well balanced bird all over; 2, Dempster, another cl., just lacks the polish of leader; 3, Peters, neat and typical, well staged and placed; vhc, Silk's cup, Thomson; hc, Ross; c, Cummings. HEN (6): 1, cup, Thomson, grand one, good head, fine full neck, rare frontal, slashing qual. and col., well braced wings, put down in the pink of condition, an easy winner; 2, Dempster, nice stamp, good col. and qual., fails a trifle in head properties, good order; 3, Moffat, neatly balanced bird all over, fine condition; vhc, Macfarlane, A.; hc, Logan; c, Peters. UNFLIG. BUFF CK. (6): 1, vhc, Dempster, good size, rare head, neck, and wings, good tail, fine chest, good qual. of feather, well staged; 2, Gibson, trifle smaller, fine type all over, in rare bloom; 3, Henderson, neat and typical, good col., fine qual. of feather; hc, Thomson; c, Cummings. HEN (6): 1, Smith, fine size and col., good full head, nicely rounded body, best of wing and tail carriage, in lovely order; 2, Dempster, nice one, well mealed, in grand order; 3, Logan, natty, nice type, fine qual., rare col., well put down; vhc, Macfarlane; hc, Gibson; c, Peters. NON-FED YELL. CK. (4): 1, 3, Lauric; 2, Smith; vhc, Thomson. BUFF (6): 1, hc, Laurie; 2, Stephen, 3, Harris; c, Frew. NON-FED YELL. HEN (3): 1, Laurie; 2, Macfarlane; 3, Dewar. BUFF (10): 1, Harris; 2, Mitchell; 3, hc, Laurie; vhc, Gibson; c, Thomson. SELL. CK., 20s. (10): 1, Irons; 2, Finnie; 3, Adamson; vhc, c, Gibson; hc, Mitchell. HEN, 20s. (11): 1, Irons; 2, Thomson; 3, Taylor; vhc, Ross; hc, Adamson; c, Logan.

Mr. Adams's Classes.

GOLDFINCH, BRIT. (8): 1, Barclay, nice Finch, good rose of the desired hue, neat tans and buttons, nice polish, good collar, in fine fettle; 2, Summers, another nice one, loses a trifle in rose, nicely put down; 3, Chalmers, J. and J., loses in blaze to leaders; vhc, Muir and Heenan; hc Kinnear; c, Finnie. BULLFINCH (8): 1, Mackie, good size, one of the shapely order, fine col., good bars, nice cap, in rare condition, easy win; 2, Sykes, nice col., was a bit soft, but improved as the day went on; 3, Thomson, another nice one, fails a trifle in size and bloom; vhc, Robertson; hc, Palmer; c, Junor. LINNET (8): 1, Nicolson, good sound col., fine size, good whites, very steady, in rare order; 2, Thomson, nice bird, of good size and col., hotly pursued by 3, Sykes, a nutty brown one, lacing trifle heavy, also a bit unsteady and too forward in condition; vhc, Hodge; hc, Nairn; c, Philip and Son. GREENFINCH, NON-FED. (11): 1, Messer, good size and substance, fine head and shoulders, put down in rare order; 2, Thomson, another good Greenie, of good size; 3, Finnie, loses a trifle in size to leaders; vhc, Ritchie; hc, Black and Lumsden; c, Bell, wet when judged. COLOUR-FED (9): 1, Logan, a well-known winner, still adding to his laurels, good size, fine head, neck, and shoulders, rare substance, hotly pressed by 2, macfarlane, stately buff, well known, many preferred for first place; 3, Haxton, loses in size, still a good one; vhc, c, Aitken; hc, Sykes; No. 1, Russell, wet when judged. SISKIN (6): 1, Watson, non-fed, grand Finch all over, rare cap, in faultless trim; 2, Macfarlane, colour fed, good size and col., many fancied; 3, Nicolson, another colour-fed, fails a bit in size, good condition; vhc, Sykes; hc, Jamieson; c, Nicol. REDPOLL OR TWITE (5): 1, Laird and Matthew, Twite, good size and col., well laced, in grand fettle; 2, Campbell, Mealy Redpoll, of good size and col., well staged and placed; 3, Muir and Heenan, Twite, just fails to leader in size; vhc, Robertson; hc, Hutchison. BUNTING, ETC. (9): 1, Haxton, Yellowhammer, grand V head markings, wins 2, Sykes, very nice, shapely Bramble; 3, Nicholson, Chaffinch, good size and col., fine whites; vhc, Lister, Corn Bunting; hc, Poulter; c, Nicoll. SMALL SOFT-BILL (6): 1, Gilmour, yellow Wagtail, good size, rare col., fine feather, well staged, easy win; 2, A. McLean, Wheatear, good size, fair col., will improve; 3, Lauric, yell. Wagtail, loses in condition to winner; vhc, Connelly, Wheatear; Bearded Tit was wrong-classed by judge in this class. LARGE (9): 1, Bisset, Blackbird, good size, nice beak, good eye eere, grand polish of feather, good win; 2, Lister, Missel Thrush, in grand feather and fettle; 3, Nicoll, Song Thrush, a good one, well mooned, good ground col., well staged and placed; vhc, Sykes, fair Hawfinch; hc, Storrar; c, Poulter. HEN SEEDEATER (13): 1, Mackie, grand Bullfinch, rare size and col., fine cap and bars, glorious condition, one of the best out so far; 2, hc, Lister, Siskin hen, good size, nicely mkd., in grand feather and fettle; 3, Smart, nice Greenfinch; vhc, Storrar, Linnet; c, Wntson, Bullfinch. MULE (5): 1, Jamieson, var., yell. Greenfinch-Can., good size and col., smartly claimed by a well-known fancier; 2 Heggie, var. buff Goldie-Can.; 3, Macfarlane, Goldie-Can., looked a bit soft when we went round; vhc, Reid; hc, Gordon. DARK MULE (11): 1, Bogie, Goldie-Can., good size and col., in rare bloom, wins McQueen's special; 2, Philp, Linnet-Can., fair size, good col., well staged; 3, Macfarlane, Greenfinch-Can., good col., well put down; vhc, Reid; hc, Nicol; c, Storrar. CAN.-BULLFINCH OR HYB. (3): 1, Macfarlane, Goldfinch-Bullfinch, fine size and col., in rare bloom; 2, McLean, Redpoll-Greenfinch, in nice bloom; 3, Whitbrook and Allan, Siskin-Greenfinch, in nice feather. SELL., MULE OR HYB., 7s. 6d. (6): 1, Storrar; 2, Barclay; 3, Peel; vhc, Peters; hc, Robson; c, Whitbrook and Allan. SELL., BRIT, 7s. 6d. (7): 1, Thomson; 2, Ritchie; 3, Black and Lumsden; vhc, Palmer; hc, Robson; c, Dewar. FOR., GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (6): 1, Williams, Goldfinch, fine size, good blaze, and collar, neat tans, nicely buttoned, wins; 2, Lister, Bullfinch, grand size and col., nice cap, rare bars, good whites, a massive Finch, in glorious order; 3, Dickson Bros., Bullie, loses in size and col., still a good one; vhc, Smart; hc, c, Kinloch. FOR., A.O.S. (8): 1, Sykes, Glossy Starling, in grand form; 2, 3, vhc, Arnott, with a nice team of small ones' hc, Lister; c, Storrar.

LEWES.

A Fixture under Cage Bird Union Rules.

A capital schedule had been issued by the Lewes Fanciers' Association for its show, which was held in the Corn Exchange on October 23rd and 24th. After all the hard things said about the C.B.U. we were surprised to find this fixture being held under its rules; we wonder if this had any adverse effect on the number of entries. Twenty-eight classes were scheduled, and drew an entry of 140; 12 classes were cancelled, and those remaining averaged just under 9 per class, which we were surprised to hear was an improvement on last year. Norwich, with some exceptions, were moderate, but Yorks. were a very nice collection of smart typical exhibits, and competition was keen. Goldies were good, but another week or two will make a lot of difference in the placings. Greenies and Chaffies made a very nice display, all of them being of much merit, and amongst the variety hardbills were several most excellent Hawfinches. The members' special for the best cage bird was won by Mr. Dandridge's buff Yorks.

Splendidly lighted, lofty, and free from draughts, the Corn Exchange is a grand building for a show. All the details of management were exceedingly well carried out by the committee, Messrs. T. H. Pitcher (chairman), S. Elphick (vice-chair), S. C. Sharpe, —. Calderwood, H. Frost, J. A. Howard, —. Berry, F. Eager, R. Cox, M. Penfold, C. Wilmshurst, M. Soffner, W. S. Tucker, W. Ainsworth, P. G. Hughes, and F. Huggett, all of whom attended well to their duties, and did their best for the exhibitors, visitors, and the exhibits. Mr. J. Martin, the hon. sec., was most courteous and energetic in discharge of the onerous duties of his office, and he was most cordially supported by his worthy assistant, Mr. T. Jeffrey. Our Lewes friends have two splendid officials in Messrs. Martin and Jeffrey. There was a nice attendance of visitors. So well managed a fixture deserved success. Mr. C. A. House judged, and his awards seemed to be very favourably received.

The Critique.

NOR. BUFF (6): 1, Terry, beautifully sound and even in col., grandly frosted, rich silky feather, neat head, capital wings and tail, in grand form; 2, Miller, nice head and shoulders, good sound level colour, very smart and stylish, lovely feather, well mealed; 3, res, Wheat, bonnie little bird, rare shape and style, very rich in col., good wings and tail, had been washing and thus lost his chance; res, grand shaped body, not so rich in col., nice feather; vhc, Small; hc, Gibb. TKD. (6): 1, 2, sp, Pennels, magnificent wing tkd. yell., lovely sheen, depth, and evenness of col., rare style, good head and chest, stands well across perch, 2nd very heavily mkd buff, wonderful shape, close in feather as a Java, grand head, shoulders, and chest, paler in col.; 3, Terry, eye, neck, and wing tkd. yell., very nice shape, good bold shape, rich even col., but very wild and had roughened up his feather; res, Whent; vhc, Gibb; hc, Small. UNFLIG. (8): 1, Terry, smart cl. buff, not one of the largest, but grand quality of feather, nicely frosted, in grand fettle; 2, Frost, eye and wing mkd., yell., not so bold in head, grand silky feather, rich, sound, bright col., nicely shown; 3, r, Pennells, very neat typical yell., good head, shoulders, and chest, lovely silky feather, very level in co., tail not down. YORKS. YELL. (10): 1, spl, Williams, regular little swell, grand head and neck, shapely shoulders, well braced wings and tail, stands as erect and steady as a soldier, lovely silky feather, rich col.; 2, Wraight, not quite so finely drawn, and paler in colour, nice head and back, splendid wings, tail, and carriage; 3, Frost, very slim and stylish, nice length, good head, wings, and tail, not quite so well finished, needs burnishing; res, Pearson; vhc, Veness; hc, Gibb; c, Dandridge. BUFF (8): 1, spl, best member's, Dandridge, very smart and stylish, handles well, feathered like a Java, grand head and back, neat wing and tail carriage; 2, Yates, very smart and stylish, nice length, stands well up on leg, and braces wings and tail nicely, not so tight on chest; 3, Wraight, very shapely, grand style, plenty of nerve, but needs tightening up, nice level col.; res, French; vhc, Yates; hc, c, Plummer. TKD. (10): Miller, eye, cheek, and wing cinn. mkd, magnificent length, splendid wings and tail, rare head and shoulders, splendid silky feather, but not tightened up yet, beautiful col.; 2, Rumsey, very neat bodied eye tkd. buff, grand shape and style, lovely silky feather, beautiful carriage, hardly long enough; 3, Williams, good lengthy cl. yell., capital shape and style, sound level colour, not quite so well finished in feather; r, Veness; vhc, Rogers; hc, Humphries; c, Lord. UNFLIG. (11): 1, vhc, Yates, very long sided thigh tkd. yell., neat head, well braced shoulders and wings, stands well up on good legs, nice col., but needs handling a bit; 2, Wraight, very sweet little buff, wonderful style ad quality of feather, grand head, stands well, splendid wings and tail, wants just a bit more length; 3, Humphries, very smart yell., good shape and style, neat head, capital wing and tail carriage; r, Plummer; hc, Rogers; c, Miller. CREST AND C.B. (amalgamated) (7): 1, 2, r, c, spl, Fellows, grand qual. Crest, heavy front, nice centre and droop, wealth of body feather, has a nasty trick of working his head through the cage front, which if not checked will spoil his headgear, 2nd very heavily feathered variegated. C.B., great length and substance of feather, grand front and well browed; 3, vhc, Hedges, another good variegated. Crest, nice shape and droop, not ready, most of the crest feather being in pen; hc, Miss Walker. MULES DARK (6): 1, Gibb, very smart, shapely Can.-Siskin, rich col., grandly mkd., very steady, close feather, nice silky texture; 2, Cramp, big bouncing, good shaped mealy Can.-Gold, grand blaze and body col., bit slack in feather; 3, James, nicely mkd. Lin.-Can., very close and silky in feather, but does not carry over much col.; r, Cadman Bros.; vhc, Hedges, Davis. GOLDFINCH (12): 1, spl, Fellows, very stylish, much the brightest in col., and the sleekest in coat, well cut blaze, grand rich bars, well defined buttons, lovely fettle; 2, Plummer, larger, very rich blaze, but not so steady; 3, Horne, very large, deep, well cut blaze, good back, capital bars, grandly mkd., lovely feather, will improve; r, Cadman Bros., one of the best in the class when ready, at present is far from fit; vhc, Soffner; hc, Hedges; c, Dunning. BULL. AND LINNET: Both cancelled. GREEN, ETC. (8): 1, spl, Dunning, beautifully shaped Chaff., very steady and stylish, rich col. cap, very sound, bright breast, grandly feathered, nicely mkd., in rare form; 2, 3, Cadman Bros., a real topping Greenie, wonderful depth and richness of col., rare shape, very steady; 3, very fine Chaff., large and shapely, grand col., both of head and breast, not so clearly mkd., and rather wild; r, Fellows; vhc, Kenward; hc, Goble; c, Hedges. SISKIN, ETC.: Cancelled. A.O.S. HARDBILL (12): 1, 3, Relf, smart stylish Hawfinch, beautiful rich col., lovely quality of feather, grandly cut markings, rare head and bib, in fine form, 3rd nicely mkd. yell. Bunting, sound col., grandly feathered, very steady, in good form; 2, res, c, Cadman Bros., rich coloured Bullie, large glossy clean cut cap, capital back and bars; r, vhc, Dunning; hc, Kenward. SOFTBILLS, HYBRIDS, AND FOREIGN: All cancelled. NOV. YORKS.: Cancelled. NOR. (8): 1, Dunning, grand cl. yell., splendid shape, nice size, good head and chest, capital col. and feather, well shown; 2, 3, French, very nice yell., shapely and stylish, well feathered, needed tubbing; 3, good, shapely, stylish, non-fed yell., capital head, shoulders, and chest; r, Mrs. W. Norman; vhc, Cramp; hc, c, Beck. VARIETY: Cancelled. MEMBERS', NON FED (10): 1, 3, two spls., Frost, handsome wing tkd. Nor., grand shape, beautiful silky feather, good wings and tail; 3, stylish, upstanding cl. buff Yorks, good wings and tail; 2, spl, Dandridge, very smart, typical cl. buff Yorks., nice feather, good carriage; r, Gibb; vhc, Miss Walls; hc, c, Plummer.

BONNYRIGG.

The fourth annual show of the above society was held October 26. A capital entry was forward, especially in the Border section, where some lovely birds of grand type and quality were on exhibition. Most of the Loanhead winners were on show, and repeated their previous successes. The cup and medal winner was an even mark belonging to the popular secretary, Mr. Jas. Hamilton, of yellow hen fame. The Scotch Fancy cup went to a yell. hen belonging to Mr. J. Noble. Norwich, though lacking in numbers, made up in quality. The medal for best was won by Mr. C. Watt (Musselburgh). The hall in which the show was held is well lighted, but seemed a trifle cold during judging, many of the birds at that time feeling it a bit. The judges were: Scotch Fancies and Norwich, Mr. Wm. Rodger, Colinton, and Mr. John Watson, Selkirk, Borders; and their awards were well received. During the course to the respective winners. The show was well of the afternoon Provost Kerr presented the prizes patronised.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY, CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, Jardine, fine top end, good reach and wing; 2, Noble, fails a little in substance, but shows plenty of style. YELL HEN: 1, 2 spls, cup best bird, Noble, capital size and substance, grand neck and top, rare action; 2, Jardine, foul head, fine reach, nice size and shoulder. CL. OR FOUL. BUFF: 1, Noble, fine drive and substance, left wing inclined to hang. HEN: 1, Jardine, fair size, good shoulders, gets tail well under; 2, Noble, good top and reach, fine depth through chest, grand front; 3, Smart, fails a little in size to leader, nice reach and droop. GREEN OR PIEBALD YELL. CK.: 1, King, good shoulders, grand style, nice length of wing; 2, Smart, fine size, nice depth through, nice droop and front; 3, Wigley, shade slim, shorter in reach; 4, Jardine. HEN: 1, 2, 3, spl, Jardine, leader nice hen, good size and substance, very stylish; 2nd capital green, good all-round bird, lovely front and style, 3rd same stamp, loses in substance to winners; 4, King; 5, Wigley. BUFF CK.: 1, spl, King, fine back good shoulder and length of side, capital exhibit; 2, spl, Smart, good top and action, nice shoulder and well filled back; 3, spl, Jardine, hard up, nice action and shoulders, good style; 4, Fisher. HEN: 1, Gilchrist, capital pied, rare action and style, good top; 2, Wigley, fine size and reach, good depth through, very typical; 3, 4, Jardine, bit plainer in get-up, neat drive and wing. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, spl, Smart, Loanhead and Kelty winner, looking as fit as ever, best of heads and wing carriage; 2, Neilson, fine tone of col., fails only in head to winner, nice front and back, well placed; 3, 4, Hamilton, cobby shape, lovely quality and condition; 5, Ketchen; 6, Gilchrist. HEN: 1, Smart, sister to yell. cock, fine type and qual., well rounded head and front; 2, Ketchen, grand shape, fine wing carriage, fine bloom; 3, Hamilton, fine head and front, well filled back, neat tail; 4, 5, Neilson; 6, spl, Smart. BUFF: 1, 2, 4, Hamilton, repeats Loanhead success, fine size and shape, grand col. and qual., wins; 2nd loses in head to winner, nice front and back, well braced wings; 3, Rowe, grand stamp, fine jaunty carriage, nice order; 5, Nelson; 6, Yule. HEN: 1, Hamilton, good head, neck, good shape, well balanced wings; 2, Vule, beautiful wings and head, nice feather; 3, Smart, capital type, nice shape and size, well put down; 4, Nelson; 5, spl, Kitchen; 6, Stirling. YELL. VAR.: 1, Gilchrist, bead and wing mkd., wing col. and qual., rare good order; 2, 4, Hamilton, fine style, good head and neck, capital wings and tail; 3, Nelson mkd. eye and wings, very typical, well rounded head and front, well placed; 5, Yule; 6, Ketchen. BUFF: 1, Thomson, nice markings, shade plain on back, might have given way to 2nd, Smart, lovely qual. and finish, well rounded head and front, put down in grand trim; 3, Gilchrist, mkd. head and wings, fine size and substance, nice wing and tail carriage; 4, Fisher. EVEN MKD.: 1, 2 spls, cup, best Bord., Hamilton, 1st Loanhead and 3rd Glasgow, grand eyes and wings, A1 type and qual., popular win; 2, Ketchen, yellow, fail eye marks, nice wings, well put down; 3, Nelson, better markings than 2nd, nicely staged; 4, Yule; 5, 6, Smart. YELL. GREEN: 1, spl, Douglas, capital Cinnamon cock, fine col. and lacing, wins; 2, 3, 5, A. and W. Thomson, 2nd lovely type, fine depth of col., grandly pencilled, 3rd real grassy green, good head and front, nice markings; 4, Nelson; 6, Rowe. BUFF: 1, Fisher, correct type and col, grandly laced all over, should be heard of later; 2, 3, 4, A. and W. Thomson, trio of beauties from this well-known stable, fine level col. throughout, good markings; 5, Fisher. NOR. YELL.: 1, spl, Watt, looks like a good one, very soft when taking notes; 2, 4, Noble, lovely cl., capital head and front, good wings and col.; 3, Smart, nice var., fine bold head and substance, well up in size. HEN: 1, 2, Watt, brace of clears, leader excels in head properties, nice quality feather, 2nd capital front and back, well up; 3, spl, Noble, nice size, good head and wings, cobby shape; 4, sp, 6, J. Noble; 5, D. Noble. BUFF: 1, 3, Watt, leader bold head and front, massive substance, finely mealed; 3rd variegated, fine size and shape, good front; 2, spl, 5, 6, D. Noble, cl., good type and qual., nice head and wings, in grand bloom; 4, J. Noble. HEN: 1, spl, medal best Norwich, Watt, very shapely, well rounded head and chest, grand wings and tail, wins; 2, spl, Noble, good head and neck, fine rich col. well placed; 3, Watt, fine size and substance, grand frontal; 4, J. Noble; 5, 6, D. Noble. MULE: 1, spl, 3, Stirling, leader fine big Linnet Mule, not finished yet, 3rd Linnet Mule, a bit on the small side; 2, spl, Douglas, fine sized var. Goldie Mule, in nice order. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, 2, 3, Stirling, Linnet leading, fine nutty-brown col., good markings, nice Whites, 2nd nice Spangled Bramble, good tannings, 3rd Goldie, good square blaze, fine yellow bars, rich tanning; 4, Nelson; 5, spl, Harper; 6, Stirling. No. 1, Smart, his well-known Goldie, put down, we heard as alleged doubtful nationality. SOFTBILL: 1, Nelson, grandly mooned Thrush, in full bloom; 2, Smart, nice conditioned Lark, well staged.

HARTLEPOOLS.

A Record Entry and a Good Gate: Lady Wins Members' Challenge Trophy.

The eighth annual show was held in the St. George's Hall, West Hartlepool, when in response to a generous schedule, a record entry was secured. The show was under the patronage of the Y.C.C., N.Y.C.C., N.C.N.P.C., and the N.B.M. and F.B.C. The entries totalled 555. The arrangements for comfort both of exhibits and visitors were very satisfactory and reflect much credit upon the secretaries, Messrs. Woodhead and Pyman, who were ably seconded by the committee. The hall is, we consider, the best which this society has yet had, being very comfortable, free from draughts, and well lighted. There was a very good gate, and great interest was taken in the exhibits. Yorks were a leading feature of the show, and some gems were staged by members of the Y.C.C. and N.Y.C.C. Norwich were also more numerous than usual in the district, and the quality was of the best. Selling classes contained many very cheap birds. Many fine birds were among the Mules and British, although many of the latter, especially the Goldfinches, want a bit more time. Foreign classes were well filled and contained rare and lovely specimens, which were surrounded by crowds of admirers all day. The challenge trophy presented by Lord Furness for members was won by Miss E. E. Pyman. Mr. H. W. Battye judged all Canaries, and got through a long and arduous day's work with credit. Mr. J. Maddison dealt ably with the remainder.

The Critique.

YORKS. CL. YELL. (11): 1, Thomas, smooth in feather, position and quality A1, good back and wing carriage; 2, vhc, Wilkinson Bros., lengthy and upstanding, fine qual., well up on leg; 3, Crawhall, good length, nice position, grand qual. and col; 4, Hutler, grand qual., stylish, good head and back; vhc, Stewart; c, Wells. BUFF (5): 1, Crawhall, lovely quality, nice salmon col., shade stout for our fancy; 2, Tweedie, slimmer, rare quality, good length and position, well up on leg; 3, Cuthbertson, lengthy, rare quality, close-fitting wings, good tail, bit rough on chest; 4, Wells, nice feather and style, well up on leg, good head and back; vhc, Miss Pyman. TKD., ETC., YELL. (11): 1, Thornton and Bower, mkd. head and wings, good length feather, like glass, in tip-top condition; 2, Dykes, lengthy, slim and stylish, well up on leg, does not carry wings well; 3, Cuthbertson, ticked back of head, A1 qual., rare position, close-fitting wings, not quite fit, penny on cheeks; 4, Miss Pyman, rare length, good position, neat head; vhc, Morrison; hc, Stewart; c, Cook and Hood. BUFF (11): 1, Crawhall, grand qual., rare shape, well up on leg, good head and back, nice wing carriage; 2, Dykes, correct position, well filled back, good wings and tail, grand qual.; 3, Hutler, good length, nice position, fine qual., neat wings; 4, Ogden Bros., fine lengthy bird, good head, wings and back; vhc, Morrison; hc, Cuthbertson; c, Cook and Hood. HEN (23): 1, Ogden Bros., neck and wing marked buff, lovely quality, tight as wax, rare shape and position; 2, Wilkinson Bros., wings and eyes marked yell., lengthy, rich col., slim and upstanding, grand qual.; 3, hc, Thornton and Bower, buff mkd. head, rare qual., good length, neat head, wings well carried; 4, Dykes, correct position, good col. and qual.; vhc, Thomas; c, Miss Pyman. UNFLIG. YELL. (13): 1, Thomas, straight as a rush, feathered to perfection, well up on leg, grand back, wings and tail; 2, Cook and Hood, grand shape, A1 quality, good bead and back, close-fitting wings, neat tail; 3, Towers, silky feather, good sides, nice position; 4, Ogden Bros., fine position, good flights, neat head; vhc, hc, Hutler; c, Mays and Allinson. BUFF (8): 1, Ogden Bros., rare length and position, grand back and wing carriage, fine quality; 2, Cattell, straight, slim and stylish, grand feather, stands well; 3, Dix, rare qual, lengthy, good position; 4, Morrison, good shape, neat position, nice qual; vhc, Towers; hc, Stewart; c, Wells. NOV. YELL. (7): 1, Lyall, nice upstanding bird, fine qual., good col. and type; 2, Deighton, good col., nice shape, neat bead and wings; 3, Bostock, straight up, fine qual. and shape; 4, Marsay, good length, nice qual.; vhc, Witherley; hc, Huntingdon; c, McCarthy. BUFF (17): 1, Lyall, lengthy, slim and stylish, fine qual., good head and wings; 2, vhc, Ridley Bros., well up on leg, fine qual., good shape; 3, Huntingdon, good in feather, nice position and qual.; 4, Paterson, nice shape, neat head, nice feather; hc, Bostock; c, Deighton. UNFLIG. (22): 1, Huntingdon, plenty of length, fine qual., well up, neat wings and tail; 2 Thurston, rare qual., nice shape and position; 3, Lealman, nice shape, good feather; 4, Taylor, shapely, fine qual., nice type; vhc, Gill; hc, Paterson; c, Deighton. NOR. CL. YELL. (7): 1, Harlaud, grand rich level col., splendid shape, good chest, lovely qual., neat wings; 2, vhc, Wilson, rare qual, fine shape, neat head and chest, good back; 3, Riseborough, shapely, good head and col, grand qual.; 4, Thompson, good substance, nice qual.; vhc, Thomas; c, Irving. BUFF (12) 1, c, Freeman, big bouncing bird, good meal, not quite fit, some thought lucky; 2, Thomas, good chubby shape, nice col., rare qual., neat head and back; 3, Barnes, short and compact, good col, fine qual; 4, Curry, good size and shape, beaten qual. here; vhc, Harland; hc, McKay. TKD. (12): 1, Barnes, hot col., grand qual., rare chubby shape, neat head, good wings; 2, Thomas, rare type, grand qual. and size; 3, 4, Walker, good pair, nice type and shape, fine qual; vhc, Rev. Bennett; hc, Watson; c, Humphries. HEN (17): 1, Harland, grand hen, fine chubby shape, neat head, short wings, A1 qual.; 2, hc, Richardson, grand qual. and shape, good wings and tail; 3, Freeman, close up, shapely, good chest and head, qual. and size; 4, vhc, Wilson, nice chubby hen, good col. and qual; c, Geggie. UNFLIG. YELL. (10): 1, H. Wilson, hot level col, feather like silk, good shape; 2, c, Rev. Bennett, fine qual., neat head, good wings; 3, Barnes, fine shape and size, rare qual.; 4, Harland, rich qual., neat and shapely; vbc, Watson; hc, Pillar. BUFF (11): 1, Harland, grand size and qual., rare type, well shown; 2, McGinn, good type and col., well across perch, good qual.; 3, Mays and Allinson, again nice shape and qual, nice col; 4, hc, Pillar, good size and shape; vhc, Rev. Bennett; c, Casling. NOV. (18): 1, Mrs. Forbes, nice substance and carriage, good col, best of qual; 2, H. Briggs, hot col, fine quality and shape, not quite so good in wings; 3, Wood, nice qual. and shape, good type; 4, Wellsbury, neat and shapely, good qual. and substance; vhc, Davidson; hc, c, Lawson. HEN (12): 1, Briggs, good col. and qual., fine shape and size; 2, vhc, Wellsbury, nice and chubby, rare qual. feather; 3, Mrs. Forbes, splendid feather, nice and shapely; 4, Topping, nice exhibit, fine qual. and shape; hc, Roddam; c, Lawson. A.O.V. (15): 1, 2, Hugill, leader nice crest of good size, good radiation and droop, fair centre, nice quality of feather; 2nd C.B., good skull, carrying plenty of feather of nice qual., well laced, plenty of substance of body; 3, hc, Sanderson, Gold Lizard, nice shape and size, good cap well spangled; 4 Watson, neat and natty Border, fine quality; vhc, Gibson; c, Ogden. SINGING BIRD (Local): 1, Howard, cross between Border and Nor. apparently, 2, no name, Goldfinch Mule; 3, Thornton, non fed Yellow Yorkie; 4, vhc, Soulsby; hc, Hessop; c, Pegg. In this class we had all varieties of birds and ditto cages. The only way to judge it is for the judge to shut his eyes, the first four cages he touches to score. HYB., ETC. (9): 1, 4, Dr. Wilson, Linnet-Bullie leading, good size, very steady, nice col. and shape; 4, Greenie-Bullie; 2, King, good Goldie-Bullie, rare size, rich col., in fine trim; 3, Inman, rather heavily mkd. Goldfinch-Canary, nice size and qual., good col.; vhc, Chadwick; hc, c, Todd and Son, DARK MULE (12): 1, Dr. Wilson, well-known Can.-Bullfinch; 2, Husband, Linnet-Canary, rare size, good col. and qual; 3, Wiggins and Harrison, Goldfinch-Can., nice blaze, rare bloom; 4, Nicholson and Son, Greenfinch-Can., nice col. and qual.; vhc, Dixon; hc, Todd and Son; c, Fenwick. GOLDFINCH (8): 1, Dr. Wilson, bonny little Finch, grand col., very steady, nice square-cut blaze, good wings; 2, 3, Thompson, two nice Finches, bigger than winner but not up in col.; 4, hc, Nicholson and Son, good body col., nice blaze, not up yet; vhc, Inman. BULLFINCH (5): 1, Dr. Wilson, grand cap, good col. on breast and back, nice feather; 2, Woods, good cap and shape, nice wings; 3, Mays and Allinson, nice back and breast; 4, Brewster, good size and shape, beaten condition; vhc, T. Anderson. LINNET (11): 1, Inman, fine bold bird, grand shape, good nutty-brown colour, A1 markings; 2, Pearson, nice col. and shape, markings hardly so distinct as 1st; 3, vhc, Carr, good size, fine shape and markings; 4, Patterson, good chest, nice size, well pencilled; hc, Scott; c, Wiggins and Harrison. GREENFINCH (8): 1, Gregory, rare shape, feather and condition, rich level tone of col.; 2, Robinson, good col., nice size, qual. and condition; 3, Dr. Wilson, showy specimen, nice col., fine qual; 4, Nicholson and Son, good size, shapely; vhc, Tait; hc, Henderson; c, Wilson. SISKIN, ETC. (11): 1, Scott, cobby shaped Siskin, nat. col, neat bib, well laced, nice bird; 2, c, Todd and Son, nice Twite, fine dark col, good markings; 3, Dawson, Mealy Redpoll, good size and col; 4, Briscoe and Son, Lesser Redpoll, rare size, grand col. and condition; vhc, Gregory; hc, Dr. Wilson. HEN (8): 1, Dr. Wilson, Greenfinch, grand shape, size and col; 2, Scott, Hawfinch, good size, rare qual; 3, Forster, Corn Bunting, good size and col.; 4, Forster, Bullfinch; vhc, Henderson; hc, Thompson; c, Woodhead and Son. A.O.V. (9): 1, Gregory, Hawfinch, fine size, good clean-cut bib, grand col; 2, Sanders, nice Yellow Bunting, rare size, rich col, grand head markings; 3, Watson, Bramblefinch, good col. and size, well spangled; 4, Nicholson and Son, fine Chaffinch, well marked, good size and condition; vhc, Forster; hc, Dr. Wilson; c, Inman. SOFTBILL, SMALL (9): 1, Dr. Wilson, grand 'Gale, steady as a rock, good size, well staged; 2, Wilkinson and Darby, good Wryneck, in fine condition and col.; 3, Nicholson and Son, pretty Grey Wagtail, in lovely condition; 4, hc, Briscoe and Son, good Blackcap, fine feather and bloom; vhc, Mackwell; c, Young. A.O.V. (8): 1, 3, Scott, Chough, in rare bloom, good size, perfect condition and a real good Magpie, fine size and well staged; 2, Dr. Wilson, Waxwing, in perfect condition and bloom, well waxed; 4, Robinson, Starling, well marked, good size, rare condition; vhc, Parnaby; hc, Swann; c, Aineley. FOR., LARGE (5): 1, Christer, Red-naped Lory, lovely exhibit of gorgeous colours; 2, 4, Scott, King Parrakeet and Bourke's Parrakeet, two fine exhibits in grand plumage; 3, Reeks, well-known Adelaide Parrakeet; vhc, E. Hall. SMALL (10): 1, c, Nicholson and Son, lovely Blue-winged Sugar Bird, dainty exhibit, well staged; 2, 3, Young, fine pair of Parson Finches and very taking Yellow-winged Sugar Bird, perfect feather but out of colour; 4, Patterson, grand St. Helena Waxbill, in perfect plumage; vhc, Scott; hc, Inman. NOVICE, A.V. CAN. (13): 1, Todd; 2, Acheson; 3, Carlisle. HEN (9): 1, 2, Chesworth; 3, Acheson. MEMBERS' NOR. YELL. (18): 1, Woodhead and Son; 2, Pillar; 3, Ronald. BUFF (18): 1, Pillar; 2, Papple; 3, Ashcroft. HEN (16): 1, 3, Papple; 2, Woodhead and Son. YORKS, YELL. (14): 1, 3, Miss Pyman; 2, Rev. Bennett. BUFF (12): 1, 2, Miss Pyman; 3, Hall. HEN (13): 1, 2, 3, Miss Pyman. A.O.V. (5): 1, Hall; 2, Papple; 3, Robinson. GOLDFINCH, ETC. (4): 1, Hall; 2, Fairey; 3, Dixon. LINNET (11): 1, 3, Hogg; 2, Pillar. A.O.V. (7): 1, 2, Woodhead and Son; 3, Robinson. MULE (9): 1, Chapman; 2, 3, Hogg.

GREAT HORTON O.S.

Members' show, Oct. 26, at the club room; 75 birds were staged, and Mr. W. Richmond placed the cards. CL. YELL. YORKS.: 1, vhc, S. Midgley; 2, Hainsworth and Son; 3, Gaunt; 4, G. Midgley; hc, E. Self; c, Ormonroyd. BUFF: 1, bc, Shackleton; 2, Lister; 3, Gaunt; 4, Hainsworth and Son; vhc, E. Self. TICK YELL.: 1, Gaunt; 2, S. Midgley; 3, Shackleton; 4, Snead; vhc, Hainsworth and Son. BUFF: 1, S. Midgley; 2, Fieldhouse; 3, Ormonroyd; 4, Gaunt; vhc, E. Self; hc, Lister; c, Hainsworth and Son. EVEN, ETC., YELL.: 1, Snead; 2, vhc, G. Midgley; 3, Fieldhouse; 4, Gaunt. BUFF: 1, E. Self; 2, Ormonroyd; 3, Gaunt; 4, Helliwell; vhc, Lister. EVEN. ETC., HEN: 1, 3, Lister; 2, Gaunt; 4, Shackleton; vhc, hc, G. Midgley. UNFLIG. COCK: 1, S. Midgley; 2, 4, F. Self; 3, Helliwell. CINNAMARK: 1, 2, Ormonroyd; 3, Shackleton; 4, S. Midgley. YELL. HEN: 1, Fieldhouse; 2, Hainsworth and Son; 3, S. Midgley; 4, hc, Gaunt; c, E. Self. BUFF: 1, G. Midgley; 2, 4, Lister; 3, S. Midgley; vhc, Fieldhouse; bc, Gaunt; c, Hainsworth and Son. —J. Holroyd, Sec.

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SOUTH SHIELDS.

Grandly Managed Show suffers through Clashing of Dates.

Tenth show of the South Shields C.B.S. held in the Congregational Hall October 25th and 26th. There was an entry of 450 birds in 32 open classes and 20 members' classes. Not nearly so many as ought to have been, considering the excellent prize money, 2s. 6d. special on every class, 10s. 6d. section specials on the larger sections, and 5s. on the smaller. Doubtless the other two Northern shows—Hartlepool and Derwent Valley—had an effect on the entry. It is a pity that other dates could not be arranged so that the clashing between such important shows could be avoided. The hall in which the show is held is centrally situated in the main street of the town, within five minutes' walk of the railway station, but it leaves something to be desired in the way of lighting. We hear the society are likely to choose another hall for their next venture. Norwich were a nice lot. Yorks were good, many Northern winners being staged, while the classes for Borders filled nicely. We could not follow the judge in all his awards in these classes, but when clears, greens, and cinnamons all compete together it is no easy matter to place the cards. The real outstanding feature of the show was the Skylark class, which contained 12 entries, and not a bad one amongst them. The genial secretary and chairman, showing together, won in this class with a nice specimen. In the members' classes this year, classes were provided for old birds as well as young. The usual practice is to confine members' classes except British and foreign to young birds bred by the exhibitor. Of the management it is unnecessary to speak. In the hands of Mr. W. L. Smith everything is right. He is practically the founder of the society, and was its first secretary. He had all in apple-pie order, and everything passed off to even his satisfaction. We were delighted to see the genial chairman, Mr. Thompson, again to the front. Although in his 73rd year he is as young as anyone when there are birds about. Long may he be spared to rule over the Shields fancier, and if they catch his fancier-like spirit, and his unselfish devotion to the club, then it will undoubtedly prosper. Mr. Duke, the treasurer, was well to the front, here, there and everywhere, looking after things. Amongst the stewards one noticed working well and ably assisting, Messrs. T. Winter, J. Mather, J. Barrass, J. Richardson, J. W. Watson, J. Watson, T. Parker. We hope that there was a good gate, and that it will pan out right financially. The society had the patronage of the Newcastle Novice Society, who evidently find the classes more to their liking than those nearer home. They provided an array of specials, commencing with a second prize of a gent's bicycle, but there seem to have been only two members competing. The judges, who did their duty expeditiously and well, were Mr. J. Wilcock and Mr. F. Marwood.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (5): 1, sp, Murrell, variег., good bold head, well filled neck, rather heavy wings and tail; 2, J. Armstrong, variег., big bird, high col., bit longer wings perhaps; 3, Riseborough, cl., good col., nice condition, nice wings, shorter than 2nd; 4, Jeffries, fine qual. and col., little pinched in entrance; vhc, R. Addison. BUFF (10): 1, sp, Robson and March, cl., fine big cobby bird, good feather, nice bold head, well carried wings; 2, J. Armstrong, not quite size of leader, good feather, nice head, good carriage; 3, not named in catalogue, mkd. eyes and wings, excellent feather, good head, well carried wings, nice tail; 4, Moore, cl., big bouncing bird, hot col., good head and chest, fails to winners in qual.; vhc, Richard and Newton; hc, Seely Bros.; c, Gowland and Crosby. HEN, ANY COL. (7): 1, sp, Moore, yell., nice lady, very cobby, good head, short, well carried wings, lovely feather, an outstanding bird; 2, T. Winter, yell., not so big as winner, fine qual., short, cobby body, well carried wings, nice carriage; 3, Seely Bros., buff, heavily variег., good head, back, and neck, stands nicely; 4, Richardson, buff, tkd. back of head, good feather, nice shape, good head and wings, but inclined to drop at thighs at times; vhc, Lumsden; hc, R. Addison; c, Harrison. 1912 (14): 1, sp, E. Godley, wing and neck mkd. yell., nice qual., fair col., good wings and tail; 2, Seely Bros., buff, cobby shape, good feather, nice full head and deep chest; 3, Summers, wing mkd. buff, good col., nice head, bit long in body; 4, hc, Richardson, buff tkd. face, nice short-sided, good feather, nice head; vhc, G. Bainbridge; c, Richard and Newton. NOV. (17): 1, sp, Jeffries, cl. buff, big bouncing bird, good head, nicely filled neck, short side, good chest; 2, vhc, R. Winter, nice cl. buff, good head, chest, and wings, nice carriage; 3, Lumsden, cl. buff, smaller, not quite the substance of winners, good feather, little narrow in head; 4, Hall Bros., buff, fine feather, good chest, nice back and wings, some thought might have gone up one; hc, Sharp; c, Greener. YORKS., YELL. (6): 1, sp, Mather, capped head, nice qual., good shape, nice pair of legs, well drawn, rather nervous; 2, Crawhall, cl., longer bird, good qual., splendid legs, very wild; 3, Cook and Hood, shorter, good feather, nice head, good feather, crosses wings at times; 4, Hutler, really good lengthy bird, good position and feather, nice piped tail, wants another week or two, and it will show the others a clean pair of heels; vhc, R. Addison; hc, W. Thompson. BUFF (5): Where have the buffs flown to? 1, 2, sp, Crawhall, brace of beauties, cl., good head, nice back, wings and tail, stands well, might perhaps be cleaner on front; 2nd, cinn., grizzle both wings, even fine qual., slightly shorter but equal in position and shape; 3, R. Addison, last year's N.Y.C.C. cup winner, in fresh hands, nice lengthy bird, but hardly ready. HEN (7): 1, sp, Mather, tkd. right wing, not the biggest but a real Yorkie for shape and position, steady as a rock, handles well; 2, Crawhall, cl. buff, one of the breedy kind, feathered like a Java, long wings, piped tail; 3, vhc, Hutler, yell., capped, unflg., longer than 1st, when fined down will make a good hen; 4, A. Addison, yell., pale col., nice length, hardly ready yet; hc, Charlton and Anderson; c, R. Addison. 1912: 1, sp, Hutler, yell., tkd. head and cheek, long flights and tail, grand position, splendid qual. of feather, good condition, bit open on front; 2, vhc, Swinsco, yell., mkd. both eyes and wings, good length and position, not quite the finish of leader; 3, hc, Cook and Hood, eye and neck mkd., good feather and position, bit shorter; 4, Vallance Bros., cl. yell., good feather, nice back and tail, fails a little under; c, A. Addison. NOV.: 1, c, sp, N. R. Coombes, wing and cheek mkd. buff, nice lengthy bird, splendid feather, good tail, stands well; 2, Delghton, yell. mkd. wings, eyes, neck, and rump, good position and length, tight boxy feather; 3, Charlton and Anderson, cl. yell., lengthy bird, soft [illegible] Lane, cl. yell., good position, [illegible] feather, nice piped tail, smaller than leaders, otherwise a good one; vhc, Metcalf; hc, A. Addison. CINN., YELL. (7): 1, c, sp, Godley, splendid size, nice head, well filled body, rich level col., takes Sandilord's medal; 2, Seely Bros., nice size, good shape, not so hot in col.; 3, vhc, Markwell, sweet bird, not so big nor so level in col.; 4, Seely Bros., smaller, but better col. BUFF (8): 1, 2, sp, Godley, big one, nice thick body, good head, splendid condition, hot col.; 2nd, less substance than winner, in splendid trim; 3, c, T. Winter, big bird, good shape, hot col., not so fine as leaders; 4, Hall Bros., smaller, not yet in condition; vhr, Seely Bros.; hc, J. Calvert. BORDERS, YELL. (9): 1, sp, Smith, jun., sweet little chap, good head, nicely drawn, good feather, nicely laid on wings, rich col.; 2, vhc, Whittaker, neat head, wings, and tail, good feather, higher on leg; 3, Montgomery, green, nice feather, neat head, good shape, splendid condition, nice swagger; 4, W. Smith, good col. and condition, neat head, well piped tail, good wings, hc, Gilchrist; c, Johnson. BUFF (10): 1, sp, Gilchrist, four pointed, good head, nice qual., finely tapered, good wings and tail, a real beauty; 2, Johnson, good shape, nice carriage, good wings and tail, very nice exhibit indeed; 3, c, Whittaker, good qual., high col., rather wild, wants to be used to show cage a bit more; 4, W. Smith, paler col., not so well drawn, nice head, might perhaps have given way to vhc, Montgomery, very nice chn.; hc, Chapman. HEN (10): 1, sp, Montgomery, yell. green, nice and shapely, very compact, tight, glossy coat, well braced wings, and nice piped tail; 2, Smith, jun., uneven yell., good qual., very jaunty; 3, Hawkins, mkd. both eyes, nice feather, good shape in body, but carries wings badly; 4, Allleck, cl. buff, a splendid exhibit, grand head, excellent shape, feather like marble, should have stood higher; vhc, Chapman; hc, Johnson; c, Gilchrist. 1912 (9): 1, sp, Johnson, yell. cinn., good head, body wings and tail, nice carriage, good col.; 2, Allleck, buff green, bit stronger build, nicely pencilled, fails a little in wing carriage; 3, Christer, cl. yell., good head, well drawn, nicely braced wings and tail; 4, Gilchrist, tkd. right eye, fair head, thin neck, not the best of feather; vhc, Hawkins, nice buff, grand head, back wings, feather like wax, might have gone up, higher; hc, T. Chapman; c, A. Smith. NOV. (7): 1, sp, Charlton and Anderson, nice yell., good head, fine qual., crosses wings at times; 2, Greener, buff, tkd. root of tail, nice qual., fails a bit in wing carriage; 3, Duke, uneven eye and wing, yell., fair type, nice head and tail; 4, Thompson, cl. buff, good type, nice feather; vhc, Allleck; hc, Lane; c, Harrison. CREST (7): 1, 2, sp, R. Armstrong, fine big bird, splendid drooping crest, well centred, good front, fails just a trifle left side; 2nd, fine Crest, nice centre, not the frontal of winner, but not quite ready, several feathers in quill, will make a good one; 3, c, Hutchinson, big Crest, nice round shape, good centre; 4, Mrs. Taylor, grizzle Crest, dense leafy feather, well drooped and good size; vhc, Bewick; hc, Jeffries. C.B. (7): 1, R. Armstrong, heavily variег., big body, nice head, long leafy feather, good rise, nicely cushioned; 2, 3, Mrs. Taylor, 2nd variег. monster, grand wide entrance, broad head with fine turnover; 3rd, nearly green, not so big as leaders in body, but a good one, big head, covered with a wealth of leafy feather; 4, vhc, Hutchinson, heavily variег., big body, fine entrance, nice rise of skull, not quite so long in turnover, yet a good one in strong company; hc, Jeffries; c, Bewick. A.O.V. (5): 1, 4, sp, Riseborough, Gold Lizard, hot col., good rowings and spangles; 4th, Silver, broken cap, nice shape, good Spangle; 2, 3, Hyslop, both Silver Lizards, hard to separate, well rowed; vhc, Duncan and Macpherson. MULE OR HYBRID (6): 1, sp, Urwin, yell. dark Linnet Can., nice size, good col.; 2, Couchman, Siskin-Can., fine shape, nicely mkd., good size; 3, A. Addison, heavily variег. Goldie-Can.; 4, Dixon, Linnet-Can., fair size, not the col. of 1st; vhc, Bertram; hc, Duke. LINNET (15): 1, sp, Stamp, big bird, good cobby body, nice head, good markings; 2, Davidson, bit smaller, but, if anything, better in pencilling, good condition; 3, Dunn, not a big one, but splendid nut-brown col., markings good, very steady; 4, Davidson, nice size and shape; vhc, McVay; hc, Forster; c, Mrs. Pattison. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH: 1, 2, sp, Tucker, two nice Goldies, 1st good square blaze, nice tan and well mkd. buttons, lovely sheen; 2nd, larger bird, nice blaze, fails in tan and polish to winner; 3, Davidson, Bullie, nice big bird, splendid cap; 4, Duke, Goldie, smaller than leaders, nice blaze, good tan; vhc, Almond; hc, Dunn; c, Ridley. GREENFINCH (11): 1, 4, McVay, fine big bird, lovely condition, splendid head and wings, tip top; 4th, another big bird, but hardly up to show condition yet; 2, Charlton and Amlerson, another good big one, lovely condition and feather, presses hard; 3, Telford, nice big bold bird, grand head and body; vhc, Hunter; hc, Dixon and Son; c, Forster. REDPOLL, ETC. (11): 1, sp, Hanson, Twite, nice size and shape, good col., well mkd.; 2, Robson and March, Siskin, nice size, well laced, nice cap and bib; 3, MacVay, Mealy Redpoll, good bird, nice size, markings A1; 4, Harrass, Lesser, rich col., good markings and bib; vhc, Walker; hc, Telford; c, Forster. A.O.V. FINCH OR BUNTING (9): 1, sp, Stamp, Hawfinch, not one of the largest but excellent condition, nice expression, good bib; 2, Dixon and Son, large Chaffie, a real nice bird, good col., topping, and in splendid feather; 3, Forster, Bramble, big upstanding bird, nicely mkd., good condition, very steady; 4, Couchman, Chaffinch, nice size, shape, and condition; vhc, Davidson; hc, Sharp; c, R. Addison. SKYLARK (12): A splendid class; 1, sp, Smith and Thompson, the secretary and chairman victorious here, a grand partnership and a grand bird, a monster in fact, steady as can be, nicely mkd. back and well shaped body; 2, McVay, another good one, not quite so thick through shoulders, but equal if not superior in back markings; 3, Hunter, tip-top condition, good size and markings, not quite so steady; 4, McLally, nice bird, good size and markings, also very steady; vhc, M. Woodhouse; hc, c, Potts. SOFTBILL, SMALL (5): 1, Davidson, a splendid Waxwing, in faultless trim, steady; 2, McVay, one of the most lovely Starlings we have seen, not only a big bird but good in every way, shines like burnished steel, well spotted, a perfect gem; 3, 4, Woodhouse, Wryneck, "Perfection," a nice exhibit, Newcastle 4th, not yet in full bloom; 4th, Dartford Warbler, Newcastle 1st, a rare exhibit in the North, but rarity had to-day to give place to condition and quality; vhc, R. Bertram. LARGE (3): 1, Woodhouse, very nice Blackbird, a big one, in grand fettle; 2, Dixon, also a Blackie, not quite so big nor so much bloom; 3, Murrell, another Blackbird, loses here in size and condition. FOR. (6): 1, sp, Woodhouse, Blue Tanager, a nice exhibit, in grand trim; 2, Mrs. Taylor, pair Blackfaced Gouldians, in nice condition; 3, 4, Mr. Almond, Fire Finches and Lavender Finch; hc, Morrison.

Section special winners for most points:—Norwich, J. Armstrong; novice special, R. Winter; Yorkshire, T. C. Crawhall; Cinnamons, E. Godley; Borders, J. Johnson; Crests, R. Armstrong; Hardbills, W. Davidson; Softbills, M. Woodhouse.

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MUMBLES.

Held October 24, in Pier Pavilion, an ideal hall for a show, being free from draught and composed completely of glass, giving a perfect light. The birds were staged on tiers at end of hall, and were excellently catered for. Entries were a record, and we are pleased to hear that the show was a great financial success, which must be very gratifying to a hardworking committee—Chairman, Mr. Geo. Williams, and Messrs. H. Bear, T. Wood, L. Collins, D. J. Powell, Theo. Davies, Rd. Davies, Jno. Williams, W. Davies, C. Collier, Rd. Balsdon, D. J. Parry, T. Symons, R. Supple, H. Davies, and R. Morse. The secretaries, Messrs. E. G. Bevan and W. D. Eley, were very painstaking and courteous officials. Mr. D. A. S. Longden judged.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (10): 1, 3, George, cl., bonny bird, good substance, neat bend, well filled front, good wings and tail, 3rd var., grand col and type, not quite substance of winner; 2, no name, grand cl., good col., lovely type, neat head, wings and tail, loses a little in substance; vhc, Brown; hc, Cowley; c, Muscott. BUFF (10): 1, Lewis, cl., a topper, light as wax, grand type, col., and qual., good wings and tail; 2, Muscott, another good one, good size, nicely braced wings, nice type, loses polish; 3, Crowley, cl., well proportioned all through, not quite finish of leaders; vhc, H. S. Davies; hc, c, George. HEN (11): 1, D. Jenkins, bonny bird, nice type, good head and neck, well shown; 2, hc, George, good one, good carriage, nicely braced wings, neat bend; 3, no name, good col. and qual., well filled, neat head and neck; vhc, Muscott; hc, George; c, Serine. YORKS. YELL. (18): A grand class; 1, J. Mock, a topper, grand col. and qual., rare length and style, grand wings, neat tail, wins; 2, Bevan, nice type, qual., and col., good wings and tail; 3, Watkins, capital type, and qual., nice col., well up on leg, neat wings and tail; vhc, Webster; hc, W. J. Mock; c, C. J. Williams. BUFF (11): Another hot class: 1, Phillips, a beauty, grand position and qual., well up on leg, neat head and wings, good straight back, wins; 2, Bevan, good qual., well up on leg., neat wings and tail; 3, W. J. Mock, good length, well filled neck, good wings and tail, stands well; vhc, Watkins; hc, no name; c, J. Mock. HEN (18): A hot lot: 1, Webster, neat lady, good length, well up on leg, good back, neat wings and tail; 2, Watkins, another good one, lovely shape and qual., stands well; 3, J. Mock, grand type, well filled, rare length, good position and qual.; vhc, Phillips; hc, Bevan; c, W. J. Mock. BORDERS, CL. OR TKD. (7): 1, vhc, D. Jenkins, a gem, neat head and neck, well braced wings, staged to perfection; 2, Sampson, another topper, grand col. and qual., very jaunty; 3, E. M. Evans, very neat, nice type, qual., and col.; hc, Mugford; c, Williams. BUFF (10): 1, 2, D. Jenkins, a pair of beauties, feathered like wax, grand type and qual., hard to separate; 3, E. M. Evans, another good one, nice type, not quite in condition yet; vhc, Hocking; hc, Morris; c, Harry. VAR., ETC. (6): 1, H. Jenkins, two-pointed buff, nice type, and qual., well put down; 2, D. Jenkins, cinn. var. buff, lovely qual., very jaunty, close up; 3, E. M. Evans, var. buff, nice type and qual., neat wings and tail; vhc, Harry; hc, Morris; c, Ford. HENS (13): 1, 2, 3, D. Jenkins, grand trio, leader cl. buff of exceptional qual.; 2, cl. yell., little gem, grand type, 3rd tkd. buff, nice head and neck, well braced wings; vhc, Mrs. Heidy; hc; c, Mrs. Allen. HYB. (5): 1, Slee, lightly var. Goldie-Can., lovely qual., nice shape, trifle small; 2, Muscott, Goldie-Bullie, nice size, shape and col.; 3, H. S. Davies, 5-pointed Goldie-Can., good type and qual., close up; vhc, J. H. Jones; hc, Holborow. DK. CAN. (5): 1, 3, R. Jones, two toppers, grand shape and qual., good size and col.; 2, Serine, close up, grand col. and qual. loses trifle substance to leader; vhc, H. S. Davies; hc, D. Williams. GOLDFINCH (7): 1, 2, Jeffreys, two wonderfully forward birds for time of year, good square blazes, nice buttons, bars, and tans; 3, c, T. J. Davies, neat blaze, good size, shape, and col., not the finish of leaders; vhc, Ray; hc, Heal. BULLFINCH (11): Wonderful class: 1, vhc, T. J. Gregory and Sons, ck., grand type and qual., lovely col., good cap; 2, Jeffreys, hen, neat little lady, wonderful col. and qual., grand type, must have given the judge an anxious time to separate these two; 3, Ford, good type and qual., neat cap, loses polish to leader; hc, Harris; c, Lucas. LINNET (8): 1, Heal, wonderful size, good head and neck, nicely laced; 2, Bancroft, field-moulted, good col. and qual., nice size and shape, well laced; 3, Nicholas, good size, loses col.; vhc, Jeffreys; hc, c, Gregory. REDPOLL, ETC. (10): 1, vhc, Bancroft, Mealy, good size, nicely laced, neat bib; 2, 3, Nicholas, Twite and Lesser Redpoll, good col. and qual.; hc, Jeffreys; c, Heal, Lucas. BRAMBLE, ETC. (8): 1, Bancroft, Bramble, well known, good col., qual., and spangling; 2, vhc, Jeffreys, Chaffinch, well staged, shows himself to perfection, close up; 3, Ford, Greenie, nice col. and qual., good size and shape; hc, Ford; c, Nicholas. A.O.V. (7): 1, vhc, hc, Bancroft, Crossbill, probably the best out to-day, in faultless condition; 2, Ray, Hawfinch, wonderful qual. and col., staged to perfection, trifle small; 3, Heal, Hawfinch, loses size and polish to leader. SKILL. (8): 1, D. Jenkins, Border; 2, Glover, Yorks.; 3, Bancroft, Nor.; vhc, Jenkins; hc, Evans; c, Owen. MEMBERS (10): 1, vhc, Eley, Border, grand type and qual., neatly put down; 2, George, Nor., good size, shape, and col.; 3, Glover, buff Yorks., good length, nice head and neck, good wings and tail; hc, Schropper; c, Williams.

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DERWENT VALLEY.

Sixth annual open show held Oct. 3, and again proved an unqualified success. The venue of the show was again the Church Hall, Hamsterley, which is one of the nicest halls we have seen for holding a cage bird show—plenty of room, free from damp nts, and in close proximity to the station, thus facilitating the easy arrival and dispatch of exhibits. We have previously commented on the splendid management of this show, and the grand manner in which the birds are looked after, and exhibitors again showed their confidence in the executive by sending in the grand entry of 418, only 27 below last year's record total. This must be considered very satisfactory, seeing that this year two neighbouring societies—Hartlepool and South Shields, were holding their shows on the same day, and the Derwent Valley officials are to be complimented on their fine achievement. The staging was again very nice, being in the usual rows, three tiers high, with large printed cards, denoting the varieties, at the head of each section, the whole looking very neat. The exhibits themselves were a very nice lot. Mr. J. Lindsay again had everything in grand working order, and, as is usual with him, got through his work in fine style. He has a thorough knowledge of his duties, and has everything done at the right time, and in the right place, and this, combined with his kindly and courteous manner, marks him at once as the right man in the right place. He is grandly supported by a splendid body of thorough fanciers, headed by that grand old fancier, Mr. G. Barkass, who is chairman of the society, and Messrs. M. F. Gardiner, W. Tomlinson, W. Curry, T. Betton, J. Oxley, G. W. Charlton, G. Garside, M. Simpson, W. Routledge, R. Johnson, E. Carhill, T. Irwin, E. Jamieson, and B. Nicholson, together with Mr. W. Marsh, who renders great assistance in the secretarial duties. As usual at this show the ladies were again well to the fore, and it is quite a pleasure to see the great interest they take in the welfare of the society, while their services in providing tea for visitors, which is served in the large ante-room, is a boon much appreciated by those who attend this charming fixture. The show was well attended, and we understand that financially the society will come out on the right side. The judges were: Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland), Canaries, and Mr. G. Wilson (Frizington), British.

Mr. W. Reid's Classes.

NOR. YELL. (11): 1, Crass, cl., lovely shape, nice size, grand qual. and col., nice back and breast, takes the perches beautifully; 2, Smith, cl., hotter col., nice size and shape, lovely wings and tail, scarcely so free and bold; 3, Butler, variegated, rare size and substance, grand head and neck, nice front, scarcely ready yet; vhc, c, Stanger and Herdman; hc, Bainbridge. BUFF (9): 1, Moore, cl., wonderful size and substance, deep chest, thick head and neck, good col and qual, nice wings and tail; 2, Glendinning, variegated, scarcely so massive, nice shape, neat head and neck, good col. and qual.; 3, Forster, cl., a bit on the small side, fine shape, neat head, well carried wings and tail, nice col. and qual.; vhc, Stanger and Herdman; hc, Butler; c, Smith. 1912 (9): 1, Butler, variegated, yell., good one all over, nice size, fine shape, nice back and chest, good col. and qual., neat head, wings and tail; 2, vhc, Crass, cl., buff, grand shape, nice size, good head and chest, good condition, neat wings and tail, good col. and qual., Chopwell winner; 3, Bainbridge, cl. yell., fine shape, good col. and qual., neat head, good wings and tail; hc, Slack; c, Clark. HEN (16): 1, c, Butler, cl. yell., beautiful shape, nice size, lovely qual., feather fitting like a glove, neat head and neck, good front, grandly carried wings and tail; 2, R. W. Smith, cl. buff, grand hen, fine size and shape, sweet head, nice back, chest, and carriage, well cleaned under; 3, Barkass, cl. yell., nice size, good shape, fine col. and qual., neat head and back, fails just a little in wing carriage; vhc, Hope; hc, Rigg. NAT. COL. (7): 1, Butler, yell., tkd. right wing, grand size, nice shape, lovely rich col., nice qual., neat head, Newcastle winner; 2, R. W. Smith, cl. buff, grand size and shape, neat head and neck, good chest and back, well carried wings and tail, clean cut; 3, Barkass, cl. yell., not quite the substance, yet nice shape, good col. and qual., neat head, nice neck and chest, good carriage; vhc, Moore; hc, Crass; c, Simpson. NOV. (7): 1, W. Smith, cl. yell., nice size, lovely shape, grand col. and qual., nice head and neck, good wings and tail, clean cut; 2, Cadaway, cl. yell., bigger than leader, but not so well finished, nice shape, neat head and neck, nice col., neat wings and tail; 3, Cresswell, cl. buff, shapely, nice col. and qual., neat head and wing carriage, loses here in substance; vhc, A. Johnston; hc, Glendinning; c, Marsh. YORKS. YELL. (5): 1, Mather, medium length, straight as a rush, lovely shoulders and waist, well drawn, neat head, well braced wings and tail, hot col; 2, Walker, tkd. right side of face, longer than winner, scarcely so neat at shoulders, neat head, nice col., good wings and tail, nice position and carriage; 3, Forster, cl., trifle thicker, nicely rounded, neat head and back, good wing carriage, nice col.; vhc, Simeson; hc, Crawhall. BUFF (9): 1, R. Johnson, medium length, slim, and well drawn, beautifully rounded, grand shoulders and waist, wings laid on in grand order, nice col. and qual.; 2, Simeson, better col. than winner, nice length, neat head and neck, slim and well drawn, good wings and tail, wants steadying a bit; 3, Forster, built on smaller lines, but very neat, nice position, neat shoulders and waist, well drawn; vhc, Wearmouth; hc, Walker; c, Crawhall. 1912 (9): 1, Walker, cl., grand length, slim and well rounded, neat, narrow shoulders, nice head, good col. and qual., nice position and carriage; 2, Mather, grizz. left cheek, nice length and position, nicely rounded, neat head and neck, well braced wings and tail, close up; 3, c, Forster, hot col., very neat and slim, well drawn, nice position and style, loses in size; vhc, Crawhall; hc, Simeson. HEN (11): 1, 2, Walker, lovely buff leading, close boxey feather, grand position, straight as a gun barrel, nice head, grand shoulders and waist, 2nd yell., fine length, straight up, well rounded, slim and finely drawn, neat head, wings and tail; 3, c, Oxley, cl. buff, trifle heavier in build, grand length, nice shoulders, good feather, neat head and neck, nice position; vhc, Crawhall; hc, Reed and Collins. NAT. COL.: 1, Oxley, nice length, good position and carriage, nice head, good back, wings and tail; 2, Wearmouth, nice length, good position, neat shoulders and waist, nice wing and tail, just beaten in finish; 3, Charlton, nice length and position, scarcely so neat as leader, nice carriage. NOV. (11): 1, R. Johnson, cl. yell., very slim, grandly drawn, nice length, gets well up; neat head, well rounded shoulders, grandly braced wings and tail; 2, hc, Robinson, cl. buff, nice length and position, neat shoulders, slim, and well drawn, nice head, neck, and back, well carried wings and tail; 3, Jones and Owens, cl. yell., grand length, nice style and position, neat head, good wing and tail carriage, bit patchy in col.; vhc, Reed and Collins; c, Oxley. CREST (6): 1, vhc, Dickenson Bros., very neat crest, nice size and shape, good droop, well defined centre, good qual. feather; 2, Gardiner, nice one, good size and shape, nice droop, scarcely so neat in back crest as leader; 3, Richardson, smaller, but very neat, nice droop and radiation; hc, c, Routledge. C.B. (1): 1, 2, Routledge, leader massive skull, good entrance and width, nice rise, plenty of long, leafy feather, 2nd not so broad in entrance, but carries a wonderful amount of head feather, turns right over beak end; 3, Clark, good broad skull, nice entrance, but does not carry the same amount of feather; vhc, Gardiner. NOV. (5): 1, Gillespie, wing mkd. D.C., good size and shape, nice droop, well defined centre, very neat; 2, 3, Lawson, foul tail, green C.B. leading, grand entrance, good size and width, carries any amount of good feather, 3rd wing mkd. D.C., scarcely so well finished as others, nice shape, good droop and centre; vhc, hc, Gardiner. BORD., YELL. CK. (13): 1, 3, Nicholson, two beauties, leader, nearly even, cinn. mkd., lovely shape, beautifully rounded, close boxey feather of the finest qual., lovely col., sweet head and neck, lovely back, wings and tail, Chopwell and Newcastle winner, 3rd cl., lovely shape, grandly rounded, sweet head and neck, grandly braced wings and tail, just fails a trifle in col.; 2, Lock, lovely cl., grandly rounded sweet head and neck, grand col., lovely feather, grandly braced wings and tail, beautifully cleaned under; vhc, Quigley; hc, Ross; c, Carhill; No. 8, Elliot, a good one, but soft during judging. HEN (6): 1, Lock, gem, lightly var., lovely col., feathered like a Java, grand qual., sweet head and neck, lovely back, well rounded, beautifully braced wings and tail; 2, Elliot, cl., beautiful shape, lovely col. and qual., sweet head and neck, nicely rounded back, scarcely so neat in wing carriage; 3, Nicholson, cl., scarcely so well rounded, yet nice shape, good col. and qual., nice carriage, good wings and tail; vhc, Davison; hc, Pape; c, Bates. BUFF CK. (17): Good class: 1, Dickenson Bros., even mkd., grand shape, beautifully rounded, sweet head and neck, nicely balanced markings, grand wings and tail, nice col. and qual.; 2, Peel, saddle mkd., grand shape, lovely round body, nice col. and qual., beautifully cleaned under, feathered like a Java, shown in better form than we have yet seen him; 3, Lock, cl., lovely shape, well rounded back, sweet head and neck, beautifully carried wings and tail, not far behind; vhc, Nicholson; hc, Ross; c, Bates. HEN (10): 1, Craig, even mkd., lovely shape, beautifully rounded back, sweet head and neck markings, good col. and qual., well cleaned under; 2, Peel, cl., grand shape, sweetly moulded, close tight feather, nice col. and qual., sweet head, beautifully carried wings and tail; 3, Lindsay, even mkd., grand shape, nice col., sweet head and neck, good back and wings, scarcely so well finished as those above her; vhc, Bates; hc, Pape; c, Dickenson Bros. NOV. (16): 1, Quigley, var. yell., lovely col., beautiful shape, grandly rounded back, sweet head and neck, close boxey feather, nicely carried wings and tail; 2, Pape, cl. buff, another topper, grand shape, beautifully moulded, sweet head and neck, nice col. and qual., lovely back, wings, and tail; 3, vhc, Hillary, cl. yell. leading, beautiful col., fine qual., graud shape, nice head, good back, wings and tail, just loses in finish; hc, Jones and Owens; c, Dyer.

Mr. G. Wilson's Classes.

CL. MULE, ETC. (4): 1, Maddison, noted cl. Goldie-Can., fine size and shape, good col., Morpeth and Newcastle winner; 2, Curry, Goldie-Greenie, medium size, lovely col. and shape, grand feather and condition; 3, Rowell, lightly mkd. Goldie-Can., nice size and shape, good col. and condition; vhc, Butler. DARK (9): 1, 3, vhc, Maddison, noted yell. Linnet-Can., leading, lovely size and shape, beautiful col., grand conditiou and polish, 3rd yell. Greenie-Can., nice size, grand col., lovely condition and bloom; 2, hc, Bowerbank Bros., yell. Goldie-Can. leading, nice size, good shape and col., grand polish; c, Hope. BULLFINCH (9): 1, Curry, stormer, grand size, lovely shape, lovely breast col., very rich and pure, grand shaped cap, clean cut and dense in col., lovely back and wings, Newcastle winner; 2, Charlton, real topper, grand size and shape, lovely breast col., nice bars, good cap, hardly so dense and pure in col.; 3, hc, Irwin, bit smaller, but fine shape, grand col., nice cap, good feather; vhc, c, Barkass. GOLDIE (9): 1, Waters, lovely size and shape, grand blaze, pure and deep in col, beautifully tanned, nice wings and buttons, fine condition; 2, 3, Tomlinson, two beauties, leader not quite so expansive in blaze, perhaps, good col., rich and pure, nice tans, good wings and buttons, 3rd shade lighter in col., nice face, and tanning, good wings, nice condition; vhc, Curry; hc, Stewart; c, Butler. GREENFINCH (3): 1, Butler, rare size, nice shape, thick head and neck, grand chest, nice col. and condition; 2, Rowell, lovely shape, beautifully feathered, neat head and neck, nice condition, not quite the substance; 3, Irwin, smaller, but very neat, fine shape and col., nice condition and feather. BRAMBLE, ETC. (7): 1, 3, Tomlinson, both Brambles, leader a good one all over, grand breast col., carried well down, nice spangle, well laced, in grand feather and condition, 3rd larger, nice shape, neat spangle and lacing, loses in col., nice condition; 2, Boyd, Chaffic, lovely shape, nice size, grand col. and feather, nice cap and bars, beautiful condition; vhc, c, McVay; hc, Barkass. LINNET (9): 1, Waters, beauty for size, grand col., well pencilled, clear and distinct, beautiful condition; 2, Charlton, nice shape, shade bolder in lacing, nice col. and condition; 3, vhc, Tomlinson, fine shape, nice size and col., well pencilled, but scarcely so rich on breast; hc, Boyd; c, Curry. SISKIN, ETC. (12): 1, Stewart, Lesser Redpoll, grand size and shape, lovely col., beautifully laced, nice wings, extra condition; 2, 3, Dixon, Mealy leading, nice size, col., and pencilling, fine condition; 3, Siskin, good size, fair col., neat cap, nice condition and feather; vhc, Boyd; hc, Waters; c, Barkass. FINCH, HEN (5): 1, Stewart, really grand Bullie, rare size and shape, nice col., neat cap and bars, grand condition; 2, hc, Curry, Greenie, bit small, but very neat, close and tight in feather, nice shape and condition; 3, vhc, Barkass, Mealy Redpoll, nice size, good col. and lacing, fine condition. GIFT: 1, Barkass; 2, Lindsay; 3, Curry; vhc, Marsh; hc, Gardiner; c, Johnson.

MEMBERS: NOR. YELL. (6): 1, 2, 3, Barkass; vhc, Charlton; hc, Marsh. BUFF: 1, 3, Barkass; 2, Charlton. YORKS. YELL. (6): 1, Oxley; 2, 3, Charlton; vhc, Simpson; hc, c, Garside. BUFF (6): 1, Oxley; 2, Charlton; 3, vhc, Simpson; hc, c, Garside. CREST, ETC. (8): 1, 3, vhc, hc, Routledge; 2, c, Gardiner. BORD. (13): 1, 2, Carhill; 3, Johnson; vhc, Lindsay; hc, c, Betton. MULE, ETC. (5): 1, 3, vhc, Curry; 2, Tomlinson; hc, Gardiner. GOLDIE, ETC. (14): 1, hc, Tomlinson; 2, 3, Curry; vhc, Charlton; c, Irwin. LINNET (10): 1, Charlton; 2, 3, Tomlinson; vhc, Curry; hc, Gardiner; c, Simpson. SISKIN, ETC. (11): 1, 2, Curry; 3, hc, Barkass; vhc, Gardiner; c, Simpson. A.O.S. FINCH (6): 1, 2, vhc, Tomlinson; 3, Irwin; hc, Jamieson; c, Barkass. SOFTBILL (1): 1, Curry.

STAMFORD.

5th annual exhibition, held Oct. 21, in the Corn Exchange, a well-lighted and commodious building. Excluding the members' section, which was well supported and contained some very nice birds, some four hundred exhibits were staged in the thirty-six classes. Mr. secretary Harrison had everything well in hand, and arrangements worked smoothly in all respects. He was ably backed up by the assist. secretary, Mr. A. Spriggs. Messrs. A. Baker, H. Brown, V. [illegible] Court, G. W. Grimes, T. Parker, B. T. Gris[illegible] I. W. Giles, F. Laughton, W. E. Lamb[illegible]ton, J. Sh[illegible]d, A. E. Locke, G. Lee, F. Terry, W. J. Allen, E. Swanson, G. W. Webb, T. H. Wright, T. Woods, made an effective body of stewards, who saw that nothing was left undone that could minister to the comfort of the exhibits. Mr. J. Robson judged.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (17): 1, r, Howe, winner cl. yell., good type and col., neat wings and tail; 2, Irons, grand qual. cl. yell., good col. and shape, not quite so neat in wings as winner; 3, Silk, hot col. yell., good type, just a trifle browy; vhc, Lewin; hc, Edwards. BUFF (21): Good class: 1, 2, Keech and Son, exhs., winner rare size and col., grand type and feather; 2, tkd. on neck, massive size and col., grand head, neck, not much between them; 3, Howe, cl., nice type and qual., not so massive; r, Watts; vhc, Williams; hc, Hathaway c, Handley and Son. EVEN. OR VAR. (16): 1, 2, 3, r, Hathaway, grand team, winner very heavily variegated, massive size, lovely type, nice head and neck, 2nd mkd. head and wing, buff, grand size and type, neat wings and tail, 3rd buff, mkd. head, lovely type and qual.; r, mkd. yell., nice col. and feather; vhc, Havenhand; hc, Lockton. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (17): 1, Williams, hot col., cl. yell., nice type and feather; 2, Irons, cl. yell., rare size and type, neat feather; 3, Handley and Sons, neat cl. yell., nice size, not so fine in feather; r, Keech and Son; vhc, Howe; hc, Silk. BUFF (18): 1, Irons, cl., grand qual., nice short, compact body, neat wings and tail; 2, Howe, massive cl., lovely type and qual.; 3, Wren, nice qual. cl., good shape, feather; r, Handley and Son; vhc, Lewin; hc, Lockton. UNFLIG. YELL. (22): 1, Williams, lovely qual. cl., nice type and col.; 2, vhc, Irons, hot col., nice short and compact body, neat feather; 3, Hathaway, tkd. yell., nice size and col., not quite so neat in feather; res, Howe; hc, Silk. BUFF (24): 1, Williams, cl., good size, lovely type and feather; 2, vhc, Dipple, rare size, good type and col., not quite so neat on wings; 3, Irons, grand type, short and compact, neat feather, cl.; r, Lewin; hc, Dadd. NOV., LIMIT £3 (7): 1, Session, tkd. buff, nice shape, type, and feather; 2, Ratcliffe, cl. yell., nice type, col., and feather; 3, r, Dallman, very hot col., tkd. yell.; vhc, hc, Grimes. 30/- (17): 1, Lockton, tkd. buff, nice type and feather; 2, Ratcliffe, neat cl. buff; 3, hc, Ehbage, nice qual. buff; vhc, Lewin. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (13): 1, spl, Dicker, cl., nice length and style, neat wings and tail; 2, Sayle, good length, nice back and qual.; 3, Smart, nice quality clear yellow, not quite so good in colour as leaders; r, Williams; vhc, Ross; hc, Ballard. BUFF (13): 1, Hedworth, nice qual., neat back, wings, and tail, cl.; 2, Harriman, tkd., good length and feather, neat wings and tail, not so fit as winner; 3, r, Williams, good col., style, and qual.; vhc, Auton Bros.; hc, Dicker. EVEN, ETC., VARIEG. (5): 1, Allen, variegated yell., nice style and feather, neat wings, and tail; 2, Dr. Craig, variegated buff, nice col. and position, neat tail; 3, r, Dykes, 3rd variegated buff, nice position and feather; vhc, Bishop. HEN (15): 1, Muxlow, cl. yell., lovely length, nice wings and tail, grand qual., some thought a bit masculine in appearance; 2, Dr. Craig, nice col. and style, loses to leader in wings and tail; 3, Dicker, rare qual. cl. buff, nice style and col.; r, Beaumont; vhc, Ross; hc, Williams. 1912 (10): 1, Beaumont, lovely qual. cl. yell., nice back, wings and tail; 2, Dr. Craig, cl. yell., good length and style, nice head and neck; 3, Wiliams, variegated buff, rare qual. and feather, good style; r, Bishop; vhc, Hibbitt; hc, Dykes. NOVICE, LIMIT £3 (6): 1, Giles, cl. buff, nice length, wings, and tail; 2, Sayle, buff, rare length, not quite so fine in feather; 3, Twynham, typical mkd. yell.; r, Wright; vhc, Laughton and Son; hc, Mann. 30/- (7): 1, Auton Bros., nice qual. cl. yell.; 2, Harriman cl. buff, nice position and feather; 3, Pitchford and Stocker, typical yell.; r, Fancourt and Harrison; vhc, Dicker; hc, Laughton and Son. CREST OR C.-B. (7): 1, Edwards, massive G.C., nice crest, plenty of feather; 2, 3, Gilbert, variegated C.B., massive skull and feather, 3rd grizz. capped Crest, nice size, not so massive as winner; r, vhc, Smith; hc, Edwards. A.O.V. (5): 1, 2, Green, winner buff Lancs. Coppy, rare length and crest, 2nd yell. Lancs. Plainhead, nice length and position; 3, Dodd, Coppy, nice length, not so good in crest. CL., ETC., MULES (except Cap.-Bullfinch) (8): 1, 2, Gilbert, winner Goldfinch-Can., splendid blaze and col., 2nd Goldie-Can., shade smaller, not so rich in blaze; 3, r, vhc, Lawrence, Linnet-Can., nice shape and col. res. Goldie-Can.; hc, Fysh. DARK (16): 1, 2, r, Lawrence, winner Greenfinch Can., rare size, grand col., 2nd grand Linnet-Can., nice size and col., res. Siskin-Can.; 3, Gilbert, good Goldie-Can., nice col. blaze; vhc, Jacklin and Oliver; hc, Watts. ANY VARIETY OF BULLFINCH HYBRID (including Canary-Bullfinch): (11): 1, 3, Lawrence, winner Canary-Bullie, splendid size, good col., shows parentage well, 3rd Goldfinch-Bullie, blazing col., good size and not so tight in feather; 2, Davies, grand Linnet-Bullfinch, lovely col. and size; r, hc, Edwards, good Linnet-Bullie, splendid condition; vhc, Wilson; a grand collection of Bullfinch Hybrids. HYBRID, BRITISH (9): 1, Gilbert, grand Chaffinch-Bramble, rare col. and size; 2, Lawrence, another good Chaffinch-Bramble, good col. and condition, parentage not so distinct; 3, Wren, very nice Goldfinch-Greenfinch, good col. and size; r, Meek, Siskin-Redpoll; vhc, Davies; hc, Swanson. GOLDFINCH (10): 1, Mays, grand col. and size, nice square cut blaze, rich tanning; 2, Hinson, good size and col., nice blaze, not so good in body col.; 3, Allen, lovely condition, grand blaze and col., shade smaller; r, Wilson; vhc, Lawrence; hc, Hinson; c, Edwards. BULLFINCH (18): 1, hc, Mays, winner grand col., splendid cap, nice bars and body col; 2, Baseley, trifle larger size, nice col. and cap, not so tight in feather; 3, Tupholme, nice type and size, not quite so good in colour; r, Belcher; vhc, Gilbert. GREENFINCH (7): 1, hc, Howe, rare size and col., very steady; 2, Lawrence, nice shape and size, not quite so good in col. as winner; 3, Lawrence, good size, not very steady; r, Baseley; vhc, Gilbert; hc, Howe. LINNET (10): 1, Lawrence, rare size, shape, and col., nicely pencilled, wins easy; 2, Judd, not so large, nice shape and col.; 3, Judd, nice pencilling, bit smaller; r, Edwards; vhc, Meek; hc, Gilbert; c, Lawrence. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLEFINCH (12): 1, Brotherhood, grand Bramble, lovely condition, rich col., well spangled; 2, Lawrence, Chaffinch, rare shape, size, and col.; 3, Lawrence, Bramble, nice shape and col.; r, Belcher, Bramble, vhc, Wilson; hc, Gilbert; c, Long. FISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, c, [illegible], Mealy Redpoll, grand size, col., and action, 2, 3, Gilbert, good col. Twite, [illegible] and rich col. Siskin, nicely laced, r, Mann, vhc, Pyle; hc, Mays; c, Gelsthorpe. HARDBILL, HEN (5): 1, Lawrence, grand col. Bramble, good size, well spangled; 2, Gilbert, grandly laced Yellowhammer, nice feather; 3, Wren, very nice Bramble, nice cap and bars; r, hc, Fancourt and Harrison; vhc, Mays. LARK AND SMALLER (16): 1, 2, 3, Mays, a clear sweep, grand Treecreeper headed, and very good Wren, 3rd lovely Yellow Wagtail, good col.; r, Jervis, Bearded Reedling; hc, Lawrence; hc, Gilbert. LARGER (10): 1, 2, Williams, winner grand Cornish Chough, rich bill and feet, 2nd Magpie, splendid condition, lovely cut breast, good beetle green sheen of col.; 3, Gilbert, very good Corn Bunting, nicely marked; r, Wilson, Waxwing, in lovely condition; vhc, Mays; hc, Lawrence. PIED, ETC.: Cancelled. FOR., SMALL (3): 1, Popple, Paradise Whydah, nice col. and length of tail feather; 2, Bassly, Siberian Bullfinch, nice shape, neat cap and col.; 3, Ludlow, St. Helena Seedeater. LARGE (4): 1, Davies, King Parraket, good col and feather; 2, Tecar, Indian Rock Parrot; 3, Bell, Grey Parrot; r, Edinborough. SELL., Exs. (7): 1, Pedder; 2, Handley and Sons; 3, Spriggs; r, Dawson; vhc, Edwards; hc, Litchfield. 20s. (13): 1, Ebbage; 2, Gilbert; 3, Pitchford and Stocker; r, Grimes; vhc, Spriggs. The members' classes contained some good birds, but particulars are not in catalogue, and no details can be given.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Young stock show held at headquarters, Oct. 23, and a great success. Mr. Eckersley secured special for most points, with Mr. Dipple runner-up. Special for best in show went to Mr. Broadhurst, other special winners being Messrs. Dipple, Groves, Richardson, and T. Jones. Mr. J. H. Lee judged, and his awards were well received. CHAMP.: CL. YELL. NOR. (9): 1, 2 sps, 3, Broadhurst; 2, vhc, Eckersley; hc, Silvers; c, Dipple. TKD. OR VAR. (7): 1, Collier; 2, vhc, hc, Eckersley; 3, Broadhurst; c, Silvers. CL. BUFF (10): 1, sp, 2, hc, Dipple; 3, vhc, c, Eckersley. MKD. OR VAR. BUFF (8): 1, 3, vhc, hc, Eckersley; 2, c, Dipple. YELL. HEN, NOR. (9): 1, 3, vhc, Eckersley; 2, Collier; hc, c, Dipple. BUFF (11): 1, 2, vhc, Eckersley; 3, Collier; hc, Dipple; c, Broadhurst. CREST: 1, Groves. C.B.: 1, sp, Groves. YORKS. CL. YELL. (4): 1, sp, Richardson; 2, Clay; 3, Sheppard; vhc, Burke. VAR., ETC. (1): 1, Sheppard. CL. BUFF (5): 1, 2, sp, Richardson; 3, Clay. MKD. OR VAR. (5): 1, Sheppard; 2, hc, Clay; 3, Burke; vhc, Jeffrey. YELL. HEN: 1, Clay. DO. BUFF: 1, Clay; wrong class, Richardson. CINN., YELL. (3): 1, Baker. DO. BUFF (2): 1, Baker; abs., Hammersley (both classes). A.O.V.: 1, Mrs. Giles. NOV.: NOR. YELL. (3): 1, Derry; 2, H. Peace; wrong class, Austin. DO. BUFF (11): 1, 2 sps, 3, T. Jones; 2, Derry; vhc, c, Austin; hc, Child. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Child; 2, Fessy; 3, T. Jones. BUFF (4): 1, Tipper; 2, Derry; wrong class, Jones and Austin. YORKS. CL. YELL. (3): 1, 2, Clay; 3, Webb. VAR. DO. (1): 1, Steventon. BUFF (4): 1, Clay; 2, Steventon; 3, Webb. VAR. (2): 1, Clay; 2, Webb. YELL., HEN (2): 1, Clay; 2, Steventon. BUFF (2): 1, Clay; 2, Steventon. MULES (2): 1, 2, Raby, Goldie-Can. BULLFINCH, ETC.: 1, Raby. A.O.V. HARDBILL (7): 1, Derry, Bramblefinch; 2, Derry, Chaffinch; 3, Raby, Linnet; vhc, J. H. Jones, Snow Bunting; hc, Raby, Siskin; c, Jeffrey, Yellow Bunting, a capital class. SOFTBILL: 1, Jeffrey, Wryneck, 1912.

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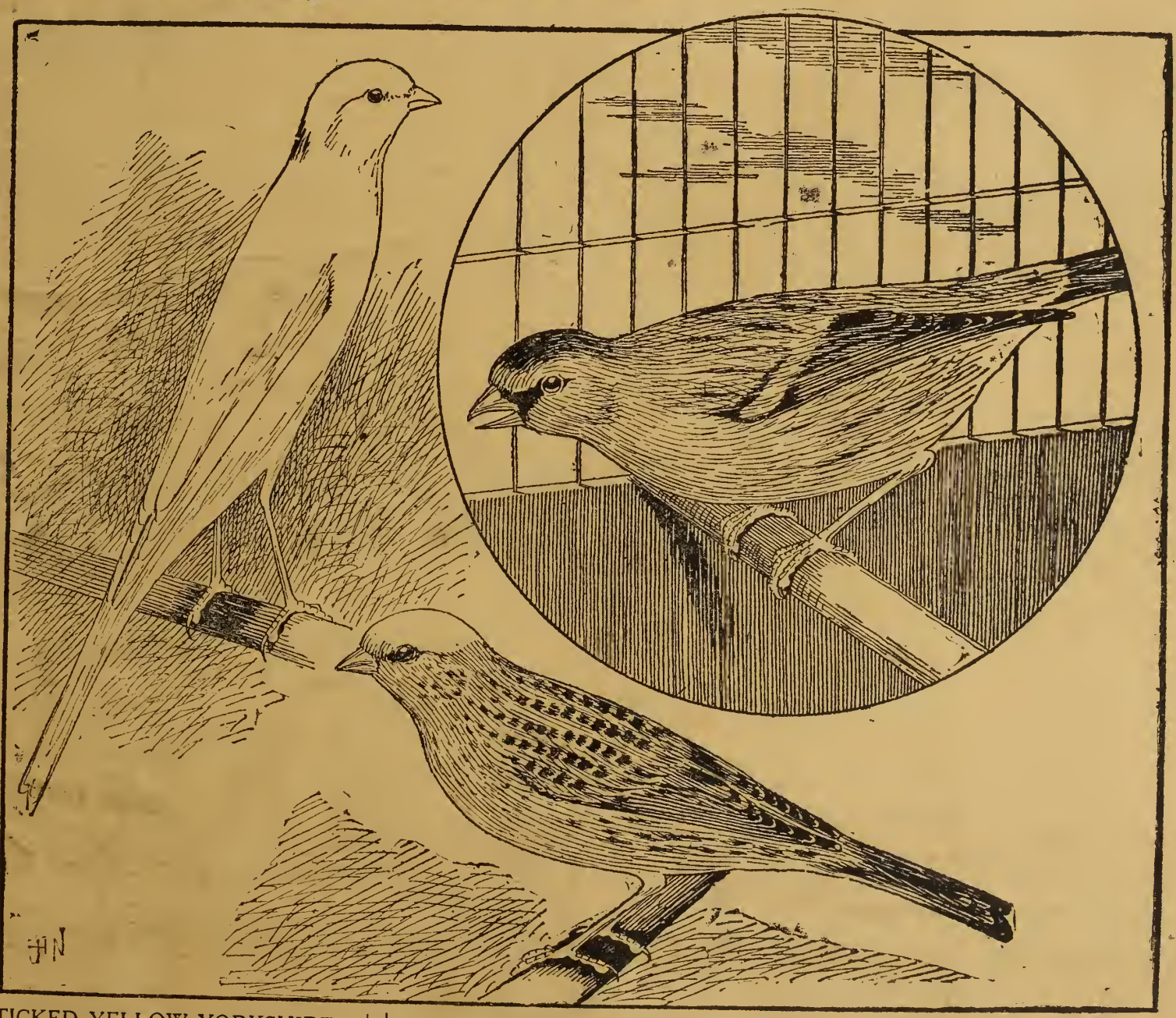
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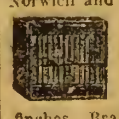
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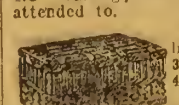




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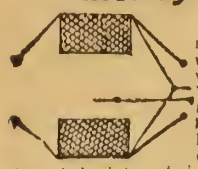
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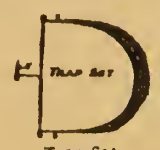
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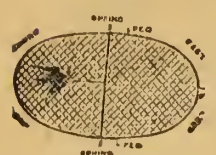
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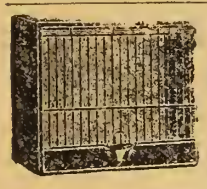
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Thousands coming in to pick at, and I have sold more first prize winners than any man alive, including winners at Crystal Palace, Scottish National, Manchester, etc.; cock Goldfinches or Bullfinches, specially picked for moulting out winners, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; cock Linnets, 1/6, 2/-; cock Chaffinches, 1/6, 2/-; Redpolls, 1/-; cock Siskins, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; Greenfinches, 1/-, 1/6, 2/-; Larks, 1/-, 1/6, 2/-, large muling Sib.-bred Canary hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each. Latest new style British show cages, 2/-, 3 5/6. Mr. Hedges, Eastbourne, writes, Sept. 13th.—"Send me special selected cock Goldfinch, Linnet, Greenfinch, and hen Bullfinch for enclosed 10/-; Goldfinch I got from you two years ago won six 1sts and specials; the one I had last year won 3rd, but I lost him." Mr. Veitch, Jedburgh, writes: "Send cock Goldfinch, 3/-, two hen Bullfinches, 3/-. Glad to say Goldfinch purchased from you won me two 1sts Hawick, 1st and special Kelso, 5th Edinburgh (class 33), 3rd Galashiels, twice 2nd at our show." W. Jones, Altrincham, December 6th. "Send two cock Linnets and two cock Siskins. Am pleased to say I won 2nd and 4th at Altrincham open-class with birds purchased from you." Mr. Ewan, Kirn, writes: "Goldfinch arrived safe, and won 1st and special at our show." Mr. Wedall, Winsford, Jan. 30: "Send another good Bullfinch. Glad to say last two have won 1st and 2nd every time shown. Unfortunately best one just died; other won 4th large class at big Crystal Palace Show." Walter Dyke, Longridge: "Send cock Goldfinch and hen Bullfinch. Glad to say Hybrid which I bred from Goldfinch and Bullfinch purchased from you has won 1st Leeds (class 19), 2nd Halifax, 1st Leek, 2nd Hamilton, 2nd Hinckley, 1st Portsmouth." Scores like above every year. Est. 1879. Send for catalogue.: Sandiford, Bird Specialist, and Judge, Preston. Also 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

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COCK Larks, 2/6 dozen, picked, 4d. each: Howard, Finney-lane, Croston, Lancashire. (200)

TWO beautiful Whitethroats, splendid condition, 2/6 each: C. P. Arthur, Melksham. (197)

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MARVELLOUS singing hand-reared cock Thrush, 3/6, worth 12/6; approval: Proprietress, Lamb Hotel, Dunstable. (195)

WARRANTED cock Linnets and Larks, 3/- dozen; money returned if not satisfied: John Biggs, London-rd., Dunstable. (202)

TIME-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

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CLEARING out, cocks, Bullfinches, Goldfinches, variegated Goldie-Mule, Siskin, Magpie, 5/- each; show boxes, 1/6; Magpie, winner, 6/6: Douglas, Bridge-st., Brechin.

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WARRANTED cock Linnets, 3/6 dozen, six 1/9; cock Greenfinches, 1/- dozen; cock Larks, 3/- dozen; cock Chaffinches, 3/6 dozen: Hobden, Ivy Cottage, Winchelsea-rd., Norway, Eastbourne. (195)

LINNETS, Linnets, Linnets; Larks, Larks, Larks. Warranted cock Linnets, 3/- dozen, 5 dozen 13/6; hen Linnets, 1/- dozen; cock Larks, 3/- dozen; cock Greenfinches, 1/6 dozen; no hens sent for cocks: The old firm; clap nets, Lark nets, all sizes in stock: John Boxall, 5, Lavender-st., Brighton. (194)

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ALNMOUTH cock Linnets and Twites, picked from my catch, 1/- each, 3 for 2/6; Chaffinches, Yellowhammers, Blackbirds, Greybirds, Tree Pipits, Redpolls, Redwings, Larks, all picked, 1/- each, 3 for 2/6; clap nets, 5/- a pair, anything for catching (no bird lime used or sold); only everyday catcher in the North: G. Ashton, 5, Mafeking-st., Gateshead. (198)

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Patronised by all the leading fanciers in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales. If you want a good bird please give me a trial; my birds are sent out on 7 days' approval for cash or deposit. I have a grand lot of fierce singing cock Linnets, sing in or out doors, 1/- and 1/6; with new back cages, 1/6 and 2/- lot. Muling Linnets, the correct type, guaranteed to mule, 1/6 each. The pride of the bird world. Cock Linnet, taught under my undefeated champion cup winner, only 2/- each; with new contest cage and book of secrets, 3/6 lot. To exhibitors: I have a grand lot of Norwich type cock Linnets, well pencilled, good rich colour, steady as rocks, show themselves well, 2/- each; gems, 2/6. I have one in show cage can win in house-moulted class, 5/- lot. Enter your shows and I will forward on. Hard luck, Mr. Harrison, Fitzmaurice-rd., Attercliffe; secured 3rd prize with a gem; all others house-moulted. My gems have won at Newcastle, Alnwick, Hull, Sunderland, Blaydon, Doncaster, etc. Lesser Redpoll, a gem, 1/6; another 1/-. Giant Greenfinch, can win, 1/-. Cock Chaffinch, a topper, 1/- Hen Chaffinch, a beauty, 1/6. Cock Twite, lovely shape, 1/-; gems 1/6. Cock Larks, will sing anywhere, 1/-, 1/6. Corn Bunting, a topper, 2/6. Yellow Hunting, real giant, 1/6. Siberian cock Goldfinches, real gems, with deep square-cut blaze, broad heads, richly tanned, can win anywhere, 5/- each; gems, 6/6. Have you ever heard a good Roller? My Ural gold medal Rollers put all others in the shade; it is beautiful to hear them. Mr. Brown, of Derby, writes: "Roller to hand, am delighted; his notes were tingling in my ears all day at work." Mr. Rees, 5, London-rd., Pembroke: "Sir,—Birds arrived safe; they are the finest I ever saw, and I have had a good many in my time. You deserve all the praise and credit I can give you. I enclose cheque. Yours, etc." Hundreds of testimonials on hand. Honesty is the success of my business. State wants. Correspondence a pleasure. Thanking you one and all for increased patronage: Fred Allen, Bird Specialist and Judge, 548, Queen's-rd., Sheffield.

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(Please note, real cock Goldfinches cannot be sold at less than above prices.) Hen Goldfinches, 1/- each, three 2/6, six 4/-; handsome lot cock Bullfinches, 2/- each, three 5/-, six 8/6; exhibition specimens, 4/- and 5/- each; hen Bullfinches, 1/- each; specially selected, large, rich coloured hens for hybridising, 1/6 each; genuine hand-reared German hen Bullfinches, bred from lingers, 4/- each; magnificent lot cock brown Linnets, every bird guaranteed rose red breasted and nut brown backed, 8d. each, three 1/6, six 2/6, twelve 4/6; specially picked large cocks, for muling or contest singing, and warranted now in song, 1/- each, three 2/6, six 3/6, twelve 6/-; real show specimens of correct type and exquisitely pencilled, 2/6 each; cock Greenfinches, 6d. each, three 1/-, six 1/6; exhibition yellows, 1/- each; cock Chaffinches, 8d. each, three 1/6, six 2/6, twelve 4/-; exhibition specimens, 1/6 each; Redpolls, 6d. each, three 1/3, six 2/-, twelve 3/6; exhibition specimens, 1/- each; handsome lot cock Skylarks, not half hens or skeletons, but every one guaranteed a plump healthy cock, 8d. each, three 1/6, six 2/6, twelve 4/-; specially selected steady cocks, in song, 1/-, 1/6, and 2/- each; Goldfinch, Linnet, Bullfinch, and Lark cages, 6d. each, 5/- dozen; 1d. tin drinkers, 8d. dozen, three dozen 1/6, 4/6 gross; zinc drinkers, same size, 10d. dozen, three dozen 2/-, 6/- gross; Japanese bird lime, attractively packed in penny tins, three dozen 2/-, or 6/6 gross; 3d. tins, three dozen 3/6, or 12/- gross (for other appliances see advt. in appliance column). Note full name and address given with following letters:—"King's Mead Cottage, Pontefract, Nov. 1st.—Sir, birds arrived in good condition. I am well pleased and more than satisfied with them.—Yours, H. Elsworth." "10, Wemysohill Row, Overtown-by-Wishaw, Oct. 25.— Sir, Linnets arrived all safe, and I am highly pleased with them. They are the best I ever got from England. You will get more orders from here, as the bird men are surprised at such value for money.—Yours, Charles Reid." "4, Dagnaire Road, Wood Green, London, Oct. 24.—Sir, I duly received the two Goldfinches on Saturday, and am well pleased with them. The prompt manner in which you executed my little order deserves commendation.—Yours, G. Wilson." "Gas Works, Kirkwall, Orkney Isles, Oct. 25th.—Sir, Bullfinch arrived on Wednesday, in splendid condition, having stood the journey well. He is a very nice bird, and suits me well.—Yours, Robert Robb." "Corsehill, Kilwinning, Oct. 6.—Sir, exhibition Linnet arrived safe, and am highly pleased. He is a topper. Please send following.—Yours, S. Duncan." "156, Agnes St., Belfast, Oct. 7.—Sir, please send another 12 Linnets. I was well pleased with the last I got, they were all sound and healthy.—Yours, J. McWalters." "109, Cobden St., Greenbank, Blackburn, Oct. 17.—Sir, Bullfinch arrived safely this morning. He is in splendid condition, and satisfactory in every way.—Yours, Thomas McGrew." "23, Frank Place, Birtley, Oct. 16.—Sir, received Linnets this morning, in splendid condition. Many thanks for quick despatch.—Yours, G. Vallack." "110, Shankhouse Row, Cramlington, Oct. 14.—Sir, I received Linnets on Saturday and I thank you for the straightforward manner in which you have dealt with me. I shall recommend you to all, as you are certainly an honest dealer.—Yours, Wm. Dodds." "2, Glencairn Terrace, St. Budeaux, Devonport, Oct. 14.—Sir, I am very pleased with the Bullfinch you sent me 3 weeks ago. Everyone who sees it says it is a marvel for the money. Please send following.—Yours, T. Wills." "49, Princess St., Normanton, Oct. 31.—Sir, received birds in good condition, am very pleased with them and the very obliging and straightforward way you have dealt with me.—Yours, J. Barraclough." "Garforth Bridge, Oct. 30.—Sir, received birds in good condition, and sex all right, for which I am extremely obliged.—Yours, J. Jones." "32, Edmundstown, Penygraig, Oct. 30.—Sir, received birds safely, and in good condition, for which many thanks.—Yours, S. Edmunds." Please note, all birds sold by me are guaranteed to be properly netted in County of Worcester by catchers employed solely by myself, and none are sent until feeding thoroughly on ordinary seed mixtures, so that no soaked or crushed seeds are necessary when you get them. 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W. GORE, 131 GOOCH ST., BIRMINGHAM

JOHN MACE

Warranted cock Linnets, 8d. each, three for 1/6, six for 2/6, 4/6 dozen; cock Goldfinches, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6 each, hens 9d.; cock Larks, 8d.; cock Blackcaps, 5/-; cock Woodlarks, 2/-; Siberian cock Goldfinches, 5/6 each: Mace, Naturalist, Exchange-st., Sheffield. (198)

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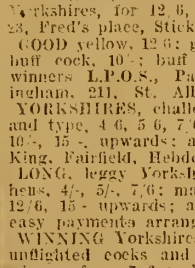
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WANTED, anything alive: Pearson, Greenwich. (Q)

CATCHERS, please send list of British and prices to Hermann, 489, Cambridge-rd., London, E. (202)

WANTED British, H. or F. moulted, for spot cash: Robert Rough, 73, George-st., Whitinch, Glasgow. (190)

WANTED, songster, or fowls, for 70 clean fretwork designs: Legget, 18, Montague-rd., Dalston, London, N.E. (201)

WANTED Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Siskins, Redpolls, best prices given: Manager, Bird Stores, Wakefield. (178)

WANTED, Norwich, Plainheads and Crests; also Cinnamons: W. Powick, Eastfield-cottage, Dewsbury. (200)

WANTED one or two young hand-reared cock Bullfinches, finger tame: S., 23, Newmarket-rd., Norwich. (194)

WANTED, exhibition Jay, good colour and feather, must be steady: G. Beavis, Montpellier-rd., Exmouth. (199)

ALL varieties Canaries wanted for spot cash for re-sale by Mrs. Hermann, 489, Cambridge-rd., London, E. (202)

WANTED Goldfinch cages, exchange Yorkshire or Norwich cocks: Jones, Vine Cottage, Station-rd., Bagilet. (194)

BIRDCATCHERS! Wanted, Goldfinches; will pay 16/- dozen cocks, 5/- hens: West, Lamprell-st., Old Ford. (201)

WANTED, a few good Norwich hens, must be cheap for cash: E. Meades, 4, St. Paul's-rd., New Southgate. (198)

WANTED, Canaries or Goldfinches, in exchange for ferrets, gooseberry or rose trees, etc.: Field, London-road, Newbury. (198)

WANTED, any quantity of Goldfinch mules or Linnet mules for cash: Shaw, 97, Essex-rd., Islington, London, N. (Q)

WANTED for export, will give 1/- hen Canaries (1/3 Yorkshires); old cages bought up: Manager, Bird Stores, Wakefield. (194)

WANTED, any quantity Mules and Hybrids, cocks and hens; best prices given: Sandiford, Bird Specialist, Preston, Lancs.

WANTED Palace aviary, cheap, or exchange stuffed bird or animals: L. Bettison, Jacobstow Rectory, near Bude, Cornwall. (195)

WANTED, pair Norwich, in exchange for gold-filled spectacles, or eye-glasses: Jackson, 5, Albany-rd., Stoneycroft, Liverpool. (196)

WANTED good pair Rollers, for three hen Canaries, ten good racing homers; offers: Stott, 50, Lancaster-ave., Liscard. (195)

TWO Roller cocks, exchange 1912 Yorkshires, yellow and buff cocks, yellow hen, sell 20/-; approval: Rogers, Afonwen, Flintshire. (195)

WANTED Norwich or Yorkshires, exchange bull bitch, value £5; quality, not quantity, wanted: Hay, 24, East-st., Chichester. (198)

WANTED offers in Canaries; exchange pair of Scotch blankets, sell 25/-: Andrew Dawson, 135, Duke-st., Dennistown, Glasgow. (172)

WANTED birds, any description, in exchange for loose fronts, or cages; dealers supplied: Leigh, 26, Netherfield-rd., South Liverpool. (196)

WANTED, young hen Canaries, exchange good large mahogany squirrel cage, or sell, 10/-; what offers: Eales, Wellington-st., Kettering. (199)

WANTED, offers in Canaries, British, for Harmsworth's "History of the World," 41 7d. parts: Palmer, 46, Walpole, Gt. Yarmouth.

WANTED any quantity of cocks, and pairs of Canaries; also Mules, good prices for genuine birds: G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham. (194)

WANTED from catchers, Bullfinches, cocks and hens, also Linnets, good prices and prompt payment: E. Cash, Chester-st., Birkenhead. (193)

WANTED Parrots, monkeys, pigeons, poultry guinea pigs, rats, birds, dogs, etc.; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (204)

WANTED, Canaries: exchange hand-made cloth hearthrug, 2yds by 1yd., value 15/6: Cooper, 918, Rochdale-rd., Harpurhey, Manchester. (198)

WANTED, hen Zebra Finch, cock Bengalese, cock Goldfinches, or any small variety; exchange Canaries, full song, or sell: Howell, Potton, Beds. (194)

WANTED all kinds of Canaries and Mules, state price and particulars, will deposit cash: Jones, The Aviaries, 23, Caerleon-rd., Newport, Mon. (193)

WANTED, Budgerigars and cock Goldfinches; exchange valuable fantails, sell 10/6 to 15/- pair: Lorna, Lavender-vale, Wallington, Surrey. (201)

WANTED, Norwich cocks; exchange breeding cages, joiner-made, polished; also 21/- Waterman pen, new: Robson 66, Frostons-rd., Workington. (201)

WANTED, all kinds cage birds, cash or exchange pullets, puppies, rabbits, pigeons; state price: Simmonds' Aviaries, 64, Stean-st., Haggerston, London. (200)

WANTED few Siskins, small Foreign, Pom bitch, will exchange typical Norwich or Bullfinches, or sell (see Norwich): Pargeter, Grimsbury, Banbury. (194)

WANTED 1912 yellow Norwich cock, or offers for brazing or soldering lamp, new, cost 15/6; yours first; approval: Brown, Treiawny Road, Tavistock. (191)

WANTED, 2 real good Yorkshire hens; exchange fret machine aud designs, or house-moulted Goldfinch and small aviary: Tozer, Fairford, Glos. (197)

NOTICE; wanted from catchers, weekly supply Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Siskins, etc.; state prices: Hollinshead, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport. (202)

WANTED good unflighted clear buff Norwich hen; exchange good breeding pen of modern Duckwing Bantams, sell £3: Burdett, 120, Todd-st., Wingate, Durham. (193)

WANTED to exchange, British Goldfinch and Brown Linnet, both bred Mules, and cash for pair good Yorkshires: Henderson, 15, Grosvenor-st., West Hartlepool. (197)

WANTED offer in Norwich Greens or Cinnamons for gent.'s cycle, in good running order, back pedal break, or sell 30/-; yours first: W. Kirkwood, Tanpits, Church. (190)

WANTED offers in Canaries for my stud of Jacobins, all big winners, about 9 birds, value £7; Crests or Scotch Fancies preferred: D. McDonald, 152B, High-st., Forres. (203)

CANARIES wanted, exchange superior quality boots, gent's 10/6, lady's 12/6, boy's or girl's 7/6; lady's shoes, 7/6; gent's and boy's suits, etc.; send for particulars; I guarantee to give you satisfaction: Wressell Outfitter, Crowle, Doncaster. (10)

WANTED, live poultry, gold watch-chain, Waltham lever watch, gold coins, for any variety of Norwich to value; see advt. Norwich column: Allen, Blackburn-rd., Bolton. (204)

WANTED for cash, Canaries, Goldfinches, Mules, coloured-fed preferred; state lowest price either sex: Trask, Bird Specialist, Chesham House, Broadway, Deptford, S.E. (202)

WANTED, hen Goldfinch Mules and Canaries, give 1/- each; hen Goldfinches, 6/- dozen; I buy any kind of birds, cocks or hens: W. Perkins, 207, East-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (199)

WANTED, any quantity of Norwich, Yorkshire, Borders, Rollers, British or foreign birds, in exchange for bird houses, poultry houses, cages, etc.: Hollins, Fanciers' Providers, Hull. (197)

WANTED Norwich Plainhead, or best cash offer in exchange for 18 racing homers, 3 pairs cost £3 5s., and 12 bred 1912 from above, flown 1½ miles: Foulder, 7, Alfred Road, Brentwood, Essex. (191)

NOTICE, will give 6/- per pair for colour fed Norwich or Yorkshires, 10/- per pair for Crests; also wanted Scotch Fancies, cock Mules, reasonable: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

WANTED, 10in. disc records; exchange eight yellow variegated mule hens, highly commended Cheltenham; also nearly white Sparrow, 7/6 each; cock mules and songster Canaries, sell 7/6 each; Maddocks, Cowley Manor-gardens, Cheltenham. (199)

WANTED, 3 cock Brown Linnets, house-moulted, also 2 Linnet Mules, in full song (pure Linnet); will exchange Homing Pigeons or cash; full pedigrees sent; this loft has won more 1sts and specials than any loft in Herefordshire; also longest distances, Mirande (South), Thurso (North): Homer, Wellington Lofts, nr. Hereford. (195)

WANTED from genuine catchers, any quantity of Goldfinches and Bullfinches, highest prices paid, and prompt cash, strictly honourable dealings guaranteed; also wanted, any quantity hen Canaries, all breeds, for spot cash; state particulars and price for prompt cash; Bankers, Lloyds Bank, Ltd., Gooch-st. Branch: W. Gore, 131, Gooch-st., Birmingham. (204)

Wanted for Export.

Will give 7/- per pair for large colour-fed Norwich, 10/- per pair for good Crests, 5/- each for Goldfinch-Mule cocks. I also require large Natural-colour Norwich, Linnet Mule cocks, Border Fancies, Scotch Fancies, Lizards, Lancashires, British Rollers, and Cinnamons. Send full particulars and stamp for reply. All letters answered. Will deposit cash with Editor.—H. GLEDHILL, Exporter, Fleet Lane, Queensbury, near Bradford.

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

TIME-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

EXCHANGE House-moulted Linnet and hen Canary, for Lop or Flemish doe, in kindle: Reeve, 2, Flora-st., Barry. (198)

EXCHANGE, H.M. Yellowhammer for a Yorkshire hen, with little money: J. Russell, 34, Dufford-st., Larkhall, Bath. (198)

HAND-REARED cock Song Thrush, 5/-; H.M. cock Bullfinch, 3/6; 7/- two; exchange: Anstee, 6, Belmont-rd., Luton. (192)

LARGE cock Linnet Mule, Goldfinch song, exchange Goldfinch, Hawfinch, or clap-nets: Worrell, Church-st., Annfield Plain. (195)

COCK Linnet and 3 fine hen Greenfinches, latter bred in large outdoor aviary, 3/6 lot: Holloway, Castlefields, Shrewsbury. (196)

GRAND cock Linnets, for showing or muling, 2/-; exchange three for large yellow Norwich hen; yours first: Charles Lewis, Highbridge. (199)

HAND-REARED exhibition hen Blackbird, house-moulted Goldie, 4/- pair; exchange: Turner, 215, Gt. Horton-rd., Bradford, Yorks. (191)

HOUSE-MOULTED cock Bullfinch and Greenfinch, Buff Norwich hen Canary, 6/-; exchange British show cages: A. E. Gardner, Parkfield-lodge, Potter's Bar. (198)

PAIR of good clap-nets, ten yards long, pegs, poles, store cage, and lines, exchange Bullfinches, Goldfinches, or Mules: Rendle, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (195)

TWO extra large Goldfinches, F.M., certain winners, 4/- each; pair 7/-; Peathroat, beauty, 6/-: Thomas Hawthorn, Cottage, Portfield, Haverfordwest. (193)

TWITES! Six large, well-coloured Redrump cocks; grand birds, 1/- each; exchange lot for Goldfinch or Linnet Mule, pure song: West, Lamprell-st., Old Ford. (201)

EXHIBITORS' chance: lovely Blackcap, grand condition, incessant singer; approval, 10/-; exchange Goldfinches: Jackson, 196, H. S. Edward-st., South Shields. (197)

GOLDFINCHES, cocks, 2/-; a few pieked birds, 3/- each; genuine Norwich cocks, 6/-; hen, 3/- upwards; approval, deposit: Cornelius, 6, Church-road, Oare, Faversham. (190)

GRAND Siberian cock Goldfinch, cage moulted, beautifully blazed and tanned, fit to win in keenest competition, cash or deposit: Howard, 80, Queen's-road, Dalston, London. (199)

WHAT offers in good Dutch does, for exhibition; Bullie, and 4 cage-moulted, 2 good Greenfinches, and 2 good Chaffinches, or sell 12/-: J. Rouse, Broadway, Yaxley, Peterboro'. (203)

COCK Siskin Mule, rich yellow, exchange large cock Goldfinch, for show, also pair Cagaries, Border, Norwich, good breeders, for show Siskin or Goldfinch: Thos. McNeill, 84, New-row, Tranent. (190)

TWITES, Linnets, warranted healthy, cocks 2/- half-dozen; selected, large, well-coloured birds, 1/- each; or exchange for Goldfinch or Linnet Mule, pure song: West, 30, Lamprell-st., Old Ford. (201)

THREE Goldfinches, two Linnets, hand-reared, 1911, large birds, bred mules this year; lot £1, worth double; exchange good watch or Norwich cocks: J. Wheeler, Coachman, Griffins Wood, Epping. (192)

NOTICE! will exchange all kinds British birds for show, muling, contest-singing, for any variety Canaries, Mules, and foreign birds; state wants: Hollinshead, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport. (202)

HAND-REARED cock Thrush, handsomely marked, full song, 5/-, cock Twite, fit show, 3/6, nicely marked long Yorkshire cock, fine songster, 7/6; exchange overcoat, boots, eights: Butt, Westbury, Wilts. (197)

WILL exchange high-class Norwich or Yorkshires for steady house moulted Bunting, Hawfinch, or other British; steadiness and plumage most essential; see Norwich, Yorkshires advertisements: Hawkes, Leytonstone. (204)

HAND-REARED Bullfinches, two cocks, 6/-; three hens, 4/6; cock Yellowhammer, 2/-; house-moulted cock Goldfinch, 6/6; also Chaffinch, 2/6; cock Blackbird and Thrush, 8/-; exchange Canaries: Warbonse, Knox-rd., Wellingborough. (193)

THREE Thrushes, reserve and commended Bromley show, 30/- three; exchange for two wicker upholstered armchairs, 6 British show cages, 9/-; exchange household goods, seen any time: Mr. Ingles, 24, Fairfield-rd., Beckenham. (201)

COCKS; 2 Bullfinches, 2 Linnets, 1 Greenfinch, 1 Redpoll, 2 hen Greenfinches, all house-moulted, 2 cock Goldfinches, 2 Bantam cockerels, sell cheap; exchange Black Rosecomb Bantams or offers: F. Child, The Downs, Luton, Beds. (199)

LOOK here, will exchange all kinds of British birds, fit for show, singing, and muling, for Canaries, any breed; splendid cock Linnets, 1/6, 2/6; Goldies, 2/6 and 4/6; none better; approval, deposit; testimonials shown on application: Simpson, 36, Lancashire Hill, Stockport. (193)

Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE 10 Canaries for anything useful: J. Russell, 34, Dufford-st., Larkhall, Bath. (198)

WILL exchange six healthy hen Canaries for Roller cock, or sell 10/-; Charles Old, Maldon, Essex. (192)

WILL exchange a pair of Yorkshires and cash for a pair of first-class Crests: E. Whetter, St. Austell. (200)

YORKSHIRE Canaries of superior quality, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- pair; or exchange; what offer: Wressell, Crowle, Lincolnshire. (10)

WILL give 10/- pair of Norwich for large unflighted yellow Norwich cock: George Williamson, 11, Southrow, Bedlington. (200)

PAIR Yorkshire Canaries, 10/6; exchange for cock Goldfinches or Bullfinches: J. Griffiths, The Aviaries, Long Sutton, Lincs. (194)

MONEY-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

ROLLER cock and Yorkshire hen, sell 10/6, or exchange pair Norwich; approval: Harris, 354, Berridge-rd., Nottingham. (197)

CHAMPION Norwich, number for disposal; cocks from 6/6, hens 3/6; or useful exchange: Terrell, 345, Bridgman-st., Bolton. (202)

FOUR Norwich hen Canaries, will exchange for Goldfinch Mule cock, or offers: Huxley, 114, Highbury-rd., King's Heath. (197)

TWO pairs of Norwich and one pair of 1911 birds, exchange last year's chicken: Carrington, 9, Adurterr., Southwick, Sussex. (191)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires, bred from winners, for March or April hatched pullets: Yates, 74, Rushes-rd., Petersfield. (177)

LARGE, clean, green Crested Norwich cock, fine bird, 12/6, or exchange cock Goldfinch Mules: H. Smith, Portland-rd., Hove. (195)

FOR sale, few pink-eyed Border hens, yellow and buff, exchange Siberian Goldfinch: Jas. Graham, 5, Drygate-st., Larkhall, N.B. (194)

LARGE Crest-bred cock, 15/-; exchange disc records, large gramophone trumpet; offers; yours first: No. 3, Squarey-st., Tooting. (197)

SALE or exchange, 3 Seifert hens, 7/6, for a large steady Bramblefinch, and a little cash: John Ormerod, 15, Flag-st., Bacup. (194)

GIVING up Canaries; 8 Norwich, Barnes' strain, believed 4 cocks, first P.O. 20/-; what exchange?: Schoolmaster, Swerford, Oxford. (205)

EXCHANGE 4 cocks, 2 hens, Yorkshire, for Borzoi or Samoyede puppy, or 25/- to clear: Write, A. W. Rowles, Weston-rd., Gloucester. (195)

EXCHANGE 2 good singing cock Canaries, for anything useful, no livestock required: S. Stonehouse, 32, Nelson-st., Scarborough, Yorks. (188)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshire hens for coloured singing cocks, or good Roller cocks; stamp: Paterson, Prescot-st., Darlington. (172)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires, including winners, for good jewellery; diamond pin wanted: 65, St. Quintin-av., North Kensington. (170)

YORKSHIRE cock Canary, any useful exchange considered, value 10/6; knife-cleaning machine wanted: 20, Mildmay Grove, Canonbury, N. (199)

HAVING 40 Canaries for sale, or exchange anything useful, Norwich, Yorks., and Cinnamons; what offers: S. Dean, 24, Chester-terr., Brighton, Sussex. (194)

YELLOW cock Norwich, 7/6; 5 hen Canaries, 10/-; wire aviary, 7/6; sell 22/6, or exchange anything useful: B. Gunton, 221, St. Albans-rd., Watford. (191)

TWO pairs Border Fancies, 5/- per pair; or exchange for Budgerigars: Wm. Storrie, Rowan Cottage, Bathville-rd., Armadale, West Lothian. (201)

EXCHANGE four pairs of Border Fancies, good birds, for large green Crested cock, or double breeding cages: Black, 56, Gladstone-st., Leven, Fife. (196)

WILL give good exchange in hen Canaries, or selected pairs for hybridising, for cock Canary or Yorkshire hens, birds: Hollyhurst, Wroxham, Norfolk. (195)

FOR sale, Yorkshire cock Canaries, 5/-; British Goldfinch, 4/6; Linnets, Redpolls, 8d.; house-moulted, fit for show: Clark, 2 Ct., Stafford-st., Park, Sheffield. (195)

EXCHANGE three 1912 York hens, length 5¼ins., for one 6¼in. yellow 1912; approval both ways, or sell 6/-: W. Vowles, 63, South Esk-rd., Forest Gate, London. (190)

WILL exchange typical colour-fed Canaries for anything useful: see Norwich and Yorkshires advertisements: Hawkes, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (204)

EXCHANGE lovely clear buff Yorkshire hen for clear buff or yellow ditto, for change of blood; no rubbish wanted or offered; J. Goodchild, Clare, Suffolk. (192)

SALE, Siberian Goldie, yellow, pink-eyed Sib. hen, breeders, 10/-; pair Borders, 6/-; small Crest-bred hen, 4/-; cash or deposit: Kerr, Langton Kennels, Duns. (190)

THREE German hens, 1 cinnamon Norwich hen, all 1912 birds, 2/- each, or exchange small British insectivorous: Battersby, 42, Chester-st., Accrington, Lancs. (196)

EXCHANGE high-grade yellow Norwich hen, show cages, for steady Siberian Bullfinch or 1912 show Linnet Mule: Vernon, Greenholme, Cannon-rd., Ramsgate, Kent. (199)

WHAT offers in Canaries, Foreign, or British birds for suit length good tweed, or sell 35/-, or lady's dress length or sell 12/6: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

EXCHANGE two pair of Border Fancy for best offer in British, Goldfinches or Siskins preferred; yours first: Alexander Anderson, Roadside, Clackmannan, Scotland. (190)

WILL exchange 3 heavily marked 1912 singing cock Canaries for Yorkshire hens; best offer, and yours first (with fair play), to: A. Hancox, 36, Redland-rd., Malvern Link. (187/191)

VARIEGATED buff Norwich cock, 15/-; clear yellow hen, 8/-; 2 variegated hens, 3/- each; cinnamon-marked buff Border hen, 5/-, or exchange: William Thexton, Windermere. (203)

FOUR Thrushes, 8d. each, been in aviaries three months, must sell; few Norwich cocks and hens cheap, or exchange hens for Hartz Roller cock: Kingsman, 141, Lower Park-rd., Peckham. (201)

YORKSHIRES, yellows and buffs, winners 1st, 2nd, 3rd, vhc, members' show, 1912; cocks 12/6, hens 6/-, cash or deposit; will exchange show Mules or Hybrids; Jas. Jones, 3, Balaclava-rd., Carnarvon. (195)

EXCHANGE Yorkshire cock for Lancashire yellow Plainhead hen; Yorkshire cock for Buff Norwich hen; good birds essential; also best cash offers for 6 Yorkshire hens: Ward, 150, Bridgeend-rd., Grantham. (205)

CHAMPION pair Norwich, buff cock, unflighted, yellow hen, £2; Yorkshire buff hen, can win, 15/-; Goldfinch and Linnet Mules, winner 20/- each; exchange any for German Roller, cocks full song, for resale: Lloyd, 707, Bolton-rd., Pendlebury. (199)

Mainly Foreign.

FOR sale or exchange, Green talking Parrot and cage, exchange Rollers (in song), or Yorkshire Terrier bitch; yours first: Woods, 150, Pringle-st., Blackburn. (194)

LOVELY young acclimatised healthy King Amazon Parrot and cage, will exchange for good gramophone and records; sell £2: Garthwaite, 72, Surtees-st., Bishop Auckland. (196)

Miscellaneous.

ANYTHING alive bought or supplied: Pearson, Greenwich. (Q)

165 "CAGE Birds," few plates; exchange anything useful: Fuller, 18, Archbishop-place, Brixton. (199)

BRINDLE bull bitch, 2 years, with pedigree, £2; exchange cage birds or anything: Day, 77, Porter-st., Hull. (201)

4lbs. THISTLE seed, 2lbs. dandelion; exchange selected Goldfinches: J. Cowan, 25, New Stock-st., Paisley. (200)

EXCHANGE baby's go-cart, cost 15/-, nearly new, for pair of Yorkshires: Jackson, 6, Austerberry-st., Oldham. (188)

HOW to save time, trouble, and money: See Norwich column.

IF you have any live stock to sell, Canaries, Goldfinches, Mice, Rats, cash: Foster, 187, Richmond-row, Liverpool. (203)

ALL kinds of British and foreign birds, Exchanged for all kinds of dogs: Walter Smith, 98, Tib-st., Manchester.

TWEED Norfolk suit, in good condition, fit boy 12; exchange Canaries; yours first: Whitlock, 11, Eastgate, Lincoln. (200)

SALE, pair English rabbits, 6 months; buck, winner, price 7/6; 2, Bramley-st., Elder-rd., Bramley, nr. Leeds. (197)

SPLENDID pair of Black Pekin Bantams, winners, £1, or exchange: T. Weedall, 84, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (205)

WILL exchange 16 parts of Our Canaries for birds or Yorkshire show cages and ease: W. Dickerson, 59, York-st., Bingley. (200)

EXCHANGE pair box calf boots, size 11, 13/9; also pair of opera glasses, 8/6; Rollers wanted: Bennett, Queen's-terr., Bacup. (196)

GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-, new condition, exchange for cage birds, poultry, or pigeons: Biddle, 27, Wharton-st., W.C. (191)

WHAT offers in Foreign birds for 2 pair handsome Pouter pigeons, show condition: Hampson, 7, West Bromwich-rd., Walsall. (197)

WANTED, war medals or collection of stamps; give good exchange in Canaries; approval: Feven, Bridgwater, Somerset. (202)

WHAT offers in Borders for 140 Hobbies and Handicrafts fretwork designs, equal new?: T. Neville, jun., Castle-st., Lutterworth. (197)

EXCHANGE whippet pup, 6 months, for Norwich Canaries, hens, big birds, anything: Robert Luke, Lodge-st., Byers Green. (192)

PAIR heavy nailed boots, size 8, almost new; what offers in Norwich, or sell 7/6: H. Perks, 47, Queen-st., Lydney, Glos. (194)

PHONOGRAPH and records, cost 45/-, exchange Parrot, Canaries; anything useful: Haines, 19, High-st., Aston, Birmingham. (194)

EDISON Bell phonograph, 35 records, £1, or exchange blankets, value 25/-, on approval: Garton, 9, Eton-rd., Burton-on-Trent. (182)

SALE, Phonograph, 40 records, trumpet, stand, good order, 28/-; exchange Canaries; offers: Lovell, 774, Old Kent-road, London. (204)

EXCHANGE Brown and Sharp 6in. vernier calipers for Norwich and cages to £2 10/-: Cooke, Williamson-lane, Droylsden, Manchester. (197)

FINE sable and white Collie, 14 weeks, 25/-; ditto bitch, 20/-; champion pedigree; exchange: J. Beaumont, Hepworth, Huddersfield. (187)

SEVEN Edison Bell concert records, 4¾in. diam., 7/-; 425 rifle, by Cogswell and Harrison, 25/-; offers, approval: Criddeford, Honiton. (193)

AIR-GUN, cost, 27/-, in good condition, sell 14/-, or exchange two Roller cocks, or useful: A. Walker, Hairdresser, Ironbridge, Salop. (196)

WHAT offers in Canaries for pen of Black Rose comb Bantams, 1 cock, 3 hens: H. Evans, 18, Havodarthen-rd., Llanhilleth, Mon. (196)

EXCHANGE trio Silver Sebright Bantams, for pair Yorkshires or buff Plainhead hen, or sell £1: George Jarvie, Waterside, Kirkintilloch. (194)

EXCHANGE, 117 homers, pigeons, for 3 good cock Goldfinches or offers in Roller cocks: Mackay, Hutkeeper, Waterbeck, Ecclefechan. (199)

SALE, exchange or purchase, prize pigeons, birds, poultry, dogs, cavies, ferrets; call or write: Maynard's Aviaries, Bethnal Green. (205)

INDIAN Rock Parrot and cage, 25/-; two buff Pekin Bantam hens, 5/-; 12 phonograph records, 3/6: G. Broadherry, Collingham, Newark. (198)

FIRST-CLASS aviary, new; exchange songsters or mules; offers; approval; particulars: Williams, 18, Dynevor-st., Pochriw, via Cardiff. (201)

HAND-REARED Magpie, started chattering, square Parrot's cage, 10/-; cock Canary, two hens, 8/-: Butler, Quarter, Staplehurst, Kent. (193)

BOXING gloves, set brown kid, good condition, will exchange for Budgerigars or Canaries; what offers: B. J. White, 24, Queen's-rd., Hastings. (203)

EXCHANGE anything on my list (which is free) for Canaries; no rubbish offered, none required: Pimm, Icknield Port-rd., Birmingham. (9)

ACCORDEON, in case, ivory keys, 30/-, new, exchange for 2 good Norwich cocks, value 16/-: E. Johnson, Hairdresser, Walton, Suffolk. (197)

WHAT offers, new single, double breeders, loose fronts, etc.; want foreigners, yellow Budgerigars: Tatten, 45, Lonsdale Square, Islington. (199)

TWELVE feet greenheart trout rod; exchange birds, British Hardbills, preferred; offers, approval: David Ray, Derwydd, Burry Port, Carm. (193)

WHIPPET dog pup, sell 10/-, or exchange for Goldfinch Mule, must be in full song; bird first; approval both ways: Brown, Watford-rd., Radlett. (194)

GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-, as new; exchange Canaries, fowls, fancy pigeons, or anything useful: Ellis, 7a, Smith-st., Clerkenwell, London. (201)

CAMERA, half-plate, and stand, all accessories, new condition, price 35/-; or exchange Canaries: James Ballingham, Carriage Hirer, Stirling. (200)

ZITHER harp, good condition, also half dozen ivorine handle desert knives, spoons; what offers; birds, anything: Holt, Ironmonger, Bacup. (204)

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ROUND THE SHOWS.

NEWPORT (Mon).

Held in the Exhibition Hall, Nov. 6th and 7th. The society's enterprise was rewarded by an increased entry, an increase which we believe would have been much larger had the schedule stated which classes the two judges would handle. Exhibitors like to know to whom the task of adjudicating has been apportioned, as it makes a great difference in their selection of competing birds. What suits one judge does not always suit another. If our friends continue in the way in which they have begun, Newport show will become in very truth what its executive claim it to be "The Crystal Palace of the West." This young and aspiring society has the following officials: President, Mr. W. J. Dix; committee, Messrs. C. Richards, E. Moss, W. Dark, J. C. Nathan, J. Davies, D. Edwards, and G. Hughes; treas., Mr. G. C. Carruthers, and secretary, Mr. John Hammett a sarong list of experienced fanciers, and every care and attention was given to the exhibits. Hard and well did the officials work. Much in the successful working of a show depends upon the secretary, and in Mr. John Hammett the society has found a remarkably good one. He is resourceful, tactful, genial, and indefatigible in his efforts to promote the best interests of the society. Thus we had a good show, well managed.

In Norwich the specials for best yell. and buff were won by Mr. A. Hitchings' clear Vell., and Mr. B. H. George's ticked Buff. Yorks. section special winners were Mr. Boundy's cl. yell. and Mr. H. E. Smith's marked buff. Crest specials were taken by the local veterans, A. Allen, with a Green, and A. Simmonds with a massive Crest-bred. Border specials fell to Mr. D. Jenkin's buff, and Mr. S. Smith's varieg. yell., two beautiful birds. The British, etc., made a fine display, and all the winners were birds of high merit. The special fell to Mr. Ray's very handsome Waxwing. The spl. for best Mule was easily taken by Mr. Shellam's noted clear Greenfinch-Canary. The Cardiff enthusiast secured all five first prizes! The judges were Messrs. C. A. House (Canaries), and D. A. S. Longden, and their awards seemed to please everybody.

Mr. C. A. House's Classes.

NOR. VELL. (7): 1, spl, Hitchings, wonderful depth and roundness of chest, wide shoulders, rich deep col., magnificent feather, A1 form; 2, George, rather larger, close silky feather, rare chest, good head; 3, vhc, Davies, neat short body, wings, and tail, lovely feather, rich col.; 4, Folwell, fine bold bouncing bird, beautifully fed; hc, Tedstone; c, Cleaves. BUFF (8): 1, R. H. Jones, very short, cobby Robin breasted bird, sound rich col., beautifully mealed, neat wings and tail, grand form; 2, Irons, hotter in col., shapely and stylish; 3, G. T. Jones, grand shaped, rare style, beautiful feather, 4, Hitchings, big bold shouted bird, grand colour and style; vhc, E. W. Allen; hc, Hill; c, Tedstone. VARIEG. YELL. (9): 1, Houghton, lovely eye and wing mkd., rare shape, silky feather, rich level col; 2, Wasley, wing tkd., grand depth of chest, nice head and shoulders; 3, Maggs, smart, stylish, heavy mkd., hot in col., not quite so steady; 4, George, cap and wing mkd, grand shape; vhc, Spillman; hc, Redwood; c, G. T. Jones; abs., 1, 2. BUFF (8): 1, hc, spl, George, tkd. head, short, compact body, neat, shapely head, feathered like a Java, very short wings and tail; 2, Folwell, neck tkd., excellent type, level col., not quite so fine in feather; 3, Hill, grand bodied, heavy mkd., plenty of col., and quality, good carr.; 4, Redwood, neck and wing mkd., capital style; vhc, Muscott; c, Davies; absent, 1, Collier. HEN, YELL. (3): 1, Garland, sweet chubby bodied bird, exquisitely feathered, full of style, level col, rare form; 2, Folwell, splendid type, grand style, very close in feather, level col.; 3, Tedstone, nice even col., good shape and style. BUFF (6): 1, Redwood, regular charmer, rare head, shoulders and chest, magnificent feather, level col., in the pink; 2, Houghton, grand shaped body, fine silky feather, splendidly fed, not so good in head; 3, Irons, plenty of col., close and compact in feather, good head; 4, G. T. Jones, nice shaped head and body; vhc, George; hc, Cleaves. VARIEG. (5): 1, Redwood, head, neck, and back mkd. buff, short and cobby, grandly braced wings and tail, full of qual., even col., grand form; 2, Cleaves, wing mkd., rare shaped body, nicely carried, beautiful feather; 3, Maggs, heavily mkd., magnificent shape, silky feather, neat wings and tail, not finished on head; 4, Irons, saddle mkd., grand shape, col. and feather; vhc, Muscott. UNFLIG. YELL. (11): 1, Houghton, rich deep col., magnificent quality, grand shape and style; 2, Irons, neat wings and tail, compact feather, grand shaped body, well carried; 3, Maggs, rare head, good back and chest, trifle pinched in throat; 4, Hitchings, very shapely and stylish; vhc, George; hc, Bill; c, Tedstone; absent, No. 2 and 3. BUFF (18): 1, Houghton, eye and wing mkd., rich col., silky feather, short and compact, rare style; 2, Lewis, magnificent, rich level col., feathered like a Java, capital type; 3, Folwell, not quite so chubby, coat like silk; 4, Redwood, very typical; vhc, Pope; hc, Hitchings; c, Irons; members' spl., No. 1, Hammett; absent, 2, 3. NON-FED CK. (7): 1, Pope, very short and compact buff, grand wings and tail, nice silky feather; 2, Irons, rather long yell., grand qual. of feather, very stylish, good head; 3, Tedstone, big bouncing buff; 4, vhc, c, Nathan; hc, Couch. HEN: Cancelled. NOVICE (8): 1, members' spl, Richards, neat, short feathered buff, nice head and chest, full of quality and style, level col.; 2, 3, Thomas and Durham, check tkd buff, beautiful feather and col., nice style, not so stout, 3rd good shapely cl., buff, nice head, chest, and wings; 4, Hammett, good stamp of buff; vhc, Couch; hc, c, Powell.

YORKS. YELL. (8): 1, spl, Boundy, long shapely bird, grand style, well braced wings and tail, capital feather; 2, Smith, more depth of col., grand carriage, but not so much length; 3, J. Mock, splendid shape and style, level quality of feather, not so level in col.; 4, James and Wells, very hot in colour, grand silky feather, rare style; vhc, Hillman and Broome; hc, Dagmore; c, Nowell. BUFF (9): 1, Phillips, handsome and stylish, finely feathered, grand carr. of wings and tail, rare type; 2, Pritchard, smart, typical specimen, not so hot in col., splendid wings and tail; 3, W. J. Mock, grand shapely body, nicely feathered, grand tail, not so clever in carriage of wings; 4, hc, James and Wells, smart, typical, close feathered, not level in col.; vhc, Parlitt; c, Brown; members' spl., No. 3, Hughes. VARIEG. YELL. (10): 1, Hillman and Broome, eye, neck, and wing mkd., finely drawn, gets well up on legs, beautiful col. and feather, grand form; 2, Pritchard, cap and neck mkd., hotly fed, grand shape and style, capital tail, loses in wings; 3, Parlitt, rare shaped, heavily mkd. bird, grandly feathered, full of style, but pale by in col.; 4, Webster, grand shaped, wing tkd., full of quality; vhc, Jelley; hc, W. J. Mock; c, Bonnily; wrong class, No. 4, James and Wells, a buff. BUFF (7): 1, spl, Smith, eye, neck, and wing mkd., perfect feather, wonderful style, finely drawn, stands to attention like a soldier; 2, Bevan, neck tkd., grand shape and style, beautiful feather, not quite so finely drawn; 3, Parlitt, cap and wing mkd., magnificent shape, grand feather and col., would not stand to show; 4, J. Mock, head, neck, and wing mkd., grand shape and style; vhc, Weekes; hc, Pritchard; c, W. J. Mock. HEN, YELL. (10): 1, Phillips, very fine and neat in body, grandly feathered, full of style, splendid form; 2, Parlitt, very long and shapely, plenty of leg, shows well, not quite so fine at thighs; 3, J. Mock, grand shape and length, fine pair of legs, paler in colour, does not handle well; 4, Bevan, very shapely, well carried body, nice qual.; vhc, Brown; hc, Webster; c, G. Watkins. BUFF (8): 1, Cook, very handsome shapely, finely drawn cl., lovely qual., splendid wings and tail; 2, G. Watkins, smart, shapely cl., neat head, wings, and tail, not so rich in col., full of style; 3, W. B. Watkins, stouter, grand carriage, feather, and style; 4, Brown, very nice quality; vhc, Smith; hc, Hughes; c, Boundy. VARIEG. (14): 1, Brown, lovely grizzle capped yell., nice col., grandly moulded, beautiful feather, rare wings and tail, full of nerve and style; 2, Greenslade, wing tkd. buff, silky feather, neat head, wings, and tail, full of style; 3, Newell, heavily mkd. yell., hot in col, rare quality, not quite so straight in position; 4, Dugmore, yell. thigh tkd., very smart and stylish; vhc, J. Mock; hc, Weekes; c, W. B. Watkins. IN-FLIG. BUFF (15): 1, Phillips, handsome cl., neat head, grand shoulders, back, wings, and tail, superbly feathered, level col. full of style; 2, Pritchard, eye, wing, and neck tkd., very slim and whippety, full of nerve, grand feather; 3, Weekes, cheeks, chest, and wing mkd., very hot in col., capital feather and style, just a trifle horned; 4, Pritchard, cheek and wing mkd., lovely shape, grand wings and tail; vhc, Mrs. Garland; hc, Williams; c, Parlitt. YELL. (14): 1, W. J. Mock, straight and finely drawn cl., lovely feather, neat wings and tail, grand carr., nicely finished; 2, Bevan, thigh tkd., grand quality and style, neat head, grand wings and tail, not so neatly tapered; 3, Watkins, hot coloured wing tkd., rare shape and feather, not so steady; 4, Greenslade, long, slim, hot col.; vhc, Newell; hc, Cook; c, No. 14, no name in catalogue; wrong class, No. 10, J. Mock, a buff.

NON-FED CK. (3) amalgamated with HEN (2): 1, Greenslade, nice shape and length, silky feather; 2, Lea, neatly feathered hen; 3, Gingell, long stylish yellow; 4, Jones, short bull; wrong class, Ley, much too warm for non-fed class. NOVICE (12): 1, Dugmore, eye, cheek, and wing mkd. buff, hotly fed, capital shape and style, beautiful feather, good wings and tail; 2, 3, 4, Adams, really nice team, 2nd long, shapely, stylish cl. yell., not so fit as winner, 3rd good shaped cl., buff, not so neat in front; 4, shapely, nice feathered cl. buff, but not steady enough; vhc, hc, W. B. Watkins; c, Parlitt; absent, No. 3, Gingell; No. 5, Palmer

CREST CK. (2): 1, spl, cpl, and spl. best members' bird in show, Allen, grand bodied green pied, neat centre, densely feathered, lovely droop, beautiful radiation, well finished; 2, Edwards, green pied, large spreading crest, lacks finish of winner. HEN (1): 1, Allen, very nice, shapely, veiny crest, good droop. C.B. CK. (2): 1, spl, and spl. second best members' bird, Simmonds, grand dome shaped skull, heavily feathered, nice substance and length of feather; 2, Allen, massive variegated, not finished on head, great width of skull. HEN (5): 1, Allen, very heavily feathered cl., nice shape, neat head, well browed; 2, Edwards, nice dome shaped variegated, well feathered; 3, Simmonds, good headed cl., not finished. BORDER YELL. (6): 1, 2, D. Jenkins, lovely shape and style, very neatly braced wings and tail, full of quality, 2nd little stouter, A1 quality and style; 3, hc, Pratt, lovely feather and carr.; 4, Jeremiah, grand shape and feather, not so steady; vhc, Sampson. BUFF (10): 1, vhc, spl, D. Jenkins, smart and neat, lovely feather, rare style, grand wings and tail; 2, Hutt Bros., shapely and stylish, grandly feathered, not so steady; 3, Pratt, grand head, wings, and tail, not so level in back, grand style and feather; 4, hc, Smith, not quite so neat in head, sweetly shaped body; hc, Jeremiah; c, Morris. HEN, YELL. (8): 1, Madagan, regular little swell, full of quality, lovely shape, grand wings and tail; 2, hc, Smith, finely drawn, silky feather, neat head, wings, and tail, not so steady; 3, Evans, lovely shape and style, grand wings and tail, not quite so well polished; 4, T. Allen, grand feather and style, not quite so slim; vhc, D. Jenkins; hc, G. Watkins; c, Sampson. BUFF (7): 1, 3, D. Jenkins, grand shape, finely drawn, full of style, 3rd wonderful quality and style; 2, Jeremiah, lovely shape and style, not quite so smooth in front; 4, Pratt, nice feather, plenty of style, not so slim; vhc, Hutt Bros.; hc, Morris; c, Hughes. VARIEG. (6): 1, spl, S. Smith, very pretty eye, shoulder, and wing mkd., lovely shape and style, grandly feathered, beautifully shown; 2, D. Jenkins, cap and wing mkd. clear buff, lovely feather, grandly braced wings and tail; 3, H. Jenkins, wing mkd. buff, trifle stouter, lovely qual. and style; 4, Hughes, shapely four-pointed buff; vhc, Morris; hc, Thomas. GREEN, ETC. (8): 1, 4, hc, Greenwell, two charming greens, leader excelling in col. and type, full of qual.; 2, Hocking, handsome clean., fails just a trifle in head, rare feather and style; 3, D Jenkins, sweet little green, rare shape, not quite so rich in col.; vhc, c, T. Allen. CAN. A. VARIETY (3): 1, A. Allen, grand shouldered buff Belgian, plenty of style and nerve; 2, 3, J. H. Jones, useful Scots, nice shape and action.

Mr. D. A. S. Longden's Classes.

BRIT. GOLD. (16): 1, Tilley, very rich blaze and bars, lovely body col., distinct in buttons, grand shape and feather; 2, vhc, Jeffrey, not quite so large in blaze, lovely body marking and col., rare feather; 3, Heal, large, rich col. blaze, not so cleanly cut, good bars, nice body col.; 4, E. J. Davies, regular swell, almost perfection in every point, but small; hc, Edwards; c, Rees; absent, No. 6, Palmer. BRED 1912 (12): 1, hc, G. P. Morgan, rich cleanly cut blaze, level bars and body col., nice buttons; 2, 3, W. Lewis, rather smaller in blaze, rare buttons and bars, capital feather and style; 4, House and Walkley, bonny little fellow, good but on small side; vhc, Gregory; c, Legg. LIN., HOUSE MTD (13): 1, hc, Heal, lovely rich nutty col., very even and distinct in marking, beautiful soft silky feather; 2, S. Jones, junr., grandly marked, rich top col., not so good in chest, rare feather and style; 3, Bancroft, lovely col., nice shape and style, not so clearly mkd; 4, Lawrence, very nice shape and col., but blurred in marking; vhc, Jeffreys; c, House and Walkley; No. 10, Edwards, a pied bird, passed as w.c. FIELD MTD. (13): 1, 3, Bancroft, grandly mkd birds, rich nutty col., full of qual. and style, both in grand feather; 2, Nicholas, neat and shapely, level col. and markings, close race; 4, Davies, but for being weak in throat as good as any; vhc, W. J. Morgan; hc, Jeffreys; c, Phillips. BELL. (6): 1, Gregory, grandly cut cap, rich glossy breast, grand back and bars, rare shape and feather; 2, Tilley, not quite so rich in col., grand shape and feather; 3, Lawrence, good rich glossy cap, nice sound breast; 4, Ford, not so clean and bright on breast, sharply cut cap; vhc, Baseley; hc, Clissold. HEN, H.B. (13): 1, Legg, lino Hawfinch, grand shape, col., and markings; 2, vhc, S. Jones, junr., grandly mkd., close feathered Bullie, lovely col.; 3, 4, Jeffreys, very pretty, Linnet and Siskin, rare shape, feather and markings, clinking good pair; hc, Lawrance; c, Ford. GREEN (7): 1, Lawrence, full of col., grandly feathered, nice shape and style, beautiful flights; 2, Heal, not quite so large, lovely col. and feather, grand wings and tail; 3, Harris, rather dark in col., nice shape and feather; 4, Ford, not so rich in flights and tail, nice body col.; vhc, Esmond; hc, G. Watkins; c, Jeffrey. BRAMBLE, ETC. (6): 1, Bancroft, rich col. Bramble, grandly spangled, lovely feather, very steady; 2, 4, Jeffrey, grandly mkd., rich col. Chaffinches, very steady, capital heads, sound breasts, nicely feathered; 3, Lawrence, shapely, rich col. Challie, not so steady; vhc, Richards; hc, House and Walkley. TWITE, ETC. (12): 1, hc, Heal, very smart Siskin, rare shape, nice size, grandly mkd., capital col. and feather; 2, Shellam, fine bold Mealy Redpoll, grandly mkd., nice col. and feather; 3, Nicholas, rich col., finely feathered, grandly mkd. Twite, rare form; 4, Jeffreys, handsome Lesser Redpoll, bonnie bird in every way; extra 4, c, Bancroft, very smart and shapely Mealy Redpoll; vhc, S. Jones, junr. THRUSH, ETC. (3): 1, Clissold, magnificent rich col. Blackbird, splendid bill and cere, lovely feather and shape; 2, Roberts, not quite so shapely, or so rich in col., grandly feathered, paler in bill; 3, Ford, not quite clean in bill, capital feather and col., all Blackbirds. MULES, CAN., LT. (4): 1, spl, Shellam, the noted Greenie-Can., in splendid form; 2, 3, Lawrence, head tkd. Goldie-Can., and two-pointed Linnet, lovely feathered birds, grand shape and style; 4, Sice, nicely shaped, good col. head, tkd. Goldie-Can, nice form. DK. GOLD. (5): 1, Shellam, brilliantly col. Jonque, rare face and bars, beautiful finish of feather; 2, Lawrence, fine shapely, nice feathered buff, full face, bright flush and bars; 3, Pool, rich col. Jonque, not quite so large; 4, Rees, well mkd. buff; vhc, Dark. DK. LINN., ETC. (9): 1, 2, Shellam, Jonque Linnet, great depth and richness of col., lovely feather and style; 2, beautifully feathered and mkd. Siskin, grand shape, col., and style; 3, 4, Lawrence, very Lounie Cinn. Linnet, and Jonque Siskin, both good shape and feather, very nice col.; vhc, Pool; hc, Elston; c, Dark; wrong class, No. 1, Perry, variegated Linnet-Can. A.O.V. OR HYB. (8): 1, vh c, Shellam, rich col., close feathered Can.-Bullie, grandly mkd, full of style and quality; 2, hc, Lawrence, grandly mkd., bright plumaged Goldie-Bullie; 3, 4, c, spl. 3rd best members' bird in show, and 2nd best members' Mule, Edwards, very shapely Greenie-Bullie and Linnet-Bullie, both grand feathered, splendid in shape, of good style; hc, Lawrence. CAN.-GREEN DK. (6): 1, Shellam, very handsome Jonque, nice shape and size, grandly feathered, rare style and finish; 2, 3, Lawrence, cinn. and yell., two lovely mules, full of qual. and style, grandly shown; 4, Edwards, nice col. buff, shapely, not so large; vhc, Moss; hc, House and Walkley. VARIETY BRIT. (7): 1, spl, hc, Ray, grandly shaped, well feathered Waxwing, beautiful col.; 2, Bancroft, shapely, grandly feathered yell. Grosbeak; 3, Heal, well mkd., rich col. yell. Bunting; 4, Baseley, nicely mkd., good shaped Hawfinch; vhc, Jelfreys; c, Miss Whitsham. NOVICE (4): 1, Harris, very prettily mkd., nice col., neat feathered Goldie; 2, Elston, stylish, rich col., well mkd. yell. Bunting; 3, Davies, good nutty backed Linnet, well mkd., nice feather; 4, Moss, sound col. Greenfinch, nice feather. FOR. (2): 1, H. Jenkins, lovely Tri-coloured Tanager, most brilliant col., lovely shape, style, and condition, well mkd.; 2, Mrs. Sage, very grandly mkd., excellently plumaged Barnard's Parrot, most lovely col.; 3, D. Edwards, fine, rich col., well mkd. Russian Goldie.

PORTSMOUTH C.B.S.

Portsmouth C.B.S. were well rewarded for their pluck in advertising so extensively by a record entry. The Long's Memorial Hall, on Nov. 5 & 6, was filled by a grand display. The hall is a fine building, lofty, and with good light all round, so that the exhibits can be easily seen by both day and night. It was kept at a nice temperature, and the birds were quite free from draughts. The Canary section was hardly so full as expected. The British were a very fine lot especially was this the case in the local classes, where could be found both Canaries and British quite as good as any in the open. The exhibits made a fine show on the up-to-date staging.

The exhibition was opened by the pres., Councillor Dye, who made a neat speech, referring to the fancy in complimentary terms. The members of the Society quite appreciate his kindness to them, and took the opportunity of presenting him with a Canary in a handsome cage. The management was at that could be desired. Messrs. King and Joiner, the very able secretaries, having the priceless gift of making things "go." In their efforts they were ably assisted by Messrs. Hall, Olding, Buttress, Saunders, Stoll, Parkes, Bickell, Hatter. Mr. Brown had on view a few good Rollers, which attracted a lot of attention. A feature of the show was the wonderful array of specials, quite the best for some time at any of our South Country Shows. Although the weather was not on its best behaviour the Show was patronised by a good number of visitors during the afternoon and evening. The judges were Mr. J. H. Roe, Canaries; Mr. H. Norman, Brit., Hyb., and Foreign; and their awards were favourably received.

Mr. Roe's Classes.

NOR. TK. ETC. (4): 1, Moorman, fine bold bird, tkd. back of head, good front, capital wings, rich col.; 2, 3, Baker, bonny buff, rare type and substance, well proportioned, lovely qual., must have pressed hard; 3, head and wing mkd. yell., rare bold type; vhc, Morton; hc, Cock. HEN (6): 1, hc, Baker, capped, mkd., nice size, capital front and back, bit untidy at wings, rich col.; 2, Miller, beauty for qual. and cond., lovely type, good bold head and front; 3, C. E. Silk, lovely type and size, good bold front; vhc, Bellamy; c, Prentice. UNFLIG. (6): 1, C. E. Silk, bonny yell., grand size and type, sweet head, grand col., good condition; 2, 3, Baker, mkd. yell., good size, bold type, fine skull, capital wings and tail; 3, nice buff, capital shape, good head and chest, rare qual.; vhc, Bellamy; hc, Cock; c, Mertara. NOVICE, CL. (6): 1, Miss Edwards, nice wedge shape buff, grand qual., good head and neck, stands well; 2, c, Fleming, bonny yell., grand type, good neat heat, well filled neck, and back; 3, vhc, Mrs. Williams, bold buff, bit pale in colour, but grand type and feather; hc, Sherwood. UNFLIG. YELL. (1): 1, Moorman, hot col., fine size, lovely head, good wings, grand condition; 2, vhc, Williams, nice bird, fine qual. and condition; 3, Hatter, good type and style, neat, capital qual. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Moorman, mkd. buff, grand size and substance, wonderful neck and shoulders, full of qual; 2, another bold one, lovely front; 3, Mrs. Williams, good type, bit pale in col., sweet head, well filled back, lovely qual. and cond.; vhc, Fleming; hc, Miss Edwards; c, Hatter. NOR. FED. (12): 1, German, bonny eye, mkd. bird, grand size, good tone of col., real good one; 2, hc, Parsons, fine, bold, rap mkd. bird, grand subs., rare head, nice neck, capital qual.; 3, vhc, Harris, big, just a shade longer than winner, but nice and neat head; vhc, Cheeseman. YORKS. CL. VELL. (5): 1, Boyes, smart, long, lovely head, good shoulders, well rounded, capital position; 2, White, long, slim, grand shoulders and wings, well up on legs, hardly finished yet, will probably turn the tables later; 3, Small, good one, capital type and style, lovely qual.; vhc, Joiner; hc, Olding. CL. BUFF (6): 1, Holliday, beauty for size and type, beautifully rounded, grand head, well up in shoulders, lovely qual.; 2, White, smart, upstanding bird, good length, well braced wings, grand qual.; 3, Olding, another beauty, lovely head, neat flights, grand quality; vhc, Wraight; hc, Mrs. Gill; c, Fulford. TK., ETC. (4): 1, Holliday, wing marked upstanding bird, grand shoulders, nice clean run, capital col. and qual.; 2, Boyes, nice length and type, good position, beautifully rounded, well shown; 3, Wraight, smart yell., clean cut, neat head and neck, good shoulders, in fine fettle; vhc, Olding. HENS (13): 1, c, Fulford, bonny bird, lovely type, good colour for a lady, neat head, grand shoulders, A1 quality; 2, Boyes, long bull, grand head, good shoulders, neat wings and tail; 3, Mrs. Gill, good size, capital head and neck, well up on legs; vhc, Silk; c, Fulford. UNFLIG. (9): 1, Fulford, smart typical yell., nice clean cut bird, well filled all round, wings well braced, plenty of leg; 2, Miller, cheek and wings marked yell., grand size, lovely head, good shoulders, A1 colour and qual.; 3, Mrs. Gill, grand position, clean cut, A1 quality; vhc, Holliday; hc, Wraight; c, Boyce. NOVICE YELL.: 1, Olding, good bird, rare type, lovely head and shoulders, stands well, sound legs; 2, Lloyd, smart bird, good position, capital shoulders, rare colour and qual.; 3, Chilson, bonny head, well filled all round, grand col., in A1 condition; vhc, Truelove; hc, Tupper; c, King. BUFF (9): 1, Etheridge, good size, nice qual., good wings and tail, rather low on leg, still nice; 2, Newman, long raking bird, grand size, A1 feather and qual., good stock bird; 3, Truelove, nice length and style, well up on leg, grand qual., good condition; vhc, Olding, as good as any, in fine form; hc, King; c, Cooper. MKD. (6): 1, Lloyd, head and wing marked bird of grand length, well up on legs, nicely rounded, grand head and neck; 2, vhc, c, Cooper, big, fine length of flights, neat tail, rare stock bird if paired to proper mate; hc, Truelove, head and wing marked, lovely type and qual., grand length and position. UNFLIG. (13): 1, Etheridge, wing marked, lovely type, neat head, good shoulders, and wing, grand qual. and col.; 2, Cooper, full of good qual., neat tail and wings, stands well, tiptop condition; 3, hc, Olding, Cin. cap and wing marked, grand type and length, lovely wings, good colour, well put down; vhc, Chinton; c, Truelove. HEN, YELL. (5): 1, Truelove, lovely type and quality, nice head, good shoulders and wings, grand condition; 2, Cooper, not over large, but lovely type, good head and shoulders, grand wings and pipe tail; 3, Peckham, grand length, neat, beautifully rounded, clean legs; vhc, Olding; hc, Lloyd. BUFF (6): 1, c, Etheridge, lovely bird, nice type and qual., well filled all round, neat head, grand cond., A1 wings; 2, Cooper, smart, typical, nicely drawn, good legs; 3, Peckham, big bonny bird, nicely rounded, in topping condition; vhc, Olding. CREST (12): 1, Gale, wing marked dark, grand size, lovely drooping crest, good veiny feather, 2, Broad, another good one, rare size, nicely formed, dense crest, good frontal; 3, Gale, fine bold var., capital size, neat crest; vhc, Broad; hc, Fellows; c, Gale. No. 8, Broad, young bird, immense crest of grand shape, will win yet. C.B. (8): 1, c, Gale, grand Green, immense size, wonderful skull, beautifully domed, Manchester winner; 2, 3, hc, Broad, nice cl., good size, well lashed, lovely quality; 3rd wonderful size, with grandly domed head, must have pressed. BORD. YELL. CK. (3): 1, Marriott, lovely type and style, plenty of "swank," good round head, A1 condition; 2, Ellwood, little to choose between them, lovely head, perfect wings, beautifully moulded; 3, Hands, quite the correct type, in grand form. BUFF (6): 1, Hands, very fine var., grand type, beautifully moulded and drawn, best of wings, A1 condition; 2, Marriott, grand Green, nice size and type, good sound col.; 3, hc, King, good cl., nice type, stands well; vhc, Ellwood.

Mr. Norman's Classes.

HYB., LIGHT (6): 1, Lock, big Goldie-Can., grand shape, marked one eye and wings, shows himself to perfection, lovely tone of colour; 2, Lamb, lightly marked Greenie-Can., nice size, very shapely; 3, Weeks, four pointed Goldie, grand shape, lovely col. and qual; vhc, Butler; hc, Bands; c, Lewis. DARK (8): 1, Hewick, Canary-Bullfinch, grand size and type, good broad head, nice depth of col.; 2, hc, Miss Bousfield, a wonderful big Greenie-Goldie, very fine rich col.; 3, c, Lamb, nice size, Linnet-Bullie, very shapely, lovely quality; vhc, Biles. BRIT. GOLD. (17): 1, 2, Long, fine bold bird, grand size, well up in col., good square blaze, capital bars and button in nice order; 2, another good one, nice width of blaze; 3, Fellows, very shapely, good col. blaze, nice bars and button, fine condition; vhc, Drewley; hc, Biles; c, Mertara. BELL. (6): 1, Burr, big bold bird, grand col., good cap, plenty of polish, nice full neck, capital wings, lovely quality; 2, Hinds, nearly as good, just a wee shade paler in col., capital shape, good wing bars; 3, vhc, Francis, another good one, fine size and shape, good bold front; hc, Silk. LINNET (19): 1, 2, Burr, fine bold bird with wonderful front, good well filled head, grandly marked right through, good col., in fine fettle; 2nd, another good bird, very shapely, well marked, grand quality; 3, Marley, lovely quality, nice type, neat head, full of work all through, good col., hardly so big as winner; extra, 3, Drewley, another beauty, grand size and shape, beautifully laced; vhc, c, Long. GREEN. (13): 1,

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Club Reports.

BOSCOMBE C.B.A.

The headquarters are at the Railway Hotel, Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth. Meeting to be held November 12, at 8 o'clock, to consider holding show for members, and to elect new members. Fanciers in the radius (15 miles) invited. M. Cook, Hon. Sec.

WHITBURN C.B.S.

Meeting held Baillie Institute, 4th November, Mr. Ludivic Laing presiding. Decided, that six birds be nominated for the Tre cup. Allocated over 40 handsome spls. over the 50 classes. Secretary was instructed to advertise in CAGE BIRDS two weeks previous to show, and it is to be hoped that fanciers will give us a bumping entry.—R. Lambie, Sec.

CHESTER C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held 29th Oct., Nag's Head Cocoa Rooms, Mr. F. C. Parker in the chair. Show business claimed attention. Decided to hold next meeting Nov. 11th, at 8.30 p.m., when final arrangements for annual show will be completed, and specials be allotted. Will all members endeavour to attend and so help to bring show to successful issue. Intending members should join at once.—R. L. G. Simpson, Hon. Sec.

STRATFORD & E. LONDON F.S.

There will not be a meeting on November 11th, Palace week. Next meeting, Nov. 28th. Prize money, cards, and specials won at last young stock show. All tickets, ticket money, or specials, must be sent to the hon. sec. per return, so that balance sheet, etc., can be produced at the meeting, as the hon. secretary will not be able to attend on that night. All members requiring clean prize cards must notify the hon. secretary (see par on young stock show schedules).—W. Maxey, Hon. Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, at 6, The Broadway, on Monday, presided over by Mr. W. H. Stoakley. Washing competition for silver spoon presented by the society for the competitor handling the birds best and most effectively. This attracted a good number of the fair sex, who formed quite one-third of some 50 members and friends who intently watched the operations. "Daily Sketch" representatives were present to take flash-light photos, which went forth to the world in that paper on Wednesday. Three competitors took part, Messrs. E. J. Whittome, F. J. Day, and F. Moore, the last-named winning the spoon by the vote of those present. Before the ordinary business the Chairman said he was very sorry to say that since their last meeting one of the members of their committee—Mrs. Griffiths—had undergone a serious operation, and had been in danger of her life. He was glad to say she was now getting on all right, and he was sure it would be the wish of the meeting that the secretary should send a letter to her expressing their regret and sympathy and a hope for her speedy recovery. The secretary then mentioned that the show arrangements were progressing satisfactorily. Be strongly impressed upon the members the urgent necessity, if the show was to be a success, for pushing the sale of tickets for all they were worth. Three new members were elected, several letters announcing specials given for the forthcoming show were read, and various matters in connection with the show were dealt with.—H. Smith, Hon. Sec.

YORK C.B.S.

The following are the points winners:—Norwich: Wright 27, Shorney 25, Hunter 13, Simmons 2. Yorks.: Simison 26, Campling 22. Novice: Moffat 30, Cass 32, Sayles 27, Mack 26, Jessop 11, Carolin 9, Hearing 9, O'Reilley 8, Thompson 8, Farrar 3, Chiltenden 1. Brit. and For.: Shorney 49, Simmons 37, Hunter 29, Wright 27, O'Reilley 24, Pool 20, Mack 16, Cass 13, Zimmermann 11, Porter 8, Thompson 7, Dale 6, Gray 6, Ewbank 4, Richardson 3, Farrar 3, Holmes 3, Sayles 2, Chittenden 2, Jessop 1. Junior Class: Cass 12, Chesney 3.—H. Sayles, Hon. Sec.

ANNFIELD PLAIN AND DISTRICT F. AND F.C.B.S.

Meeting, October 26. Carried, that members be allowed to transfer their birds from open to members' classes. A hearty vote of thanks has been forwarded to Mrs. J. Elliott, re offering of silver cup, also to Mr. Dodds for two silver medals. There is a silver cup for best member's bird in the cage bird section. I am also endeavouring to secure a silver cup for the open cage birds, for most points in three birds nominated. All specials we intend to put on the open classes. This should be a great inducement to outside exhibitors. Next meeting, November 9, at the Ox Inn, Oxhill, 7.30 prompt. Members are earnestly requested to attend. Our neighbours at West Stanley are holding their two days' show this week-end. I tender my hearty wishes for a record entry and good gate.—J. W. Christon, Sec.

PAISLEY, TANNAHILL O.S.

Monthly meeting, held in Mr. White's, St. James' Street, Nov. 2nd, Mr. Robert Neil (president) in chair. A large turn-out of members and friends took place, owing to it being annual show day. A most pleasing duty fell to the chairman in presenting Mr. Andrew Ferguson with the Society's silver cup and gold badge, and also congratulating him on winning the first and second amalgamation, this being the third year in succession the Paisley Tannahill Society have the honours. Prize-money and specials went to the following members:—Messrs. Malcolm, Ferguson, Powell, Hulton, Fleming, McDowall, Furnie, Meikle, Gillies, Slater, Moore, Hamilton, Allison, Price, W. and R. Neil. The chairman wished Mr. Thomas Lockie, ex-proprietor of our meeting place, every success in Winnipeg, for where he sails this month. Mr. Lockie very feelingly replied. During the evening songs were rendered by the following members and friends:—Messrs. Neil, Hamilton, Fleming, Meikle, Donaldson, Irvine, Fernie, etc. A hearty vote of thanks to the chairman concluded a most harmonious evening.—J. Stewart, Sec.

FALKIRK (Good Intent) C.B.A.

Monthly meeting held Oddfellows' Hall, Grahamstone, 26th Oct., Mr. J. Muir presiding. Two new members were admitted. Messrs. J. Hunter and J. Penman were appointed stewards for the show. Special prize will be given for most entries in Border at the annual show. Last meeting before show, 30th Nov., when specials will be placed and medals selected. Big attendance requested. W. Clarkson, Sec.

BISHOP AUCKLAND & DIS. C.B.S.

This newly-formed, but rapidly increasing, society held monthly meeting at headquarters, Y.M.C.A. Hall, October 30, Mr. Button presiding. A good muster of enthusiastic fanciers was present. Several new members were enrolled, and a good lot of business was got through. Decided to hold members' table show Nov. 27, with Mr. Will Messenger as judge. All fanciers in the district becoming members on or before Nov. 27 will be eligible to compete for members' prizes and specials.—W. Welsh, Assist. Sec.

GREEN CANARY ASSOCIATION.

Monthly meeting, October 24th, Oldham Hall, Liverpool, Mr. J. W. Metcalfe in the chair. Nominations for membership were received from Messrs. J. Leatherbarrow and E. Rawsthorne. Messrs. Young and Donaldson tendered their resignations. Decided to offer silver cup, to be competed for at the patronage shows, for most points in the novice sections; and notice is hereby given that the gold medal now stands for second most points. Conditions of competition to remain the same. There are still a few outstanding subscriptions. Why should members require so many notices? Table show on syllabus for the November meeting, Nov. 28th. Classification, Green, Yorks., Nor., and Bord., Clear Yorks., Nor., and Bords., British (4 each section). Every member expected to do his share towards making it a record night show. There are also the old show arrangements to make, hence an early start is essential.—Geo. Green, Hon. Sec.

HOLMFIRTH AND DIST. C.B.S.

The second annual prize distribution took place Nov. 1, at Headquarters, Rose and Crown Inn, when an excellent supper was provided by the host, Mr. Buckley. After supper, the genial President of the society, Mr. C. R. Hampshire, presented the prizes to the fortunate winners, and in an excellent speech complimented them on their progress, in not only winning those excellent prizes in members' shows, but on the fact that he had been pleased to observe, as he read the reports in the papers, they were doing very well at the various shows throughout the county of broad acres. He had pleasure in presenting to them the prizes, and hoped they would continue to succeed, and that those who had not won a prize this time would do so next, as he believed in honours going round. Following are the winners' names:—Challenge cup (to be won three times), and gold medal, H. Charlesworth; pair of ornaments, J. C. Beaumont; electro-plated biscuit barrel, G. Bray; gold-plated photo frame, A. Hellawell; breakfast cruet, N. Sandiford; electro-plated butter dish, F. Lee; pipe and case, Tom Smith; hat, A. Bray; alarm clock, J. Heywood; bottle of scent, G. Butler. A hearty vote of thanks was given to the donors of the prizes, to the president for presenting them, and to Mr. Buckley for his excellent catering. After these gentlemen had responded, the rest of the evening was spent in social fashion.—Tom Smith, Sec.

Singing Contests.

KIPPAX.

Annual general meeting of the Kippax and Dist. Linnet Club will be held at the Commercial Hotel, Nov. 16th, at 3.30 p.m. Business: Balance sheet for 1912 and election of officers for 1913.—R. Plows, Hon. Sec.

LONDON N.

We are having several Chaffinch and Linnet handicaps during the week at the Swan, Caledonian Road. This house has changed hands, the new proprietor being Mr. Stafford. Shall be pleased to see all old fanciers. The scores being done lately have been but moderate. The new time-keeper is F. Hughes. Further particulars can be obtained from me.—Pony Moore, the Swan, Caledonian Road, N.

PENDLEBURY.

Linnet contest, which should have taken place at Butchers' Arms, Union St., Oct. 26th, had to be postponed, owing to only a few fanciers turning up, it having been raining all day. On Nov. 2nd we held our annual dinner, which was first class; every one was quite satisfied, 40 sitting down. After dinner we had a concert with a large programme of very good singers and players. A most enjoyable evening was brought to a close by a vote of thanks to our host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. J. Siddall, for the excellent manner in which everything had been carried out. Next contest open to Manchester and District, Nov. 16th, for time, first pair up at 2.30 prompt.—E. Hickman.

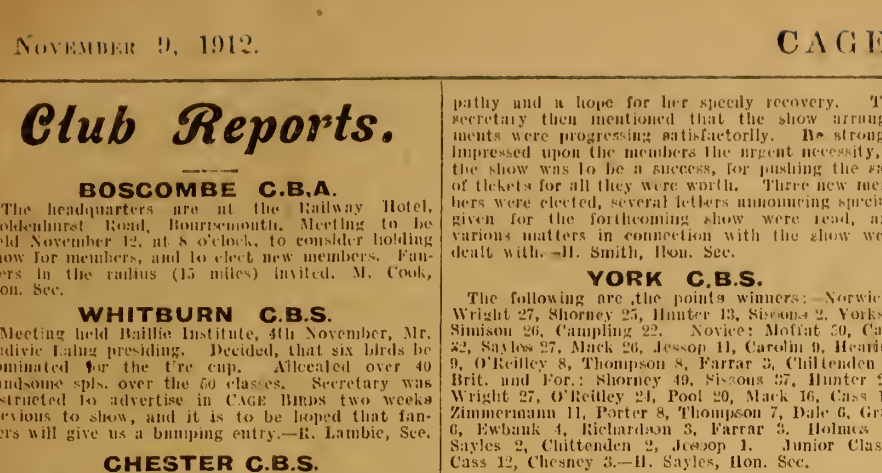
LEEDS.

Open contest for quality, at King's Head, Shannon Street, on November 2nd, when 16 birds sung for 3 prizes given by Mr. Tillotson: 1, 3, O. Butler; 2, T. Chadwick. Judges, S. Hardcastle and W. Naylor. Nov. 3rd, 24 birds sung for 4 prizes: 1, A. Butler; 2, T. Stead; 3, A. Richardson; 4, T. Johnson. Judges, S. Hardcastle and A. Jennings.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Usual weekly Linnet contest, held Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, Nov. 3rd, when 30 birds competed for three prizes given by Mrs. Saynor. Result: 1, J. Clark; 2, Cainforth; 3, P. Madden. Judges, Messrs. C. Lorriman and Soloman.—J. Smith, Sec.

Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe Lane. Linnet sing, Nov. 2nd. 12 birds were hung: 1, 2, Sellars; 3, Chadwick. Judges, Clayton and Lorriman. Contest, Nov. 3rd. 14 birds were hung: 1, Sellars; 2, Chadwick; 3, Sellars. Next contest, Nov. 9th.—C. W. Smith, Sec.

We understand that the Tavistock and Dis. F.S. is holding its annual show on Wednesday, Nov. 27, the day following Launceston show, with which the society is working this year. A person will be in attendance at Launceston and will see that all exhibits entered for Tavistock are properly despatched and cared for. There are fourteen open classes. Judge: Mr. T. Pope, Plymouth. Exhibitors have the opportunity of entering in two shows near to each other, and getting their birds sent carriage paid from one to the other.



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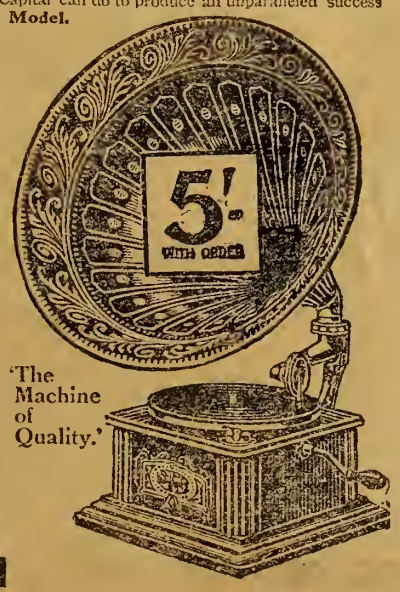
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Nov. 20 & 21.

Entries Close Nov. 15

S.Y.C.C., N.B.B., and M.C., W.C.B.C. patronage. Silk's cup for best Norwich. Specials:—21s. for best Yorkshire; 25/- best Norwich Section. 15 Norwich, 15 Yorks., 2 Crests, 2 Scotch, 5 Borders, 7 Mules, 16 British classes. Judges: W. Mundell, W. Vardy, D. A. S. Longden. Send for schedules:—E. Thomas, 48, Craddock Street, Cardiff.

INVERNESS C.A. 32nd Annual Show, Nov. 20

PRIZES, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. 38 MEDALS, 100 SPECIALS. Entry, 1s. 6d. Judges: Dewar, Watt, Laidler, and Stewart. ENTRIES CLOSE 13th. Schedules: T. SUTHERLAND, 92, TELFORD ROAD, INVERNESS. (178)

NORTHAMPTON

One day only, Nov. 20. Judge, Cage Birds, Mr. Wilmot. Entries close Nov. 13. Schedules: Cox and Barrett, 69, Hunter Street. (3)

ST. COLOMB (Cornwall) Open Show, Wed., Nov. 20. Pitry, Cage Birds. Specials (confined members; sub. 2/6) every class. 15/- cups, most points each section. Entries close Nov. 13. Schedules:—W. L. Salmon (Cage Birds); C. Jenkin (Pitry). (196)

Entries extended to Nov. 15. Send your entries at once to

Southampton, NOVEMBER 20th & 21st.

Or prizes will be going a-begging. Schedules, A. L. Kiddle, "Homelands," Bitterne, Southampton.

AMBLESIDE AND DIS. Open Show of Canaries; Brit. and For., Nov. 21. Judge, F. Archer (Huddersfield). Entries close Nov. 16. Good Specials. Full Prize Money guaranteed. Schedules: J. M. King (Sec.), The Green, Ambleside, Westmorland. (154)

BONSALL (Matlock Bath).

30th Open Show, Nov. 21st. Judge—G. Elkins. Prizes—10s., 5s., and 2s. 6d. Entry fee, 1s. 6d.
45 Yorks., C. or H. 47 A.O. Variety, Can.
46 Nor., C. or H. 48 A.V. Brit.
Entries close Nov. 14th. Schedules, S. W. Bateman, Hon. Sec.

DARLEY DALE

Open Show, November 21st. See last week's issue for schedule and full particulars. Entry fee only 1/6.—Hon. Secs., Dawson and Fearn, Darley Dale, Derbyshire.

EXHIBITORS PLEASE HELP.

Wiveliscombe

(Som.) Open Show, NOVEMBER 21st.
Entries very short, must extend until last post, Thursday, November 14th.
Separate room for Cage Birds. Schedules from:—Hill and Dascombe, Secs., Wiveliscombe. (198)

GT. HORTON

(Good Intent) O.S. Open Show of Canaries and British Birds, Nov. 23rd, under the Y.U. rules and patronage of the Y.C.C., N.G.M.Y.C.C., and Y.C.B.B. and M.C. Judge, C. A. House, Esq.
ENTRIES CLOSE NOVEMBER 19th.
H. Cornall, Sec., 34, Surrey St., Bradford. (204)

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Nov. 22 & 23.

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Cash Specials, Good Prize Money and Guaranteed within 14 days. Specialist Judges: Messrs. Battye, Vardy, and Walsh. Schedule: 46 Classes.—1 to 7, Yorks; 8 to 11, Novice Yorks; 12 to 16, Nor.; 17 to 20, Novice Nor.; 21 to 24, Crests; 25 to 27, Border Fancies; 28 to 30, Selling; 31 to 33, Mules and Hybrids; 34 to 43, Brit.; 44 to 46, Foreign.

Entries Close November 18th.

Now Fanciers, don't let this glorious chance slip, but take advantage of the above and enter early. It will pay you. Send for Schedules to G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion Street, Doncaster.

GLASGOW

and Dist. C.B.A. Open Show,

November 22nd and 23rd.

65 classes, cups and specials galore. Schedules now ready, from: Wm. Hutchison, 163, Hospital St., Glasgow.

ROCHDALE

O. C. 32nd ANNUAL OPEN SHOW.

Nov. 22nd & 23rd

In the Ambulance Drill Hall, Molesworth Street. Prize Money—10s., 6s., 4s., 2s., and Numerous Specials, mostly cash. Entry 1s. 6d. Under the patronage of L.C.A., L. and L.F.A., G.C.A., O.N.P.C., Y.C.C., Y.C.C.M. 66 Open Classes and 4 Novice Classes. Judges—C. A. House, Esq., W. Mundell, Esq. Schedules ready shortly.—Secretary, R. Blincoe, 160, Drake Street, Rochdale. Entries must arrive not later than 1st post Monday, Nov. 18th.

COCKERMOUTH 7th Open Show, November 23rd.

35 Cage Bird Classes. Entries close Nov. 18th. Judge—J. W. Bruce. Schedules, J. Jackson, 14, Crown Street, Cockermouth.

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LURGAN

C.B.S. Annual Show of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British, and Foreign Birds, in Town Hall, Lurgan,

FRI. and SAT., Nov. 22 and 23.

46 Classes. Good prize money and Specials. Judges: A. Hirst (Accrington), Norwich, etc.; J. McLennon (Edinburgh), Belgian and S. Fancy.

Entries close Sat. Nov. 16.

Schedules now ready: S. McCollum, Hon. Sec., Drumgor, Lurgan.

AYR

Saturday, November 23rd.

35 Classes for Cage Birds. Judge—D. A. S. Longden (Swansea).

Entries close Nov. 16th.

Schedules from C. W. Paterson, Albion House, Ayr.

BIGGAR and Dis. Show, Nov. 23rd.

26 Open Classes (Can., Brit.). Many splendid Specials. Judges: Marlin and Hamilton. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 16th. G. MITCHELL, BIGGAR.

Blairgowrie

23rd Nov.

Entries Close 19th Nov.

Have you got a schedule? If not, get one, and enter at once for a share of the many good things available. Splendid Gold and Silver Medals for best Foreign and best British. 22 other Specials for Cage Birds. Hyde's special. (Entry free). Help us and help yourselves. 29 classes. Crest and Crest-bred, 1 each; Norwich, 4, and one unflighted; Yorks, 2; Borders, 4; A.O.V. Canary, 1; Mules and Hybrids, 2; British, 7; Foreign, 3; Selling, 2; Local, 1. Prize money, 8/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Entry money, 1/6. Judge, J. F. Dewar, Esq.—W. Irvine, Sec., Brown Street, Blairgowrie.

Buckhaven 5th Open Show Free Gardeners' Hall, 23rd November. Judges: Messrs. A. Walker, J. Smeaton, and R. Bald. 54 Open Classes, 3 confined. Schedules:—R. Hazzard, Sec., 93, Denbeath, Methil, Fife. (200)

CONSETT

Durham.

23rd November.

Poultry Pigeons Rabbits Cats, Cavies, Cage Birds, and Industrial Section.

167 CLASSES.

Judges—Poultry, Wm. Wardle; Pigeons (Fantails), H. W. Richardson; (Fliers), J. Horner; (Remainder), T. Stark; Rabbits, Cats, and Cavies, G. A. Townsend; Cage Birds, T. Robson.

Entries Close November 18.

Schedules from J. H. Coupland, Leadgate, Co. Durham.

Cramlington

Sat., Nov. 23rd

Co-operative Hall. Entries close first post Nov. 16th. Open classes: 1, Nor. cl., tkd., or unevenly mkd. yell.; 2, do. buff; 3, do. hen, yell. or buff; 4, Nor. unflig.; 5, Border, cl., tkd., or unevenly mkd. yell.; 6, do. buff; 7, do. hen yell.; 8, do. do buff; 9, Yorks. cl., tkd., or unevenly marked yell.; 10, do. buff; 11, do hen yell. or buff; 12, Yorks. unflig.; 13, A.V. Mule or Hyb.; 14, Selling, with cage, 12/6; 15, A.V. Brit., not larger than Bawfinch; 16, A.O.V. Can., not above. Judges: A. Hay, H. Seely. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2 -, 1/ and specials. Enter from above, fee 1-, to J. R. Chestney, Hon. Sec., Cramlington.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES

NOVEMBER 23rd.

8th Annual. 42 CLASSES, 4 MONEY PRIZES, SPECIALS GALORE. 1s. Entrance Fee. Judges: J. Robson and J. Maddison. Schedules from J. W. LOWES, 17, CANNING STREET, STOCKTON-ON-TEES. (182)

HETTON

B. and C.B.S. 2nd Annual **Open Show, Saturday, November 23rd,** in the **Workmen's Club Hall, Hetton-le-Hole.** Judge: Jas. Stringer. **Prize money,** 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Entry fee, 1/-.

Entries close Sat., November 16th.

Apply at once for schedules to:—**Notley, Sec., 1, Minor Street, Hetton-le-Hole, Durham.**

Hinckley

Open Show, **Sat., Nov. 23rd. Exhibitors may rely upon their Stock being well looked after by a Committee of Fanciers.** Cage Bird Section.—Exhibits staged separate part of Hall. **Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6.** Entrance fee, 1/6. Judge, J. H. Roe (Birmingham). Class 50. Norwich (Plainhead), any colour, except evenly marked, natural colour. 51, do., clear, tkd., or variegs., except evenly mkd. yell. 52, do., cl., tkd., or variegs., except evenly mkd. buff. 53, do., Hen, except evenly mkd. 54, Norwich (Plainhead, unflig., cl., tkd., or variegs., except evenly mkd. yell. 55, do., unflig., cl., tkd., or variegs., except evenly mkd., buff. 56, Yorkshire, Cock or Hen, any colour. 57, A.O.V. Canary. 58, A.V. Mule or Hybrid (5s. special for best dark Canary Mule, excluding Canary Bullfinch). 59, British Goldfinch or Bullfinch Cock. 60, British Linnet. 61, Greenfinch, Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite. 62, A.O.V. British Finch or Bunting, including Hen Bullfinch; excluding Hawfinch. 63, A.O.V. British Bird, not larger than Missel Thrush, including Hawfinch. 64, A.V. Foreign. 65, Selling, single bird, A.V., except Crests or C.B., price not to exceed 15/-. 66, Selling, pairs, A.V., except Crests or C.B., price not to exceed 25/-. 67, Members', A.V., single, price not to exceed 20/-. **Special Prizes.**—McLaren Cup (see rules); 5/- (Mr. F. Goode), most points Cage Bird Section; 2/6 (Mr. W. Growdridge), best in class 30; 2/6, (Mr. J. E. Whittle), do. 51; 2/6 (Mr. A. W. Jennings), do. 52; 2/6 (Mrs. Jennings), do. 53; 2/6 (Mr. W. Blower), do. 54, 55; 2/6 (Mr. Carter), do. 56; 2/6 (Mr. J. Ridgway), do 57; 5/- (Mr. S. H. Pilgrim), for best dark Canary Mule, excluding Canary-Bullfinch, in class 58; silver medal (Mr. T. Towers), best British bird; 2/6 (Mr. S. H. Pilgrim), best Foreign bird. **Entries close Nov. 16th.** Enter from above, or send for schedule, to:—**H. Ridgway, Sec., Hinckley.**

INVERURIE **Nov. 23.** 32 Classes; Cups, Medals. Specials; good Prize money. Judges: Sandison and Finnie. Schedules, **J. Simpson, 27, High Street.** (150)

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Cage Bird Show, **November 23rd. 55 Open Classes,** also a members' class for each section. Judges, D. Holden, A. Cant, J. Goodfellow. **Full prize money.** Schedules ready.

ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 18th.

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DON'T FORGET

LAUNCESTON

Cage Bird Show,

November 26th.

Prizes—10s., 5s., 2s. 6d., and Specials. Judge—J. H. Payne, Esq.

Exhibits sent Tavistock Show following Day free of charge if entered by Nov. 16th.—N. H. Reed, Hon. Sec. ('Phone 9).

BUCKIE. November 27th. Judge J. Lyon (Aberdeen). **Entries close Nov. 20.** Schedules: **M. Bunyan, 43, West Church Street.**

TAVISTOCK

November 27th.

2nd Annual Show. GOOD CLASSIFICATION. Judge: Thos. Pope. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 16th. Schedules of JNO. YOUNG, HON. SEC., TAVISTOCK.

WHITBY

YORKS

Fanciers' Show, **Wednesday, NOVEMBER 27th.** SPLENDID CLASSIFICATION. Judge: H. W. Battye. Sec.: J. G. TOMLINSON, BAXTERGATE, WHITBY.

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43 Classes # ILKESTON **Nov. 23 & 25**

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Entries Close Tuesday, Nov. 19th.

Send for schedules to:—**Thos. Smith, 5, King Street, Ilkeston.** (178)

LLANELLY **TUES., Nov. 26th**

THE GREAT ONE-DAY INTERNATIONAL SHOW OF WALES.

Market Hall. 56 Classes, 43 Specials, 4 Cups. Under the patronage of N.B.B. and M.C., and E. and W.B.F.C. Judges: Canaries, W. Vardy; British, Foreign, and Mules, John Frostick. **Entries close Thursday, Nov. 21st.** Schedules, apply Secretaries, **Messrs. John and Webster, 9, Pottery Place, Llanelly, Carm.**

L.C.B.A.

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NOV. 28th to 30th.

Great Novice Classes.

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EXHIBITORS, PLEASE SUPPORT THE OLD ORIGINAL

Portsmouth Fanciers'

Society's 26th Annual Show, **Nov. 27th and 28th. 50 Cage Bird Classes, and Specials to value £50. Full prize money guaranteed: 10/-, 5/-, 2/6.** Entrance Fee, 1/6. **Entries close Nov. 19th.** The show of the South, and a show run by Fanciers. **Enter from "Cage Birds" of October 26th,** or for schedule apply: **W. E. Tyrell, 38, Commercial Road, Portsmouth. Note.—No sliding scale prize money, but full prize money guaranteed, and all prize money paid within 24 hours close of show.**

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13th Annual (open to Kent), Nov. 27th and 28th. All sections. Four specialist judges. **Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.** Entry, 1/9. Prize money 3 days. **3 Cage Bird Specials. Entries close Nov. 20th.** Schedules: **G. Arnold, 171, Chalkwell Road.** (191)

PENTREBACH

(Glam.), November 28th. Affiliated S. Wales Federation. Under patronage W.C.B.C. **30 classes. Specials each variety.** Also Federation Cups and Silk's Novice Norwich Cup. **Entries close November 23rd.** Judge: G. Gardner (London). Send for schedule to: **—A. E. Brown, 66, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil.**

South Co. Dublin

First Annual Show, Nov. 28 and 29.

Open to all. **55 Classes.** W. Mundell, Esq., Judge. For particulars, apply to: **D. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Tivoli Terrace, N. Kingstown.**

SALE

C.B. Soc., Nov. 29th and 30th. 7 Open Yorks.; 7 Open Norwich; 9 Border; 6 Open Nov. Amateur Yorks.; 7 Open Nov. Amateur Norwich; 12 British; 3 Mule or Hybrid; 2, Foreign; and 2 Selling. Write for schedule to: **A. Royle, Sec., 99, Harley Road, Sale.**

HERE WE ARE AGAIN.

COVENTRY GODIVA

C.B.S. Sixth Open Show, Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British and Foreign, **Nov. 30th. Entries close Nov. 23rd.** Judge, H. W. Battye. **Splendid classification. Splendid Specials. No amalgamation. Prize money guaranteed and paid within 5 days.** Schedules from **H. Saunders, Hon. Sec., 31, Vernon Street, Coventry. Note.—Sixth Show and no complaints yet.**

Musselburgh

O.S. First Annual Show, **Saturday November 30th.** Under the full patronage of the S.B.B. and M.C. the S.F.C., and B.F.C.C. **Cups, Medals, and Numerous Specials.** Judges: Norwich, J. McLay; Borders, T. Arnott; Mules, British, and Foreign, R. Bald. Schedules from: Sec., **Wm. Nisbet, 101, High Street, Musselburgh.** (185)

SWINDON

Nov. 27 and 28.

24th Annual Open Show. **Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6.** Entry fee, 1/6. Judge: J. Payne, Esq. 8 Crests; 4 Norwich; 4 Yorks.; 1 A.O.V.; 2 Mules; 5 British; 2 Foreign; 3 Selling. Schedules from: **W. J. Moran, 2, Brunswick Street, Swindon.** (161)

WANDSWORTH

NOV. 27th and 28th.

Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, Cavies, and CAGE BIRDS. 100 SPECIAL PRIZES. Cage Birds staged in the Gallery of the Hall. Schedules: W. LIGHTFOOT, HON. SEC., 86, HEYTHORP ST., SOUTHFIELDS, S.W.

CITY OF DUNDEE

C.B.S. 12th Annual Show, **Saturday, NOVEMBER 30th. Entries close November 26th.** Judges:—Crests: R. Whitton (Broughty Ferry). Plainheads: J. Holmes (Edinburgh). Scotch Fancy: Jas. Strachan (Arbroath), R. Thoms (Dundee). Borders: W. Mossie (Annbank). Mules and British: G. McArdle (Arbroath). Schedules from **Alex Miller, 3, Park Avenue, Dundee.**

DARLINGTON

C. and B.B.F.A. Seventh Annual Open Show, Canaries, Mules; British and For. Birds will be held in the **Corn Exchange, Darlington, on Sat., Nov. 30.** Judge, J. H. Roe, Esq. **21 Open Classes. Prize Money,** 8/-, 4/-, 2/- Entrance fee 1/- per cage. Schedules from: **Arthur Walker, 47, Montrose St., Darlington.** (153)

HARROGATE

C.B.S. SHOW,

November 30th.

Y.C.C. and Y.C.B.B. and M.C. patronage. **Schedules ready.—G. H. Barnwell, Hon. Sec., 20, College Rd., Harrogate.**

IRVINE & DIS. Open, Can., Brit., For., **Nov. 30.** Good classification, cups,, specials. **Entries close Nov. 25.** Schedules: **H. B. Young, 59, West Road, Irvine.** (204)

WOODSIDE (Aberdeen), Nov. 30th. 46 classes. Judges: Nor., A. Chalmers; A.O.V. Mules, and Wild, W. Bishop. **Entries close Nov. 23.** Schedules: **J. G. Milne, 27, Sunnybank Place, Aberdeen.**

TONBRIDGE

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Now then, Fanciers!

FORRES

and Northern O.A., 26th Annual Show of **Cage Birds only,** on **Wednesday, December 4th. 2 Handsome Cups, Numerous Medals and Specials.** Judge, J. Lyon, Aberdeen. **Entries close, Nov. 29th.** Schedules from: **Wm. Cumming, 28, North Road, Forres.** (3)

HAYLE (Cornwall). 9th Annual Show. Confined to Cornwall.

Dec. 4th and 5th. Cups, Medals, etc. All classification, Specials, Challenge **Prizes—8s., 5s., 3s., 1s. 6d. Entries close Nov. 28th.** Schedules—**A. Coombe, 17, Mount Pleasant.**

WEYBRIDGE Show, **Wed., Nov. 27, Holstein Hall.** Pltry, Pgns., Cage Birds, R., C., and Cvs. Judges: W. H. Cook, A. E. Penfold, J.P. Numerous specials, etc. Full classification, see **schedules, ready Friday: S. Howard, Oatlands Farm, Weybridge.** (—)

PONTYPRIDD

F. and F.S. Show, DEC. 4th, (affl. S. Wales and Mon. Federations). GOOD CLASSIFICATION; EXPERT JUDGE; NUMEROUS MONEY SPECIALS. SILK'S NOVICE NORWICH PLAINHEAD CUP. W.C.B.C. patronage. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 28th. Schedules: A. A. GORDON McLUCAS, 43, ROSSER ST., MAESYCOED, PONTYPRIDD.

GALSTON (AYRSHIRE), Saturday, Dec. 7th. Judges: Scotch Fancy—J. A. Stewart (Mulrend), Norwich, Borders and British—Gavin Alston (Darvel). **Alexander Frew,** Secretary, **26, Duke Street.**

CUPAR

(Fife), Sat., Dec. 7th. Open show of Cage Birds, in **Hall separate from all other exhibits.** 50 classes. Scotch Fancies: J. Hogg (Oakley); Norwich: A. Dickson (Kelty); Borders: J. Hutchison (Dysart); Yorks., Brit., and Foreign: J. Goodfellow (Edinburgh). Schedules: **Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar, Fife.**

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CAGE BIRD SHOW

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DEC. 13.

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EAST HAM.

Second annual show, held Hartley Avenue Schools. Entries exceeded last year. Yorks. were a fine show in themselves, coming up to some of the open show in merit. Some splendid Norwich were put down by Messrs. Taylor in champion section, and Mr. Perry and Mr. Evans had something very choice in the novice Norwich. There was a fair display of the "wee gems." A finer lot of British for a members' show is seldom seen; altogether, the birds made a splendid display. The vice-president, Mr. Oliver presented the society early last year with staging and this year he has extended it, as a further gift. The secretary being absent, the show was ably carried out by the committee, all working as only enthusiasts can. The accommodation was only a small class-room, and we trust to hold it next year in a more suitable hall. Mr. John Robson judged.—F. Fox, Hon. Sec.

From the catalogue received from Mr. Fox, hon. sec., we gather that the principal winners were: YORKS.: Messrs. King, Bennett, Reynolds, Fox Hunsden, Farmer, Parker, Lock, Mays, Smith, Wilkins and Son, Stevens, Fisher. NOR.: Taylor Cooper, Parr, Perry, Evans, Oliver, Dalton, Hunsden, Mrs. Lawrence. BORD: Hammond, Potter, Mrs Curd, Fordham, Fisher. BRIT.: Walker, Oliver, Mrs Curd, Dalton, Cooper, South. MULES: South Cooper, Walker, Mrs. Curd, Oliver. FOR.: King.

SOUTH WEST LONDON C.B.S.

Annual show held New Guild Hall, Wandsworth Road, Oct. 26. Entries were well above previous years, which speaks for the progress the society is making. Four new members joined during the evening. Norwich were good, so were the Yorkshires, few of which were claimed at catalogue price. The Crests made a fine show, the winning hen taking sp. for best in show. In Mr. Freeman the society has an ideal secretary, who, with the assistance of Messrs. Slade (chairman), Lilley, McLaughten, and others made the show a great success. Mr. J. Robson judged.

NOR. CK. (9): 1, 2 sps, 3, hc, Thomas; 2, sp, vhc, c, Miles. HEN (4): 1, sp, Thomas; 2, Miles; 3, 4, Lilley. UNFLIG. (5): 1, sp, Miles; 2, 3, 4 Thomas; vhc, Lilley. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YLLW (5): 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, Slade; vhc, Cullam. VARIEG. ETC., all belonging to Mr. Slade. BUFF (4): 1, 2, 4, Slade; 3, McLaughten. VARIEG., ETC. (5): 1, sp, Holbrook; 2, McLaughten; 3, 4, vhc, Slade. HEN (9): 1, 2 sps, 2, Holbrook; 3, Cullam; 4, Lilley vhc, Lilley; hc, c, Slade. UNFLIG. (8): 1, sp, hc, c, Slade; 2, Cullam; 4, vhc, McLaughten. CRESTS CK. (4): 1, 2, Lilley; 3, 4, Slade. HEN (4): 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, Slade winner best bird in show. C.B. CK (5): 1, sp, 3, 4, Slade; 2, Lilley. HEN (6): 1, 2, hc, Slade; 4, vhc, Lilley. NOR. NOVICE (4): 1, sp, Hawkins; 2, sp, 3, Goymer; 4, Broughton. Dr. UNFLIG. (4): 1, sp, 2, 3, Broughton; 4, Hawkins. YORKS. NOVICE CK. (8): 1, sp, vhc, Mager; 2, sp, Hawkins; 3, 4, Freeman; hc, Peters; c, Hawkins HEN (5): 1, sp, 2 sps, Mager; 3, Freeman; 4, Peters, vhc, Hawkins. UNFLIG. (11): 1, sp, 2, c, Freeman; 3, Mager; 4, vhc, hc, Hawkins. BORDER (8): sp, 2 sps, 4, vhc, c, Burgess; 3, hc, Goymer. HYB. 1, sp, Arkill; 2, Broughton. BRIT. GOLD. OR BULL FINCH (6): 1, sp, Lilley; 2, McLaughten; 3, Broughton; vhc, hc, Peters. HARDBILL (4): 1, sp, McLaughten; 2, sp, 3, 4, Broughton.

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Twitterings.

R. A. Newly is "the" man for show cages. Order early. Address: 24, Stockwell Green, London, S.W. (Advt.)

The winning number on admission ticket (for Canary) is 98, writes Mr. W. Bunn, sec. Nottingham Permanent O.S.

I have been appointed judge at Exmouth show on Dec. 4, writes Mr. J. W. Dunmett, late sec. of Cardiff Society.

The Grimsby and Dist. O.S. prize draw winning numbers are: 1st, No. 1099, 2nd, 659; 3rd, 1502; 4th, 896. Advt. (202.)

I think "The Musical Box of the Canary Family" was a splendid and well thought-out article in every way.—W. Hoyle (Grimsargh).

Those requiring the real Siberian Goldfinches, Siskins, see Sandiford's advertisement either at London or Preston; 200 to pick at.—(Advt.)

Mr. G. Thomson, of Cardiff, writes congratulting the Barnstaple show officials upon their promptitude in paying out the prize-money.

I have secured all Mr. Bond's (of Morecambe) stock of Mules and Hybrids, and am advertising same, writes Mr. H. Durston (Lancaster).

We hear that Mr. J. F. Dewar, of Edinburgh, has purchased from Mr. T. Wallace, Mid Calder, a very fine six pointed light Goldie Mule.

Delighted with the autumn double number and also the coloured plate, which is a marvel. The show reports could not be bettered.—H. Rees (Clapham).

Time, and how to save it; trouble, and how to avoid it; money, and how to make it; see under "Norwich," in the advertisement columns this week.

At Rotherham C.B.S. show there will be 20 classes, judge, Mr. J. C. Barnes, writes Mr. B. Bailey, the secretary. I will send out schedules as soon as possible.

Special No. 9 should read "Best vhe novice Norwich," and not "Best novice Norwich," as scheduled, writes Mr. E. Meades, Hon. Sec., Plumstead and Woolwich C.B.S.

Rossendale C.B.S. is holding its first annual show at the Commercial Hotel, Stacksteads, Nov. 16. Mr. W. Lloyd, Pendlebury, will judge, writes Mr. H. Wantling, Hon. Sec.

Kindly announce, writes Mr. Geo. W. F. Lythgoe, that I have removed to 173, Clifton Street, Old Trafford, Manchester. I am continuing my business as fanciers' printer from there.

Our Cage Bird section, writes Mr. G. Mitchell, sec. Biggar Show, increases yearly, particularly British, and if well supported, we will be only too pleased to increase our classification.

On page 9 of schedule, writes Mr. W. H. Pyke, hon. sec. Reading Show, most points in classes 15 and 16 should be 17 and 18. About 150 were sent out before mistake was discovered.

I received a CAGE BIRDS Watch all right, and I am delighted with it. Judging by how it has kept time, it will be as useful to me as CAGE BIRDS is.—JOHN E. SPURR (Radford).

Mr. Jas. Cosgrove, 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell, informs us that schedules of Uddington C.B.S. show have been posted. Those requiring a copy should send to Mr. Cosgrove.

The Scotch Fancy judge at Blackwood show, writes Mr. Hamilton, sec., is Mr. Caldwell, not Mr. Fulton, as printed in schedule. We have some extra specials since schedule was issued.

Messrs. Smarts Ltd., Birmingham, have placed their advertising in the hands of "Harchibald." His first effort appears under "Cycles," and will no doubt interest and amuse our readers.

We paid all prize-money at Barnstaple show, writes Mr. J. D. Horrill, the hon. secretary, three days after the show. We had an increase of nearly 100 entries, and many visitors from all parts came to see this society's first show, and were highly pleased both with the quality of the birds and the high order in which the show was carried out.

I am returning Mr. Thompson's deposit card, as I am sold right out, thanks to your valuable paper; could have sold ten times as many. I think Canaries must be coming into fashion.—F. COMMER, Horley.

It was a great pleasure to see a picture of my winning Nightingale, a credit to your artist, in last week's double number, which I think a good issue. I wish CAGE BIRDS the success it deserves.—G. W. Swain (Watford).

Mr. T. Clelland, sec. Coaltown of Wemyss C.B.S., writes that Mr. J. W. Bruce (Coldstream) will judge British and foreign at their show on Dec. 7, in place of Mr. Watson, of Edinburgh, who is unable to attend.

We are compelled to extend, and entries bearing Monday's post mark will be accepted, writes Mr. R. J. Dartnall, the Hon. Sec. of Enfield Show (7, Gordon Hill, Enfield), our average being less than one per class. Will fanciers please send on, and I will classify.

I am glad to say, writes Mr. F. Thomas, Ramsgate, that through CAGE BIRDS, the only paper in which we advertised, we were successful in getting the support of some of the leading exhibitors, and we were able to show to the people of Ramsgate some tip-top birds.

When replying to advertisers, readers should be careful to put their address on their letters. Mr. W. Smith (Carlton, Notts) says that he has had one or two communications from which these essential particulars have been omitted. Will Mr. C. C. Blythe write him again?

Although we are paying the finest prize-money on the South Coast, writes Mr. H. Gibb, Hon. Sec. Brighton Show, Nov. 14 and 15, entries are very short. Have been obliged to extend till Monday, Nov. 11. Come, fanciers, send along your entries, and I will classify.

We have six hybrid classes fully guaranteed, and we think we ought to have a good number of entries, writes Mr. H. Smith, Hon. Sec. Wimbledon show. Another special feature is that the entry is reduced to 1s. 6d. instead of 2s.

The South-West London C.B.S. has just purchased sufficient staging for one thousand birds. Ladies or gentlemen who would like to join this progressive society should communicate with the hon. secretary, Mr. H. Freeman, 105a, Bolingbroke Grove, Wandsworth Common, S.W.

All prize-money has been paid; specials will be sent as soon as we can get them in, write Messrs. Metcalfe and Deacon, secs. Liverpool show. All railway birds left show by 6 p.m., long-distance birds by 3.30 p.m.; so it is not our fault if exhibitors did not receive them on Saturday night.

The winning numbers of the Leeds C.B.S. prize draw, writes Mr. W. A. Wilson (Hon. Sec.) are: 633, 255, 114, 217, 876, 295. Holders of any of the above numbered tickets will, on application to me, have singing Canary and cage handed over to them. I wish your popular paper CAGE BIRDS every success.

Uddingston and Dis. C.B. Society's show this year is for cage birds only, and intending exhibitors can rest assured that their birds will have every attention, as the committee is composed of experienced fanciers, writes Mr. T. Cosgrove, the hon. sec. There are 55 open classes, for which are allocated 35 specials, so send along your entries.

The Bankfoot and Dist. Society's social and dance will be held Nov. 16 at Brayshaw's Assembly Rooms, Bankfoot, admission 6d. each, writes Mr. F. G. Gelder, the secretary. Several artistes have promised their services, and a first-class accompanist has also been engaged. Dancing from 7 to 11 p.m. Fanciers and friends are heartily invited.

Thank you very much indeed for the sketch of my White Canaries published in last week's special issue, which I think was a most attractive number, writes Mr. C. H. Goodman (Kempston). The drawing was well executed by your able artist, Mr. Norman. I would also like to thank you on behalf of Mrs. Martin, of New Zealand.

CAGE BIRDS to hand Friday, writes Mr. A. H. C. Legg, Sec. Mid Rhondda C.B.S. Congratulations on the grand autumn number. The plate is a real object lesson for the amateur or novice, and that expert Nor. breeder, Mr. E. Baker, and Mr. H. Norman, as painter of the picture here give the novice something to study.

At the Woking, Horsell and Dis. Fanciers' fifth annual show on Nov. 29, Mr. W. H. Grant gives two extra specials in the form of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE Badges and a year's subscription to the LEAGUE, in novice class, any variety British; and in children's class, any variety cage bird; to the next best not getting a first, second, or third prize.

The officials of the Bradford East O.S. will be at Park Chapel Schools from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Tuesday, November 12th, to receive entries for the annual show, Nov. 16th, writes Mr. H. Hill, the sec. The classification is good, and as the show is noted for its good management, exhibitors can with confidence patronise this, the biggest local show in the Yorkshire Union.

Mrs. Page writes that she will be obliged if secretaries will refrain from sending schedules to 20, Bishopsgate, London, the address of the late Mr. W. Page (who died some months ago).

We are informed that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Any one who has been overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries: Lewes, Kelty, Paignton, Wolverhampton.

Those amongst fanciers who are prejudiced against purchasing from dealers should note the many testimonials published by Mr. W. Gore, of Birmingham, in his advertisements of appliances, British birds, and Roller Canaries in this issue. Nor are these by any means all the testimonials that dealer receives, as the Editor has frequently examined bundles of them which have never been published at all.—(Advt., 204.)

We are asked to notify the following corrections of show reports:—Parrot class at Manchester, 2nd Ditchfield, 3rd Teasdale, and not the reverse, as given in catalogue, while in the novice Crests, 1st should be Barber not Barker. Cheltenham, cl. or tkd. yel. Yorks. ck., 1 and 3 Jones should have read 1st Jones, 3 Crisps; Crestbred hens, 2nd prize, was won by T. R. Ind. Nottingham Permanent, class 9, R. Holmes 2nd prize, not 3rd.

It was with much pleasure, as well as surprise, writes Mr. Marley, I saw the splendid life-like drawing of my Great Grey Shrike adorning the front page of your ever popular paper. I may say the drawing is absolutely par excellence, and does your artist, Mr. Goodchild, very great credit. The expression of the bird is perfectly true to life, and he must have put a lot of work into it to get so fine a copy. Regarding this bird, I consider I have been very fortunate in being able to keep him in the health he now is. He is a very intelligent and interesting pet, and I believe him to be the only Great Grey Shrike at present on the show bench. I wish your well-known paper, CAGE BIRDS, every success.

We have received from Mr. J. A. T. Woodall, the Press correspondent of Sheffield O.S., the following letter sent by Messrs. Martin and Archer, the well-known Huddersfield exhibitors, to one of the committee, congratulating the society upon the management of last Saturday's show:—"Dear Mr. Fletcher, On behalf of Mr. Martin I have to write and thank you very much for the personal attention you gave to our exhibits whilst at Sheffield O.S. show last Saturday. We received them safely by the 6.17 train, and we had them in our birdroom by 8 o'clock on Saturday night. I have told Mr. Martin about the kindness I received at your hands, and it has meant that Sheffield O.S. show is booked up already for next year, all being well, when we hope to let you have a larger entry. The reason our exhibits were not great in number is that our stock is not yet all through the moult, or you would have had double the entry, and we regretted very much we could not send our full team. Such kindness and attention are worthy of further consideration.—Per pro. Martin and Archer, Fred Archer."

The L. and P.O.S. Annual Dinner.

The L. and P.O.S. annual dinner will take place at the Holborn Restaurant on Thursday, January 9th, 1913, writes Mr. C. W. Law, the hon. sec. Mr. Fred Gibson has been once more entrusted with the musical arrangements, and the programme will again include Miss Nance Haines.

Can it be True?

Rumour has it in Sheffield that Mr. T. Bishop, the present secretary of the Sheffield O.S., contemplates relinquishing his post. We trust this may prove incorrect; or that influences may be brought to bear to ensure so able and so enthusiastic a fancier keeping hold of the reins he handles so admirably.

In Canada.

The National C.B.S., of Toronto, Canada, held a matched-pair show on Oct. 9, writes Mr. J. W. Hinde, the secretary, Mr. Mountford winning 1st in Yorks. class, Mr. Walkey in Norwich class. We intend to hold a few more of these shows and give a few specials, and try to draw our members more regularly to the meetings.

Deserving of a Bumper.

The executive of Bristol Show, Nov. 27 and 28, are making a special appeal which is deserving of the recognition of all exhibitors. They have a fine record, and it is doubtful if any other societies have struggled more pluckily. It is, we understand, 8 years since a profit was made at any of their open shows; in fact, the total losses during this period have been nearly £100. In spite of this, no prizes have ever been withheld, no classes amalgamated, and prize-money has always been paid in full. It is guaranteed again this year, and exhibitors should write for schedules. The show advertisement appears on another page.

WHERE ADVERTISING PAYS.

I am perfectly satisfied with the result obtained through advertising in your excellent "Cage Birds" and "Poultry World." We had plenty of enquiries for schedules, and you will see from the catalogue we had plenty of entries.—G. E. Cragg, Sec. Llandudno Show.

Allow me to thank all who answered my advert. in "Cage Birds," as the replies received were far too many for me to answer by letter.—Mr. Buck (Richmond).

I had numerous applications from my last advert., and got suited within a few hours. Without a doubt "Cage Birds" is the best paper for advertisers.—H. Gray (Bradford).

Pleased to inform you that I have this week shipped to Toronto, Canada, 3 doz. show cages, through my advert. in your valuable paper, "Cage Birds."—John Martin (Castle Douglas).

CAGE BIRDS will sell your surplus stock at once. Advertise, and see for yourself.

The Norwich Plainhead Club.

Annual general meeting will be held in conjunction with the club show at Preston on Nov. 16th at 3.30. I should be pleased if as many members as possible will attend. Will members who have anything they wish to bring up please communicate with me at once in order that I may place same on the agenda.—J. HOPKINS, joint hon. sec.

London Fanciers Honoured.

Two well-known London fanciers were honoured at the recent Metropolitan Borough Council elections, Mr. Geo. Gardner being returned for the second time for Ward 2, St. Pancras, and Dr. A. E. Read succeeding in St. Peter's Ward, Southwark. Dr. Read humourously writes: "I have won a 3rd prize in a class of 15 in St. Peter's Ward, and a special for 1st Progressive place!"

In Far Toronto.

We note that the secretary of the Toronto (Canada) C.B.S. is Mr. J. W. Hinde, late of Lancaster, well known some few years ago as a partner in the firm of Messrs. Winn and Hinde, who achieved considerable success in the exhibiting of the Norwich Plainhead, a noted bird being the yellow cock, which won at the Crystal Palace show. We wish Mr. Hinde every success in his new sphere.

A Popular Secretary's Misfortune.

We were extremely sorry to hear of the long and serious illness of Mrs. Bishop, wife of the Sheffield Society's popular secretary. What with the loss of rest occasioned through being at her bedside for many hours at a stretch, and the great amount of work that an All-England show entails, "Tom" appeared fairly "knocked out," and well he might. Since our departure from the show on Saturday last, news reaches us of a slight improvement. That Mrs. Bishop may quickly recruit her strength will be the wish of all.

The Worst Bird.

A happening at the recent show of the Nottingham Permanent O.S. is here commemorated in "verse" by the owner of the Sparrow, Mr. Robert Holmes.

I have been an exhibitor thirty long years,
And have never been tempted to shed any tears;
The prizes I've won would fill a wheelbarrow;
My last special prize was won by a Sparrow.

Five shillings was offered for worst bird in show,
By Master T. Hayter (whom all of us know);
Myself (also others) went in for the fun,
With my little Sparrow, which easily won.

Alas, the third prize and the special I gained,
But afterwards found that my Sparrow was claimed;
Two pence was his price, and, according to rule,
Ten per cent had to come off—which put them to school!

A Trip to Sheffield.

On Saturday last we snatched a few brief holiday hours from business cares and spent them at Sheffield show. A kind of "busman's holiday," true (you know the story of the old 'bus driver who spent his annual holiday riding about on the tops of other 'buses) but we greatly enjoyed the magnificent display of birds got together by our friends in the Cutlery City. The "blades" (keen and true, every one) were on the best of good terms with themselves at the flattering support accorded them by their fellow-fanciers. They manage a show right well, too. It is many a day since we ran up against so enthusiastic a chairman as Mr. T. Dawn—his energy seemed boundless, and necessitated frequent stoppages to enable him to wipe the "honest sweat" from his brow. Messrs. Bishop and Colton, too—indeed, all the officials—are rare good fellows for any society to have on its side. "Tom" Bishop was hugely delighted with three handsome donations he had received—£7 10s. from the Master Cutler, and two items of £4 each from friends! Lucky Sheffield!

Familiar Friends: The Lesser and Mealy Redpolls.

By WILLIAM LECKIE (Portobello).

An extremely interesting article from the pen of a well-known Scottish exhibitor.

I AM confident there is no British Bird kept as a cage pet that is more familiar to all fanciers than the humble Lesser Redpoll. If the question was put to most fanciers who were reared in the country, "What bird did you first keep?" I believe that in abont 70 per cent. of the answers "Redpoll" would have the vote. Personally I kept for longer or shorter periods many birds before my first Redpoll, but none of them is enshrined in my memory like him.

The Lesser Redpoll, one of the smallest of our British Finches, is common throughout our islands as a resident, with the exceptions of the South of England and the Shetland Islands. It is a rare breeding species in the former, and unknown as such in the latter, owing possibly to the lack of alder and birch trees in the Shetlands, the seed cones of which form in winter a very considerable portion of its daily menu.

A1 at Lloyds as an Artisan.

It is well known as a breeding species in Scotland, and is a first-class "tradesman," for it builds what, in my opinion, is one of our most beautiful nests. The materials are fine grasses, roots, wool, feathers, and willow down. The nest is cupshaped. The site usually selected is in fairly high bushes or trees, in the vicinity of hill streams or lakes and ponds. Much has been written regarding the fearlessness displayed by the mother Redpoll while incubating, but my own experience teaches me that most birds display the same fearlessness while thus engaged, especially when the eggs are hard set and about to hatch.

The usual complement of eggs is four, but five is fairly common, and six occasionally found. The colour is pale bluish green, spotted principally at the larger end with purplish brown or orange-red spots. I do not know whether the fact that this bird is gregarious in winter has anything to do with its nesting habits or not, but I have found that when one nest was located, as a general rule quite a number could be found in the immediate vicinity. Some writers state that only one brood is reared in a season, but I have caught young birds in nest feather in early October, and allowing the first nest to have met with a mishap, this would mean that at least two other nests had been made after the first.

The Redpoll is a moderately late breeder, the young of the first nest being usually hatched in June. After leaving the nest the brood remain with their parents for a considerable time, in fact, in the case of the later-hatched birds (which I take to be a second brood) they seem to be assimilated in families in the flocks which are found in the late fall and early winter. I do not know if these flocks are to any appreciable extent augmented in winter by migratory arrivals, as I have been unable to trace even a slight difference in size or general appearance between the birds caught well inland during the winter migratory period, and those caught on the coast line where other migratory species are mostly secured.

Easy to Catch: Intelligent when Caged.

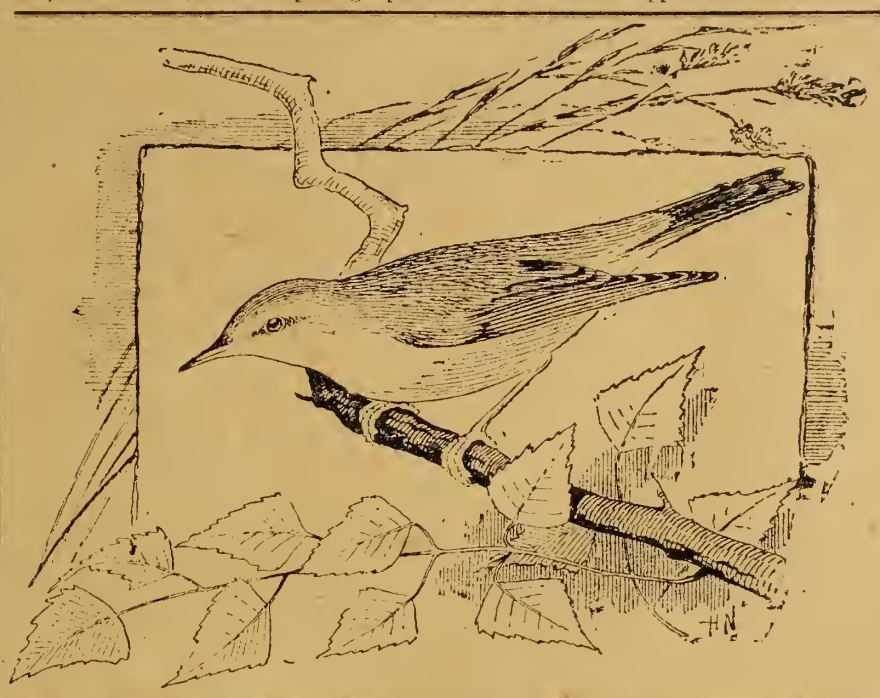
The plumage and its habits in a cage are too well known to require description. One of its most peculiar characteristics, in my opinion, is the particularly easy way in which it may be caught. In the case of a "lime set" with a member of the species as a call bird, you may safely reckon that no individual bird of its kind will, under ordinary circumstances, pass without endeavouring to make the call bird's acquaintance, and in the case of very considerable flocks I have seen every bird caught, those that were not limed in the first rush fluttering around even when the others were being removed from the limed twigs, and as soon as the catcher was out of the way dashing down to find the same fate as their friends. There can be no doubt that this is the reason the Lesser 'Poll can, at any time in winter, be purchased from the dealers at such a low price.

Docile and attractive in captivity, it can easily be taught many little tricks, such as pulling up its seed in a small car or its water in a thimble. That they are endowed with a considerable amount of intelligence I had proof in one that I possessed. In pulling up his car he had after each pull to hold his feet firmly fixed on the chain to keep this from slipping back. Now, between the little car board and the cage wires was a small space. In a very short time he learned that by fixing the loose chain with his bill in this space he could jam the car opposite the feed hole and thus save himself the trouble of again pulling it up. The result was that until I filled up this space, no matter how often the car was pushed to the bottom of the board, he immediately pulled it up and fixed the chain in this particular spot and fed at his leisure without extra exertion.

The Food and the Song.

The food of this species in a wild state consists for the most part of the seeds of grasses, and the compositæ order of plants, such as dandelions, thistles, hardheads, and so forth, and in late autumn and winter the seed cones of such trees as the alder and birch. It is also said to feed on buds in the spring. In captivity they thrive well on a mixture of three parts Canary seed, one part rape, and one part teazle. The latter should be withdrawn if they become too fat. The ripe seed-heads of dandelionn, thistle, hardheads, or any of the compositæ plants are also much appreciated.

(To be continued.)



THE DAINTY LESSER WHITETHROAT.

A sketch of the very fine specimen which received second prize in a strong class at Sheffield Show; exhibited by Mr. F. Hattersley (Leeds).

Pedigree Breeding & Heredity.

By J. W. CUTMORE (Liverpool).

A Lecture given before the members of the Birkenhead C.F.A.

There exists to-day no doubt as to the origin of the domestic Canary and its many varieties; it is a descendant of the little greenish-brown Serin Finch from the Canary Isles. It has been bred in captivity for two or three hundred years, but the greatest progress in the different varieties has been made during the past thirty years. The pedigree breeder has been at work. Variation is the secret of pedigree, and this tendency to sport has been taken advantage of by breeders.

Size and Vigour from Rollers.

The lecturer showed a diagram illustrating how the breeder should work to produce good specimens from an inferior stock by judicious selection and inbreeding. The cross made was between a typical Norwich and a common German Roller, the young resulting therefrom being three mongrels, one almost equal to the Norwich, and one German. He then showed that in three generations he, by careful selection, bred pure Norwich equal to the bird used for the first cross, larger in size, and much stronger birds, whereas if he had mated two pure Norwich of different inbred strains, the two powerful strains acting against each other might have bred wasters.

Many breeders who can afford it take a shorter cut by purchase. Breeders who have with carefulness evolved a fine strain are often loth to introduce fresh blood, even when they suspect that they are approaching the limits of safe inbreeding. But if Mendel's theory of heredity is studied and put into practice, then it does not seem as if the introduction of fresh blood need affect the purity of the strain; a cross is effected with a view to secure invigoration.

The first effect of inbreeding is some loss of size in successive generations, afterwards come impaired constitution and fertility. If the breeder introduces a strongly inbred male of a different line there is conflict between the two powerful strains. The type is apt to be destroyed, and the progeny sports in many directions. Probably the safest course is to use a sire of rather mixed blood, and then the chances are that the concentrated female blood will continue to rule the type of the progeny, and a substantial gain in vigour and fertility will be secured. No doubt type is chiefly influenced from the female side.

The Value of Fresh Blood.

Inbreeding must be resorted to in order to develop and retain type, although if carried too far it will cause a strain to lose stamina and gradually die out. Fresh blood must be brought in to save it from extinction. To use an illustration from dog breeding: By crossing in the Great Dane the Irish Wolf Hound was saved from extinction; the St. Bernard was also saved by the crossing with the dog of the Pyrenees. The Greyhound, bred for swiftness, had to be crossed with the Bulldog to add greater pluck.

It is necessary, after something has been gained by crossing, to breed back again with the strain. When inbreeding, it is better to pair mother and son, or father and daughter, than brothers and sisters. It is very strange that if you cross extreme varieties the result is throwing (reversion) back to the original. In the case of pigeons, a Fantail paired to a Barb will produce offspring very near the common Rock Pigeon. To avoid too close inbreeding when starting to build a strain it is best to have several pairs or families at work at the same time; this affords, later on, material for crossing.

Keep to One Strain.

It is always found in practice that a breeder who is buying fresh stock constantly to cross with, can never breed well: he is constantly introducing into his strain tendencies which he knows little of, which he, therefore, can take no account of, and which crop out in the most unexpected manner. A successful man is not constantly importing fresh blood, but depends chiefly upon successive generations of his own stock. Of course, there is a limit; it is foolish to inbreed without an object, because bad points, as well as good, can be fixed.

Biologists have a theory which is called germinal continuity. It is, that the germ substance is derived from the previous germ substance, the body being a kind of offshoot from it. The young is thus like its parent, not because it is produced from the parent, but because both parent and young are produced from the same stock germ plasm. (This is simply pedigree doctrine.)

By another diagram Mr. Cutmore illustrated that there are pure and impure strains; for instance, the Blue Andalusian fowls cannot be bred true. When blues are paired together about half the chickens are blue, half are black and dirty whites. By many generations of selection breeders have tried without success to eliminate these black and white wasters, but it remained for Bateson and Punnet to show that if black and white are paired only blues are produced. The Blue Andalusian is simply a mongrel of the black and white cross. The blacks if paired will breed true blacks, and the whites if paired will breed true whites.

How Cinnamon Blood Works.

Another diagram showed how the Cinnamon blood works through a strain. If a Green Canary hen is mated with a Cinnamon cock, the young would be mixed Greens and Cinnamons, but all the Cinnamons would be hens. In the reverse mating, Cinnamon hen to Green cock, the young would all be green unless the cock had Cinnamon blood in him. To produce a Cinnamon cock the Cinnamon hen must be mated to a cock with Cinnamon blood in him.

Breeders know perfectly well that green or black-eyed birds never resulted from mating two Cinnamons. Similar conditions exist in mammals. If you pair a grey rat and white rat you get the young all greys, pair up two of these, then you will get three greys to one white, pair the white with a black you again get all greys in the young; then pair up two of these you will get this result in the young, nine greys, three blacks, four white, in proportion to the number of offspring.

Size can be bred into a stock in a similar manner. We know growth is influenced by the supply of nourishment both before and after birth. Well-fed parents produce strong young; a temporary check in growth may make wasters of otherwise good birds, but these may under favourable conditions produce a good exhibition specimen. In selection, size will prove effective in first and second selection from a young stock, but begin to decline after the third selection. In selecting for size the mother's influence is equal to that of the father. I have had many instances to confirm this.

A Mistaken Idea.

In conclusion, said Mr. Cutmore, I will just mention the belief that if the female bears young by a male of another breed, and is then mated with a male of her own kind, the offspring of the second mating will in some cases show the influence of the first sire, and instead of being pure bred, will in some respects be mongrels resembling the offspring of the first mating. Whenever properly controlled experiments have been made, no evidence of such taint has been forthcoming; cases that appear to favour the belief, if examined, could frequently be traced to other causes. I had intended to speak more fully on crossing and hybridisation and parental influence, also on fertility, but must leave this for another occasion.

At the close of the lecture a good many questions were asked, and Mr. Cutmore answered these in a masterful way, showing that he was well-versed in his subject.

Question asked by Mr. Shaw: Could a black-eyed cock, if mated to a black-eyed hen, breed pink-eyed birds?

Answer: Yes, if these black-eyed birds had Cinnamon blood in them, they might throw pink-eyed birds. As illustration, take the number of foul Cinnamons which were bred by the Green breeders, and which they called sports, but which were the result of having at some period introduced Cinnamon blood. No pure bred Green would ever throw a pink-eyed bird, unless it might be in the proportion of white Starlings bred.

Mr. Morton said in his opinion the Green Canary and the Cinnamon Canary were from two different species altogether, as Cinnamons, if kept pure, bred Cinnamons only, and Greens green only, and Cinnamon ticks, if mated together would breed selfs or fouls quicker than Green ticks mated.

Mr. Harding, the chairman, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Cutmore, and said it was the most interesting lecture he had ever heard. Mr. Shaw, in seconding, said he was much indebted to Mr. Cutmore, and hoped that he would be able to find time to give the members another lecture.

Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

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CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

A BAD EYE (E. S. F. Stone).—You do not say whether there is any swelling or not. Try the following treatment for a fortnight, and if not then considerably better, write again. Bathe the eye for a few minutes each morning with a warm solution of boric acid—a small teaspoonful of acid dissolved in a saucerful of warm water. Apply with a pledget of cotton wool, and avoid wetting the plumage as much as possible. Absorb moisture with wool at the close until the place is fairly dry, and then drop on the eye one drop of a lotion composed of one ounce of rose water, five grains of sulphate of zinc, and ten drops of laudanum. Repeat the drop of lotion each evening, but not the bathing. Continue this daily for four or five days, then do it once a day, and gradually discontinue as the eye seems to improve. Keep cage and perches scrupulously clean.

BAD PLUMAGE AND IRRITABLE (E. A. S.).—I suspect the real cause of the trouble is red mites. But as a first step towards improving the bird's condition you must try to keep it in a more suitable place. If you must keep it in the kitchen, hang it as far away from the fire or range as possible, so as to insure a more equable temperature, but at the same time be careful to avoid hanging it in a place exposed to cold draughts. Examine cage closely for the presence of red mites, and if any are found, thoroughly overhaul it, and exterminate them, as frequently detailed in this column. Give a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape as staple diet. Every second day for a fortnight give half-a-teaspoonful of crushed stale sponge cage slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur, and sprinkled with maw. On the alternating days

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Batty's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

twice each week give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, millet, teazle and black rape, and a spray of watercress four or five times a week. In the water give 20 drops of whisky, as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece, and the same quantity of chlorate of potash every second day for a week, and in the following week substitute four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid.

TO EXTERMINATE RED MITES (T. Perrett).—You might have seen full details for accomplishing this in small cages in these replies several times in the last few months—there they are again. Give bird a bath in which a few drops of quassia essence has been mixed. When it has dried its plumage, remove it temporarily to another cage. Clean the infested cage thoroughly, scraping out any open joint or crevice about it with a pin on to a sheet of paper, and immediately burn the debris. If size of cage admits, the best treatment at this stage is to plunge it bodily overhead in a copper of boiling water for a few minutes. When dry repaint or distemper and varnish if necessary, thoroughly clean the position where cage has been kept, and when cage is quite dry, bird may be returned to it. As an alternative to this, dissolve a cube of camphor in a teacupful of paraffin, and thoroughly saturate the cage with this solution; use it all over, inside and outside, and work it into any open joints, etc., with a small paint brush. Place in open air to dry. Next day repeat the process. A third dressing is no much the better. The repaint, etc., if necessary, but before doing so fill all cracks, etc., with putty, softened with oil varnish. When quite dry after this, bird may be returned. Remember to thoroughly cleanse the position where cage has hung, and all cage appliances, whilst cage is being done, and give bird a bath with a little quassia in daily whilst in the temporary cage.

YORKSHIRE HEN GAPING (Sec'y).—Keep this hen in a comfortable temperature for a time, but do not overheat her. Feed and treat generally the same as advised to "Eskimo" this week, but instead of the medicines to be given in the water advised in that reply, give six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece, in the water every second day for a week, and afterwards 20 drops of whisky, five each of oxymel of squills and ipecac. wine, and two of eucalyptus, well shaken in the water, two days in every three for a week, and then every second day for another week.

DEFORMED TOE (G.F.B.).—I'm afraid nothing will cure this toe, and my only advice is to leave it severely alone. It has been allowed to go too long without attention for any treatment, short of amputation, to be of any use whatever. The latter I do not advise you to attempt yourself, though if the conditions remain the same some time hence, it would add to the bird's comfort to get a veterinary, or even your family doctor to do this for you. I say sometime hence, advisedly, because I am strongly inclined to think that your recent interference will cause the toe to mortify and slough off.

VARIOUS (Proctor).—(1) If the clear yellow Yorkshire cock is pink-eyed, the best mate for him, other features being suitable, would be a slightly cinnamon-ticked buff, or a wing or eye marked cinnamon buff, if your bird has any even marked blood in him. If it is a dark or green-eyed bird, then mate with a green ticked or marked bird as above-named. (2) If the enamel was quite dry and hard when you put the bird in the cage, it will take no harm pecking at the back of cage. You may have left a few tiny gritty particles on surface of enamel, which attract the bird. Stick a cube of sugar in the wires for it to peck at. This will divert its attention. (3) I believe the food you name is a good wholesome biscuit food, up to the average of such foods, but I have never used it as a complete substitute for egg-food, so cannot say more definitely about it.

PROTRACTED MOULT (E.T.).—Possibly the bird has left its youth behind it, which is responsible for many of these little troubles. You are silent on that point. Do not keep the bird overheated, but at same time, after being acclimatised to a warm room, do not place in a cold one. Keep in just a comfortable warmth, and see that it is not subject to extreme fluctuations or cold draughts, and do not hang near or over burning lights in the evenings. Feed for the next month the same as advised to "Eskimo" this week. In the water give six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny piece daily for three days and after this in each two tablespoonfuls of drinking water dissolve as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence, half the quantity of sulphate of iron, and add six drops of dilute sulphuric acid. Give the last-named mixture every second day for a fortnight.

A YORKSHIRE HEN (Eskimo).—The hen is clearly much run down from moulting. You do not say whether the room she is in is warm or not. If it is quite unheated place the bird for a week or two in a comfortable temperature, but do not overdo it, and see she is still quite free from cold draughts, extreme and rapid fluctuations, or impure air from the proximity of burning lights. Give a staple diet of plain canary. Every second day give half a teaspoonful of summer rape—the reddish-brown, not the black—separately, and on the alternate days a piece of bread the size of a hazel nut, soaked in cold milk, drained, two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with maw and gold of pleasure mixed together in about equal parts. Twice a week give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, millet, and teazle, and a spray of watercress or morsel of carrot, apple, or banana, three times a week. Add six drops of syrup of buckthorn to the water for two days, and afterwards give six drops of tincture of gentian, and 3 each of tincture of calumba and tincture of steel, in the water every second day for a week. Continue the above feeding for two or three weeks.

BREEDING AND NOT MOULTING (H. B.).—(1) If the hen is in good robust health and active condition now, and continues so next spring and summer, there is no reason why she should not breed successfully. (2) As a general rule, it would certainly be correct to say that when a bird fails to moult in the autumn, it shows that bird is not in the best condition, and that something has occurred to bring about a departure from the normal. But there are exceptional cases where a bird will miss a moult entirely, and yet remain to all appearances in the best of health and condition, as though nothing abnormal had occurred. At other times birds will defer the autumn moult for several weeks and commence to shed their plumage just about the time they should be getting ready to mate. These are the most disappointing cases, and often cause the loss of nearly the whole of a season. Then there are many perfectly sound and healthy birds, which moult at intervals of about 10 or 11 months, commencing a little earlier each year until they, too, moult in the spring. You might treat your hen for a month or so the same as advised to "Greenie" on October 26th. Beyond this, if she appears in good health, I would not advise you to interfere with the course of nature.

POINTS ABOUT EGGS (Doubtful).—(1) The length of time eggs may be kept before sitting varies according to the vigour and stamina of the birds; this, of course, naturally affecting the vitality of the germs in the eggs; and also to the manner in which they are kept. In the vast majority of cases, with the eggs kept in a cool place, covered with bran, and given a half turn daily, a week is the limit of time they can be kept with perfect safety. After this time the vitality of the germ rapidly deteriorates. With very strong germs it is quite possible for them to hatch out after being kept double this length of time. But such cases are the exceptions which go to prove the rule. (2) In the case of a hen deserting the eggs after sitting on them three days, supposing she had sat closely so that the germs had made a fair start in growth, I should expect them to be worthless in a few hours after they had apparently become quite cold. There is, of course, latent heat within the eggs to keep the germs alive for some time after the outsides appear quite cold, but once the germs become chilled through, as it were, at this stage their case is about hopeless. At a later stage, when the embryos are more developed, they would take much longer to chill through. The wisest plan, in any case, is to give every egg a full chance, by allowing it to "sit" its full term, and a little over, when they have been chilled. By doing so many pleasant surprises are encountered.

AVIARY ACCOMMODATION (L.A.D.).—About 75 birds the size of a Norwich Canary is the full accommodation of your aviary from a hygienic standpoint. To have a fair chance of success in breeding one-third of this number is sufficient stock to commence with—say 5 or 6 cocks and 18 to 20 hens. Put in at least 30 nesting sites. The foreign birds had better be discarded, particularly the Cutthroats and Zebras, as they will only create disturbing influences, and considerably reduce your chance of success. The cock Finches you may allow to remain if you wish to try to get a few Mules, but in that case you should reduce the number of Canary cocks to, say, three. On the whole it would be more satisfactory to try for Mules only, or Canaries only.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

A BLACKBIRD (W.G.).—The bird evidently caught a severe cold and succumbed to pneumonia—a disease that carries off so many caged pets. You should have dealt with the eye trouble by bathing with a solution of Condy's Fluid, used comfortably warm, twice daily. Better luck next time!

BULLIE No. 3 (Woodside).—Am sorry I overlooked one of your questions. There can be no harm in stirring 2 or 3 drops of Condy's Fluid into the bird's water, fresh twice daily, for a time. Give only in a glass or earthenware vessel (not tin or zinc). If there should be any slight throat trouble, this is likely to put an end to it. Comparatively speaking, Bullfinches are not very long-lived in captivity.

AN AILING BULLFINCH (Bully).—I am afraid your surmise is only too correct, and that the Bullfinch cannot recover. Try the following: Mix one ounce of tincture of gentian, and two teaspoonfuls of brandy, and of this mixture stir just over half a teaspoonful into the bird's drinking water (two tablespoonfuls). Give fresh daily for four days, then every other day (plain water in between) over a period of ten days.

IN AN AVIARY (Morgan).—Evidently you have little knowledge of Hybrid breeding, or you would know that Bullfinch hens are very troublesome to keep together during the breeding season—they interfere with each other and fight badly, chasing one another up and down the aviary. Yours is a pretty big place, of course, so three or four hens might manage to get along in it fairly comfortably. The best plan undoubtedly is to give each pair a separate home, even if only a cage, providing it be large. You could partition your aviary into four or five compartments, and keep a Bullie hen in each, with whatever mate you chose. Each compartment could house two pairs, providing both hens were not Bullfinches.

A GREENFINCH-BULLFINCH HYBRID (Manx Hybrid).—A splendid coloured picture of a first-class exhibition Greenfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid as given with one of the parts of 'Cage Birds Hybrids." Why not get this part and compare your bird with it? It costs but 7d. post free. The chief points are size, build (wide chest, broad skull, etc.) and richness of colour. These, of course, can only be properly weighed up by someone well acquainted with high-class exhibition specimens. If your bird is not colour-fed it stands little chance in keen competition, no matter how good it otherwise may be. Thus this would tell against its value, as the bird

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

would want keeping over another moult. An ordinary example of this cross is not of great value, say 40s. to 60s., but a real first-class specimen, fit to win at the big shows, would be worth more than double, especially if in "show form."

THE SNOW BUNTING (F. E. S.).—The staple food of the Snow Bunting in captivity is canary seed; it relishes little else in the seed line. Let it be of the best quality. My own bird likes a little insectile mixture (the same as is given Nightingales and the like), which it is frequently given, and has developed a taste for rolled oats (Plasmon oats) and wasp grubs—the latter are practically out of season now. It likes a few mealworms, of course, now and again. I sometimes offer a little mixed seed that has been passed through a seed-mill. It nibbles seeding grass, shepherd's purse and chickweed.

WILD SEEDS (A. H. Baird). The sample of "wild seed" is somewhat different to the vast majority of such mixtures brought to my notice. It would seem to consist largely of the seeds of various grasses and of plantain seed, together with certain "wild rapes." I intend to sow the sample you send in a corner of my garden, and see what comes of it. I should not hesitate to use it; in fact I like the look of it. Wild seed is not of very great value for Canaries—a little now and again is relished—but for such Britishers as will pick it over, nothing can be better in the way of a "tit-bit" or "pick-me-up."

IN A WORKSHOP CORNER (G. W. M.).—You seem to be another of the many who imagine that the easy road to hybrid-breeding lies in putting up an aviary in some corner, and turning a mixture of birds into it. Nothing could be further from the truth. Such a method leads chiefly to disappointment. Take my advice and utilise the space by putting up a number of large cages, turning one pair into each. You will stand far more chance then of realising your ambition and breeding hybrids. Mule breeding (with all Canary hens) might be successful in the aviary, if this contents you. Even then the place would be better divided, through the centre, into two compartments (i.e., each 5ft. high). Think it over and write me again. Note reply given "Morgan" this week.

ANOTHER AILING BULLFINCH (C. M. Morris).—The symptoms are those of a well-established cold, and a cure is uncertain, as I am afraid the lungs must be affected. Are your birds out of all draughts and in an equable temperature? Birds, however, are unfortunately very susceptible to disorders of the breathing apparatus. Try a course of the following medicine: Glycerine, oxymel of squills, ipecacuhana wine and best brandy, one ounce of each, mixed. Stir a small teaspoonful into the drinking water (two tablespoonfuls) fresh daily for a week. Then give on alternate days (plain water in between) over a period of 10 to 14 days.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

WHAT PARROT (Cage Birds, P.).—It is not a Grey Parrot, but rose-breasted or Roseate Cockatoo, neither is it a Brazilian species, for it hails from Australia.

VALUE OF CATBIRD (Tiverton).—Really what you can get for it, it is really an uncommon bird, and if you had a pair you would undoubtedly find a quicker sale for them than for an odd bird. It is of somewhat sombre plumage, and therefore does not appeal to the general body of fanciers; however, you ought to get 25s. to 30s., though considering that it so seldom appears to be on the market, it might command a little higher figure.

WHAT IS IT? (C. R. Bullen).—Your description is very incomplete, and the only species I can make it agree with at all is the Black-cheeked Lovebird; if you know it is not this species, then try and give me a fuller description of the following parts: Forehead, top of head and back of necks, sides of face, and sides of neck. Is there a ring round eye, and what colour? Throat, front of neck, breast, colour of legs and feet. If it is a Black-cheek, it is impossible to sex it from a written description, and very few indeed would attempt to sex an odd bird if they saw it. A really useful and distinctive difference between the two sexes has yet to be found.

GOULDIAN FINCH (F.M.L.).—It is evidentally a young bird, but such cases of parti-coloured heads, though not common, are certainly not rare, neither are they surprising, as the two varieties persistently interbreed. However, your bird may turn out to be a Red-head when this, or possibly, the next moult is complete. If it still remains as it is I should describe it as a Black-head. Are you sure it is a hen, or is it a young cock in parti-colour? but, of course, with both sexes there are specimens of varying intensity in the colouring of the plumage.

AMAZON STILL IN MOULT (Green Amazon).—The bird is going on well, and now I should continue the same treatment for some little time yet. When you have used up your present supply of chemical food, give bynophosphates for a change, using it in exactly the same manner as the chemical food. The first moult in this country is often a protracted one, and your bird seems to be going on really well. Continue the maize daily for some time yet, but later on it may be given less frequently, though as a regular thing Amazons are best with a little, given, say, two or three times a week. All you are giving is wholesome, and the bird should thrive and develop into a handsome specimen.

GREY PARROT (Anxious One).—I should stop the sopped bread, from what you say it is eating plenty without this; moreover, so long as there is whole seed in its tin do not replenish, at any rate till it gets very low; you will thus compel it to eat the other kinds. Most birds pick out their favourite seeds first and then take the others. You must continue the magnesia, etc., as already advised, only ceasing this temporarily if the bowels become too loose. It will ultimately take the fruit. I should offer a little occasionally; sweet apple seems the favourite kind with most Parrots. The boiled maize will be sufficient soft food for it, and lightly dust this with flowers of sulphur. You can give the celery and lettuce. Stop the sopped bread and report again in another 14 days.

AUSTRALIAN PARROT (S.W.).—It is very difficult for me to advise you, as I am not sure of its species. If you were to repeat query and describe the colour of the plumage on the various parts of its body, I could help you better. If, as I suspect, it is a King Parakeet, then half the bulk of its seed mixture should be canary and white millet seeds, and the other half paddy rice, oats, hemp, and sunflower seeds in about equal parts, with greenfood, any ripe fruit it will eat, grit and cuttlebone, and water for drinking and bathing. So long as the voidings are not watery-loose, give every fourth day one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the usual supply of drinking-water, but you must not use a metal drinker. Spray the bird once or twice weekly with quassia solution, but keep it out of draught till dry. It is safe to do this even in winter; choose a genial day, and about 11 a.m. is a good time.

VIRGINIAN CARDINAL (V. A. G.).—The staple diet will be a mixture of canary and white millet seed in equal parts, or better, supply two mixtures and keep a tin of each in the cage. No. 1, as above. No. 2 to consist of 1 part each oats, paddy rice, hemp and sunflower seeds, well mixed together. The bird can then help itself to whichever it desires, but if it shows any tendency to live entirely on sunflower, hemp, etc., do not allow this, but only give a little of the large mixture about three times a week, and then only put this in the cage after it has had a good meal off the smaller mixture. You must also supply ripe fruit daily and, say, three or four mealworms, or other insects per bird daily. The bird should do well in a roomy cage, with a fly round the room daily. A fire-guard should always be in position when the bird is flying about the room.

AVIARY FOR BUDGERIGARS (H.R.W., Novice).—If the circumstances of the case permit, the aviary should not be less than 6ft., though, of course, if you cannot go to this, you will be able to get average results from the birds. Again, the shelter should be nearly as high as the flight, or the birds will not use it; it must also be well lighted, and all glass covered with wire netting in the inside. The idea of the aviary is all right, as per your sketch; but it is not high enough, and you give no front measurements. If you want to breed good, strong, vigorous birds, they must have room to exercise in. You say you have plenty of room: then put up an aviary, say, 12ft. long by 6ft. wide and high, dividing it up as follows: 4ft. shelter, 4ft. covered flight and 4ft. open wire netting; the front should face as near south as possible. In such an aviary you could have three pairs Budgerigars, and one pair each Blue-winged Love-birds and Cockatiels. If you care to send me a stamped addressed envelope per editor, and tell me what size you can go to I shall be pleased to send a rough plan to work to.

YELLOW-WINGED SUGAR-BIRD (Sugarbird).—My reply was posted per return. Queriists must note that queries have first to be forwarded on to the respective specialists. What food do you supply in the covered glass drinker, in addition to the milk? For the present I should limit the quantity and supply to the main diet milk sop and ripe fruit, and only a little of any other items you have been supplying. I should also give it as large a cage as possible, so that the exercise of the aviary may be missed as little as possible.

BUDGERIGARS (Ajax).—This position should not do the birds any harm, for during cold weather they would be warmer in the husks or on the branches. If you have straight perches, take these out and insert in place thereof twiggy branches. Examine your husks, and if there are mite or other parasitic pests harbouring in them, well scald them out with boiling water, and dry in an oven. If the birds are being kept in a room in which artificial light is going to a late hour, possibly it is curiosity that keeps them on the front netting; if that is the case, hang a cover in front of the cage about 8 p.m., disturbing the birds from the netting before doing so. I presume you have husks hanging in the cage, if not, put some in.

FOOT TROUBLE (E. Ashford).—Every fourth day, so long as the voidings are not watery loose, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water; also bathe its feet in hot water (not hot enough for discomfort), dry with a soft cloth, and then paint with neat whiskey; do this daily till relief is given. If you are in the habit of giving this bird tea-sops, milk sops, or table-scraps, gradually discontinue such, and confine its dietary to seed mixture, ripe fruit, plain biscuits, nuts, and a little green food (lettuce, etc.). Keep cuttlebone in the cage, and add a pinch of grit (not sand) to the daily supply of seed. I should resume the bath as soon as possible; if you give it tepid water, it should not do any mischief, if you put the bird into a warm corner till it has properly preened itself and become fairly dry—it is not old for a Parrot.

BREEDING BUDGERIGARS (Ajax Wrexham).—Our Nutshell "Budgerigars," certainly does give the method of procedure for fitting up either a flight or cage, for breeding these birds. There is really little for you to do, put in double the number of husks or small barrels that you have pairs of birds (you must adapt some contrivance to keep the mice out of nest receptacles if they infest your bird room), and well furnish the back of cage with twiggy branches, for the birds to climb about or cut up; replace these as required. Supply canary and white millet seeds, a few oats and millet sprays, green food, grit and cuttlebone, and keep a slice of fresh sweet apple in the cage, also a leaf of fresh lettuce as opportunity offers. You must then leave the birds to settle down, and in due course you may look for results. You could add either a pair of Blue-winged Lovebirds or Cockatiels to your present stock.

FIREFINCH IN BAD FEATHER (D. E. P.).—The hen bird is being plucked by her mate, or the other occupants of the cage. You must cage her separately till the feathers are grown again on the bare parts, and if you put her in a cage similarly furnished to the one she now occupies, and not too small, in a warm room, the plumage should soon be renewed. Give her a cocoanut shell to sleep in. Keep her bowels moving freely, not watery-loose, by an occasional half-teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water (usual quantity), and on the other days the same quantity of byno-phosphates.

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots far Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet St., London, E.C.

You must not use a metal drinker when giving drugs. If the bare skin is hard and dry, anoint with a little clean vaseline, but do not use enough to run among and grease the surrounding plumage.

ALL ABOUT DOVES (Aislabie).—It is quite impossible for me to answer your query in its present form, even a bare list would occupy more space than the Editor would allow me. If you will kindly repeat query next week, and state your accommodation, how and where you desire to keep them, and whether you favour large or small species, I shall be in a position to give a helpful answer.

AFRICAN GREY PARROT (Oliver).—Very pleased to hear of such a good result, but that small swelling must be kept under observation, and if it develops at all, send us a report of its character. I should foment this daily with tepid water, drying afterwards with a soft cloth. If you have not got our Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot," 2½d. post free, from our Manager, get it, and bring your bird on the diet advised therein, but do not make sudden changes. Bathe the nostrils with dilute glycothymoline so long as the running continues. Every fourth day, so long as the voidings are not watery loose, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water. Examine the interior of its mouth, and if this is slimy, or there are any indications of white spots about it, put a little honey and borax into the mouth once or twice daily; this will help to keep the mouth and throat clear, and relieve the bird. Report progress in a few weeks.

SUGARBIRD IN MOULT (Sugar Bird).—My Sugarbirds subsist entirely on milk sop and fruit, and what few insects they capture in the aviary. Unless your bird is over fat, do not give any medicine, but if it is unduly fat, give it a larger cage, and keep it in a warm room. If you have to give laxatives, give 4 doses of Dinneford's Magnesia—5 drops in the usual supply of milk sop—with three days between each dose. Prepare your milk sop so: One teaspoonful of condensed milk, tablespoonful of finely crumbled sponge cake, saltspoonful of Mellin's Food, teaspoonful of honey, and two or three tablespoonfuls of boiling water and stir well together; of course, half the quantity can be mixed if this be sufficient. Also supply fully ripe banana and grapes. If you have access to any indoor roses, you might collect the green fly from these on a camel hair brush, and so offer it to the birds. One or two mealworms per diem will not hurt the bird (but if it is over fat, do not give these at present). Some Sugarbirds will not touch them, though I have come across many that will; some will not touch insectile mixture, but if yours are accustomed to take a little, by all means continue to supply it. The moult is a critical period with all birds, induce them to take as much exercise as possible, and keep them in warm, but not stuffy quarters. My Sugarbirds were in the outside aviary up to October 24th.

GOULDIAN FINCHES (Enthusiast).—In the face of what has already happened, I cannot advise you to leave these out for the winter, as the young birds have evidently caught a chill; the young birds have also the ordeal of coming into adult plumage before them. Catch them up and put them in the largest cage you can give them, and bring them indoors, they will mope a bit at first, I expect, owing to curtailed liberty. Give them the usual diet, with milk-sop (sloppy) in addition. Also give them one dose of Dinneford's magnesia half teaspoonful to each ounce of the drinking water—follow this by a course of byno-phosphates, given in the same proportions. Keep up the supply of cuttlebone and grit. Gouldians are, as a rule, very fond of a piece of damp rock-salt. Rape, canary and millet seedlings make good winter greenfood, as also does frame lettuce, but neither must be tainted with frost. For the winter housing of such species in a northern county the flight and shelter shed should be of about equal area, with the latter well lighted and the windows so arranged as to admit the maximum of sun during the winter. A sheaf or two of straw hung up perpendicularly, with the heads loose, make good warm winter roosting quarters for small Finches, but there must be no traps between the straw and wall, etc., where the birds can wedge themselves in, and not be able to get out again. Our Nutshell, "Gouldian Finches," 2½d. post free from our manager, should help you.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

A. Lee.—Canary died of pneumonia.

F. Fairhurst.—Bird died of enteritis due probably to the ingestion of some irritant material. As you have omitted to enclose a sample of your seed I cannot give an opinion re same. You had better send a sample of each, including the hemp, to Mr. Claude St. John, who will advise and report to you.

Archd. Milloy.—Ulcerative inflammation of the bowels induced by mineral or vegetable poisons. The source of these is difficult to determine, but may be due to contamination of water supply, or other media.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

Another Secretary.—Will certainly publish your letter—this week, if space permits.

R. Holmes.—We understand there were no catalogues, so the mistake in the numbers may have arisen by reason of this.

J. Brown.—It is a marking ring, and used so that the bird can be identified by the number stamped upon it.

Exhibitor.—We are getting very tired of receiving letters of complaint concerning the Dublin Society in question. It is hard to believe that the secretary would deliberately refuse to send the marked catalogue for which you say you paid. Why not complain to the chairman?

C. Mayer.—You can certainly bring wild birds into London providing you can prove that they have been caught over a fortnight. The Protection Acts vary in every county, and it would be too lengthy a matter to deal with all. Why not get copies of the Acts for the places you are most interested in?—they are only one penny each, plus postage.

J. Coveney.—You cannot get into trouble providing you do not catch and keep birds which are protected by the Wild Bird Act governing the County of Kent. In the metropolitan police area practically all birds are protected.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Biggar.—Nov. 23, Municipal Hall. Judges: Messrs. D. Hamilton, G. Marlin. 26 open classes: Bord. 11 (1 Sell.), Nor. 6 (1 Sell.), A.O.V. 1, Brit. 7, A.O. Cage Bird 1. Prizes, 7s. 6d., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 16, to G. Mitchell, West End.

Reading.—Nov. 20, Palmer Hall, West Street. Judges: Messrs. J. Robson, H. D. Astley. 20 open classes: Nor. 5, Yorks. 5, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 3, Sell. 2, For. 4. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 13, to W. H. Pyke, 102, Radstock Road.

Ayr.—Nov. 23, Green's Pavilion. Judge, Mr. D. A. S. Longden. 35 open classes: Scots, Fancy 2, Nor. 4, Crest 2, Yorks. 4, Bord. 4, Sell. 3, Mules 2, Brit. 14, For. 3. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 16, to C. W. Paterson, Albion House, Carrick Road.

Wandsworth.—Nov. 27-28, Public Baths Hall, High St. Judge: Mr. H. Norman. 39 open classes: Nor. 12 (6 Nov.), Yorks. 12 (6 Nov.), Bord. 3 (1 Nov.), Crest 2, Brit. 5, Mules 3, For. 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 18, to W. Lightfoot, 86, Heythorpe Street, Southfields, S.W.

Bristol.—Nov. 27-28, Coliseum, Park Row. Judges: Messrs. J. H. Roe, C. A. House. 39 open classes: Nor. 8 (1 Sell.), Crest 4, Cinn. 2, Bord. 2, For. 2, Yorks. 8 (1 Sell.), Lancs. 3, Mule 3, Brit. 6, Sell. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 11, to G. Maggs, 9, Trinity Street, Newtown, Bristol.

Consett Blackhill.—Nov. 23, Skating Rink. Judge, Mr. J. Robson. 30 open classes: Yorks. 4, Nor. 11, Bord. 3, Mule 1, Brit. 7, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 2, Gift 1. Ent. close Nov. 18, to J. H. Coupland, Leadgate, co. Durham.

Belper.—Nov. 16, Public Hall. Judge, Mr. G. College. 8 open classes: Nor. 2, Yorks. 2, Crest 2, Sell. 1, Nov. 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. 3d. Ent. close Nov. 14, to Stillman and Holden, Belper.

Bonsall.—Nov. 21, Public Hall. Judge: Mr. G. Elkins. 4 open classes: Yorks. 1, Nor. 1, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 14, to S. W. Bateman, Yeoman Street.

Doncaster.—Nov. 22-23, Drill Hall, French Gate. Judges: Messrs. H. W. Battye, W. Vardy, J. Walsh. 46 open classes: Yorks. 11 (4 Nov.), Nor. 9 (4 Nov.), Crest 4, Bord. 3, Sell. 3, Mule 3, Brit. 10 (1 Sell.), For. 3. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 18, to G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion Street.

City and Suburban.—Nov. 15-16, 59-60, Paddington Street, Marylebone, W.. Judges: Messrs. J. Payne, H. Norman. 102 classes. Ent. close Nov. 14, to H. W. Dickinson, 86, Station Road, Harrow.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Aintree F.S.—Nov. 11, Headquarters, Church Hill, Long Lane, 8. General meeting and important lecture on "Cage Bird Breeding," etc., by Mr. Benson (New Brighton). Arrangements for quarterly show, etc. Local fanciers cordially invited; admission free.—J. A. Anderson.

Ayr C.B.C.—Nov. 13, Academy Hall, 7.30. Open show report; classification and judge for club show.—James Sloan.

Attercliffe C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Horse and Jockey, 8. Second table show (points specials); coupons for Ramsden's and Sandiford's peppers to be brought in.—W. Hailstone.

Barrow C.B.A.—Nov. 13, Headquarters, 7.30. Backyard show business, and lecture by Mr. G. Large.—Jas. F. Fleming.

Bramley O.S.—Nov. 11, Old Unicorn Inn, Bramley, 8. Monthly meeting; business important.—W. H. Steel.

Bolton Roller C.S.—Nov. 12, Joiners' Arms Hotel, Bolton, 8. Special show business.—William Massey.

British Roller C.C.—Nov. 12, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martins-le-Grand, 8. Final arrangements for club show.—J. W. Norris.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Nov. 9, Shoulder of Mutton, 8. Selecting Union judges; members' show business; also washing exhibition and competition for novices, entrance fee 3d.—Kilburn and Western.

Birmingham South O.S.—Nov. 13, Sydenham Hotel, 8.30. Members' 'Xmas show business, judge, classes, specials; elect 3 new members.—J. Sheppard.

Coventry O.S.—Nov. 13, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Last entries taken for annual open show.—A. J. Barratt.

Colinton and Currie Parishes O.S.—Nov. 16, Drill Hall, Juniper Green, 8. Financial statement by Secretary, and other general business.—Jas. Napier.

Chester C.B.S.—Nov. 11, Nag's Head Cocoa House, 8.30. Final arrangements for annual show; specials, etc.; important.—Ch. P. Simpson.

Cardiff C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Market Hotel, 8. Special meeting to complete arrangements for open show.—E. Thomas.

Chopwell C.B.S.—Nov. 9, Club Hall, 2. Social and other business.—William Tomlinson.

Denton C.B.S.—Nov. 18, Brotherhood Institute, 8. General show business, all entries to be in.—W. Hopwood.

Derwent Valley.—Nov. 9, headquarters, 7.—Lindsay and Marsh.

Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.—Nov. 13, George Hotel, 8. Final arrangements for open show.—Arthur Walker.

Glasgow West End C.B.C.—Nov. 8, Co-operative Hall, St. George's Cross, 8. Annual show business.—W. Proudfoot.

Gt. Horton (Good Intent) O.S.—Nov. 9, Wesley Place Schools, 7.30. Open show business. Selection of Union judges, 1913 and 1914.—H. Gornall.

Great Horton O.S.—Nov. 9, Butcher's Arms, 8. Special business.—J. Holroyd.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Nov. 13, Lockhart's, High St., 7.30. Specials and show business.—J. G. Greason.

Haltwhistle.—Nov. 11, Mr. Nicholson's, 7.30. Final arrangements for open show. Also Nov. 9, Washing Exhibition, 5.30. Place advertised locally.—Nicholson and Tallantyre.

Hackney, Stoke Newington F.A.—Nov. 12, headquarters, 110, Church Street, Stoke Newington, 8. To make final arrangements for annual open and members' show.—C. L. Hatchett.

Highgate, Hampstead C.B.S.—Nov. 8, 9, Spencer Hall, Dartmouth Park Hill, N. Annual show.—We give a special invitation to all bird lovers.—J. Hyde,

Hyde C.B.S.—Nov. 11, St. George's School, 8. Important business.—T. Allsop.

Hebden Bridge and C.V.O.S. Nov. 14, White Horse, 7.30. Table show. Final arrangements for old bird show.—A. Pickles.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Nov. 9, White Lion Hotel, 7.30. Business important. R. H. Dixon.

Hornsey, Wood Green C.B.S.—Nov. 16, Three Jolly Butchers, High Road, Wood Green. Annual show, 3-10. P. Brooke.

Heywood O.S.—Nov. 13, Rochdale Hall, Pine St., 8. To allot specials and receive entries for annual show.—A. H. Meadowcroft.

Keighley C.B.S.—Nov. 12, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Selecting stewards for show.—J. Binns.

Kent County C.B.A.—Nov. 13, Barton Road Boys' School, 8. Correspondence. H. Wood.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Nov. 16, Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7. Payment of prize money won at annual show.—James Pollock.

Leeds C.B.S.—Members' show, Nov. 9, St. George's Schools (near Infirmary). Birds staged 2.30. Judge, Mr. R. Halliday (Shipley). Show open to public, 4 to 7.30. Admission 2d.—W. W. Wilson.

Lancs. and Lizard F.A.—Nov. 16, Wellington Hotel, Kingston Brow, Hyde, 6.30. General and club show business.—John Rukin.

Longton C.B.S.—Nov. 12, Castle Inn, 8. Arrangements for winter show.—Harry George.

London C.B.A.—Nov. 16, The Feathers, t. Chapel Street, Westminster, S.W., 8. General business.—W. H. Mugford and F. Knight.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Nov. 9, Greyhound Hotel, 7. Show matters.—Daniel John.

Middleton C.B.S.—Nov. 11, Old Boar's Head, 8. Show business, etc.—J. Oldham.

Norwich Plainhead Club.—Nov. 16, Preston Show, 4 p.m. General meeting.—F. Cunliffe.

Pendleton and Salford O.S.—Nov. 11, Irwell Castle, Lwr. Broughton, 8. Final arrangements for show; allotting specials; delegates' report.—Cretchley and Metcalfe.

Rawtenstall and Dis. F.S.—Nov. 12, 8, Mission Room, Hall Street, Rawtenstall.—Herbert Kershaw.

Ryecroft and Rawmarsh.—Nov. 9, Queen's Hotel, 8. Special meeting.—W. Wilshaw.

Runcorn B.B.A.—Nov. 12, headquarters, 8. To receive entries and business in relation to show.—John Fearnett.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Nov. 9, College Inn, 8. Important meeting, fixing officials for show, etc.—B. Bailey.

Sale C.B.S.—Nov. 11, Volunteer Hotel, 8. Open show business.—Royle and Wood.

South Shields.—Nov. 8, Cyprus, 8. Note: Friday evening. Election of auditors.—Wm. S. Smith.

Sandy Lane C.B.A.—Nov. 12, Victoria Hotel, 8. Business important.—Ratcliffe and Shaw.

Skipton C.B.S.—Nov. 12, Globe Coffee Tavern, 8. Show business.—E. Gill.

Spen Valley C.B.S.—Entries close Nov. 8 for members' show.—J. Bamford.

South London Co. and F.A.—Nov. 14, headquarters, 8. General meeting, election of stewards for annual show; committee meeting after.—Geo. F. Crawford.

Tong C.B.S.—Nov. 12, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.45.—W. Walker.

Ushaw Moor Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Nov. 9, club, 7. Show business.—Henry Briggs.

Wandsworth F.S.—Nov. 14, Red Lion, 8. Election of stewards and final arrangements for open show, Nov. 27.—W. Lightfoot.

Wombwell B.F.A.—Nov. 16, Park Street Sunday School, 7. Important.—Thos. Eames.

Walthamstow F.A.—Nov. 21, Trinity Lecture Hall, Orford Road, Walthamstow. Annual show.—H. C. Cooper.

Wolverhampton C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Duke of York, Princes Street. Paying out of prize money and settling for tickets, etc.—J. Gibbons.

York C.B.S.—Nov. 11, All Saints' School, 7.45. Lantern lecture, Mr. U. Zimmermann, "Bird Life on Strensall Common." Last members' show, Wednesday, 13th, at 2.30 prompt. Judge, A. Brown (Gateshead).—H. Sayles.

Northampton.—Nov. 20, 20th Century Club, Newland. Judge: Mr. J. C. Wilmot. 10 open classes: Nor. 6, Cinn. 1, A.O.V. or Mule 1, Sell. 1, Brit. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 13, to Cox and Barrett, 69, Hunter Street.

Headless Cross.—Nov. 23, White Hart Assembly Rooms. Judge: Mr. J. H. Forsyth. 3 open classes: Nor. 1, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 1. Prizes, 5s., 3s., 2s. Fee, 6d. Ent. close Nov. 9, to F. S. Johnson, Grand View, Crabb's Cross.

Stoke-on-Trent.—Nov. 14, Sutherland Assembly Room, High Street. Judge: Mr. H. W. Battye. 38 open classes: Nor. 13 (6 Nov.), Yorks. 13 (6 Nov.), A.O.V. 1, Mules 2, Brit. 6, For. 1, Sell. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 11, to, J. Pitchford, 218, London Road.

Cockermouth.—Nov. 23, Public Hall. Judge, Mr. J. W. Bruce. 23 open classes: Bord. 9 (1 Sell.), Yorks. 7, Nor. 2, A.O.V. 2, Pairs 1, Mules 2, Sell. 2, Brit. 6, For. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 18, to J. Jackson, 14, Crown Street.

Cramlington.—Nov. 23, Co-op. Hall. Judges: Messrs. A. Hay, H. Seeley. 16 open classes: Nor. 4, Bord. 4, Yorks. 4, A.O.V. 1, Mule 1, Sell. 1, Brit. 1. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-, 1/- Fee, 1/-. Entries close Nov. 16, to J. R. Chestney, Quarry Cottage.

Whitby.—Nov. 27, Market Hall. Judge, Mr. W. H. Battye. 15 open classes: Yorks. 2, Nor. 3, Crest 1, Mule 1, Brit. 6, Sell. 1, For. 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. Ent. close Nov. 20, to J. G. Tomlinson, Central Chambers, Baxtergate, Whitby.

Ambleside.—Nov. 21, Assembly Rooms. Judge, Mr. F. Archer. 14 open classes: Nor. 2, Yorks. 2, Bords. 3, A.V. 3, Brit. 1, Mule 1, For. 1, Sell. 1, Gift 1. Prizes, 6s., 3s., 1s. 6d. Fee, 1s. Ent. close Nov. 16, to J. M. King, The Green.

Blairgowrie.—Nov. 23, Public Hall. Judge, Mr. J. F. Dewar. 28 open classes: Crest 2, Nor. 5, Bord. 4, Yorks. 2, A.O.V. 1, Mule 2, Brit. 7, For. 3, Sell. 2. Prizes, 8s., 5s., 3s., 2s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 19, to M. Irvine, 17, Brown Street.

Hull.—Nov. 15-16, New Corn Exchange. Judges, Messrs. J. Robson, H. W. Battye. 48 open classes: Nor. 11 (3 Nov.), Yorks. 11 (3 Nov.), Bord. 3, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 3, Gift 1, Mules 5, Brit. 10, For. 3. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d., 1s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 11, to E. R. Ridley, 19, Lambton Street.

Gravesend.—Nov. 27-28, Pavilion Rink, Pelham Road. Judge, Mr. C. E. Silk. 28 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks. 3, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 3, Brit. 10 (1 Sell.), For. 4. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 20, to A. H. Terry, 12, New Road.

Hinckley.—Nov. 23, Drill Hall. Judge, Mr. J. H. Roe. 17 open classes: Nor. 6, Yorks. 1, A.O.V. 1, Mule 1, Brit. 5, For. 1, Sell. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 16, to H. Ridgway, Hinckley.

Buckie.—Nov. 27, Fishermen's Hall. Judge, Mr. J. Lyon. 36 open classes: Bord. 7, Nor. 11, Pairs 1, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 1, Brit. 7, Mule 2, For. 2, Sell. 3, Gift 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 20, to M. Bunyan, 43, West Church Street.

Wimbledon.—Nov. 19-20, Queen's Hall, Queen's Road. Judges, Messrs. R. Halliday, M. Jacquemin, J. Robson, H. Norman. 60 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks. 7, Crest 2, Bord. 4, Rollers 3 (1 Sell.), A.O.V. 1, Nov. Nor. 6, Nov. Yorks. 6, Nov. Crest 2, Nov. Bord. 2, Brit. 11, Mules 6, For. 2, Sell. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d., Rollers 12s. 6d., 7s. 6d., 4s., 2s., 2s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 12, to H. Smith, 115, Merton Road.

ENTRIES EXTENDED.

Nov. 10 (1st post).—**Bristol.**—B. L. Pool, 37, Manor Rd., Bishopston, Bristol.

Nov. 10 (1st post).—**Abertillery.**—E. Churchill, 29, Tillery St.

Nov. 10.—**Merthyr Tydfil.**—J. Thomas, 30, Gilfach Cynon.

Nov. 11 (1st post).—**Swansea.**—S. H. George, 32, Fisher St.

Nov. 11.—**Brighton.**—W. H. Gibb, 19, Bond St.

Nov. 11.—**Alnwick.**—R. Forster, 42, Bondgate (Without).

Nov. 13.—**Coventry O.S.**—A. J. Barratt, 98, Craven St.

Nov. 14 (last post).—**Wiveliscombe (Som.).**—Hill and Dascombe.

Nov. 15.—**Southampton.**—A. L. Kiddle, "Homelands," Bitterne, Southampton.

BURSLEM.

First annual show held at Barnfields Inn, Nov. 2, Mr. Henry Tams, of Longton, judged. There was a fine display of Norwich and British, some of the winners being a credit to their owners, who are a lot of young enthusiasts. Special winners were: L. James, best yellow in show, also best unflighted, and Hodson Todds special for most points; special best buff went to J. Wilkinson; specials, best unflighted hen, most points in hen classes, and most points by a member who had never won a first in any competition, were won by F. Greatbatch.

NOR. YELL., CL. or TKD.: 1, sp, James. BUFF: 1, sp, Wilkinson; 2, Greatbatch; 3, Wilkinson; vhc, Hulme; hc, Johnson. MKD. or VARIEG.: 1, Hulme. BUFF: 1, Greatbatch; 2, Hassell; 3, Johnson. HEN YELL.: 1, sp, hc, Greatbatch; 2 Wilkinson; 3 James; vhc Wilkinson; c Hulme. BUFF: 1, c, James; 2, Greatbatch; 3, Wilkinson; vhc, Hassall; hc, Oakes. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, sp, James; 2, Johnson; 3, Wilkinson; vhc, Greatbatch. BUFF: 1, hc, James; 2, Johnson; 3, Broad; vhc, c, Oakes. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Swetnam. BUFF: 1, 2, Swetnam. HEN: 1, 2, Swetnam. GOLDFINCH: 1, Theabold; 2, 3, vhc, Dean. LINNET: 1, 2, Theabold; 3, hc, Williams; vhc, c Dean. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Dean. MULE: 1, Theabold; 2, 3, Dean; vhc, Beard.

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Correspondence.

Appreciated by the Novices.

Sir, With regard to last week's coloured supplement, I thing it rather a good idea for the different birds to be faulty, and then to have someone to point those faults out. It is a grand way of educating us novices.

Wm. Flemming.

Green Canary Classes at Preston Show.

Sir, Owing to an error in our schedule, the green classes are not right according to the C.C.C.A. requirements. Will you please help me out of the difficulty by inserting the following in a prominent position. The green Canary classes at Preston show should read as follows: Class 22, self or foul yellow York cock; 23, do. buff; 24, do. yellow hen; 25, do. buff; 26, do. yellow Nor. cock; 27, do. buff; 28, do. yellow hen; 29, do. buff.

J. P. Leeming, Hon. Sec.

A Record Entry at Paignton Show.

Sir, -Many thanks for the excellent report of our show. We are sorry it was stated that entries were two short of last year. We know these figures were given to your reporter the night before the show, but the entries were really 12 above last year, and a record for the society. We shall be glad if you will give us the credit of this in your paper, as we worked very hard to get it. All prize money was paid within three days of show, as advertised.

J. N. and J. Jeffery, Secs.

The Criticism of Judges' Awards

Sir,- I am sure Mr. Baker's excellent article on Mr. Norman's fine picture of Norwich last week will be much appreciated by your readers. His remarks respecting criticism of judges came just at the right time. I lately visited a certain show where I was not exhibiting, and followed the judging soon after the cards were up and saw nothing to complain of, although a friend of mine did not get a ticket with his birds. Later in the evening, a well known judge was reporting for another paper "by gaslight." His remarks as published were most scathing and in my opinion savoured more of the "green-eyed monster" than just criticism.

W. Thomas.

Bromley.

Colour-fed Greenfinches at the Scottish National Show.

An Explanation.

Sir, With reference to a letter from Mr. A. McLean in your issue of last week desiring me to correct a slight error I made in my advert. when I claimed to have sold the Scottish National winning Colour-Fed Greenfinch the advt. should have read Non-Fed. I am not in the habit of stating falsehoods in my advts. or correspondence I have had in Cage Birds. About the end of Sept. last I had a letter from an old friend, Mr. Chris. Waters, of Monkwearmouth, Sunderland, in which he wrote words to this effect: I am sure you will be interested to learn that the F.M. Greenie I purchased from you Feb., 1911, has done a lot of winning, and he mentions wins, finishing up with 1st at Scottish National. I mistook his writing the word non-fed for colour-fed. I am very sorry to drag Mr. Waters' name into this matter, but I know him to be a real good fancier, who would not object to this explanation. At the same time, I consider Mr. McLean is quite justified in "pulling my ear," and I hope he will take this note in the spirit it is given.

A. J. A. Martey.

Unprolificacy in Canaries.

Sir, I read Mr. Steel's article on this subject with interest, and then pondered. But it was of no use. All my pondering failed to convince me that my own experience, and that of so many others which I handle, went to show that Canaries are becoming so unproductive as the article suggests. I could, of course, point to numerous isolated instances of unprolificacy, which, however, do not by any means occur invariably in highly bred birds. On the contrary, they occur in the commonest birds as well as in the moderately good and the best. On the other hand, the very many instances which occur now-a-days, perhaps more than ever before, of hens having broods practically all the year round when allowed to do so, and of hens laying almost perpetually whether mated or not, is a set-off that points just as strongly in the other direction. Mr. Rukin's account of his Lizards' breeding in your issue of Sept. 28 might also be taken as indicative of very many other examples which certainly do not point to barrenness. I hope many more breeders of good exhibition stock will yet give their opinions on this point.

Claude St. John.

A Novice's Quick Jump!

Sir,—Lewes show report says that members' special for best bird went to Mr. Daudridge; but the special for best member's bird in cage-bird section was awarded to my Hawfinch. As this was my first show, and I am therefore out of the novice section on making my debut as an exhibitor, I trust you will excuse me being a little jealous of the honour. I thank you in anticipation for the correction also for splendid report.

E. Relf.

The Hornsey and Wood Green C.B.S. Annual Show.

Sir, -I notice in last week's Cage Birds it is stated that the Wood Green Society have postponed their annual show to Jan. 4, 1913. This has no connection with the above Society, as we are holding our annual show as arranged, on Nov. 16, at the "Three Jolly Butchers," High Road, Wood Green. I shall be glad if you will make this clear to your readers in your next issue. The notice I refer to should have read: "The Wood Green Fur and Feather Society."

P. Brooks, Hon. Sec.

Keeping the Birdroom Window from "Sweating."

Sir, I have been a constant reader of Cage Birds for a number of years, and I have had many useful hints and much information from it. I should like to know how to keep the glass in the front window of my bird-house from "sweating." Would any reader help me in the matter, as I don't like it? I herewith give a description. It is facing South-East, and stands on 8in. plank floor; 6ft. long, 6ft. wide, 8ft. high at back, 2in. from stone wall; lean-to roof, 6ft. high in front; 4ft. square fixed window: two 8in. ventilators, one in each end parallel with back, and inset in a 12in. by 40in. triangle, which is on hinges, and opened as I think necessary, and runs in a direct line over cages.

O. Moffitt.

Sad Losses Due to Heating Stoves.

Sir,—I am sorry to inform you that Mr. Fred Bowman, the well-known Yorkshire Canary fancier, of Glasgow, has had the misfortune to lose the whole of his stock, owing to the failure of his heating-stove on Sunday last. Readers who are in the habit of using artificial heat should be very careful about their stoves, as they are very apt to go wrong when you least expect it.

S. F. Wood.

Sir,—It is with regret I hear that one of our recently joined members, Mr. W. E. Atkinson, Anlaby Road, Hull, has had the misfortune to lose all his birds, suffocated by gas. It is doubly unfortunate, as Mr. Atkinson was on his holidays at the time. He was hoping to make a good entry at our open show. I hear his loss numbers 46 birds, and I am sure all fanciers will sympathise with Mr. Atkinson in the loss sustained, especially so seeing that he is a recent recruit to the Fancy.

E. R. Ridley.
Hon. Sec. Hull C.B.S.

[We are sure fanciers will join us in a heartfelt expression of sympathy with Mr. Bowman and Mr. Atkinson.—Editor.]

Alleged Clear Linnet Mule ("Wrong-classed") at Grimsby.

Sir,—In your report of Grimsby show (held Oct. 30 and 31) you give my exhibit as "wrong classed," alleged to be an ordinary Canary. I don't know what the judge thought it was, but I say it is a clear Linnet Mule, bred from a Yorkshire hen and a Grey Linnet. I have had the hen in my possession for three years, and she has never been mated with a Canary. The Linnet was caught here two years ago. Her first season (1910) mated with Canary-reared Linnet: 1st nest, 4, 3 fairly light, one dark Mule; 2nd nest, 2, 1 light, 1 died. Second season (1911) mated with the caught Linnet: 1st and 2nd nests, clear eggs; 3rd nest, 2 light Mules. Third season (1912) mated with same Linnet: Three nests clear eggs: 4th nest, one light, one clear (the bird in question). These were hatched about the end of July, and as I had no Canaries breeding at that time, there could be no mistake about the eggs. Then, again, I keep my Canaries in a separate aviary—they are fifteen yards apart. I am only a novice, but I know better than to exhibit my birds as anything but what I represent them to be. I have taken Cage Birds regularly, since I started my aviary, and have found valuable hints on feeding and management of birds.

Harold G. Fisher.

Mules at High Blantyre Show.

Sir,—Kindly allow me to ask the judge at High Blantyre Club show, Nov. 2, to give his reasons for the following decisions. The novice mule class contained three birds, two Greenfinch Mules, and one Goldfinch. In this class the judge placed a Greenfinch Mule 1st and the Goldie Mule 2nd. These birds were then placed in the champion class to compete for the Mule cup. In this class the judge placed the Goldie Mule 2nd and the Greenie Mule (which beat it in the novice class) was placed 4th. When asked his reasons for this, he stated that he wanted to mix them up a bit. I would like to know what was meant by "mixing them up," and would esteem it a great favour if the judge would enlighten me.

Wm. Gunning.

Are Canaries Too Old at Three?

A Well-known Yorkshireman's Opinion.

Sir, Without the slightest hesitation, I say, "Decidedly No!" My long experience in the Canary Fancy both as an exhibitor and breeder prompts me to make such a reply. I have proved it over and over again. Doubtless it may appear startling to many when I assert that I have a bird (a Yorkie to boot) in my aviary at the present time that is sixteen years old, and has never yet proved itself too old for stock production. What is more, the bird is as good and neat as ever in its appearance save slight signs of weakness in the legs. The bird can be seen in my aviary to-day, and I can vouch for my statement. This and other birds which, in my experience I have come across, prove that Canaries are not too old at three.

Jim Overend.

Ravensthorpe

A Noted Lizard Fancier's Hard Luck.

Sir, I have commenced the season with very bad luck, having already two of my teams of Lizards out of action. I sent six birds to Grantham on Wednesday last, and on Thursday I got a wire to say my best Broken Cap Silver was in a dying condition this bird was also entered for Sheffield, so that put a stopper on both shows. On Saturday I received word from Mr. Bishop, Sheffield secretary, that my 3rd Grantham Broken Cap Gold, had arrived dead at Sheffield, hence same being marked absent in catalogue. So I had the doubtful pleasure of receiving four birds home in place of six. Pleased to say my Clear Cap Gold "Ray of Gold" has added 1sts at Grantham and Sheffield, to his 1st at Manchester—not bad this, for a novice. I have to thank Mr. Barnes, of Grantham, for his care of my ailing bird, as he has promised to try and bring it round for me, and is giving it every attention. I am pleased to say Lizards are coming up fairly well at the shows, but Lancashires are coming up badly. Sheffield show, however, suffered on account of Oldham and Rochdale Good Intent being same day.

John Rukin,
Hon. Sec. L. and L.F.A.

Who First Established the White Canary Strain?

Sir,—It seems scarcely worth while at this date to reply to Mr. Kiesel's letter appearing in your issue of August 10th, and especially as it must be quite apparent to the least intelligent of your readers that my claim is to establishing first a true strain of White Canaries, breeding true to colour, not to having bred myself the first white sport—this Mr. Kiesel undoubtedly did about six months before my bird (which I purchased) was hatched. But, in spite of his possessing a white bird a season before I did, it was not until a season after I had done so that Mr. Kiesel managed to breed all whites from white parents, his previous white birds having all been bred from a coloured parent, and having coloured brothers or sisters in the nest (as he himself stated) therefore being sports and not a true type. I have to thank Mr. Kiesel for putting the matter so clearly before your readers, and thus proving my claim to having been the first in the field to establish a type of White Canary, breeding true to colour. You may be interested to know that the season has started very well with me, as I have now eleven more young white ones.

Maud S. Martin
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New Zealand.

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To Bring Young Canaries into Song.

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J. Williams.

The Crested Canary Club's Cup Awards at Manchester Show.

Sir,—I wish to enter a protest against the Crested Canary Club cup awards at the above show, and suggest the 1st prize birds in the current year classes should be judged by two other judges. My reason for this is as follows: The awards were not made at the Manchester show, and no one, not even the show secretary, could say who had been awarded the cups up to packing the birds off on Saturday night. Although I am interested in these awards, being one of the prize winners, I am not entering this protest as a bad sportsman, but as an official of the C.C.C. Club, whose rules do not admit of awards being made after the catalogues are published and the names of the exhibitors known.

C. C. Ley.

The Alleged Protest at the City of Glasgow Show.

Sir,—On looking over my Cage Birds of Friday last I see that the secretary of the City of Glasgow show says there never was a protest laid that he heard of; but I might say I went to protest myself, and I gave the secretary the class number and cage number, and I asked him if the prize-money had been paid out, and he said "Yes." I told him I had come to lay a protest against this bird, but he never said he would take it. I have never laid a protest before against any bird, so I did not know what to do. But I can assure you, Mr. Editor, that this will not be my last, when I have a cause the same as this. I had a gentleman with me in the show who had never seen a bird show before, as he only goes out to catch a few birds. When he saw the bird that the protest test was going to be made about, his remark was: "Who on earth painted this bird, for there never was a bird that colour!" I have no fault to find with the officials of the show: I only want the truth. While painting and such-like things are going on I am sure the shows will never pay, as novices can see for themselves they have no chance of winning except they can get some one to paint their birds for them; or else we must have judges who will put these birds out.

S. Williams.

A Failure at Linnet Catching.

Sir,—"Up in the morning early" in your fine double issue was very amusing to me, as unfortunately I had similar experiences this year. Although I thoroughly understand the setting of nets and have had considerable success at times, I was very much disappointed this year when trying to secure some Linnets. Considering how they are offered and sold at a few pence each, one would imagine that to catch them in hundreds would be an easy task. Well, I expended in week-end outings this year to catch Linnets quite 30s. to 40s.; results, not one single bird. I certainly understand the setting out of nets, having had considerable success with other birds in previous years, but Linnets I could not secure. I set my nets well out in meadows, stubble fields, in ideal surroundings—in fact, there were continually some 50 to 70 Linnets feeding in the field. I had two brace birds acting perfectly on the sticks, another on the ground, and four or five in cages around the nets, and all sorts of enticing seeds and plants inside, but all to no avail. As I am not likely to be a competitor to professional catchers—never having sold, nor intending to sell a bird—I would be pleased to hear an expert's opinion as to why I failed. I can only account for it myself for the following reasons. My birds did not call well—most of them were out of a large aviary, and not used to small cages. I mixed a few Goldfinches with the Linnets, i.e., I had a few around the nets in trap cages. Otherwise, everything seemed perfect. A little advice would oblige.

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

A League Associate in New Zealand.

CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE members are of course aware that they have fellow-members in widely distant parts of the world, but until now the associated members (those who have received a badge by virtue of obtaining the promises of five fellow bird-keepers to keep their pets in happiness and comfort) have been confined to our own little piece of the world's surface. It gives me great pleasure therefore, to welcome as an Associate member of the LEAGUE Mr. S. Burman, of New Zealand, who has sent six coupons signed by bird lovers in Auckland, and who concludes his letter thus: "Wishing you every success in your grand movement." I hope that readers in the far places to which CAGE BIRDS reaches will follow Mr. Burman's example, until we may be able to say of the Associates, as we can already say of the ordinary members, that they extend all over the world. Mr. Burman sends with his coupons a New Zealand stamp, which I am, of course, unable to use for the return postage, and I am keeping this as a souvenir.

First League Medals Won.

Six of our Silver Medals were won at Sheffield O.S. show. Some fifty members of this society are members of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE, the last recruits to our ranks being the well-known Hybrid exhibitors, Messrs. Martin and Archer, and it is appropriate that the society which has the largest number of LEAGUE members should lead off with our medals. The winners were: Yorks., Dr. Craig; Nor., T. Havenhand; Crests, J. Memmott, Brit., P. Walsh; Hybrids, Martin and Archer: For., G. Fletcher.

Ramsgate C.B.S. had one silver medal, and this was won by Mr. F. Thomas, our local hon. sec. Mr. Thomas writes: "I have been fortunate enough not to take the cake, but to win CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE Medal, and I shall be proud to wear it.

The Qualification for the Medals.

The conditions under which the medals are granted are stated below. I am getting quite a number of enquiries from secretaries as to how many medals their societies are entitled to offer in their schedules, but it is quite impossible for me to find out this. My books will not tell me if CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE members are members of any particular society, and each member should see for himself that the secretary of the society to which he belongs is aware of his being a member of the LEAGUE. If secretaries, having this information, will apply to me accordingly, giving the names of the members who are LEAGUE members, the medals will be granted according to the number.

The Matter of Overdue Subscriptions.

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MANCHESTER

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The members' classes had a very good entry in the amateur section, and some fine Yorks were put down. Norwich were very strong and numerous, and created excellent competition. Novices were fewer in number, but a few very good Yorks and Norwich were brought out. Hybrids and British in the members' section were very strong and competition keen.

AMATEUR MEMBERS' YORKS CL. YELL.: 1, Brown; 2, Richards; 3, Tansey; 4, Humphreys; vhc, Moorby; hc, Whittaker; c, Midgley. TICK.: 1, Tansey; 2, Midgley; 3, Wilson;. 4, vhc, Jones; hc, Brown; c, Barlow. CL. BUFF: 1, Appleton; 2, c, Jones; 3, Whittaker; 4, Tansey; vhc, Brown; hc, Moorby. TICK: 1, Wilson; 2, Humphries; 3, Tansey; 4, Brown; vhc, Jones; hc, Clayton. HENS: 1, Wilson; 2, 4, vhc, Brown; 3, Barlow; hc, Midgley; c, Jones. YELL. NOR.: 1, R. Booth; 2, Bruce; 3, Whalley; 4, H. Beswick; vhc, c, Rev. Wragg; hc, Hudson. BUFFS (18): 1, Hudson; 2, c, Wragg; 3, J. W. Rhodes; 4, Rev. Gaul; vhc, Kirk; hc, McKail. UNFLT. YELL.: 1, hc, Gaul; 2, Wragg; 3, Kirk; 4 Buckley; vhc, Henson; c, Rhodes. BUFFS (15): 1, Kirk; 2, Vint; 3, Smith; 4, vhc, Gaul; hc, c, Rhodes. YELL. NOR. HEN: 1, 4, c, Thompson; 2, Hudson; 3, McKail; vhc, Whalley; hc, Beswick. BUFF: 1, Vint; 2, Gaul; 3, Booth; 4, Dr. Twigg; vhc, Hudson; hc, Whalley; c, Clayton. UNFLT. (14): 1, Hudson; 2, Henson; 3, Beswick; 4, vhc, Vint; hc, Booth; c, Bruce. A.O.V.: 1, Richards, "White Yorkshire." NOVICE MEMBERS—CL. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Taylor; 2, Whittle; 3, Green. BUFF: 1, 2, Taylor; 3, Whittle; 4, Lomas; vhc, hc, Dalton. TK. YELL.: 1, 2, Taylor; 2, Whittle; 4, Dalton. BUFF: 1, Taylor; 2, Whittle; 3, Green; 4, Dalton. YELL. HEN: 1, Taylor; 2, Whittle; 3, Lomas. BUFF: 1, Taylor; 2, Green; 3, Whittle; 4, Lomas; vhc, Dalton. NOR. YELL.: 1, Coldbeck; 2, Jessop. BUFF: 1, Oldham; 2, Coldbeck; 3, Jessop; UNFLT. YELL: 1, Jessop. BUFFS: 1, Jessop; 2, 3, Coldbeck. A.V. BVB. (12): 1, Oldham; 2, Thompson; 3, hc, c, Richards; 4, Smith; vhc, Welch. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (7): 1, c, Moorby; 2, Austin; 3, Jones; 4, Schofield; vhc, Whalley; hc, Whittaker. LINNET (8): 1, Oldham; 2, hc, Appleton; 3, Whittaker; 4, Schofield; vhc, Smith; c, Clayton. GREENFINCH: 1, Oldham; 2, Clayton; 3, Buckley. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Whalley; 2, 4, Appleton; 3, Schofield; vhc, Clayton. TWITE, ETC.: 1, Whalley; 2, Whittaker; 3, Appleton. A.O. SEED: 1, Clayton; 2, Schofield; 3, hc, Whittaker; 4, Appleton; vhc, Oldham. SOFTBILL: 1, spl, A. G. Smith. HENS (8): 1, Whittaker; 2, Schofield; 3, Oldham; 4, vhc, hc, Appleton; c, Richards.

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WOLVERHAMPTON.

Sixth annual exhibition, held in the Co-operative Hall, Nov. 1 and 2. A better room for the purpose it would indeed be very difficult to find, being spacious, well lighted both by day and night, and quite free from draughts. It is again our pleasing duty to chronicle another splendid entry in every section except Borders and Mules, which were a failure, the former having three classes provided with only four entries; a very poor response. The winner in the unlighted yell. Norwich class is a stormer, and was awarded the coveted special for best bird in show, which distinction it has gained twice within a week. The Yorks. section had the patronage of the Midland Counties Y.C.C., this being the second competition of the season for the splendid trophies put up by this club, and no doubt this accounted in a measure for the grand entry in this section. The members' classes were well filled with some cheap bargains, being limited to 20s.

Of the management we cannot speak too highly. This society is well known for its thoroughness in anything it undertakes, and this year quite lived up to its reputation. The arrangements were of the best; every bird was staged in a good light at a convenient height. Mr. J. Gibbons was again at the head of affairs, and right well did he discharge his many secretarial duties, though, unfortunately, he was unavoidably absent for the greater part of the first day, but a most capable substitute was forthcoming in Mr. J. A. Tonks, one of the Vice-presidents, a thorough worker, who stuck to his post in splendid fashion with great credit to himself and his society. The other officials, all thorough good fanciers, were: Chairman, Mr. F. J. Weaver; Vice-chair, Mr. R. Willoughby; Treas., Mr. T. Garfield; Show Committee, Messrs. W. Harrison, J. Millencamp, E. Hall, Rowley, Barrett, Crundell, Hyde, Hunt, Hampton, Price, Robinson and Martin. Mr. J. Robson judged.

The Critique.

NOR. COCK, NAT COL. (2): 1, 2, Irons, leader cl. yell., nice type, qual. and cond., followed by cl. buff, shade longer, rare good head and feather. HEN (2): 1, Hathaway, very cobby uneven yell.; good qual.; 2, Irons, cl. buff, rare size, good head. CL. YELL. (8): 1, Silver, nice size, delightful shape, well cleaned out, grand qual.; 2, Eckersley, shade longer, grand head, splendid col. and qual., well across perch; 3, Bowyer, well up in size, good shape, bold head, nice carr.; 4, P. V. Williams, rattling size and shape, hardly so sclose in feather; vhc, Dipple; hc, Willoughby; c, Broadhurst. BUFF (7): 1, Broadhurst, grand size, col. and type, splendid head, nice frosting; 2, P. V. Williams, well up in size and shape, good col. and qual., beaten head only; 3, Eckersley, nice size and shape, hot col., grand qual., close up; 4, Bowyer, fine shape, rare size, close feather, as good as anything in class; vhc, Willoughby; hc, Garfield; c, Dipple. TKD., ETC. YELL. (10): 1, Hathaway, typical wing tkd., well cut away, good head, grand col. and feather; 2, 3, Rathbone, cap mkd. rare size and build, nice feather; 3rd, mkd. head and wings, little slim in build, nice head, rare cond.; 4, Weaver, uneven mkd., nice size, shape and qual.; vhc, Eckersley; hc, Hathaway; c, Broadhurst. BUFF (10): 1, Elliott, neck tkd., splendid size and shape, grand head, red hot col., well mealed; 2, Broadhurst, just a shade smaller, but very typical, neck ticked, nice head, rare qual.; 3, Collier, shapely, nice head, well cut away; 4, Willoughby, uneven mkd., nice qual.; vhc, Taylor; hc, Weaver; c, Hathaway. HEN YELL. (10): 1, Wright, medium size, fair shape, neat head, nicely cut away, good qual., rather open on breast, many thought a mistake; 2, Eckersley, very nice size and shape, good head, grand wing and tail carr.; 3, P. V. Wilkams, grand size, very typical, rare full head, well cut away, yovely col. and qual., Stamford, etc., winner, should have won; 4, Garfield, nice hen for size and shape, bit down to-day; vhc, Irons; hc, Garfield; c, Bowyer. BUFF (10): 1, Collier, rattling cl., model for shape, nice head, short wings and tail, grand qual. and finish; 2, Irons, well up in size, rare head, nice feather; 3, 4, Eckersley, grand head, nice size and shape, rare qual., bit unsteady; 4th grand size neck tkd., pressed hard; vhc, Broadhurst; hc, Garfield. UNFLIG. YELL. (15): 1, P. V. Williams, grand size, very best of type, well cleaned out, rare head, splendid col., grand one without a doubt, takes sp. best in show; 2, Eckersley, nice size, good shape, nice col. and feather, shade narrow in head, 3, Rathbone, rattling size and shape, good head and front, growing tail feather; 4, Elliott, head ticked, nice size and shape; vhc, Taylor; hc, Wright; c, Silver. BUFF (14): 1, P. V. Williams, topper for size, grand type, rare width and depth, lovely col. and qual.; 2, Taylor, grand head, very nice type, well cleaned out, not so warm; 3, Broadhurst, bonny one for size and shape, nice full head, rare col. and qual.; 4, Dipple, very nice cl.; vhc, Eckersley; hc, Wright; c, Rathbone. UNFLIG HEN (14): 1, Eckersley, lovely cl. buff, nice size, bonny type, rare head and neck, best of col. and qual., wins; 2, P. V. Williams, grand sized col. buff, short and stout, lovely qual., loses in head; 3, Elliott, cl. buff, very typical, grand body; 4, Elliott, uneven yell., grand size and shape, vhc, Irons; hc, Smith; c, Wright; w.c., Dipple. GREEN or VAR. (4): 1, Eckersley, heavily var., rattling size and type, grand head, typical easy win; 2, Weaver, buff, nice size and qual; 3, Bowyer, nice size and shape, not so strong in head; 4, Gibbons. NOVICE. YELL. (8): 1, Bonsall, neck ticked, rattling size and shape, nice head and chest, good colour and quality; 2, Loach, hardly the size, but good head, type and feather; 3, Childs, eye and wing tick, not so strong in build, grand qual. and col.; 4, Parker, neck tick, nice shape, good head; vhc, Robinson; hc, Mrs. Williams; c, Hyde. BUFF (9): 1, Martin, romping cl., grand shape, nice width of body, rare qual.; 2, Bonsall, well up in size, good shape, nice full head, hardly the qual.; 3, Mrs. Hinde, cl., nice size, grandly mealed, good head; 4, Hampton, uneven mkd., nice size, rare head, warm col.; vhc, Hyde; hc, Robinson; c, Rowley. HEN (17): 1, Parker, cl. yell., nice size, lovely shape, short wings and tail, neat head and qual.; 2, Rowley, mkd. buff, nice size and col., good head, rare qual.; 3, 4, Robinson yell., hardly as typical, grand head, col. and qual.; 4th, buff, nice shape and size; vhc, Woodfine; hc, Naden; c, Mrs. Williams. UNFLIG. (20): 1, Sadler, neck and wing mkd. yell., splendid type and qual., good head, short wings and tail, looks like hen; 2, Parker, warm col. buff, fails a little in build; 3, Hampton, uneven buff, rare size and type, nice col. and qual., we liked; 4, Windsor, neat cl. buff; vhc, Wood; hc, Robinson; c, Martin. YORKS. YELL. (13): 1, Lane, wing tick, rattling length, nicely drawn, good back and waist, carr. and position; 2, Wells and Clempson, equal in length and shape, nice head, warm col., in nice order; 3, P. V. Williams, lengthy cl., nice head, good shape and size, wants bit more polish; 4, Andrews, cl., rare length and shape; vhc, Andrews; hc, Wilkinson Bros.; c, Lawton. BUFF (10): 1, P. V. Williams, well known neck tick, in rare order; 2, Wilkinson Bros., head tick, rattling length, nicely tapered, good back and carr.; 3, Andrews, neck tick, good shape, nicely drawn, gets well up; 4, Lane, cl., fine length, rare qual.; vhc, Baybould; hc, c, Wells and Clempson. MARKED, ETC. (6): 1, P. V. Williams, uneven mkd. unlighted buff, nice length, slim in build, well cut away, rare qual.; 2, Wells and Clempson, variег. yell., grand length, neat head, rare qual. and position, must have pressed hard; 3, Lane, splendid length and shape, variег. yell.; 4, Cook and Hood, wing tick buff, nice length and qual.; vhc, Baybould; hc, Gibbon. UNFLIG. (11): 1, Walker, cl. yell., fine length and shape, good head, well filled back, neat waist, nice position; 2, Wells and Clempson, cl. yell., beautifully drawn, fine shape, nicely tapered, smart carr.; 3, Gibbons, uneven yell., grand length, neat shape, nice carr. and position; 4, Pigott, tick yell., sweet shape, nice length; vhc, Lane; hc, Williams; c, Lane. HEN, YELL. (13): 1, Lane, eye tick, grand length, finely built, neat head, nice shape and qual.; 2, Lane, cl., nice length, well filled back, good wings and tail, very shapely; 3, Brotherhood, cl., rattling length, nice back and shoulders, good qual., hardly so forward; 4, Walker, ck, nice length and shape; vhc, Andrews; hc, Pigott; c, Lawton. BUFF (11): 1, Walker, cl., fine length, sweet head, beautifully tapered, well filled back, nice style and position; 2, Wells and Clempson, cl., lovely qual., nice shape, well tapered, hardly ready yet; 3, Wells and Clempson, splendid length, neat head and waist, very stylish; 4, Walker, sweetly moulded cl.; vhc, hc, Lane; c, Millencamp. NOVICE, YORKS., YELL. (14): 1, Hinton, cl., fine length and shape, gets well up on good legs, nice col. and qual.; 2, Hall, good length, shapely; 3, Dudley, nice shape and carriage, bit patchy in col.; 4, Day, tkd., fine length; vhc, Foster; hc, Clay; c, Gibbons. BUFF (14): 1, Hearnshaw, thigh tick, fine length, well drawn, grandly tapered, rare length of side, easy win; 2, Clay, cl., good shape, very lengthy, nice style and position; 3, Weeks Bros., head tick, hardly the length, sweet shape, rare qual. and style; 4, Robinson, nice length and shape; vhc, Dudley; hc, Clay; c, Walker. UNFLIG. (19): 1, Hearnshaw, thigh tick yell., grand length, good back, well cut away, stylish; 2, Salt, rare length, good col. and qual., growing tail feathers; 3, Salt, buff, very nice length and shape, might have gone up one; 4, Clay, very nice buff, rare length; vhc, c, Hearnshaw; hc, Robinson. HEN (17): 1, Hearnshaw, very fine cl. yell., grand length and shape; 2, Weeks Bros., cinn. mkd. buff, nicely drawn, fine type and qual.; 3, Salt, yell., fine shape, gets well up; 4, Hinton, yell., nice length, shapely; vhc, Harding; hc, Clay; c, Hall. CREST (4): 1, 2, Groves, mkd. buff D.C., rare spreading crest, good width of feather, well veined, in pipe a little in centre; 2nd, grand size, nice radiation, hardly so dense; 3, Castle, nice grizzle, good length of feather; 4, Forman, D.C., rare frontal. C.B. (2): 1, Groves, green, well lashed, nice cushion; 2, Groves, variег., densely feathered. BORD., YELL. (1): 1, Barber, green, neat shape, stylish. BUFF (1): 1, Hornby, neck tick, shapely nice style and carr. HEN (2): 1, Barber, green, nice shape and qual.; 2, Hornby, good uneven buff. A.O.V. CAN. (6): 1, 2, Baker, good pair cinns., nice shape, col., and quality, rare condition; 3, Hall, buff green Nor., looks like hen, nice type and qual.; 4, Harris, Silver Liz., very nice shape and spangling; vhc, Harris. DARK OR PIED MULE (13): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, variег. buff Linnet-Can., nice size, shape and feather; 2, Hingley, buff, Gold.-Can., rattling size, splendid finish, rare wings and condition; 3, Raby, unevenly mkd. buff Gold.-Can., nice size and feather; 4, Poole; vhc, Butler; hc, Tonks; c, Hingley. HYBRID (1): 1, Lawrence, Gold.-Greenie, rattling size, rare face and wing bars, fine order. BRITISH GOLD. (7): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, immense size, grand width of face, very dense in blaze, rich in tan, well buttoned, in A1 condition, well known; 2, Lawrence, smaller, rich tanning, nice flush, but not so squarely cut as winner, good cheeks, bars and buttons; 3, Potter, good size and shape, well cut blaze of rare col., commie into nice bloom; 4, Castle, nice one, not in such condition; vhc, Davies; hc, Jones; c, Tonks. LINNET (8): 1, Lawrence, splendid size, good shape, rich col., grandly pencilled, shown in fine trim; 2, Davies, good size and shape, not so rich in col., good pencilling and condition, shows well; 3, Tonks very good size and shape, nice nutty col., well pencilled, nice order; 4, Wells and Clempson, well up for size; vhc, Pitchford and Stocker; hc, Raby; c, J. Williams. GREEN (12): 1, hc, Lawrence, topper for size and shape, grand head, rare col., fine order easy win; 2, Tonks, good size and shape, grand wings and body, fine quality, in rare fettle; 3, Rowley, very nice size and shape; 4, Osborne, bit smaller, nice feather; vhc, Davies; c, Wells and Clempson. REDPOLL, ETC. (12): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, grand Twite, good size, very rich in col. carries lovely sheen; 2, Davies, Siskin, sweet shape good wings and thigh lacing, well mkd. cap; 3 Potter, bonny Lesser Redpoll, well up in size, beautifully laced, good bib; 4, Tonks, very nice Mealy; vhc, Tonks; hc, Hall; c, Lawrence. A.O.V. HARD (14): 1, Poole, grand Hawfinch, good size and shape splendid col., very nice shape bib, shown in lovely trim; 2, Pitchford and Stocker, fine Bramble, good size and col, fine condition; 3, c, Lawrence, Bullfinch, nice size and shape, well cut cap, good breast and back col., very steady; 4, Welsh, very good Hawfinch; vhc, Jones; hc, Fullwood. SOFTBILL (4): 1, 2, P. V. Williams, well known Clough and Magpie, shown in their usual first-class condition; 3, Hingley, good Clough, smaller than winner; 4, Lawrence, very nice Waxwing. FOREIGN, LARGE (2): 1, 2, P. V. Williams, leader very fine Green-billed Toucan, splendid col. and condition, followed by a grand Columbian Parrakeet, in fine feather. SMALL (3): 1, 3, Fidler, two very fine Blue Budgerigars, nice colour and condition; 2, Pitchford and Stocker, equally fine Blue Tanager, in grand feather. MEMBERS, NOR. (17): 1, 3, vhc, Willoughby; 2, Rowley; 4, Weaver; hc, Hampton; c, Gibbons. HEN (13): 1, 3, c, Willoughby; 2, Hampton; 4, hc, Rowley; vhc, Weaver. UNFLIG. (10): 1, Garfield; 2, hc, Hampton; 3, Willoughby; 4, Weaver; vhc, Gibbons; c, Loach. YORKS. (2): 1, Millencamp; 2, Hall. HEN (6): 1, 2, 4, Gibbons; 3, Millencamp; vhc, Harris; hc, Hall. UNFLIGHTED (5): 1, 2, Millencamp; 3, Gibbons; 4, Hall; vhc, Harris A.O.V. CAN. (5): 1, Willoughby; 2, 3, Weaver; 4, Harris; vhc, Gibbons. MULE (8): 1, 2, Weaver; 3, 4, Fullwood; vhc, hc, Singleton. BRIT. (16): 1, 2, Rowley; 3, c, Harrison; 4, Tonks; vhc, Weaver; hc, Fullwood. DITTO (field-moulted) (7): 1, 2, vhc c, Tonks; 3, 4, Rowley; hc, Fullwood.

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vhc, Long, lovely shapely bird, nicely proportioned all through, grand col., A1 quality, well shown; 2, hc, Francis rare big bird, nice shape, grand col., hardly so tight in feather, still a good bird; 3, Marley, another nice one, capital size and shape, well proportioned; c, Locke. L. REDPOLL (9): 1, vhc, Francis, beauty for size and shape, lovely tone of col., well laced all through; 2, 3, Marley, capital shape, good col., well marked, just a wee bit smaller; 3rd, well mkd., very shapely, good size, in fine order; hc, Lean; c, Drowley. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, 2, Bousfield, lovely bold Twite, grand shape, full of work all through, nice depth of col., good wings, lovely condition; 2nd, very fine Siskin, grand size, shapely, well laced, good cap and bib; 3, Francis, another good Twite, capital size and shape, full of work; hc, Hebden; c, Drowley. A.O.S. (13): 1, vhc, c, Francis, very fine Corn Bunting, grand size, well up in col., plenty of marking, shown in grand condition; 2, Burr very fine Hawfinch, grand size, good broad skull, perfect bib and wings, fine condition; 3, vhc, Bousfield, lovely Snow Bunting, rare size beautifully marked; vhc, Francis. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (4): 1, 2, Dell, good Blackbird, grand size and shape, good dense col., nice beak and eye; 2nd Boving, Thrush, capital size and shape, well spotted throughout; 3, Ninness, lovely Starling, nice size, perfect spotting; vhc, Joiner. CHATS, ETC. (8): 1, 2, hc, Tout, lovely Redstart nice size, beautifully marked, faultless condition; 2nd, very fine Wagtail grand size and col.; 3, Evans, good Gale, grand size and col.; vhc, c, Lean. WARBLERS, ETC. (7): 1, 3, hc, c, Tout, lovely Tree Creeper, beautifully marked nice whites in capital condition; 3, Blackcap, rare size, A1 condition; 2, vhc, Evans, fine big Dartford Warbler, grand col., looked a little bit untidy when judged. LARGER (4): 1, 3, vhc, Tout, nice Wryneck, nicely marked and shown; 3rd, very fine Wheatear, capital size and shape; 2, Miss Bousfield, good, bold Waxwing, in grand condition, fine shapely bird. FOR., PARROTS (8): 1, Mrs. Mack, very fine Rosy Cockatoo, grand col. and condition, beauty; 2, c, Young, fine bold Amazon, lovely col., fine order; 3, Watts pair of lovely Budgerigars, grand size and col.; vhc, Grist; hc, Palmer. FINCHES, ETC. (7): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Watts, perfect pair of Green Avadavats, wonderful size and col., beautifully marked; 2nd, Golden Breasted Waxbills, very fine condition and col.; 3rd, grand Diamond Finch; hc, Miss Bousfield; c, Lockhart. A.O.S.: 1, 3, Watts, lovely Queen Wydah, beautiful bird, in very fine feather, won spl. for best Foreign; 2, Bousfield, grand Black-headed Gouldian, beautiful col., tight as wax; 3rd, nice Cordon Blue, rare col. and qual.; vhc, Slade; hc, Henness; c, Young. INSECTIV., ETC.: 1, 3, Slade, very fine Tanager leading (Blue Wing) grandly mkd., fine col., and condition; 2, Miss Bousfield, another good Tanager in grand order.

LOCAL, NOR. CL. YELL. (7): 1, 3, hc, Saunders, two grand birds, fine type and size; 2, vhc, c, Hatter, chubby, fine condition. BUFF 1, 2, 3, Saunders, real good team; vhc, hc, Parker; c, Hatter. TKD. (5): 1, 2, 3, Saunders, cap mkd. bird, grand size and shape, typical, 2nd bonny buff, rare size and shape; vhc, Bickell; hc, Hatter. HENS (9): 1, Young, grand cl., capital size and type; 2, 3, Saunders, both good shapely birds; vhc, hc, c, Hatter. HENS: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Bickell, three very fine birds, well shown; hc, Ash. UNFLIG. (6): 1, 2, hc, Saunders, good cl., grand size and shape, 2nd another bonny bird: 3, vhc, c, Hatter. YORKS. CL. YELL. (7): 1, c, Matthews, fine lengthy bird, A1 type; 2, Joiner, nice length, neat; 3, vhc, Newman, we liked equally as well; hc, Bradshaw. BUFF (4): 1, Matthews, fine upstanding bird, good type; 2, Boxall, capital type and qual.; 3, vhc, Bradshaw; c, Chiefe. TKD., ETC. (19): 1, Newman, fine length and style; 2, Matthews, fine type, lovely qual.; 3, White, good length, grand quality; vhc, Joiner; hc, c, Boxall. HENS (10): 1, 3, vhc, Matthews, variegd. grand type, nice front, well up on legs; 2, Boxall, cl. yell. grand length and style; hc, Joiner, good type, neat; c, Newman. UNFLIG (16): 1, Matthews, cl. yell., fine size and type, good head, well braced wings; 2, no name, very typical, A1 feather; 3, Newman, good type and style; hc, Parkes; c, Joiner. LOCAL BRIT. GOLD. (17): 1, Hatter, big, fine shape, well up in col., good underblaze; 2, Lean, hardly the col., but good Finch, nice blaze; 3, Cooper, rich blaze; extra 3, Bradshaw; vhc, hc, Long. LINNET (17): 1, 3, Long, good bold bird, nicely proportioned, full of work; 2, Bowerman, densely mkd., capital shape; extra 3, King, another beauty, very shapely; vhc, Nimmo; hc, Lean; c, Lewis. REDPOLL, ETC. (5): 1, Long, bonny Siskin, grand size and col., well mkd.; 2, 3, Tout, good Twite, lovely tone of col., beautifully laced; 3, bonny Redpoll; vhc, Leggett; hc, Parkes. A.O.V. (9): 1, 3, Lean, Hawfinch, good sound col., 3rd good Chaffinch, well up in col.; 2, Long, bonny Greenie; vhc, Chiefe; hc, Tout; c, Ninness. BLACKBIRD ETC. (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, c, Lean, lovely Thrush, grand size and shape, nicely mkd; 2nd bonny Blackbird, 3rd big bold Starling; hc, Ninness.

PARTICK.

Partick and Dist. C.B.C. held a most successful show Nov. 2, the entry being far in excess of former years, while quality was extra good. Canaries were the feature of the show, Yorks being predominant. The executive received a very gratifying entry in the five open Yorks classes, some grand birds being forward from England, but this variety is now making great strides in Scotland, and to-day they made themselves felt, as the principal winners were very evenly divided between the two countries. The spl. winning York was shown by Mr. Heggie. Nor. also were good, the winning yell., which took special for best in show, was well shown by Mr. Maxwell. Brit. on the whole were good. The management was, as usual, par excellence, being under the supervision of well-known fanciers, headed by Mr. Henderson; while the secretarial reins were in the hands of Mr. Priest, which was a guarantee in itself. The hall is an ideal one, and the show was well patronised during the afternoon. Judges were:—Open Yorks and even numbers, Mr. J. W. Bruce; odd numbers, Mr. J. Moreland, and after their decisions were made very few comments were to be heard, everyone being well satisfied.

The Critique.

OPEN YORKS CL. ETC. YELL. CK. (12). 1, spl best Yorks in show, etc., Heggie, a hot one, grand length, rare swagger, lovely front and tiptop wing carriage, good head and back, sweetly drawn, shown to perfection, a popular win; 2, Priest, hot fed, rare col and well finished, lovely position and very finely drawn; 3, Bennett, clinker for length, grand side, and well finshed off; 4, McRobbie; vhc, Walsh; hc, Crichton. HEN (11): 1, Heggie, good all round, lovely short feather and grand head and body, sweet wing carriage, nice length and position; 2, Cochrane, close up, good position, fails a little in wing carr., and not so fine in feather, good head and taper; 3, Crichton, a shade smaller, good front and head; 4, Martin; vhc, Priest; hc, Walsh; c, Webster. BUFF CK. (12): 1, Robbie, good one all round, nice length and rare position, fine head and front and grand wing carr., splendid order; 2, Walsh, plenty of length and grand quality of feather, sweet front and head; 3, Webster, sweet size and grand quality; 4, Pinnock; vhc, Crichton; hc, Bennett; c, McRobbie. HEN (9): 1, c, Webster, good, fine size and well drawn, good head and front and grand back and wing carriage, could be a shade longer; 2, Cochrane, stouter across, sweet head, and lovely front and taper, grand quality; 3, Crichton, shade thin in body, lengthy, and good position; 4, McRobbie; vhc, Bennett; hc, Park. VARIEG. (13): 1, Cochrane, in tiptop bloom, well rounded from top, grand head and rare front, well cut, splendid wings; 2, Heggie, grand length, sweet taper, and nice wing carriage, close up; 3, Bowman, close feathered buff, like wax, well up in length and grand wing carr.; 4, Park, grand class, hard to separate; vhc, Bennett; hc, Anderson; c, Walsh. MEMBERS—YOUNG BIRDS, CRESTS and C.B., cancelled. NOR. CL. ETC. YELL. (7): 1 and cup, best in show and spl, and 4, Maxwell, leader a gem and no mistake, cl., great body, perfect wing carr. and lovely short tail and flights, good round head and well packed on neck, great front, plenty size and substance, staged to perfection, about one of the best bred in Scotland this year, very popular win; 2, 3, Cairns, leader good qual. of feather, but rather plain in appearance; 3rd again a shade small, but grand type; vhc, Henry; hc, McMillan; c, Muir, sen. BUFF (14): 1, 3, Maxwell, good one, rare size and qual. of feather, sweet round body and head, grand bloom; 3rd good shape and size; 2, vhc, hc, Cairns, good feather and nice front and head; 4, Maxwell; c, Crichton. VAR. YELL. (7): 1, c, Maxwell, good shape, nice head and face in front, lovely quality throughout; 2, Muir, good stamp and feather, beaten in front; 3, 4, vhc, hc Henry, 3rd best shape in class, rather soiled in feather or might have won. BUFF (8): 1, Cairns, good order, nice size and grand front and head, well put down; 2, Henry, close up, good front, a shade narrowed in head; 3, vhc, Maxwell, good feather and colour; 4, Kidd; vhc, Muir; c, Whitelaw. NON-FED (2): 1, Whitelaw, good cl. yell., well up in size and grand shape; 2, no name. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL (6): 1, 2, 3, 6, no name, leader in fine trim, sweet head and grand front, staged to win; 2nd a shade thinner in front but sweetly drawn and in good order; 3rd fails in head and not so good in wing carr.; 4, Henderson; vhc, Cramond. BUFF (8): 1, 3, vhc, no name, leader a head tick hen, sweet rounded body and rare shape, splendid front and wing carriage, and well finished, in grand bloom; 3rd a sweet hen, grand position, fine wing carr.; 2, Crammond, good stamp, fine body and wings, fails in head; 4, Henderson; hc, c, Maxwell. VAR. YELL. (4): 1, Crammond, good shape, nice head and front, fine order; 2, 3, no name, leader the best in body; 3rd beaten in head; 4, Maxwell. BUFF (3): 1, 3, no name, leader a grand one, fine round body, sweet head and front and grand wing carr., a shade unsteady; 3rd fails in front, good feather; 2, Maxwell, stouter in body and grand feather. YORKS CL. YELL. (10): 1, Crichton, good stamp, plenty length, and good feather; 2, hc, Webster, grand feather, but not so good in position; 3, Anderson, well up in position, fails a shade in finish; 4, Crichton, good length and nice feather, a shade slimmer; vhc, Sinclair; c, Simpson. BUFF (9): 1 McRobbie, sweet hen, nice length and good feather, well up on leg; 2, Crichton, full nice shape and qual.; 3, Webster, nice feather and finish, a shade slim; 4, vhc, Park; hc, no name; c, Anderson. VAR. YELL. (5): 1, 2, Park, good stamp, leader the best in head and position; 3, Webster, grand feather, a shade inclined to cross wings at times; 4, Anderson; vhc, Priest. BUFF (5): 1, Anderson, good hen, a shade short, but lovely feather and style; 2, McRobbie, stronger, good front and head, beaten finish; 3, vhc, Crichton, good quality, fails in position; 4, Webster. MULES OR HYB. (5): 1, 3, Crichton, good Linnet, well up in size and nicely marked, good head and body; 3rd, Goldie, nice face and colour, shade small; 2, 4, Webster, good all round Goldie, nice flush and colour and well marked; vhc, Aitkenhead. NOVICE NOR. (7): 1, 2, hc, Muir, jun., good shape, nice size and well finished; 2nd fails a little in size, good quality; 3, 4, 5, 7, Frazer, nice lot. OLD BIRDS—CREST: 1, Whitelaw, good all round Crest, nice centre and well forward in feather on side and frontal. NOR. CL. OR TK. YELL. (10): 1, Webster, wins on body, plenty sub. and nice head and wing carr., grand quality; 2, Maxwell, close up, good feather, a shade thinner in front; 3, Whitelaw, good body and finish, beaten in size; 4, c, Muir; vhc, McMilan; hc, Cairns. BUFF (10): 1, Maxwell, good all round, plenty size and good head and front; 2, Webster, grand bloom, a shade pinched on head, good front; 3, Maxwell, sweet quality, slimmer in body; 4, hc, Fraser; vhc, Henry. VAR. YELL. (4): 1, 4, Henry, leader well up in size and nicely rounded, grand body; 2, 3, Kidd, good size and fine feather; 3rd fails in wing carriage. BUFF (9): 1, Smith, grand bloom, sweet head and plenty size; 2, Cairns, close up, beaten in front only; 3, 4, McMilan, good shape, a shade smaller; vhc, Webster; hc, Whitelaw; c, Maxwell. NON-FED (6): 1, Kidd, a nice yell. var., well up in size and good shape; 2, Muir, close up, a bull, beaten in front; 3, 4, 5, vhc, McMilan. BORDERS, CL. OR TKD. YELL. (3): 1, Whitelaw, good trim, sweet size and shape; 2, 3, no name. BUFF (5): 1, 3, vhc, no name, leader grand body and fine head and wing carr.; 3rd good hen, a shade stout; 2, Henderson, sweet feather and head, a shade square in appearance; 4, Whitelaw. VAR. YELL. (4): 1, 2, 4, no name, leader splendid shape, nice head and front; 2nd fails in position, good wing carr.; 4, beaten in quality; 3, Whitelaw, well up in quality, rather plain in appearance. BUFF (5): 1, 3, 4, no name, leader grand type, rare head and front, a shade unsteady; 2, Whitelaw, shade strong in body, but well rounded; vhc, Parks. CINN. OR GREEN (3): 1, 2, no name, leader a sweet yell. Green, grand type and quality; 2, nice Green, fails in lacing on back; 3, Crammond, nice Buff, beaten in lacing and finish. YORKS YELL. (9): 1, no name, hot fed yell., nice length and good position, fine order; 2, McRobbie, stronger got up and longer, but fails in position and style to winner; 3, 5, 7, Crichton; 4, Simpson; hc, Anderson. CL. OR TICK BUFF (13): 1, Crichton, lengthy and good qual., nice head and front, well drawn; 2, McRobbie, close up, fails a little in head, equal in body and finish; 3, c, Anderson, good quality of feather, a shade slimmer in front; 4, Park; vhc, Altkenhead; hc, Sinclair. VAR. YELL. (2): 1, Park, wins, best in feather and length, good front and nicely drawn; 2, Webster, sweet all round, but short in side. BUFF (2): 1, Crichton, lengthy and in full bloom, nice shape and well balanced; 2, Webster, fails in finish, plenty length, NON-FED (6): 1, 4, no name, leader a good yell., nicely rounded and well drawn, good type; 2, Webster, a good Buff, nice stamp, fine head and front, good wing carr.; 3, Anderson, a Buff, good stamp, sweet all round, fails a little in wing carriage; vhc, Preist. A.O.V. (4): 1, Whitelaw, good Gold Lizard, nice cap and spangle, fine shape and size; 2, 4, no name, leader sweet Silver Lizard, nice size and well up in spangle; 3, Park, a broken Cinn., well up in size and good col. MULES OR HYB. (9): 1, Whitelaw, nice Light Goldie, good shape and well marked, rather pale in col., fine order; 2, Webster, sweet dark Linnet, all there for size and markings; 3, Steel, Buff Goldie, plenty size and nice flush face, a good one; 4, Webster; vhc, Crichton; hc, Priest; c, Smart. FOR. GOLDFINCH (2): 1, Fraser, outstanding, grand face and lovely colour, well up in size; 2, Sinclair, sweet bird, scarcely up in bloom, beaten size. GOLDFINCH BRIT. (5): 1, McRobbie, good one, grand size, a shade dull yet in bloom and face, rare nap and cheeks, and well buttoned, in fine trim; 2, Crichton, close up, good body col., not so large in face and fails in head; 3, Anderson, beaten in body; 4, Steel; vhc, no name. BRIT. BULLFINCH (2): 1, 2, Steel, good cock, nice size and col., and a clinking hen, grand bloom, rare cap; 1st fine body col., both in extra good form. LINNET, H.M. (4): 1, Webster, best in size, grand pencilling on breast and sweet shape, had lost flights of one wing; 2, no name, good qual., and well up in col., a shade wild; 3, Aitkenhead, sweet shape and colour, fails in breast; 4, Crammond. F.M. (3): 1, 3, Henry, good one, nice size and col., a shade soft when taking notes; 3rd good marked one, looks like a hen; 2, Anderson, grand size and good markings, beaten in shape. SISKIN OR MEALY, H.M. (4): 1, Grant, nice Siskin, good cap and bib, well laced, natural col.; 2, Crichton, Siskin, close up, beaten in size, sweet col.; 3, no name, a fed Siskin, grand size and good colour; 4, Priest. F.M. (1): 1, Webster, nice sized Poll in good form. H.M. REDPOLL LESSER (4): 1, 2, no name, leader best in size, grand col. and well laced, rare finish; 2, close up, beaten lacing; 3, Steel, a shade small, good cap and bib; 4, Park. TWITE (1): 1, Webster, well and good size and colour, steady, well shown. GREENFINCH (4): 1, no name, sweet, fair size, but bold head and nice flights, grand col., well fed; 2, Steel, nice shape and bold, fails in finish; 3, Webster, rather fine in head, good body and colour; 4, Park. SMALL BRIT. (5): 1, Steel, a good Chaffie, well up in size and col., good wing bars and steady, well shown; 2, no name, Chaffie, good size and shape, grand col., a shade unsteady; 3, Webster, sweet Bramble, good lacing and col., fails in size, well shown; 4, Webster; vhc, Aitkenhead; hc, Grant; c, Park. SOFTBILLS (1): 1, Webster, good coloured Tit, steady. FOR. (4): 1, 4, Webster, well known Black-faced Love Bird in good form and a pair of grand Diamonds; 2, 3, Park, 2nd a pair of nice Avadavats in fine form and a Zebra Finch, good size and markings. GIFT (9): 1, McMilan; 2, no name; 3, Muir; 4, Henderson; vhc, Henry; hc, Anderson; c, Maxwell.

WINDSOR.

Held in the Guildhall Nov. 6th. This is the first year the society has had the show in the spacious large hall, and a better place it would be impossible to find; large, well lighted, and heated, and with its pictures, plants, and carpeted floor, has quite an air of luxury about it. The entry was about the same as last year. The officials hoped for more, but the clashing with other shows evidently had its effect. Among the exhibits the Yorks. held pride of place; these were both numerous and good. There was a nice lot of Nor. We think the most attractive part of the show, especially to the ladies, was the fine gathering of Softbills and foreigners. The members' section was not the least important, and many fine birds were benched therein. The committee are a fine body of fanciers, and their efforts in catering for the birds and staging them to the best possible advantage cannot be too highly praised. Chairman, Mr. W. G. King; committee, Messrs. J. Simms, H. May, F. J. Drye, A. Turner, H. Simms, A. Montgomery, W. G. Clark, C. Griffin, and W. Owen. The hon. sec., Mr. E. A. Stickland, is a splendid worker, and most courteous and obliging. He had everything in perfect order; not a detail awry. Mr. H. Norman judged, and his decisions were well received.

YORKS., YELL. CK. (8): 1, 2, 3, Mole, smart upstanding, hot col. bird, grand shoulders, nice clean run to a good stiff tail, well braced wings, good win; 2nd, close up, quite as good on points, grand qual., well shown; 3rd, long, leggy, grand type, neat head, good shoulders and wings; 4, vhc, Bousfield. BUFF (7): 1, sp, Buckingham, grand type, good length and style, beautiful shoulders, nicely rounded front, hot col., lovely qual.; 2, hc, Mole, beauty for type, grand length, hardly so hot in col., fine qual.; 3, Bousfield, not fit, but a beauty for type and quality; 4, Mrs. Owen, neat, good quality; vhc, Bullen; c, Holliday. MKD., ETC.: 1, sp, Hawkes, lovely type, rare length, good head and shoulders, nice clean run; 2, Mole, fine length and type, grand qual., beautiful head and good wing carr; 3, no name, fine big buff, good length of wing, hot col., lovely qual.; 4, no name, slim type, hardly so well filled at neck. UNFLIG., YELL. HEN (5): 1, Whittome, grand bird, fine length and type, beautiful position, neat head, good shoulders, lovely condition and col.; 2, Bullen, slim type, grand length, very upright, on good legs, well braced wings and neat tail, neat head and neck, stands well on good legs, lady, fine length and type; 4, Buckingham, hot col., nicely drawn; vhc, Holliday. BUFF (6): 1, Buckingham, beauty for length and type, grand wings and tail, neat head and neck, stand well on good legs, A1; 2, Bullen, beauty, close up, grand length, well braced wings, good col, fine fettle; 3, Mole, smart, beautifully moulded bird, grand length, lovely head, fine position; 4, Whittome, fine length of body and wings; vhc, Bousfield; hc, Holliday. NOVICE, YORKS. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Fleet, smart yell., grand size, well up in shoulders, good back, perfect wings and tail, grand col. and condition; 2, Gardner, good one, pure length, neatly drawn to a good tail, well braced wings; 3, Lloyd, smart bird, fine type and length, capital wings; 4, Miss Philcox, fine quality; vhc, Mrs. Tutley; hc, Heath; c, Maidment. BUFF (8): 1, Clark, lovely qual., beautifully drawn, sweet head and neck, good shoulders, well filled back, A1 condition; 2, Fleet, slim type, rare length and style, neat head, well braced wings, full of nerve; 3, Heath, wonderful length and type, beautifully drawn, good head and back, A1 wings, fine qual.; 4, Fleetwood, neat upstanding bird; vhc, Miss Philcox; hc, Wilkins; c, Schman. UNFLIG. (10): 1, Cooper, beauty for length and type, splendidly drawn, good stiff tail, perfect wings, good shoulders; 2, Maidment, smart bird, inclined to cross flights at times, fine length, nicely drawn; 3, Perkins, rare length and style, good length of wing, fine condition; 4, Lloyd, grand length; vhc, Clements; hc, Mudd; c, Heath. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Maidment, beauty for size and type, nervy, stands well, fine shoulders, beautifully drawn, tight as wax; 2, Heath, cinn. marks, good length and type, graud head and shoulders, A1 qual.; 3, Lloyd, hot fed, grand length, nice cone shape, grand wings and tail; 4, no name, non-fed, lovely length and type. BUFF (6): 1, Clark, beauty for length and type, neat head, good shoulders and back, pipe tail, A1 condition; 2, Heath, cap mkd., good length, nicely drawn, good shoulders; 3, Cresser, long, nice head and shoulders, well drawn, very fine qual.; 4, Eaton, non-fed, good length and type; vhc, Frisby; hc, Goldsmith. CL. NOR. YELL. (3): 1, Stead, bold, nice substance, good head and front, capital wings and tail, hot col.; 2, Fleetwood, hot col., good substance, neat head, good well-filled back and wings; 3, Chatfield, licked bird of fine type. BUFF (6): 1, 3, Dearlove, good type, fine size and substance, good head and neck, well filled back, capital wings; 3rd nice head and wings; 2, Stroud, big bold bird, good head and nice qual.; 4, Bowler, just a shade long; vhc, Fleetwood; hc, Bowler. MKD., ETC.: 1, Hawkes, var., good head, front, flights and tail. UNFLIG. (6): 1, Stroud, good type, neat well filled neck and back, capital wings; 2, 3, hc, Dearlove, bonny cl., nice type, well fitting wings, hot col.; 3rd, lovely qual. buff, good size, well filled head and neck, A1 col.; 4, vhc, Horne. YELL. HEN (1): 1, Dearlove, wing and neck marked, lovely type. BUFF (7): 1, 3, Dearlove, lovely qual. and condition, good carriage, A1 head and wings; 3rd good type and A1 quality, nice cone shape; 2, Chatfield, grand type, wants a tub; 4, hc, Stead, hardly the substance of winner, still good qual.; vhc, Felloves. NOV. NOR. CK. (9): 1, Clark, cap marked, fine size and type, well filled neck and shoulders, good wings and tail, hot col.; 2, Manning, big Cinn., fine col., good head, fine substance, A1 qual.; 3, Sears, nice type, good head and neck, capital wings, A1 condition; 4, vhc, c, Ditcham, var. of good type; hc, Smith. HEN (4): 1, Sears, fine substance and type, nicely drawn, good shaped head, capital wings and tail; 2, Ditcham, just a wee shade longer, grand head, good wings, fine qual.; 3, Smith, good one, same type, neat wings, A1 condition; 4, Clark, fine colour and quality. UNFLIG. (3): 1, 3, Manning, bouncing Cinn., grand size and type, plenty of substance, A1 quality; 3rd Cinn., hardly the substance, lovely qual. and condition; 2, Sears, yell., good size and type, grand col and qual. BORDS. YELL. CK. (2): 1, Ellwood, grand Green, fine type, nicely drawn, very sound col., A1 condition; 2, Owen, var., nicely moulded. BUFF: 1, spl, Burton Bros., beautifully rounded, capital type, neat head, well braced wings, A1 quality; 2, Owen, similar, quite as good on points, hardly so nicely moulded; 3, Ellwood, lovely type, neat head, good wings and tail, grand condition. Hen: 1, Burton Bros., var., grand type, beautifully moulded, good head, full of nerve, lovely col. and qual.; 2, Owen, wing and eye marked bird of grand position, lovely type and style, good wings, well shown; 3, Ellwood, Cinn., good type. HYB., CAN. HYB. (5): 1, Lambert, lovely cl., grand shape, not over large, beauty for qual. and cond., easy first; 2, Fountain, good Greenie, capital size and type, neat, well proportioned bird, capital quality; 3, Knight, fine shape and quality, well marked; 4, Wilkins, another Greenie, capital shape and qual.; vhc, Goldsmith; BRIT. HYB., ETC.: 1, 2, Lamb, real good Redpoll-Bullie, grand size and shape, good tone, well shown, 2 lovely Siskin-Greenie, nice shape, perfect condition, grand col.; 3, Burrows, big, bold Greenie-Bullie, good size and shape, grand col. GOLDFINCH (4): 1, Burrows, fine size and shape, well cut blaze, good tanning; 2, Hawkes, beaten for size and polish, good wings and buttons, capital face; 3, Taylor, nice face, rather wild; 4, Laseelles. BULLFINCH: 1, Pearce, grand shape, good wings, not shown in the best condition, still wins; 2, Horne, topping for col. and shape, beaten size and cap, fine order; 3, Miss Kempton, big one, good type, cap, good wings. LINNET: 1, Bowler, good size and shape, nice full head and front, well laced, in fine order; 2, Burrows, good shape and markings, beaten size; 3, Laud. GREENFINCH: 1, Fellowes, fine size, well proportioned, good head and wings, nice qual.; 2, Griffin, capital size and shape, good condition; 3, Bowler, nice type and condition. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Burrows, neat Redpoll, fine size and shape, lovely col., well marked, fine fettle; 2, Buckingham, Redpoll, good size, quite as well mkd., fails a bit in wings. HARDBILL: 1, Buckingham, big bold Bramble, good size, nice type of bird, good chestnut breast, beautifully spangled, wins; 2, Hawkes, bonny Chaffinch, capital shape and size, lovely tone of col., good cap; 3, Bowler, good Hawfinch, nice size and shape; 4, Fountain, Bramble, good size, nice col. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, Hon. Mrs. Bourke, well-known Dartford Warbler and Gale, both looking very fit and well, and in grand col. ALBINOS: 1, 2, Temple, lovely Albino Robins, both in fine order. FOR., COMMON: 1, 2, 3, 4, Dr. Amsler, fine team Green Avadavats, Golden-breasted and Blue-breasted Waxbills and Fire Finches, all in very fine condition. SEED-EATERS, ETC.: 1, 3, 4, Dr. Amsler, another good team, Cardinals leading, Pectoral Finches and Nonpareils, all well shown; 2, Miss Backhouse, lovely pair of Black-headed Gouldians. INSECTIV.: 1, Hon. Mrs. Bourke, now well-known Loochoo Robin, a lovely bird, attracted a lot of attention; 2, Dr. Amsler, pair of Blue-winged Sivas, in very fine condition; 3, Temple, grand Golden-fronted Fruit-sucker, lovely specimen, in fine fettle. MEMBERS: YORK., YELL., CK. (8): 1, Turner; 2, vhc, c, Montgomery; 3, 4, King; hc, Simons. HEN: 1, Montgomery; 2, vhc, King; 3, 4, Turner; hc, Simms; c, Frisby. BUFF: 1, vhc, Turner; 2, 3, Montgomery; 4, King; hc, Dyce; c, Wilkins. HEN: 1, Turner; 2, 3, 4, Montgomery. A.O.V.: 1, 2, King; 3, Clark; 4, Simms; vhc, Montgomery; hc, Simms. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, hc, c, Montgomery; 2, 4, vhc, King. BUFF: 1, 4, Montgomery; 2, hc, King; 3, Simms; vhc, Turner; c, Clark. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, King; 4, Clark; vhc, Dyce. NOV.: 1, c, Cooper; 2, May; 3, Simms; 4, Frisby; vhc, Baker; hc, Eaton. A.V.: 1, Cooper; 2, 3, Simms. NOR. YELL.: 1, Simms; 2, Montgomery; 3, Dyce. BUFF: 1, Montgomery; 2, Wilkins; 3, Simms. UNFLIG.: 1, 4, Dyce; 2, vhc, Simms; 3, Montgomery. GOLDFINCH: 1, Montgomery; 2, King; 3, hc, Lund; vhc, Miss Whittlaw. BULLFINCH: 1, Griffin; 2, Montgomery; 3, vhc, Lund; 4, Eaton; hc, Simms; c, May. A.O.S.: 1, Whitlaw; 2, Montgomery; 3, Baker; 4, Baldwin; vhc, hc, Simms. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, 3, 4, Lund; vhc, Simms; hc, Whitlaw. HYB.: 1, 3, Montgomery; 2, Frisby; 4, vhc, King; hc, c, Wilkins.

Mistake in Glasgow District schedule; class 63 should read "Foreign Goldfinch," not "Bullfinch," telegraphs Mr. Hutchison, just as we go to press.

Another Record Gone at Blaydon.

MANY MAGNIFICENT SECTIONS.

A record entry of 772 as a reward for excellence of management.

Held November 1 and 2, in the fine room of the U.M. School. Blaydon succeeds because those who are responsible for its working are an united, progressive, go-ahead lot of fellows. One of their rules reads: "No member will be allowed to remove his own birds, until all birds from a distance are sent home." A good rule this, and one which many societies could adopt to the benefit of themselves and their supporters. Then they are generous towards exhibitors. They pay full prize money in all classes over six entries. This means that if there are only seven entries in a class 20s. in prize-money is paid, although the entry fees only amount to 10s. 6d. The prize-money is promptly paid, the exhibits are met at the station, and great attention paid to their watering and feeding during the show, and at the close birds which can reach home on Saturday night are sent off by early trains, whilst those which cannot are kept over till Monday morning, the secretary making himself personally responsible to exhibitors for their care over the Sunday. These are some of the reasons why Blaydon has reached a high position amongst the societies of the North, and is keeping it.

The Men Who Do It.

By the excellency of their management the society has become looked upon by the residents as one of the institutions of the locality, and it is well supported by the leaders of public thought in the town. Col. F. R. Simpson, J.P., is the honorary president, and he is supported by a strong band of vice-presidents. Coming to the actual workers we have Mr. John Hands as chairman, and what a power he is, full of enthusiasm, with good organising ability, he leads his forces in grand style, and Mr. T. Leck, the vice-chairman, supports him well, as does Mr. J. W. Clark, the treasurer. Other members of the executive are Messrs. G. S. Elwood, T. Brown, G. Simpson, Jas. Carr, J. H. Crass, Jos. Clark, C. Vallans, Jos. A. Carr, R. Pattinson, T. Fletcher, C. Graham, W. Purvis, R. Havis, J. Davison, J. Tyson, J. Hillary, T. Ridley, N. Walker, and J. Robson. A really grand lot of typical North country fanciers, workers, one and all, mindful of the fact that the birds entrusted to their care were valued by their owners, and needed the same watchful care and attention as their own. Mr. G. Havver, the secretary, is one of the best; all his work was carried out with that attention to detail which makes for ease and smoothness of working, whilst his unfailing courtesy and geniality got over any little trouble or difficulty that arose. A good officer indeed.

Amongst the Exhibits.

The open section drew 615 entries, and with 157 appearing in the members', made up the grand and record total of 772. Norwich opened the ball with thirteen classes, and a magnificent lot they were. The section was simply a blaze of colour. Mr. Humphries' tkd. yell., which won Sandiford's special, is a triumph of the feeder's art. In both clears and ticks, the yellows pleased us better than the buffs, whilst the unflighted birds pleased us better than the old ones. The noble Crests had only four classes, which shows what a change has come over the Northumberland Fancy of recent years. Ten or fifteen years ago Crests and Crestbreds were the chief attraction at Tyneside shows. Still, if the numbers are no longer there, the quality has been maintained. The special for best bird in show fell to Messrs. Dobson and Sons' handsome exhibit, and well did it deserve the honour. Yorks. had eight classes, and drew the splendid entry of 160, an average of nearly eighteen per class, and the quality was there, right through the section. The competitions for the Northern Yorkshire C.B.'s challenge cup, and Mr. Ramsden's cup, no doubt had something to do with the handsome lot of young birds staged. Instituted six years since, no one fancier has yet succeeded in having his name inscribed twice upon the N.Y.C.C. young bird cup, and as it has to be won twice in succession or three times in all, it looks as though the club will not be called upon to find a second cup for a few years yet. The lucky winner on this occasion was Mr. R. Butler, of Jarrow. British were a good show. The class of the section was that for Siskins, Twites, etc., in which Mr. Foster won with a wonderful coloured Twite, whose coat shone like a piece of satin. Some very handsome exhibits put in an appearance in the foreign classes. Mr. Christer's very handsome Blue Mountain Lory, and the most lovely Sugar Birds of Mrs. T. Taylor and Mr. Young, were the cynosure of many eyes. A splendid show was wound up by the grand display made in the members' section, in which were many exhibits, good enough to have held their own in the open. The judges were Messrs. W. A. Cowgill, Nor. and Yorks., and C. A. House, the remainder.

Mr. Cowgill's Classes.

NOR. YELL. (16): 1, c, Holden, fine big bouncing deep chested bird, very rich and bright in col., good shapely head, well braced wings, very nice quality of feather; 2, Crass, very neat head, smart, typical body, short, cobby and well carried, very rich, level col., grand wings and tail; 3, Butler, beautiful quality of feather and very compactly put on, sound level col., very stylish, not quite so stout in head and neck, neat body, wings, and tail; 4, J. W. Richardson, very nicely moulded body, good head and neck, nice level back, plenty of col. and well fed, splendid body feather, bit slack in wing carriage; vhc, Snowden; hc, McGwinn; absent, No. 2, Forbes. BUFF (8): 1, 4, Robson, stout, well modelled bird, rich deep col.; covered with glistening meal, grand carried body, good wings and tail, good body feather, bit rough in head; 4, smart indeed, beautiful shape, sound even bright col., grand quality, short wings and tail; 2, Curry, plenty of rich deep col., large and shapely body, not so stout in neck, and a trifle brawy, in grand form; 3, Snowden, magnificent type, short and compact in wings and tail, grand chest and back, beautifully rich and level in col., lovely quality, a gem; vhc, Thomas; hc, Brown; c, Cowling. TKD., YELL. (6): 1, Humphries, real hot one. Won Sandiford's special, grandly fed, very rich, deep, and bright right through, wonderful qual. of feather, just a shade too long perhaps, mkd. on head and wings, well shown; 2, Dixon, grand deep chested bird, splendid back, wings, and tail, good head, sound level col., nice silky feather, griz. on breast; 3, Thomas, heavily mkd., full of col., nice shape, carries himself well; 4, Butler, mkd. head and wings, another big one, good shaped body; vhc, Brown; hc, Snowden. BUFF (9): 1, Cowling, eye, neck, and wing mkd., very nice shape, full of style, plenty of chest, good back, capital head, and neck, nice level col., well meuled, nice qual. of feather, very nicely staged; 2, Smith, griz. head, grand shaped body, nice head and neck, good level back, beautiful rich under-col., richly and evenly frosted right through; 3, Humphries, eye, neck, and wing tkd., grand deep round chest, rare shoulders and wide back, beautifully feathered, grand rich col., well mealed; 4, Burdett, tkd. over beak, very neat, shapely, stylish body, grandly feathered right through, nice level col.; vhc, Pickering and Wright; hc, Pierson; c, Dixon. HENS, YELL. (13): 1, Thomas, real bonnie hen, lovely silky feather, rich deep bright col., neat shapely skull, nice round full chest, grand shoulders and back, in the pink; 2, Cowling, magnificent rich brilliant col., very high qual. feather, neat head, capital shoulders, neat wings and tail, very typical; 3, r, Richardson, neck tkd., beautifully sound and level in col., neat head, splendid shape and style; 4, Smith, cheek tkd., plenty of substance, good head, nice level col., grandly feathered right through; vhc, J. W. Richardson; hc, Humphries; c, Brown. BUFF (15): 1, J. W. Richardson, beautiful shapely little body, well shaped head, stout neck, grand depth and rotundity of chest, good shoulders and back, full of qual., and beautifully finished in col. and feather; 2, Hernerston, wing mkd., not so full in head, grand shaped body, capital shoulders and back, neat wings and tail, grandly fed, very silky and fine in feather; 3, 4, Smith, bonnie little lady, not quite rich in col., grandly feathered, beautiful shapely body, very fit; 4, stout, shapely head, magnificent quality of feather; vhc, Cowling; hc, Burdett; c, Makins. UNFLIG. YELL (15): 1, Welsbury, really smart typical cl., grand shaped head, full neck, short, chubby, compact body, grandly braced wings and tail, rare qual., rich col.; 2, Makins, beautifully feathered, stylish cl., grand short body, silky feather, well packed wings and tail, very nicely fed and finished; 3, Godley, eye and wing tkd., real hot one of splendid qual., very smart and stylish, nice chubby head, stout deep body, good wings and tail; 4, Burdett, griz. neck, lovely quality of feather and nice level rich col.; vhc, Butler; hc, Pickering and Wright; c, Holden. BUFF (13): 1, Seeley Bros., fine big deep bodied bird, capital head, rich sound col., beautifully frosted, rich silky feather; 2, McGwin, bold upstanding bird, excels in carriage and style, beautiful head, chest, and back, well braced wings and tail; 3, 4, vhc, Crass, big bouncing bird, grand substance, real red hot 'un for col., grand mealing, not so close in chest feather, 4th tkd. head, very neat right through, nice even col., beautifully frosted, shown in grand form, we liked better than 3rd; hc, Makins; c, Humphries; absent, No. 2, Forbes. HENS, YELL. (12): 1, Thomas, very sweet and charming little lady, wonderful figure, beautifully clothed and finished right through; 2, Butler, grandly feathered hen, not such a wealth of col., and is not quite so short, beautiful feather and style; 3, Lumley, very high quality, shows herself well, any amount of style, magnificent col. and quality of feather; 4, McGwin, stouter in head and neck, grandly shaped body, very nice level col., good quality of feather, not quite so tight; vhc, Seeley Bros.; hc, Ridley Bros.; c, Smith. BUFF (12): 1, 2, Thomas, for shape and style and quality of feather about the best exhibit in the section, does not carry so much col. as some, but a real charmer; 2, not quite so stout in head, magnificent chest and back, very neatly braced wings and tail, level quality of feather; 3, Dobinson, very stout deep chest, grand shoulders and back, plenty of col., very nicely fed and finished, good wings and tail, hardly ready; 4, Seeley Bros., tkd head, real beauty, deep round chest, lovely shoulders and back, hardly so chubby in skull, nice even tone; vhc, Cowling; hc, Pickering and Wright; c, R. Richardson. NOVICE YELL. (7): 1, 3, Forbes, big bouncing cl., stout head and neck, deep full chest, plenty of col., evenly distributed, a good showy bird, but not tightened up in chest yet, 3rd very smart and stylish, carries abundance of feather, nice body shape, good head, a trifle horny; 2, Wood, very smart and pretty cap mkd., grand shape and style, beautiful rich level col., short compact wings and tail, nice silky feathers; 4, Davison, stylish and typical, grandly fed, good qual., neat wings and tail; vhc, Acheson; hc, McFarlane. BUFF (10): 1, Wellsbury, grand, deep, round chested bird, beautiful rich col., grandly frosted, clothed in a fine silky coat, hardly so round and chubby in head as we like; 2, Davison, very typical indeed, full of style, beautifully feathered, sound and level in col., nicely frosted right through; 3, Dodds, not such an abundance of col., but in silkiness of feather, shortness and compactness of body, wings, and tail, is all there; 4, Acheson, another big bouncing bird, brimful of hot rich col.; vhc, Walker; hc, Forbes; c, Humble. NON-FED (10): 1, Dobinson, yell., a most charming model, magnificent shape, style, and feather; 2, Smith, cheek mkd. buff, a real gem, feathered like a Java; 3, Butler, very high quality yell., not so shapely, and a trifle horned; 4, R. Richardson, stout chubby yell., very smart and stylish; vhc, Godley; hc, c, Walford and Edwards.

YORKS. YELL. (12): 1, Ogden Bros., long, slim, stylish cl., neat head and shoulders, nice level back, well braced wings and tail, stands on a grand pair of legs; 2, Dykes, very neat slim body, grand legs, splendid wing and tail carriage, beautiful col. and good silky body feather, not quite tight in front; 3, Thomas, sweet head, nice neck, just a trifle too chesty, lovely col. and quality of feather, full of nerve and style, very fit; 4, Butler, grand length and shape, good head and back, splendid wings; vhc, Crawhall; hc, Cuthbertson; c, Clegg. BUFF (11): 1, Crawhall, one of the best feathered birds one could wish to see, sweet head, grand chest and back, beautiful wing and tail carriage, full of style and swagger; 2, Wills, very smart and racy, beautiful silk-like feather, rare balance of wings, tail, nice level col., splendid position; 3, Thomas, not so much col., feathered to perfection, glistened like satin; 4, Towers, beautifully fed, full of quality, grand style, neat head, grand wings and tail; vhc, hc, Tweedie; c, Brown and Son. HEN (16): 1, Ogden Bros., one of the best, a long, slim, smart stylish buff, stands well up on a rare pair of legs, and shows to perfection; 2, Clegg, rich even coloured yell., fine head and neck, neat shoulders, grand wings and tail, full of quality and nicely finished; 3, Mather, very best col. yell., plenty of length and style, not quite so silky in feather; 4, Whitley, very stylish, typical buff, neat head and shoulders, splendid carriage of wings and tail, very smart; vhc, hc, Cuthbertson; c, Butler. UNFLIG. YELL. (27): 1, 4, Allen, plenty of length, rare quality of feather, richness of col., grand carriage, neat head, grand level back, well finished right through, 4th mkd. head, chest, and wing, plenty of length, lovely quality, beautifully fed, stands at attention like a soldier; 2, Towers, real clinker, full of qual., fine head, grand shoulders and wings, nice col. and finish; 3, Thomas, splendid shape and feather, rich level col., nice head, wings, and tail, does not handle so well as the others; vhc, Tweedie; hc, Cuthbertson; c, Pyman. BUFF (27): 1, Ogden Bros., another really tip-top Yorkie, magnificent shape and carriage, full of style, nice even col., very nicely mealed, gets well up on a pair of grand legs; 2, Butler, wins the Northern Y.C.C. cup, and had it won no one could have grumbled, a real gem right through; 3, Whitley, eye, chest, and wing mkd., beautiful quality and col., full of nerve and style; 4, Thomas, not so much length, but beautifully modelled, smooth as glass, full of nerve and style; vhc, Morison; hc, Dix; c, Cattell. HEN (24): 1, Thomas, eye and wing mkd. yell., full of swagger and style, a blaze of col., very fine silky feather, neat head, finely drawn body and splendid legs; 2, Clegg, smart, stylish buff, very neatly moulded body, carried on a grand pair of legs, splendid feather and sound col.; 3, Elsgood, smart racy nervy cl., neat and compact in wings and tail, lovely silky body feather, stands well up on good legs; 4, Crawhall, nice shaped, stylish, good col. buff, good head, wings, and tail; vhc, Butler; hc, Whitley; c, Ogden Bros. NOVICE YELL. (18): 1, Ireland, griz. on shoulders, very fine head, grand neck, shoulders, and back, full of style, splendid feather, rich level col., grand form; 2, Moor, finely drawn cap mkd. yell., stands well up on a good pair of legs, wings and tail as close as possible plenty or nerve; 3, Gill, very long smart cl., plenty of length, beautiful feather, nice level col., full of nerve, not quite so neat in tail; 4, Vallance Bros., very sweet slim nicely modelled cl.; vhc, Bostock; hc, Willis; c, Witherley. BUFF (11): 1, Huntington, real gem of a Yorkie, very finely drawn, stands on a pair of grand legs, is full of qual. and nervy, nice even col., a grand bird, nicely finished and splendidly shown; 2, 4, Ridley Bros., grand shape and length, splendid feather and col., rare wings and tail, neat head, does not get up quite so well, 4th not quite so long, but very smart and stylish, beautiful col. and quality, neatly carried wings and tail, plenty of nerve; 3, Gill, grand shape and length, beautiful col. and feather, very neatly proportioned, stands on a good pair of legs, needs handlings; vhc, Moor; hc, Johnston; c, Ireland. HENS (11): 1, 2, Ireland, very neat wing tkd. buff, nice head, grand shoulders, wings, and tail, very fine in feather, nice col., stands well up, 2nd real bonnie yell., full of style, soft silky feather covered its grandly shaped and splendidly carried body, full of life and nerve; 3, Bostock, grand shaped, silky feathered buff, very nice col., stands on a well set pair of legs; 4, Thurston, very long, grandly feathered, but rather stout yell., nice level col., plenty of style, grand form; vhc, Witherley; hc, Huntington; c, Deigaton. MEMBERS' NOR. YEL. (13): 1, Butler; 2, Walker; 3, Clark; 4, Holden; vhc, Robson; hc, Crass; c, Fletcher. BUFF (12): 1, 2, 4, Jas. Crass; 3, Walker; vhc, J. H. Crass; hc, Clark; c, Pattison. HEN, YELL. (5): 1, Smith; 2, vhc, Holden; 3, Walker; 4, Dyer. BUFF (7): 1, Robson; 2, Johnston; 3, J. H. Crass; 4, Havver; vhc, Simpson; hc, Wilker; c, Leck. NON-FED (2): 1, Hands; 2, Clark. YORKS. YELL. (8): 1, 2, c, Crawhall; 3, Dodds; 4, Ellwood; vhc, Graham; hc, Carr. BUFF (10): 1, 2, 4, Crawhall; 3, Carr; vhc, Ellwood; hc, c, Leck. HEN (11): 1, vhc, Crawhall; 2, 3, Carr; 4, Ellwood; hc, Graham; c, Collins. AMATEUR (3): 1, Dodds; 2, Collins; 3, Graham.

Mr. House's Classes.

CREST (6): 1, 2, cup, best in show, Dobson, beautifully finished, veiny feather, neat centre, great length and width of crest feather, splendidly radiated and drooping gracefully all round, very dense and broad front, shapely, well feathered body; 2, more shapely body, even wing mkd., very nice centre, and good radiation, larger spread of crest, but not so densely feathered, still a very taking bird; 3, Hughill, grand width of crest, nice droop, not quite so neat in centre, nor so veiny in feather, nice body feather; 4, Mrs. T. Taylor, neat, shapely grey, very fine, neat centre, densely feathered; vhc, Marshall; absent, No. 1, Tate. BRED 1912 (6): 1, Hutchinson, nearly green, capital shape and carriage, grandly feathered, beautiful centre, splendid droop and radiation, lovely veiny feather, perfect front and sides, spoilt by slight break at back; 2, 3, Bewick, even mkd., immense spread of crest, but more oval shaped, very clear centre, drooping regularly, very long, silky feather, a pretty bird, 3, left wing mkd., very veiny, silky crest, lovely centre, magnificent droop, thick, heavy crest feather, grandly drooped, splendid back and sides, but a trifle short in front, should do well later; 4, Hughill, saddle-mkd., large, wide, well-spread crest, nice quality and length of crest feather, good; vhc, Simpson; hc, Hands. C.B. (8): 1, c, Mrs. T. Taylor, lovely quality green, grandly fronted dome-shaped skull, densely covered with long broad feather, good width and substance of skull, very close, long body feather; 2, Routledge, another lovely green, grand quality, very densely feathered, great length of head feather, nicely browed, in grand form; 3, Hughill, green, tremendous width of skull, and great length of feather on back of skull, but does not turn over so well in front, grandly browed, stout body, profusely feathered; 4, Dobson and Son, big, massive bodied variegated; vhc, Bewick; hc, Clark. 1912 (7): 1, vhc, Bewick, splendidly shaped skull, beautifully covered with broad, long feather, of lovely quality, nice width and substance, well browed, grand shaped body, very densely feathered; 2, Simpson, another rare shaped skull, good wide frontal, with nice rise, dense brows, neat short beak, beautiful quality of head feather, not quite so dense; 3, 4, Hutchinson, splendidly shaped skull, great width, with nice rise, neat beak, very densely feathered, 4, good shaped body and skull, very densely feathered; hc, Dobson and Son; c, Dodds. BORDER, YELL. (8): 1, Espie, very sweet little neck and wing tkd., magnificent shape and style, lovely quality, very sleek, neat head, rare shoulders and wings, finely piped tail, full of nerve, a gem; 2, vhc, Armstrong, wonderfully smart and racy, full of nerve, nicely balanced wings, very sleek, silky feather, grand legs, good carriage; 3, G. Bennett, grandly shaped, well carried body, splendid style, full of nerve and action, grand neck, shoulders, wings and tail; 4, Christer, very smart and stylish; hc, Hillary; c, Gilchrist. BUFF (13): 1, Espie, regular little swell, stood well out, very neat, slim head, good neck and shoulders, very tightly braced wings and tail, grand back, good pair of legs, plenty of nerve; 2, Nicholson, handsome and well proportioned body, grandly set pair of legs, coat of fine, silky texture, not quite so clean as 1st; 3, G. Bennett, splendid type and qual., neat head, well balanced wings, lovely back, neat tail; 4, Beevor, magnificently sleek and silky in feather; vhc, Whittaker; hc, Hunter; c, Chapman. HENS (21): 1, Peel, lovely little buff, most exquisitely finished right through, very fine head, well braced shoulders, grand level back, finely piped tail, splendidly shaped and smartly carried body, rare nerve; 2, c, Hillary, charming buff, not quite so finely drawn, stands on a grand pair of legs, wonderfully fine and silky in feather, plenty of style; 3, hc, Johnston, very shapely, stylish yell., not quite finished moulting; 4, Gilchrist, very prettily marked buff, rare shape and style; vhc, Chapman. MKD. (7): 1, Chapman, very neatly marked eyes and well balanced wings, very typical and smartly carried body, rare quality of feather, neat head, nice level back, splendidly piped tail, 2, Nicholson, rather more heavily marked, wonderful quality of feather, splendid shape, very nervy and stylish, only beaten in marking; 3, 1, pie, variegated, beautiful qual., rare head, neck wings and tail, very smart and stylish; 4, Craig, another very nicely marked four pointed, feathered like a Java; vhc, Gilchrist; hc, Peel. GREEN, ETC. (8): 1, Christer, most lovely green, very finely drawn, neat head, magnificent shoulders, wings and tail, splendid carriage, magnificent col. and qual., one of the finest Borders in the show; 2, Whittaker, very sweet and neat Cinn., fine head, grandly balanced wings and tail, beautiful silky feather, well set legs, full of nerve and style; 3, 4, vhc, Johnston, very handsome, sound coloured Green, very rich and bright, rare silky feather, capital wings and tail, neat head, very smart and stylish, 4, grandly feathered Cinn., neat head, capital shoulders, wings and tail, good level back, capital col., nice nerve and style; hc, Ridley; c, Robson. NOVICE YELL. (26): 1, Affleck, a real tip-top Green, headed a strong class well, very neat head, fine shoulders, grandly balanced wings, finely piped tail, beautiful col., and very rich quality; 2, Browell, eye and wing mkd. yell., real gem when fit, but hardly ready to-day, very finely drawn, lovely shoulders, back, wings and tail, full of nerve; 3, Tallantyre, grandly moulded, well finished cl. yell., superb body properties, splendid carriage, very nervy; 4, Purvis, very sweet and taking yellow, lovely quality; vhc, Smith; hc, Dodd. BUFF (27): 1, Hodgson, nicely balanced four-pointed, grand shape and style, beautiful quality of feather, neat head, rare back, wings and tail, full of style and nerve, in the pink; 2, Wilson, lovely bodied cl., neat head, well braced shoulders, compact wings and tail, very sleek and silky in feather, nervy and handles well; 3, Waugh, smart, slim-headed cl., lovely back, wings and tail, beautiful quality of feather, grand legs, plenty of style; 4, c, Johnston, grand, shapely, cl., neat head, capital back and tail; vhc, Purvis; hc, Pape. CINN., YELL. (3): 1, 2, Godley, fine, big, shapely bird, grand head, very sound, rich, deep and light in col., grandly feathered, very smart and stylish, 2, beautiful depth and richness of colour, plenty of size, well feathered, not quite so neat in wing carriage; 3, Seeley Bros., better shape than 2nd, beautiful colour and feather, good head and back, but open in left wing. BUFF (4): 1, Dixon, lovely col., grand shape, deep chest, beautiful silky feather, very stylish and showy; 2, 3, Godley, grand shape and substance of skull, rich sound col., grand quality of feather, not quite so smart and compact in body, 3, rare shape, splendid richness and depth of col., not quite so tight in feather; wrong class, No. 4, Dodd, pied Cinnamon Border. LIZARD, CL. CP. (8): 1, Ollerenshaw, very typical, stylish Silver, beautiful quality, sound rich ground col., grandly feathered, covered with bold, distinct spangling, nice breast, trifle over-capped; 2, 4, Barnes, very handsome Silver hen, full of bold, distinct spangling, beautiful ground col., lovely silvering, rare shape and quality, gem, 4, smart shape, sound col., well spangled Gold, nice cap, good breast, rather wild when handled; 3, Hyslop, very shapely Silver, not so regular in spangle, capital feather and ground col., in nice form; vhc, Rukin; hc, Riseborough, wrong class; 5, Hyslop, and 7, Riseborough, both broken caps. BROKEN CP. (8): 1, 3, Barnes, magnificent Gold, not one of the largest, but for grand col., shape, style, feather and spangle, a beauty, nicely finished, and well put down, 3, also a Jonque, with plenty of good distinct spangling, not so shapely in body, nor so rich in col. and quality; 2, 4, Hyslop, sharply and distinctly spangled Silver, good regular rowing, lovely col. and feather, very fit and smart, 4, rattling good bodied Silver; vhc, Ollerenshaw; hc, Riseborough; c, Rukin. SCOTS (7): 1, Thompson Bros., very quick actioned, long-sided buff, grand head, fine long neck, well filled shoulders, grips perch well, gets its head well down, and pulls grandly; 2, 3, Harvey, foul yell., hot one of the largest, but the best of shape, full of nerve, wonderful drive, uses its tail well, well proportioned, 3, smart, stylish, nervy buff, also on the small side, but such shape, and such wonderful style; 4, vhc, Little, immense buff, tremendously heavy in feather, great substance right through, rare length of side, but a sluggard, when asked to work; hc, c, Chapman. HEN (7): 1, Thompson Bros., very smart, quick actioned yell., grand head and neck, shapely shoulders, good back and wings, uses her tail nicely, very nice style and good drive; 2, 4, Harvey, great length and plenty of substance, nice head, but carries it a bit too high, capital shoulders, wings and tail, 4, very fine headed buff; 3, hc, Chapman, long sided, heavy shouldered buff, good wings and tail; vhc, Little; c, Craig. MULES, LT. (5): 1, Maddison, magnificent cl. buff, grand blaze, most lovely col., feathered to perfection, very smart and stylish, a gem; 2, Curry, very large, grand coloured, nicely mkd. Goldie-Greenie, beautifully feathered and grandly fed, shown in the pink; 3, Rowell, large, very hot col. yell., almost six-pointed, splendid quality and good size for a yell.; 4, Meadley, very lightly marked Lin.-Can.; vhc, Bowerbanks. DK. (8): 1, 3, Johnston, an almost perfect Siskin-Can., wonderfully rich and bright in col., feathered to perfection, very beautifully mkd., as sleek as a mole, full of style, 3, large, well shaped, good coloured, and nicely mkd. Jonque Lin.-Can., in grand form; 2, hc, Maddison, very handsome Greenie-Can., large and well shaped, plenty of col., very high high quality feather; 4, vhc, Bowerbanks, two very rich coloured Goldie-Can.; c, McLean. GOLDFINCH (6): 1, 2, Steward, very rich col., grand face, blaze, large and squarely cut, beautiful bars, clear and distinct buttons, in nice feather, 2, splendid body col. bars and buttons, neat close feather, not so well finished as the leader, wants another week or two; 3, Bowerbanks, nicely shaped, rich coloured blaze, not so deep in col. of bars and body, splendid wings and tail, will do better yet; 4, Dunn, not up in blaze yet, promises well; vhc, Maddison; hc, Anderson. BULLFINCH (4): 1, 3, Curry, rich, clean breast, large, glossy, deeply cut cap, lovely back and bars, neat, compact body, one of the best, full of style, grand feather, 3, quite as rich on breast, grand shaped glossy cap plenty of size, nice shape, but not quite so tight in feather; 2, Boyd, very large, deeply cut, glossy cap, grand shape and carriage of body, not quite so rich on breast; 4, Charlton, splendid shape, style and col. GREENFINCH (8): 1, Butler, bold, bouncing mealy, grand shape, feathered like a Java, beautifully rich in col., splendid flights and tail, full of quality; 2, 3, McVay, large Jonque, not quite so chubby and compact in body, but wonderfully rich and bright in col., lovely feather and style, 3, big, good shaped mealy, splendid col., grand wings and tail; 4, Forster, rather small Jonque, full of quality; vhc, Boyd; hc, Quigley; c, Rowell. SISKIN, ETC. (11): 1, Foster, magnificently bronzed Twite, great depth and richness of col., wonderful marking, lovely condition, very shapely, stylish, and steady; 2, Hunter, bonnie Siskin rich brilliant col., grandly feathered, very nicely mkd., full of style and quality, very

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steady; 3, 4, Dixon, grandly mkd shapely Mealy Redpoll, capital head rare back and chest capital flights, 4, very handsome Twite hen; vhc, Davison; hc, Steward; c, Todd and Son. VARIETY FINCH, ETC. (6): 1, vhc, Foster, large deep chested Bramble, beautiful depth and richness of colouring, feathered like a piece of wax, beautifully spangled; 2, 3, Tomlinson, grandly mkd. Chaffie, smart cap, rich bright breast, lovely back, magnificently feathered, rare style, very steady, 3, rather smaller Bramble, most charming colouring and spangling, rare head and chest, very fine in feather; 4, Boyd, well mkd. Snow Bunting; hc, Watson. LINNET HOUSE MOULTED (7): 1, 2, Tomlinson, fine bold, deep chested bird, evenly and distinctly mkd., grand head, beautiful nutty col., grandly feathered, very steady, 2, another grand shaped bird of great size, beautifully marked right through, but not so rich in col., beautiful feather and style; 3, Hunter, not so deep and bold in chest, rich dark col., grand quality of feather, beautifully mkd., in rare form; 4, Dunn, another of the dark coloured ones, grandly marked; vhc, Harrison; hc, Meadley; c, Dixon. FIELD MOULTED (7): 1, Pearson, fine, big bird, deep broad chest, stout head, splendid width of back, grandly feathered and most beautifully and regularly mkd.; 2, Reid, wonderful markings, beautiful col. and quality of feather, neat head, not quite so stout in body; 3, Petterson, another grand one for shape and size, with good col. and markings; 4, Hunter, very nicely mkd., not so bold and deep in chest; vhc, Clark; hc, Forster; c, Dunn. SOFTBILL (5): 1, Young, grandly marked Blackcap, rich deep cap, beautiful chest and top col., high quality of feather, in grand form; 2, Robson, very rich coloured, grandly mkd. Whinchat, smart and stylish, but not quite in such good feather; 3, Pears, very lustrous coloured Starling, grand shape and style, in rare feather. FOREIGN (1): 1, Christer, magnificent Blue Mountain Lory. SMALL (6): 1, 3, Mrs. T. Taylor, most luxuriantly coloured Blue Sugar Bird, very steady, not a feather out of place, a real picture, 3, grandly mkd., rich coloured pair of Blackhead Gouldians, lovely heads and breasts, good tails; 2, Young, Yell. Sugar Bird, not in such lovely feather and condition as the winner; 4, McLean, rich coloured Goldie; vhc, Davison; hc, Petterson. HYDE'S (7): 1, Simpson. MEMBERS' CREST (4): 1, 2, Bewick; 3, Simpson; 4, Hands. HEN (2): 1, Hands; 2, Bewick. C.B. (5): 1, Bewick; 2, vhc, Simpson; 3, Dodd; 4, Clark. HEN (4): 1, Bewick; 2, Simpson; 3, Hands; 4, Clark., BORDER YELL. (7), 1, c, Browell; 2, Purvis; 3, Simpson; 4, vhc, Reed; hc, Hillary. BUFF (6): 1, Craig; 2, Purvis; 3, 4, Reed; vhc, Hillary; hc, Johnston. HEN (5): 1, Purvis; 2, Hillary; 3, vhc, Browell; 4, Craig. PAIRS, A.V. (3): 1, Hands; 2, Browell; 3, Simpson. MULES (3): 1, J. Cross; 2, Clark; 3, Hands. BRIT. GOLD, ETC. (6): 1, Dodds; 2, Dyer; 3, Leek; 4, vhc, Clark; hc, Vallans. VARIEGATED (8): 1, Butler; 2, vhc, J. Robson; 3, 4, hc, Clark; c, Vallans. LIN. HOUSE-MOULTED (5): 1, Harrison; 2, 4, Clark; 3, Hands; vhc, Hawver., FIELD-MOULTED (5): 1, Reed; 2, 3, Clark; 4, Dodds; absent, No. 1, Dodds. AMATEUR, VARIETY (1): 1, Dyer. GIFT (12): 1, Simpson; 2, Elwood; 3, Leek; 4, Dodds; vhc, Hawver; hc, Hands; c, Carr.

BO'NESS.

Eighth annual fixture held Nov. 2. The entry exceeded the 400 mark, which was considered very satisfactory, considering the amount of club and open shows held on the same day. Norwich and Borders were a shade below former years, but British fairly beat all records, most of the classes being very heavy, and they must have given the judge a hot day's work. The Linnet and Redpoll classes contained some stormers. The winning Twite, which was catalogued at thirty shillings, was quickly claimed as were several others at good figures. The president, Mr. T. Bell, scored well in this section, having a grand team forward, and winning the Fife challenge cup for most points. Mr. John Nicolson, Bathgate, secured the Verney cup for the best six nominated birds. The Norwich section contained some very nice birds of good quality and type. Some real gems of the first water were staged in the Border section. The yellow hen staged by Mr. A. Gilchrist was a gem all over. The hall in which the show was held is of nice size, and free from draughts, but we think that, when another year comes round, if they were to stage the British birds on the centre staging, it would show them off to more advantage, as box-cages need all the light that it is possible to get. The officials are a hard-working lot everyone a fancier, and are well supported by a good committee. The secretary, Mr. Thos. Cameron, is the right man in the right place, and is very obliging and courteous. We are asked to state that there were a few printer's errors in the list of awards, which the officials regret very much, but all prize-money will be paid according to judges' slips. The judges were: Norwich, Mr. Wm. Grewar, Lochgelly; Borders, Mr. Geo. Brown, Leith; British, Mr. P. McQuiston; and their awards gave universal satisfaction, for no grumbling could be heard at their decisions.

The Critique.

CREST CK.: 1, sp, Cram, crest and wing mkd., nice round crest, well laid on, fine centre, nice, leafy feather, good substance; 2, Sharp, larger crest, not so well laid down, some pen feathers in centre; yet, nice length of feather, of good qual.; 3, Binnie, massive body, heavily var., fails in crest to 1st and 2nd; 4, Masson. HEN: 1, Masson, useful sort of hen, nice crest, of good formation, fine length of feather, split on one side of crest. C.B. CK.: 1, 2, Cram, almost green leading, broad skull, well lashed, nice length of feather, well laid on, 2nd var., better in body properties, and nice entrance, good rise of skull, fails at back of skull only, very close; 3, Binnie, grand thick body, nice rise of skull, not the lashing or length of feather. C.B. HEN: 1, 2, Masson, big var., grand skull and lash, nice feather, 2 cl's in substance and qual. of feather. HEN, 1912 BRED: 1, Lambie, almost green, fails in centre and length of feather; 2, Campbell, grizzle crest, small in crest, and lacks substance; 3, Ferguson, short of size, and fails in length of feather; 4, Masson. C.B., 1912 BRED: 1, Ferguson, fair skull and feather, clear buff; 2, Masson, var., rather small. NOR. CL., OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Smart, cl., nice size, grand qual., fine stamp, good wing carr., nice col., well staged, wins; 2, Thom, fine head, fails a bit in neck, and hardly so stout in body, fine wing carriage. BUFF: 1, M'Leod, fine head, fine width of front and depth, nice qual., good wings, bit pale in col., City of Glasgow novice winner; 2, Thom, on the small side, nice stamp, fine qual. and grand col. YELL. HEN: 1, M'Leod, nice one, little more on front would be a good one, fine size, good qual., nice head and neck, wins; 2, Binnie, good stamp of hen. BUFF: 1, McCue, fine round head, full neck, nice depth of chest, good qual. and wings, inclined to lift in front a bit; 2, Park, rather rough down front. VAR. CK.: 1, Muir, lovely yell., grand head, neck, and body properties, lovely qual., pity spoiled by bad wing, nicely cleaned out behind, wins; 2, Parker, heavily var., fails a bit in size, fine stamp and wing carriage, good qual.; 3, Clifford, slimmer get up, not quite the qual. of leaders; 4, Grant. HEN: 1, Parker, nice yel. hen, grand stamp, qual., and col., hardly finished yet; 2, Smart, almost green, larger, fails a bit in qual. and wing carr., equal other properties; 3, Burnett, buff, loses here in front and qual.; 4, Muir. NON FED, CK.: 1, 3, Lawrie, leader cl. yell., nice full round head and neck, good body and wings, grand size, wins, wants a tubbing, 2rd cl. buff, little weak in head, heavy body, good qual., inclined to cross wings at times; 2, Thom, cl. buff, teeming with qual., not the size, and loses a bit in head, hard to separate; 4, Woodhouse; vhc, Baird and Taylor; hc, Binnie; c, Meikle. HEN: 1, 2, Laurie, 1st cl. buff, good head and neck, fine stamp, 2nd var. yell., loses in head a bit, good qual.; 3, Reid, cl., buff, loses in head and neck; 4, Baird and Taylor. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, McCue, cl. yell., nice head and neck, good wings, qual., and col.; 2, Sneddon, non fed buff. HEN: 1, McLeod, Perth winner, good all-round hen, short thick body and neck, fails in head a bit, good qual. and wing carriage, wins; 2, Gardiner, not the size of first, nor so steady, lovely quality, grand body, best of wings, rosse hard; 3, Muir, mkd. both eyes, rather too small side; 4, Clifford; vhc, Sneddon. UNFLIG. VAR.: 1, sp, Gardiner, yell. var., not one of the largest, but all type and qual., grand col. and wing carriage, wins; 2, Thom; 3, Muir, fails head and neck, not the same class as winner

BORD., CL., TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, sp, Gilchrist, lovely front and head, well rounded body, capital wing and tail carriage; 2, Gentleman, fine shape, grand head and wing carriage, inclined to frill on front; 3, Duncan, grand quality and type, sweet head, neck, nice bloom; 4, Munro; 5, Dunsmore; 6, Smart; 7, Kay. BUFF: 1, sp, Shields, gem for shape and size, grandly rounded head and front, teeming with quality, wins; 2, Aitchison, right stamp of a Border, nice quality feather, well braced wings and tail; 3, Hamilton, fine shape and qual., fails head to leaders, well placed; 4, Munro; 5, Aitchison; 6, Gilchrist; 7, Kay. YELL. HEN: 1, sp, Gilchrist, gem of a yellow hen, rare head, grandly moulded, lovely taper, fine bloom; 2, Munro, real good one, fine front, well filled in back, very typical; 3, Dunsmore, fine size and weight, splendid wings; 4, Kay; 5, Spittal; 6, Shields; 7, Aitken. BUFF: 1, sp, Gilchrist, splendid head and front, well rounded on back, extra good in qual., staged in grand trim; 2, Gentleman, nice lady, very shapely, well laid on wings, presses hard; 3, Hamilton, good type and quality, fine carriage; 4, Kay; 5, Aitchison; 6, Duncan; 7, Forrest. EVEN MKD. cancelled. VARIEG.: 1, sp, Hamilton, mkd. eyes, neck, and wings, capital head and front, finely moulded, wings braced to perfection; 2, Lambie, cinn. eye, and wing mkd. buff, sweet shape, teeming with qual., A1 type, nice carriage; 3, Smart, mkd. eyes and wing, another good one for type and qual., neat head and back; 4, Kay; 5, Aitchison; 6, Kay; 7, Thomson. GREEN OR CINN.: 1, sp, 2, Lambie, old champion green leading, one of the best greens seen for type and markings, sound in col., 2nd capital cinn., grand shape of col., nicely laced; 3, Thomson, nice type and col., shade slimmer, fine pencilling; 4, Duncan; 5, Gentleman; 6, Forrest. SELLING: 1, Hamilton; 2, Thomson; 3, no name; 4, Gilchrist; 5, Munro; 6, Shields. YORKS., CK.: 1, Gray, buff foul, teeming with qual., fine head and wings, rare position; 2, Stirling, wing mkd. yell., fails neck to wicner, finely rounded body, nice qual.; 3, Baird, nice buff, good head, very stylish, fine carriage. HEN: 1, Gray, rare length, well up on leg, rich colour, good head; 2, Stirling, nice wing carr., capital head and shoulder, full of qual.; 3, Showler, buff variegated, nice one, fine length, might have been better staged. COM. CAN.: 1, 2, Bell; 3, 4, Gray; 5, Moreland. GOLDFINCH (9): 1, 2 sps, Nicolson, City of Glasgow winner, looking as well as ever, wins easy; 2, Burnett, grand size, lovely tannings, good square blaze, fair depth of col.; 3, Bell, another good Finch, not finished moult yet, but well staged, in lovely bloom; 4, Brown; 5, Arnot; 6, Bryne; 7, Gentleman. BULLFINCH (5): 1, 3, Bell, 1st Lochgelly winner, bold-fronted Finch, good size, capital head, nice full neck and shoulders, grand depth of col., 3rd another rich col. Bullie, of good size, nice qual., fails a wee bit in head; 2, Wallace, typical thick set, well rounded bird, fine cap, back, and bars, close up, beaten only in breast col.; 4, Watson; 5, Harking. LINNET, H.M. (16): 1, Thomson, a grand one, wonderfully rich in col., splendid size and shape, bold head, nice breast work; 2, Nicolson, a Linnet of qual. and polish, very distinctly pencilled all over, shapely and stylish, not quite so warm in ground col.; 3, A. W. Watson, very sound all through, good chested upstanding bird, finely pencilled, close up; 4, Tucker; 5, Bell; 6, Colborn; 7, Robertson. F.M. (18): 1, A. W. Watson, grand size, lovely col. and markings, very steady, wins easy; 2, Dougall, grand bird, good type, fine head and neck rare breast work; 3, McLean and Son, promising Linnet, grand col., lovely breast work, a bit unsteady; 4, Palmer; 5, McCulloch; 6, Hodge and Haxton; 7, Sykes. SISKIN (Red) (7): 1, Bald, grand shape tight as wax, good even col., bold cap, splendid bib and wing bars, staged in lovely bloom; 2, Nicolson, lovely col., finely mkd., very shapely and neat, fails only in col.; 3, Duncan, good shaped Siskin, nice head and wings, carries a grand polish; 4, Sykes; 5, Bell; 6, Jamieson; 7, Cameron. NON-FED (11): 1, M. Craig, clinker, fine size and shape, excellent markings, very pure bright col., grand cap and bib; 2, R. Watson, City of Glasgow winner, extra steady, fine markings, trifle dull in col., beautifully staged; 3, Bruce, fine shape and qual., fails a bit in size, grand bib; 4, Drysdale; 5, McGavin; 6, Brown; 7, McLean and Son. LESSER REDPOLL (15): 1, sp, Bruce, fine specimen, nice size, rich col. throughout, good bib, chubby and shapely, grandly mkd. wings and back, perfect condition; 2, Hopkins, clinker, fine size and shape, well laced, nice bib, lovely col. and condition, close up; 3, Drysdale, grand little fellow, very distinct bib, and well mkd. all over, beautiful bloom; 4, Lambie; 5, Watson; 6, Baird; 7, Dunlop. REDPOLL, F.M. (19): 1, Nicolson, grand size, rare head, lovely rich col. and breast markings, steady, and staged to advantage; 2, Gentleman, good size, grand tanning and breast work; 3, Liddle, grandly shaped little fellow, lovely col. and markings, chubby type; 4, Whytock; 5, Hopkins; 6, Forrest; 7, Baird. MEALY REDPOLL (12): 1, A. W. Watson, grand size, lovely head and beak, grandly laced, steady and well staged; 2, Scotland, real good one, wonderful size, grand type, good lacing, very close up; 3, Crone, real good one, grand col. and condition, finely mkd., beaten in size only; 4, Calder; 5, Bell; 6, Bodeen; 7, Binnie. TWITE (12): 1, Smith, a real grand Twite, nice size, dense pencilling, well down flanks, full of bloom; 2, Bell, another good Twite, paler in col. than 1st, not quite so good in size, shows flights nicely, in really fine fettle; 3, Sykes, good colour and markings, nice rich tone of col., beaten in size; 4, Crone; 5, Palmer; 6, Cameron; 7, Calder. GREENFINCH, FED (10): 1, Nicolson, exceptionally good, wonderfully even in col., excellent glossy plumage, nothing could be better; 2, Stuart and Dalling, scarcely anything behind winner, nice even col., very steady, well staged; 3, no name, fine big bird, full of qual., very close up; 4, Messrs; 5, Parker; 6, Binnie; 7, Baird. GREENFINCH, NON-FED (12): 1, Messer, a beauty in size and shape, lovely bloom and plumage, grand wings and tail, very even col.; 2, Bald, grand size and shape, very sleek in coat, bold, steady fellow, nice even grassy green col.; 3, Masps, sound col., shape, and style, beaten in size only; 4, Nicolson; 5, Graham; 6, McLean and Son; 7, Laing. GREENFINCH, F.M. (1): 1, Calder, grand size and shape, nice tone of col., steady, well staged; 2, Nicolson, yell., grand head and col., fails in size; 3, Forrest; 4, Yates. CHAFFINCH, ETC. (10): 1, 4, Sykes, former well-known Bramblefinch, still adding to his laurels; 2, Stuart and Dalling, Chaffinch, rare size and shape, lovely breast col., steady, and well staged; 3, Pringle, Bramble, grand col. and markings, beaten for size, steady, and well staged; 5, Henderson; 6, Chalmers; 7, Baird. YELLOWHAMMER (8): 1, A. W. Watson, beauty, rare, deep, rich ground col., grand chest, beautifully mkd., extra steady and grandly staged; 2, 5, Stuart and Dalling, splendidly col. and finely mkd., very fine plumage, well staged; 3, Bruce, beauty, crown as near as possible clear., lovely head and face markings, very fine plumage; 4, Danlop; 6, Hodge and Haxton; 7, Lees. BUNTING, A.O.V. (4): 1, Nicolson, Corn, a very big, bold heavily pencilled bird, in grand trim; 2, A. W. Watson, a lovely Meadow, grand col., and face markings, staged to advantage; 3, Fraser, Corn, beaten in size and breast work; 4, Morris. BRIT., SMALL (6): 1, Taylor, a well-known Redstart, often described, wins on bloom; 2, 5, 6, Arnot, 2nd a lovely black Redstart, just a little rough under, if staged in smaller cage it would add to its advantage, a real good one; 3, 4, Laurie, 3rd a Yellow Wagtail, steady and in beautiful bloom, 4th a lovely Bearded Tit. LARGE (6): 1, Henderson, Waxwing, best one we have seen this season, grand size and in lovely bloom, extra well staged; 2, Sykes, Hawfinch, a grand specimen, with a rare head and large bib, capital flights, good broad chest; 3, Kerr and Sons, Magpie, grand size and lovely markings, staged in A1 bloom; 4, Bell; 5, Gentleman; 6, Mickle. HEN BULLFINCH (9): 1, Stuart and Dalling, splendid chest and head, thick set and chubby, good tone of col.; 2, 7, Jamieson, a very bonnie, well built hen, good col. and qual.; 3, 4, Gentleman, 3rd fine shape, sound rich col., steady and good carr.; 5, R. Watson; 6, Bell. HEN, BRIT., A.O.S. (14): 1, Bruce, Ring Ousel, a specimen, not often benched, steady, and in lovely bloom, very plump, and in shining condition, staged to advantage; 2, Gentleman, Hawfinch, grand size and markings, steady and beautiful col.; 3, Heard, grand Corn Bunting, grand size, rich col. and markings; 4, Lyall, a Lonnie Linnet, hard lines to meet such company; 5, Taylor; 6, Bell; 7, McCraig. LIGHT MULE (3): 1, 3, Bell, former a 4-ptd. buff Goldie, of nice col. and qual., 3rd yel. var., small, and heavily mkd.; 2, Jamieson, yell. var., good size and col., nice bloom. DARK (10): 1, Gilchrist, his well-known "Border King," wins easy; 2, McCraig, grand size, jonque Greenlinch, lovely col., good size, staged in the height of bloom; 3, Bell, yellow Linnet, fair size and col., in A1 bloom; 4, 6, McWatt; 5, Crone; 7, Jamieson. HYBRID (4): 1, 3, Bell, both Goldie-Bullies, former largest size, showing the cross distinctly, grand breast col., and in A1 b'com; 2, McCraig, Redpoll-Goldie, nice little exhibit, showing nice red in head and face; 4, Snedden, another Goldie-Bullie, beaten in size. BULLFINCH, FOR. (2): 1, Wilson, grand size, lovely cap and back, A1 breast col., shown in tip-top form; 2, A. Craig, grand size, extra good cap, lovely back and bars, fails in breast col. to winner. GOLDFINCH, FOR. (4): 1, Graham, large expansive blaze, clean, both in cut and col., rich crimson blaze, grand polish; 2, Stuart and Dalling, another splendid Goldie, runs winner very closely, just beaten in depth of blaze; 3, Pringle, well cut blaze, fine col., only beaten in size; 4, Parker. FOR. (18): Strong and most interesting class; 1, 3, 5, 7, sp, Arnot, 1st Indian Shama, staged in the height of condition, singing for all it was worth, a credit to its owner; 2, Bruce; 4, Clifford; 6, McPherson.

ROLLER SINGERS IN CONTEST.

Largest number ever gathered together in England.

The fourth annual Roller Singing contest of the Midland Roller C.C. was held in the large dining room of the Swan and Peacock Hotel, Wolverhampton, the headquarters of the Society, Oct. 31 and Nov. 1. The entries reached the grand total of 250, which is the largest number of Rollers ever got together in England. Everything passed off very well with the exception of one unfortunate incident. The respected judge of Rollers, Mr. F. A. Lester, entered a team of four birds which he has trained in open wire cages, his idea being to demonstrate to the Fancy that good birds can be trained without the darkening down process generally in vogue. His birds were despatched from London 11 a.m. on Wednesday, and should have been in the show room by 4 p.m. at latest. They had a very lengthened journey, and did not arrive till 12 noon the next day—one bird dead and the others quite knocked out. Only one did a little singing before the judge, the other two no song. They must have had very rough treatment from some strong-armed, weak-headed railway official. Mr. T. J. Smith, the Hon. Sec., worked like a Trojan, and was well supported by all the local fanciers. The show closed at 9 on Friday night, and by 10 the birds were in the hands of the railway company for the return journey. Messrs. J. Netherwood, G. Wareing, and M. Jacquemin were the judges.

The Awards.

(In the report which follows the following abbreviations are used: H.R., Hollow Roll; H.B., Hollow Bell; W.R., Water Roll; B., Bass; S., Schecket; G., Gleeke; W.G., Water Gleeke; F., Flutes; B.T., Bell Tour; D.W.B.T., Deep Water Bell Tour; B.R., Bell Roll; E., Effect.)

CHAMP. YOUNG BIRDS, Mr. Netherwood, Judge (71): 1, 3, 4, vhc, c, (2), Willows; 1st, M.R.C.C. silver challenge cup, and sp. best Gleeke, H.R. 6, B. 3, S. 3, G. 5, F. 3, D.B.W.T. 3, B.R. 2, E. 5, total 34; soon claimed at catalogue price, £5; 3rd, sp, H.R. 6, B. 3, S. 3, G. 3, F. 3, W.G. 3, B.T. 2, E. 5, total 28; 4th, sp, H.R. 5, B. 5, S. 3, G. 4, F. 2, W.G. 2, B.R. 2, E. 5, total 28; vhc, H.R. 5, B. 3, S. 3, G. 3, F. 3, W.G. 3, B.R. 2, E. 4, total 23; c, 19 points each: 2, sp, 7, sp, Humphries; 2nd, H.R. 6, B. 3, S. 3, G. 3, F. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 2, B.R. 2, E. 5, total 29; 7th, H.R. 6, H.B. 2, S. 4, F. 3, W.G. 3, D.B.W.T. 2, B.R. 2, E. 4, total 26; 5, sp., 6, sp, vhc, Simpson; 5th, H.R. 6, H.B. 3, B. 3, S. 3, F. 2, W.G. 3, B.R. 2 E. 5, total 27; 6th, H.R. 6, H.B. 3, B. 3, S. 3, F. 2, W.G. 2, B.R. 2 E. 5, total 26; vhc, H.R. 5, H.B. 2, B. 3, S. 3, F. 2, W.G. 3, B.R. 2, E. 4, total 24; vhc (2) Veen (1), H.R. 5, B. 3, S. 3, F. 2, W.R. 3, B.T., 2, B.R. 1, E. 3, total 22; (2) H.R. 6, B. 4, S. 3, F. 2, D.W.B.T. 2, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 22; vhc (2), Bird; (1) H.R. 6, B. 3, S. 3, F 3, W.G. 4, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 24, wins sp. for best W.G.; (2) H.R. 5, S. 3, F. 4, W.G. 3, D.B.W.T. 2, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 22; vhc, hc, Ives; vhc, H.R. 6, B. 4, S. 3, F. 2, W.G. 2, D.B.W.T. 2, B.T. 2, E. 3, 1 off, sharp bell, total 23; hc, 21 points; Massey, 20; Fisher, 20; hc, and sp. best Bass, Wardleworth, 20 points; c, Roebuck, Dimmock (2), Neugebauer, Pilling, 19 points each. No. 4 arrived dead. Nos. 5, 7, 9, 16, 29, 31, 34, 58 and 67, no song; 66, absent. Mr. F. Wilsdon wins special with H.R. NOV. YOUNG BIRDS; Mr. Max Jacquemin, judge (84): 1, 7, vhc (2), Twigg; 1st, sp. best H.R., H.R. 7, B. 4, S. 2, G. 4, F. 3, W.G. 2, B.T. 1, B.R. 2, E. 4, total, 29; 7th, sp, H.R. 5, B. 5, S. 3, G. 4, F. 3, W.G. 2, D.B.W.T. 1, B.T. 1, E. 3, 1 off sharp flutes, total 26; vhc (1), H.R. 5, B. 3, S. 3, F. 3, W.G. 2, D.B.W.T. 2, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 3, total 23; (2), H.R. 6, B. 4, S. 2, G. 2, F. 3, W.G. 1, D.B.W.T. 1, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 3, 1 off sharp flute, total 23; 2, sp, c, Cadman; 2nd, H.R. 6, B. 3, S. 3, G. 4, F. 2, W.G. 1, D.B.W.T. 1, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, E. 4, total 28; c, 20 points; 3, sp, Davis, H.R. 6, B. 4, S. 3, G. 3, F. 2, W.G. 4, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 2, total 27; 4, sp, hc, c, Maybury; 4th, H.R. 6, B. 3, S. 4, G. 4, F. 4, B.T. 1, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 27; hc, 22; c, 20; 5, sp, Barnett, H.R. 6, B. 4, S. 3, G. 4, F. 2, D.B.W.T. 1, B.T. 1, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 26; also sp. for best Gleeke; 6, sp, c, Harrison; 6th, H.R. 5, B. 3, S. 4, F. 2, W.G. 4, D.B.W.T. 2, B.T. 1, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 26; wins sp. best Water Gleeke; c, 26; vhc (2), sp. best Bass, Rhodes; (1) H.R. 5, B. 4, S. 3, F. 3, W.G. 2, D.B.W.T. 2, B.R. 2, E. 3, 1 off sharp flutes, total 23; (2) H.R. 6, B. 4, S. 4, F. 2, W.G. 3, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 24; vhc, Brown, H.R. 6, B. 4, S. 4 G. 3, F. 2, B.T. 1, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 25; vhc, hc, c, Christie; vhc, H.R. 5, B. 4, S. 3, G. 2, F. 2, W.G. 2, D.B.W.T. 2, B.R. 2, E. 3, 1 off Anfzug, total 24; hc, 21 points; c, 20; hc, Glover, 22, Hopworth, 22; c, Peel 20, Rawcliffe 20, Thompson 21, Preston 20. Nos. 4, 5, 6, 8, 19, 33, 51, 57 and 82, no song; No. 31, absent. OPEN; Mr. G. Wareing, judge (24): 1, 5, Willows; 1st, sp, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, B. 3, S. 3, F. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 4, E. 5, total 28; 5th, sp, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, B. 2, S. 2, F. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 1, E. 3, total 21; 2, so, Kremmer, H.R. 5, H.B. 2, B. 3, S. 3, F. 2, W.R. 2 B.T. 2, B.R. 2, E. 4, 1 off sharp flutes, total 24; 3, sp, Twigg, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, B. 3, S. 3, F. 2, W.G. 2, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 4, 1 off sharp bell, total 23; 4 sp, Humphries, H.R. 3, H.B. 2, S. 4, F. 1, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, E. 4, 1 off sharp bell, total 22; 6, Morris, H.R. 5, H.B. 4, B. 2, S. 3, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 21; vhc, Whittlestone H.R. 4, H.B. 2, B. 3, S. 4, F. 2, W.G. 2, B.T. 1 E. 3, 1 off sharp bell, total 20; vhc, Preston, H.R. 6, H.B. 3, B. 3, S. 2, W.R. 2, B.R. 2, E. 3, 1 off sharp bell tour, total 20; vhc, Veen, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, B. 4, S. 3, F. 2, D.B.W.T. 1, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 3, 1 off sharp bell, total 20; hc, Neugebauer, 19 points, Walton 19; c, Fisher 17, Sykes 17; No. 18, no song. AMATEUR; Mr. G. Wareing, judge (39): 1, sp, Wardleworth, H.R. 6, H.B. 3, B. 3, S. 4, F. 2, B.T. 1, B.R. 2, E. 4, total 25; 2, sp, Peel, wins B.R.C.C. medal for best rmg bird, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, S. 3, F. 3, W.G. 2, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 4, total 22; 3, sp, T. J. Smith, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, B. 2, S. 4, F. 2, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 3, total 21; 4, sp, Christie H.R. 6 H.B. 3, B. 2, S. 3, F. 2, B.R. 2, E. 3, 1 off sharp flute total 20; 5, Ives, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, B. 3, S. 3, F. 2, D.B.W.T. 1, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 3 1 off sharp bell, total 19; 6, hc, T. Brooks; 6th, H.R. 4, H.B. 4, S. 3, F. 3, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 3, total 19; hc, 16 points; vhc, Kilshaw, H.R. 3, B. 3, S. 3, F. 2, W.G. 2, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 3, total 18; Roberts H.R. 4, H.B. 2, B. 4, F. 2, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 19; Twigg, H.R. 4, H. B. 2, B. 3, S. 4 W.R. 1, W.G. 2, E. 2, total 18; hc (2), Brown 16, 15, Jacquemin 17; c, Maybury 15, Roberts 16; Nos. 6, 7, 13, 15, 19, 20, 26, and 29, no song. OPEN LIMIT £2: Judge, Mr. Wareing (21): 1, Humphries, H.R. 4, B. 4, S. 4, F. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 3, total 22; 2, Willows, H.R. 4, H.B 2, B. 3, S. 3, F. 3, B.T. 1, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 21; 3, Hesling, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, S. 3, F. 2, D.B.W.T. 1, B.T. 1, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 20; 4, Ives, H.R. 4, H.B. 3, S. 3, F. 2, W.G. 2, B.T. 1, E. 3, total 19; vhc, Peters, H.R. 4, H.B. 3, S. 3, F. 2, W.G. 3, E. 2, total 17; Grainger and Harper, H.R. 4, H.B. 3, B. 2, F. 2, W.G. 2, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, E. 2, total 17. Brookes, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, B. 2, S. 3, F. 2, W.G. 2, B.R. 1, E. 2, 1 off Anfzug, total 17; hc, Roebuck 16, Veen 16; c, Turner 15, Wistance 15; No. 14, no song. MEMBERS; Judge: Mr. J. Netherwood (20): 1, 2, Humphries; 1st, sp, H.R. 6, B. 5, S. 4, F. 3, W.G. 3, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 26; 2nd, sp, H.R. 6, H.B. 2, B. 4, S. 3, G. 2, B.R. 2, E. 3, 1 off sharp bell, total 21; 3, sp, Bird, H.R. 7, B. 2, S. 3, F. 2, W.G. 2, B.R. 2, E. 3, 1 off sharp flute, total 21; 4, sp, Grainger and Harper, H.R. 6, B. 4, S. 3, F. 2, B.R. 2, E. 3, total 20; 5, Jacquemin, H.R. 6, S. 3, F. 3, W.G. 3, D.B.W.T. 2 E. 3, total 20; 6, Bird, H.R. 6, B. 4, S. 3, F. 3, B.R. 2, E. 2, total 20; 7, Smith, H.R. 6, B. 4, S. 3, W.G. 2, D.B.W.T. 2; E. 2, 1 off sharp bell, total 18; vhc, Maybury, H.R. 5, S. 3, F. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 2, B.R. 1, E. 3, 1 off bizk Schocket, total 17; vhc, hc, Harper, H.R. 5, B. 4 S. 2, F. 2, B.R. 2, E. 2, total 17; hc, 17; c Thompson, 16; Nos. 17, 20, no song.

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The Sheffield O.S. held their 2nd annual show on Nov. 1, and 2. The Temperance Hall, in which the function took place, is a room of capital size, good in light, absolutely free from draughts, near to the centre of the city. This most enterprising and very progressive society will, in the near future, we are firmly convinced, require a still larger place. Their sole ambition is to run a show second to none, and if the schedule issued is any criterion their object is certain to be attained. The "ground bait-" put down was 22s. per class (26s. in the Foreigners), with a host of very valuable specials, including cups, medals and so forth. The great inducements were finely responded to by the Fancy, no less than 953 entries being booked, thus creating a record for "Steelopolis." The staging of exhibits was on the three-tier principle, and between each aisle, directly overhead dozens of electric lamps provided brilliancy when daylight had departed. The cost of this arrangement was very heavy, yet the effect was gorgeous and admittedly advantageous for the sight-seers, as every bird could be plainly seen. Many beautiful palms greatly enhanced the surroundings. The Master Cutler, J. Rossiter Hoyle, Esq., officiated at the opening ceremony, and spoke excellently, his words being most appropriate for such an occasion and flattering to the society. A vote of thanks was proposed by the Rev. J. Smith, M.A. (Baslow) and seconded by Dr. J. G. Mylan. The President is the Right Hon. the Earl Fitzwilliam, D.S.O.

The Good Ship's Crew.

The Chairman is Mr. T. Dawn, a fancier of the right metal, not merely a figure head, but a most strenuous and enthusiastic worker; from opening to closing of exhibition his efforts were great, and inspired all the committee under him. Mr. J. A. T. Woodall (Vice-Chair) makes a capital understudy, and rendered great assistance. The Committee of Management consists of many well-known and well-tried fanciers, who all gave of their best, praise being due to the following for their splendid work on behalf of the society, viz.: Dr. W. Craig, Messrs. H. Bishop, G. Fletcher, J. Mace, G. Moore, J. Memmott, C. Marshall, J. Milne, T. Rilal, E. E. Smith, A. Somerfield, T. F. Turner, P. Walsh and F. Elliott. The Treasurer, Mr. J. W. Drabble, is the right man in the right place, and the "shekels" are safe in his keeping. The Hon. Sec., Mr. T. Bishop, carried out his duties in masterly fashion, promptly and efficiently. He is a grand stamp of fancier, courteous and obliging to one and all. He was assisted by that well-known mule breeder. Mr. R. Colton, who, as most will be aware, has had a lengthy "all England show" experience, and he knows the correct way to run an open venture to a successful issue. Truly, Messrs. Bishop and Colton are a brace of wonderfully good officials. The stewards, who proved themselves full worthy of their trust, and kept the "house in order" were Messrs. A. Somerfield, Dr. W. Craig, J. Milne, J. Mace, G. Fletcher and J. Memmoth. As each class was adjudicated upon prize slips were quickly affixed, the winners placed in rotation, and every detail expeditiously executed. Messrs. A. Somerfield and J. Fletcher attended most efficiently to their watering and seeding throughout.

The attendance was great, all parts of the country being represented. Amongst those whom we observed and chatted with were Messrs. J. W. Ramsden (London), Dr. A. M. Deane (Dewsbury), D. Hunter (Scarbro), L. Dykes, J. Bailey, Odgen Bros., F. Hammond and J. Thornton (Bradford), Evans (Stocksbridge), Radley and Son (Skelmanthorpe), T. Simpson (Worksop), S. Cook (Manchester), Joe Thomas (Halifax), R. Garnett (Bradford), Archer (Huddersfield), Gregory, Bagnall and Brotherton (Rotherham), J. Warrender (Hoyland), and many fanciers. Mr. J. C. Barnes, the well-known local fancier, we noticed spent many hours at the show, and met many fancier friends.

Many birds were claimed, the winner in the Yorkshire hen (Novice section), catalogued at £5 5s., shown successfully by Mr. J. Radley (Skelmanthorpe), finding a fresh stable on the Tyneside. The money taken at the door amounted to a goodly sum, and along with the tremendous lot of tickets sold by the members, points towards a capital balance in hand when the auditors have done their work. The Gift Class (upwards of 20 birds) provided a drawing competition, each purchaser of a ticket being entitled to a chance of winning a prize-bred Canary, etc. It was amusing to observe the anxious faces (especially the feminine ones) when the "lucky numbers" were posted up.

Among the Exhibits.

Yorkshires opened the catalogue, and fully deserved the general opinion passed upon them, as "the" feature of the show; truly a superb and marvellous collection, the best array ever been brought together within the "grimy city." Norwich, with the open Nor. P.H. Club's patronage, provided a huge treat for those who swear by the "short and thick uns." Undoubtedly a magnificent display, and one to be remembered for many a long day to come. Lancashires and Lizards were capital, though quantity was lacking. We must not overlook the Crests and C.B., certainly not numerous, but of exceptional merit, with a few "eye openers" amongst them.

Special winners are as follows: Best Nor., Mr. J. E. Davies, with a marvellous cl. buff ck.; Novice, Mr. T. Rowbottam; Challenge cup (very handsome, kindly presented by Dr. W. Craig) most points Novice Yorks., fell into the hands of Mr. S. Binns (Cleckheaton), he staging a very choice team; best Crest, Mr. J. W. Guy; C.B., Mr. E. Radley; Lan. Coppy, Mr. W. Hardy; P.H., Mr. A. Beattie; Liz., Mr. J. Rukin; most entries in show, Dr. M. A. Wilson; Teapot, most entries, Mr. P. Walsh; Sandiford's for hottest fed, Mr. T. H. Mason, with a red-hot mkd, yell. Nor.; Ramsden's, for hottest fed, went to a cl. yell. Nor. cock, a ball of fire, the property of Messrs. Richinson and Hibberson; Ramsden's for best-fed Liz., Mr. W. P. Barnes; medal, Nov., Liz., Mr. B. Clegg; best Yell. Coppy, Mr. A. Hordern; P.H., Mr. W. Kay; Buff Coppy, Mr. A. Hordern; P.H., Mr. G. Fitton.

Judging in the commencement was delayed somewhat by consignments of birds arriving at the show late (shall we blame the railway company once again?), therefore throwing the completion of awards over until late on in the afternoon. Catalogues without the awards were quickly on sale, but those with the awards printed were not obtainable until Saturday morning—absolutely no fault whatever of the society, but of other people. The judges were Messrs. W. Mundell (Bradford), W. Vardy (Hucknall), J. Naden (Rochdale) and Chas. Houlton (St. Helens), and their placings gave general satisfaction.

The Yorkshire Section.

There was a record entry in Yorkshires, and the elite of the fancy benched the cream of their stock. What an array of talent the following names represent: Messrs. Bailey, Shackleton, Ogden Bros., Dykes, Towers, Wilcock, Sutcliffe and Son, Binns, Crawhall, A. Hirst, G. Hirst, E. Radley, A. Radley, Morrison, Thornton and Bower, Thomas, and Cooper! "Jimmy" Bailey won the special for best Yorks. in the show with his ticked yellow, a bird of rare merit, standing well away in its class; He also captured the special for best cln. mark. Mr. Joe Thomas won in yellow hens with a bird of rare length and quality, and Messrs. Ogden took the 1st in buffs with a lovely wing and cheek marked bird. There was a wonderful entry in the Novice Section—198 in the four classes! These classes were a treat for any Yorkshire fancier to dwell amongst. Birds of great length and quality were to be seen standing cardless; and no wonder! In the hen class 60 entries were made, and the judge had only one first to award! Mr. Mundell had real hard work in placing the cards.

YORKS. CL. YELL. (12): 1, c, Bailey, rich col., good head, well on leg, long wings, piped tail, full of qual.; 2, Crawhall, long flights, nicely carried piped tail, rich col., full of qual., good head and neck, position A1; 3, Ogden Bros., rich col., boxy feather, nice wing carriage, piped tail, neat round head, very stylish; 4, Sutcliffe and Son, rich colour, full of quality; vhc, Dooley; hc, Wilcock. BUFF (13): 1, Bailey, rich col., boxy feather, nice wings and piped tail, stands like a game cock, neat head, grand neck and breast; 2, Wilcock, position, boxy feather, good head, nice wings, piped tail, neat head, clean on breast, well on leg; 3, A. Radley, bit stroug, full of quality, well on leg, good head, well placed wings, piped tail, rich colour, very stylish; Crawhall, pale col., boxy feather; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Towers; c, Binns. TKD. or MKD. YELL. (11): 1, sp best Yorks., Bailey, thigh tkd., lovely quality, rich col., well on leg, long flights and tail, good head, wins; 2, Towers, wing mkd., pale col., boxy feather, good head and neck, well on leg, nice type; 3, Dykes, thigh tkd., well on leg, long flights and tail, good head, full of qual.; 4, Thornton and Bower, blaze of colour, cap and wing mkd.; vhc, Bingham; hc, Ogden Bros.; c, Sutcliffe and Son. TKD., ETC., BUFF (12): 1, W. Binns, great length, well placed wings, piped tail, position A1, full of qual., would do with a wash; 2, Bailey, cap and wing marked, rich col., lovely feather, long flights and tail, a shade loose on waist; 3, Charlesworth, grizz. on wing, lovely qual., rich col., neat head, nice wing carriage, piped tail, well on top; 4, Towers, four-pointed, blaze of colour, boxy feather; vhc, Dykes; hc, Morrison; c, Sutcliffe and Son. CL. or TKD. YELL. HEN (13): 1, Thomas, rich col., boxy feather, neat round head, clean on chest, long flights, piped tail, position A1, grand hen; 2, hc, Shackleton, cheek and wing mkd., brimful of quality, lovely col., neat head, grand wing carriage, well on leg, position A1; 3, A. Radley, marked back of head, lovely qual., neat wings and tail, position; 4, Craig, rich colour, well on leg, grand wing carriage; vhc, Dykes; c, Binns. BUFF (15): 1, Ogden Bros., cheek and wing mkd., pale col., full of qual., grand wing carr., piped tail, not too well staged; 2, Shackleton, rich col., beautiful feather, neat head, grand wing carr., piped tail; 3, 4, Thornton and Bower, 3rd. rich col., full of quality, grand wings and tail, well on leg, position A1; 4th, tick on head, blaze of colour; vhc, Dykes; hc, Charlesworth; c, Hall. CL., ETC., UNFLIG YELL. (22): 1, Dykes, cheek and wing mkd., rich col., boxy feather, neat head, well braced wings, piped tail, grand type; 2, Thomas, bit weak on head, full of qual., long flights, nicely balanced piped tail, rich col., nice position; 3, Kearns, neck and wing mkd., nice type, good head, wings and piped tail, rare length; 4, Sutcliffe and Son, wing marked, rich colour; vhc, Dr. Craig; hc, Bingham; c, Brotherton. BUFF (18): 1, Dooley, rich col., full of qual., neat head, grand wing carr., piped tail; 2, Bailey, cheek ticked, neat head, well braced wings, piped tail, rich col., qual. A1, very stylish; 3, Sutcliffe and Son, rich col., boxy feather, well on leg, neat head, nicely placed wing, piped tail; 4, Thornton-Bower, varieg., blaze of colour, teeming with qual., A1; vhc, Binns; hc, Wilcock; c, Towers. CINN. TKD., ETC. YELL. (11): 1, sp, best cinn. mkd., Bailey, eye and wing marked, rich col., grand wings and tail, teeming with qual., position, wins; 2, Ogden Bros., pale col., eye and wing mkd., nice style, neat head, full of qual., piped tail, well braced wings, clear on breast; 3, Thomas eye and wing marked, pale col., lovely qual. of feather, neat head, very stylish; 4, Towers, rare length, cap, eye and wing marked; vhc, Allen; hc, Hall; c, Brown and Son. BUFF (11): 1, Allen, cap and wing marked, nice col., lovely qual., neat head, nicely placed wings, piped tail, position; 2, Dr. Craig, eye and wings, rich col., full of qual., neat head, piped tail, position; 3, Morrison, cheek and wings, blaze of col., neat head, lovely qual. of feather, very stylish; 4, Brown and Son, cap, eye and wing, pale colour, full of quality; vhc, Cooper; hc, Grayson; c, Ogden Bros. CINN. TKD., ETC. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Allen, cap, wing and eye, boxy feather, neat head, nice col., well placed wings, piped tail, very showy; 2, 4, Moss; 2nd, check and wing mkd., rich col., boxy feather, grand position, neat head, good wings and tail position; 4th, cap and wing rare length, rich colour, nice type; 3 Myers and Lamb, cap, cheek and wing, very typical, neat head, full of qual., piped tail; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Towers; c, Bailey. BUFF (15): 1, Myers and Lamb, neat head, full of qual., grand wing carr., piped tail; 2, 4, Morrison, rich col. and position, full of qual., nice wings and tail; 4th, neat head, pale colour, lovely wings; 3, Allen, very stylish, neat head, grand wings and piped tail; vhc, Cooper; hc, Ackroyd; c, Hirst. NOVICE YELL. YORKS. (43): 1, W. Binns, rare length, lovely quality of feather, well on leg, good head, nicely balanced wings, piped tail, position A1; 2, Batcman, very finely drawn out bird, lovely qual., neat head, grand wings and piped tail, rich col., position; 3, Midgley, very typical, rich col., full of qual., neat head, nice pair of wings, piped tail, very nicely benched; ex 3, Middleton, rare length, full of qual., nice bloom, well placed wings, position; 4, Morley, rare length and quality, neat head, position; ex 4, Bishop, boxy feather, position, piped tail; vhc, Atkinson; hc, Sampson; c, Baldwinson. BUFF COCK (42): 1, sp, for best novice, Fowle, neat head, rich col., long flights, piped tail, full of qual., very stylish, nicely benched; 2, Hall, type and quality, rich col., good head, well placed wing, piped tail; 3, Pell, long flights and tail, rich col., well on leg, good head, position A1; ex 3, Bateman, rich col., full of qual., neat head, lovely wings and tail; 4, Hutchinson, rare length, good head, quality, position, piped, tail; ex 4 Tidswell, nice type and quality, good wings and piped tail, well on leg, nice position; hc, hc, Binns; c, Midgley. HEN (60): 1, John Radley, buff, teeming with qual., grand position, lovely head, grand wings, well placed, piped tail; 2, Midgley, yell., rich col., well on leg, long flights, well placed, neat tail, lovely head, very stylish; 3, Oates, buff, neat head, well placed wing, piped tail, full of qual., position A1; ex 3, Hutchinson, (yell., nice type and qual., clear round head; 4, vhc, Binns, 3th, very typical, lovely feather, piped tail; ex 4, Morley, neat head, full of quality, position; vhc, c, Bower. UNFLIG. (53): 1, ex 4, Midgley, 1st, eye ticked buff, lovely qual. of feather, grand wing carriage, piped tail, well on leg, good head, very stylish, a good bird; ex 4, very typical, long wings, piped tail, full of quality; 2, ex 3, Binns; 2nd, four-pointed yellow, lovely qual., well on leg, good head, piped tail, very stylish; ex 3, typical yell., boxy feather, well on leg, long flights and tail; 3, Taylor, wing tkd. buff, rich col., good head, nice wing carriage, piped tail, position A1; 4, Busby, boxy feather, good head, nice wings and piped tail, very stylish; vhc, Prior; hc, Atkinson; c, Hutchinson.

Remainder of Canary Classes.

CL. YELL. (11): 1, 2, Davies, with a magnificent brace, former massively built, delightful shape, teeming with quality and colour, demon; 2, ablaze with col., feathered to perfection, sweetly moulded, hardly so thick through, perfect carriage, gem; 3, Mallinson and Son, well up in substance, red hot, pleasing head and neck, rather longer in build, yet of wonderful merit; 4, Harland, short and thick set, capital col. and feather, jaunty in carriage, clean cut away, smaller; vhc, Hunter; hc, Hirst; c, Heap. BUFF (13): 1, sp, best in section, Davies, absolutely one of the finest specimens we have ever clapped eyes upon, bordering on perfection from tip of toe to end of beak, a dream; 2, Mason, delightful shape, superb in col., fine substance and carriage, grand col., but not so ruddy as winner, quite; 3, Thomas, for shape, qual., col., and carriage, all one need wish for, beaten in substance only, a model; 4, Heap, full of qual., rich tone of col., nice shaped body, wanting a little in head and neck, yet very choice; vhc, Fox; hc, Ball; c, Dr. J. C. McConaghey. TKD. YELL. (9): 1, Davies, mkd. wings and head, quite a demon for col., feathered to perfection, wonderful size, delightful symmetry, clock like in action, stormer; 2, Havenhand, mkd. wings and head, magnificent shape, rare substance, shone like satin, beaten in depth of col., yet capable of making a big name; 3, H. Thomas, lightly var., exquisite feather, richly fed, cobby, and of A1 carriage, not one of the biggest, but one of the best; 4, Hunter, mkd. wing, red hot, soft silky texture of feather, beautiful head, neck, and chest, wee bit longer barrel, flights, and tail; vhc, Pickles; c, Mallinson and Son. BUFF (11): 1, 2, Cook, with a brace of charmers, mkd. wings and head, full of character, rare size and shape, superb quality, delightful col., graceful movement, topper, mkd. left wing, still deeper fronted, wonderful substance, feather, and shape, well across, rich undercolour, near on equal in merit, a real gem; 3, Dodd, mkd. head, round as a ball, tight as a Java, sweetly moulded, red hot, neatly frosted, not the size; 4, Johnson, mkd. wings and breast, hottest in class, true type, lovely carriage, beautifully clothed, smaller, but a living picture; vhc, Webster; hc, Harland; c, Pickering and Wright. YELL. HEN (16): Grand class, two sets of winners could easily have been selected: 1, Thomas, mkd. wing, tail, and about head, magnificent feather and col., wonderful size for a hen, delightful shape and carriage, will take some stopping; 2, 4, Davies, with a couple of very bewitching damsels; 2, mkd. head, A1 col. and feather, grand contour, rare size and carriage, will yet improve, bit raw around eyes yet; 4, cl., of capital shape, size, and quality, full of col., sweet carriage, well worthy of her position; 3, vhc, Hirst, mkd. wings and eyes, teeming with qual. and col., choking shape, fluely braced wings, pipe tail, not quite the substance of above; hc, Ball; c, Dodd. BUFF (12): 1, c, Heap, very massive, cl., wonderful size, qual., col., and carriage, richly frosted, many envious eyes were cast on this most dainty damsel, the Newcastle winner; 2, D. Hunter, cl., if anything even more substance, fine symmetry, good col., neatly mealed, fine carriage, hardly so fine in texture; 3, Cook, cl., nice shape, good col., not the size, and we thought coarse somewhat in dress, bit lucky; 4, Pickering and Wright, cl., capital feather and col., nice size and shape, moves well, clean cut away; v, Hirst, lightly mkd., delightful shape, fine size, magnificent feather, light as wax, near on best in class many thought, truly a gem of gems "if a hen," has masculine character somewhat; hc, Johnson. YELL. UNFLIG. (21): 1, sp., Mason, mkd. wing and head, hot as a stove, not a feather misplaced, fine shape and substance, delightful carriage, should make a "knock out" with another good moult; 2, Waters, fine sized, cl., richly fed, beautifully clothed, well up in head and neck character, grand body, perfect wings and tail, real gem; 3, H. Thomas, cl., feathered to perfection, ablaze with colour, grand shape and carriage, not so massive, good 3; 4, Harland, good size, A1 col. and qual., neatly formed body, lacking little in head and neck; vhc, Pickering and Wright; c, Simmonett. BUFF (16): 1, Dr. J. C. McConaghey, mkd. wings and head, marvellous substance, delightful shape, rattling feather and col., prettily frosted, grand carriage, will do some winning; 2, Pickles, mkd. head, again of wonderful size, teeming with qual. and col., perfect shape, around eyes little in pen., when completely through will take some knocking, truly an eye opened; 3, Miss A. Scott, "Bravo the Ladies" mkd. eyes and neck round as a ball, ablaze with col., delightful feather, neat in carriage, credit to his owner; 4, Johnson, mkd. wing and head, smooth as a bottle, correct shape, capital col. and qual., smaller, but a picture; vhc, Harland; hc, Mason; c, Ball. NOVICE YELL. (9): 1, Potter, cl., rattling shape, qual. and col., not overdone with size, yet one that commands observation, neatness itself; 2, Hoyle, cl., more substance, nice feather and col., capital head, neck, and chest, bit heavy behind; 3, Butler and Barlow, lightly var., red hot, A1 qual., short and thick set, might have won, very smart exhibit; 4, sp., Richinson and Hibberson, very nice shaped, cl., full of col. and qual., on the small side, yet good one; vhc, Halford; hc, Howe and Senior; c, Cobb. BUFF (14): 1, sp, Rowbottam, cl., great size, lovely shape, col., and qual., fine carriage, capable of winning many open shows; 2, Battersley, very shapely, cl., teeming with qual. and col., neatly frosted, not quite the substance; 3, Hudson, short and thick set, cl., A1 feather and col., grand carriage, very close up; 4, vhc, Rhodes, heavy mkd., cobby, and of nice shape, col., and feather, not so much substance as might have; hc, Miss A. Scott; c, Clarke. HEN (11): 1, Briggs, cl. yell., delightful contour, richly clothed, fine substance, dainty carriage, fascinating damsel; 2, Simpson, well shaped, cl. buff, grand qual. and col., neatly frosted, moves gracefully, bonny; 3, Rhodes, yell. var., cobby, capital col. and feather, not large, but awfully nice, worth her place; 4, Rowbottam, yell., lightly var., A1 qual. and col., nice neck and head, longer in body, wings, and tail; vhc, Butler and Barlow; hc, Battersley; c, Hudson. UNFLIG. (14): 1, Lawton, cl. yell., good shape and col., well up in size, rather open in feather on front; 2, Boaler, cl. yell., tight as a Java, capital shape, feather, and col., sweet carriage, our choice; 3, Rowbottam, buff mkd. eyes and neck, rare col. and qual., good shape and size, crosses wings a little which tells against it; 4, Simpson, cl. yell., short and thick set, good col., nice shape and size, bit coarse in feather around thighs; vhc, Battersley; hc, Potter; c, Richinson and Hibberson. CRESTED (7): 1, 3, Guy, with a couple of "choice 'uns," former, buff mkd. root of tail DC, heaps of feather, well up in substance, crest of capital size and radiation, good droop and centre, in the pink; 3, buff green, pied tail DC, lovely feather, shapely crest of nice size and formation, neatly drooped, good centre; 2, 4, Radley and Son, buff var., DC, wonderful substance, rare shaped crest, very thickly packed, delightful droop, and correctly placed centre, gem, we thought value for first; 4, buff mkd. wings DC, heaps of rich qual. feather, good substance, crest, large, and of capital frontal, runs wee bit narrow, neat droop and centre; vhc, Evans and Son; hc, Evans; c, Colton and Dawn. HEN (6): 1, sp., 3, Guy, again with right sorts, buff mkd. wings DC, marvellous size and qual., crest large and as round as a hoop, veiny, and well thatched, delightful droop, correct centre, gem; 3, buff, almost green DC, shapely and with a grand formation of crest, leafy, but not over large, yet of rattling droop and centre, a picture; 2, 4, Evans (J.), buff mkd. wings DC, capital feather, crest round as a crown, thickly packed, rare droop and centre, not quite the size, yet grand specimen; 4, buff, lightly var. DC, superb qual., leafy crest of fine frontal, bit weak at sides, well drooped, neat centre; vhc, Barker; hc, Radley and Son. C.B. (6): 1, 4, M. Emmott, leader a cl. buff, wealth of rich qual. feather, with a very massive skull of great width and rise, unfortunately weak on legs, but for this failing would be one of the "nuts," hard lines; 4, cl. buff, lovely qual., nice shape, characteristic head, yet not in it with its stable companion; 2, Evans, buff var., shapely and with a wealth of rich qual. feather, grand skull and lash, one we liked much; 3, Radley and Son, buff mkd. wings and eyes, abundance of feather, rare substance of body, wanting in density of head feather, and might have greater width, neat lash; vhc, Guy; hc, Hobson. HEN (7): 1, sp., E. Radley, buff green pied wing and tail, wealth of feather of rich texture, nice shape, capital width, rise, and density of skull, neatly browed, gem; 2, 3, Guy, buff, almost green, very shapely, abundance of feather, head of good character, but not so massive, nice lash and in fine trim; 3, buff mkd. wings and head, abundance of clothing, well up in size, good rise and width of skull, lacking density, yet nice specimen; 4, Barker, buff var., good shape, A1 feather, smaller all through, still very pleasing; vhc, Colton and Dawn; hc, Memmott; c, J. Evans and Son. CREST, 1912 (5): 1, 2, Radley and Son, with a delightful brace, leader buff mkd. wings DC, wonderful substance, superb qual., crest round as a rim, capital droop and centre, beauty; 2, buff, mkd wings DC, rattling quality, and of rare size, crest extra large, and of magnificent radiation, thickly packed, wonderful droop and centre, better at back of crest than winner even, our choice, topper; 3, 4, Memmott, lightly var., DC, nice qual., not the size of above, yet of capital frontal, slightly spit at sides, neat droop and centre, may yet improve; 4, buff mkd. wings, DC, plenty of feather, crest, good radiation and droop, centre bit open, yet one we liked; vhc, Evans. C.B. (6): 1, 3, Barker, buff green, wealth of lovely feather, fine substance, grand width and rise of skull, beautifully lashed, real gem; 3, buff, mkd. wings and eyes, capital quality, head of nice character, neat lash, not near so massive as winner, but very neat exhibit; 2, Evans, buff green, pied tail, plenty of capital feather, nice substance, beaten slightly in head as regards width, otherwise equal; 4, M. Emmott, buff, lightly mkd., A1 qual., not the size, shows character nicely; vhc, Radley and Son; hc, Cowpertwaite. NOV., CREST (10): 1, 3, Rewick, buff, lightly mkd. DC, rich in qual., capital substance, crest veiny and as round as a hoop, grand droop and centre; 3, buff, mkd. wings DC, lovely feather, crest of good shape, well drooped, A1 centre, might easily have been 2nd; 2, Kenyon, buff, lightly var., DC, crest thickly thatched, nice shape droop and centre, on small side; 4, Richardson, buff, almost green DC, rich, veiny feather, crest of nice formation, good droop and centre; vhc, c, Godfrey; hc, Dr. A. M. Deane, buff, cl. body DC, real good exhibit, should have been higher up. C.B. (10): 1, 2, Bewick, with a brace of beauties, buff green, pied tail, abundance of feather, rare substance, fine cushioned skull of nice width, neatly browed; 2, buff var., plenty of feather, nice size, hardly the width, yet of capital merit, and very close up; 3, c, Godfrey, buff var., abundance of feather, good size of body, not the head as those above; 4, Priestley, buff green, pied tail, rich qual., smaller, but awfully neat; v, Dr. Deans, might have gone up one; hc, Kenyon. LANC. COPPY (6): 1, sp., Hardy, grizzled coppy, massive in build, great length, capital spread of coppy of correct shape, in the pink gem; 2, Beattie, cl., wonderful size of body, fine length, A1 qual., not so good in head piece quite, yet fine specimen; 3, Hordern, cl., lovely

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qual., nice length, hardly substance of body or so shapely in coppy; 4, Fitton, grizzled, wonderful size, rare shoulders, A1 qual., great length, coppy bit too cresty; vhc, Garner; hc, Kay. BUFF (8): 1, vhc, Hardy, cl., glant, magnificent qual., rattling length, delightful radiation of coppy, topper; 2, Beattie, cl., fine substance and length, stands well, hardly so rich in qual., yet possessing a very fine coppy, close up; 3, Hordern, grizzled, great substance and length, rare position, with a magnificent head gear, Manchester hero we believe; 4 Kay, grizzled, nice length and stand, hardly qual. and not the spread of coppy, yet neat; hc, Fitton. YELL. P.H. (8): 1, sp., 4, Beattie, leading with a magnificent cl., marvellous length and of wonderful substance, massive skull and lash, real eye opener; 2, Kay, cl., rattling size and length, stands well, equal in head properties, not quite the feather; 3, Hardy, cl., captayl qual., good body substance, nice length, not so heavy in skull; 4, cl., A1 qual., neat position, neat skull and last, not so lengthy; vhc, Fitton; he, Maitland and Vickers. BUFF (6): 1, sp., Fitton, cl., monster, beautiful feather, marvellous substance and length, rattling width of skull, grandly lashed, stormer, Manchester winner; 2, vhc, Hordern, mkd. head, A1 qual., fine massive shoulders, rare length, capital head gear, also one of the best; 3, Maitland and Vickers, cl., very lengthy, lovely feather, not quite so meritorious in head points yet good; 3, 4, Kay, cl., rich qual., full of character, not length or substance; he, Garner. LIZ., GOLD, CL. CAP (10): 1, sp., Rukin, rightly named "Ray of Gold," capital col., fine shape and size, beautiful work, in the pink of condition, lovely cap; 2, sp., Barnes, rich col., nice shape and size, good carriage, full of pretty work, another right sort; 3, Lord, very shapely and stylish, splendid rowing, A1 qual., not the col.; 4, vhc, Hamer, well up in col., A1 qual., very shapely, neat spangling, smaller; hc, sp., Clegg; c, Ollerenshaw. BRK. (8): 1, hc, Ollerenshaw, magnificent col. and qual., fine shape and size, delightfully rowed, gem of gems, Grantham winner; 2, Barnes, sweetly moulded, rich qual., full of neat work, hardly col., yet very choice; 3, vhc, Hamer, rattling col. and feather, good shape and carriage, grand rowing, not the size; 4, Stansfield, shapely and of nice size, good spangling, wanting a little in col. and qual.; N.o. 7, Rukin, No. 8, Bosworth, absent. SIL. (8): 1, c, Hamer, lovely ground col., slashing qual., wonderful work, rare size and carriage, gem of gems; 2, Rukin, shapely, and of capital size, beautiful col. and qual., delightfully spangled, very close up; 3, 4, Ollerenshaw, nice size, shape, and feather, good rowing, not so rich in col. certainly, still a beauty; 4, sweetly made, superb qual. and col., prettily marked, not the substauce; vhc, Stansfield; he, Barnes. BKN. (12): 1, 2, Hamer, with a brace of beauties, magnificent ground col., rowed to perfection, not a feather misplaced, moves gracefully, topper; 2, rich in qual. and col., fine shape and size, not quite so profuse in spangling, yet one of the very best; 3, Rukin, for col., qual., shape, and size, all one need desire, neat work, very close up indeed; 4, hc, Ollerenshaw, fine substance and qual., rich col., grandly marked, good one for stock; vhc, Millington; c, Barnes.

Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds.

The Hybrid, British and Foreign Bird sections were marked by a glorious record entry for a Sheffield show. Good as was last year's show in the Cutlers' Hall, this year's went one better. All the winners in the Hybrid classes were birds of the champion order. British Seedeaters were great in quality and quantity, and here a capital Goldfinch belonging to Captain Hurst, of Liverpool, secured special for best hardbilled British. Softbill classes were simply magnificent, and a perfect Wryneck won the special for best Softbill. Such extraordinary Skylarks, Thrushes, Blackbirds, Starlings, Nightingales, Whitethroats, Black Redstarts, Wrens, Pipits, Waxwings, Blackcaps, Redwings, and other species of Softbills it is extremely rare to see assembled together at a provincial show. The competition was of the very keenest.

The Foreign Bird section was a most magnificent spectacle, and super-excellent was the condition in which the birds were shown. In this section a most perfect specimen of the "Green Leek" or Barraband's Parrakeet, took no less than three specials, viz., F.B.C. medal for best members' foreign, guinea sp. for best foreign in show, and for rarest foreign. Officials and members of the society were filled with the greatest delight and satisfaction at the noble response from exhibitors.

GOLDFINCH (16): 1, sp best Brit., Hurst, grand Finch, all over it, well balanced, clean cut col. and markings, and in tight glossy condition; 2, Blanchon, broad chest, like first, grandly cut blaze, good tail, moons, and bars, nice level feather and condition; 3, Metcalfe, very good in all points, shade smaller only, grand condition; 4, Dr. Wilson, very like 3rd, nice condition, runs close up; vhc, Wright, nice type; hc, Fletcher; c, Haigh. BULLFINCH (7): 1, Woods, gem for condition, one of his noted winners; 2, 4, P. Walsh, grand head, A1 breast col., nearly equal in feather to first, 4th rather narrower head, A1 body and condition; 3, Dr. Wilson, chubby, fine col., good cap, and in very nice condition; vbc, B. H. Wilson; hc, Lee; c, Woodhouse. LINNET (16): 1, Lovatt and Mason, like the Manchester winner, in tip-top form to-day; 2, Stamp, fine markings, shape, and col., nice glossy condition, close up; 3, Inman, almost, if not quite, equal in all points, nicely shown; 4, P. Walsh, very nice level feathered bird, good shape, markings, and condition; vbc, hc, Marley, gives way in condition a little to-day; c, Simpson. GREENFINCH (16): A hot lot: 1, vhc, P. Walsh, lovely size, shape, col., qual., and condition, joaque; 2, Lee, fine, big, cobby buff, in very smart feather and condition; 3, Metcalfe, yell., fine substance, col., and condition, good qual., level feather; 4, Hurst, thick set buff, in fine condition, perhaps only a shade smaller than 2nd; hc, Marley; c, Inman. LESSER REDPOLL (12): 1, Marley, little gem, all there in col., shape, markings, and condition; 2, Ford, little swell, very like first, and hard to separate; 3, Hexter, rare col. and markings, not quite body of others; 4, Bishop, good body size, nice feather and condition; vhc, Scott; hc, Sawer; c, Smith. MEALY, ETC. (5): 1, Metcalfe, very fine Mealy, excels in shape, deep level markings, and glossy condition; 2, Dr. Wilson, nice cobby Twite, good col., markings and condition, steady; 3, Inman, good qual. Redpoll, lighter col. and markings, fine condition; 4, Woodhouse, nicely mkd. Twite; vhc, Scott. BRAMBLE, ETC. (8): 1, Fairhurst, grandly spangled Bramble, deep body col., plenty of markings, and glossy condition, thick set bird; 2, vhc, Marley, very good Chaffinch, and good coloured Bramble, both in rare feather and condition; 3, Hexter, very large, well spangled Bramble, glossy condition, shade lighter in body, brown col.; hc, Lane; c, W. Wilson. A.O. SEED, ETC. (17): A very strong class: 1, Marley, noted Hawfinch, in fine, col., and bloom, very tight condition, steady; 2, Lane, very good Yellowhammer, best of condition, well mkd., nice col.; 3, hc, P. Walsh, good Corn Bunting, nice col., size, and markings, bit nervous yet; hc, nice Hawfinch; 4, H. Walsh, very pretty Snow Bunting in very glossy feather and condition; vhc, Stamp, good Hawfinch for col. and condition; c, Briggs. LARKS OR PIPITS (12): A splendid lot: 1, hc, P. Walsh, most perfect Skylark, great size, col., and spangling very profuse, steady, and well shown; 2, Bishop, very fine Pipit, splendidly mkd., very glossy condition, steady, and well steady shown; 3, Lott, lovely Shorelark, beautifully shown in rare form, steady, medium size; 4, McVay, very cobby, smart Skylark, perfectly shown, very steady; vhc, Fletcher, rare good Pipit; c, Dr. Wilson, neat Pipit. THRUSH, ETC. (15): Tip-top class: 1, G. Marley, grand Blackbird, rare size, dense, glossy black col., good beak and eye ecre, steady and well shown; 2, hc, Wellings, gem of a Thrush, beautifully spotted, grand size, shape and glossy feather, steady, nicely shown; 3, Isherwood, profusely spangled Starling, lovely lustre and grand shape, carriage and condition, steady and well shown; 4, Ford, rare rich col., and glossy Redwing, steady, well shown, in very tight condition; vhc, Fletcher, nice Missel Thrush. SMALL SOFTBILL (13): A lovely lot of many species: 1, sp, best Softbill; vhc, P. Walsh, a most exquisite Wryneck, splendid; vhc, a very neat pied Flycatcher, in good condition; 2, Hattersley, very perfect Lesser Whitethroat, beautifully shown, steady in clean condition; 3, Dr. Wilson, very robust Nightingale, in rare feather, would show better in longer and deeper cage; 4, Fletcher, very pretty Black Redstart, in splendid feather and well shown; hc, Dyson, Blackcap; c, Mackwell, Wren. A.O.S. (7): 1, P. Walsh, large Waxwing, in perfect feather and condition; 2, Lane, grand jaunty Sandpiper, in fine trim; 3, Darlow, good Magpie, steady, in good plumage and condition; 4, Fallding, pretty Waxwing; vhc, Ellis, Jay; hc, Dr. Wilson, Waxwing. ALBINOS (6): 1, Martin and Archer, very rare Yellow Bunting, all yellow plumage, perfect feather and condition; 2, Dr. Wilson, White Skylark, small, but fu splendid condition; 3, P. Walsh, Silver Starling, not quite so tight in feather as leaders to-day, fine bird; 4, Johnson, pied Linnet; vhc, Lane, pied Greenfinch; hc, Bailey, pied Redpoll. CL., ETC., HYBRID (6): 1, 2, 3, Martin and Archer, trio of well-known winners, led by the cl. yell. Linnet-Canary, takes sp. for best in this section, all in good order; 4, Colton and Dawn, large thick set yellow Gold-Can., slightly mkd. one wing, will make a stormer when steadier and older, only a baby yet; vhc, Inman; hc, Metcalfe. DARK GOLD. OR LINNET (12): 1, Martin and Archer, the Guardsman, a yell. Goldie-Can., in very fine tight condition, fine col. all over it; 2, Metcalfe, capital yell. Linnet-Can., in A1 feather, rare size, etc.; 3, H. Walsh, very fine buff Gold-Can., capital blaze, good feather and condition; 4, vbc, Somerfield, thick set, yell. Linnet-Can., and a nice yell. Gold.-Canary; hc, Smith; c, B. H. Wilson. A.O.V. DK. CAN. (6): 1, Somerfield, the old yell. champion Greenfinch-Can., in splendid form; 2, Martin and Archer, very smart yell. Siskin-Can., in fine form; 3, Edwards, good stout buff Greenfinch-Can., in very nice feather; 4, Smith, T. and R., neat yell. Siskin-Can.; vhc, T. Smith; hc, W. Wilson. BULLFINCH HYB. (7): 1, vhc, hc, Dr. Wilson, Can.-Bully, Linnet-Bully, and Greenie-Bully, all in very nice order; 2, Metcalfe, very good Linnet-Bullfinch, in tight condition; 4, Inman, nice good coloured Goldie-Bully; c, Reilly. PARRAKEET, ETC. (13): Very beautiful class: 1, 3 sps, 2, 4, vhc, Fletcher, a really splendid quartet, all in superb form, most particularly the Green Leek, or Barraband's Parrakeet, the winner, greatly admired, a good King 2nd, pair Rosellas take sp best true pair, 4th, and yellow-bellied Parrakeet vhc, latter takes sp best vhc; 3, Davies, very pretty Fiji Parrakeet; hc, Pickles; c, Edmunds. PARROTS, ETC. (8): 1, Davies, grand pair of Ecfeetus, in good colour and bloom; 2, Fletcher, very large, good conditioned Blue-fronted Amazon; 3, Jinks, large Lemon-crested Cockateo, nice feather; 4, Colton and Dawn, good Eclectus hen; vhc, Ballington; hc, Ditchfield; c, Taylor. WAXBILLS, ETC. (17): 1, sp, 4, Howe, noted winning White-headed Nuns leading, in magnificent form, 4th pretty St. Helena's; 2, Baxby, grand pair of Zebra Finches, in lovely tight feather and condition; 3, Beaty, lovely pair, in tip-top form; vhc, c, Fletcher; hc, Colton. FINCHLIKE (20): Great class of grand specimens: 1, Beaty, racquet-tailed Whydah, tall feathers perfect, body also in fine plumage; 2, Howe, rare Golden-backed Whydah, in very nice trim, bit fiery action at times; 3, Fairhurst, real good pair Red-headed Gouldians, in very tight order; 4, Colton and Dawn, good Crimson Finch; vhc, hc, Simpson; c, Young. A.O.S. (5): No. 5, absent; Nos. 1 and 2 a Tasmanian Black-backed Porphyrio, and a pair of Australian Waterrails. The judge thought neither in the category of cage birds, and so passed them: 1, Simpson, good long-tailed Glossy Starling; 2, Fletcher, very nice Brazilian Hangnest, in nice feather and colours.

GLASGOW EAST END O.A.

Glasgow East End O.A. held their 31st annual show, 2nd November, in the Bridgeton parish school. The room, with abundance of light and space, and nice even temperature throughout, is well adapted for show purposes. President, Mr. D. Harris; vice-president, Mr. A. McMillan; treas., Mr. John Millar; sec., Mr. Jos. Harris. Judges: Scotch Fcy., Messrs. Allerdice and J. D. Maxwell; Nor. and Bord., Mr. Jas. Laurie. The classes were small in numbers compared with former years, the members having experienced a bad breeding season in the three sections. The quality was fair. The yell. pied cock (a Paisley winner), belonging to Mr. J. C. Muir, was winner of cup and gold badge, and the yell. hen, same owner, was runner-up. They were staged in the pink of condition. In the Norwich section the cup and gold badge fell to Mr. D. Harris's variegated buff cock. In Borders the even marked buff cock, also belonging to Mr. D. Harris, winner of gold medal for best Border, is a real gem. Secretary Harris had every arrangement made for the comfort of visitors. The birds were nicely staged, and everything was in tip-top order. There was a large turn-out of visitors and fanciers. The judges' awards in the different sections gave every satisfaction.

SCOTS. YELL. CK. (5): 1, spl, 2, spl, 3, J. C. Muir; 4, J. Muir; 5, Palmer. BUFF CK. (9): 1, J. Muir; 2, spl, A. McMillan; 3, 5, J. C. Muir; 4, Scott; 6, Craig. YELL. PIED, ETC. CK. (6): 1, 2, 5, spl, cup, and badge, J. C. Muir; 3, J. Ward; 4, J. Muir. BUFF (5): 1, 3, J. C. Muir; 2, 4, J. Muir; 5, McMillan. YELL. HEN (8): 1, spl, 2, J. C. Muir, 1st runner-up for cup; 3, Scott; 4, Banks; 5, McMillan. BUFF (10): 1, 5, Scott; 2, 3, Banks; 4, Craig; 6, McMillan. YELL. PIED, ETC., HEN (5): 1, Banks; 2, Craig; 3, McMillan; 4, J. C. Muir; 5, Ward. BUFF (7): 1, McMillan; 2, J. Muir; 3, J. C. Muir; 4, 5, Scott. NORWICH CL., ETC. (5): 1, 2, D. Harris; 3, J. Harris; 4, Burnett; 5, Ward. HEN (5): 1, 4, Burnett; 2, 3, D. Harris; 5, J. Harris. MARK. (4): 1, 3, D. Harris; 2, 4, J. Harris. HEN (4): 1, 3, D. Harris; 2, 4, J. Harris. BORD. CK., CL. or TKD. (7): 1, 5, D. Harris; 2, 4, Scott; 3, McMillan; 6, J. Harris. HEN (7): 1, 3, D. Harris; 2, 5, J. Harris; 4, 6, Scott. MARK CK.: 1, 3, D. Harris; 2, 5, McMillan; 4, Scott; 6, J. Harris. HEN (8): 1, 3 McMillan; 2, 5, J. Harris; 4, 6, D. Harris.

BRECHIN.

Forty-ninth annual show, held in the Temperance Hotel, Nov. 2nd. This hall is a capital one for the purpose, being well lighted and free from draught, and the birds were well staged all round. The entry was very fair, about 350 birds being forward, and quality was of the very best. Mr. Smeaton had a grand team of Norwich on show, and captured the cup with a very nice undlighted yellow hen (we understand the Glasgow winner), and in Borders Mr. John Craig had a field day, carrying off the Border cup and B.F.C.C. medal with one of his noted clear buff cocks, and Mr. Irons won novice medal for Borders, Mr. W. Black cup for most points in wild bird section. The Executive is one of the best we have met, the President, Mr. George Davidson, being busily engaged in looking after the Borders, and the Vice-president, Mr. Stirling, also doing his part in the work, while the committee and stewards had a thorough grasp of their duties, more especially in the packing and despatching of early birds, while the whole was supervised by Mr. George Mitchell, the secretary, who, ever courteous and obliging, had all his arrangements in apple-pie order. There was a good attendance of fanciers and public, and everything went off well. The judges were: Norwich, Mr. Harris (Lochgelly); Borders, Mr. Mossie (Annbank), and Brit., Mr. Jas. Fyfe (Forfar), and their awards seemed to give general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. or TK. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Maxwell, beauty for size and col., grand front, good wings and tail, fine silky feather, wins; 2, sp, Bishop, another good one, grand size, splendid type, an old winner; 3, Mitchell, grand body, fine col., and good size, loses slightly to winners in head; 4, 6, Smeaton; 5, sp, Grewar. BUFF (9): 1, sp, Mitchell, grand size and substance, good head and wings, well laid on, beautiful col.; 2, Fleming, still a good one, grand size and qual., nicely frosted, hard up; 3, Anderson, nice front and wings, fails a bit in size; 4, Maxwell; 5, Kerr; 6, Rae. VAR. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Sandiford's medal, Will, good one, fine size and substance, good head and front; 2, Allison, good one for size and type, grand qual., very rich col., some thought could have gone up; 3, sp, Fleming, nice one, good qual. and col., fails in size; 4, Pirie; 5, Mitchell; 6, Grewar. BUFF (9): 1, Steven, eye and wing mkd., grand front, good head and wings, nice size and substance; 2, Pirie, nice size and substance, grand head, rougher feather; 3, Thomson, good head and wings, beautiful front, nice quality; 4, sp, Bishop; 5, Masterton; 6, Skinner. HEN, YELL. (11): 1, Smeaton, good one, grand front, good head and wings, well carried, nice quality of feather; 2, sp, Fleming, grand type and qual., good head and wings, rare col.; 3, Thomson, very nice qual., fails size to winners; 4, Irons; 5, Miles; 6, Skinner. BUFF HEN (7): 1, Smeaton, good one, nice head, rare qual., nice wings and tail, takes fine position; 2, Mitchell, grand size and substance, nice qual., good col., well up; 3, Taylor, nice head and neck, good wings, well carried, fine qual.; 4, Allison; 5, Hampton; 6, Smith. VAR., ETC., YELL. HEN (9): 1, sp, Maxwell, very taking hen, green, grand size and substance, beautiful qual.; 2, 3, sp, Mitchell, leader head and wing marked, grand size and substance, nice qual., well up; 3rd, similar, good head and wings; 4, Allison; 5, Kydd; 6, Steven. BUFF (7): 1, Grewar, heavily mkd., grand size and substance, nice qual., good head and wings; 2, 3, Mitchell, leader wing mkd., beauty for size and sub., grand qual., rich col.; 3rd, scarcely size of winners, nice head and front, very taking hen, presses; 4, Pirie; 5, sp, Turnbull; 6, Kydd. UNFLIG. CK. (14): 1, sp, Steven, cl. yell., grand qual. and col., rare wings and tail, very typical; 2, Smeaton, heavy mkd. buff, good size, rare deep front, nice head and wings, splendid qual.; 3, two sps., Mitchell, good one for size and sub., nice feather, fine type; 4, Masterton; 5, Maxwell; 6, Grewar. HEN (13): 1, cup, two sps., 5, Smeaton, rare cl. yell., grand qual., beautiful type, a dandy; 2 sp Grewar, another beauty, buff, grand size, fine deep front, good head and wings, rare qual. of feather, presses hard; 3, sp, Brand, good one, nice quality, good head and wings; 4, Smith; 6, Mitchell. NON-FED CK. (8): 1, two sps., Smeaton, cl. yell., splendid size and subs., grand head, good wings and tail, rare finish; 2, 3, sp, Mitchell, 2nd, grand size and sub., good head, nice wings and tail, well laid down; 3rd, similar, mkd. eye and wing, fine size, good qual., in nice order; 4, Jaffrey; 5, Skinner; 6, Grewar. HEN (8): 1, Bishop, buff green, good size and sub., grand head, good wings and tail, fine qual., well put down; 2, 4, Mitchell, nice green, grand size and good qual., fine wing carr., well staged; 3, Taylor, heavy mkd. buff, good size and sub., nice qual. of feather; 5, sp, Smeaton; 6, Jaffrey. BORD. CL., etc., YELL. CK. (15): 1, novice medal, Irons, tkd. on shoulder, nice head and good qual., not best of wing carriage, some thought might have given way to 2, two sps., Crabb and Finlayson, nice tight little gentleman, shining like satin, rare head and wings, well carried, well put down; 3, two sps., Craig, another good one, wings well carried, beautiful quality; 4, Stirling; 5, sp, Irons; 6, Lyall. BUFF (13): 1, B.F.C.C. medal, cup, two sps., 4, sp, Craig, grand exhibit, tight as wax, beautiful head and tail, perfect wing carriage, good qual. and col.; 2, Craig, another good one, could head a good class, well put down; 3, Irons, nice one, good head and tail, not so good wing carr.; 5, Duncan; 6, Robertson. VAR. YELL. CK. (10): 1, 4, Craig, nice wing mkd. leading, nice qual., good head and wings, well carried, in grand order; 2, McRae, similar, fine wing, good head and neck, grand condition; 3, Auld, another good one, fine model, rare shining order, well up; 5, Logie; 6, Crabb and Finlayson. VAR. BUFF CK.: 1, 3, Craig, leader, heavy mkd., grand head and wings, well carried, fine quality of feather, spotless condition; 3rd, similar, well laid down; 2, Irvine, good head and wings, well carried, nicely staged; 4, sp, Hutchison; 5, Irons; 6, Harrison. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (12): 1, sp, Craig, beauty, feathered like wax, nice round head, grand wings and tail in shining order, wins; 2, sp, 5, Crabb and Finlayson, leader dandy hen, grand wings, well carried, good body, nice head, well put down, presses; 3, Irons, nice head and wings, fine head, nice qual.; 5, Rae and Reid. BUFF (17): 1, sp, 3, sp, Craig, leader grand hen, good size, nice head and wings, well carried, nice model; 3rd, similar, in grand order; 2, Irons, very typical, fine wings, well carried, well put down; 4, Auld; 5, Robertson; 6, Crabb and Finlayson. VAR. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Crabb and Finlayson, grand stamp, fine head and neck, beautiful wings and tail, very stylish carriage; 2, 5, Craig, in shining order, good head and wings, well put down; 3, Hampton, good head and neck, well carried wings and tail, well staged; 4, Logie; 6, Duncan. BUFF (9): 1, Craig, head and wing mkd., stylish hen, grand size and shape, well carried wings and tail, stands well up, wins; 2, Hutchison, good one, in rare order, fine head and wings, nice front, very typical; 3, Logie, good one for style, nice qual. of feather, good head and wings; 4, Gentleman; 5, Crabb and Finlayson; 6, Lyall. EVEN MKD. (3): 1, Robertson, nice size, good head and wings, good carr.; 2, Harrison, tidy little bird, good col., nicely marked; 3, Hampton, good size and quality, fine shape and markings. GREEN or CINN. (5): 1, sp, 4, Wilson, nice Cinn., very stylish, nice col.; 2, Craig, good green, nicely mkd., fine shade of col.; 3, sp, Gentleman, good green, nice qual.; 5, Kemley. BRIT., MULE or HYB. (9). 1, sp. 5, Watson, leading with a nice Goldie-Bullie, grand size and col., very good blaze of bright col., well shown; 2, 4, Bishop; 2nd, nice yell. Goldie Mule, grand size, fine col; 3, sp, Roy, dark Goldie Mule, old winner, often described; 5, A. W. Watson. GOLDFINCH (11): 1, Muir and Heenan, grand size, good blaze of fine col., nicely tanned, good buttons, well put down; 2, Palmer, beaten size, nice rose, well staged; 3, Cranna, rich blaze, well tanned, good moons and buttons; 4, A. W. Watson; 5, Irons; 6, Black. BULLFINCH (11): 1, sp, 4, Watt, Perth winner, grand size, good back and breast, very good cap, nicely cut, nice bars; 2, Palmer, another good one, scarcely size of winner, grand back and wing bars, good cap; 3, Cranna, nice for size, well cut cap, good breast col., well staged; 5, Allison; 6, Haldane. SISKIN or REDPOLL (10): 1, 2, Morton, leader Siskin, very high col., nice size, good cap and flank markings; 2nd, Lesser Redpoll, in rare order; 3, Hampton, Siskin, nice size, good cap, well put down; 4, Black; 5, 6, J. D. Watson. LINNET (7): 1, Muir and Heenan, good col. and markings, good back and breast; 2, A. W. Watson, nice size, good rich back, nicely marked on breast; 3, Hendrie, good one, fine col.; 4, Black; 5, J. D. Watson; 6, Gibb. GREENFINCH (9): 1, Gove, grand skull, fine col.; 2, Irons, nice size and col., fails a bit in head; 3, 4, 5, 6, Black, good one, not finished. A.O.S. BRIT. (5): 1, sp, Langlands, good Waxwing, steady, good col.; 2, Roy, nice Chaffie; 3, 4, Douglas, Magpie, old winner, looking well; 5, Haldane. FOR. (7): 1, 3, Robb, nice Bishop leading, fine colour; 3rd, Pintailed Nonpareil, unlucky; 2, 5, Black, nice Yellow Budgerigars; 4, 6, Douglas.

TONG AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Members' show, Nov. 2nd, at Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill. 79 birds were judged by Mr. A. Varley, of Laisterdyke. CHAMP.—CL. OR TKD. YORKS. (7): 1, Padgett; 2, Hodgson, senr.; 3, Dawson; 4, Gledhill; vhc, Hadwin; hc, Walker; c, Denton. BUFF (9): 1, 3, Padgett; 2, Wright; 4, Atkinson and Firth; vhc, Hodgson, senr.; hc, Gledhill; c, Hadwin. MKD. CK. (7): 1, 4, Casey; 2, Hodgson, junr.; 3, Hadwin; vhc, Atkinson and Firth; hc, Smith and Carter; c, Clark. UNFLIG. (10): 1, vhc, Padgett; 2, Clark; 3, 4, Wright; hc, Casey; c, Hadwin. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Hodgson, senr.; 2, Casey; 3, Hodgson, junr.; 4, Gledhill. BUFF (11): 1, Hodgson, senr.; 2, Clark; 3, hc, Gledhill; 4, Hodgson, junr.; vhc, Padgett; c, Casey. MKD. HEN (3): 1, Wright; 2, Atkinson and Firth; 3, Smith and Carter. NOVICE.—CL. OR TKD. YELL. (6): 1, McLaughlin; 2, hc, Hinton; 3, Nichol; 4, Hodgson and Holdsworth; vhc, Crabtree. BUFF (6): 1, 4, Hinton; 2, 3, Nichol; vhc, Hodgson and Holdsworth; hc, Crabtree. MKD.: 1, Crabtree; 2, McLaughlin. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (4): 1, 4, Nichol; 2, McLaughlin; 3, Hinton. BUFF (6): 1, Hinton; 2, hc, Crabtree; 3, vhc, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 4, Nichol. MKD. HEN (4): 1, McLaughlin; 2, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 3, 4, Crabtree.—W. Walker, Sec.

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The fifth annual open show was held on November 1st and 2nd in the St. Martin's Hall, an ideal place, being large, well lighted, and extremely cosy, and affording easy access to the stations. There were 250 exhibitors, and the entries totalled 953. Quality was of a very high standard. Novice and amateur classes were well to the fore—the best ever seen in Liverpool. Norwich came up well some real typical specimens being exhibited. Cinnamons were also good in number and quality, but the Novice Cinnamons did not fill as well as they might have done. Borders came up well in quality as well as in numbers. British and Mules were about as usual. The two Foreign classes only contained eight exhibits—we think if the committee would be a little more liberal with their classification in the British and Foreign sections they would receive much better patronage. Messrs. Metcalfe, Deacon and Green make ideal secretaries and show managers. Everything was in splendid order, and they got through an immense amount of work in a thorough business-like manner. They were backed up by a grand committee of hard working and willing fanciers—Messrs. Wellings, McDermott, Lloyd, Lawson, Deacon, Rowlands, Bunner, Parsons, Thornton, Walker, Howcroft, Malone and Ritchie. All did their level best to ensure complete success. The lady stewards deserve every praise for the excellent manner in which they worked; they included Mesdames F. E. Deacon, McNulty, W. R. Knowles and W. C. Robinson. CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE members were well to the fore, all showing the badge. The Wright-Crossley cup and special for best Green was won by T. Rowlands; Hydes' special, Mrs. Deacon; Ramsden's, W. R. Knowles; Magnet soap, A. Wellings. We hear the attendance was a record. Sales were very good many birds finding new owners. The judges were: Yorks., H. W. Battye; Nor., J. W. Cleminson; Borders, E. Brunskill; Mules, Brit. and For., J. Walsh; and their awards seemed to give general satisfaction, as we heard but few complaints.

The Hot-bed of the Green Canary.

Liverpool being the hot-bed of the Green Canary, naturally we expected something good being put down, and eight classes brought out a total of 140. This is not a record for the Show, but there has never been such quality, colour, and type seen in Liverpool before. We must congratulate the exhibitors for their untiring efforts in bringing the Yorkshire Green to the standard of perfection that it has attained lately. The young self buff cock is without doubt the finest specimen that has ever been benched. We note the pencilling on the majority of the exhibits does not run into the ground colour, as it used to do; there is not the Cinnamon blood being used, hence this improvement. The Amateur Greens produced 46 birds in two classes, and they compared very favourably with the champions, for type and quality, but were a little lacking in size. Some of the winners, however, were staged quite like old hands.

The Norwich Green is a variety again coming to the fore—76 in four classes. We noted new aspirants, and there is plenty of room, the winners are evenly divided, no one "scooping the pool." We are afraid the judge in this section was not in his happiest vein, some noted birds taking a "back seat." Colour does not count everything in this variety. But why grumble? It will be someone else's turn next week. We heard many inquiries for Nor. Greens, so it looks as though the Yorkshire men will have to put a few more, else they will be beaten in numbers at each Show.

The Amateurs Score Again.

The Yorks turned up well, and the honours were equally divided. Messrs. Jimmy Bailey, Joe Thomas, Chittenden, Linaker, Knowles, Dyson, Benson, Charley Robinson, and McNulty, had quite a pitched battle. Nothing stood out "on its own." The Amateurs were a fine turnout indeed, 136 in four classes; this proves the Novices are the backbone of a Show if they are catered for. Two or three sets of winners could have been found in each class; certainly there were a few "strays," but don't forget that the top sawyers were once the greenest of novices, and it is to the recruits we must look to support our shows. We noted exhibits from all parts of the country in the Novice section; this looks well.

Borders turned up in good numbers, an average of 14 over the 3 classes must have been gratifying to the management. The Greens led in numbers, and it is pleasing to note the improvement taking place every year in the type of this section of the Border; it is hardly anything behind the clears in this respect.

Among the visitors we noticed the Rev. B. Nune, from Cumberland, who is a keen fancier. The Show was packed, and there was a fine muster of the gentler sex. A host of Welsh fanciers came down with the excursion that is run for this Show. We stayed and noted the methods of the Liverpool fanciers, in despatching the exhibits. All long distance birds were in railway vans at 3.30 p.m., and all railway birds away by 6 p.m., while the Hall was in darkness at 7.30 p.m. That's smart work if you like. Prize-money and specials were all paid out at show. A cinnamon was claimed at £11, and another at £6 10s., and various Norwich at £3 3s. In the Selling Classes 80 per cent. of the birds were sold; this shows what quality was put out.

The Norwich Canary Section.

CL., TICK, ETC., YELL. (15): 1, Lingard Bros., cl., good size and substance, nice head, neat shape, well carried wings, rich level col.; 2, Wellings, cl., nice size, nice head and neck, well carried wings, trifle behind winner in col.; 3, Bennett, cl., nice size, neat head and neck; well carried wings, hardly so fine in qual.; 4, hc, Barraclough, nice size, neat head and neck, rich level col.; vhc, Granger; c, Johnson. BUFF (14): 1, Johnson, grizz. wing and thigh, nice size and sub., good shape, neat head and wings, grand col., nicely mealed; 2, Mose, cl., grand size, neat head, well carried wings and tail, good level col., must have pressed; 3, Barraclough, cl., nice size, neat shape, rich level col., hardly the sub.; 4, Bennett, cl., nice head and neck, fair col.; vhc, Conaghey; hc, Turner; c, Iesott. CL. TKD. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Marsh, cl., nice size, neat shape, well carried wings, nice level col., good qual.; 2, 3, Wellings, both cl., leader, good size, nice head and neck, well carried wings, good qual.; 3rd, nice short round body, well carried wings, very neat; 4, Dormer, mark neck and wing, nice size and substance, short, well packed wings, rich even colour; vhc, hc, Lingard Bros.; c, Handley. BUFF (16): 1, Turner, cl., good size, shape, and substance, grand wings and tail, rich level col., grand qual.; 2, Lingard Bros., fair size, nice head and neck, rich level col., fails a bit in wing carriage; 3, Marsh, cl., nice size and shape, good head and neck, nice level col., splendid qual.; 4, Crowe, tick neck, nice size and shape, short, well carried wings, rich level col., nice exhibit; vhc, James; hc, Cutmore; c, Grey. CL. TKD. UNFLIG. (18): 1, Marsh, yell., grizz. cap, good size and sub., neat head and neck, rich level col., just a trifle long in wings; 2, Grey, cl. buff, fair size, nice head and neck, well carried wings, rich level col., fails only in size; 3, Dormer, yell., mkd. head and wings, nice size, nice carried wings, rich level col., splendid qual.; 4, Barraclough, yell., mark eye, size, nice shape, even col., very neat; vhc, Lingard Bros.; hc, Johnson; c, Granger. AMAT. NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. (14): 1, Robson, yell., mkd. neck, good size and sub., neat neck and head, rich level col.; 2, Spencer, cl., nice size and shape, well carried wings and tail, rich level col.; 3, Crowe, cl. yell., fair size, neat head and neck, nice level col., fails a bit in wing carr.; 4, hc, Heaton, leader cl. yell., good size, neat head and neck, rich level col.; vhc, Nume; c, Bixter. BUFF (24): 1, Nume, nice size and sub., nice head and neck, well carried wings, rich col., nicely mealed; 2, Nolan, wing mark, neat size, good head, well carried wings, nice col.; 3, Runseby, cl., moderate size, neat head and neck, well carried wings and tail, good col. and qual.; 4, Pollit Bros., cl., nice size, neat head and neck, nice short wings; vhc, Carleton; hc, Spencer; c, Fulton. AMAT., UNFLIG. (24): 1, hc, Huggins, leader variegated yell., grand size and substance, good head and neck, nice well carried wings, rich level col.; 2, Crowe, variegated buff, good size and shape, neat wings, fair col.; 3, Harris, cl. yell., nice size and shape, neat head, good level col., trifle long in wings; 4, Spencer, yell., marked head and wing, nice size, good head, nice level col.; vhc, Garbutt; c, Cutmore. HEN (28): 1, Thompson, yell., tick neck, nice size, shape, and substance, rich level col., splendid qual.; 2, Spencer, cl. yell., nice size, neat head and wings, rich level col., hardly so clean cut; 3, Carleton, cl. yell., grand size and shape, neat head and wings, fails trifle in col.; 4, Whalley, variegated buff, nice size and shape, neat head and neck, well carried wings; vhc, c, McMahon; hc, Jones.

The Green Canaries.

YORKS. GREENS, SELF OR FOUL YELL. (14): 1, 3, 4, vhc, Rowlands, a wonderful team, any of them could have won, rare pencilling and depth of colour, correct type; 2, stormer for col., straight as a rush, jet black wings, winner as it in size; 4, feathered like wax, pipe tail, beautiful wings and col.; 2, McNulty, another good 'un, grand top end, wedge shape, exquisite qual., well staged; hc, McDermot; c, Benson, very much down in condition, or would be higher. BUFF (14): 1, Rowlands, rare qual., good shoulders, well drawn out, shooty; 2, Robinson, rare size, fine old champion looking well, rattling type, well carried wings, clean cut; 3, 4, McDermott, great size, fine tone of col., jet black pencilling, sweet head and neck; 4, foul tail, topper for shape and col., slight frill; vhc, Handley; hc, Young; c, McNulty. YELL. HEN (21): 1, c, Rowlands, very sweet lady, full of swank, pulls herself well together, charming feather; 2, vhc, McDermott, the best of legs, good back and wings, fine length, shows frill; 3, Benson, grand style, nice top end, good ground col. and markings; 4, Mockridge, smaller, but grand type and col., well staged; hc, Metcalfe. BUFF (15): 1, Handley, rattling big wench, exquisite plumage, round as a bottle, topper; 2, vhc, McDermott, another of the right sort, good shoulder, leggy, any amount of colour; 3, Young, charming lady, perfection in type, full of go; 4, Abbott, fine Yorkie type, good head and shoulder, well drawn, put down in form; hc, Cook; c, Rowlands. YELLOW, BRED 1912 (15): 1, Rowlands, long drawn, well up on a good pair of pins, correct col., perfect markings; 2, Riley, a Yorkie throughout, nice even col., shows brilliant gloss, plenty behind legs; 3, McDermott, good one, pencilling a bit denser, fine V. wings and tail, should make up well; 4, Handley, neat exhibit, bit wild, or would be higher, nice shoulder; vhc, Eccleston; hc, W. Jones; c, Robinson. BUFF (15): 1, Rowlands, stormer, very massive for a baby, great colour, markings of the best, a real knock out; 2, vhc, Handley, topper for style, markings, and colour, well tapered, very round, should grow into a nice bird; 3, Benson, grand size, and rare qual. with it, good top end, Wedge shape; 4, McDermott, long drawn out, nice flights and tail, good even colour; hc, Eccleston; c, Riley. YORKSHIRES, CL. OR TKD. YELL. (12): 1, Dyson, cl., plenty of shoulder, well drawn, lovely type, well up on pins, full of swank; 2, Chittenden, wing and neck marks, straight as a rush, all style and go; 3, Knowles, exquisite feather, grizzled, exceptionally good properties, very close up; 4, Bailey, cl., any amount of style; vhc, Wilson; hc, Binns; c, Boote. BUFF (16): 1, 4, Bailey, wings and cap mkd., nice meal, tapered to perfection, pipe tail, and finely braced wings; 4, the right kind of type, wedge shape and neat; 2, Dyson, shooty and well balanced, compact feathers, carries nice frosting; 3, Chittenden, stands like a guardsman, lovely feather, well placed legs, close thing; vhc, Thornton; hc, Rowlands; c, Brooks. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Joe Thomas, grizzle, knock out of a lady, full of go, reachy, and carries wonderful dress; 2, Knowles, cl., beauty for type, carries herself neatly, finely drawn, charming wings; 3, Chippendale, cl., full of swank, fair shoulder, nice shape, sweet head and neck; 4, Robinson, unfligh., exceptionally good type and qual., carries herself well; vhc, McNulty; hc, Brooks; c, Parry. BUFF (17): 1, Linaker, dainty lady, grand style, well carried wiugs and tail; 2, Knowles, we preferred to win, gem of the first water, brilliantly clothed, plenty of leg, shape of the very best, really good; 3, Chippendale, another hen of exceptionally fine feather and style, well drawn for a buff; 4, Pike, wing marks not quite so good in feather as above, but a very nice exhibit; vhc, Dyson; hc, Boote; c, F. Richards. UNFLIGH. YELL. (11): 1, Benson, ck. mark, big 'un, long drawn, straight as a gun barrel, crossed a wing now and then; 2, McNulty, a hot 'un, useful bird, real good type, charming qual., well placed; 3, Linaker, we made the winner when we saw them, good head and neck, shooty, well balanced wings, compact throughout; 4, Brooks, ck. marks, erect and fearless, grand legs, glossy feather, stylish; vhc, Binns; hc, Pike; c, Thomas. BUFF (12): 1, Joe Thomas, grizzle bonnet, well filled in, straight and as round as a pencil, extraordinary good type; 2, Pike, carries a necklet of marks, nice feather and style, well drawn, very neat wings; 3, Robinson, close thing, grand feather, reachy, full of swank, put down in form; 4, Boote, grand youngster, straight as a rush, neat and compact; vhc, Brooks; hc, Binns; c, Rowlands. AMATEUR SECTION: GREENS, SELF OR FC. YELL. (22): 1, Edwards, topper for style, well pencilled, wings of the best, carries a nice ground colour, well staged; 2, Tom Howcroft, correct col. and markings, jet black wings, Yorkie throughout, throws a wing or would have won; 3, Parsons, stylish, grand ground colour, well filled in, pencilling really good; 4, vhc, Bell, topper for shape and col., very heavy pencilling, or might have gone up; hc, Algie; c, Moore. BUFF (23): 1, J. Smith, wonderful big one, and carries good feathers with it, grand col. and shape, very stylish; 2, W. Jones, bit stronger, well defined marking, fair col., straight as a guardsman; 3, Crowe, nice even col. and markings, round as a bottle, good topther; 4, Skilling, foul on cap, wedge shape, glorious qual., good legs, stylish; vhc, Rawsthorne; hc, Wright; c, Parsons. CL. ETC. YELL. (43): Really a most wonderful class; three sets of winners: 1, Davidson, knockout for style, well filled in neck, evenly carried wings, A1 position, well staged; 2, Mrs. Grey, variegated, close up, straight as an arrow, lovely feather, sweet head, shooty, well put down; 3, Sutton, cap marked, full of Yorks. properties, stands on nice legs, well placed; extra 3, Liversey, great length and style, well drawn out, A1 position; 4, Parsons, stylish, straight as a rush, full of swank, boxey feathers; extra 4, vhc, Alston, again of real fine type, nice shoulders, well drawn wings and tail; any of above could win; vhc, Algie; hc, Gregory and W. Jones; c, Shore and Charnock. BUFF (43): Smaller class: 1, Herbert Jones, long stylish variegated, very best of feather, evenly carried wings, a real good 'un; 2, Pomfret, cap mkd., shooty and long sided, exquisite feathers and compact; 3, Davidson, grizzle back, splendid type, stands on nice legs, put down in form; extra 3, Wilson, topper for style, boxy feathers, good pipe tail, close up; 4, Algie, cl., shows any amount of style, good back and wings, nice colour; extra 4, Rawsthorne, stylish and well drawn, plenty of leg, nice qual. of feathers; vhc, Alston and Richards; hc, Lassey and Ritchie; c, Taylor and Bradbury. YELL. HEN (26): 1, Wilkinson, bonnet mkd., charming lady, carries herself well, glorious feather, a Yorkie from head to tail; 2, Algie, stands like a guardsman, full of swank, rare feather, best of chest, a real good 'un "Bob"; 3, W. Jones, topper for style and length, neatly carried wings and tail, nice qual.; 4, King, Cin. mk. glossy appearance, long, shapely, position A1; vhc, Gregory; hc, Liversey; c, Knight. BUFF (24): 1, 3, Moore, variegated charmer, well carried wings and style, glorious feather; 3, Cinn. mk., a good one, high shoulders, straight back, pipe tail; 2, Gregory, well formed lady, boxy feather, perfect wings and tail, A1 position, must have been a toss up; 4, Wright, grizzle cap, wedge shape, shooty, neat flights and tail, quite smart; vhc, Wilson; hc, Mrs. Grey; c, Golland. NORWICH GREENS, SELF OR F. YELL. (19): 1, hc, Harding, rare head and neck, nice col. and markings, looked ill when reporting, unfortunately; 2, Lawson, self, good col., in fact best col. we've seen this year, bit narrow in head, worth its position; 3, Handley, foul tail, looks like Palace winner last year, improved a lot, good front, pressed hard; 4, c, Deacon, foul tail and chuck, unfligh., fair good col., wants time; vhc, Hayes. BUFF (24): 1, 2, Handley, short and stylish, fails head, rattling col., which must have carried it through with its fine condition; 2, again short, nice even col., round and compact in high condition; 3, H. Abbott, very much foul, cobby, good back, well filled in neck; 4, Walker, self, nice head and neck, excellent col., good shaped body; vhc, Pyke; hc, Nelson; c, Deacon. There were birds without tickets that might have won. YELL. HEN (16): 1, Barker, well placed, bold head, neck, good shape, fair even col., short wings, hardly ready yet; 2, 4, vhc, Pyke, good team; 2, variegated, almost champion type and qual.; 4, variegated, fair body shape, nice even tone of col.; 3, H. Abbott, foul, neat exhibit, might make up but small to-day; hc, Deacon; c, Lawson. BUFF HEN (17): 1, Walker, real lady, round as an apple, full of col., short wings and tail; 2, Stead, neat exhibit, short and compact, nice col. and markings, has a habit of crossing wings; 3, hc, Dick Malone, on the small side, but fine shape, rare col. and pencilling; 4, Ball, foul tail, good head and neck, compact; vhc, Handley; c, Harding.

The Border Fancies.

BORD., YELL., GR. (13): 1, Greenwell, good qual. and col., shade on the strong side and slightly horny; 2, 3, Johnson, pair of good ones, bad to separate, type, qual. col. and style combined; 4, Gentleman; vhc, Little; hc, Parker; c, Hancock. BUFF (13): 1, 2, 3, Johnson, good shape, qual. and col., shade heavy, 2 very smart, well pencilled extra good in type, qual. and col., some liked this for the winner, 3 good shape, nice qual., rather heavy; 4, Gentleman; vhc, Little; hc, Green; c, Walton. YELL. HEN (17): 1, 2, Johnson, sweet dainty lady, good type and qual., well pencilled, 2 another good one, not quite the mould of winner; 3, Greenwell, good shape body, nice qual., not so neat in head; 4, Walker; vhc, McQuillan; hc, Enever; c, Johnson. BUFF (19): 1, Johnson, type, qual., col. and pencillings grand, perfect model; 2, Gentleman, well pencilled, good qual. and col., fails mould; 3, Green, not so smart as leaders, good col. well pencilled; 4, Greenwell. A.V. EXCEPT GR., YELL. (12): 1, Short and Backhouse, rather long, good qual.; 2, Collier, good col., qual. and style, shade long; 3, Hesketh, very similar, close up; 4, Jones, cinn.; vhc, Higham; hc, Green c, Thomas. BUFF (12): 1, Montgomery, cinn., good col. and qual., stylish; 2, 3, Mrs. Harrison, a pair of good ones, not much to choose between them, qual., col. and style combined; 4, Jones; vhc, Nelson; hc, Booth; c, Garbutt. YELL. HEN: 1, Montgomery, cinn., not too well moulded, good col. and qual.; 2, Mrs. Harrison, good qual., shade strong; 3, Roberts, better shape, qual. and style, some preferred; 4, Andrews; vhc, Mellings; hc, Andrews; c, Collier. BUFF (11): Green, good qual., col. and type, very smart and dainty, perfect lady; 2, 3, Mrs. Harrison, good type and qual., bit soft, 3 good type and qual., very smart, we preferred to 2nd; 4, Thomas; vhc, Booth; hc, Roberts; c, Short and Backhouse.

The Cinnamons.

YELL. CK. (15): 1, 3, hc, Dormer, leader grand size and shape, rare substance, neat, well carried wings and tail, rich sound col., splendid qual., real good one; 3rd, neat size and shape, rich level col., grand qual., hardly the sub.; 2, vhc, Mrs. Deacon, nice size and shape, nice head and neck, rich level col., very neat; 4, Heys, medium size, nice head, hardly so rich in col.; c, Bentley. BUFF (16): 1, 4, Mrs. Deacon, leader grand size and shape, nice head and neck, rich sound col.; 4th, fair size, nice head, rich col., hardly the sub.; 2, hc, Dormer, leader nice size, good head, sound level col., splendid quality; 3, Heys, good size and shape, good head and neck, fails col. to winners; vhc, Bentley; c, Roberts. UNFLIG. (15): 1, 4, Roberts, leader yell., nice size and shape, good head, rich sound col.; 4th, buff, nice head and neat, well carried wings, rich level col., hardly the substance of winner; 2, hc, c, Mrs. Deacon, leader buff, grand size and sub., neat head, nice short wings, fails only in col. to winners; 3, Hartup, a yell., good size and sub., nice head, rich level sound col., fails trifle in wing carr.; vhc, Dormer. HENS (11): 1, 3, vhc, Dormer, good team, leader a yell., good size and shape, rare sub., neat, well carried wings and tail, rich level col., grand qual.; 3rd, yell., neat size, good qual., hardly the sub. of first; 2, Roberts, buff, grand size, nice body and wings, rich sound col., just fails in head; 4, hc, Mrs. Deacon, buff, good size and sub., nice head and neck, very neat, trifle behind in col.; c, Heys. NOVICE, CINN., UNFLIG. (7): 1, Mrs. Tweedie, yell., grand size and shape, rich sound col., grand qual.; 2, 3, 4, Proctor, a nice team, leader yell., nice size and shape, well carried wings, sound col.; 3rd, yell., good size and shape, well carried wings and tail, both grand qual.; 4th, buff, neat size and shape, nice sound col., hardly the quality of winners; vhc hc, c, Smalley. CINN. CK. OR HEN (10): 1, 2, hc, Nume, both yells., leader good size, shape and sub., nice head and neck, rich sound col., grand qual; 2nd, nice size, rich col. and qual., just fails in head; 3, Smalley, nice size, neat shape, good wings, trifle behind in col.; 4, Mrs. Tweedie, nice size and shape, good sound cinn. col., hardly so good in wing carriage; vhc, c, Proctor. GIFT CLASS: 1, Mrs. Deacon; 2, T. Rowlands; 3, W. Dormer; 4, W. R. Knowles.

The Mules, British, and Foreign.

A.V. MULE OR HYB. (17): A grand class; 1, 4, Walsh, leader Can.-Bullfinch, wonderful col., grand cap, perfectly mkd., shows parentage distinctly, trifle small; 4th, variegated Goldfinch Can., grand size and shape, good face, rich col., both beautifully staged; 2, vhc, Johnson, leader Linnet-Bullfinch, nice size, neat shape, good cap and bars, grand qual., staged in perfect condition; 3, Alexander, Goldfinch Bullfinch, fair size, rich face, beautiful col. and condition; hc, Morgan; c, Lewis. GOLDFINCH (13): 1, Jones, neat size and shape, capital blaze, nicely tanned body, neatly buttoned, grand qual.; 2, Davies, nice square cut blaze, nicely tanned body, neat shape, grand buttoned, perfect qual., twisted flights only keeps it out; 3, Walsh, nice rich face, nicely tanned and buttoned, hardly so fine in qual.; 4, Lister, nicely tanned body, neatly buttoned, will improve later; vhc, Alexander; hc, Carleton; c, Jones. BULLFINCH (11): 1, 2, Woods, we hear the Manchester winners, two grand ones, good size, shape and head, neatly cut cap, excellent bars, rich breast col.; 2nd, similar, hardly so rich in breast col.; 3, Jones, grand size and shape, good cap and bars, hardly so tight in feather; 4, Carleton, grand hen, nice size and shape, grand cap and wing bars; vhc, Alexander; hc, Davies; c, Yates. LINNET (19): Real good class; 1, Walsh, grand size and shape, beautifully mkd. head and back, shows whites in wings and tail distinctly, nicely mkd. on breast, beautifully pencilled, grand position, a good one; 2, Davies, nice size and shape, grand col., nicely pencilled, not so distinctly mkd. on breast, still a good one; 3, Brade, field-moulted, grand size and shape, beautifully laced and pencilled, hardly the polish of winners, of course; 4, Johnson, grand size, extra good shape, nice nutty col.; vhc, Lester; hc, Lewis; c, Jones. GREENFINCH (10): 1, 3, Brade, leader we hear the Manchester winner, grand yell., good size and shape, nicely fed, rich tone of col., in grand order; 3rd, nice buff, fine size, grand shape, good col., nicely frosted, a grand pair, beautifully staged; 2, Walsh, another grand yell., nicely fed, good size and body, fails only in head to winner; 4, Jones, buff, fair size, nice head and neat shape, still a nice bird; vhc, Johnson; hc, Carleton; c, Goode.. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, Jones, Twite, nice size and shape, beautifully mkd. back and head, nicely laced, perfect condition; 2, Brade, Siskin, good cap and bib, nice wings, nicely laced on thighs, must have been hard to separate; 3, Jones, Redpoll, nice shape, grand bib, well laced, neat exhibit; 4, Sharples, Siskin, neat shape, nice cap, fails in col. and bib to winners; vhc, Morgan; hc, Hadwin; c, Walsh. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFINCH (11): 1, Brotherhood, Bramble, grand size, rich col., beautifully spangled, distinctly mkd. at thighs, in perfect order, a good one, well shown; 2, Alexander, Chaffinch, nice size and shape, very rich col., good head and nice wing bars; 3, Young, Bramble, nice size, well spangled, fails col. to winners; 4, Barrett, Chaffinch, nice size, good rich col., trifle restless; vhc, Gentleman; hc, Young; c, Jones. SMALL FOR. (4): 1, 2, 3, Walsh, leader Wood Swallow, 2nd Black-throated Tanager, 3rd Black-headed Sugar Bird, wonderfully good team, all in first-class condition, beautifully staged; 4, Sharples, Peach-faced Lovebirds, beautiful col., very steady, nicely staged. FOR., LARGE (4): 1, 4, Walsh, leader Green Cardinal, wonderful col., beautifully mkd., splendid qual. steady as a rock; 4th, Indian Shama, nicely staged, in good condition; 2, 3, Sharples, leader Longtailed Glossy Starling, grand col., shines like satin, wild and nervous, which counted against it; 3, Black-headed Sibia, grand cap, clean cut, nice col., very tame, nicely staged.

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MARKINCH.

20th annual, held 2nd Nov., in Masonic Hall, which is an ideal hall for the purpose, plenty of light and free from draughts. The management was all that could be desired, everything passing off very smoothly. We found the secretary, Mr. George Mitchell, the right man in the right place. He was ably assisted by Mr. T. Gilmour, a good understudy, and a willing band of stewards—Messrs. Summers, Keddie, Lindsay, J. Thomson, T. Thomson, Danskin, and A. Buchan—not forgetting Treasurer Davidson, who one and all did their utmost. The entry was a very good one, totalling 360, an increase of 60 over last year; every section showed an increase except Borders. The quality was very good, some past winners again coming out at the top. Mr. Summers won special best young bird, bred by a member; Mr. Wm. Barclay won special for best British, with a fine Linnet, closely pressed by Mr. Pringle's winning Goldfinch. The show was well patronised by the public and fanciers from surrounding districts. Judges were: Scots Fancy, Mr. J. Watson; Borders, Mr. H. Bennet; Norwich and Crests, Mr. A. Chalmers; Mules and British, Mr. W. Connelly, who all appeared to give general satisfaction.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY, CL., ETC. CK. (8): 1, Leslie, good top end, nice reach, fine depth through and quality good one; 2, vhc. Danskin, close up, fine top, good reach, capital length, grand style, well up on leg; 3, Archibald, nice stamp, fine reach and size, good follower; hc, Barrie; e, Beattie. HEN (4): 1, Gilmour, cl., grand one, fine drive, good top end, nice size, in good order; 2, Cook, fine drive, good action, fine length of side; 3, Beattie, close up, fine stylish exhibit; vhc, Barrie. CL., ETC., BUFF CK. (7): Good class. 1, Kell, cl., good top end, fine depth through, grand action, well up in size, real good one; 2, sp., T. Thomson, capital reach and bend, fine length, good one, presses hard; 3, sp., Barrie, nice stylish bird, in good order; vhc, Ramsay; hc, Beattie; c, Thomson. HEN (8): 1, Cook, fine size, good top end, gets head well down, plenty of style, good one; 2, Keil, another of the same stamp, only loses a little in substance; 3, W. Beattie, foul, good third, well placed; vhc, no name; hc, Archibald; c, Sutherland. YELL. PIED OR GREEN CK. (8): 1, W. Beattie, pied, fine one, well up, grand depth through, good reach and style; 2, Sutherland, pied, presses winner hard, fails in thickness, otherwise good, stylish exhibit; 3, Cook, Green, grand bird, inclined to be restless; vhc, hc, Danskin; hc, Ramsay. HEN (3): 1, Gilmour, nice size and depth through, good style, fair decent Fancy; 2, 3, Danskin, good reach and size, fine style. BUFF CK. (7): 1, c, Fulton, good one, well built, grand top end, fine depth through, easy win; 2, J. Beattie, pied, good stamp, fine reach and droop, well placed; 3, Danskin, fine reach, and shoulders, plenty of style; vhc, Ramsay; hc, Allan. HEN (5): 1, Ramsay, good one, wins, fine top end, good reach, nice head, capital style; 2, 3, J. Beattie, good hen, fine depth through, none too steady, well placed; 3, much about the same stamp; vhc, Leslie; hc, Gilmour. NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (9): 1, Adamson, Kirkcaldy winner, grand head and neck, fine front, nice even col. throughout, lovely qual., good wings and tail, wins; 2, c, Brown and Heggie, tk., good size, fine col. and substance, nice wings, not so good in quality as winner; 3, Mathieson, fine type and size, good wings, fails a bit in quality and col. to leaders; vhc, Dickson; hc, Christie. HEN (3): 1, Spence, fine head and front, good substance, neat wings and tail, well up in size; 2, Moreland, fine type and quality, good wing carriage; 3, Thomson, lighter build, fine quality of feather. BUFF CK (10): 1, Stewart, medium size, right shape, splendid quality, well laid wings, fine short coupled bird, good style, wins; 2, Christie, fine size, good head and neck, lovely qual., fails a little in wing carriage; 3, Naysmith, good size and substance, fine fronted bird, pinched a little bit on head, otherwise good; vhc, sp., Martin; hc, Moffat; c, Pollock. HEN (9): 1, Taylor, cl., good head and substance, fine front, lovely quality, carries wings well, nice condition; 2, Ramsay, fine, thick-set body, right shape, good broad back, nicely frosted, close up; 3, Stewart, cl., fine shape and quality, good wing and tail carriage, fails head; vhc, sp., Moffat; hc, McConville; c, no name. VAR. OR GREEN CK. (5): 1, Martin, buff, head and wing marked, not big, but all there for shape, lovely quality, fine col., nice short wings and tail; 2, Finnie, bigger, trifle long in body, neat head and neck, rich coloured buff; 3, Spence, fine head, cobby shape, not so good in quality, nice sized yell.; vhc, Moffat. HEN (9): 1, Ramsay, buff, grand size and substance, sweet head, lovely quality and shape, fine short wings, wins well; 2, Dickson, another good one, shapely body, fine head and wings, fine bird and well shown; 3, Kirk, yell., fine col. and quality, very shapely, good carriage; vhc, Taylor; hc, Peters; c, Thomson. UNFLIGHTED CK. (13): 1, Martin, Glasgow 2nd, wins here, true Norwich, rare head and neck, lovely, well mealed, very shapely, splendid wing carriage, grand condition; 2, Ramsay, var. buff, good one, fine head and neck, good substance, sweet quality, carries wings well, fine and short all over; 3, Adamson, cl. yell., Kirkcaldy winner, beaten to-day, neat, head, sweet quality, typical, fails a little in neck; vhc, sp., Adams; hc, Moreland; c, Thomson, good class. HEN (16): 1, Thomson, cl. yell., Kirkcaldy winner, grand size and substance, splendid quality, grand wing carriage, good one, wins well; 2, Ross, cl. buff, fine shape and quality, nicely frosted, good wings, well placed; 3, Taylor, grand size, fine bold front, nice short wings and tail, bit weak in head; vhc, sp., Naismith; hc, Martin; c, Moreland. NON-FED CK. (7): 1, Adams, yell., tkd. on head, splendid qual., fine substance, shape and col., fine condition; 2, Thomson, cl. buff, grand shape, fine feather, good in wings, well placed; 3, vhc, Dryburgh, 3, yell., fine shaped body, clean cut away behind, nice one; hc, Harris; c, Barclay. HEN (7): 1, Martin, green, good size, neat head, shapely body, sweet qual., fine wings, good one; 2, Ewenson, cl. buff, nice shape, grand qual., shade smaller than winner, fine condition; 3, Moreland, grand, shapely cl. yell., lovely feather, fine wings, a little narrow in entrance; vhc, Johnstone; hc, Davidson; c, Beedie. CREST CK.: Cancelled. CREST HEN (2): 1, Brown, var. D.C., fine size, well radiated crest, neat centre, nice droop, good qual.; 2, Lindsay, large crest, good shape, fine droop, not so dense in feather. UNFLIGHTED (6): 1, Whitton, marked wing D.C., fine wide skull, fine shape and size, very dense feather, of nice qual., win; 2, Summers, variegated, lovely shaped crest, shade smaller than winner, beautiful feather, fine droop; 3, Brown, good headed one, fine shape and size, lacks substance; vhc, Summers; hc, Davidson; c, no name. UNFLIG. C.B. (1): 1, sp., best young bird, bred by a member, Summers, green, grand head, well lashed, plenty of feather, will make a hen, Kirkcaldy and Lochgelly winner; 2, McCall and Henderson, variegated, size and substance, fine feather and lashing; 3, Webster, cl., rare substance, fine head, not so dense in feather, good quality; vhc, Lindsay. C.B. CK. (4): Old birds: 1, Whitton, D.C., rare size and substance, good length of feather, well lashed, fine qual.; 2, vhc, Summers, close up, good substance, well lashed, fine length of feather; 3, Brown, variegated, good head, finely lashed, of good qual.; hc, Davidson. BORD. CL. TKD. YELL. CK. (5): 1, sp., Wilson, shapely cl., beautiful feather, sweet head, well braced wings, fine style, rich col., wins; 2, Lamble, neat build, nice qual., good wing carriage, fine action, not so rich in col.; 3, Spence, fine qual., very neat, rich col., good third; vhc, Arnott; hc, Pollock. HEN (5): 1, Wilson, right shape, tight as a drum, lovely qual., good wing car., takes perches well, sweet exhibit; 2, Simon, another nice Border, splendid qual., well laid wings and tail, a little heavier build; 3, Spence, grand clean shape, fine qual., not so good in wing carriage, but little to choose; vhc, T. Arnott; hc, Bickerstaff. BUFF CK.: 1, T. Arnott, gem, tight as wax, sweet shape, beautiful quality, nice free action, well braced wings and tail; 2, Wilson, good stamp, excellent quality, best of wings, fine condition; 3, Shields, nice one, not so rich shade, longer, stylish exhibit; vhc, Dodds; hc, Clelland. HEN (3): 1, T. Arnott, sweet little lady, lovely shape, excels in qual., tight as wax, well braced wings, free action, closely pressed by 2, Lamble, shapely, sweet head, fine texture, nice wings, tip-top order; 3, Pollock, we could not find. UNEVEN MKD. CK. (3): 1, Lumsden, eye and wing mkd., clear shape, nice quality and col., fine free action, high condition; 2, Arnott, Kirkcaldy, sweet one for shape, splendid wings, takes perches well, must have pressed; 3, Arnott, Hawick, rich deep yell., eyes and wing marked, sweet shape, good front, very smart, stylish. HEN (7): 1, Shields, very shapely, eye and wing marked buff, lovely texture, very neat wing carriage, fine pipe tail, free action, splendid condition, wins well; 2, vhc, T. Arnott, two very smart Borders, 2nd excels in wing carriage, very tight feather, fine jaunty carriage, close up; 3, Wilson (Workington), eyes and wing marked yell., rich col., shade longer, beaten wing carriage; hc, Wilson (Hamilton); c, Clelland. A.O. CK. (7): 1, Lambie, green, beautiful shape, lovely col., best of wing carriage, tight in feather, on the big side; 2, T. Arnott, neat shape, good col., very smart, stylish, well pencilled, not so clean shape; 3, e, Bickerstaff, very rich col. yell. green, sweet shape, fine qual., might perhaps be better in wings; vhc, Wilson; hc, Dodds. HEN (5): 1, Arnott, yell. green, rich col., neat shape, grand wings, neat, free action, fine markings; 2, Lambie, of the same stamp, not so tight in feather, fine style; 3, Wilson, good col., fine wings and texture, looks a little thin at neck, otherwise good; vhc, Dodds; hc, Simon. DARK MULES (3): 1, McGraw, fine, big, rich col. yell. Greenie, nice shape and condition, will improve, young bird; 2, sp., Thomson, sweet little Siskin, fine col. and condition; 3, Ismay, we could not find. HYB. (2): No names on catalogue: 1, Goldie-Bullie cross, rich face, fine col., wins in size; 2, another Goldie-Bullie, shows cross distinctly, fine bloom, loses size. LINNET (11): 1, sp., best British, Barclay, fine size and shape, good col., neat, distinct lacing, shows whites well, best of condition, wins; 2, Lister, lighter tone of col., well laced breast, fine back, good shape and size; 3, Barrie, fine col., size and shape, not so well laced as leaders, nice condition; vhc, Thomson; hc, Black and Lumsden; c, McGregor and Boyd. GREENFINCH, COL. FED (12): 1, McGregor and Boyd, fine size, well built, lovely col., shows plenty of yell. on butts, well put down; 2, Kennell, buff, well fed, shapely and good col., close up; 3, Haxton, neat shape, but takes perches badly, or would have gone up one; vhc, Russell; hc, no name; c, Thomson. NON-FED: 1, Reid, we heard, the Perth winner, great size and substance for a yell., lovely col., fine sheen, might be steadier; 2, Bell, very fine huff, well built, good head, grand flights, in good order; 3, Thomson, fine tone of col., lovely qual., beaten size to winners; vhc, Leitch, could be better staged; hc, Mrs. Thomson; c, Lawrie and Welsh. GOLDFINCH: 1, Pringle, expansive blaze, good col., right shape, lovely wings, in grand order; 2, Mackie, Kirkcaldy second, nice Finch, fails in size of blaze, rich col; 3, Barclay, Kirkcaldy winner, grand face, not so expansive as winners, fine tanning, well huttoned wings, in fine condition; vhc, Black and Lumsden; hc, Bell; c, Ritchie. BULLFINCH: 1, 3, Mackie, leader grand size, fine broad cap, lovely back and wing bars, might be richer on breast, 3, charming hen, lovely shape, nice col., fine bars, Kirkcaldy winner, in her own class; 2, Thomson, real good Bullie, lovely col., right shape, a little narrower in cap, and shade smaller than leaders; vhc, sp., Thomson; hc, Summers; c, Dewer. SISKIN (7): 1, McGregor and Boyd, Perth second, in its right place to-day, shapely, good col., grand cap, well laced flanks, in fine order; 2, Reid, smart little chap, fine col., neat shape, not so good in cap and might be better staged; 3, sp., McCall and Henderson, duller tone of col., fine size and shape, a little narrower in head to winners; vhc, G. Thomson; hc, W. Thomson; c, Graham. REDPOLL (11): 1, Mowbray, Lesser, cobby shape, fine head, nice tone of col., well laced, in tip-top condition; 2, Leitch, Mealy, not the biggest, but neat shape, finely mealed, good head and bib, well laced, tight in feather, fine order; 3, Dryburgh, Lesser, fine shape, neat head, well laced, not so good in colour as winner; vhc, Mrs. Law, Mealy, bigger, but not so neat shape as second; hc, Colville; c, Adamson. BRIT., SMALL (5): 1, McCall and Henderson, very nice coloured Yellowhammer, fine head, not finished moulting; 2, Thomson, another Yellowhammer, not quite so good in col.; 3, Colville and Son. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH, FOR. (5): 1, Williams, good sized Goldfinch, large face, good col., in fine fettle; 2, Lester, fine, big, shapely Bullfinch, rich col., fine back and wing bars, nice one; 3, Pringle, Goldfinch, nice Finch, only loses in size to winner, fine col. blaze; vhc, Davidson; hc, no name. COMMON CAN. (13): Great variety class, very interesting: 1, Bell; 2, Lawrie and Welsh; 3, Weir; 4, Dewar; 5, Bell; 6, Beattie.

BOLTON WOODS C.B.S.

Members' show held Nov. 2, at Victoria Hotel. Mr. J. Bailey judged, and gave entire satisfaction.

CL. YELL.: 1, Fretwell; 2, Goodwin; 3, Taylor; 4, Dykes. BUFF: 1, Ellis; 2, Shepherd; 3, Dykes; 4, hc, Fretwell; vhc, Shaw; c, Hall. TKD. YELL.: 1, Fretwell; 2, Bryant; 3, Taylor; 4, Dykes; vhc, Shaw; hc, Ellis; c, Hall. BUFF: 1, Shepherd; 2, Dykes; 3, Taylor. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, Shepherd; 2, Dykes; 3, Goodwin; 4, Boocock; vhc, Bryant; hc, Shaw; c, Pullan. FOUL MKD. HEN: 1, Oldrieve; 2, Abbey. BUFF HEN: 1, Oldrieve; 2, Dykes; 3, Shepherd; 4, c, Morgan; vhc, Pullan; hc, Boocock. UNFLIG. MKD. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, Shepherd; 3, Goodwin; 4, Cotterel; vhc, Oldrieve; hc, Fretwell. UNFLIG. MKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Taylor; 3, Bryant; 4, Goodwin; vhc, Morgan. BUFF: 1, Taylor; 2, Boocock; 3, 4, Ellis; vhc, Pullan; hc, Hall; c, Abbey. FOUL MKD. CK.: 1, 4, Ellis; 2, Shaw; 3, Boocock; vhc, hc, c, J. Pullan.

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First show of the Colinton and Currie Parishes O.S. held November 2, the venue being the Drill Hall at Juniper Green, which is an ideal hall, well lighted, warm, and completely free from draughts. The space, which will require to be utilised in future, may be augmented by setting back staging. The attendance being far in excess of the management's expectations, the result was that moving became a difficulty. A table on which were displayed such an array of specials as few societies can boast bore ample testimony to the desire on the part of inhabitants to encourage the hobby. These averaged about two prizes per member, and ranged from cups, gold medals, and clocks, to various specimens of ladies' handicraft in wire and wool, and even in butter. In Mr. J. Napier the society has a most courteous and able secretary, and he was ably supported by a committee who have little to learn in the art of management. The judges were: Scotch Fancies, Mr. McLennan (Edinburgh); Borders, Mr. James Hamilton (Eskbank); Norwich and Brit., Mr. Jas. Winter (Edinburgh); and all these had their work well in hand, their decisions seeming to give general satisfaction. The Hope silver vase was captured by Mr. Rodgers with a massive buff pied S.F. cock, a popular win; the Mitchell cup for best Border went to Mr. Michie with a real gem of a yellow hen; the Norwich trophy was annexed by Mr. Robertson with a buff cock of rare quality and substance; the similar honour in British section going to Mr. Johnstone for a Linnet which won rather easily.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY, YOUNG YELL. CK.: 1, Begbie, pied, very nervy, good size and action. HEN: 1, 3, Rodgers, leader possessing good shoulder and drive, wins easy, latter beaten in substance, good head, hardly finished yet; 2, Begbie, excels in size, tail not down yet, good shoulder and action. BUFF CK.: 1, cup, Rodgers, pied, rare reach and substance, comes down well, popular win; 2, 3, Begbie, green leading, good action, fails top end a bit, hardly finished; 3rd, better length, loses in substance, will improve. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Begbie, leader, good length, carries tail well under, somewhat sluggish to-day; 2nd, beaten in substance, better action; 3rd, similar type; 4, Preston. BORD. FCY., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (25): 1, 2, Michie, leader rare col., nice head, good wings and tail, slightly frilled on neck; 2nd, neck tick, good col., beaten head perhaps, rather leggy; 3, 4, Crabb, former better head, loses in feather and substance; 5, Williamson; 6, Johnstone; 7, Napier. HEN (21): 1, cup, 2, Michie, leader a gem for col., contour, and texture, wins well; 2nd, beaten in texture, yet a good one, nice pipe tail; 3, 6, 7, Williamson; 4, 5, Crabb. BUFF CK. (18): 1, 5, Crabb, good qual. feather, rather leggy and slim, some preferred; 2, Michie, better front and neck, nicely rounded; 3, Johnstone, beaten type; 4, Brydon; 6, Fleming; 7, Williamson; 8, Wilson. HEN (23): 1, Napier, nice one, excels feather, well packed, wins nicely; 2, 3, Michie, former heavier than leader, grand action, well put down, latter very similar type, well judged; 4, 7, Johnstone; 5, Williamson; 6, Crabb. A.O.V. YELL. CK.: 1, Robertson, wing and neck tkd., good col., rather thin; 2, Michie, nice head and body, crosses wings a little; 3, Campbell, nice one, hardly finished or would have gone up; 4, 5, Napier; 6, Daily. HEN: 1, Fleming, almost even, nice texture, rather open in wings; 2, Williams, heavier stamp, beaten in type; 3, Napier, we liked very much, a nicely moulded uneven; remainder of class, no names. A.O.V. BUFF CK.: 1, no name, mkd. both wings, good col. and texture, packs well; 2, Daily, we made a hen, nice one for qual., rather wild; 3, 4, Williams, former a bit frayed over bill and thin, might perhaps have changed places; 5, 6, Napier. HEN: We missed. The crowding the Norwich was preclusive of our taking notes, but we noticed that many of the birds were patchy in colour, due in some instances to their being hardly finished. Norwich bids fair to become the feature of this show, some of the exhibits being very cobby and typical, but a tendency to pinched heads and long barrel is very evident, even the cup winner being slightly long in wings and tail. Yell., CK.: 1, 5, Campbell; 2, 6, Preston; 3, Davidson; 4, Napier; 7, Thomson. HEN: 1, 4, 6, Campbell; 2, 3, Thomson; 5, Preston. BUFF: 1, Robertson; 2, 6, 7, Campbell; 3, Napier; 4, Smith; 5, Davidson. HEN: 1, Smith; 2, 5, Campbell; 3, 4, Robertson; 6, Napier. CREST: 1, 2, Thomson. BRIT.: These were the poorest feature of the show, and the splendid prizes offered should stimulate the members into making a better effort on next occasion. 1, trophy, 7, Johnstone; 2, Robertson; 3, 5, Scott; 4, Dickson; 6, Wilson; 8, Campbell. A.V. MULE (1): 1 Johnstone. OLD BIRDS, SCOTCH FANCY: 1, Rodger; 2, 3, 4, Begbie; 5, Campbell; 6, Smith. BORD.: 1, Michie; 2, 5, Brydon; 3, 6, no name; 4, Fleming. NOR.: 1, H. Napier; 2, 4, Smith; 3, 5, Leadbetter; 6, J. Napier.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Members' show, held Nov. 2nd, in large Club-room at Headquarters, the Clarence Hotel, an ideal place, being roomy and well lighted. Entries came up well. Mr. W. Atherton, the assist sec., put down a splendid team of Yorks. Mr. Charlesworth's unflighted bull was the best in this section, truly a gem (send him out, Mr. C.). Messrs. Race and Toulson put down some nice exhibits. Messrs. E. Thorpe and Lister staged some rattling Norwich, which should do well in open. Mr. W. Rapson, our worthy chairman, staged a nice team of British. Winners of most points: Yorks., Mr. W. Atherton, 56; Nor., Mr. E. Thorpe, 60; Brit., Mr. W. Rapson, 19. Mr. J. Overend placed the cards, and his awards were well received, he taking great pains with the birds. The show was better attended on this occasion by local fanciers. Next show in the same place on Nov. 30. I appeal to all local fanciers to join the society. I heard that we are likely to enrol some champion Norwich exhibitors; may it be true. I advise members to enter more birds in the selling classes, as there were several visitors to claim some birds. I invite local fanciers to attend meeting, Nov. 9th, at the Clarence Hotel (private room), at 7.30 p.m.

CL., ETC., YELL. YORKS.: 1, 3, Atherton; 2, Charlesworth; vhc, Wiseman; hc, c, Race. BUFF: 1, 2, Atherton; 3, Toulson; vhc, Wiseman; hc, Charlesworth; c, Barnes. YELL HEN: 1, 2, Atherton; 3, Toulson; vhc, c, Race; hc, Barnes. BUFF: 1, vhc, c, Race; 2, 3, Atherton; hc, Barnes. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, Toulson; 2, vhc, Atherton; 3, Charlesworth; hc, Race. BUFF: 1, Charlesworth; 2, hc, Atherton; 3, Race. CL., ETC., YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, Thorpe; 3, Lister. BUFF: 1, 3, Lister; 2, hc, Wiseman; vhc, Thorpe. YEL. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Thorpe; vhc, Lister. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, hc, Thorpe; vhc, Lister; c, Wiseman. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, vhc, Thorpe; 3, Hall; hc, c, Lister. BUFF: 1, hc, Hall; 2, Thorpe; 3, Lister. SELL., A.V. CAN.: 1, Atherton (quickly claimed). SELL., YORKS. HEN: 1, Charlesworth; 2, Race; 3, Barnes. LINNET, ETC.: 1, 3, Toulson; 2, Rapson. HARDBILL: 1, 2, vhc, Rapson; 3, Lister; hc, Barnes; c, Toulson.—F. C. Sims, Hon. Sec.

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MATLOCK.

The Palace of the Peak show, as this society calls it, held October 31, was hardly such a success as it might have been, many classes having to be cancelled. We cannot understand this at such a well-managed show. The Victoria Hall, in which the show was held, is a fine place for a show. The birds were splendidly staged, and looked after in the very best manner. Norwich were a nice collection, and of fair quality. Yorks. were not so good, and one of the classes had to be cancelled. Mules and Hybrids were fair. Mr. W. Vardy judged. The society have a fine secretary in Mr. G. Poyser, who was ably assisted by a hard-working committee.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (9): 1, Raynes, lovely shaped cl., of grand size and quality, nice head, good neck, capital feather; 2, Smith, cl., real good shape, size and col., nice head, well carried wings and tail, lovely qual. and feather; 3, Williams, eye mkd., good qual. and col., nice shape, good size, hardly the class of leaders; vhc, J. Dodd; hc, Millward; c, Geo. Dodd. HEN: Cancelled. BUFF CK. (12): 1, Geo. Dodd, capital cl., nicely frosted, lovely col. and type, rare shape, size, and substance, lovely bloom; 2, Raynes, cl., real good qual. head and neck, well braced wings, grand col., size, shape, and condition; 3, J. Dodd, eye and wings mkd., good col., rare type, very cobby shape, lovely feather and condition; vhc, Millward; hc, Mallinson; c, Thos. Fox. HEN: Cancelled. UNFLIG. (14): 1, Mallinson, cl. yell., splendid shape, good size, lovely col. and qual., nice broad head, good neck, nicely carried wings and tail, splendid feather; 2, J. Dodd, eye mkd. buff, good shape, nice col. and substance, real good feather and condition; 3, Dipple, cl. buff, very cobby shape, nice size and col., in lovely feather; vhc, Millward; hc, Williams; c, Thos. Fox. YORKS., CK. (12): 1, Pass, cl. buff, grand length and position, very slim and upstanding, real good col. and qual., nice wings, head and tail; 2, vhc, Sheldon, yell., nice col. and feather, good shape, nice length and qual., in rare order; 3, Lomas, yell., nice length and position, good col., nice wings and tail, perfect feather and condition; hc, Flint; c, Elkins. HEN: Cancelled. MULE OR HYB. (8): 1, 2, Hayter, noted pair in fine feather, Bullic-Goldie and Canary-Goldie, in lovely bloom; 3, Swarbrick, Linnet-Can., in nice feather and condition; vhc, Tarr and Sons; hc, Boscoby and Righton; c, Ovens. 3 BRITISH: Cancelled. MEMBERS, NOR. CK. (7): 1, Else; 3, 4, Dean; vhc, Buxton; hc, Wragg; c, Wain. HEN (7): 1, Dean; 2, Gill; 3, Else; 4, vhc, hc, Buxton; c, Wragg. UNFLIG. BUFF (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, Dean, grand team; hc, Lill. YELL. (4): 1, 4, Dean; 2, Lill; 3, Wagg. YORKS. CK. (2): 1, Wain; 2, Shaw. HEN (2): 1, Shaw; 2, Wain. MULE (5): 1, Gentles, Gold Bullie; 2, 3, Cooper; 4, Wards. SOFTBILL (1): 1, Ashton. HARDBILL (4): 1, Cooper; 2, Gentle; 3, Gentle; 4, Twigg.

RAMSGATE.

First open Show held October 30 and 31 at Brockman's Restaurant, Harbour Parade. For a first effort the Show was a pronounced success, both as regards quality and entry; and a more delightful room for such an exhibition could not possibly have been chosen. It was splendidly lighted, and directly overlooking the broad expanse of Harbour, where the sad sea waves danced in their mad play, while the birdies sang merrily and peacefully a refrain to the ocean's wild music. The arrangements could not have been surpassed, and the committee are to be congratulated upon the way in which they were carried out. Councillor J. W. Chapman is the president; W. Thornton, Esq., hon treas.; Mr. A. Afrigan makes an excellent secretary; and the following gentlemeu as committeemen did yeoman service:—Messrs. F. Thomas (chairman), J. Thomas, A. Fassam, E. G. Kew, T. W. Brown, H. T. Wellard, and J. W. Burgess. The competition was very keen in many classes of the open section, and the members staged some really tip-top birds. Bearing in mind that it was a first effort, the list of specials was a highly creditable one. An interesting item in the programme was the presentation of a Goldfinch and cage to the president, on the occasion of his opening the Show, as a mark of the committee's appreciation of his interest in the Society. The birds were judged by Mr. Geo. Gardner, whose awards appeared to give general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. YELL. CK. (6): 1, sp., Easton, level col., rare qual., nice head, wings and tail, a smart bird; 2, Rayner, lovely feather, inclined to be a bit stilty, but grand outline and level col.; 3, Bellamp, good type and qual., just a little slack in feather; vhc, Taylor; hc, Greenaway; c, Miss Gwyn. BUFF (6): 1, Gunnell, very pretty bird, full of qual., sweet head, rare carriage and under col.; 2, Taylor, well after the leader in most points; 3, Kilby, another bonny bird, nicely frosted; vhc, Wickham; hc, Miss Gwyn; c, Bellamp. TKD. ETC. CK. (8): 1, sp., 2, Kilby, bouncing yell. broken green, marvellous head, chest, col., and sheen; 2, rattling tkd. yell.; 3, Taylor, variegated buff, rattling type, soft silky feather, rich under-col., and mealing; vhc, Hill; hc, Gunnell; c, Brown. CL. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Bellamy, possesses type, qual., head, and col.; 2, vbc, Miss Gwyn, not so full of qual. but rare shape, as was 3, Taylor, a smart hen. BUFF (4): 1 sp., Taylor, head, shape, qual., under col., nice one; 2, 3, vbc, Miss Gwyn, very good team, rare qual. TKD., ETC. (5): 1, Taylor, variegated buff, full of qual., very typical, nce short wings and tail; 2, hc, Easton, variegated, hardly so compact as leader, still nice head and col.; 3, Rayner, a capped buff, the best qual, of wing, but just a trifle too thin in body, yet a beautiful hen to use with some yell. cocks; vbc, Bellamy. UNFLIG. CKS. (10): 1, Bellamy, topping buff, full of qual., good wings, neat head, short flights and tail; 2, Miss Gwyn, beautiful col. and qual., rare shape; 3, Taylor, yell., good type, scarcely so level or so good in the carriage of tail, but a nice one; vbc, Gunnell; hc, Wickham; c, Rayner. HENS (5): 1, sp., Pilcher, grand ben, dark tailed, lovely feather, the best of type, a rattler; 2, Cook, another good one, variег. yell.; 3, Bellamy, nice shape, good qual.; vhc, Rayner; hc, Taylor. YORKS CL. YELL. CK. (8): 1, 2, Mole, smart upstanding birds, well on the leg and rare qual.; 3, Soper, pretty, rare action, nice side and leg; vhc., Olive; hc, Wraigbt; c, Evans. BUFF (8): 1, vhc, Mole, a stylish full actioned bird of nice length, good on leg and behind, nice tail carriage; 2, Skinner, a trifle less smart on leg, but very stylisb; 3, Grant, sweet bird, not quite so smart on tbe leg, but little fault to find; hc, Wraigbt; c, Olive. TKD. ETC. CK. (12): 1, Soper, tkd., grand position, plenty of leg, nice feather, bead, and good finish behind leg; 2, Mole, stands up well, neat head, hardly so nicely finished; 3, Skinner, variег., racy, travels well, but hardly so levelly moulded; vbc, Grant; hc, Wraight; c, Mole. HEN (4): 1, sp, 2, vhc, Mole, really good team; 3, Olive, also smart. UNFLIG. CK. (9): 1, sp, Skinner, stands well, rare qual., nice behind leg; 2, Vidgen, hardly so clearly cut all down, but good pose, nice qual.; 3, Humpbries, nice yell., full of breed points; vhc, Wraight; hc, c, Mole. A.O.V. (4): 1, Kew, fair broken capped Lizard; 2, Brown, buff Cin., not quite size enough; 3, Miss Sharp. MULES, DK. (4): 1, Casemore, greenie Can., nice size, very level and rich in col., well staged; 2, Acland, same cross, not the richness of col. or so well filled out; 3, Thomas, pretty Siskin Can.; vhc, Shaxted. A.O.V. (5): 1, sp., Gunnell, topping yell. variег. Goldie Can.; 2, vhc, Fasham, Linnet Canary, good size; 3, vhc, Wellard. GOLDIE (6): 1, Murphy, sweet little Finch, good face, bars, and buttons, nice tanning, would look better even in a proper show cage; 2, Fasham, not yet full up in col., nice else; 3, Casemore, ditto; vhc, Wellard; hc, Mrs. Pilcher; c, Sharp. BULLIE (3): 1, sp., Wickham, a little good one, lovely form; 2, Acland, larger, but not so clean and brightly finished; 3, Riley, fair hen. LINNET (15): 1, Gunnell, wins all the way; 2, sp., 3, Casemore, two smartly posted Linnets; hc, Thomas. A.O.S. BRIT. LARGE (3): 1, sp., Acland, Hawfinch, lovely cut markings, nice bib, superb feather, but not so full as we have seen George show them. SMALL (3): 1, 2, Fasham, Brambling and Greenie respectively. PARROT, ETC.: 1, sp., Attwell, Lemon-crest; 2, Miss Bristow; 3, bc, Mrs. Pilcher; vhc, Miss Finn. SMALL FOR. (11): 1, sp., 2, vbc, Thomas, the winners, a pair of Nonpareils, and a Napoleon Bishop; 3, Murphy, Whydah; bc, Miss E. E. Elliott; c, Miss Sharp.

Members' classes were excellent in point of quality, many good birds being shown, and the competition was very keen in some classes. The members are to be highly complimented upon their first effort, and they have done well to establish the Society at a time when the Fancy was "going down to the deeps" in Ramsgate. The display in the members' section was a credit to any Society, but space forbids a lengthened critique of the exhibits. YORKS: 1, sp., 2, 3, vhc, c, sp., Wellard; bc, Fasham. NOR. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Burgess; 2, Miss Gwyn; 3, Brown. CL. BUFF: 1, Miss Gwyn; 2, Fasham; 3, Thomas; vhc, Wallbaucke. TKD. ETC. CK.: 1, sp., Burgess; 2, sp., Kew; 3, Brown; vhc, Afrigan. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, sp., 2, sp., Brown; 3, Fasham. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, sp., Miss Gwyn; 2, Burgess; 3, vbc, Fasham. HEN: 1, sp., Burgess; 2, Brown; 3, Fasham; vhc, Miss Gwyn; hc, Kew. A.V. PAIRS: 1, sp., 2, 3, James; vhc, Thomas. TEAMS OF FOUR: 1, Miss Gwyn; 2, Fasham; 3, Wellard. A.V. NAT, COL. CK.: 1, sp., Brown; 2, 3, Thomas. HEN: 1, 3, Thomas; 2, Kew; vbc, Burgess. Tbese two classes contained some beautiful quality. OPEN NOVICE A.V.C.B. (14): 1, sp., hc, c, Vernon; 2, Tbomas; 3, Burgess; vhc, Bowen; sp., cl., Afrigan; sp, Murphy. CHILDREN'S CLASS: 1, sp., Reginald Thornton; 2, sp., Alice W. Tbornton; 3, B. Wellard; vhc, D. Burgess; bc, H. Wellard.

CALDER VALLEY (Inter-Club Show).

Held at Wharfe Hotel, Sowerby Bridge, November 2nd. An entry of close on 200 birds faced Mr. J. Greaves, of Bradford. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (16): 1, Stansfield Bros., cl., long raking bird, full of nerve and position, could he improved with a wash; 2, c, Stobert, cl., good position, long flights and tail, full of qual.; 3, Coupe, not so long as the others, grand type and position; vhc, Spencer; hc, Robertshaw. BUFF (12): 1, Jefferys, hull-necked, grand position and length, inclined to he a little on the thick side; 2, Stansfield Bros., looks like the Burnley winner, grand col., close feather, worth its place; 3, King, tkd. neck, good length and type, full of swagger; vhc, Robertshaw; hc, Tattersall; c, Stobert. EVEN, ETC., YELL. (7): 1, Crossley, wing and head mkd., grand col., position and nerve; 2, Highley, not so typical as winner, but a good one, will improve; 3, Howarth, heavy mkd., stands like a guardsman; vhc, F. Sutcliffe; hc, J. Lume; c, Spencer and Maiden. BUFF (4): 1, Wilde, full of col., feathered to perfection; 2, not so good as winner, but earns its position; 3, Highley, very hot col., good position, we liked very much; vbc, Fielding. CL., ETC., YELL., HEN (17) (good class, two sets of winners could be found): 1, Robertshaw, cl., grand length, full of nerve, position, qual, and feather; 2, Barnes, not as long as winner but a rattling good hen; 3, Smith Bros., a wonder for feather and position; vhc, King; hc, Tattersall; c, Jefferys. BUFF (13): 1, Robertshaw, cl., grand breedy hen, found to produce something good; 2, Carter, not the type of winner, wanting a little underneath; 3, Barnes, grand lady, as light as a drum, lovely feather; vhc, Smith Bros.; hc, King; c, J. Tattersall. GREEN, ETC., CK. (3): 1, Simpson, yell., grand col. and type, good length; 2, not so good in type as winner, pinched a bit in neck; 3, Tattersall, feathered like boxwood, bit wild. HEN (4): 1, 2, Simpson, good grass green, straight as a rush, 2 not far behind winner, shade smaller; 3, Coad, smart little lady, but not the length of the two winners; vhc, Bowie. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (18): 1, King, cl., grand wing carriage, good piped tail, lovely head and neck, earned its place to-day; 2, Walker, hardly the length of winner, a wee bit open in front, might improve; 3, Barnes, good cl., full of swank, well braced wings; vhc, F. Sutcliffe; hc, H. Riley; c, Spencer and Maiden. HEN (10): 1, Graham, good length, col., position and type, beautiful condition; 2, W. Highley, not the length of winner, grand head and neck, good wing carriage; 3, J. Robertshaw, good youngster, lovely back and wings, well worth its place; vhc, J. Coupe; bc, W. T. Borne; c, W. Lye. CINN. MKD. (3): 1, Walker, head and wing mkd., good col. and type, we think a ben; 2, Meadowcroft, smart type, full of nerve, lovely col.; 3, Lumb, buff, good type and position. NOR., YELL. CK. (2): 1, Pickles, grand cl., beautiful col. and type, nice condition; 2 Turner, good col., flights and tail, not one of the biggest. BUFF (3): 1, Howarth, rattling col., nicely peppered; beautiful wing carriage, stands well across the perch; 2, Meadowcroft, not far behind winner, rather paler in col., but a good bird all the same; 3, W. Coad, nice cobby bird, good col.; vbc, J. Ingham; hc, c, J. W. Ackroyd. YELL. HEN (1): 1, Crossby, nice col., could have held its own in the other classes. BUFF (5): 1, vbc, Harrison, foul cinnamon, grand type and qual. of feather, well fed; 2, Howarth, cl., well peppered, good type and quality of feather; 3, Carter, good head and wings; hc, Ackroyd. UNFLIG. CK. (9): 1, Ingham, beautiful young yell., lovely type, stands well across the perch; 2, Sutcliffe, loses in type and col. to winner; 3, vbc, Howartb, grand head, lovely bead and wing; hc, Graham; c, Turner. HEN (2): 1, Pickles; 2, Crossley. NOVICE: NOV., YORKS., (10): 1, Turner; 2, 3, Hardy; vhc, Speak; hc, Parker. HEN (5): 1, Hardy; 2, bc, Parker; 3, vhc, Turner. GOLDF. OR BULLFINCH (3): 1, Spoffortb, Bullfinch, grand col., good sbeen, lovely breast, a good one; 2, Spencer and Marden, Goldfinch, looking a bit soft; 3, Sutcliffe, Goldie, neat little finch. A.O.C. (8): 1, Bowe, Yellowhammer, good col. and condition; 2, hc, Spencer and Marden, Siskin, lovely little chap; 3, c, Pickles, good Bramble, grand spandling; vbc, Spoffortb; c, Sutcliffe.

LEICESTER.

The thirteenth annual show of the *Leicester* Hand-in-Hand C.B.S. was held Nov. 2 and 4, and proved a great success, the entries being up on last year, and the quality all round was most excellent. Norwich, as usual at this fixture, made a great display, and the competition in most of the classes was very keen, the local fanciers holding strong hands. Members' classes contained many excellent specimens that would give a good account of themselves at many open shows, and, judging from the enthusiasm displayed by the younger members, we should think the society is in a most healthy and vigorous condition. British and Mule classes contained many gems, and the competition was very keen. The exhibits were nicely staged, and had the best of care and attention from a strong committee of genuine fanciers. Mr. A. Freestone makes a most capable secretary, and is most courteous and obliging to one and all. Mr. J. H. Payne judged Canaries; Mr. R. J. Howe, Mules, British, and Foreign.

The Critique.

NOR. NAT. COL. (17): 1, Thomas, yell., mkd. eyes, wings, and neck, rare size and shape, grand feather, well braced wings and closely folded tail, nice round chest and level back; 2, c, Herbert; cl. yell., good shape and rattling col., well up in size, not so compact in feather; 3, vhc, Springall, good shaped buff, nice qual., neat head, wings, and tail; hc, Growdridge. HEN (11): 1, 3, Howe, yell., cap and wing mkd., lovely shape, col., and qual., wings and tail, well packed, nice head, well cut away, 3rd buff, mkd. eyes, wings, and tail, grand qual., neat head, nice back and chest, good flights and tail, shade longer; 2, Martin, buff, mkd. wings, neck, and eye, lovely shape, full of quality, short, well packed flights and neat tail, close run; vhc, Clark; hc, Herbert; c, Freestone. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (9): 1, Howe, cl., grand shape and substance, good head, neck, and back, short flights and tail, bit down in col.; 2, Hulse, grand col. and qual., nice head and back, beaten in shape, tkd. on head; 3, Corrall, beautiful col. and full of quality, nice head and neck, appeared to have had a rough passage; vbc, Judd; hc, Freestone; c, Thomas. BUFF (15): 1, Peberdy, grand shape, rare head, neck, and back, good wings and tail, beautiful qual., in good form; 2, Hulse, hotter col., nice qual. of feather, lovely back, good shape, but hardly so short in body as the leader; 3, Freestone, grand shape, nice head and back, well packed flights and tail, hardly at its best yet; vhc, Gilbert; hc, Judd; c, Howe. MKD. OR VARIEG. YELL. (7): 1, spl, Neal, hot col. varieg., rattling shape and size, short compact wings and tail, clean cut and capital carriage; 2, Howe, breast and wing mkd., grand qual., rare head, well up in size, not so shapely; 3, Judd, mkd. head, eyes, wings and tail, level col., neat shape, good wings and tail, beaten in feather: vbc, Holder; hc, Groocock; c, Hextall. BUFF (8): 1, Collier, mkd. wings, eyes, and neck, good shape and feather, short wings and tail, neat head; 2, Yates, mkd. eyes, wings, and rump, nice shape and feather, neat head and short well folded tail; 3, Judd, mkd. eyes, neck, and wings, nice shape, well up in col., good head and wings; vhc, Emery; hc, Hextall; c, Walton and Noakes. UNFLIG. YELL. (19): 1, spl, Neal, cl., good shape, rich level and deep col., nice head and neck, short flights and tail, in nice bloom; 2, Hale, cl., nice col. and qual., good head and neck, well packed flights, hardly so short in barrel; 3, Collier, variег., lovely feather and qual., neat shape, nice wings and tail, well across perch; vhc, Corrall; hc, Walton and Noakes; c, Howe. BUFF (17): 1, spl, 3, Hulse, cl., beautiful shape, teeming with qual., nice col., good head and neck, level back, Burton-on-Trent winner, takes three specials, 3rd well up in col. and qual., nice head, wings, and tail; 2, Neal, magnificent col. and full of quality, nice back, flights, and tail, not quite so full in chest; vhc, Howe; hc, c, Peberdy. GREEN OR BROKEN GRN. (13): 1, Walton and Noakes, pied tail yell., rare size and shape, good head, neck, and chest, full of colour; 2, Jeyes, pied tail yell., beautiful quality of feather, nice head, wings, and tail, hardly so shapely; 3, Sarson, buff, good shape, feather, and quality, nice head and neck, and well packed flights; vhc, Boulter; hc, c, Harding. HEN (5): 1, Freestone, grand shape, col. and feather, nice wings and tail, yell.; 2, Fox, grand shaped buff, rare chest, nice wings and tail; 3, Hulse, yell., nice col. and qual., close feather, not quite so short; vhc, Pole; hc, Bateman. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Yates, short cobby shaped one, nice back, compact wings and short tail; 2, Halse, beautiful col., nice round head, good qual. of feather, not quite so short; 3, Walton and Noakes, nice shape and qual., neat tail and wings; vhc, Gibbins; hc, Jeyes; c, Allen. BUFF HEN (15): 1, Hulse, good size and shape, rare head and full neck, rich and deep undercolour, well across perch, nice back, flights, and tail; 2, Jeyes, good shape, lovely feather, nice round chest, good back and tail, not quite so neat in wing; 3, Freestone, good shape, nice short feather, neat tail and short flights, which are inclined to cross a bit at times; vhc, Wren; hc, Judd; c, Hale. MKD. OR VARIEG. HEN (14): 1, 3, Walton and Noakes, yell., mkd. eyes, good size and shape, rare head and neck, good wings and tail, nice fitting jacket of good qual.; 3rd marked head, neck, and wings, grand shape, feather, and qual., nice wings and tail, beaten in col.; 2, hc, Collier, buff, mkd. tail, good shape and size, lovely qual. and col., nicely frosted, good back, head, and neck; vhc, Hulse; c, Hall. YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. (13): 1, Buckingham, wing tkd., straight and stylish, well on leg, good col. and quality, nice wings and tail; 2, 3, Dicker, cl., nice length feather and stand, good flights and tail, not quite so slim built; 3, head and wing tkd., slim built, nice col., beaten in position; vhc, Edwards; hc, spl, Green; c, James. BUFF (12): 1, 2, Harriman, straight as a gun barrel, stands like a soldier, bezey feather of good texture, nice flights and tail, good back and well on leg; 2, grand feather, good stand, well braced wings and pipe tail, shade strong; 3, Buckingham, rare length, good back and narrow shoulders, neat head, bit heavy at waist, and not so neat in tail; vhc, Dicker; hc, Edwards; c, James. LANCS. COPPY (6): 1, spl, 2, 3, vbc, c, Green, a good team, nice buff leading, good horseshoe shaped coppy, neat centre, good shaped body, in good form, 2nd yellow, griz. coppy, rare size, length, and position, not in the form of first, 3rd buff, grand young buff, very promising; hc, Dodd. PLAINHEAD, A.V. (3): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Green, good sized and lengthy yell., well lashed skull and feather, nicely wrapped up on body, 2nd buff, well lashed, nice substance and position, 3rd lengthy yell., nice feather and position; c, Dodd. A.O.V. (9): 1, vhc, Dyer, buff cinn., good shape, feather, and col., nice skull, well known winner; 2, Edwards, green Crest, nice shaped crest of good spread, not quite fit; 3, Green, nicely spangled Silver Lizard, good cap, rowing, and ground col.; hc, Holder; c, Grant. NOV. NOR. YELL. (13): 1, Leavesley, unflig. yell., good shape, col., and qual., nice short flights and tail; 2, Day, variег., grand shape and feather, nice flights and tail; 3, Ford, unflig. yell., nice shape, lovely col.; vhc, Dickinson; hc, Bailey; c, Growdridge. BUFF (22): 1, Davis, cl., rattling shape, feather, and quality, well packed flights, neat tail, nice head and neck; 2, Growdridge, climbing shaped, unflig., good col. and feather, bit pale; 3, Day, rattling col. and qual., nice shape, head, and neck, inclined to drop tail at times; vhc, Lawley; hc, Ford; c, Bailey. HEN (17): 1, 2, Leavesley, variег., model for shape, lovely feather, short compact wings, neat short tail, nice back, head, and neck, in the pink; 2, cap, neck, and wing mkd., lovely feather and col., nice wings and tail, good shape; 3, Lewis, cl. buff, beautiful shape and full of quality, nicely mealed; vhc, Newitt; hc, Dickinson; c, Moores. LIGHT CAN. HYB. (10): 1, spl, Tams and Son, Greenfinch, grand specimen in all respects, takes special for best in Mules, Brit., and For.; 2, Lawrence, Goldfinch, lovely quality and style, pressed hard; 3, Gilbert, Goldfinch, mkd. wings, good col., shape, and feather; vhc, Lees; hc, Pearce; c, Buckingham, grand class for quality. DARK (12): 1, 2, Lawrence, splendid cinn. Greenfinch-Can., good size, lovely feather and style; 2, cinn. Linnet, like a piece of boxwood, fine shape and col.; 3, Edwards, good coloured and feathered Can.-Bullfie, trifle small; vhc, Pilgrim; hc, Wortley; c, Cayless. A.V. HYB. (10): 1, Gilbert, very fine Bramble-Chaffinch, full of col., beautifully mkd; 2, vhc, Lawrence, very fine Goldie-Bullie, splendid col., pressed hard; 3, Edwards; hc, Cayless; c, Sheriff. GOLDFINCH (14): 1, Allen, beautifully mooned, splendid blaze, fine head, lovely qual.; 2, Brooks, very fine Finch in all respects, loses only to first in quality; 3, Edwards, fine Finch, good deep square blaze, not yet up; vhc, Hawthorn; hc, Parnell; c, Turner. LINNET (10): 1, spl, 2, Marley, a monster and no mistake, full of work, will take some stopping, 2nd trifle unsteady, but still a good one, grandly laced; 3, Tams and Son, a bird of very high order, hard lines to meet winners; vhc, Hawthorn; hc, Edwards; c, Lewis. BULLFINCH (11): 1, Poole, wonderful cap, the ebony poll marks come round maudible to form a lovely bib, grand col. and good bars, a good win; 2, Brooke, very fine bird, just loses a bit in qual. and col.; 3, Woods, very nice bird, in too good company to-day; vhc, E. Gilbert; hc, Marley; c, T. Gilbert. GREENFINCH (8): 1, Marley, good col., fine qual., very steady, wins; 2, Lewis, buff, shows gap in neck, but still a good Finch; 3, Turner, a good one when fit; vhc, Reeves; hc, Tams and Son; c, Freeman and Burbidge. SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, Kilsby, mealy, a bouncer, about the largest on the bench, well mkd.; 2, 3, Gilbert, Twite, beautiful col. and markings, bit slack at thighs, will do better later on; 3, Siskin, nice size, well marked, good quality; vhc, Turner; hc, c, Poole. A.O.S. FINCH OR BUNTING (11): 1, Gilbert, Corn Bunting, very large, beautiful feather, steady as a rock, well mkd., clear win; 2, Poole, Hawfinch, good bib and body col., fair size, good quality, very steady; 3, vhc, Marley, fine Yellow Bunting, full of quality, well mkd.; hc, Martin and Haddon; c, Orme. A.O.S. BRIT. LARGE (4): 1, Martin and Haddon, bonny Magpie, showing a lovely metallic sheen, good wing bars, rare size, grand specimen; 2, Labraham, Waxwing, not yet finished, good one; 3, Lomas, Magpie, quite as large as 1st, but not in such good feather; vhc, Pain. FOR. (4): 1, 2, Buckingham, good Australian Crimson Finch, splendid col., 2nd splendid Black-headed Gouldian, close on the winner; 3, Stone, Alexandra, rough when judged; vhc, Best. NOV. NOR. (17): 1, Hewitt, mkd. eyes, lovely qual., nice shape, good bead: 2, Jolly, good shaped yell., beaten in feather; 3, Barrett, buff, nice shape and qual.; vhc, Boulter; hc, Sherriff; c, Day. UNFLIG. (15): 1, Parnell, cap mkd. yell., grand col., nice shape; 2, 3, Moores, yell., mkd. head and wings and neck, good shape, just loses in feather, 3rd buff, good size and shape, not quite fit; vhc, Jolly; hc, c, Wood.

EVESHAM.

Show, held October 31, in connection with the annual Chrysanthemum Show, and made an attractive display, which proved of great interest to the many visitors. Quality was first class, all the winners being birds of much merit. They were nicely staged, and were well looked after. As usual, Miss Burlingham and Mr. G. Walton did their best to make everything pass off as smoothly as possible. We were pleased to see a local exhibitor top the Yorkshire class with a smart unflighted yellow, which also captured two specials. Mr. G. Witts again was at the helm, and proved a capable and courteous official. Mr. J. H. Payne judged.

YORKS. (10): 1, c, 2 sps., Turley, unflg. yellow, well up on leg, clean waist, capital style and position, good col., well packed flights and closely folded tail; 2, Mrs. Turley, nice col. and feather, well on leg, good stand, shade flat on head; 3, hc, Richards, lovely qual., nice length of side, good wings and tail, hardly so good in position; vhc, c, Marsh. NOR. (10): 1, Lees, yell., beautiful rich and level col., nice shape and qual., neat wings and tail, good bead and neck, in good order, wins well; 2, Gough, nice shape, good wings and tail, neat bead and full neck, beaten in col., yell.; 3, Hall, grizzle capped buff, good shape, head and neck, well up in col., nice qual., bit slack in flights; vhc, Hall; hc, Hall; c, Muscott. A.O.V. (6): 1, Muscott, variег. and crest, nice frontal and droop, good centre; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Marsh, Buff 8. Fancy, nice shoulders and drive, well cleaned out, 3, C.B., nice shaped skull, good entrance and body; c, Clarke. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (8): 1, Poole, clinking Bullie, tight, as a drum, lovely shape, cap and bars, in the pink; 2, 3, Elston, Goldfinch, nice bars and buttons, good feather; 3, Bullfinch, grandly feathered, nice cap and bars, beaten in depth of breast colour; vhc, Brown; hc, Witts; c, Lambert. HYB. OR MULE (11): 1, Muscott, Gold.-Bullfinch, grand col., nice shape and condition; 2, Gough, lightly marked Linnet-Can., good shape, size and feather, nice ground col.; 3, Lees, four-pointed Goldfinch-Can., good shape and feather, nice markings; vhc, Pool; bc, c, Lamhert. LOCAL (15): 1, Turley, tbe winuing Yorkshire; 2, Marsh, the 2nd buff Scots; 3, Mrs. Turley, the 2nd Yorkshire; vbc, c, Marsb; hc, Turley; c, Andrews.

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GRANTHAM.

2nd annual show, held October 31st. The Auction Mart, Finkin Street, is a room of fine size, good light and centrally situated. President is H. G. Sowden, Esq., vice presidents are Sir A. Priestley, M.P., and B. C. Thompson, Esq. The entry exceeded last year's number by about 20, and no doubt would have still been better had not so much clashing of shows been in evidence. Yorks. were a very choice collection, Messrs. Ogden Bros. and L. Dykes staging some eye openers, and providing a study for the "Ginger Breads," as to what to breed up to. Norwich also were of very fine merit, Messrs. F. Fox, Keech and Son, E. Wilcox, J. Baker, W. Ratcliffe, and F. Lockton placing on view some "good 'uns." Selling classes once again contained many bargains. Lizards, as pretty as paint, were greatly admired, notable "stables" were represented, viz., Messrs. J. Rukin, E. Ollerenshaw, F. Harner, Barker Clegg, and W. P. Barnes. Crests were not numerous, but grand, and Mules pleased not a little, Messrs. G. Edwards and T. Simpson claiming the plums. British in more cases than one captivated, and when one mentions such names as Messrs. S. H. Mays, W. Woods and E. Cowperwaite, this points towards "nuts" being present. Foreign added tone, the pair of Paradise Whydahs that won (unfortunately no name in catalogue) were in great order. The stewards, Messrs. E. Bond, W. Cryer, H. Parsons, W. Ratcliffe, Ward, H. Lowther, F. Lockton, Turner, Maxlow, and W. Bond, all worked with a will, and a more genuine lot of fellows we need never wish to meet; all are worthy assets. Treasurer E. Bond is the right man in the right place, and in Mr. W. E. Allen the society have a superb and hard-working secretary, and one who knows the correct manipulation of a show to a nicety. Every praise is due to him for the great exertions he put forth on behalf of his colleagues. Staging was neatness itself, every bird could be seen at a glance. Management throughout most excellent, and no fancier need fear to place their most valued specimens under the care of this society. The members are every one true fanciers. Specials: OPEN: E. Barker, Crest; J. Rukin, G. Liz.; F. Ollerenshaw, S. Liz.; G. Edwards, Mule; S. H. Mays, best Gold or Bullfinch. MEMBERS: Best Nor., W. Ratcliffe; Nov. Nor., W. H. Bond; Soft-bill, F. Brewin; Mule, ditto. Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

YELL., NOR. (8): 1, Wilcox, soft silky texture of feather, warm col., grand shape, substance and carriage, gem; 2, Simpson and Vertigan, well up in col., A1 qual., fine head and neck, jaunty, wee bit longer in build; 3, Baker, short and thick-set, capital feather, nice size, hardly so rich in col.; 4, Fox, very fine col., feather and shape; vhc, Bond; hc, Lockton. BUFF (10): 1, Keech and Son, ablaze with col., magnificent feather, lovely shape and carriage, rare size, treat to gaze upon; 2, Simpson and Vertigan, teeming with qual. and col., fine shaped body, rare wing carriage, beaten shade in head and neck; 3, Fox, superb qual., well up in size, rattling head, neck and chest, rather longer in barrel flights and tail; 4, Wilcox, very cobby, nice tone of colour; vhc, Brown; hc, Wates; c, Barrett. YELL OR BUFF (8): 1, Baker, yell., mkd. head, bouncer, capital shape, quality and col., lovely carriage, gem; 2, 4, Bond, buff, mkd. neck, superior feather and col., richly frosted, grand body and carriage, very close up; 4, yell., variegated, short and thick-set, silky in feather, plenty of col., not quite so neat in outline to those above; 3, Holmes, yell., mkd. eye, well up in size, col. and qual., rare head and neck, wee bit longer; vhc, Trueman; hc, Hickling; c, no name. YELL. HEN: Cancelled. BUFF (12): 1, Fox, feathered like wax, magnificent shape, good col. and meal, not of the largest, but of the sweetest description; 2, c, Lockton, variegated, delightful shape and feather, rare size and carriage, patchy in col., or would have won, very promising unflighted; 3, Hickling cl., nicely gowned, rich in col. and meal, neat head, neck and chest, longer barrel; 4, Simpson and Vertigan, fine size cl.; vhc, hc, Bond. INFLIG. (16): 1, sp., Ratcliffe, buff mkd. neck and tail, unbeatable, for qual., fine symmetry and substance, A1 carriage, charmer; 2, Watts, cl. yell., cobby, and of lovely col. and quality, grand body, wing car. and tail, not a giant, but very taking; 3, Simpson and Vertigan, bouncing variegated yell., fine shape and car., bit harsh and open in feather, yet a "good 'un"; 4, Bond, buff, mkd. wing and head, red hot, A1 quality, good size; vhc, Grimes; hc, Lockton; c, Holmes; No. 8, 9, Wilson, absent. NOV. (11): 1, Sharman, buff mkd. wing, short and thick-set, capital shape and qual., nice size and carriage; 2, vhc, Ford, cl. yell., well up in col., rich feather, grand shaped body; 3, sp., Bond, bouncing variegated, buff, nice col. and frosting, well clothed, shapely, not far away; 4, Pepper, buff mkd. head, rare col.; hc, c, Kerr. YELL. YORKS. (12): In this class we are only able to give critique. Names of winners printed wrongly in catalogue: 1, c, mkd. wing and neck, smooth as wax, straight as a pencil, rare length, clever legs, a gem; 2, variegated, ablaze with col., slim and upstanding, feathered to perfection, lovely back and wing carriage, not far behind; 3, fine, lengthy cl., neat and narrow, very stylish, hardly so rich in texture of feather; 4, cl., very shooty, rare length, slim and grand position; vhc, sp., best members, mkd. wings and head, true character, credit to breeder. BUFF (10): 1, Ogden Bros., mkd. wing and eye, rich salmon col., delightful qual., wonderful length, straight as a gun barrel, stormer; 2, Dykes, variegated, delightful feather, capital position, rare length, grand back and wing car., very close up; 3, Hedworth, cl., neat and narrow, magnificent col. and feather, full of style, not quite so lengthy, yet a picture; 4, Auton Bros., cl., stands like a Guardsman, good length, capital wing carriage; vhc, Towers; hc, Trueman; c, Fancourt and Harris. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Dykes, mkd. wing and head, shone like a mirror, straight as a pencil, fine length, lovely back and wing car., gem; 2, Ogden Bros., most stylish cl., superb feather and col., erect and of capital length, very close up; 3, Towers, cl., well clothed, nice col., good back and wing carriage, hardly so lengthy; 4, Allen, red hot cl., tight as a Java; vhc, c, Mann; hc, Hedworth. BUFF (6): 1, Dykes, mkd. wing and eyes, magnificent tone, feathered to perfection, delightful position and length, quite a "Lady of the Lake"; 2, Auton Bros., very lengthy cl., straight up, grand back flights and tail, beaten a little in qual.; 3, Ogden Bros., mkd. wings and head, rich col., good length and well up, inclined to be thick waisted; 4, Maxlow, cl., shooty and of nice feather and col.; vhc, Hedworth; hc, Mann. UNFLIG. (17): Grand array. 1, 2, Ogden Bros., couple of topping clears, teeming with qual., rare col., delightful position and length, clever legs, little separates them, hard nuts to crack; 3, Auton Bros., richly fed cl. buff, A1 position and length, well filled in back, neat wing car., very bonny; 4, Dykes, cap mkd. yell., wonderful length, straight as a pencil; vhc, Maxlow; hc, Hedworth; c, Fancourt and Harrison. CL. CAP GOLD LIZ. (7): 1 sp., Rukin, lovely ground col., well up in size, grand shape and carr., delightfully rowed, gem; 2, Harner, full of neat work, A1 col. and qual., very shapely, in the pink, pressed hard; 3, Ollerenshaw, very good type, excellent colour and feather, beautiful work, hardly the substance; 4, vhc, Clegg, shapely and neatly clothed, hc, Barnes; c, Lord. BROKEN (8): 1, vhc, Ollerenshaw, fine size and shape, beautiful col. and qual., delightful work, topper, well put down; 2, Barnes, rare shape and size, splendid col. and feather, full of grand work, very close up, a beauty; 3, Rukin, shapely, good size, A1 qual., neatly rowed, fails a little in col., yet good; 4, Harner, full of col., rich feather; vhc, Ollerenshaw; we, No. 5, Bosworth, cl. cap. SIL. (6): 1, sp., 2, Ollerenshaw, brace of living pictures, former, superb qual. and col., rare size and shape, grand carr.; 2, full of excellent work, rare col. and qual., moves beautifully, very little behind if any; 3, hc, Rukin, even larger than first two, very shapely, capital col., not quite so distinct in spangling, yet very choice; 4, Harner, sweetly moulded, rattling col. and feather; vhc, Barnes. BROKEN (9): 1, 3, 4, Ollerenshaw, very fine team, rattling shape and size, marvellous work on lovely ground col., eye openers; 3, rich col., well clothed, neat spangling, good size, shape, and carr., 4, teeming with qual. and col., grand spangling, fine action; 2, Harner, very stylish, A1 col. and qual., wonderful work, good size, close up; vhc, Barnes; hc, Rukin; c, Lord. CREST (5): 1, sp., Barker, buff, almost green DC, abundance of rich feather, rare substance, crest thickly thatched, fine shape, delightful droop and centre, gem of a hen; 2, 3, Cowperwaite, buff green DC, lovely qual., crest of rich veiny feather, beautiful radiation, not quite so large yet of fine droop and centre; 3, buff green DC, plenty of feather, crest of good size and shape, bit hairy, nice droop and neat centre; 4, Simpson, cl. body DC, magnificent feather, shapely; vhc, Edwardes. C.B.: Cancelled. MULE (7): Fine class for merit: 1, sp., 3, Edwards, leader a charming highly fed Can. Bullie, lovely quality., good shape and size, put down in great order; 3, Lin.-Bullie, well up in size, capital shape, col., and feather, a beauty; 2, Simpson, buff Gold-Can., six pointed, wonderful size, magnificent col. and qual., grand shape, could not possibly have been in better trim, superb exhibit; 4, Baker, very shapely Greenie-Bull; vhc, Fancourt and Harrison; hc, sp., Brewin; c, Bond. GOLDIE: Cancelled. BULLIE (6): 1, sp., Mays, rare size, magnificent shape, delightful breast col., massive cap, beautifully burnished; 2, Wood, gem, fine size, shape, and carr., neatly made cap, grand col. of breast, pressed hard; 3, Tupholme, shapely, nice size, fair col., good cap, very neat specimen; 4, Trueman, bouncer, fair shape, nice col.; vhc, Lees and Smith; hc, Leverton. LINNET (3): 1, Cowperwaite, fine shape and size, A1 col. and qual., delightful markings, steady as a top, well shown; 2, 3, c, Lees and Smith, Siskin and Redpoll respectively, capital col. and feather, prettily pencilled, neatly cut cap, nice size and carr.; 3, good shape and size, capital col. and markings, in good form, well put down; 4, Edwards, Lin., nice shape, size, and feather, good col. and markings; vhc, Ward; hc, Mays. A.O.V.: Cancelled. SOFTBILL (5): 1, 2, Mays, Warbler and Tree Creeper, both in rattling form, and staged in a most masterly fashion, treats to observe, finding many friends; 3, Keys, well shaped Thrush, A1 col. and feather, grand morning, in fine trim; 4, Brewin, Jay; No. 5, Turner, absent. FOR. (6): 1, No Name, pair Paradise Whydahs, in capital condition; 2, Mrs. J. Yeear, Indian Rock, in lovely feather; 3, Turner, Budgerigar, tight as wax, the acme of health; 4, Muxlow, another very pleasing Budgerigar; vhc, Ladds; hc, Muxlow.

MUIRKIRK.

Annual show held in Temperance Hall, Nov. 2, and we are pleased to chronicle it a success. Mr. Allan Loggie makes an ideal secretary, and all his arrangements were most complete. The birds were nicely staged on the platform, and there was a good attendance of fanciers. Mr. Wm. Haddow, Hamilton, judged throughout.

BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Smillie, grizzled on head, good back and wings, and in perfect order; 2, Nairn, very typical, nice head and condition; 3, Watson, good stamp, hardly so tight in feather; 4, Burrell and Boswell, good tight feather nice condition, not so good front; vhc, Montgomery; hc, Mossie; c, Muir. BUFF (8): 1, Watson, very good moulded, capital head, neck, and back, in first-class order; 2, Mossie, good head and condition; rare good size, capital carriage and style; 3, Bennet, rare good type and style, capital wing carriage; 4, Montgomery, quite good type, close up; vhc, Findlay; hc, Burrell and Boswell; c, Cramie. YELL. HEN (11): Good class: 1, Bennet, little gem, staged in perfect order, nice size; 2, Watson, rare good style, capital front and condition; 3, Harper, tkd. ou eyes, splendid type and good condition; 4, Millar, neat head, good body, tkd. on head; vhc, Findlay; hc, Gill; c, McDongall. BUFF (11): 1, Bennet, strong col. buff, beautiful type and condition; 2, Watson, grand order, good in front and back, good col.; 3, Gill, good front and head, hardly so tight in feather; 4, Baxter and Reid, good type and condition; vhc, Findlay; hc, Burrell and Boswell; c, Montgomery. VAR. CK. (4): 1, B.F.C.C. medal, Smillie, rare good eye and wing mkd. yell., in grand order, looks like Ayr winner; 2, Harper, tkd. eye and wing, buff, good head, neck, and carriage; 3, Millar, head, eye, and wing mkd. yell., good type; 4, Findlay, rare good yell., nice head and condition. HEN (5): 1, runner up for medal, Harper, very good dun., mkd. yell., capital type and well shown; 2, Findlay, even mkd. buff, tkd. thigh, capital stamp, nicely staged; 3, Millar, three-pointed buff, in good condition; 4, Burrell and Boswell, buff, good type; vhc, Millar. EVEN MKD.: Cancelled. GR. OR CINN. (9): 1, Murray, smart yell. green, capital col. and type; 2, Wanding, very nice dun., good quality and condition; 3, Harper, green, nice col. and pencilling, hardly so nice in type; 4, spl. c, Findlay, very nice col. green, close up; vhc, sel, Baxter and Reid; hc, McKean. SELL., 7s. 6d. (10): 1, Findlay; 2, McGill; 3, Burrell and Boswell; 4, Wanting; hc, Montgomery; c, Millar. BRIT., SMALL (5): 1, 2, McQuiston, the well-known Bearded Tit, beautifully staged and in faultless condition; 2, excellent Linnet, excelling in col. and marking; 3, 4, Stobbs Bros., both good Bearded Tits, close up; vhc, Boyes. FINCH OR BUNTING (6): 1, Morrison, massive Hawfinch, well known, looking as well as ever; 2, Mitchell, young Yellowhammer, steady, good col. and head marking; 3, McQuiston, quite a good Corn Bunting, nice col. and size; 4, Mitchell, good all round Bullfinch; vhc, Boyes, Coukie. CONFINED.—BORD. CK. (4): 1, sel. Findlay; 2, McKean; 3, Millar; 4, Archibald. HEN (5): 1, Findlay; 2, McKean; 3, Dempster; 4, McDougall.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

CLEATOR MOOR.

Away in the distant pit districts of Cumberland are to be found some of the most earnest and best of fanciers, and such a place is Cleator Moor, which has long been known as a veritable hotbed of the Fancy. At the show which was held in the Market Hall on November 2nd, a most excellent lot of birds were brought together, the entry being in excess of last year, and the quality splendid right through. Most admirably were the birds staged, and attended to by the members of the committee, who are, one and all, the keenest of fanciers, men who know how to run a show and do it. Mr. B. Gray, the chairman, is a host in himself, and his efforts were most admirably seconded by Mr. J. G. Sumpton, treas., and supported by Messrs. Thos. Adair, Jackson, Sumpton, jun., Jos. Whalley, C. Adams, R. Fowler, P. Branney, D. McLarten, J. and G. Bainbridge, J. Keough and S. Byrne. Mr. J. E. Byrne, the secretary, is a most admirable official, and nothing was wanting on his part to make things move easily and quickly. To his energy and urbanity much of the success achieved was due. Seven classes of Yorks., headed the list, and a grand, sleek, well-feathered, stylish lot they were, particularly the team shown by Mr. Stewart. This gentleman had quite a field day, winning six of the seven first prizes. Mr. House passed a bird of Mr. Douglas's in the Tkd. Yellow class as being a Buff. Yet this bird has won as a yellow under three different judges. It is certainly very hot in colour, but is decidedly mealed on the head, neck, and upper part of its body. The decision was much discussed. Many a good Mule has been turned out in this district, but the old hands who used to give a lifetime to their efforts to produce a clear Mule are not now so numerous. Only eight birds were staged here, and not a Light one amongst them, but the winning Darks of Messrs. Bertram and Baines, and Sumpton Bros. were good. British were a very interesting collection, and competition was keen. The Goldies were hardly ready, but they made a grand class, quite the best we have seen this season. Linnets were really wonderful. Never have we seen two finer classes, or classes in which the birds were so close together. Not only in colour and marking, but also in shape and size they were most excellent. Some of the Greenfinches were much too hot in col. A Greenfinch should bear some resemblance to its name. The variety class was headed by a magnificent Chaffinch, followed hard by a Bramble of wonderful colour and marking, its spangling coming well down. The special for most points in show was won by Messrs. Sumpton Bros., who scored 93, Mr. Jas. Stewart taking second with 88. Mr. C. A. House judged, and his decisions were well received.

The Critique.

YORKS., YELL. (7): 1, vhc, Stewart, beautiful silky feathered bird, grand shape and style, neat head, gets well up on his legs; 2, Coulson, rather longer, grand shape, very stylish, but hardly so silky in feather; 3, res., Biggar and Steward, very nice shape and style, good legs, res., plenty of length, and finely drawn, but not so clever with his wings; hc, Allen; c, Todd. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Stewart, a real gem, beautiful feather and style, neat head and shoulders, full of nerve, plenty of col., 2, more length, grandly feathered, very neat in shape, not so much col.; 3, res., Biggar and Steward, longer, grand style and feather, not quite so slim and pale in col., res., good shape and carriage, plenty of col., not quite so close in front; vhc, Allen. TKD. YELL. (7): 1, 3, Stewart, head, neck and wing marked, very slim and smart, good shoulders, wings and tail, but fails a wee bit in head, 3, very long, wing and thigh ticked, capital body properties, but just a bit flat in skull, and not so close in feather; 2, Shaw Bros., cap and wing marked, long, shapely, stylish, gets well upon his legs; res., Allan, capital shape and style; vhc, Hetherington Bros. The best bird in the class was No. 7, Douglas, a grand, shapely exhibit, very hot and level in col. and tkd. on head and neck, passed as "wrong class," as mentioned above; No. 3, Rothery, was also marked "wrong class"; this was a variegated buff. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Stewart, thigh tkd., a real gem, wonderful quality of feather, lovely col., very rich, silky feather, in rare form, 2, wing tkd., rather stonter in body, full of nerve and style, neat head, capital wings and tail; 3, Park, thigh tkd., very slim and racy, grand head, nicely feathered, rather pale in col.; res., Shaw Bros., head, neck, and wing mkd., long, stylish bird; vhc, hc, Biggar and Seward. HENS, YELL. (7): 1, Park, long, slim, racy cl., lovely wing and tail carriage, capital legs and plenty of nerve and style; 2, 3, Stewart, wing and vent tkd., beautiful col. and feather, nice head, wings and tail, a trifle stouter, 3, very smart, slim, stylish cl., grand level col., rich silky feather, not quite so tight in front; res., Shaw Bros., good, shapely, stylish cl.; vhc, Biggar and Seward; hc, Todd; c, Rothery. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Stewart, very neat, cheek and shoulder mkd, lovely col., grandly feathered right through, well braced wings and tail, 2, cheek mkd., very smart and racy, gets well up on her legs, grand wings and tail; 3, vhc, Biggar and Seward, grand shaped, stylish cl., nice feather; res., Park, wing tkd., stylish and shapely; hc, Todd. BORD. YELL. (10): 1, Moore and Son, very smart and stylish, fine head and shoulders, neat wings and tail, very sleek and silky in feather, in grand form; 2, Knight, beautiful shape and style, very neat in head, grand shoulders and back, capital tail, just a bit frayed on edges of flights; 3, Rae, magnificent feather, very neat head, beautiful wing and tail carriage, carries just a bit too much chest; res., Hopper Bros., lovely feather, well balanced wings, closely piped tail; vhc, Poole; hc, Ayre; c, Walker. BUFF (10): 1, Rae, very slim and sleek, lovely head, shoulders and back, wings and tail, well braced, full of nerve, and grandly finished in feather; 2, 3, Levason, sweet body, very finely drawn, neat head, closely set shoulders, rare wings and tail, 3, very nice head and shoulders, lovely wings and tail, full of nerve and style; res., Poole, for shape and carriage of body the best in the class, lovely feather, grand wings and tail, but a bit flat in head; vhc, Smith; hc, Ayre; c, Hopper Bros., No. 1, Ayre, passed as not being "nat. col." Mr. Ayre assured us it was. It certainly is very high coloured. VARIEG. (7): 1, Ellwood, eye and wing marked buff, beautiful silky feather, neat head, rare shoulders, very finely drawn body, fine tail, full of style; 2, res., Smith, eye, cap, and wing marked yell., splendid type, beautiful carriage, full of qual., res., cap, neck and wing marked yell., beautiful shape and style; 3, Reid Bros., eye and wing tkd. buff, beautiful feather and carriage, full of nerve and style; vhc, Legget; hc, Todd; c, Moore and Son. HENS, YELL. (7): 1, Legget, beautiful shape, very fine head and shoulders, grandly carried wings and tail, full of nerve and style, very close in feathers, but soiled; 2, Ellwood, grand bodied three-pointed, rare wings and tail, beautiful feather, a shade flat in head; 3, Ayre, very bonny cl., grand quality of feather, full of style, not quite so finely drawn; res., Moore and Son, very nicely marked, four-pointed, grand style, good wings and tail; vhc, Poole; hc, Todd; No. 2, Ellwood, was passed as not "nat. col." BUFF (14): 1, Moore and Son, very shapely, grandly feathered four-pointed, full of qual., grand wings and tail, stands well up, and handles nicely; 2, Levason, bonny cl., neat head, grand shoulders, good level back, excellent wings and tail, a beauty; 3, Poole, very finely drawn, close feathered cl., grand shoulders, wings, and tail, not quite so steady when handled; res., Hopper Bros., rather stouter in build of body, but all there in style, quality of feather, and wing and tail carriage; vhc, Knight; hc, Smith; c, Ayre. NOR., YELL: Cancelled. BUFF (5): 1, Younghusband, nice chubby head, good deep chest, plenty of col., well mealed; 2, Reid and Son, plenty of col., a big bird, but not so chubby, size and substance, fails a bit in quality; 3, Coulson, another very stout, heavy bird, plenty of col.; res., Whalley, big and hot, rather rough in feather; vhc, Sumpton Bros. TKD. (3): 1, 2, res., vhc, Sumpton Bros., very smart wing tkd. buff, nice silky feather, neat wings and tail, plenty of col.; 2, cap and throat mkd. yell., grand shape and substance, stands well up, not so close in feather, res., neck tkd. buff, plenty of colour; 3, Younghusband, eye tkd. yell., nice shape and col., good style, just a bit pinched in throat. UNFLIG. (9): 1, Younghusband, very stout, fine, silky feathered buff, good head, nice wings and tail, hugs perch a bit; 2, 3, res., Nicholson Bros. and Stephenson, very stylish, high quality yell., grand col., lovely wings and tail, somewhat pinched in throat, 3, good level, even col. buff, very shapely, close and compact in feather, needs handling; res., Allen, shapely, nice coloured yell.; hc, Coulson; c, Knight. HEN (9): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Sumpton Bros., very smart, stylish, close feathered buff, good head, wings and tail, very nicely shown, 2, grand shaped yell., deep and round in chest, nice col., very stylish, not so fine in feather, 3, very nice quality buff, of good shape, rather wild when handled; res., Whalley, shapely eye ticked.; c, Freeman. MULES, LT.: Cancelled. DK. (8): 1, 3, res., vhc, Bertram and Baines, very pretty Redpoll-Can., rich glossy col., lovely feather, grandly mkd., and beautifully shown, 3, fine shaped Greenie-Can., beautifully fed, clothed in a grand silky coat, plenty of size and rare style, res., very hot coloured Jonque Goldie-Can., grand face, full of quality, in rare form; 2, Sumpton Bros., very large, shapely Linnet, grandly mkd., plenty of col., very nicely finished, a bonnie bird; hc, Biggar and Seward; c, Mrs. Jenkinson. GOLDFINCH (11): 1, res., Bertram and Baines, very rich, bright blaze, large and well cut, deep coloured bars, very distinct in buttons, lovely back and chest, lovely feather, res., grandly cut blaze, capital buttons, very shapely, grandly feathered, not up in col. yet; 2, 3, Wilson and Godfrey, very large, rich col. blaze, not quite so evenly cut, magnificent body col., lovely bars and buttons, 3, not quite so rich in blaze, beautiful back and breast, grand bars, very clear and distinct in buttons, lovely feather; vhc, Johnstone; hc, J. and J. Reay; c, Mrs. Jenkinson. BULLFINCH; Cancelled. LINNET (12): 1, Douglas, last year's second, big, bold, deep-chested bird, rich nutty col., grandly marked right through, splendid wings and tail, feathered like a Java, full of style; 2, c, Wilson and Godfrey, last year's winner, magnificently mkd., grand shape and size, beautifully feathered, not quite so rich in col.; 3, J. and J. Reay, very rich, bright col., nice feather and style, capital wings and tail, hardly so distinctly mkd.; res., Mrs. Jenkinson, grandly mkd. right through, rare quality of feather, rich col., not quite so much chest; vhc, Bell and Nelson; hc, Corkhill and Lowery. LINNET, F.M. (15): 1, Jas. Stewart, very full, deep chest, lovely wings and tail, grand col. very clear and distinctly mkd., full of style, and as steady as a soldier; 2, Mrs. Jenkinson, not quite so bright in col., but wonderfully mkd., lovely shape, plenty of size, grandly feathered; 3, Corkhill and Lowery, grand shape and size, very strong and stylish, rich col., grand feather, not so clearly marked; res., Jas. Stewart, jun., very fine in shape and size, nice head, grandly mkd.; vhc, Bell and Nelson; hc, Sumpton Bros.; c, Byrne Bros. GREENFINCH (6): 1, 3, vhc, hc, Wilson and Godfrey, large, well shaped bird, lovely rich green col., splendid wings and tail, grandly feathered, 2, not so large, capital col. and quality of feather, in grand form; 2, Biggar and Seward, real bonnie hen, beautiful col., lovely feather, splendid shape and style; res., T. and J. I. Kearton, grand shape, beautiful feather, plenty of size, too hotly fed. SISKIN, ETC. (16): 1, J. and J. Reay, very large, grandly shaped Mealy Redpoll, beautifully mkd., grand head, very steady, and fine in feather; 2, Maddern, nice rich nutty coloured Twite, beautifully mkd., good head, back and chest, nice style and feather; 3, T. and J. I. Kearton, lovely coloured Lesser Redpoll, beautifully mkd. right through, grand feather and style, very smart; res., hc, c, Wilson and Godfrey, leader a nice, shapely, well mkd. Twite; vhc, Douglas. A.O.S. HARDBILL (12): 1, Hopper Bros., big, bold chested Chaffinch, wonderfully rich and bright in col., beautiful head, large, distinct bright markings, rare back, not over steady; 2, Hetherington Bros., one of the best spangled Brambles we have ever seen, wonderfully rich in col., plenty of size, and grand shape and feather; 3, Douglas, very fine bodied yell. Bunting, beautifully marked, grand colour and feather, very steady, in splendid fettle; res., c, Wilson and Godfrey, grandly mkd Chaffie, capital shape, splendid feather, very steady; vhc, Bell and Nelson; hc, John Wilson. GIFT (9): 1, Sumpton Bros.; 2, Adair; 3, J. Jackson.

FELLING AND DIST. F. AND F.S.

This newly-formed society held their first evening members' show, Oct. 26th, at Headquarters, The Blue Bell Hotel, High Felling. The room is well lighted, and the cage birds had a roomy corner all to themselves. A large number of fanciers were present. Mr. W. Stockton judged, and his awards were well received. YORKS. (6): 1, 2, res, vhc, Burrell; 3, hc, Hunter. NORWICH (13): 1, 2, 3, Bainbridge; res, vhc, Still; hc, Clark. CREST OR C.-B. (5): 1, 3, Rustin; 2, res, Arnold. HYBRID (2): 1, O'Neil; 2, Armstrong. BRITISH (4): 1, Armstrong; 2, Stell; 3, Arnold. If fanciers only put their shoulder to the wheel they can make this society one of the strongest in the North.

MANNINGHAM.

The third show of the season, Oct. 30, at Headquarters, Mr. R. Halliday judged, and his awards gave satisfaction. Mr. J. Newton won special for best bird with his yellow hen. Mr. H. Huddleston special for best cock. Class 1: 1, Huddleston; 2, Lunn; 3, Chapman; 4, Powell. Class 2: 1, Huddleston; 2, Gale; 3, Powell; 4, Neeson. Class 3: 1, Newton; 2, Huddleston; 3, Neeson; 4, Metcalfe. Class 4: 1, Powell; 2, Neeson; 3, Leather; 4, Grange. Class 5 void. Class 6: 1, 2, Leather; 3, Lunn; 4, Grange. Class 7: 1, Grange; 2, Powell; 3, Lunn; 4, Leather. Class 8: 1, Dyer; 2, Chapman; 3, Huddleston. Class 9: 1, 3, Gale; 2, Grange; 4, Neeson. Classes 10 and 11 void. Class 12: 1, 2, Powell; 3, Pearson; 4, Gale. Class 13: 1, Newton; 2, Wilson; 3, Grange; 4, Lunn. Class 14: 1, Pearson; 2, Leather; 3, Grange; 4, Newton.—H. Grange.

BORDER CITY (Carlisle).

A capitally arranged and well managed fixture, the 4th annual exhibition of the above society, lost nothing by comparison with previous efforts. The hall in which the show was held on Oct. 30 and 31, is in every way well adapted for the purpose, being roomy, comfortable, and splendidly lighted by day from the roof. Entries, taken all round, came up well, the worst supported section being the York-shire. 10 open classes, including 2 limit, were scheduled, and out of these four classes were can-celled, the remaining six averaged seven entries per class. Why cannot the local exhibitors of Yorks. patronise the county shows? Borders were well re-presented, both numerically and in quality, as several of the prominent leading exhibitors had teams forward, an average of 15 birds over the 14 classes being extremely good. The Norwich, and British were also good. The foreign section, though not large in numbers, contained exhibits worth going a long way to see. The silver challenge cup for best bird in show was awarded an exhibit in this section, the lovely Sugar Bird belonging to Mrs. T. Taylor, Gateshead. The committee comprise Messrs. G. Davidson (chairman), T. Holmes, Jos. Robson, H. C. Palfrey, W. Wilson, R. Thomlinson, G. Higgins, I. Robson, jun., D. Bunting, C. Cubby, Fred Bell, W. Davidson, J. Chapplow, Frank Bell, and W. Dixon. Mr. John C. Bell, an enthusiastic supporter of the foreign section, makes an ideal secretary, and in conjunction with Mr. T. J. Rob-son as show manager, and also Mr. G. Davidson (chairman), spared themselves in no way to ensure a successful show. The judges were Messrs. J. Rob-son and A. Brown (Canaries), and W. Nicholson (Brit. and Foreign).

Mr. Robson's Classes.

SCOTCH, CK. (3): 1, 3, Swan, leader buff, grand size, nervy, in position, readily, latter flecked buff, good shape and action; 2, Willison, rare shape, scarcely the substance of winner. HEN (4): 1, 3, Willison, buff and yell., leader good size and sub-stance, nervy and free, latter good one; 2, 4, Flem-ing, not quite the length, good reach and action, almost green, latter yell., smart and fine action. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (28): 1, Cubby, grand qual. and condition, good col., typical, good wings and tail, nicely rounded, in fine order; 2, Sampson, fine position, good type, rare mover, close up; 3, Ayre, nicely rounded, well carried wings and tail, good col. and qual.; 4, e, Wilson, J. S., close up to leaders; 5, H. Davidson; 6, Morgan. BUFF (26): 1, 4, Cubby, fine qual. and col., nice shape, free jaunty mover, latter, rare properties; 2, Ben-net, H., rare good qual. and col., fine body, capital trim; 3, Levason, beauty for qual. and type, free mover, sweet head; 5, Pennington; 6, Hyslop; 7, Ferguson. UNEVEN YELL. (21): 1, Nicholson, al-most even mark clnn., beauty for qual. and col., finely made, lovely bird; 2, Dixon, eyes, wings, and dark feather in tail, fine col., and qual., free jaunty action, well shown; 3, Smart, eyes wings and tkd. on head, well made, typical, nicely balanced; 4, 5, Davidson, similar to 3rd, close up; 6, Pearson; 7, Poole. EVEN MARKS (7): 1, 4, Dockerty, leader good markings, buff, well balanced, fine qual. and col., good type, latter fails in markings, good all round qual.; 2, Nicholson, buff, not the eye marks of leader, but nice type and feather; 3, C. McVittie, again fails in marks, very nice type; 5, Stuart; 7, McCreadie. CINN., BUFF (8): 1, 3, Wilson, W. S., fine self leading, sound col., fine position, well shown; 2, 7, Coulthard, good col., pencilling nicely defined, fine order; 4, Kerr and Smith, distinct in pencillings, nice shape; 5, Christer; 6, Thompson. GREEN, BUFF (8): 1, 7, W. S. Wilson, beautiful col. and qual., sweet head, rare sheen; 2, Kerr and Smith, very close up, similar bird; 3, Cubby, well made, good col.; 4, Campbell, nicely rounded, sound col., good wings; 5, Dockerty; 6, Davidson. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Davies, fine shape, and size, capital qual. and col., good front; 2, 3, Lawson, former fine col. and type, latter good head, capital col.; 4, Nicholson, fine feather; 5, Cameron; 6, Colley; 7, Davidson. BUFF (12): 1, Lawson, rare good type, grand feather and col., great size, well set together; 2, Cameron, good sub-stance, deep chest, grand head; 3, Higgins; 4, Davies, both fine col. and position; 5, Moore; 6, Nicholson; 7, Davidson. UNEVEN (12): 1, 4, Calderwood, leader varie., grand type, col., and feather, rare size, latter var. yell., stoutly built; 2, White, typical uneven buff, rare size, good chest; 3, 6, Davidson, W., hot col., tkd. wing yell., fine size and condition; 5, 7, Bell. UNFLG. BUFF (10): 1, J. S. Wilson, fine col., good chest, well and cleanly cut throughout; 2, Wm. Davidson, capital shape, good front, col., and condition; 3, 7, Cubby, very good specimen, on similar lines to 2nd; 4, Colley, fine shape, good position; 5, 6, Lawson. CREST (6): 1, 4, 5, Goulden, leader, almost green, fine centre, good shape and size, 4th heavily var. buff, rare size, well formed crest; 2, Mrs. T. Taylor, grizzle crest, good droop, fine exhibit; 3, Summerhill, wing mkd., D.C., very little behind 2nd in all-round Crest properties; 6, Johnstone and Son. YORK., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, Clegg, racy, slim built, good col. and qual., well set up; 2, Stewart, on similar lines, just a shade heavier; 3, Simeson; 4, Ogden Bros., both finely drawn, well set up, good col. and qual. UNEVEN CK. (6): 1, 2, Ogden Bros., both buffs, leader wing, head, and eyes mkd., latter both wings, head, and eye, of fine qual. and col., racy, well made, feather exceptionally smooth, well shown; 3, 6, Stewart, yell., wings, head, and eyes good col., and well drawn, not quite the qual. of leaders; 4, Simeson, yell., built on heavier lines than those in front; 5, Mather. Two hen classes cancelled. UNFLG HEN (9): 1, 2, Clegg, cl. yell. and cl. buff, leader bonny col. and fine qual., well set up, finely carried wings, latter reachy and cleverly made; 3, Ogden Bros., well shown, rare length, lovely qual. and position; 4, Hirst, yell., finely drawn, well up, nice col. and qual.; 5, Rizzi; 6, 7, Frank Bell. NAT. COL., also 20s. SELL. can-celled. BULLIE HYB. (including Can.-Bullie) (3): 1, Mills, Linnet-Bullie, fine size, good col., well shown; 2, Pickles, Redpoll-Bullie, perky, nice feather and condition; 3, Johnson, Can.-Bullie, well defined markings, fair size, light feathers in tail. VARIEG. MULE (9): 1, Tams and Son, buff Greenie-Can., mkd. on cheeks, and one wing, fair size, nice col., good feather; 2, 3, McVittie, both Goldie-Can., leader hot col., variegs., fine size and condition, latter buff, mkd. eyes, wings, and tail; 4, Morrine, high col. varieg. yell. Greenie-Can., fine condition and feather; 5, McQuiston; 6, Johnson; 7, Chisholm. A.O.V. MULE (12): 1, Craig, fine col. dark yell. Greenie-Can., rare order; 2, 5, Davies, dark buff Linnet-Can., grand size, well put down; 3, Hogg, yell. Goldie-Can., fine col., size, and condition; 4, Pickles, Linnet-Can., fine trim; 6, Lawson; 7, Holmes.

Mr. Brown's Classes.

BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (16): 1, Bennet, nice col., good qual., fine order, shade leggy; 2, Campbell, fine qual. and type, well shown; 3, H. Davidson, good type, fine qual. and col., well carried wings and tail; 4, Ayre, fine shape and qual., neat head, good col.; 5, Poole; 6, J. S. Wil-son; 7, Ireland. BUFF HEN (30): 1, Poole, clean cut everywhere, beautiful feather and condition, well shown; 2, Bennet, close up, fine qual. and type; 3, Gas, little, finer drawn than those in front, good qual.; 4, Rea, similar type to leaders, fine qual. and condition; 5, Gill; 6, Campbell; 7, Sampson, good cabs. UNEVEN BUFF (13): 1, Bennet, lightly mkd. eyes and one wing, fine col. and qual., excep-tionally well put down; 2, J. S. Wilson, almost even, fine carriage, close up; 3, Campbell, mkd. clnn., rare col. and qual., fine type; 4, Davidson, H., similar in markings to 2nd, fair col., nice qual. and type; 5, Pearson; 6, Dockerty; 7, Moss-op. CINN. YELL. (12): 1, Bennet, fine tone of col., nicely made, good carriage; 2, W. S. Wilson, similar type, not so distinct in pencilling; 3, Murray; 4, Coulthard, both nice shapely birds, good tone of col.; 5, McVittie; 6, Cubby; 7, Thompson. YELL. GREEN (12): 1, Cubby, lovely shade of col., fine type; 2, Kerr and Smith, clean cut, nicely pencilled, fine shade; 3, Campbell, beautiful feather, well pen-cilled, good col. and type; 4, Bennet, fine col. and shape, close up; 5, W. S. Wilson; 6, Pennington; 7, Ayre. PAIRS (18): 1, Coulthard, saddle mkd. yell. cock, clear buff hen, bonny pair, fine qual., rare type, cheap; 2, Morgan, yell. and buff, nicely matched; 3, Gill, similar pair, fine qual. and type; 4, H. Davidson, for mkd. breeding, nicely balanced; 5, Higgins; 6, 7, Dixon. NGR. YELL., TKD., ETC., HEN (15): 1, Cameron, rare good type and feather, good fronted and well cut; 2, Lawson; 3, Calder-wood; 4, Moore, all good and typical, full of col., very little betwixt them; 5, Robson; 6, Cubby; 7, Davies. BUFF HEN (12): 1, Lawson, fine size, good col. and qual., rare build, and nicely cut away; 2, Davies, fine size, grand qual., well shaped; 3, Cameron, very typical, close up to 2nd; 4, Jos. Robson, fine headed, good col., and well made; 5, 6, Nicholson; 7, Dobbie. UNFLG. YELL. (8): 1, 3, Lawson, leader fine size, good shape, well feathered and rare col.; 2, 5, Frank Bell, varieg., splendid type, capital col., in fine order; 4, Cubby, cl., good chested, fine col. and feather; 6, Nicholson; 7, Bonifazi. NAT. COL. (8): 1, 5, Lawson, heavily varieg. yell., bouncing bird of good col., fine type; 2, Craig, cl. buff, good chested, fine stamp; 3, Dixon, yell., fine shade, beautiful feather, good stamp; 4, Bell and Murray, another fine yell.; 6, Nicholson; 7, Allan. CRESTBRED (5): 1, 2, Mrs. T. Taylor, leader nearly green, fine skull, great length of feather, latter fine size and rare feather; 3, 5, Goulden; 4, Summerhill, all well feathered, massive birds. YORKS., BUFF CK. (12): 1, Rizzi, good length, well carried wings and tail, rare feather; 2, Clegg, similar position, nicely drawn; 3, Stewart; 4, Wappel, both good drawn ones, scarcely ready; 5, Simeson; 6, Robson; 7, Ogden Bros. UN-FLG. CK. (6): 1, Ogden Bros., fine position, won-derful qual., smooth as glass; 2, Hirst, grand length and style; 3, Stewart, cl. buff, fine shape and posi-tion; 4, Robson, very similar; 5, Allen; 6, Topping. SEL., YORKS., 12s. 6d. (6): 1, 5, F. Bell; 2, Sime-son; 3, Jos. Robson; 4, J. C. Bell.

Mr. Nicholson's Classes.

GOLDIE (14): 1, Hurst, fine size, rare col., square-cut blaze, good markings, beautiful order; 2, 6, Nicholson, good blaze, well mkd. wings, fine condi-tion; 3, Morrine; 4, e, Bell and Murray, both good mkd. ones, blaze not so dense as leaders, also bit behind in size; 5, Laidlaw. LINNET, H.M. (12): 1, 2, McQuiston, rare size, good col. and markings, well shown, 2nd fine bird, cone shaped, rare col. and markings; 3, Tams and Son, very like 2nd, must have been a near thing; 4, 6, Leckie, again an extra good col. and mkd. bird; 5, Douglas; 6, Leckie; 7, Welsh. LINNET, F.M. (8): 1, McQuiston, beauty, fine size, col., and marks! 2, Petterson; 3, Tams and Son, both nice chubby build, good sound col., and nicely defined markings; 4, Brownlie, runs a little light in centre, otherwise good; 5, Leckie; 6, Nichol-son; 7, Laird and Matthew. GREENIE, NON-FED (7): 1, Sykes, broad-headed, fine size, good colour, and well carried wings, in fine order; 2, Hurst, chubby in type, fine condition, very steady; 3, Holmes, good col. and condition, shade smaller; 4, Miller, fine build, grand order; 5, Hughes; 6, Palfrey; 7, Davidson. DO., COL.-FED (8): 1, Craig, capital size, order, grand col.; 2, Pickles, well fed, good wings, nice size; 3, Bell, very like 1st, grand bird; 4, Laird and Matthew, rare stamp; 5, Holmes; 6, Nutsford; 7, Nicholson. BULLIE (9): 1, 4, Laidlaw, rare colour well cut cap, fine size, grand condition; 2, Davidson, close up, exceptionally conditioned; 3, McQuiston, fine size, good cap, fails breast col.; 5, Palfrey; 6, Geo. Davidson; 7, Mrs. Thorburn. CHAFF. OR BRAM. (11): 1, Sykes, Bramblefinch, capital size, rare col., well defined markings; 2, Henderson, Chaffinch, good size and condition, clear and distinct in col.; 3, McQuiston, good, big, stylish, but fails in col. to 1st; 4, Holmes, really nice Chaffinch, very little be-hind 2nd; 5, Pickles; 6, Robson; 7, Bell. REDPOLL (9): 1, Leckie, finely mkd. Mealy, good size, well shown; 2, 5, Leach, Lesser, nice col. and marks, good bib, fair size; 3, McQuiston, Mealy, fails in markings to 1st, otherwise very good; 4, Holmes, Lesser, good bib and col., slender build to 2nd; 6, Palfrey; 7, Douglas. SISKIN OR TWITE (9): 1, Sykes, Twite, grand col., well defined markings, fine size, good order; 2, Leach, Siskin, nice and shapely, good cap, faintly defined bib; 3, Laird and Matthew, Twite, good col. and size, behind in definition of markings; 4, Erskine, Siskin, beautiful shape and condition, nice cap and markings; 5, McQuiston; 6, Holmes; 7, Welsh. A.O.S. FINCH (13): 1, Sykes, Hawfinch, wonderful condition and feather, rare size, pronounced bib, of correct shape, and good size, remarkably steady; 2, McQuiston, Corn Bunt-ing, again wonderfully steady, fine size, and good col.; 3, Johnston, Yellowhammer, rare size, well de-fined head markings, good rich col.; 4, Johnston, Corn Bunting, very little behind 2nd; 5, Johnston; 6, Douglas; 7, Holmes; grand class. Song Thrush, etc., cancelled. INSECTIV., LARGE (3): 1, Scott, Clough, lovely order, fine size, dense col.; 2, David-son, Waxwing, beautiful bird, in tip-top order; 3, Davidson, Fieldfare, big, shapely bird, good col. and marks. SMALL (5): 1, 3, Woodhouse, Dartford Warbler and Wryneck, interesting exhibits, evidenc-ing wonderful care and attention in the keep-ing of rare birds; 2, Welch Bros., Tree Creeper, pleasing and attractive little bird, well kept; 4, Geo. Davidson, Bearded Tit, beauty, well staged; 5, J. C. Bell. LARK, ETC. (4): 1, J. M. Walsh; 2, Holmes; 3, J. C. Bell, all Wagtails, well shown, very attractive; 4, Geo. Davidson, Shorelark. HEN (5):

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MAIDSTONE.

The manner in which our Maidstone friends are supported by the fanciers in the district is proof that the management is not only good, but they merit the goodwill of the Fancy. Considering this show is open to a radius of only 6 miles, and is the 23rd annual, the numbers and quality of the exhibits were far above the average. Mr. Day, the affable and courteous hon. sec., with his hard-working committee, gave genuine satisfaction to all concerned. Mr. A. E. Enfield judged.

The Critique.

NOR., COL. FED. CK. (13): 1, Gooding, very bold, rare col. and style, good wings and tail; 2, Lynn, very neat and shapely yell.; 3, vhc, he, Brumhill, tkd. yell., good head and chest, level col.; res., Lynn; c, Wells. HEN (9): 1, sp., best in show, he, Lynn, typical yell., lovely shape, grand col, and feather; 2, vhc, Brumhill, 4-point yell., nice type and col., not so good in feather; 3, Gooding, yell., capital col. and feather; res., Gooding. NON-FED (9): 1, sp., 2, Res., Lynn, winner, stout bodied bird, good feather; 3, Jenner, good shape and style; vhc, Har-vey; hc, Andrews; c, Wells. TKD., ETC. (10): 1, Harvey, tkd. buff, very neat and shapely, nice style; 2, 3, res., Lynn, both winners, grand shape and style; vhc, Andrews; hc, Carter; c, Whibley. CREST: 1, sp., Carter, large, even marked D.C., good droop; 2, 3, Conway, second, nice droop and radiation, just a trifle open. YORKS., YELL. (9): 1, sp., hc, Harvey, long, well drawn, mkd. head and wings; 2, res., vhc, Andrews, neat head, good back and flights; 3, Patterson, same type and qual., beaten in flights; c, Conway. BUFF (7): 1, Patterson, tkd., nice length, lovely qual.; 2, 3, Harvey, second, lovely cl., good head, wings and tail; res., vhc, Andrews; hc, Rhodes. A.O.V.: 1, Conway, AI Lancs.; 2, 3, Jenner, a yell. and buff, Cinn., in nice form. PAIRS (14): 1, sp., Gooding, very well matched pair of Nor.; 2, res., vhc, Lynn, same variety; 3, Carter, Crest and Crestbred; hc, Wells. MULE (8): 1, sp., hc, Conway; 2, res., Bennett; 3, Cranston; vhc, McCabe. GOLDFINCH (13): 1, sp., Standen, nice size, clean cut, capital wings; 2, 3, Cranston, both good blaze, size and shape, beaten in wings here; res., Rhodes; vhc, Jenner; hc, Bennett; c, Day. BULLFINCH (8): 1, Day, good size good depth of col., nice front; 2, Rhodes, splendid cap, good col; 3, Crump, nice Bullie type; res., Bennett; vhc, Gib-son; hc, Andrews; c, Godden. LINNET, ETC. (10): 1, sp., res., Brumhill, Linnet, well pencilled through-out; 2, Conway, Redpoll, good size and col.; 3, Andrews, Redpoll, well laced, good col.; vhc, Jenner; hc, Cranston. A.O.V. BRIT. (6): 1, 2, 3, res., Jenner, nice team, well staged; vhc, hc, Whibley. SELL., 10s.: 1, 2, Brumhill; 3, hc, Lynn; res., Jen-ner; vhc, Andrews.

MARYHILL.

Thirty-sixth annual show of Scotch Fancy Ca-naries, held in Burgh Hall, Nov. 2nd. President, Mr. Hamilton Pringle; vice-president, Mr. J. W. Ander-son; secretary and treasurer, Mr. R. A. G. McKie-sock. Judges, Messrs. James Smith (Govan), James Ward (Parkhead). The entries showed a slight in-crease over last year. Mr. Andrew Jardine's buff foul cock won special for best bird in hall, and also cup for best cock. A yellow pied hen, belonging to the same owner, won cup for best hen. Several sales took place: the buff foul cock (the cup winner) was sold at a good price.

YELL. CK.: 1, McKissock; 2, 4, Young; 3, Wilson. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Young; 4, Wilson; 5, Ferguson. YELL., Etc., GRN. CK.: 1, Jardine; 2, Usherwood; 3, Wilson; 4, Dickson; 5, Blackstock. BUFF: 1, 6, Young; 2, 3, Usherwood; 4, Blackstock; 4, McKissock. FOUL, ETC., YELL.: 1, McKissock; 2, Jardine; 3, Usherwood; 4, Wilson. BUFF: 1, cup, best bird, Jardine; 2, Blackstock; 3, Dickson. HENS, YELL.: 1, Taylor; 2, Wilson; 3, Dickson; 4, McKissock. BUFF: 1, Blackstock; 2, 3, Young; 4, Anderson; 5, Wilson. PIED HENS, YELL.: 1, cup, Jardine; 2, 3, Usherwood; 4, Young; 5, Wilson; 6, Pringle. BUFF: 1, Wilson; 2, Jardine; 3, Usherwood. GREEN HENS: 1, 3, Wilson; 2, 4, McKissock.

METROPOLITAN C.B.A.

The members of the Met. C.B.A. held another of their successful annual exhibitions on Nov. 2, at the All Saints' Parochial Hall, Battersea Park, which was kindly lent for the occasion by the Rev. H. G. Hills. There was a very good entry, and the birds were well staged and carefully attended to. Yorks. were a very fine lot, the majority being ex-ceptionally level in type and quality. Mr. E. Tebbs secured special for best bird with a grand yell. of good type and size, well drawn and with fine wings, and hot in colour. This is no doubt one of the best he has bred. Runner up was a buff hen, same owner, of lovely quality, but hardly so nicely drawn. Other good birds were staged by Messrs. King, Mall, More, etc. Norwich were hardly so good as in former years, although some nice specimens were staged. Special went to a beauty, a varieg. hen of short cobby build, with good head and wings, shown by Mr. F. J. Martin. Mrs. Thynne sent in a very fine team of "wee gems," and secured the special with a buff cock of neat build, a beautifully modelled young bird that should do well later on. The novice section was hardly so well filled as usual, but many of the birds staged were of good type and quality. British made up a nice collection. Mr. Denman makes a good secretary, indeed, and had everything in order. He had good assistance from Mr. and Mrs. Thynne, Messrs. Tebbs, More, Martin, etc. The winners of silver cups for most points at young bird and annual shows were as follows:—Champion Canary, Mrs. Thynne; novice, Mr. J. W. Burgess; Brit., Mr. Walker.

CHAMP. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, vhc, Mrs. Love-grove; 2, Mrs. Thynne; 3, hc, Martin. BUFF: 1, Mrs. Thynne; 2, 3, Martin; vhc, hc, Mrs. Lovegrove YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Martin; 3, Mrs. Thynne; vhc, Lovegrove. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, 3, Tebbs; 2, vhc, c, Hall; hc, King. BUFF: 1, 2, Tebbs; 2, hc, c, Hall; vhc, King. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, vhc, Tebbs; 2, Hall. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Tebbs; vhc, King; hc, Hall. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, vhc, Mrs. Thynne; 2, Mrs. McGregor; 3, Mrs. Moore; hc, Martin. BUFF: 1, 2, Mrs. Thynne; 3, vhc, Mrs. McGregor; hc, Martin; c, Moore. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Mrs. McGregor; 2, Moore; vhc, Mrs. Thynne. BUFF: 1, 2, Mrs. Thynne; 3, Mrs. More; vhc, Martin; hc, c, Mrs. McGregor. GREEN, ETC.: 1, 3, Mrs. McGregor; 2, vhc, hc, Moore. NOV. NOR. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, Denham. YELL. HEN: 1, Denham. BUFF: 1, Denham. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, 3, Walker; 2, vhc, Mellor. BUFF: 1, 2, Walker. YELL. HEN: 1, Nortini; 2, Walker. BUFF: 1, Walker. YELL. BORD.: 1, 2, Burgess. BUFF: 1, vhc, Bur-gess; 2, 3, Denham. BUFF HEN: 1, 2, Denham; 3, vhc, Burgess. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH: 1, Walker; 2, 3, vhc, Cross; hc, Hall. A.O.S.: 1, 3, Cross; 2, vhc, hc, Hall. HEN: 1, Hall. SOFTBILL: 1, Cross. HYB.: 1, Cross. COTTAGE CAN.: 1, Mrs. Stevens; 2, Master Stevens; 3, Miss Hill; vhc, Scott; hc, Miss Lloyd; c, Barrall; r, Miss Gillman.

EXCHANGE, 1½lbs. good thistle seed or 1lb. shepherd's purse, for 1 Norwich cock, or 2 Norwich hens: E. Meades, 4, St. Pauls-rd., New Southgate. (198)

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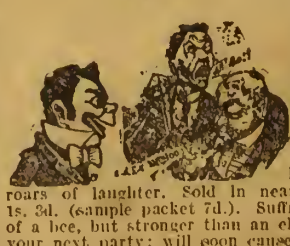
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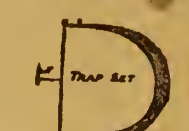
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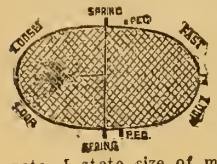
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STOKE being our last local show of the season, we are open to part with all our stock of Mules and British birds, including Twite, 1st Leeds, 15/-; Linnet, 1st Nottingham, 3rd Carlisle, 30/-; field-moulted Linnet, 3rd Carlisle, 10/-; Goldfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid, a very fine young bird, £2 10s.; a large yellow marked Greenfinch-Canary Mule, £2 10s.; Greenfinch, 3rd Longton, 15/-; also a very fine Yellowhammer, 15/-. I have also the following field-moulted birds for moulting: Yellowhammer, 5/-; Twite, 5/-; Linnet, 5/-; large buff Goldfinch Mule, grand singer, 10/-; Linnet, house-moulted, suit muler, catcher, or singer, 3/6; one bred Mules last year, 5/-; Goldfinch, win local show, bred Mules, 12/6: one, for any open show, 30/-. The above are real bargains, as I must clear to make room for my Rollers. See advert. under Rollers. All birds on three days' approval for cash: Enoch Tams, 7, Church-st., Longton. (222)

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Warranted cocks, caged off separately, on hard seed, starting to sing, 1/3 each, 3 for 3/3, 6, 5/6: Tulloch, 33, Hylton-rd., Sunderland. (209)

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(223)

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CANARIES.

Border Fancy.

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

PRIZE bred Borders, Clears, Marks, Greens, pairs 7/6 up: W. Blackie, 33, East Church-st., Buckie. (208)

LOVELY pairs Borders 0/-, cocks 4/6; Pattison's and Bennett's strains; approval; rare opportunity: A. March, Evesham. (224)

FEW good Borders for sale fit to win, reasonable; cocks and hen; state wants: Geo. Large, Dalton-rd., Barrow-in-Furness. (213)

HOW to save time, trouble, and money: See Norwich column.

HIGH-CLASS Borders, cold room bred, cheap, to clear: cocks 4/-, hens 2/-; approval: Andrew Cargill, Cauldam, Kelty. (198)

PRIZE bred Borders, clears and marks, cocks from 5/-; hens, 3/-; matched pairs from 7/6: Robertson, 7, Albert-place, Brechin. (214)

GRAND lot Borders, see reports Brechin and Forfar, state wants, splendid birds, reasonable; stamp: Craig, High-st., Brechin. (215)

YELLOW Green cocks, 6/- each; Clears Buff cocks, 5/-; Buff hens, 2/-; Lambie's strain: William Love, Whithurn, Linlithgowshire. (216)

EXHIBITION yellow Cinnamon cock, 12/6, also yellow and buff Cinnamon hens, 5/- each: Alex. Grant, Lodge-st., Haddington. (211)

EXHIBITION Border cocks, from 6/-; hens, 3/-; all 1912 birds, show condition; cold-room; approval: Cockburn, Hairdresser, Innerleithen. (215)

CHAMPION Borders, greens, cinnamons, and marks, see Glasgow show report, etc.; prices, 5/- upwards: Murray, Albert-terrace, Selkirk. (216)

OWING to removal must part with greater part of stock in clears, marks, greens; state wants; see British: Campbell, James-place, Dunfermline. (211)

CHAMPION winning Borders, clears, marks, greens, matched pairs, see wins Brechin and Forfar; reasonable, stamp: Irons, Viewbank, Brechin. (214)

GREEN Borders, cocks, 6/-; hens, 3/-; two 1sts only time shown; few good Norwich hens, 3/- each: G. Barber, 16, Glascote-rd., Wilnecote, Tamworth. (215)

SOME grand Borders for sale, show or stock, see latest wins, Kirkcaldy, Markinch, Haddington, Forfar, and Dunbar: Thomas Arnott, 14, St. Clair-st., Kirkcaldy, N.B. (221)

BORDERS, stock and show birds, off the same strain, exhibited Newcastle, Manchester, Carlisle, Whitehaven, prices reasonable: Ayre, Duke-st., Whitehaven. (216)

PERCY DAVIES, Steel Green, Millom has several good Borders for sale, Clears, and Marks, excellent strain; cocks, 7/6; hens, 3/6 each; approval; satisfaction guaranteed. (218)

STRAIN tells; I have some grand Borders for disposal bred from Palace winners, cocks from, 5/- to 15/-; hens, 3/- to 10/-; approval: Roberts, Gwyddfor, Penygroes S.O., North Wales. (213)

PRIZE-BRED Borders for sale, of my winning strain, single or pairs, cocks, 7/6; hens, 5/- upwards; also a few greens, honours at all principal shows: Peters, Randolph-st., Buckhaven. (215)

JOHN McQUILLAN, 212, High-st., Wallsend; owing to removal must clear my noted stock of high-class green Borders, selfs, greens, cinnamons, clears, fouls, cocks from 4/6; matched pairs cheap to clear out. (211)

WONDERFUL bargains in Borders, guaranteed all bred from winners; cocks, 5/-, 6/6, 8/6 up; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 4/6; pairs, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 15/-; cages, 3d.; approval: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

HIGH class Borders for sale; yellows, clears, and marks; see our wins in show reports of Berwick, Haddington, Chirnside and Dunbar; reasonable prices; stamp reply: Briggs and Schooler, Paxton, Berwick-on-Tweed. (210)

PRIZE bred Borders; can spare several young and adult birds, Bayley's and other winning strains, Yellows, Buffs and Greens, prices from 5/- single, or 7/6 pair; must be cleared: Thos. Jackson, 24, Grosvenor-rd., Birkdale, Southport. (221)

Belgians.

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

ON sale; I have a few Belgian birds, fit for the show bench: Apply, Walmsley, Horse Shoe, Ormskirk. (192)

BELGIANS, a few buff cocks, also yellow and buff hens, good birds, very reasonable; approval: F. Batts, 7, Well-st., Barnstaple. (190)

CHAMPION Belgians, grand, for disposal including grand Yellow hen, winner open Derby strain; my winners three 1sts, spls last Barnstaple show, numerous other prizes; approval: Baker, Georges-av., Yeo Vale, Barnstaple. (213)

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Cinnamons.

A SMART buff Norwich Cinnamon cock, unflighted, accept 7/6, very cheap: Arthur Fletcher, Sedgefield, Co. Durham. (211)

CINNAMON cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-; hens, 4/6, 5/6 up; cage, 3d.; bargains: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

LARGE buff cinnamon cock, 10/-; large buff cinnamon hens, 7/-; all natural colour; approval: Bewick, 7, Newfield S.O., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (221)

RETIRING from the Fancy, have the whole of my stock of Cinnamons to dispose of cheap; stamp: Particulars, G. E. Bairstow, 4, Savile Parade, Halifax. (192)

CINNAMONS, Norwich type, cold-room bred, can spare several, winning strain, perfect health; stamp for reply: Brown, 15, Wembury Park-rd., Peverill, Plymouth. (206)

Crests and Crestbreds.

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FINE large white Crestbred hen for sale: Smith, 41, Outram-st., Kings Cross, London. (222)

TIME-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

CREST and Crestbred, best winning strain, cheap; approval: H. Webber, 15, Temple-rd., Exeter. (217)

CRESTS, grand pair stock birds, 63/-; few odd birds, from 15/-: Adams, 3, Willeys Avenue, Exeter. (210)

GOOD, very large dark crested cock, and two good crestbred hens, for sale cheap: Frank Litchfield, Newport Pagnell. (215)

CREST and Crestbred Cinnamons for sale, from 8/6 upwards: Boulter, 32, Palmerston-rd., West Hampstead, London. (210)

CANARIES, Crestbred, good strong birds, reason giving up breeding: C. Nicholson, 16, Warwick-st., Old Lenton, Nottingham. (217)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, winners at local show; prices reasonable; seen by appointment: Cant, 30, Henslow-rd., East Dulwich. (216)

PAIR heavy matched Crests, 12/6; yellow Crestbred cock, 7/6; two Crestbred hens, 4/- each; approval: Comben, Outfitter, Portland. (223)

WANTED big green Crest-bred hen, in exchange for Crest-bred cock and two Crest-bred hens: Millard, Harcourt-st., Kirkby, Notts. (218)

FOR sale, a grand lot of Crests and Crest breds, same strain as my winners Cheltenham Show: W. H. Kilmester, 10, Priory-terrace, Cheltenham. (215)

FEW good Crestbred, same strain as my winners, extra large stock birds, reasonable; approval, stamp: H. Cowpertwait, 11, Trivett-st., Nottingham. (220)

THE cream only in Crests and Crestbreds; no cheap wasters advertised, prices on application; state requirements: Judge Silk, Whitstable. (197)

ROBERT LAMBIE, The Aviaries, Whitburn, Linlithgowshire, has Crests, Crestbreds, Cinnamons, and Norwich cocks, from 15/- upwards; approval; stamp. (223)

JIM TAYLOR'S Crest strain is still winning at the leading shows; have few same strain for sale; reasonable; approval; stamp: Robson-st., Shildon. (190)

NOTICE.—Several grand Crests and Crested Breds for show or stock, prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

HIGH-CLASS Crests, Crest-breds, 50 to dispose of, from 20/- pair, all my own breeding and pure Barnett blood, on approval; Alex. Onion, Sir Rowland Hill Hotel, Nottingham. (153)

HIGH class Crests, Crestbreds, cheap, young birds, cocks and hens, bred from winner, 10/-, upwards; approval: F. Jones, Arden Cottage, Castle Bromwich, near Birmingham. (212)

SEVERAL grand weeping Crested cocks, £3 upward; clear body, dark Crest cock, £2; few rather rougher Crested cocks, good breeders, from 30/-: Horsley, Butcher, Norwich. (201)

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CRESTS, two large Crests, cocks 40/-; few Crests and Crestbreds cheap to clear; will exchange large Crest cock for Crestbred hen; must be good: Crerar, 109, High-st., Portobello. (211)

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CLEARING sale, Crestbred cock, 30/-; Crested cock, 20/-; 2 Crested cocks, 15/- each; 2 Crested hens, 20/- each; Crested hen, 10/-; 2 Crested hens, 5/- each; 3 Norwich hens, 2/- each; Linnet Mule, H.M. Greenfinch, 1/- each, £5 the lot; Davidson, Townhead, Kennoway, Fife. (215)

TWO very large Buff Dark Crest cocks, 20/- each, 1911 bred; 1 Yellow Green Crest cock, crest to end of beak, 20/-, 1911 bred; 1 large heavy variegated Crest hen, 20/-, 1911 bred; these birds only want seeing; approval, deposit; Barnett and Taylor's strain: J. Hands, 5, Salmon-st., South Shields. (198, 206)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, best blood in the world; my birds are never overshown, so stamina kept up; a few pairs and single cocks to spare; state price prepared to give; enclose stamp: Rev. H. W. Joyce, Wellington, Somerset. (213)

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Greens.

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

GRAND Norwich Greens, show or stock birds; approval, inspection invited: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (213)

CAN spare some grand birds, type and quality combined with size, stock, or show: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-road, Liverpool.

FEW Norwich Greens for disposal, from the best strain, prices reasonable; approval: John Walker, 197, Great Homer-st., Liverpool. (223)

LARGE pair Norwich Greens, yellow cock, buff hen, 1912, plenty of size and feather, bargain, 15/-; approval, deposit: Bingham, West-st., Long Sutton, Lincs. (211)

THE whole of my Yorkshire Greens for sale including Crystal Palace, Newcastle, Liverpool, etc., winners; no reasonable offer refused, can be seen by appointment: Geoff Benson, 7, Sandhays-rd., Liscard, Cheshire. (212)

Lancashires.

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

THREE Lancashires, one Plainhead, good one, eye-lashed ditto, one coppy ditto: W. Simpson, 34, Greenbank-rd., Darlington. (216)

CEASING keeping Lancashires. 3 buff Plainheads, hens, 1 good yellow Plainhead hen, 1 yellow coppy hen, 1 yellow Plainhead cock; come and see lot, cheap to fancier, grand quality birds: Broadhead, Grocer, Derby-st., Macclesfield. (216)

Lizards.

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

ALL my Lizards for sale, grand show birds, prices reasonable; approval: Whipp, 483, Rochdale-rd., Oldham. (219)

ALL from prize winners; some of best in fancy at lowest prices; test the truth of statement; list free: Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

GRAND matched pairs from 10/6; odd cocks and hens; golds and silvers; approval: H. Garside, Howard-st., Glossop. (224)

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GIVING up keeping Lizards; 4 Silver hens, 1 Gold cock, 25/- lot, cheap, Oliver's strain, good; approval; inspection invited; stamp: Broadhead, Grocer, Derby-st., Macclesfield. (216)

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Norwich.

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FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

TYPICAL Norwich, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6; hens 2/6, 5/-: Pargeter, Grimesbury, Banbury. (212)

SINGING cocks 5/-, hens 2/6; variegated and clears; approval: Dr. Allen, Ambleside. (201)

TYPICAL Norwich for sale, related to winners, cheap: Burchall, 6, Durlston-rd., Clapton. (220)

FEW pairs of Norwich, cold room bred, 10/6, 12/6 pair: Hollins, 51, York-st., Portman-square, W. (217)

EXHIBITION Borders 10/- pair; coldroom bred; approval; stamp particulars: Brain, Glastonbury. (222)

GRAND pairs Norwich 6/6, cocks 5/-; honest bargains; picked birds; approval: A. March, Evesham. (224)

A. WATSON can spare a few good typical birds, on approval; stamp reply: 5, Arbuckle-st., Kilmarnock.

A FEW 1912 Norwich hens, bred from prize-winners, from 4/- each; stamp: W. Wallace, 27, Mill-st., Stafford. (216)

BARGAIN, Norwich, 2 cocks, 4 hens, colour fed, two domed aviary cage, 30/-: Simpson, 19, Ruskin-rd, Staines.

FORTY Norwich Canaries, cocks on song, 5/-, 6/-, pairs from 6/6; approval: Gater, 6, Jones-sq., Troedyrhiw, Glam. (196)

FIVE Norwich Canaries, 1912, good singers, chiefly clear yellow or buff, 6/6: Mrs. Grindle, Coldash Vicarage, Newbury. (213)

NORWICH Plainheads, cocks and hens for sale, buffs and yellows, 1912 birds: James Gray, Heather Inn, Leslie, Fife. (220)

MASSIVE buff cock, 1st Windsor last week, 25/-; approval; two buff hens, 7/6 each: Montgomery, High-st., Staines. (222)

I HAVE a few grand massive exhibition buff and yellow cocks, 10/6, approval; stamp: Girling, Hurford-st., Norwich. (212)

COLD ROOM 1912 yellow Norwich cocks, 3 clears, 1 marked, last four 5/6, but 20/-: Barns, Lichfield-rd., Edmonton, London. (215)

FIFTY Norwich Plainheads and Crested, 7/- pair; cocks, 5/-; hens, 2/6: Bolton, 2, Beamsley-place, Cardigan-rd., Leeds. (209)

DOZEN Norwich fur sale, reasonable, seen Sunday morning; enquiries invited; stamp: Reynolds, 8, Netherby-st., Oldham. (220)

SIX pairs Norwich, from 8/0, or sell in one lot; approval, deposit: Andrews, 3, Alma View, South-st., Melbourne, Derby. (216)

NORWICH cocks on song, 7/6 each, also two hens, 2/6 each, strong healthy birds: A. Munday, Buckland House, Axminster. (210)

NORWICH, fine specimens, Silk's, Thomas's strain; reasonable; seen any time: Dracup, 163, Half Moon-lane, Herne Hill, London. (177)

LARGE unflighted Norwich buff cock, good stock bird, 6/-; hens, 3/6, approval, deposit: Smith, 102, Russell-st., Northampton. (212)

WILL exchange high-class pair of Crests for pair of good Norwich Plainheads; approval: Loosemore, 23, Queen-st., Barnstaple. (215)

ONE pair prizebred Norwich, yellow cock, buff hen, 10/-; approval willingly, deposit: Bartlett, Northload Bridge, Glastonbury. (217)

ENORMOUS grand headed stock Norwich, exceptional bargains, write or call, 5/- to £2: Tomsett, 34, Endwell-rd., Brockley. (217)

H. J. BANBURY can spare a few 1911, 1912 Norwich from his well-known winners, 10/- upwards; approval: Preston-rd., Yeovil. (219)

TWO big buff hens, 1912, 6/6 each; grand buff cock, fed, 8/6; good heads and chests; related to big winners: Eddy, Bellevue, Penzance. (218)

NORWICH; several matched pairs, 9/-, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-, same strain as our winners: Dallman and Son, Market-place, Melbourne, Derby. (216)

VARIEGATED yellow or buff cocks, 10/- to 15/-, hens 7/6 to 10/-, good quality birds: Ramsden, 11, Josephine Avenue, Brixton, London.

HIGH-CLASS Norwich cocks and hens, either stock or exhibition, reasonable; approval: Arthur Wake, 128, Princes-rd., Middlesbrough. (193)

TYPICAL Norwich, all related to my winners, grand yellow, 15/-; large buff, 15/-; approval, deposit: Williams, Pharmacy, Ashbourne. (212)

SEVERAL grand yellow and buff hens, related to Leyton winner, see report this week's paper; prices from 10/- each: Judge Silk, Whitstable. (217)

STRONG healthy Norwich cocks, 7/6, 8/-, 10/-; hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-; pairs, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-; approval, cash or deposit: Miles, St. Andrew's, Norwich. (219)

NORWICH, cocks 5/-, hens 2/6 upwards; inspection invited; wanted good H.M. cock Goldfinch and Linnet: Patterson, 22, Watson-st., Plaistow. (219)

NORWICH, large foul green cock, 10/-; buff cock, 15/-; buff hens, 7/6 and 10/-, bred from winners; approval: Ramsay, 36, Brechin-rd., Arbroath. (208)

SOME fine Norwich for disposal, clears and variegated, fed and non-fed, about 30 to clear out from 5/- each up: J. Yeats, Linthorpe, Fraserburgh. (220)

COMPULSORY sale, only a few left, theso to clear, pairs, 12/-; cocks, 8/-; approval, cash or deposit: Middleton, Botbal-terrace, Pegswood, Morpeth. (213)

PAIR 1911 prize-bred Norwich, cost 21/-; accept 10/-; grand feeders; youngsters, from 3/-; approval; list free: R. Campbell, Sidney-st., Cambridge. (216)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich for show or song, sure winners; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

EYE ticked buff cock, winner 1st and spl., 40/-; unflighted son of above, 1st and spl, 25/-; including show cages; approval: Miles, Aviaries, Chichester. (222)

GEORGE THOMAS has some typical Norwich for sale, pairs from 17/6; also single birds reasonable; stamp; approval: 79, Larcom-st., Walworth, London. (218)

CHAMPION large, typical Norwich, cocks 7/6, hens 5/6; sure winners 15/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (220)

CLEARING, typical Plainheads, not undersized Crestbreds, with whiskers on their eyes, winner of 200 prizes; approval: Macqueen, Carver, Dumfries. (220)

CAN spare two excellent Buff cocks, £1 each; parents cust 8-gs.; also pair 2nd Bedford, 15/-; others cheap; approval: Gentle, Stanley-st., Bedford. (221)

HIGH class Norwich cheap, short, fine, silky feathered, large exhibition buff cock, good head colour, two marked buff hens, only 30/-: E. Mullis, Winslow, Bucks. (211)

JOHN BAKER, breeder and exhibitor, Norwich Plainheads, see Grantham report; pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 15/-, 20/-; state wants; approval: Victoria-st., Melbourne, Derbyshire. (216)

CHAMPION Norwich, unflighted, typical birds, cold-room bred, cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 4/6, sex guaranteed; approval, deposit: Jones, 29, Grafton-st., Stockport. (214)

CHAMPION Norwich, 30 years breeder of the best; several can win; large birds, good heads, silky feather, reasonable; approval: T. Billington, Hambleton, Poulton-le-Fylde. (200)

CLEAR yellow hen, unflighted buff var. cock, 12/6; pair yellow green, cock clear, buff hen, 13/6; cheap to clear; approval: W. Reid, Commercial-rd., Oldmeldrum, Aberdeenshire. (209)

WINNERS; var. yellow cock, winner several prizes, 60/-; several other cheap; also Crested cock, winner, 35/-; bargains; approval: Muscott, Derw Villa, Llandrindod Wells. (223)

MISS A. SCOTT, Temperance Hotel, Lancaster, winner at principal shows this year, has some grand stock and show birds for disposal, at reasonable prices; enquiries invited. (219)

NORWICH for sale, yellow cock won 1st and special, 17/6; yellow hen, 2nd in class of 11, 15/-; yellow cock, good quality, 12/6; buff hens, 7/0 and 10/-: Shearer, 73, High-st., Elgin. (208)

TYPICAL Norwich, Baker's strain, from my winners, see Portsmouth show report; buff cock, yell. hen, winners, 35/-; another pair, 20/-; approval: Moorman, Carisbrooke, Wight. (219)

A PAYNE AND SON, champion Norwich, reliable, typical show or stock birds for sale; songsters a speciality; state requirements; satisfaction guaranteed; dealers supplied: 24, Clarke Road, Norwich. (190)

GENUINE clearance; compelled to part with entire stock of Norwich, including good stock birds; also sectional joiner-made Canary house, never used: Wood, 156, Fosse-rd. North, Leicester. (214)

MR. HAWKES offers the Windsor limit class winning pair colour-fed Norwich unflighted yellow cock, buff hen, 21/- the pair; great sacrifice; approval: Hawkes, 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (224)

BARGAINS here in Norwich Plainheads: E. Hendry, Fraserburgh, has about twenty to dispose of, all grand stock, type and quality and worth the cash, from 5/- upwards, cocks or hens; approval. (220)

VERY good unflighted buff Norwich cock, winner, 12/6; lovely unflighted yellow hen, winner 2nd, 12/6; unflighted yellow cock, winner 3rd, 10/6; good buff cocks from 8/6: Lill, Osborne-terr., Matlock. (219)

GREAT sacrifice, Leyton 4th winning pair, colour-fed, unflighted Norwich, buff cock, yellow hen, 12/6 each, 21/- the pair; exceptional bargain; approval: Hawkes, 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (224)

FEW large unflighted high class Norwich from G. Harland's noted winning strain, all colours, cocks from 7/6, hens from 4/-; 4 days' approval, cash or deposit: Duckitt, Junr., 91, Sepulchre Gate, Doncaster. (222)

TWENTY good colour-fed Norwich, 14 cocks, 6 hens, mostly unflighted; cocks, 7/6 up; hens, 5/- up; wanted offers in unflighted exhibition Norwich Plainheads or Greens: H. H. Bixter, 37, Columbia-rd., Prescot. (219)

PLYMOUTH plainheads, buff cock, 1912, 4th Plymouth, 25/-; several good buffs, bred from my winners at recent Plymouth, Paignton, Barnstaple and Newport shows, from 10/: Pope, 98, Embankment-rd., Plymouth. (222)

FOR sale two Norwich cock Canaries, 4/3 each; live hens, 1/9 each; all good colour and healthy; also two cock Brown Linnets, Canary reared, smart birds, 2/6; cash or deposit: John Edmunds, Berry Hill, Coleford, Glos. (217)

CHAMPION Norwich, all own breeding from winners at Manchester, Liverpool, Nottingham, L.C.B.A., etc; pairs from 20/-; single birds from 12/6; approval; fanciers invited; at home all day: Charles Oliver, 44, Daybrook-st., Macclesfield, Cheshire. (224)

MR. R. H. SAMPSON, Pontardulais, has choice young hens for disposal, bred from his L.C.B.A., Carlisle, etc., winners, 5/- each; matched pairs, 12/6; yellow cock, 1st Clapham, Llanelly (see Press reports), 25/-; buff hen, 1st L.C.B.A., 15/-. (222)

BUFF Norwich hen (1911), massive framed, thick-set specimens, rare depth of chest and quality, mother of several of my winners (big winner herself last season; valuable stock bird; accept 21/-: Hawkes, 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (224)

GIVING up through ill health, about 20 pair of Norwich, same as all my winners, and inclusive, 10/- to 20/- a pair; stock yellow cocks, large clear or variegated, 7/6 to 15/-; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Barwise, 15, Talbot-st., Mansfield. (219)

CHARLIE ROBERTS, Stannahey, Newton Drive, Blackpool, is a known reliable breeder for over 20 years, of champion Norwich; you always get a straight deal with him; if you want any birds for show or stock, write, stating your wants; approval. (213)

GRAND buff cock, winner, 30/-; yellow cock, 15/-; two variegated yellow hens, 7/6 each; buff variegated hen, 7/6; two buff hens, 10/-, 5/-; 18 cages, 20 x 18 x 10, 2/6 each, £2 the lot; 12 N.P.H.C. show cages, 1/- each: Smith, 17, Cambridge-rd., Ellesmere Port, Chester. (217)

GOOD big Norwich cheap, thick head and neck, cup strain, 10 yellow cocks, from 7/6 to 20/-; 8 buff cocks, 6/- to 15/-; 5 yellow hens, 6/- to 15/-; 10 buff hens, 4/- to 12/-, some winners among them; approval; stamp, new address: Sharp, 121, Berridge-rd., Nottingham. (217)

TIP-TOPPERS, direct from my room, or bred from my renowned strain, are winning North, South, East and West. I can spare some grand single birds, and some AI matched pairs, that will make names for their lucky buyers: J. Eckersley, 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (220)

MONSTER exhibition 1912 buff cock, immense size, rare type and quality, sure winner, only 17/6; also smart, typical 1912 yellow hen, full of quality, feathered like silk, only 10/6 or 22/6 the pair, honestly worth 50/-; rare chance for beginner, genuine bargain; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (225)

LARGE, typical 1912 yellow cock, rare type and quality, good size and substance, only 12/6; also monster 1912 buff hen, real model for type and quality, large head and neck, sure winner, only 10/6 or 17/6 the pair, honestly worth £2: genuine bargain; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (225)

JAMES MARTIN, winner outright of Norwich challenge cup for best bird bred 1912 (Exeter and District Cage Bird Society), having had successful season, has some to dispose of, reliable, of good type and quality, marked or clears, same strain as my winners, from 12/6 pair; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Riversmeet Cottage, Topsham, Devon. (200)

HANFORD'S noted Norwich: Cocks for breeding or song, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; smart cobby hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6; pairs correctly matched for breeding, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; state your requirements; splendid collection for sale; approval, cash or deposit; send for full list: R. Hanford, Derby.

EXTRA good lightly marked yellow cock and chubby clear buff hen, type, quality, pair 45/-, bargain; another splendid pair, 35/-, and a number of superior unflighted birds cheap; also well made, enamelled and absolutely insect proof rack, containing 4 up-to-date breeding cages and large flight cage; Strank, 43, Finlay Drive, Dennistoun, Glasgow. (212)

GRAND unflighted yellow cock, winner, 40/-, another, grand size, 35/-; clear buff cock, winner, in keen competition, 35/-; sweet buff hen, model shape and quality, real demon, 30/-; several other grand birds cheap, all winners, sent in show cages, fit for immediate showing; approval willingly: Judge Silk, Whitstable. (217)

G. C. KING, breeder of high-class Norwich, offers champion Norwich, reliable, typical stock birds; cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 12/6; hens, 4/6, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6; unrelated matched pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- upwards; no rubbish, cold room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; money returned not approved: 14, Ashby-st., Norwich. (215)

NOTICE. Owing to my son going to business, must sell our champion Norwich, last season won 60 prizes, special best Leicester, claimed, £10 10/-; twelve prizes last week, see Bedford, Oxford, Stamford; clinking good buff cock, year old, winner three prizes, first last week, 21/-; grand unflighted buff cock, second make stormer, 21/-; smart unflighted yellow cock, topper, winner, 21/-; unflighted yellow hen, second, grand colour, gem, 21/-; typical unflighted buff hen, all quality, third, 15/-; extra large variegated unflighted buff, 12/6; massive yellow cock, too large for show, valuable stock bird, 12/6; match pair, 20/-; show cages, 1/-; double breeders, 3/6; approval; receipt, cash: Lewin, 58, Marlborough-rd., Oxford. (210)

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CHAMPION Norwich, monster stock, yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 21/-, 25/-, and 30/- each; monster stock yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, and 21/- each, all strong, healthy, and in tip-top condition, all cold room bred; give me a trial and I will guarantee satisfaction; state wants fully; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (225)

CLEAR yellow Norwich cock, 2nd Stratford, grand bird, 15/-; clear buff cock, 3rd Stratford, plump bird, 12/6; buff variegated Yorkshire cock, 3rd at Stratford, a gem, 15/-; foul green cock, great length, 10/6; clear orange yellow, sure winner, 12/6; all unflighted, first time out; see my winning team at Windsor last week, 1st and special, 2nd and 3rd; Manning, 72, Romford-rd., Manor Park, E. (216)

CHAMPION Norwich; few real good exhibition Norwich Plainheads, now ready for immediate exhibition, plenty of size, good colour, large heads and full necks, rare type and quality, yellow and buff cocks, from 7/6 to £5 each; yellow and buff hens, from 4/6 to £3 each; judiciously matched pairs, from 10/6 to £7 10/- a pair, all cold room bred, strong, healthy, and vigorous, and in tip-top show condition; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (225)

CHAMPION Norwich, 4 specials, clear buff cock, grand head, neck, winner open, knockout, 20/-; ticked yellow cock, grand bird, bargain, 20/-; marked buff cock, immense head, one of the largest living, worth pounds to increase size, 20/-; marked buff hen, real model, good size, 12/6; few pairs, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-; Eckersley's strain; birds supplied by me have won Palace, L.C.B.A., Scottish National, Newcastle, Norwich, Barnstaple, Cork, Belfast, and scores local shows; over 300 awards; no time for showing; approval; state wants; 60 to clear: Nichols, 34, Beaconsfield-rd., St. Margarets, Twickenham (late of Norwich). (224)

A. L. HAWKES being unable to exhibit this season through pressure of business, offers at a great sacrifice the following high-class typical colour-fed Norwich: Yellow marked cock, a gem all over, big winner, latest win 1st and special Windsor last week, £2 15s.; clear yellow cock, massive framed, thick-set, cobby specimen, with extra deep chest, broad head, short neck, tail and flights, big winner, 50/-; another clear yellow cock, thick-set, rare neck, skull and carriage; won two first recently, only time out, 40/-; buff cock, immense size, grand shape, real model, one of largest and best quality specimens I have seen out, 50/-; another buff cock, model for size, type, style and quality, won many honours, 40/-; above are choice, present-day winning exhibition specimens, clean moulted, feathered to perfection; approval anywhere: 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (224)

T. H. DENT

4, Langton-st., Preston, can spare a few good ones for show, or stock, from 15/- each; approval. (221)

G. W. SAUNDERS

Sunnybank, Worcester-rd., Sutton, Surrey, has a few birds to spare, bred as his winners, lovely type and quality; approval, deposit. (224)

W. RICHINSON

has few pairs of Norwich for sale; also few Yellow and Buff hens: 2ct., 1h., Brackley-st., Pitsmoor, Sheffield. (221)

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Well bred Crests, Crestbreds, Norwich, Crested cocks, 9/6, hens 8/6 upwards; Norwich cocks, 7/6, hens 3/6 upwards; cock Goldie Mules, 7/6, 8/6 each; muling Goldfinch cocks, 3/6 to 5/6 each; housemoulted cock Chaffinch, fine colour, 3/6; approval, cash or deposit: 46, Greys-rd., Eastbourne. (216)

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Norwich show birds and stock birds that have proved they are the right sort; see numerous winnings last season, no time to show this year; to clear quickly I will sell any bird I have for £2, none reserved; these include show specimens, yell. cocks, buff cocks, yell. hens, buff hens. Single birds for stock from 7/6 each; stock pairs, 12/6 to £2; Packer's and N.P. Club show cages, 2, 3, 4, 6,, very cheap; breeders, flights, utensils very cheap; open for offers for the entire stock in one lot; can be seen by appointment only any day except Friday and Saturday: R. Allen, 196, Blackburn-rd., Bolton. (217)

SEE CARLISLE SHOW REPORT, NOV. 9th

I won 5 firsts, 3 seconds, 3 thirds, 7 specials, including the Holmeo challenge cup, with my champion Norwich. Can spare, amongst others, good clear yellow 1911 cock, 45/-; unflighted variegated yellow, 30/-; unflighted clear yellow, 20/-; three unflighted buff cocks, good size, type, and quality, 20/- each; several really good unflighted buff hens, size, type, and quality combined, 15/- to 30/- each.

FRANK T. LAWSON, 14, Pugin-st, Carlisle (219)

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Breeder of champion Norwich, some grand birds for sale; pairs from 25/-, single birds 15/-; winner of cups, bowls, etc.; some hundreds of awards: 91, Union-rd., Rotherhithe. (Q)

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Fred Lockton is offering 50 champion bred Norwich show and stock birds, all must be sold quickly at great sacrifice, a golden opportunity seldom met with, a full detailed list will be sent to all genuine applicants, enclosing stamp; fanciers requiring something extra good at a low price should not miss this opportunity; all on approval: 14, Wharf-rd., Grantham. (223)

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Have some grand specimens ready, clean moulted, direct from our noted strains; winner of 5,000 prizes, championship, diploma Crystal Palace, N.P.C. challengo cup two years in succession, gold medal International Show. Grand yellow or buff cocks, from 7/0, 8/0, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-., 30/-; hens, 5/-, 7/6, 8/0, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-; not exhibiting, so all spare birds for sale; any on approval. I guarantee to please you. Breeder 30 years: Sandiford, Canary Judge, Preston, Lancs.; also 89, Sclater-st., Bethnal Green, London.

ROBERT HALL

Halleroft, Rudyard, Staffordshire, is disposing of the whole of his stock; none reserved; see reports: Hanley, Derby, Longton. (187)

W. N. MIDGLEY

Chesham House, Winslow, after a good breeding season has a useful lot of Norwich for disposal at reasonable prices; approval. (192)

A. FIDDAMENT, POSTMAN

has a grand lot of colour-fed Norwich, also natural col., cocks 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/- upwards; hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/6; week's approval, deposit: 105, Trinity-st., Norwich. (214)

CHAMPION NORWICH

Few grand Yellow and Buff cocks, unlighted from £1; pairs £2; see Dover and Canterbury shows this week: Wickham, 28, Rainham-rd., Chatham. (216)

J. C. BARNES

113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield. Few very choice birds to spare; 20 years' standing strain; type, quality, and colour ensured; cocks, 20/- upwards; hens, ditto; several special pairs, £3 to £5; approval with pleasure; winner of Sheffield challenge cup 3 years in succession. N.B.—Also few grand Yorkshires, correct type, very lengthy, and feathered like wax; same prices. (10)

Splendid Chance for Novices

Buff and yellow cocks, grand heads, type, quality, some fit to win, 10/- to 40/-; bred from my winners; see Manchester, Liverpool show reports; few pairs same strain, smaller, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-; properly matched; approval. (195)

REV. B. NUME, HARRINGTON, Cumberland

CHAMPION NORWICH PLAINHEADS

Magnificent exhibition clear yellow cock, large head, wide chest, rare type, feathered like silk, £2; worth £3 10s.; buff cock, extra large exhibition specimen, can win anywhere, price 30/-, worth 50/-, clear yellow exhibition hen, broad head, deep chest, overflowing with quality, real stormer, £2 2s., worth £4 4s.; another yellow hen nearly as good, 27/6, worth 50/-; monster clear buff hen, massive head, rare depth of chest, full of quality, can win anywhere, 30/-; another clear buff hen, nearly as good, £1 1s., worth double; all bred from Palace, etc., winning strain; approval, deposit: Charlie Cubley, Gedney, Holbeach, Lincolnsbire. (223)

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FIVE 1912 Roller cocks in full song, bred from contest strain, 7/6 each: H. Bowmar, 9, Nuncargate, Notts. (213)

1912 Roller cocks, 5/6, two 10/-; cold-room bred; approval: T. Bent, 97, Hamilton-st., Rochdale-rd., Manchester. (190)

1911 RUNG Seifert schoolmaster 12/6, 1912 trained cocks, 7/6, hens 2/6, pair 9/-: Dew, 41, Leicester-rd., Lewes. (221)

HIGH class Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks from 7/6, hens 4/-; exchange, useful offers: King, 89, York-st., Cambridge. (212)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert Rollers, cocks 7/6, hens 2/6; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: H. Nickless, 59, Mill-st., Crewe.

A FEW loud free singing cocks, 1912, 5/6 each; 10/- for two; approval: Gould, Beech Villa, Hayfield, Derbyshire. (214)

PURE Seifert Rollers, cocks, 7/6, full song; hens, 2/6; approval, deposit: Wilkinson, 5, Cross Row, Lane Head, Bacup. (208)

FOULDS' and Lyons' strains, few only left; cocks from 8/6, hens from 2/6: Hoyle, Kitchen-terrace, Grimsargh, Preston. (213)

TIME-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

CONTEST Rollers, now in full song; approval; cocks, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6; hens, 4/-; particulars: S. Gommersall, Birstall, Leeds. (167)

THIRTY-NINE high-class Seifert Rollers, from B.R.C.C. birds; cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; hens, 2/6, 3/-: Blythe, Ba. Sch., Planc-st., Bacup. (209)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung, Glucke and Water Glucke strain 10/6 12/6, 15/; hens, 6/-: H. Leese, 21, New-st., Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs. (214)

NOTICE, several grand pairs St. Andreasburg Rollers, day and gaslight songsters, 15/-; approval; easy payments taken: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

CANARIES, lovely Hartz Rollers, pure Seifert, 1912 brood, real musical boxes, price 7/6; a rare bargain, worth treble: W. Goodbourn, 8, Walgrave-st., Hull. (214)

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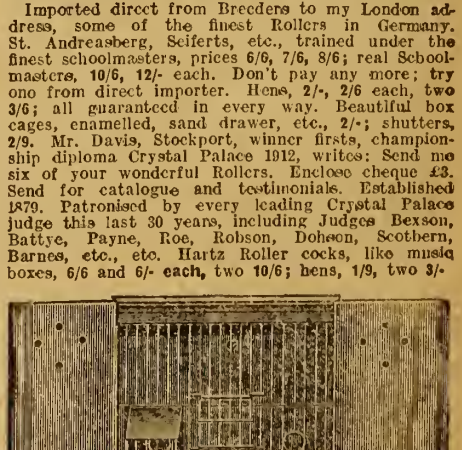
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Read **following testimonials for proof of the quality I send out** to customers:—From 0, Oxley Street, Wolverhampton, Nov. 10th, 1912.—Yorkshires reached me in splendid condition, and I am highly satisfied with them. Will send you my future orders.—A. Maddocks to J. Taylor. Another from: Molemau, Londonderry, Nov. 9th, 1912.—The exhibition Crested cock arrived here quite safe, and is a gem for size and quality, and pleases me in every respect.—Geo. Livingstone to J. Taylor. Another from: Woodlands, Bandon, Co. Cork, Nov. 8th, 1912.—Pair of Yorkshires arrived quite safe, and no worse for the long journey. I am more than pleased with them, and will recommend to all fanciers I know, who require good value for their money.—J. Roche. **Champion Yorkshire Cocks,** on full song, and standard length, at **5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-** each. **Pairs** (cock and hen), properly matched to breed winners, at **8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-** per pair; clears, ticked, green marked, and cinnamon marked; **colour fed and natural colour,** and all cold-room bred and kept. Fine, stylish **Yellow or Buff Hens** at **3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6** each. Specially trained and selected **Yorkshire songsters,** that will sing by daylight or gaslight, at **6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6** each. **Exhibition Cocks and Hens,** in all colours, that can win in keen competition, at **very reasonable prices.** Please state wants, and **send for new illustrated price list,** post free. Travelling cages, **3d.** extra, and **all on 7 days' approval, at my risk.**

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HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, splendid length, type, and quality cocks, from 5/-, hens from 3/-, matched pairs, 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colne-rd., Crosshills, Keighley. (192)

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CHAMPION matched pair high-class Yorkshires, buff cock and marked yellow hen, 7½ inches long, 20/-; also few good hens from 6/- each, bred from my winners; approval, cash or deposit: Wilbert Spencer, 17, Wood End, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (210)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, bred from cup and medal winners, all fine stylish birds; cocks 5/6, 6/6, 8/6; hens 3/6, 4/6, 6/6 upwards; lovely pairs, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; approval, carriage paid; cash or deposit: Sydney B. King, Mytholm, Hebden Bridge. (211)

G. KING, winner Southern Yorkshire trophy, Clapham; wins also at Cheltenham, Portsmouth, Leyton (see report this week); has 24 pairs of good Yorkshires for sale; single birds, cocks from 10/-, hens from 7/6; all on approval: 1, Kimberley-rd., Leytonstone. (210)

E. BISHOP has for sale some of his winners and winning strain; winners this season, 10 firsts, 8 seconds, including specials best bird. Hens, 4/- to 10/-; cocks, 10/- to 20/-; must clear, overstocked; inspection invited: 4, Madrepore-road, Torquay, Devon. (167)

BENNETT'S champion Yorkshires, 7in. cock, 7/6; show birds from 15/-, can win anywhere: this season I have already won 4 cups, silver medal for the best bird in five different shows; 100 Yorkshires to select from; inspection invited: 17, Hartley-rd., Leytonstone. (211)

CHAMPION Yorkshires that have won for me hundreds of prizes in the highest competition; see report Yorkshire Union Shows; grand long upstanding cocks, feathered to perfection, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-; long racy hens, 5/-, 10/-, 15/-; approval: Milton Peel, Sunnyside Cottages, Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (219)

SIX breeding cages, in rack, 2ft. x 16in. x 10in.; 2 double breeding cages, 30in. x 9in. x 15in.; 5, Yorkshire hens; 5, Yorkshire show cages and travelling case; 2 large flights (5ft. x 2ft. x 2ft.), each to clear, well made; lot or separate, £3 10/-, or offers: J. Roberts, 117, Pitt-st., Holmes, Rotherham. (192/206)

MR. HAWKES offers at great sacrifice the following typical colourfed unflighted Yorkshires, clear yellow cock, 2nd Stratford, yellow marked cock, 4th Leyton, clear buff cock, 2nd Stratford, see reports; owing to pressure of business, must effect immediate clearance; will accept 15/- each; approval: 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (224)

AUSTRALIA: Mr. Davis having decided to emigrate I have purchased his stock, 30 colour-fed Yorkshires, including winners Manchester, Dover, Canterbury, Shackleton and Broughton's strain; for early sale, 7/6 to £2 pair; 20 cages, show cases, few Norwich: Lucas, 11, Bedford-av., Whalley Range, Manchester. (222)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, grand upstanding, leggy birds, full quality cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, to 20/-; hens, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 to 15/- each; pairs, properly matched for breeding winners, 12/6, 15/-, to 30/- pair; few exhibition specimens, can win keen competition, very reasonable; approval 4 days; particulars: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (217)

ROOLEY AVIARIES

Dealers write for our latest wholesale price list for good large colour-fed Yorks Canaries: 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford. (218)

SAM HAIGH

s all his high-class Yorkshires for sale, in one lot, or separate, every bird for disposal; no time for exhibiting; no reasonable offer refused; inspection invited: 21, Range Bank, Halifax. (215)

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Just now—here it is; you cannot gauge it by the prices, but only by seeing the quality. Cocks, 4/6, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-; Hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/6, 4/-, 4/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- upwards. Greens, Cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6; Hens, 2/6, 3/6. Cages, 3d. extra. Greens, Cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6; Hens, 2/6, 3/6.

W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, **NORWICH.**

P. RORKE'S WINNING YORKSHIRES

Have now ready some of the best from, 15/- pair upwards; my birds win in the keenest competition, see reports all S.Y.C.C. shows: Rorke, 50, Ringmer av., Munster-rd., Fulham. (222)

WINNING NOVICE YORKSHIRES

Having to show in champion classes, have all my novice winners for disposal; state wants; pairs bred from above from 12/6, cocks 7/6, hens 5/-: approval: Cattell, 81, Wingrove-rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (195)

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Champion Yorks., matched to breed winners, from 8/6 per pair, cash or deposit, 7 days' approval, and satisfaction guaranteed: Firth, 9, Munster-st., Wakefield-rd., Bradford. (179)

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I have some excellent Yorkshires for disposal, bred from the best strain in the county, prices reasonable; state wants and I will endeavour to satisfy you: Crawhall, Chemist, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

W. E. KEARNS

Can supply high-class Yorkshires, bred from, or related to, his winners at Derby, Hanley, and Manchester, at very reasonable prices; cocks from 7/6, hens from 6/-; approval, deposit; visits by appointment: Carr House, Rawtenstall, Lancashire. (209)

A BARGAIN.
RETIRING FROM THE FANCY

50 Yorkshires in one lot for sale, second and third this season, Yorkshire Union shows, Huddersfield, Manningham, Horton and Windhill; perfectly clean and healthy; full particulars on receipt of 1d. stamp: A. Deighton, 5, North View, Mountain, Queensbury, Bradford. (212)

GENUINE OFFER

Owing to business pressure, I am reluctantly compelled to sell my birds. Few splendid yellows, buffs, clears, and marked. I offer you no rubbish, all good, healthy birds; state wants, all colour-fed; also cages, show cages, and case; stamp reply: would accept best offer for lot: Frank Hastings, Fish Merchant, Hartlepool. (213)

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of selling Canaries is the safest. Birds sent on first deposit of 3/- on cocks, 4/- on matched pairs; balance 1/- weekly; Yorkshire and Norwich cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-; matched pairs, 7/6, 10/-, 15/-; from leading strains; full price list, ½d. stamp: Broadbent, 355, London-rd., Sheffield. (217)

AUCTION SALE.

The remainder of **Mr. W. H. Stoakley's Prize-bred Strain of Yorkshires** will be Sold by Auction at **Wimbledon Show,** on Tuesday Evening next, **Nov. 19, at 8 p.m.** (224)

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Another Record! 13 firsts in 3 days, besides numerous specials and other wins. Have a few winners to spare, reasonable, also properly matched pairs, bred from the best in the world, 10/6, 15/6, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair; for proof, watch show reports, as we cannot advertise all our successes, as this paper would not hold them all. Besides scores of birds standing first every week in other names, who would not like it made public; every Yorkshire Union show this season we have won special for most points throughout the show. These are the shows where the keenest competition is. Special invitation to any fancier, or birds sent on approval: Dudley Hill, Bradford. (10)

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CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

WE HAVE THEM AND WE'LL SELL THEM which is proved by the champions we have bred, sold and exhibited for over 30 years, winning thousands of prizes, championships, cups, bowls, medals, etc., at leading shows throughout England, including three times championship Crystal Palace. This season we have supplied some of the biggest champions out, which are winning leading shows. It is a well-known fact that exhibitors keep the best for themselves, but as we cannot follow the shows, all our winners are for sale, including some real gems, fit for Palace or swell shows; also clinking lot of stock birds, the best money can buy, possessing plenty of length, full of style, and feather like wax, the sort that do breed champions. Cocks or hens, yellow or buff, from 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/- each; approval; we guaranteed satisfaction, or return money in full: Messrs. Ambler, Langton Lodge, Scotton, near Knaresboro, Yorkshire. (211)



5 Specials. 9 Firsts. 3 Seconds. 7 Thirds.

The above is the record of my wins on Saturday, November 2nd, 1912. Every bird shown at champion shows, and in the hottest competition. See reports of Blaydon, Sheffield, Liverpool, and Leicester.

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I have now for sale a number of **Grand Lengthy Yorkshire Cocks,** feathered to perfection, and on full song, at 6/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6 each upwards. Hens, smart, erect, racy birds, and feathered like wax, at 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each upwards. Matched pairs, correctly mated for breeding winners, at 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 16/-, 17/6, 20/- per pair upwards. Clears, Ticked, Marked, Greens and Cinnamons in stock, ready for immediate delivery.

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ELEVEN Canaries (various), cocks and hens, splendid birds; reasonable offer: Kelly, 67, Hatton-rd., Tooting. (219)

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DEALERS supplied with sound healthy Norwich and Yorkshires, cocks or pairs; stamp, particulars: R. Hanford, Derby.

MONEY-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

TURNER & ROBERTS have Norwich, Yorkshire cocks from 5/6, grand Linnets 1/- each: 23, Haveleck-st., Ripley, Derbyshire. (211)

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CANARIES: Four cocks, three hens (variegated), bred in outdoor aviary last April; cocks, 3/6, hens, 2/-; 17/6 the lot; cash with order: F. Townshend, Sunnymeade, Hatherley, Cheltenham. (219)

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TO Mule breeders; six grand Bullfinch hens, 2/6 each; 12/- the lot: Carstairs, 263, High-st., Perth. (213)

TWO Greenfinch Linnet Hybrids, 5/- each; hen Canaries, 1/6 each; Crested hen, 2/6: Blower, 17, Union-st., Torquay. (210)

FINE Goldfinch Mule, 1st Windsor last week, class of 10, 15/-; exchange long yellow Yorks. hen: Montgomery, High-st., Staines. (222)

GOOD cock Siskin, also good house-moulted hen Bullfinch, laid eggs in cage last season, 3/6 each: Green, 70, Dillwyn-rd., Sydenham. (214)

BIG, bouncing winning cock Hybrid (Linnet-Greenfinch), perfect condition, steady as a rock, 15/6: Robinson, Bird Specialist, Windermere. (201)

LARGE, pink-eyed, Sib.-bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, 5/6; cocks, 7/6 each; or exchange; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (220)

THREE dark hen Goldfinch Mules, lot 4/; 4 cock Linnets, 1/- each: W. Bunting, 12, Leman-st., London, E. (215)

WANTED, Goldfinch or Linnet Mule cocks, good price given and cash deposited: Gledhill, Fleet-lane, Queensbury, Bradford. (202)

THREE cocks, one hen, Greenfinches, 2/- each, hatched and reared by Canaries; pair Bullfinches, 4/-: Hicks, Station, Boroughbridge. (213)

HOUSE-MOULTED cock Linnet, sure muler, fierce singer, also two muling hen Canaries, lot 6/6, bargain: Meyrick's Aviaries, Knighton, Radnorshire. (218)

LARGE cock Goldfinch Mules, 6/6; Linnet Mule, 5/6; Greenfinch Mule, 5/6; Bullfinch, 1/9; Linnets, for muling, 1/-; cocks: Charles Lewis, Highbridge. (218)

LIGHT or Dark Mules, Hybrids, for show and singing, ask particulars; muling hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each, cages 3d.: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

TWO cock Goldfinch Mules, one light variegated 7/-, one yellow 6/-; good pair field glasses, exchange Siberian cock Goldfinch, or offers: Edwards, 14, Market-st., Carnarvon. (212)

WANTED, cock Mules, on song, in exchange for grand pair correctly matched high-class Norwich Plainheads, value 30/-; mutual approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (225)

FOR sale, 15 Goldfinch and 3 Linnet Mules, warranted cocks and large birds; few Norwich Plainheads, singing and healthy; stamp for particulars: Thomas Wallace, 17, Sunderland-rd., Durham. (208)

IMPORTANT to bird catchers; champion singing cock Goldfinch mule, 10/-; champion singing cock Linnet mule, 10/-; pure song; approval; also pairs for breeding; cheap: Dutton, Mule Breeder, Dunstable. (218)

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TWO cock Goldfinch-Canary Mules, 5/- each, two hens, 9d. each; two cinnamon and two clear buff Norwich hens, 3/- each; large variegated cock, 7/6; house moulted cock Linnet, 2/6; approval, deposit: Smart, 35, Culloden-rd., Arbroath. (217)

GRAND house moulted cock Goldfinch and Sib bred hen, 10/-; house moulted hen Bullfinch, cock Greenfinch, suitable for Hybrid breeding, 6/-: house-moulted hen Greenfinch, 1/6; large field moulted cock Greenfinch, good show bird, 5/-; offers: Dudley, 1, Spring-hill, Wellington, Salop. (216)

MONSTER Yellow cock Greenfinch Muler, large prize strain Yellow Norwich hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- pair of grand cock brown Linnets, ditto either above separate; grand large prize strain Norwich cock, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-; grand Bullfinches: Weaire, Snodland, Kent. (222)

TO exhibitors; three light exhibition Goldfinch Mules, reasonable, can win; few good songster Mules, 6/- each; monster colour-fed Greenfinch cock Mule, 12/-, can win; three muling cock Goldfinches, 6/- each; one special, 10/-, fit to show; few Greenfinch hens, cheap; all birds house-moulted; also few reliable muling hens; bargains to Mule breeders; all birds healthy and genuine; breeding and show cages half price, equal to new: Taylor, Sunningdale-terrace, Bideford. (219)

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FOREIGN BIRDS.

MONEY-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

PEKIN Nightingale, full song, 3/-; Love Birds, 2/6 pair: 34a, Hotham-rd., S. Wimbledon. (223)

REDRUMP Parrakeet hens, 15/-; cocks, 12/6; pairs, 25/-: R. Colton, 9, Birkendale-rd., Sheffield. (216)

EXHIBITORS; fine Rufous throated Sugar Bird, 35/-: Mackenzie, 59, High Friar-st., Newcastle-on-Tyne.

GRAND Budgerigars, aviary bred, beauties, 4/6 pair. Est. 50 years: Sandiford, Bird Specialist, Preston.

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OH, look here; I will exchange all kinds of British birds for show, muling, contest singing, for any variety of Canaries, Mules and foreign birds; state wants at once to Hollinshead, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport. (224)

GRAND pair Yorkshire Canaries, 9/6; Bullfinch cock, commended Sheffield, 6/-; cock Greenfinch, hen Bullfinch, moulted, had fertile eggs, 5/-; fox terrier dog, four months, good head, 6/6; offers, exhibition British: Woodhouse, Asline-rd., Sheffield. (212)

HEN Siskin, laid in cage, 2/6; hen Greenie, ditto, 1/6; exhibition cock Greenie (fed) Hybrid breeder, 4/6; exhibition Lesser Redpoll, 2/6; Redpoll, good breeder, 2/-; Lancashire hen, 8/-; all on plain Canary seed; 90 "Cage Birds" offers, exchange: Morgan, 16, Moira-place, Cardiff. (221)

WHITE Blackbird, cock, real Albino, pink eyes, can win, perfection, £3 3/-; Yellow Bunting, Bullfinch, Greenfinch, 7/- each; show birds; 3 Redpoll Mules, cocks, 15/-; exchange Norwich Canarics, show birds, or anything useful for children, or gent's bike: Hakes, 52, Newton-rd., Burton-on-Trent. (215)

Mainly Canaries.

WILL exchange six healthy hen Canaries for Roller cock, or sell 10/-: Charles Old, Maldon, Essex. (192)

GOOD healthy 1912 cock Canary, 3/6; also very nice cock Linnet, 1/6; bargain: Fletcher, Ashcroft-rd., Cirencester. (216)

KING, 8, Rifle Butt-rd., Brighton, will exchange two young hen Canaries for one young cock Canary; yours first. (206)

FEW Canaries for sale or exchange acclimatised foreign seedeaters: E. J. Sale, 25, Buckingham-st., Aylesbury. (222)

HIGH-CLASS Yorks., bred from winners, 9/- pair; exchange anything useful: Taylor, Wood-st., Skelmanthorpe.

YORKSHIRE Canaries of superior quality, 15/, 20/, 25/- pair; or exchange; what offer: Wressell, Crowle, Lincolnshire. (10)

EXCHANGE Scotch Fancy cock for large Lancs. hen, yellow preferred; yours first: A. McIntosh, 117, High-st., Dalkeith. (219)

EXCHANGE cock Roller, singing, for two Linnets that have bred this season: Robson, 1, Exeter-t., West Hartlepool. (211)

TWO Norwich cocks, one Crest-bred hen, for two good 1912 yellow Norwich hens: E. Blake, 24, Forest-rd., Cheshunt, Herts. (221)

CINNAMON prize-bred hen, and good cock Bullfinch for sale, or exchange for good Yorkshire hen, 8/6: 3, Lumley-rd., Horley. (220)

EXCHANGE two Roller hens, Fould's strain, for large Norwich hen, yellow; no rubbish: Robertson, 12, Madeira-hill, Wrexham. (219)

THIRTY Norwich Canaries for sale, 9/- a pair, or exchange boys' underwear, boots, or blankets: Dunlop, 28, High-st., Irvine. (215)

MONEY-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

EXCHANGE for Canaries, best cage fronts, etc., any size made to order, 18 x 12, 8d.—Mason, 117, Lomax Street, Rochdale. (213)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for sale or exchange; cocks 7/6, hens 5/-: Arthur Radley, 32, Kinder Bank, Moldgreen, Huddersfield. (222)

YORK or Norwich cocks, 5/- and 6/6; hens, 2/6 and 3/-; or exchange good stock Norwich: Nuttall, 14, Peel-st., Haslingden, Lancs. (217)

GREEN Border cock and two hens; six Border show cages; exchange Cinnamon or clear Borders: Pearce, 231, Cathedral-rd., Cardiff. (225)

TEN Norwich hens, 1 cock, exchange gramophone and records, with cash, sell 25/-; offers: 36, Wellfield-rd., Preston, Lancashire. (221)

EXCHANGE 1912 clear yellow singing Yorks. cock, for good Roller; yours first; approval: Edward Slinger, Abbey-rd., Knaresbro'. (221)

SALE, exchange two Norwich, two Yorkshire hens, pair Borders, and cages, for disc records; offers: Yeomans, Penketh, Lancashire. (208)

EXCHANGE large variegated Goldie Mule cock, 1912, for good Norwich, sell 30/-: Wright, 11, Mannering-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow. (213)

FOUR pairs high-class prize-bred Borders, 1912, some fit to win, 15/6 per pair, or exchange boots, blankets, anything useful for house: Greenhorn, 164, Oakbank, Mid Calder, Midlothian. (215)

EXCHANGE two Yorkshire cocks, h.m. cock Bullfinch, for a young Norwich cock, for stock, or offers: Bond, 123, Gipsy-rd., W. Norwood. (217)

GOOD Cinnamon cock and double breeder; exchange disc records, or anything useful; yours first: Porter, 11, Stanley-st., Easton-rd., Bristol. (215)

YELLOW or ticked hen, good bird, wanted in exchange 1912 yellow cock, 1911 hen Yorkshires: J. Adams, 163, Newfoundland-rd., Bristol. (218)

GOOD Norwich and Yorkshires, cocks 5/-, hens 3/-, or exchange drapery, dress goods preferred: Allen, Bootmaker, 32, Oxford-st., Rotherham. (221)

EXCHANGE Hartz Roller cock, through moult and on loud song, for Norwich or Yorkshire cock, or sell 8/6: J. R., 12, Percy-st., Jarrow-on-Tyne. (209)

TWO 1912 St. Andreasberg Rollers, splendid songsters, day or gaslight, 10/- each; exchange Norwich hens: Roper, Chester-rd., Seven Kings, Essex. (221)

EXCHANGE, 3 good buff 1911 Yorkshire hens, unfed, for Goldfinches, or sell 4/- each; offers: H. McCormack, 95, Gill-st., Blackley, Manchester. (211)

SEVEN cocks, five hens, Border Fancies, cold-room bred, all 1912 birds, 6/- per pair, or 30/- the lot; exchange anything useful: Minikin, Grape-st., Keighley. (220)

PAIR Yorkshires, 7 inch, good stock birds, exchange for two large yellow Norwich hens, or sell, 15/-; approval; yours first: Lloyds, Joincra, Carnarvon. (219)

SALE or exchange pair high-class Yorkshires for Foreign or pair Norwich Canaries, sell 25/-; will give little cash for good birds: Gordon, 46, Seafield, Bathgate. (209)

GIVING up Yorkshires; all my prize strain for sale; also show cages; cash or exchange prize-bred Norwich; approval willingly: Murrell, Printer, Spalding. (222)

FOR sale, three pairs of typical Yorkshires, Canaries, £1 a pair; or exchange for 1911 pullets; approval: J. Meakin, 89, Penny-lane, Heaton Norris, Stockport. (214)

ONE pair colour-fed Norwich, house-moulted Linnet, guaranteed Goldfinch song; exchange Leghorn pullets; sell 15/-: Robinson, Young-st., Haverton Hill, Middlesbrough. (208)

WHAT offers in Canaries, Foreign, or British birds for suit length good tweed, or sell 35/-, or lady's dress length or sell 12/6: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

FOUR buff Norwich hens, one good singing Norwich cock; exchange for a prize-bred yellow Norwich cock, must be good bird, or sell 15/-: Poustie, 8, Dunn-st., Dalmuir, Glasgow. (208)

TWO large unflighted marked Norwich cocks, one yellow, one buff, sell 30/-, or offers, gramophone and records, etc; yours first: Hardman, 39, Wilkinson-st., Nelson, Lancs. (219)

TWO buff Yorkshire cocks, sure winners, exchange for two large green self yellow Norwich hens, or sell, 15/- each; approval; yours first: Jones, 3, Mountain-st., Carnarvon. (219)

THREE yellow Norwich cocks, 4/- each; one yellow and two buff hens, 1/9 each; one buff Yorkshire hen, 2/6; exchange violin music, anything useful: E. Spencer, Melbourne, Derby. (215)

YORKSHIRES, 4 yellow cocks, 1912, two 3rds, vhc, hc, from 8/6; yellow cock, buff hen, 1911, 12/6, 7/6; 3 show cages and case, 6/6; 4 breeders, 9/-; useful exchange: 1, Sussex-rd., Southall. (223)

TWO buff Norwich hens, 1911; 3 cock Goldfinches house moulted, ready for show, also two large cages, Crystal Palace shape, in good condition cheap: Davis, 4, Church-rd., Bedminster, Bristol. (220)

BUFF Yorkshire cock, yellow hen, healthy matched pair, 15/-; exchange musical instrument, anything useful; green Crested hen, 1912, 9/6; exchange good Crest-bred hen: H. Teat, Ancaster, Grantham. (211)

YELLOW piebald Scotch Fancy cock, show cage and case; exchange for pair of Norwich greens or variegated preferred, value £3 10s.; yours first: Robert Houston, 80, Portland-pl., Hamilton, Lanarkshire. (223)

FOUR Norwich hens, four Goldfinch Mule hens, 5/- lot, exchange black hen Bullfinch, 7/-; tame hen Chaffinch, 7/-; second prize large yellow Norwich cock, 7/-: Bowyer, Grocer and Baker, Barnton, near Northwich. (216)

FOUR cocks, four hens, good Norwich; one Linnet; three breeding cages, and spares, £2 5s.; exchange Black Minorca cockerel, hams, portable harmonium, ladies', gent.'s clothing: Bishop, 1, Richardsen-rd., West Ham. (216)

ROLLER Canaries, 1912, perfect health and condition, cold room bred, on good song, exchange good brindle Bull-Mastiff dog, about 12 months, good guard, companion, game, and healthy: Davies, 18, Crown Hill-st., Stourbridge. (211)

THREE pair high-class Yorkshires, 20/-; four-compartment breeding cage, double breeding cage, 10/-; exchange anything useful; pair clapnets, all complete, 10/-; exchange two house-moulted cock Goldfinches: Richard Hill, Belton, Doncaster. (215)

TWELVE pairs high-class Yorkshires, 65/- lot, 6/- pair upwards; 12 cocks, Yorkshire and Norwich cross, 40/-, cash or deposit, or exchange for boy's cycle (age 9 years), or gramophone and records; all strong healthy birds, colour-fed, in outdoor aviary: A. Clifton, 69, Denmark-rd., Northampton. (215)

HAVING sold my first and special hen and first and special yellow cock, have still left 2nd and 3rd winners at Aylesbury, and yellow cock fourth Windsor last week, 15/- each; several cocks at 7/6 each, same strain; half hens, unlighted, from 3/6; cock Bullfinch, winner 2nd Windsor, 10/6, or offers for lot; exchange some for foreigners: Horne, 27, High-st., Aylesbury. (210)

Mainly Foreign.

PAIR Mannikins, cock Silverbill, in cage; exchange pair Canaries, offers, sell 10/-: Hearn, Bottisham Hall, Cambs. (211)

PARROT, 4 years old, new cage, 25/-; exchange 4 pairs Yorkshires: G. White, 122, Great Hampton-row, Birmingham. (222)

QUAKER Parrot, 4th Brechin, acclimatised, and new Parrot's cage, 6/-, cost £1, or exchange: Douglas, Bridge-st., Brechin. (221)

SPLENDID pairs Cut-throats, Waxbills, Senegal Finches, odd bird, thoroughly acclimatised, 20/-; exchange Mules, house moulted British cocks: Hornsby, Bath-st., Oxford. (212)

Miscellaneous.

ANYTHING alive bought or supplied: Pearson, Greenwich. (Q)

HOW to save time, trouble, and money: See Norwich column.

WILL exchange high-class Yorkshires for anything useful: Cheshire, 26, Crawford-st., Bradford. (220)

EXCHANGE best cage fronts, etc., for Budgerigars or Canaries: Mason, 117, Lomax-st., Rochdale. (213)

LADY'S neck fur, new, 10/-; exchange anything useful: Haines, 19, High-st., Aston, Birmingham. (218)

WHAT offers in Foreign birds for two pair lovely White Fantails: Armstrong, Bridge Hill, Kendal. (219)

SANDOW'S grip dumbells, new; exchange Canary, concertina, anything; sell, 8/6: Friar, Fenton, How Mill. (219)

EXCHANGE large metal seed, grit, egg grinder for good Roller cock, sell 12/-: Smith, 5, Earle-st., York. (218)

ASBESTOS gas stove, good condition, 15/6; or exchange anything useful: Hall, 40, Mill Hill-rd., Acton. (222)

IF you have any live stock to sell, Canaries, Goldfinches, Mice, Rats, cash: Foster, 187, Richmond-row, Liverpool. (203)

ALL kinds of British and foreign birds, exchanged for all kinds of dogs: Walter Smith, 98, Tib-st., Manchester.

WHAT offers in Canaries for fox terrier bitch pup, 5 months old, good pedigree: Watts, Grocer, Albert-st., Merthyr. (214)

EXCHANGE high-class pedigree black Pom. bitch, 2 years, for Canaries, value 60/-: Swann, 98, Prescot-st., Liverpool. (214)

WHAT offers in British birds, for 6 years' Hobbies' designs, clean: Geo. H. Hill, Church-lane, Ravenstone, Ashby. (214)

EXCHANGE melodeon, nearly new, for a good fox terrier bitch, or disc records; offers: Ellis, 9, Cheapside, Morecambe. (214)

TOY Yorkshire terrier bitch, good coat, lady's pet, 30/-; exchange birds; approval: Scapens, 28, Parkrd., Upton Park. (221)

NEW pair gent.'s boxcalf boots, size 8, cost 12/6, for Canaries, British: Baker, 17, Govan Drive, Alexandria, Scotland. (224)

EXCHANGE set iron shod cricket stumps for 1912 buff Yorkshire hen: Fowler, 140, Dunstans-rd., East Dulwich, S.E. (222)

EXCHANGE fine pair black pigmy Pouters for good Thrush on song, bird first: Shermau, 23, Nelson-rd., Dovercourt, Essex. (219)

PAIR clap nets, staffs, pegs, etc., four small hedge nets; exchange anything: E. Sadler, 7, St. Michealster., Wood Green. (218)

FOR sale, two unshown racing homers, sure winners, sell 10/-, or exchange: A. Rimes, Briands Villa, Farcet, Peterboro'. (214)

EXCHANGE 3 new Linnet cages, spirit level, good make, for Norwich hen buff: 19, Langley Avenue, Hebers, Middleton.

EXCHANGE miniature rifle, 22 bore, for pair of Rollers, or anything in model line: F. Bontoft, Market Hall, Louth. (211)

PEDIGREE wire fox terrier dog, pup, should win, £1; or exchange two Rollers: 201, Chester-rd., Hulme, Manchester. (217)

PAIR brand new inner tubes, cost 10/-; exchange Linnet Mule, Linnet song: Measures, Grocer, 112, Wheat st., Leicester. (205)

NEARLY new Edison Gem phonograph, 20 records, big brass horn, 35/-; part exchange: Eades, 16, Waterloo-st., Tipton. (215)

EXCHANGE twice h.m. cock Linnet, and pair opera glasses, for clear Norwich buff cock: Whittle, 7, Junction-st., Barnsley. (214)

EXCHANGE 15 gramophone records for Canaries, or cock Goldfinches, or sell 13/-: W. Greenough, 18, Nowell-st., Sheffield. (213)

EXCHANGE for young Canaries, Astral safety razor with 3 blades; also Rex patent strop: Beach, Monn west., Monmouth. (212)

EXCHANGE, Yorkshire terrier pup, 8 weeks, for 1 pair good Norwich; yours first: Jas. McGhie, 46, Millo-st., Larkhall, N.B. (194)

SPLENDID pair cycle tyres, exchange for cock Goldfinch Mule, Finch notes; yours first: Algar, Beaconsfield-rd., Sparkbrook, Birmingham. (221)

EXCHANGE gent's silver English lever, almost new, 35/-; new all-wool blankets, £1: Walters, Hathaway-st., Marshill, Glasgow. (220)

EXCHANGE two pairs of long distance flying homers for pair Budgerigars, sell 7/6: Kinnersley, Pilot st., West Hartlepool. (219)

COME see beautiful old clock, perfect, case alone worth 10/-; carriage paid 7/6; exchange anything: Mann, Wellington, Durham. (221)

REAL good show cage and case, exchange good singing Mule or Canary: W. Weatherill, 141, Burbank-st., West Hartlepool. (213)

OFFERS in Canaries; exchange silver Waltham lever watch, sell 25/-; good timekeeper: Drummond, 15, Hutchison-st., Glasgow. (208)

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Club Reports.

TREDEGAR AND DIST. C.B.S.

Meeting held Nov. 7, at the Silver Grill. Mr. E. Powell in the chair. There was a good attendance to discuss business of forthcoming open show, Jan. 2, 1913. Classification was approved as follows:—Crests 2, Nor. 7 (2 Nov.), Yorks. 7 (2 Nov.), Bord. 2, Brit. 6 (1 for hens), Mules 1, For. 1, Sell. 2, Members 1. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, of Liverpool, will judge. We hope fanciers will support our first venture. W. B. Watkins, Sec.

EDINBURGH WESTERN O.S.

Annual meeting held in Riego St. Hall, Nov. 7, the president, Mr. D. Burgess, presiding over a good gathering of members. The balance sheet for 1911-1912 showed the club to be in a very satisfactory condition, there being a balance to carry over to next year. The auditors reported everything in good order, and the balance sheet was unanimously approved. The following officials were duly elected for next year:—Hon. pres., Mr. C. Lyell, M.P.; hon. vice-pres., Mr. D. B. Campbell; pres., Mr. T. Ballantine; vice-pres., Mr. D. Burgess; sec. and treas., Mr. C. Grant; committee, Messrs. G. Cockburn, J. Reid; auditors, Messrs. J. Bowman, J. Prondfoot. The retiring officials received a very hearty vote of thanks.—Charles Grant, Sec., 54, Eyre Place.

NATIONAL GREEN-MARKED Y.C.C

Meeting held Oct. 12, at the Manningham Show. Mr. W. A. Cowgill presided over a well attended meeting. The following were elected members: Mr. S. Midgley, C. E. Hall, O. Atkinson, J. Harney. A letter was read from Mr. J. W. Ramsden, manager of the Palace Show, saying that his committee had decided to provide only three classes for green marked Yorks., viz., two classes for C.M. cocks, and one for G.M. hens (yellows and buffs). The letter was fully considered, and it was decided that if the Palace Committee cannot provide the four classes, we shall be reluctantly compelled to withdraw our patronage from the show. Since the above meeting I have written Mr. Ramsden, and he has replied saying that his committee cannot provide the four classes, so will members please note that the patronage of the N.G.M.Y.C.C. will not be at the Palace 1913.—E. Clegg, Hon. Sec. and Treas.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Meeting held Nov. 9. Mr. J. Farrer presided over a good attendance. Business in connection with open show on Jan. 17 and 18 was before the meeting, and it was decided to give a cash special to every class. It is hoped also to give a special to every section. The classification for members was considered; agreed to give 28 classes, making a total of 68 classes. Tickets are now ready, and I hope every member will consider it his duty to sell as many as possible. Messrs. Hunt and J. Riseborough will give 5s. to the person selling the largest number. I am now preparing the schedule, and will be glad to know what specials and subscriptions are promised. Prospects for our show are very favourable, but it depends upon every individual member doing his utmost to make it a success. There are some members' subscriptions still unpaid, which should have been paid by July. Please let me have them. Next meeting, Nov. 23, when we have further show business to consider. Please attend.—J. Jeffrey, Sec.

NORTHERN BORDER & S.F.C.C.

Meeting and table show, held Nov. 4, at Pillar's Cafe, Mr. W. Smith in the chair. A grand entry of 46 birds was made, this being a record. It was proposed that Mr. Duncan be asked to judge our pair show, to be held after the turn of the year. Mr. Greenwell moved, Mr. J. Craig seconded, that a table show be held at our next meeting. Mr. T. Chapman to be asked to judge champion section, and Mr. J. Craig the novices. The winners at the table show were: Class 1: 1, 4, Smith; 2, Montgomery; 3, Johnston; vhc, Espie. Class 2: 1, Montgomery; 2, Johnston; 3, Smith; 4, Craig. Class 3: 1, Greenwell; 2, vhc, Johnston; 3, c, Montgomery; 4, Smith; vhc, Craig. Class 4: 1, hc, Johnston; 2, vhc, Montgomery; 3, 4, c, Greenwell. NOV.: Class 5: 1, Snaith; 2, Smith; 3, Beaver; 4, Affleck. Class 6: 1, 2, Beaver; 3, Smith; 4, Wilson; vhc, Affleck; hc, Snaith. Class 7: 1, Wilson; 2, Smith; 3, 4, Snaith; vhc, Affleck. Class 8: 1, 2, Affleck; 3, Beevor; 4, Smith; vhc, hc, Reed. A hearty vote of thanks accorded to the judge, Mr. C. Farrer, concluded one of the best meetings the society has ever had.—M. C. Potts.

NORTHERN YORKSHIRE C.B.S.

Meeting and table show held Oct. 30. Mr. Cattell was elected to the chair, while Mr. Crawhall was occupied in judging the birds. Mr. Kennerson, of Sunderland, and Mr. McCarthy, Newcastle, were elected members. The table show was very poorly supported, champion section bringing two entries only, while the novices did not come up to their usual numbers. This may be accounted for by the fact that we are in the thick of the open show competitions, and members do not care to risk bringing out the birds at night. It was decided that we provide novice classes only at our next table show, Nov. 20. Mr. Cattell to judge. Our president, Mr. Crawhall, will give 2s. 6d. for best bird, as an inducement to members to make a good entry. Special attention of members is directed to our next meeting, when the question of Ramsden's special will come up for discussion, as through oversight, same was not judged for at Blaydon show. Awards:—CHAMP., HEN: 1, 2, Dix. NOV., OLD BIRD: 1, Miley; 2, Willis; 3, Cattell. UNFLIG.: 1, Cattell; 2, Birrell; 3, Willis. HEN: 1, 2, Smith; 3, Cattell; 4, Birrell; vhc, Miley.—R. Tindale.

LOANHEAD C.B.S.

Financial meeting, held in Mason's Arms, Nov. 9, Mr. A. Jardine, President, in the chair. Balance sheet was read, which showed a balance of £10 2s. 2½d. for prize-money. It was agreed to pay 2s. per class, after which a balance is left in favour of the society of £1 7s. 3½d. The President congratulated the local committee and secretary for the grand progress the society was making. Looking back for six years, since the society was started, they had always paid at the rate of 6s. per class, and at the same time made up a cup fund, from which they were able this year to buy two new cups, and he was sure, with the same careful management, it would still improve. Prize money was then paid to members present. The Secretary informed the members of the very sad loss that Mr. R. H. Douglas, one of our local members, had sustained, one of his sons (Robert) dying suddenly. The members expressed their sympathy with Mr. and Mrs. Douglas, and instructed the secretary to write the sorrowing parents. New members admitted: Messrs. Watt, Moffat, Burns, Musselburgh, J. Sterling, A. Ketchen, Bonnyrigg, and Geo. Greig, Penicuik.—W. B. Smart, Secretary.

METROPOLITAN C.B.A.

Show report has a mistake in the winner of the British cup; it is Mr. Cross and Mr. Hall the runner up. Champ. cup, Mrs. Thynne, runner-up Mr. Sebbs. Novice cup, Mr. Burgess; runner-up, Mrs. Denham. Woods and Co., special; Mrs. Thynne, Mr. Stamper's special, Mrs. Thynne.—G. Denham, Hon. Sec.

PONTYPRIDD F. & F. SOCIETY.

Meeting at Victoria Hotel, Saturday, Nov. 16th, 7.30 p.m. Fanciers wishing to join should attend, when they will participate in reduced entries, the numerous money specials, and also the Federation specials. The show of Dec. 4 is under the patronage of the Welsh Cage Bird Club, and the cage birds will be staged in the commodious and comfortable Long Room, kindly sanctioned by Mr. W. C. Hinchley.—A. A. Gordon McLucas.

DERWENT VALLEY.

Meeting held Nov. 9th, at 19, High Westwood. Mr. Barkess in the chair; moderate attendance of members. Business in connection with our open show; open prize-money all paid. Specials and a members' classes settled. Members' prize-money lies over till we see how draw turns out. Will members please make every endeavour to make the latter as great a success as possible, and bring all duplicates and unsold tickets to our next meeting, December 7th.—Lindsay and Marsh.

MUSSELBURGH O.S.

Meeting held Nov. 8th, when the various specials were allotted. Mr. J. Steel, Dalkeith, acting for Mr. J. Evans, jun., handed over the handsome cup presented by that popular amusement caterer, to the society, to be awarded to the member who exhibits the best insectivorous British bird. Mr. Evans was accorded a most hearty vote of thanks, Mr. J. Currie coupling with same Mr. Steel. Schedules have been posted to all known fanciers. Any fancier having been overlooked can have one by applying to my address at 101, High-st., Musselburgh.—W. Nisbet, Sec.

HALTWHISTLE AND DIS. C.B.S.

Meeting held Nov. 11, Mr. G. H. Bowerbank in the chair; fairly good attendance. The principal business was to arrange final details for open show, Nov. 22 and 23, and everything is now in splendid order, the main thing now being for exhibitors to rally round us and let us have a thumping entry. Several of our members are sacrificing one and two days from their work, so exhibitors may rest content that their exhibits will be well cared for. Will members please let us have their entries early? This will greatly facilitate our work on the last few days.—Nicholson and Tallantyre, Hon. Secs.

VALE OF LEVEN C.B.C.

Monthly meeting, held in Village School Room, Alexandria, Nov. 7, President Hannah in the chair. Secretary submitted estimate for catalogue, which was agreed to. Hon. Vice-pres. Bell intimated that Mr. W. E. Gilmour had consented to present the prizes (which will number over 100), at 4 p.m. Secretary intimated 20s. each from Col. Brock and W. E. Gilmour, Esff., 10s. each Messrs. P. Denney, A. A. Allen, M.P., and 5s. from Mrs. Leffer Smallet, and expected others. Stewards were appointed for show, and other arrangements having been gone into, the meeting adjourned until Monday, when the various specials will be halloted, each class receiving an equal share.—A. H. McLean.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

Fortnightly meeting held on Nov. 11, at the Church Institute, Paddington Street, Mr. W. A. Shepherd in the chair, Mr. Dickinson, Hon. Sec., and 27 members present. Various correspondence was read, and further specials for annual show announced as received from Mrs. Parry and Miss Edith Higgins. The gift of a silver challenge cup for competition in British classes was also received from Mrs. Page in memory of her late husband, Mr. W. Page, who was one of the most active workers in the Association. A very hearty vote of thanks was passed to the donors for their handsome gifts. Result of Yorks. judging competition was announced, but there being no many ties for the medals, final settlement was adjourned till next meeting. A washing competition then took place, for which there were four competitors, Messrs. W. Knight, Kelly, Pooley and Stiles. After a very interesting display the final judge, Mr. Oldaker, announced that Mr. W. Knight was first and Mr. Kelly second, and gave his reasons for arriving at that decision. Members plied Mr. Oldaker with questions, and his replies gave many useful hints, gained by his long experience. Very hearty thanks were accorded him for his services, and with a vote of thanks to the Chairman the meeting closed. —Fred Thynne, Assist. Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

Monthly meeting, held headquarters, Nov. 5th, Mr. T. Dawn presiding. There was a good attendance of members. We had a great draw, viz., a lecture on the Yorkshire Canary, by W. Mundell, Esq., of Bradford (this able lecturer always has a good following). Mr. Mundell was in his usual jolly mood, and took us through every stage of the Yorkshire Canary. He based his remarks on his own practical experience, and everyone present heartily enjoyed the discourse, and expressed their appreciation of the knowledge gained. I heard it whispered that "Pa" likes to visit Sheffield, as he can always rely upon having a good time. One little bit of business was brought forward respecting the clashing of dates of our members' show on December 7th with the Bradford National. The matter was left in the hands of the committee to see if they could rebook hall and judge. (This has now been done, vide "Twitterings.)—A. T. Woodall.

READING AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Palmer's Hall, Nov. 6, before a fair attendance. Some details of the cup competition were settled, after which Mr. G. H. Acton kindly gave a paper on foreign birds and their management. At the outset he emphasised that to keep them in good condition they should have thorough cleanliness and attention in all respects. Time would not permit of going through all the species, so he proposed to confine himself to the smaller varieties and give another paper on the larger foreign at another time. Then he gradually worked up from the smallest to the Cardinals, illustrating his remarks as he went along by pointing out the birds on coloured plates, which made it very interesting. Being at once hardy, inexpensive, and easy to keep, it is a pity more fanciers do not go in for them. Either in cage or aviary, they are most attractive in appearance and interesting in their habits. At the shows it is safe to find the most crowded part of the room is the foreign section. Mr. Acton had evidently taken a lot of trouble over this paper, and tried his best to make it interesting, but the scanty interest in it taken by the members present will not encourage him to try again. Prospects for the annual show on Nov. 20 are good, and we anticipate a good entry. This being the first time we have had open foreign classes, we trust that fanciers living in this district will patronise us in good numbers.—W. H. Pyke, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE AND LIZARD F.A.

The following is a list of points gained by members of L. and L.F.A. at Manchester, Sheffield, and Nottingham shows in Lancashires; and Manchester, Grantham, Sheffield, and Nottingham, in Lizards:—Lancashires—Champion: G. Fitton 65 points, A. Hordern 55, J. Garner 24, Maitland and Vickers 14, W. Ridgard 14, N. Stansfield 7, J. Swalwell 3; novice: W. Kay 43 points. Lizards—Champion: E. Ogerenshaw 98 points, F. Hamer 85, J. Rokin 84, W. P. Barnes 62, Joe Hampshire 11, Barker Clegg 13, N. Stansfield 9; novice: C. F. Bosworth 10 points, E. Lord 7. Ramsden's special: Manchester—John Rukin, 2 points; Grantham—John Rukin, 2 points; Sheffield—W. P. Barnes, 1 point.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, held Nov. 7th, Mr. T. C. Crawhall in the chair. A vote of thanks was accorded the chairman, show manager, secretary, assistant secretary, and stewards for the splendid way the show was carried out. Mr. Crawhall, Mr. Atkinson, and secretary responded. Will members please note that tickets for social and dance in Co-operative Hall on Dec. 18th are 1s. 6d. each; they will be issued shortly. Let us endeavour to make this a huge success. Time, 7.30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Messrs. Potts, Atkinson, Curry and Patterson were appointed committee for social. There will be a committee meeting of the society on Nov. 28th, when I hope to be able to give an account of our late show, which has been a success financially.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

Singing Contests.

LEEDS.

Contest for quality held at Old Bird House, King's Head, Shannon Street, Nov. 9, when 14 birds sang for three good prizes given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson. 1, Stead; 2, Wigfield; 3, Chadwick. Judges: S. Hardcastle, W. Naylor. Also Nov. 10, when 18 birds sang for three prizes. 1, Butler; 2, Wigfield; 3, Stead. Judges, A. Jennings, S. Hardcastle, W. Naylor. Open contest will be held at the above house, Nov. 16, when our host will give three good prizes. First pair hung 2 p.m.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Usual weekly Linnet singing contest, held Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, Nov. 10, when 20 birds competed for 3 good prizes. Result: 1, Clark; 2, Bamforth; 3, shared by P. Madden and J. Clark. Judges, Messrs. Turner and Soloman.—J. Smith, Sec.

Linnet singing contest, Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe, Leeds, Nov. 9. 1, Sellers; 2, Tomlinson; 3, Chadwick. Judges: Grainger and Loriman. Linnet contest, Nov. 10. 1, 2, Hullan; 3, Chippendale. Judges, Grainger and Loriman. Meeting will be held Nov. 17, at 8, for the members of the Canary Club.—C. W. Smith, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

The Pontefract Linnet Club held an open show on November 9, of housemoulted Linnets. A very good entry was made, and the quality was excellent. The winners were: 1, T. Jones, Pontefract; 2, W. Nelson, Castleford; 3, A. Longfield; 4, P. Wilson, a good runner-up. Mr. A. Towler, of Castleford, acted as judge, and carried out his duties in a very satisfactory manner, everybody being pleased with his work. This club will start with its weekly club and open contests on first Saturday in Dec., and will all and intending members please make a note of this and rally round us.—W. Beard, Sec.

LITTLEBOROUGH C.B.S.

Members' show held Nov. 9, in the Parish Church School, Littleborough. LANCS. P.H. (3): 1, Woodhead; 2, Webster; 3, Fielding. LANCS. COPPY (2): 1, Crossley; 2, Fielding. YORKS., YELL. (4): 1, Hartley; 2, 4, Crossley; 3, Low and Johnson. BUFF (5): 1, Hartley; 2, 4, Crossley; 3, Walkden; vhc, Bamford. YORKS. YELL., UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Webster; 3, Tonks; 4, vhc, Crossley. BUFF: 1, Low and Johnson; 2, Walkden; 3, 4, Crossley. YORKS. HEN (13): 1, 2, Crossley; 3, Walkden; 4, Lanyon; vhc, Bamford; hc, Bamford; c, Low and Johnson. NOR. YELL.: 1, Cheetham; 2, Howarth; 3, Hartley; 4, Walkden. BUFF: 1, Howarth; 2, Cheetham; 3, Hartley; 4, Windle. UNFLIG. BUFF: 1, Hartley; 2, Howarth; 3, Cheetham. NOR., HEN: 1, Bamford; 2, Cheetham; 3, Hartley; 4, Lanyon; vhc, Hartley. CREST: 1, Fielding; 2, Woodward. C.B.: 1, Fielding; 2, Woodhead. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Hartley; 2, Fielding; 3, Lanyon; 4, vhc, Tonks. BRIT.: 1, Woodhead; 2, 3, Windle; 4, Hartley; vhc, Cheetham. Specials most points in show, J. R. Crossley; in novices, J. W. Fielding.

BRADFORD EAST.

The 4th show was held at Park Chapel Schools, October 29th. Messrs. L. Dykes, Bolton Woods, and R. Croft, Girlington, officiated as judges. 177 birds. Competition was very keen throughout. Messrs. W. Stables, F. Allen, B. Hill, J. Farrar, Taylor Bros., S. Midgley, C. Hardaker, S. Binns, A. Newbould, and G. R. Rushworth were successful in winning most points in their respective sections. The judges' awards gave every satisfaction.

CHAMP.—CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. (5): 1, Hill; 2, Riley Bros.; 3, Northrop; 4, Walker; vhc, Cruise. BUFF (8): 1, Farrar; 2, 4, Hill; 3, vhc, White; hc, c, Allen. EVEN. ETC., MKD. (10): 1, Hill; 2, Allen; 3, Stables; 4, c, Farrar; vhc, White; hc, Riley Bros. UNFLIG. YELL. (7): 1, hc, Allen; 2, Walker; 3, Stables; 4, Cruise; vhc, Walker; c, E. Riley. BUFF (11): 1, 3, Stables; 2, 4, Northrop; vhc, hc, Riley Bros.; c, Farrar. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (12): 1, 3, Stables; 2, Allen; 4, White; vhc, Laycock; hc, Northrop; c, Hill. BUFF (16): 1, 2, 4, vhc, Stables; 3, Allen; hc, Farrar; c, Walker. EVEN. ETC., MKD. HEN (8): 1, vhc, Allen; 2, c, Laycock; 3, White; 4, hc, Farrar. NOVICE.—CL. OR TKD. YELL. (10): 1, Metcalfe; 2, Hargreaves; 3, Midgley; 4, Gornall; vhc, Wroe; hc, Myers and Lightowler; c, Rhodes. BUFF (11): 1, Midgley; 2, Myers and Lightowler; 3, Rhodes; 4, c, Wroe; vhc, Binns; hc, Woad. EVEN. ETC., MKD. (9): 1, 3, Woad; 2, vhc, hc, c, Binns; 4, Hardaker. UNFLIG. YELL. (9): 1, Binns; 2, 3, Hardaker; 4, Taylor Bros.; vhc, Midgley; hc, Woad; c, Rushworth. BUFF (7): 1, Taylor Bros.; 2, 4, Hardaker; 3, Midgley; vhc, c, Woad; hc, Rushworth. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (16): 1, 2, c, Taylor Bros.; 3, Midgley; 4, vhc, Binns; hc, Wroe. BUFF (1.): 1, Midgley; 2, Binns; 3, Sutcliffe; 4, Taylor Bros.; vhc, Greeson; hc, Myers and Lightowler; c, Rhodes. EVEN. ETC., MKD. HEN (4): 1, 3, Binns; 2, Hardaker; 4, Hargreaves. EXTRA NOVICE SECTION.—COCK (3): 1, Newbould; 2, 3, Morrell and Harper. HEN (4): 1, 2, Newbould; 3, 4, Morrell and Harper.—B. Hill, Sec.

ROUND THE SHOWS.

SWANSEA.

Record Entry in Yorkshires; 166 in Nine Classes; Good Management; Wonderful Quality.

12th annual show held Nov. 13th and 14th, at Workingmen's Club and Institute. A splendid schedule was issued by the society, and exhibitors responded by making a grand entry. The staging was carried out on similar lines to former years, two tiers high, neatly covered with red baize. Good wide passages were allowed, so that without the least inconvenience a good view of the wonderful array of exhibits was obtainable. This part of the arrangement was in the capable hands of Mr. Phil Jenkins, who at the last moment undertook the duties of show manager in the unavoidable absence of Mr. J. E. Jeffreys, and we must congratulate him on the able way he discharged his duties, without the slightest hitch occurring. In Mr. S. H. George the society have an ideal secretary, who simply revels in hard work, and much of the success of the show is due to him. The assistant secretary, Mr. W. H. Jenkins, is another splendid worker, and appeared to know exactly what to do and when to do it. He got through a lot of work in splendid fashion. The society have as their president F. Rocke, Esq., who has for years proved a good friend to them, and is well supported by a goodly number of influential vice-presidents. Mr. W. J. Bancroft, the popular old Rugby International full back, is the head of the working committee, and is well supported by the vice-chairman, Mr. D. J. Jenkins, and committee: Messrs. J. H. Ford, J. W. Ford, J. Gay, J. Mock, J. Steer, P. Jenkins, J. Hocking, and D. A. S. Longden. Norwich were a grand lot, very level in quality, and some fine teams were put down by Messrs. Jeremy, Lohr, Collier, Redwood, George, and others. Special for best Norwich was won by Mr. D. Jeremy's variegated buff. Yorks. were a wonderful collection, several sets of winners in most of the classes, and gave the judge a difficult task. This section was the feature of the show:—20 variegyell. cocks, 21 variegyell. hens, 26 buff hens, 30 unflighted yell., and 20 unflighted buffs. The chief spoils fell to Messrs. Ogden Bros., Knight, Hawes Bros., Crisp, Green, and Sutcliffe and Sons. Borders were well to the fore, some real stormers being staged by Messrs. D. Jenkins, Eley, Allen, Smith, Hocking, Sampson, and Johnston. Mules and Hybrids were a wonderful collection, and quite a show in themselves. Messrs. Martin and Archer winning the special for best in section with their clear Linnet Mule, "Perfection," in a class which contained probably the best Canary-Bullie living, also the noted clear Greenie-Canary. The chief awards in the section went to Messrs. Archer and Martin, Shellam, and J. J. Rees. British were a very level lot, some noted winners putting in an appearance, Messrs. Jeffreys, Bancroft, Marley, Sam Jones, Heal, and Ford, putting down some good teams. The judges were: Canaries, Mr. J. Robson; Hybrids and Brit., Mr. J. F. Dewar.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Jeremy, good bold bird, lovely head and neck, nicely rounded chest, good wings and tail, grand col.; 2, Brown, nice size and shape, good sound head, loses breast; 3, George, good size, shape, col., nice round head, well filled neck, crosses wings at times; 4, Hitchings, nice type, qual., and col., good position; vhc, Mabbet; hc, Sheldon; c, Folwell. BUFF: 1, Mrs. Lohr, topper, grand size, lovely shape, col., and qual., grand head and neck, neat wings; 2, Sheldon, good size and shape, neat wings and tail; 3, Thomas, lovely col. and qual., grand wing carriage, not quite substance of 2nd, still some thought might have changed places; 4, Chedgey, lovely type and qual., good head, neck, nice wings, and tail, in A1 order; vhc, Sheldon; hc, Capt. Collier; c, D. R. Jones. TKD., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, Capt. Collier, griz. mkd., wonderful size, qual., and col., nicely balanced wings and tail; 2, Redwood, variegy., good col. and qual., nice wings and tail, loses substance to leader; 3, Chedgey, griz. mkd., lovely col. and qual., grand type, nice wing carr.; 4, Collier, wing mkd., good col., neat head and neck, good substance, lovely qual.; vhc, George; hc, Thomas; c, Davies. BUFF (7): 1, Jeremy, variegy., grand size, good col. and qual., neat wings and tail; 2, Folwell, cl., wonderful substance, good head and neck, neatly balanced wings and tail; 3, 4, vhc, George, cl. leading, good type and qual., neat head and neck, loses trifle substance, 4th eye tkd., nice type and qual., not the col. of leaders; hc, Reilly; c, Mabbet. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Jeremy, lovely lady, good size, shape, col., and qual., beautiful wing carr.; 2, Garland, good col. and qual., nice head and neck, loses substance to leader; 3, Folwell, nice size, shape, qual., and condition, not quite the col. of 2nd; 4, Jenkins, nice qual., rather soft when we took notes; vhc, hc, Sheldon; c, Thomas. BUFF (24): Wonderful class; 1, F. A. Redwood, variegy., big bodied buff, evenly mealed, good rich ground, lovely qual., neat wings and tail; 2, Powell, cl., close up, lovely type and qual., good head and neck, nice wings and tail; 3, George, another topper, cl., grand head and neck, nicely balanced wings and tail, good qual. and condition; 4, Jeremy, variegy., bouncer, grand type and qual., neat head and neck; vhc, Steere; hc, Tedstone; c, Crowley. UNFLIG. YELL. (14): 1, Chedgey, cl., grand substance, neat head; 2, Palmer, grand head and neck, lovely wing carriage, leader trifle more substance; 3, Hitchings, cl., grand head and neck, neat wings and tail, loses trifle col. to leader; 4, vhc, Tedstone, another good one, well filled neck, neat wings and tail; hc, W. Palmer; c, Hitchings. BUFF (12): 1, Jones, cl., wonderful substance, grand qual. and col., nicely braced wings, neat tail; 2, Follwell, cl., lovely col. and qual., well filled neck, beautiful wing carriage; 3, Redwood, variegy., grand col. and qual., good front, neat wings and tail; 4, George, cl., grand type and qual., neat head and neck, well braced wings; vhc, Brown; hc, Pope; c, Hitchings. NON-FED (11): 1, 3, Tedstone, two cl. buffs, good size and shape, nicely moulded, neat wings and tail; 2, Thomas, variegy., good type and qual., neat head and neck, well filled chest; 4, Pope, cl. buff, good size, neat qual., loses trifle wing carriage; vhc, Steck; hc, Palmer; c, George. YORKS. CL. YELL. (14): 1, Ogden Bros., beauty, grand col. and qual., neat wings and tail, good position; 2, Mock, splendid carriage, very nervy, grand type, good wings and tail, well up on leg; 3, Crisp, good length, splendid carriage, well up on leg, lovely qual.; 4, c, Hawes Bros., very slim, nice head, shoulders, good length, well up on leg; vhc, Knight; hc, Sutcliffe and Son. BUFF (13): 1, Knight, good head, neck, and shoulders, well filled back, neat wings and tail, nice length; 2, Easterling and Carson, grand length, straight as a rush, neat head and neck, staged well; 3, hc, Hawes Bros., beauty for length and position, straight as a gun barrel, well up on leg; 4, Steer, hardly so good head as the others, grand length, good position, neat wings and tail; vhc, Smith; c, Mock. VARIEG. YELL. (20): A hot class, several sets of winners here: 1, Hawes Bros., wonderful col. and qual., grand length, stands like a major, a beauty; 2, Pritchard, variegy., neat head and neck, well filled back, good wings and tail, stands well; 3, Rorke, variegy., another good one, well up on leg, good straight back, neat wings and tail; 4, Thomas, tkd., grand col. and qual., well up on leg, nicely rounded head, good neck, wings, and tail; vhc, Crisp; hc, Mock; c, Ogden Bros. BUFF (15): 1, Crisp, variegy., grand length, good straight back, nice type, stands well; 2, Mock, cl., straight as a rush, well braced wings, neat tail, nice leg; 3, Smith, variegy., well up on leg, good straight back, in grand condition; 4, Ogden Bros., variegy., good head and neck, neat wings and tail, lovely qual.; vhc, Towers; hc, Sutcliffe and Son; c, Dyke. YELL. HEN (21): Another hot class; a hard job to separate winners: 1, 2, Crisp, cl., wonderful length, qual. and position, good head, neat wings and tail, 2nd another cl., close up, grand type and qual., neat head and neck, nice position; 3, Knight, variegy., another topper, straight back, good leg, nice position, type, and qual.; 4, Hawes Bros., cl., close up, grand type and qual., neat head, wings, and tail, tip top order; vhc, Dykes; hc, Mock; c, Easterling and Carson. BUFF (26): Several sets of winners in this class: 1, 3, Hawes Bros., variegy., beautiful style and position, neat head and neck, grand qual., lovely wings and tail, 3rd wing mkd., very sweet, beautiful type and finish, well braced wings and tail; 2, Towers, tkd., grand length, good head and neck, nicely rounded, well up on leg; 4, Ogden Bros., trifle paler than leaders, still a beauty, grand length, nicely braced wings, neat head and neck; vhc, Smith; hc, Whitley; c, Knight. UNFLIG. YELL. (20): Marvellous class for numbers and quality: 1, Green, cl., grand length, neat head and neck, nicely braced wings, straight as a rush; 2, Towers, cl., close up, grand position, nice length, neat head, neck, wings, and tail; 3, Ogden Bros., variegy., another topper, stands well, good back, wings, and tail, neat head and neck; 4, Sutcliffe and Sons, wing mkd., grand length, good head and neck, nicely braced wings, stands like a guardsman; vhc, Greyshon; hc, Rorke; c, Mock. BUFF (20): A hot lot: 1, Sutcliffe and Son, cl., good head and neck, neat shoulders, good straight back, nicely balanced wings and tail; 2, Rorke, cl., close up, neat head and grand position, lovely qual., good leg; 3, Mock, variegy., another good one, neat wings and tail, nice length, stands well; 4, Thomas, cl., well up on leg, good head, neck, and shoulders, well braced wings, grand qual; vhc, Easterling and Carson; hc, Phillips; c, Whitley. NAT. COL. (7): 1, 3, Wilcox, two very neat exhibits, well staged; 2, East, buff, good size, col., and qual.; 4, Ley, tkd., well up on leg, good back; vhc, Ley; hc, Jones; c, Williams. BORD., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (8): 1, D. Jenkins, cl., lovely condition, grand type, feathered like wax, a topper; 2, 4, Sampson, two gems, leader grand col. and qual., neat wings and tail, latter close up, grand type and qual.; 3, Mugford, cl., beautiful feather, nice type; vhc, D. Jenkins; hc, Richards; c, Ford. BUFF (12): 1, Eley, lovely col., very level, grand shape, sweet head and neat, good back, neat wings and tail; 2, D. Jenkins, close up, grand shape and qual., neat head and neck, nicely balanced wings; 3, Lloyd, cl., neat model, nice col. and qual., good wings and tail; 4, E. M. Evans, cl., trifle slimmer, good head and neck, neat wings and tail, lovely qual.; vhc, Mugford; hc, Sanders; c, Sampson. YELL. HEN (14): 1, Allen, cl., grand col. and qual., lovely feather, sweet head and neck, beautifully carried wings and tail; 2, 3, D. Jenkins, a pair of gems, neat head and neck, sweet shape, grand col., qual., and condition;; 4, vhc, Lloyd, lovely col. and qual., neat head and neck, well braced wings, good type; hc, E. M. Evans; c, Sampson. BUFF (21): Wonderful class for quality: 1, 2, D. Jenkins, cl., a real swell, feathered like a Java, grand wings and tail, beautiful type and qual., 2nd close up, hard to separate, neat wings and tail, good sound col.; 3, Pepperell, cl., another topper, grand type and qual., not quite the finish of leaders; 4, Mugford, cl., lovely condition, good wings and tail, nicely moulded; vhc, Eley; hc, Jenkins; c, Sampson. VARIEG. YELL. (10): 1, Smith, variegy., lovely type, neatly carried wings and tail, nice head and neck; 2, D. Jenkins, tkd., a topper, feathered like boxwood, grand head and neck, neat wings and tail; 3, Dr. Laurie, variegy., very neat, nice head and neck, loses trifle wing carriage to leaders; 4, E. M. Evans, variegy., nicely moulded, good full head and neck, neat wings and tail; vhc, W. J. Jenkins; hc, J. H. Richards; c, Morris. BUFF (16): 1, D. Jenkins, cinn. variegy., a little model, feathered like wax, wonderful polish, grand type; 2, Hocking, another cinn. mkd., grand qual., neat head and neck, nice wings and tail; 3, c, Copham, nice type and quality, well braced wings, neat tail; 4, H. Jenkins, close up, nice shape, neat wings and tail; lovely condition; vhc, C. M. Evans; hc, Hughes, CINN. (15): 1, Hocking, a little gem, grand level col., neat head and neck, good wings and tail; 2, Middleton, good qual., neat wings, nicely moulded, loses trifle col. to leader; 3, hc, C. P. Jenkins, very neat, nice head and neck, well balanced wings and tail; 4, Jeremiah, good col. and qual., nice type, neat wings and tail; vhc, Allen. GREEN YELL (13): 1, Sampson, lovely grass green, neat head and neck, nicely balanced wings and tail; 2, Allen, close up, not quite so rich col., grand qual., and condition; 3, Richards, neat head and neck, nice type and col.; 4, Phil Jenkins, good col. and qual., neat head and neck, loses trifle wing carriage; vhc, Hocking; hc, Johnston; c, William. BUFF (7): 1, Ford, grand type qual. and col., neat head and neck, well braced wings; 2, Johnston, good col. and qual., nice type, lovely condition; 3, Allen, nice head and neck, well carried wings, neat tail; 4, Hocking, good col., qual., well balanced; vhc, D. Williams; hc, H. G. Williams; c, Middleton. HEN (10): 1, Johnston, a beauty, grand type and qual., neat head and neck, well balanced wings and tail; 2, 4, Hocking, pair of good ones, close up, neat carriage, grand type and qual.; 3, Phil Jenkins, wee gem, grand col. and qual., nicely braced wings, good head and neck; vhc, J. H. Ford; hc, W. J. Jenkins; c, Hughes. A.O.V. (6): 1, vhc, J. H. Jones, well-known foul green Scots Fancy, in tip-top order; 2, Hocking, E.M. Bord., grand type and qual., lovely condition; 3, Pope, yell. Cinn., wonderful col. and qual., trifle slim; 4, Lohr, Buff Belgian, very neat, gets into position quickly; hc, Lohr. MULE, CL. TKD., ETC.: 1, sp., best Hybrid, Martin and Archer, cl. Lin.-Can., "Perfection," first time shown in Wales, often described, a wonder; 2, Ramsden's sp., Shellam, noted Can.-Bullie, grand size, wonderful col., qual., a close race; 3, Shellam, cl. Greenie-Goldie, often described, lovely size, shape, col. and qual.; 4, Martin and Archer, cl. Goldie, grand size, shape, col. and qual., hard lines to meet three such toppers as leaders; wrong class, No. 3. VAR. MULE; 1, 2, Martin and Archer, grand Goldie Can., fine size, col., feathered like wax, a beauty; 2, Greenie-Can., lightly grizzled, grand size, col. and qual., shown in A1 form; 3, Shellam, variegy. Goldie-Yell., grand col., size, qual. and condition, in lovely order; 4, W. Lewis, variegy. Goldie, lovely condition, size, hard lines to meet such quality. GOLDIE-CAN. YELL.: 1, Shellam, beauty, grand size, wonderful col. and condition; 2, Martin and Archer, another good one, nice size, col., condition and qual.; 3, E. J. Davies, good size and shape, nice col. and qual.; 4, R. W. Jones, nice size, col., and qual., loses shape to leaders; vhc, Jeffreys; hc, Jenkins; c, R. E. Griffiths. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Rees, two toppers, grand size, shape and qual., shown to perfection; 3, E. J. Davies, nice col. and qual., loses size to leaders; 4, Martin and Archer, neat exhibit, not the substance of leaders; vhc, Somerfield; hc, Betty; c, J. W. Ford. LINNET-CAN. (7): 1, 2, Shellam, well-known winner, exceptional col. and qual., will take a deal of beating, shown in A1 form; 3, Jenkins, Buff, good size and qual., well shown; 4, hc, Portman, neat exhibit, loses size to leaders; vhc, Ford; c, Williams. DK. GREENIE (3): 1, Somerfield, bonny bird, wonderful substance and col., lovely qual., wins; 2, 3, Shellam, two good exhibits, lose substance only to winner. A.O.V. (6): 1, Shellam, Siskin-Can., Jonque, grand col. and qual., well shown; 2, Martin and Archer, another good one, not quite col. and polish of leader; 3, Griffith, Twite, Can., good size and shape; 4, Rees, Sis.-Can., loses col. and qual. to leaders, but nice bird. HYB. (6): 1, 2, Martin and Archer, Chaffie-Greenie, leading, a wonder, shows parentage well; 2, Greenie-Bullie, good size, col. and qual., a topper; 3, Mrs. Longden, Goldie-Bullie, grand col. and qual., in lovely condition; 4, vhc, Thomas, Linnet-Goldie, neat exhibit, well shown. GOLDFINCH (15): A grand class. 1, 2, 3, Jeffreys, a grand team, leader good size, lovely col., blaze, neat bars and buttons, 2, grand Finch, good square blaze, nice bars, buttons and condition, will soon reverse placing, 3, another good one, grand expansive blaze, good tans, bars and buttons, not full up in col. yet; 4, Heal, another good one, nice square blaze, good tans, lovely bars and buttons; vhc, Warrington; hc, D. Evans; c, W. Davis. F.M. (16): 1, 3, 4, W. Lewis, leader, good size and col., good large blaze, nice tans, bars and buttons, 3, good blaze, bars and buttons, not quite size of leaders, 4, good square blaze, nice bars and buttons, good tans; 2, T. J. Gregory, sen., good size, shape and condition, lovely blaze, bars and buttons; vhc, G. P. Morgan; hc, Russell; c, Marley. BULLFINCH CK. (8): 1, Holborow, topper, grand size and col., very cobby, lovely bars, good cap, in tip-top order; 2, J. W. Ford, not quite as large as leader, good type, neat cap and bars, good qual. and condition; 3, T. J. Gregory, sen., nice type and qual., grand size, good cap and wing bar, loses trifle col. to winner; 4, Lucas, F.M., good col. and qual., nice cap and bars, not quite polish of leaders; vhc, Marley; hc, Ford; c, Daniels Bros. HEN (10): 1, S. Jones, jun., lovely lady, nice type, qual., good rich col., beautiful shape; 2, Roper, neat hen, good type and qual., not quite the col. and polish of leader; 3, J. W. Ford, nice size, shape and qual., good cap and bars, in lovely order; 4, J. Davies, lovely type and qual., good cap, bars and col.; vhc, Armstern; hc, Bancroft; c, J. J. Rees. LINNET (14): 1, Jones, nice size, col. and qual., neatly mkd., rather lucky to beat 2, Heal, grand size and shape, lovely col. and qual., a wealth of lacing; 3, Jeffreys, nice col. and qual., neatly laced, very close up; 4, Ford, good col. and qual., nice size and shape, not quite lacing of leaders; vhc, J. J. Rees; hc, Marley; c, Bancroft. F.M. (20): 1, S. Jones, jun., good size, shape and qual., neatly marked, rather open in front; 2, Mariey, good size and shape, nice qual., not so nice in markings; 3, Nicholas, good qual. and col., well marked, loses size to leaders; 4, Bancroft, good size, col. and qual., nicely laced; vhc, Fairhurst; hc, Jones; c, Evans. SISKIN (13): 1, Bancroft, good size and shape, neat bib, nice eye, markings and laced, shade rough at thighs; 2, Heal, not as large as leader, grand feather, neat cap, well laced thighs, had lost part of tail when we took notes; 3, Sam Jones, jun., good size, nice col. and qual., nicely laced cap, loses thigh markings; 4, Stevens, good size and shape, rather patchy in col.; vhc, Marley, a little topper, hard lines; hc, Ford; c, Bancroft. MEALY REDPOLL, ETC. (11): 1, 2, 3, hc, Heal, grand team, leader Twite, fine size, col. and qual., nicely laced; 2, Mealy 'Poll, good size and shape, well laced, 3, Twite, nice qual. and condition, not the size or shape of leader; 4, Bancroft, mealy, good size and shape, nice col. and qual., loses head to leader; vhc, Ford; c, Marley. LESSER REDPOLL (17): 1, Ford, neat 'Poll, good col. and qual., nicely laced thighs, trifle small; 2, 3, Jeffreys, nice col. and qual., good size and shape, neat lacing; 4, Marley, good size and shape, loses markings here; vhc, J. W. Ford; hc, Jeffreys; c, Nicholas, some thought the best 'Poll in class, grand size, col. and markings. F.M. (14): 1, Marley, grand 'Poll, nice size, shape, col. and markings, good lacing; 2, Nicholls, smaller, neat col., qual. and markings, very little in front of 3, Heal, a little topper, grand shape, size, qual. and markings; 4, Jenkins, neat 'Poll, nice size and shape, loses col. to leaders; vhc, Ford; hc, Morgans; c, D. Williams. YELLOWHAMMER (8): 1, Heal, good col., qual., size and shape, almost cl. headed, a topper, wins; 2, Bancroft, another good one, nice and good col., and qual., not quite size of leader; 3, Marley, good col. and qual., nicely marked; 4, vhc, Ford, nice size and shape, good cheek markings, rather heavily marked on head at present; hc, Jeffreys; c, Morgan. BRAMBLE (5): 1, Fairhurst, good size and shape, nicely spangled, not the best of col.; 2, Bancroft, grand col., qual. and condition, lovely spangling, trifle bad on feet, which no doubt kept him back to-day; 3, Marley, good shape, neatly spangled; 4, Thomas, good qual. and col., rather wild when we took notes; vhc, Ford. CHAFFINCH (11): 1, 2, Jeffreys, pair of beauties, leader good col., qual. and condition, nice whites, 2, not quite col. of leader, grand qual. and condition; 3, Bancroft, nice size, shape and condition, loses col. to leaders; 4, J. W. Ford, good size and shape, on the pale side in col.; vhc, Marley; hc, Fairhurst; c, Morgan. GREENFINCH (16): 1, McMillan, topper, grand level col., good size and shape, in faultless condition; 2, Marley, another good one, nice size, col., and qual., good bars; 3, 4, Ford, good size and shape, not the col. of leaders; 4, we preferred for 3rd, good col. and qual., nice size and shape; vhc, Jeffreys; hc, Williams; c, P. Jenkins. A.O.S. (4): 1, Ley, Hawfinch, grand qual. and col., nice size, and shape, in tip-top order; 2, Bancroft, Crossbill, grand exhibit, often described; 3, Marley, another good Hawfinch, beaten polish to-day; 4, Thomas, Corn Bunting, nice size and shape, neatly marked. HEN LINNET, ETC.: 1, Marley, Redpoll, wonderful col. If a hen, neat shape and qual.; 2, Jeffreys, Siskin, grand size and shape, lovely lacing, good col. and qual.; 3, Sam Jones, jun., Linnet, our choice, grand col. and qual., wonderful lacing, a topper; 4, Bancroft, Twite, nice size and col., very rich for a hen; vhc, Gay; hc, Heal; c, Jeffreys; wrong class, Nos. 1 and 5. HEN, A.O.S. (5): 1, Ford, lovely Corn Bunting, Cheltenham and Leyton winner, staged to perfection; 2, East, Chaffinch, good qual. and col., nice whites, in A1 order; 3, Heal, Hawfinch, nice size and shape, good bib; 4, Prosser, Bramble, we made a poor col. cock; vhc, Jeffreys. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (7): 1, 2, Marley, Fieldfare leading, a beauty, probably the best seen for a long time, wins, latter Blackbird, grand size and col., lovely shape, good beak and eere; 3, Middleton, Song Thrush, good size and shape, lovely markings and condition; 4, Jeffreys, Missel Thrush, grand size, col. and qual., well marked, A1 condition; vhc, Ford; hc, Mrs. Longden; c, Price. SOFTBILL (1): 1, Heal, Nuthatch, good size and shape, lovely col. and qual. FOR., LARGE (3): 1, sp., best local For., Mrs. Longden, Red-naped Lorrikeet, the first ever seen in Wales, a topper, wins; 2, Jenkins Bros., Green Amazon, in faultless condition; 3, Williams, Ring-necked Lorrikeet, well shown. SMALL (8): 1, 4, Ford, superb Tanager leading, wonderful col. and qual., a beauty, 4th, Goldie, good bold bird, expansive blaze, neat bars and buttons; 2, H. Jenkins, Tri-coloured Tanager, in tip-top order; 3, Steer, pair Budgerigars, in lovely order; vhc, Jenkins; hc, Ford; c, Jenkins.

ABERTILLERY.

Fifth open show in the Drill Hall, Nov. 13. The room was well lighted, and Mr. Churchill, the sec., had everything in good order, the birds being well looked after by the following gentlemen:—Mr. Cleeves, sen., Cleeves, jun., Mortimer, Russell, and Moule. Mr. Cleeves won special for best members' bird with a lovely Norwich hen, and the rose bowl with same for second best in show. Mr. W. Mundell (Bradford) judged, and his awards seemed to please all.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. ETC. YELL. (5): 1, Hill, Cl., rich col., good head and neck, grand wings, short, very chubby, typical, boxey feather; 2, Edwards, wing mkd., nice type, full of qual., rich col., good wings and head, very showy; 3, vhc, Cleeves, boxey feather, well placed wing, short tail, rich col., good head and neck; 4, Hawks, full of quality. BUFF (7): 1, Hill, Cl., good head, rich col., grand wing, full of qual., very typical, shown in the pink; 2, Mortimer, wing tick, blaze of col., very good head, teeming with qual., grand wings, short and cobby; 3, Morris, nice head, teeming with qual., very cobby, rich col., short flights; 4, Hawks, rich col., nice head and back; vhc, Cleeves. YELL. HEN (2): 1, Hill, Variegy., full of qual., good head, short and cobby, nice wings and tail; 2, Cleeves, capped on head, lovely feather, very typical. BUFF (6): 1, vhc, Cleeves, 1st wins sp for best members', also cup 2nd best in show, lovely type and qual., rich col., a gem; 2, Mortimer, good head and neck, boxey feather, very short and chubby; 3, Hill, pale colour, boxey feather, good head and neck; 4, Maseott, full of quality, bit wild; hc, Hill. UNFLIG. (5): 1, Hill, Buff, rich col., good head, clean on chest, grand wings, short and chubby, cl.; 2, Morris, yell., blaze of col., good head, short flights, nice type; 3, Cleeves, var. yell., boxey feather, short flight, rich col., good head, very typical; 4, Pierce, var. yell., boxey feather, rich col.; vhc, Cleeves. NOV. CK. (6): 1, Thomas, buff, rich col., good head, nice wings and tail, cl.; 2, Pierce, yell., blaze of col., short wings, good head, boxey feather, nice wings, true to type; 3, Furze, var. yell., boxey feather, good wings, round head, lovely type; 4, Mortimer, var. yell., boxey feather, good wing carr., rare head; vhc, Morris; hc, Amphlett. HEN (4): 1, Thomas and Durham, buff, cheek and wings mkd., lovely feather, good head and neck, a gem; 2, Pierce, yell., tail and flue mkd., good head, boxey feather, short and chubby, close up; 3, Morris, good head, rich col.; 4, Pierce, buff, rather wild. YORKS CL. ETC. YELL. (10): 1, Pritchard, well on leg, rich col., boxey feather, true to type, rare length, piped tail; 2, Newall, pale col., boxey feather, well on leg, good wings and tail; 3, Hawks, cinn. mkd., pale col., well on leg, rare qual., very typical, good length, eye and wings mkd.; 4, Parfitt, variegy., good head, full of qual., nice col., position A1; vhc, no name; hc, Newall; c, Greensledge. BUFF (5): 1, Prichard, cl., rich col., boxey feather, neat head, well on leg, a gem; 2, Newall, variegy., boxey feather, well on leg, very stylish, long flight and piped tail; 3, Parfitt, rich col., full of qual., neat head, long flights and tail, piped tail; 4, Newall, cl., good head, boxey feather; vhc, Watkins. CL. ETC. YELL. HEN (2): 1, Parfitt, cl. yell., good head, long flights and tail, boxey feather, well on leg; 2, Pritchard, var., well on leg, good head, long flights, piped tail. BUFF (2): 1, Parfitt, cl., lovely feather, strong on head, well placed wings, piped tail; 2, Newall, var., lovely qual., rich col., neat head, piped tail. UNFLIG. (7): 1, Prichard, eye, cheek, and wing marked buff, lovely qual., true to type, boxey feather, nice piped tail; 2, Newhall, cl. yell., full of qual., well on leg, lovely col., good head, long flights, piped tail; 3, Hillman, var. yell., boxey feather, rich col., good head, clear on chest, nice wings and tail; 4, Parfitt, cap and wing marked buff, lovely feather, rich col., good head; vhc, F. Cook; hc, Hawks; c, Bevan. NOVICE YORKS CK. (8): 1, Cleeves; 2, 3, vhc, c, Mould; 4, Wright; c, Russell. HEN (4): 1, Griffiths; 2, Fryer; 3, Gingell; 4, Russell. BRIT. HARDBILL (5): 1, Edwards, Goldie, rich blaze, good bars and buttons, lovely cond., wins; 2, Forty, Goldie, rich blaze, nice bars and buttons, wants a little more time; 3, Russel, Goldie, nice rich blaze; 4, vhc, Moule, Linnet, rich brown, nicely pencilled. SOFTBILL (2): 1, Roberts, Blackbird; 2, Jones, Thrush. MULE OR HYB (8): 1, vhc, Edwards, Can.-Bullie, lovely cond.; 2, D. Edwards, Goldie-Bullie, rich blaze, lovely cond., 3, Davies, Greenie; 4, Hawks; vhc, Mascott; hc, C. Edwards; c, Castle. A.O.V. (8): 1, G. Edwards, Green Crest Nor., good centre and droop, plenty of feather; 2, Dyer, yell. cinn., rich col., plenty of size; 3, Muscott, Crest; 4, Muscott, Crest; vhc, Davies; hc, Bevan; c, Amphlett.

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EDINBURGH N.C. and Mule Breeders' Society Show, Cans., Mules, Brit., and For., Sat., 16th Nov., Buccleuch Church Halls. Admission Fourpence. (219)

GLASGOW

and West of Scotland M.B. and F. Bird Club. The Club Show of the Season will be held in Crow Halls, 98, Sauchiehall Street, on Saturday, Nov. 16. Admission tickets, sixpence each, which entitle holders to a free draw for three (3) excursion tickets for the International Football Match at Chelsea.—F. Taylor, Sec. (223)

VALE OF LEVEN C.B.C. Annual Show, Public Hall, Alexandria, Sat., Nov. 16th. Admission 3d. (216)

DENNY & DUNIPACE

Nov. 16 and 23. Splendid Classes and Specials. Judges: Laurie and Winter. Schedules ready. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Entry 1/6.—A. France, 63, Herbertshire Street, Denny. (223)

INVERNESS C.A. 32nd Annual Show, Nov. 20. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. 38 medals, 190 Specials. Entry 1s. 6d. Judges: Dewar, Watt, Laidler, and Stewart. Will receive entries bearing Nov. 16 postmark. Schedules: T. Sutherland, 92, Telford Road, Inverness. (178)

READING Nov. 20th

20 Open Classes: 5 Nor.; 5 Yorks.; 1 A.O.V.; 3 Brit.; 2 Selling; 4 Foreign. Judges: J. Robson, H. D. Astley, M.A., F.Z.S. (Foreign). Entry, 1s. 6d. for prompt prize-money, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d., and specials. Good train service; three railways. Entries extended to 1st post Sunday, Nov. 17. Schedules ready, from W. H. Pyke, 102, Radstock Road, Reading. (169)

Darley Dale, Nov. 21 Pitry., Pgs., Cage Birds, R., C., and Mice. Entries positively average less than 1 per class. Compelled to extend to Monday the 18th. For schedule see Nov. 1st issue this paper, or send and we will classify. Entry fee only 1/6.—Dawson and Fearn, Hon. Secs., Darley Dale.

South London

Del. and F.A. Members' 38th Annual Show will be held at the "Baths," Old Kent Road, S.E., Thursday, Nov 21st. Cage Bird Judge: John Robson.

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WIMBLEDON Tues. & Wed. Next

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CARDIFF November 20 & 21.

under patronage of S.Y.C.C., N.B.B. and M.C., W.C.B.C. Silk's Cup, £1 5s. Norwich special, £1 1s. cash for best Yorkshire. See Review of Schedule this week. Judges, W. Mundell, W. Vardy, D. A. S. Longden. Entries extended first post Monday, 18th. All birds on rail on Thursday night.—E. Thomas, 46, Craddock Street, Cardiff.

GREAT OPEN SHOW GLASGOW Fri. & Sat. Nov. 22 & 23

and Dis. C.B.A., in Glasgow Highlanders' Drill Hall, Greendyke St., Glasgow (1 minute's walk east from Bird Mart). Under patronage S.N.P.C., B.F.C.C., and Y.C.C.S. Specialist Judges. 65 Classes; cups and specials galore. 5 money prizes, 12/-, 8/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Entry fee, 2/-. Entries close Nov. 18th (last post). Schedules from—Wm. Hutchison, Sec., 163, Hospital St., Glasgow.

78 Classes ROCHDALE Nov. 22 & 23

O.C. Under the patronage of L.C.A., L. and L.F.A., G.C.A., Y.C.C., C.M.Y.C.C., O.N.P.C. 12 Lancs.; 8 Liz.; 8 Yorks.; 1 Crest; 1 Crest-bred; 7 Norwich; 1 Pair; 3 Hybrid; 3 Selling; 12 Greens; 5 British; 2 Foreign; 1 Stuffed Specimens; one each open novice, for Lancs, Liz., Yorks., Norwich. Prize-money, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/--; numerous specials, mostly cash. Entry 1/6. Judges, C. A. House and W. Mundell. Prize-money paid on day of show to those present. Anyone not received schedules may have one by return post, or we will classify. Last date for receiving entries 1st post Monday morning, Nov. 18th.—Sec., R. Blincoe, 160, Drake St., Rochdale. To be held in that well-lighted, comfortable room, the Ambulance Drill Hall, Molesworth Street; three minutes from station.

43 Classes ILKESTON Nov. 23 & 25

and Dist. 12th Open Show. Splendid classification; no cancelling; no amalgamation. Liberal list of specials and prompt payment. Judges: J. C. Barnes and Chas. Houlton.

Entries Close Tuesday, Nov. 19th.

Send for schedules to:—Thos. Smith, 5, King Street, Ilkeston. (178)

LLANELLY TUES., Nov. 26th

THE GREAT ONE-DAY INTERNATIONAL SHOW OF WALES.

Market Hall. 56 Classes, 43 Specials, 4 Cups. Under the patronage of N.B.B. and M.C., and E. and W.B.F.C. Judges: Canaries, W. Vardy; British, Foreign, and Mules, John Frostick. Entries close Thursday, Nov. 21st. Schedules, apply Secretaries, Messrs. John and Webster, 9, Pottery Place, Llanelly, Carm.

TWO SHOWS. ONE EXPENSE.

TAVISTOCK. Nov. 27.

LAUNCESTON, NOV. 26.

Free carriage of exhibits, Launceston to Tavistock, if entered for both Shows before 16th inst. Members of Tavistock Fanciers' Committee will attend at Launceston to assist in forwarding. Cats 3, Rabbits 1, Cavies 1, Norwich 4, Yorks. 1, Mule or Hybrid 1, Goldfinch, Bullfinch, British A.O.V., 1 each, Foreign 2, Selling 2. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-. Entry fee 1/6. Judge: Thos. Pope.

ENTRIES CLOSE NOVEMBER 16th.

Send Entries, I will classify.—John Young, Hon. Sec., 1, Church Lane, Tavistock.

L.C.B.A. Royal Horticultural Hall NOV. 28th to 30th.

Great Novice Classes.

Annual Exhibition of Canaries, British, Hybrids, and Foreign Birds. 140 Open Classes. Quantity of specials. Prize-money, 12/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Twelve Specialist Judges. Schedules will be sent to exhibitors at last L.C.B.A. and Palace Shows. Entries close Nov. 21st.—Messrs. Mugford and Knight, 1, Strathearn Road, Wimbledon, S.W.

BRADFORD NATIONAL

Cage Bird Show, Dec. 6, 7 and 9. Yorkshire's greatest cage bird show (in aid of Bradford Cinderella Club Funds), in the Central Baths Hall, Bradford. 119 Classes under all the leading Specialist Clubs' patronage. Judges: Battye, Barnes, Cowgill, Finn, House, Hirst, Mundell, Maddison, Massey, and Robson. Magnificent array of specials. Championship Diplomas for each variety. Prize-money, 13/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-; entrance fee, 1/6 per cage. Schedules sent to all last year's exhibitors; others apply after November 18th. Entries close December 2nd. Show Secretary—H. Hill, 15, Settle Terrace, Thornton Lane, Little Horton, Bradford.

AMBLESIDE and Dis. Show, Nov. 21st. Judge, F. Archer. Entries close Nov. 18th. Schedules—J. M. King, Sec., The Green, Ambleside. (208)

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LURGAN

C.B.S. Annual Show of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British, and Foreign Birds, in Town Hall, Lurgan,

FRI. & SAT., NOV. 22 & 23.

46 Classes. Good prize money and Specials. Judges: A. Birat (Accrington), Norwich, etc.; J. McLennon (Edinburgh), Belgian and S. Fancy.

Entries Close To-Day, Sat., Nov. 16th.

Schedules now ready: S. McCollum, Hon. Sec., Drumgor, Lurgan.

DO NOT FORGET

NORTH LONDON

10th Annual Show on Friday and Saturday, 22nd and 23rd November, at Library Hall, Church Street, Stoke Newington.—P. W. Jeffries, Hon. Sec. (213)

EXHIBITORS, DON'T FORGET.

DONCASTER

Nov. 22-23. Judges, Messrs. Battye, Vardy, and Walsh; and all our specials are cash. Entries extended Nov. 19th first post. Schedules, see "C.B." Nov. 9th; or write particulars and we will classify.—G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion St., Doncaster.

HALTWHISTLE Open Show, November 22 and 23. Entries extended till Tuesday, 19th (first post).—Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate, Haltwhistle.

AYR Saturday, November 23rd.

35 Classes for Cage Birds. Judge—D. A. S. Longden (Swansea).

Entries close Nov. 16th.

Schedules from C. W. Paterson, Albion House, Ayr.

HINCKLEY Saturday, Nov. 23. Entries close today Sat., Nov. 16. Enter from schedule in last week's advert.—H. Ridgway, Sec., Hinckley.

BLAIRGOWRIE

23rd Nov. Are your entries in? They close on 19th Nov.—M. Irvine, Sec., 17, Brown St., Blairgowrie.

Buckhaven 5th Open Show Free Gardeners' Hall, 23rd November. Judges: Messrs. A. Walker, J. Smeaton, and R. Bald. 54 Open Classes, 3 confined. Schedules:—R. Hazzard, Sec., 93, Denbeath, Methil, Fife. (200)

CONSETT (DURHAM). 23rd November.

35 Classes for Cage Birds. Judge: Mr. T. Robson. Please send on your entries—J. H. Coupland, Secretary, Leadgate, Co. Durham.

Cramlington Sat., Nov. 23rd

Co-operative Hall. Entries close first post Nov. 16th. Open classes: 1, Nor. cl., tkd., or unevenly mkd. yell.; 2, do. buff; 3, do. hen, yell. or buff; 4, Nor. unflg.; 5, Border, cl., tkd., or unevenly mkd. yell.; 6, do. buff; 7, do. hen yell.; 8, do. do buff; 9, Yorks. cl., tkd., or unevenly marked yell.; 10, do. buff; 11, do hen yell. or buff; 12, Yorks. unflg.; 13, A.V. Mule or Hyb.; 14, Selling, with cage, 12/6; 15, A.V. Brit., not larger than Hawfinch; 16, A.O.V. Can., not above. Judges: A. Hay, H. Seely. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2 -, 1/, and specials. Enter from above, fee 1-, to J. R. Chestney, Hon. Sec., Cramlington.

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Yorkshires.—11, Cinn. or Cinn. Mkd. C.; 12, do. Hen; 13, Cl. Yell. C.; 14, do. Hen; 15, Cl. Buff C.; 16, do. Hen; 17, Tkd., Mkd. or Var. Yell. or Buff C.; 18, do. Hen.

Novice Classes.—19, Cl. Yell. C.; 20, do. Hen; 21, Cl. Buff C.; 22, do. Hen; 23, Tkd., Mkd. or Var. Yell. or Buff C.; 24, do. Hen.

Selling (Price not to exceed 15/- with cage).—25, Any Col. Yorks. C. or Hen; 26, do. Nor., C. or Hen.

Song Birds (Price not to exceed 12/6 with cage).—27, A.V. Ck.

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Entries close to-day, Saturday, Nov. 16, but all entries bearing postmark will be accepted.

John Dunwoody, jun., 42, Church Street, Holywood, Ireland.

HETTON B. and C.B.S. 2nd Ann. Open Show, Sat., Nov. 23rd, Workmen's Club Hall, Hetton-le-Hole. Judge: Jas. Stanger. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Entry fee, 1/-. Close to-day, Sat., Nov. 16th. Send on, will classify.—Notley, 1, Minor St., Hetton-le-Hole, Durham.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES

NOVEMBER 23rd.

8th Annual. 42 CLASSES, 4 MONEY PRIZES, SPECIALS GALORE. 1s. Entrance Fee. Judges: J. Robson and J. Maddison. Schedules from: J. W. LOWES, 17, CANNING STREET, STOCKTON-ON-TEES. (182)

UDDINGSTON

Open Show. Entries open till morning of show, 23rd Nov., 1912.—J. Cosgrove, Hon. Sec., 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell.

Dartford

Nov. 26 and 27. Judge: A. E. Enfield, Esq. Prize Money Guaranteed, 10/-, 6/-, 2/6. Entry fee 1/6.

Norwich Buff; ditto Yellow; Yorkshire; A.O.V. A.V. Mule or Hybrid; Bullfinch or Goldfinch; A.O.V. Entries close 18th. Send on, and I will classify.—A. Lambert, Wilmington, Dartford, Kent. (223)

WHITBY YORKS

Fanciers' Show, Wednesday, NOVEMBER 27th. SPLENDID CLASSIFICATION. Judge: H. W. Battye. Sec.: J. G. TOMLINSON, BAXTERGATE, WHITBY.

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN Nov. 26th LAUNCESTON

We are not crying for entries, but we shall cry if we've got to cancel our show after engaging a good Judge, and giving good prize-money. No sliding scale; no part payments. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, and specials. Entry, 1/6. Judge, J. H. Payne.—N. H. Reed, Hon. Secretary, Launceston.

BUCKIE. November 27th. Judge J. Lyon (Aberdeen). Entries close Nov. 20. Schedules: M. Bunyan, 43, West Church Street.

WEYBRIDGE

November 27th, Holstein Hall. Silver Challenge Cup for best Cage Bird. Numerous Specials. Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, and 2/6. Judge: A. E. Penfold, J.P. Class 58—Crested, A.V., C. or H.; 59—Crest-bred, C. or H.; 60—Yorkshire, Cl. Y. or B., Cock; 61—Yorkshire, Cl. Y. or B., Hen; 62—Norwich Plainhead, Cl. Y. or B., Cock; 63—Norwich Plainhead, Cl. Y. or B., Hen; 64—Border Fancy, Cl. Y. or B., Cock; 65—Border Fancy, Cl. Y. or B., Hen; 66—Border Fancy, A.O.V., C. or H.; 67—British Small, A.V. (not to exceed size of Lark). C. or H.; 68—British Large, A.V., C. or H.; 69—Foreign, A.V., C. or H.; Selling Class, 70—A.V. (limit £1 1s.). Entries close November 20, 1912. Non-members 1/6, members 1/3. Schedules and entry forms from: Selby Howard, Oatlands Farm, Weybridge.

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312—Ditto, Hen.
313—Ditto, Natural Colour.
314—Ditto, Any Var., bred 1912.
315—Ditto, Novice (never won first).
316—Ditto, Selling, 10/6 (single).
317—Nor., Crested, Any Variety.
318—Ditto, Bred 1912 (birds bred by exhibitor compete for 10-guinea bowl; mark entry).
319—Norwich Crestbred, Any Variety.
320—Ditto, bred 1912 (birds bred by exhibitor compete for 10-guinea bowl, mark entry).
321—Cinnamon. 322—Ditto, Unflig.
323—Border Fancy, Yellow, Any Variety.
324—Ditto, Buff ditto.
325—Foreign Bird, larger than Cardinal.
326—Ditto, Smaller, but including Cardinal.

Mr. C. A. House's Classes:—

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328—Ditto, Buff Cock.
329—Ditto, Yellow, Hen. 330—Ditto, Buff, Hen.
331—Yorks, Natural Colour.
332—Ditto, bred 1912 (must be bred by exhibitor; Bristol bowl class).
333—Ditto, Novice (never won first).
334—Ditto, Selling, 10/6 (single).
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Entries close first post Tues., Nov. 19.

C. T. H. Maggs, 9, Trinity Street, Newtown, Bristol.

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Open Show, Nov. 27th and 28th. Popular judges; liberal prizes and specials. Entries close November 20th. A. H. Terry, 12, New Road, Gravesend.

SITTINGBOURNE (KENT) 13th Annual (open to Kent), Nov. 27th and 28th. All sections. Four specialist judges. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Entry, 1/9. Prize money 3 days. 3 Cage Bird Specials. Entries close Nov. 20th. Schedules: C. Arnold, 171, Chalkwell Road. (191)

WANDSWORTH

NOV. 27th and 28th.

Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, Cavies, and CAGE BIRDS. 100 SPECIAL PRIZES. Cage Birds staged in the Gallery of the Hall. Schedules: W. LIGHTFOOT, HON. SEC., 86, HEYTHORP ST., SOUTHFIELDS, S.W.

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C.B.S. 2nd Annual Show. Cage Birds only. 27th and 28th of Nov. Judge, Geo. Gardner. 37 Classes, open to Kent. £10 10s. Special Prizes. Prize-money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. K.C.C.B.A. patronage. Class 18a, Borders, unflg. Schedules of—B. Tidy, Hon. Sec., 13, High St., Sittingbourne. Entries positively close Nov. 20th. (209)

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Portsmouth Fanciers'

Society's 26th Annual Show, Nov. 27th and 28th. 50 Cage Bird Classes, and Specials to value £50. Full prize money guaranteed: 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Entrance Fee, 1/6. Entries close Nov. 19th. The show of the South, and a show run by Fanciers. Enter from "Cage Birds" of October 26th, or for schedule apply: W. E. Tyrell, 38, Commercial Road, Portsmouth. Note.—No sliding scale prize money, but full prize money guaranteed, and all prize money paid within 24 hours close of show.

SWINDON

November 27 and 28.
MUST EXTEND TILL NOV. 20.

Only 4 entries in Cage Bird Section. Enter from Review of Schedule; we will classify. Specialist Judge, and good Prize Money.—W. J. Moran, 2, Brunswick Street, Swindon.

PENTREBACH

(Glam.), November 28th. Entries close November 23rd. Federation and Silk's Cups. 30 Classes; specials, cups, etc., each variety. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Entry fee 1/6. Judge: George Gardner (London). Schedules: A. E. Brown, 65, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil.

South Co. Dublin

First Open Show.

Nov. 28 & 29.

Open to all. 55 Classes. Judge: W. Mundell. Schedules have been sent out. Any fancier not having received one, please send at once.

Entries close Thurs. Nov. 21.

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SALE

C.B. Soc., Nov. 29th and 30th. 7 Open Yorks.; 7 Open Norwich; 9 Border; 6 Open Nov. Amateur Yorks.; 7 Open Nov. Amateur Norwich; 12 British; 3 Mule or Hybrid; 2, Foreign; and 2 Selling. Write for schedule to: A. Royle, Sec., 99, Harley Road, Sale.

HERE WE ARE AGAIN.

COVENTRY GODIVA

C.B.S. Sixth Open Show, Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British and Foreign. Nov. 30th. Entries close Nov. 23rd. Judge, H. W. Battye. Splendid classification. Splendid Specials. No amalgamation. Prize money guaranteed and paid within 5 days. Schedules from H. Saunders, Hon. Sec., 31, Vernon Street, Coventry. Note.—Sixth Show and no complaints yet.

BACKWORTH (Northumberland) 4th Ann. Open Show, Pitry., Pge., Cage Birds, Nov. 30. Cage Birds staged in separate room. Cage Bird Judge: T. Dixon, Bedlington. Prize-money paid in three days. Schedules—T. Hunter, East Holywell, Shiremoor, Northumberland. (207)

CITY OF DUNDEE

C.B.S. 12th Annual Show, Saturday, NOVEMBER 30th. Entries close November 26th. Judges:—Crests: R. Whitton (Broughty Ferry). Plainheads: J. Holmes (Edinburgh). Scotch Fancy: Jas. Strachan (Arbroath), R. Thoms (Dundee). Borders: W. Mossie (Annbank). Mules and British: G. McArdle (Arbroath). Schedules from Alex Miller, 3, Park Avenue, Dundee.

DARLINGTON

C. and B.B.F.A. Seventh Annual Open Show, Canaries, Mules; British and For. Birds will be held in the Corn Exchange, Darlington, on Sat., Nov. 30. Judge, J. H. Roe, Esq. 21 Open Classes. Prize Money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/- Entrance fee 1/- per cage. Schedules from: Arthur Walker, 47, Montrose St., Darlington. (153)

Musselburgh

O.S. First Annual Show, Saturday November 30th. Under the full patronage of the S.B.B. and M.C. the S.P.C., and B.F.C.C. Cups, Medals, and Numerous Specials. Judges: Norwich, J. McLay; Borders, T. Arnott; Mules, British, and Foreign, R. Bald. Schedules from: Sec., Wm. Nisbet, 101, High Street, Musselburgh. (185)

WOODSIDE (Aberdeen), Nov. 30th. 46 classes. Judges: Nor., A. Chalmers; A.O.V. Mules, and Wild, W. Bishop. Entries close Nov. 23. Schedules: J. G. Milne, 27, Sunnybank Place, Aberdeen.

IRVINE & DIS. Open, Can., Brit., For., Nov. 30. Good classification, cups, specials. Entries close Nov. 25. Schedules: H. B. Young, 55, West Road, Irvine. (204)

LOOK HERE, NOVICES,

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is YOUR show. Saturday, Nov. 30th. Under the Y.C.C. and Y.C.B.B. and M.C. patronage. Specials every class. Schedules ready. Apply—G. H. Barnwell, 20, College Road, Harrogate.

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6th Open Show, DECEMBER 3rd and 4th. Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, Cavies, CAGE BIRDS. Cage Bird Judge: John Robson. Entries Close Nov. 23rd. Schedules from: P. STONESTREET, 102, HADLOW ROAD, TONBRIDGE. (168)

Now then, Fanciers!

FORRES

and Northern O.A., 26th Annual Show of Cage Birds only, on Wednesday, December 4th. 2 Handsome Cups, Numerous Medals and Specials. Judge, J. Lyon, Aberdeen. Entries close, Nov. 29th. Schedules from: Wm. Cumming, 28, North Road, Forres. (3)

THURSO, N.B. 24th Ann. Open Show, 4th Dec. Liberal prize-money. Entries 1/-, close 25th inst.—Shearer, Hon. Sec., Thurso. (224)

PONTYPRIDD

F. and F.S. Show, DEC. 4th. (affil. S. Wales and Mon. Federations). GOOD CLASSIFICATION; EXPERT JUDGE; NUMEROUS MONEY SPECIALS. SILK'S NOVICE NORWICH PLAINHEAD CUP. W.C.B.C. patronage. ENTRIES CLOSE NOV. 28th. Schedules: A. A. GORDON McLUCAS, 48, ROSSER ST., MAESYCOED, PONTYPRIDD.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM

C.B.S. Annual Open Show will be held in the Assembly Room, Crown Hotel, Hill Street. The finest and best lighted room in the Midlands. On Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 4th and 5th. Judge, J. Robson, Esq. Schedules are now ready.—J. H. Jones, 169, Church Lane, Aston, Birmingham.

CHANDLER'S FORD, Dec. 4 & 5, (open to Hants) Show of Pitry., Pgs., R., C., and Cage Birds. Spratt's Patent pen and feed. Four silver medals. Judge, J. E. Woodford (Oxford). Entries close Nov. 25th. Schedules of—A. J. Dean, Chandler's Ford.

HAYLE (Cornwall). 9th Annual Show. Confined to Cornwall. Dec. 4th and 5th. A1 classification, Specials, Challenge Cups, Medals, etc. Prizes—8s., 5s., 3s., 1s. 6d. Entries close Nov. 28th. Schedules—A. Coombe, 17, Mount Pleasant.

BROOMHILL and Dist. P.P. and C.B. show, Dec. 7th. Judges: Pitry., J. Wilkinson; Pgns, J. Goodwin: Cage Birds, A. Brown. Entries close Nov. 30th.—Wm. Smailes, Sec., 28, Hartside Terrace, Chevington Drift, Northumberland. (216)

CUPAR

(Fife), Sat., Dec. 7th. Open show of Cage Birds, in Hall separate from all other exhibits. 150 classes. Scotch Fancies: J. Hogg (Oakley); Norwich: A. Dickson (Kelty); Borders: J. Hutchison (Dysart); Yorks., Brit., and Foreign: J. Goodfellow (Edinburgh). Schedules: Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar, Fife.

GALSTON (AYRSHIRE), Saturday Dec. 7th, Judges: Scotch Fancy—J. A. Stewart (Muirend), Norwich, Borders and British—Gavin Alston (Darvel). Alexander Frew, Secretary, 26, Duke Street.

KEITH, N.B. 11th Dec.

Cage Birds only: 39 classes. Judge: Jas. Sandison (Aberdeen).—Sec., Alex. Rhind, 154, Moss Street.

LUTON

Open Show Wednesday, Dec. 11th. Patronage of N.B.B. and M.C.; and F.B.C. Money specials nearly every class. Points special each section. Prize-money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, for 1/6. Paid within a week. Judges: J. Robson and J. Frostick.

Entries close Dec. 4th.

Schedules—E. Bloomfield, 22, Hitchin Road, Luton. (223)

LARNE

and Dis. C.B. and P.A. Annual Show, Thursday and Friday, December 12th and 13th. Under patronage of the Y.C. and C.B.S. of Ireland. 40 Classes Cage Birds. Large number of Specials. Judges, Messrs. J. Trengove and J. W. McIlhagga. Entries close Dec. 7th. Schedules—Thos. Mayne, 35, Barnhill, Larne, Ireland.

STRANRAER (WIGTOWNSHIRE) DEC. 13. 18 classes. 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d., and SPECIALS. ENTRIES CLOSE DEC. 6. Schedules: W. McMeekan, 8, Clenoch Street.

WAUNARLWYDD

and Dist. C.B.F. Annual Show, in the Shepherds' Hall, on Thursday, Jan. 2nd, 1913. Judge, J. H. Payne, Esq. First prize given if only one in class, no matter about its merit. The only show in Wales that's doing so. Schedules will be sent to all applying for same when ready. Entries close Dec. 26th, 1912, to—Jack Walters, Sunny Bank, Westfield Road, Waunarlwydd, nr. Gowerton, S. Wales.

TWITTERINGS (continued from page 952).

I was much surprised and pleased to see my Lesser Whitethroat's picture in CAGE BIRDS last week, writes Mr. E. Hattersley, and think it a very creditable drawing. It did very well to get second in such a strong class at Sheffield. I wish your paper the success it fully deserves.

Fanciers will be well repaid for a visit to our show, writes Mr. G. F. Crawford, hon. sec., South London C. and F.A., the same being the largest and most popular mixed members' show in London. At time of writing entries (all sections) are well on the way to 1,000, which easily beats all previous records for this club. Held Nov. 20, 2 till 10, in the Public Baths, Old Kent Road, S.E.

I have taken over the duties of secretary to the Dewsbury Society, writes Mr. L. Barker, 492, Robinson Street, and all correspondence should be addressed to me. Mr. Shaw is, we regret, leaving our district, and going to Huddersfield. Our members show will be held in the Little Saddle Hotel, Nov. 16th, birds to be staged at 3 o'clock (all contributions to be paid up to date); judge, Mr. W. Richmond, Rodley.

At Doncaster and Dist. C.B.S. annual open show (cage birds only), the committee are composed of true and experienced fanciers, and exhibitors will receive the utmost consideration—everything possible will be done for the safety and care of all exhibits. The Drill Hall is a splendid room, and we have this year greatly increased the classification, and engaged popular judges. We trust our reward, writes Mr. G. Bescoby, the sec., will be a bumping entry.

I was very pleased indeed, writes Mr. A. E. Jeffries, to see such a good report of my buff cock in your valuable paper. It is the bird which appeared on your front page, Feb. 24. He has been out four times, and has won 1st and special Norwich novice in a class of 35, 1st South Shields novice, class of 17, 3rd Middlesbrough, champion class, 4th Shildon, champion class; so now I have to retire from novice classes, as I got one first last year in novice classes. I consider I have done very well this being my second year of exhibiting. The clear yellow, which appeared with the buff, has now won 4th South Shields champion class and 4th Shildon champion class.

On taking up my CAGE BIRDS, writes Mr. Howick, Midhurst, I was greatly surprised to find on the front page the picture of my Canary-Bullfinch Hybrid. I am sure I think it a great honour; he is only five months old. His first time out was at Clapham, where he got fourth. Then first and sp. at Bromley, and first and sp. Barnstaple, first at Portsmouth, first and sp. at Leyton—4 firsts and 3 specials in succession. I bred him myself, and have gone by little hints which I have picked out of your most valuable paper from time to time. It is a paper that no fancier should be without. Even if he has only one bird he would find it a great help. Wishing you and your most valuable paper and Mr. H. N. every success.

We are asked to publish the following corrections of show reports:—At Portsmouth Mr. H. Ninness won 1st in Blackbird class, not Dell as reported; and 3rd in Crest-bred class should read Mrs. Spooner, not Broad; 3rd in Novice unflighted Yorks, should be Mellows, not Olding; Mr. Mellows also won 1st in Buff Hens, not Etheridge as in the report [Mr. Mellows' name does not appear in the catalogue, his entries being sent too late for inclusion. Ed.]; in Marked Yorks (Novice) 3rd was won by Mr. G. King, who also took 2nd in Yellow Hens, not Cooper as in report. At Liverpool, Mr. Whalley's 4th hen in the Amateur Yellow or Buff class was a clear buff, not varieg, as reported. At Markinch, in the A.O.V. Border class 3rd Bickerstaffe should be 3rd R. Lambie.

How the Redstart Wags its Tail.

Apropos of Mr. Tout's remarks published in our issue of Oct. 5, we take the opportunity of quoting from an article in the Oct. issue of the "Avicultural Magazine" on the nesting of the Black Redstart. In this the author, Mr. Teschemaker, says, "I have often seen the statement that the tail motion is horizontal. After very close observation, I have come to the conclusion that the motion is (1) generally vertical, (2) sometimes diagonal, (3) sometimes elliptical, but I have never been able to convince myself that it is ever truly horizontal. Nevertheless, it is not an easy matter to decide, because the motion is so rapid."

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Twitterings.

R. A. Newley is "the" man for show cages. Order early. Address: 24, Stockwell Green, London, S.W.—(Advt.)

Entries for Uddingston Show, Nov. 23rd, will be taken up to the morning of the show, writes J. Cosgrove, the sec.

We have engaged the Carlton Rooms again for our open show, Nov. 30th, writes Mr. G. H. Barnwell, sec. Harrogate C.B.S.

In the Stockton show schedule the classes for Foreign birds should read "Single or Pairs," writes Mr. J. W. Lowes, the sec.

Messrs. Lovegrove and Lovegrove write that at Highgate and Hampstead Show they had three of their birds claimed at catalogue price.

We hear that a Budgerigar, which talks fluently, is to be an attraction at the City and Suburban show this week-end (Nov. 15 and 16).

Entries for the Great Horton (Good Intent) O.S. Show will be taken at the Wesley Place Schools on Tuesday, Nov. 19th, writes Mr. H. Gornall, sec.

There will be a class for Foreign birds at Stranraer show, Dec. 13, it having been omitted from the schedule, writes Mr. McMeekan, the sec.

I see that Mr. B. Clegg is credited with having won the Novice Lizard Medal at Sheffield show, but I was the winner, writes Mr. E. Lord, Newchurch.

Mr. W. J. Douglas, hon. sec., writes that the result of the Whitehaven C.B.S. draw is as follows:—2201, 1864, 876, 2514, 879, 2333, 793, 945, 43, 701, 1457, 1505.

Mr. W. T. Dawes (60, Cobden St., Derby) writes that he would be glad if Mr. J. Radley (late Temperance Hotel, Ossett) would communicate his present address.

Special 73 in schedule of Buckhaven show should read as follows—A handsome medal for the best foreign bird in all classes—writes Mr. R. Hazzard, the hon. sec.

We hear from Mr. Clelland, hon. sec., that Mr. Sharp, Bathgate, will judge at Coaltown of Wemyss, Dec. 7, in place of Mr. Bruce, who is unable to fulfil the engagement.

The winners of the draw, which consists of singing Canaries at Blaydon Show are: 58, 1820, 1377, 936, 1791, 827, 1461, 1356, 22, 1657, 1465, 1819, writes Mr. G. Havver, the sec.

The next meeting of the Metropolitan C.B.A. is postponed, writes Mr. G. Denham, the sec., so that the members can visit the City and Suburban Society's show held today (Saturday).

Owing to a printer's mistake, it is stated in Buckie shew schedule, writes Mr. Bunyan, the sec., that it is held under the auspices of the Border Fancy Canary Club, but this is not so.

For having received back my birds in good time, and in splendid condition from Banbridge Show (247 miles), writes Mr. S. O'Reilly, Cork, I beg to thank Mr. H. McCagherty, the obliging sec.

Schedules of the South Co. Dublin Show, Nov. 28th and 29th, have been sent out. Any fancier not having received one should please write at once to the hon. sec., Mr. D. Smyth, 14, Tivoli Terrace, N., Kingston.

Exhibitors showing at Launceston on November 26th can have their birds sent to Tavistock show, Nov. 27th, carriage paid, provided they are entered by date of closing, writes Mr. N. H. Reed, hon. sec. Launceston show.

The shortage of entries is deplorable, write Messrs. Dawson and Fearn, secs. of Darley Dale Show. We have not a single one in the Cage Bird section, and make an honest appeal to exhibitors. Advertisement appears on another page.

Having been approached by the Bradford Fanciers to postpone our Members' show, which fell on December 7th, so as not to clash with the Bradford National Show, we have by the generosity of Mr. Robson, the judge, been able to do so until January 18, 1913, writes Mr. T. Bishop, hon. sec. Sheffield O.S. We have fixed Nov. 7 and 8, 1913, for our All-England Show; will secs. kindly note.

On the return journey from our show, write Messrs. King and Joiner, exhibits were collected and conveyed to Portsmouth Town Station at the society's expense, thus no extras should have been charged in any case to any exhibitor.

I am leaving for Australia in a fortnight, and I have sold all my Yorkshires, including winners at Manchester, Dover, and Chatham, to Mr. Lucas, of Whalley Range, who is advertising them this week, writes Mr. H. Davies (Whalley Range).

Your special prize in the shape of a framed plate of Cage Birds duly received, writes Mr. McIlwain, Glasgow, and I am highly pleased with it. It is really a work of art. Wishing Cage Birds, of which I am a great admirer, every success.

Mr. W. Rudd, the well-known bird specialist, of Norwich, is importing direct from Germany Roller Canaries of the best known strains, which, being a very large buyer (proof of which he has submitted to us) he is able to offer at most favourable prices.

Mr. B. Tidy, hon. sec. of the Sittingbourne C.B.S., writes that he has sent schedules to nearly all the fanciers of Kent, and anybody who has been overlooked will receive one per return of post, if they will apply for same to him at 13, High St., Sittingbourne.

OBITUARY.

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. H. Bamsey, that I have to announce the death of Mr. John Bexson, of Derby, brother of Mr. Jos. Bexson, the well-known judge, which sad event took place at his residence rather suddenly last Friday morning, Nov. 8, from double pneumonia.

Mr. W. B. Smart, secretary Loanhead and District C.B.S., writes:—"It is with deep regret that I have to announce the sudden death of Master Robert Douglas, age 12 years, the son of Mr. R. H. Douglas, after a few hours' illness. I am sure the sympathy of all fanciers will be extended to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas in their sudden and sad bereavement.

It is with the deepest regret, writes Mr. J. Cook, secretary Leicester C.B.S., 35, Layton Road, that I have to announce the death of one of our oldest and most respected members, Mr. T. Ride, after a very short illness. I am sure his many friends will join with us in expressing our deepest sympathy with his widow and family. Our society have opened a subscription list for them, and any sums, however small, will be very thankfully received if sent to me.

It is with sincere regret, writes Mr. W. A. Wilson, hon. sec., Leeds C.B.S., that I have to announce the death of one of our members, Mr. George William Dews, who passed away November 8th, after suffering for many months at the early age of 32 years. He was an ardent lover of the Yorkshire Canary, and a great supporter of our members' shows. His genial disposition won him hosts of friends, who, I am sure, will be deeply shocked on learning the sad news, and will offer their heartfelt sympathy to his widow in the hour of her great trial. In our hearts he will long remain.

Mr. W. Gilbert writes that he has been compelled to resign the hon. secretaryship of the London and Counties A.C.B., and that all communications should henceforward be addressed to the new hon. sec., Mr. G. G. Stubbs, 92, William St., Albany St., N.W.

By an error in our schedule, writes Mr. R. Blincoe, sec. Rochdale O.S., I find that the British Classes are entered as 63—67. This should read 65—69, Foreign 70,71, Stuffed Specimens 72. Also Section Specials 63—67 should be 65—69; 68—69 should be 70—71; 70 should be 72.

Will kind friends and members who had Dulwich and Peckham Show tickets for sale kindly send on cash for sold tickets, writes Mr. Richardson. Specials in kind will be presented at annual concert. A pair of spectacles left behind at show, can be obtained on application to me.

Schedules have been sent out to 1,100 fanciers for Glasgow and Dist. C.B.A. Show, Nov. 22nd and 23rd, writes Mr. Wm. Hutchinson. They are requested to note mistake, viz., Class 63 should read Foreign Goldfinch, not Bullfinch. A p. c. to me at 163, Hospital Street, Glasgow, will ensure schedule being sent to any fancier omitted.

The New Cross Society was rewarded with a great success at the show on Nov. 7, there being 128 birds staged, amongst them 31 Borders, and we have the pleasure of knowing we are to have some more Bord. men join next meeting night, write Messrs. Barton and Barton (13, Gillian St., Ladywell). We would be pleased to hear from Border fanciers wishing to join.

Further "Twitterings" will be found on page 951.

Mr. E. Jaycott, hon. sec. Crewe O.S., writes that Mr. Brotherhood will judge the members' show on Nov. 30. There is very keen competition among the members for the handsome challenge cup given by P. V. Williams for most points throughout the year in Canary classes for nominated birds.

Kindly state, writes Mr. W. G. Andrews, hon. sec. W. Bromwich C.B.S., that we are not holding an open show this year. We have had to substitute an inter club show, Nov. 21. I have received so many applications for schedules, that I should be glad if you would publish this.

The London and Counties A.C.B. seventh annual autumn show takes place at "The Earl Cathcart," 39, Osnaburgh Street, N.W., Nov. 16, when all interested will be heartily welcomed, writes Mr. G. G. Stubbs, the hon. sec. Doors open at 4 o'clock; admittance by catalogue, obtained at door.

In your report of Blaydon show, writes Mr. Crawhall, President N.Y.C.C., you state that no member has won the N.Y.C.C. cup twice. Mr. Hutler, who won it this year, also won it in 1909, with the grandfather of his present young bird. We all congratulate Mr. Hutler on this, his second win.

Kindly call attention to the auction sale of our chairman's stock of birds, writes Mr. H. Smith, hon. sec., Wimbledon Show. He is obliged for business reasons to dispose of them, and it should be a good opportunity for novices. Entries are short, and we will accept up till Saturday, Nov. 16.

We are informed that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Any one who has been overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries: Muirkirk, Warrington, Old Shildon, Manchester, Halifax, Portsmouth, Sheffield O.S., Dulwich and Peckham, Hamilton, Cadzow Oak, Blaydon.

The sec. of Pentrebach show, Mr. Brown, appeals to intending exhibitors at show, Nov. 28, to enter as early as possible; closing date Nov. 23. He writes: I should like to point out that this section has a separate staging from all other exhibits, and we have an expert judge in Mr. G. Gardner. We have secured the services of Mr. Menzie, the well-known Liverpool fancier, who has kindly consented to act as head steward in the cage bird section.

Allow me to thank the many who have written congratulating me on the prompt payment of prize-money and our good management, writes Mr. G. Marlin, sec. Hamilton, Cadzow Oak O.S. This postcard from Mr. H. Bennet (Kelso) is just a sample:—"I was surprised to receive my prize-money by this morning's post, which is almost a record I think in paying over prize-money from a Saturday show. You will make a good name for your society, and I wish it every success.

The rendezvous to-day and to-morrow (Friday and Saturday) is undoubtedly the City and Suburban's 17th annual show at the Church Institute, 60, Paddington Street, Marylebone. There you will meet the old familiar faces, and not a few of England's classic winners of the day, besides getting a glimpse of the latest seven guinea cup for the Crests. This makes our 20th cup. The hall is two minutes from Baker Street and Regent's Park Railways (underground) and 'buses pass the street corner.—(Advt.)

"Prince Charlie" Dead.

We are sorry to hear from Mr. C. Pearce, of the death of his Light Mule, "Prince Charlie." He arrived from Nottingham show on Tuesday morning dead in his cage.

[This fine mule had a most successful career both in Scotland and in England, and at Nottingham was third in a strong class.—Ed.]

Too Good to Lose.

I don't think I shall manage another of our open shows, writes Mr. H. Boothman, hon. sec., Manchester and N.C.O.S., unless there is a difficulty in getting a manager. I have been show manager for three now, and I think a change is good. I wish to thank you for the splendid report you gave us of our show. I am pleased to say I have received a large number of letters thanking us for our attention to the birds, and am more pleased to say we have not had one with a grumble. All prize money, etc., has been sent out.

Respected Fancier's Serious Illness.

We very much regret to hear that Mr. J. Patterson has been very ill again. Mrs. Patterson writes:—"I am extremely sorry to have to say that Mr. Patterson will not be at Cowdenbeath show. His illness assumed a more serious character after I wrote you last, and he has been very ill indeed. For twelve days and nights the fever ran high, and he is now so weak that he is only able to sit up for about one hour per day. The doctor assures me that he is making a good recovery, considering what he has come through, and is hopeful that he has only to gather strength to be quite well. He will not be out at any shows this season.

Wild-Bird Life.

The Long-tailed Tit.

The rain, frost, and rough winds have nearly cleared the trees of leaves, and almost every feathered creature within range can be easily detected. In the gardens the fruit trees are bare, but the rose bushes and climbers will retain their foliage until we have much more severe weather. The active Tits in small parties continue their ceaseless search for insects and even the gardener admits that at the present time they can do no harm. In a fair sized garden all the species can be identified at some time or other during the winter, although the long-tailed bird is the one the least likely to be seen, unless the garden adjoins open fields and wood. In the writer's district we do not see much of them round the buildings, but just outside the village along the old country roads where the hedges have not been demolished, the Long-tailed Tit may frequently be seen. One can follow a party of them for quite a long way, flitting along the hedges, darting from side to side, never a long way from each other, always twittering and calling. No fear of one being lost, the constant twittering of his companions being a guide for any straggler. Nearly every bird-lover has read of, or seen, the wonderful home of these birds, a globular nest composed of moss and fibre, snugly lined with hair and feathers, and so compactly put together, that the writer knows of one that actually stood the storms of three winters, and still had some shape and substance about it. Many birds' nests are compactly built, and would stand a lot of bad weather, but they are mostly demolished by other birds when seeking materials for their own homes. Although one would think the long-tailed Tit's nest would be easily detected, this is not always the case, its colour no doubt being a great protective agent. The nest seems to us to be a curious home for a bird with an exceptionally long tail; one would think that such a domicile would be more in keeping with a short-tailed or even tail-less species.



LONGTAILED TIT.

The Novice's Chance.

"V.H.S." writes drawing attention to the splendid manner in which the L.C.B.A. are catering in all varieties for the novices at their show, held Nov. 28, 29 and 30.

Scottish Plainhead Club in Luck.

I have to intimate to members of this club that Mr. W. Aitchison, president, has presented a cash special of half-a-guinea for most points gained at Aberdeen show, and a special of same value for most points at Scottish National show, writes Mr. J. Brown, the sec.

A Prince of Entertainers.

That "prince of entertainers," that "monarch of merriment," that "queen of song"—the honours are distributed too often nowadays in quarters where they are but scantily deserved, but no one who has spent an hour in company with a Graves' Gramophone will question its right to all those enviable titles. The Graves' instrument is simply what the perfect Gramophone should be; handsome to look upon, an ornament to any room in any home, and an amazingly faithful interpreter of an amazingly wide compass of sounds. The Graves' Gramophone delivers it so perfect, so unsullied by mechanical interference as to command genuine and general admiration. The choir boy's solo or the thunderous torrent of "massed brass" is reproduced with a truth and clarity which hold one spellbound, and through the whole gamut of sound the fidelity is just the same. Start your Graves' Gramophone, shut your eyes, and your favourite comedian, your almost worshipped prima donna seem really with you in the flesh. You can "pick out" every instrument in the pulse-quickening orchestra; you can catch the faintest tremolo even of the violin! Admirable in every detail as this Gramophone unquestionably is, our readers may obtain it on terms almost more admirable still. An initial payment of five shillings brings the Gramophone along with ten carefully selected ten-inch records, all securely packed and ready for your immediate enjoyment. Nine further payments of five shillings each, and the Gramophone is yours, to yield rich dividends of pleasure whenever an hour seems dull or the world seems blue.

Through a Bird-room Window

This article on Red-Faced Lovebirds is No. 30 of the new series of personal birdy experiences related by that eminent aviculturist, the Rev. C. D. FARRAR.

No. 30.—My Red-faced Love Birds.

YOU will always find it a safe rule to take a thing just as soon as it is offered—especially a bird. It is never easy to get a rare one except when you don't want it, or can't pay for it, but when you have to get out and go after it with a gun, you'll find it as shy as an old Crow that every farmer in the county has had a shot at.

Now, Red-faced Love Birds are never particularly easy to get, and strong and healthy ones are still less so; and a really acclimatised pair I have only once seen, and as soon as I saw them I made them my own. One day I saw a pair of Red faced Love Birds advertised as "thoroughly acclimatised"; but I have read these words so often that I have ceased to attach any literal meaning to them. However, as I wanted a pair of these birds at the time, I wrote to the advertiser, saying that if he would allow me to have them on approval I would gladly buy them if they proved all that was stated.

A Truthful Advertiser.

I received a very nice letter by return of post, saying that the birds should be despatched by a given train, and that they would prove all that was stated about them. I was wild with excitement in the time of waiting. Why should a man think that he is certain to obtain a great treasure, just because he happens to want it? Other people want it too, a great deal more than he does—but they approach it with fear and trembling, not in casual certainty. However, that is my way, and once again my luck was in the ascendant, for when one morning there came the well-known ring at the side door, and "a porter with some birds" was announced, it was not more than half a minute before the wrappings were off, and I saw before me the most lovely pair of Red-faced Love Birds that I ever hope to see, outside Africa. They were literally perfect, and as "tight as wax."

I remembered the saying of a little girl who brought a very old and wizened baby to the vicarage, and asked me to hold it. I said, "I will next time you come"; not meaning next time; my intention was all right, but it was vague. I merely meant "some day," like the sinner who means to give up his evil courses, usually when they are no longer pleasant. I shall never forget my little friend's answer: "There mayn't be no next time, mister!"

The Opportunity Seized.

I felt it was the same here. If I didn't take these birds, there might be no next time for me, and I therefore wired my acceptance. As I lovingly examined those birds, it gave me a better conceit of myself, so to speak, and I think conceit is the most delicious possession in the world. The conceited person is always perfectly happy—he knows for a fact that the world revolves round him. That's how I felt that day. That pair of Love Birds made me feel that to breed them and get a medal was merely a question of time. It would be myself first, the rest nowhere! In the sequel you will find I was mistaken.

My friend Mr. Oates at this time had also a very nice pair of Red-faces on which he set great store. One morning he wrote to tell me that his hen had gone wrong, and a few days later that she had passed over to the great majority. And then a mean little devil whispered that perhaps now there would be the chance for me. I was ashamed, and snuffed him out of existence, or at least I hope so. But you never know with these mean little devils, there are so many of them for one thing, and they are so cunning, calling themselves by quite other names. One never knows when one has them, and it too often amounts to them having you.

As the weather was nice and warm, I carried them out into the garden and set them free in a nice sheltered compartment devoted to Yellow Budgerigars. Here, they at once made themselves at home, and seemed quite pleased to have such a nice place to fly about in.

Peaceful, and Easy to Keep.

There was no difficulty about feeding, as they only seemed to care for canary seed and millet. They ate groundsel and flowering grass, but they were not half so keen on it as the Budgerigars. There were very nice washing arrangements in the aviary, but the Red-faces did not seem at all keen on "the order of the bath." In fact, I never saw them attempt to bathe; they seemed to have as inordinate a prejudice against tubbing as the average human boy.

I had read in books that Red-faced Love Birds were very spiteful. Mine must have been the exception that proves the rule, for they never offered to touch the Budgerigars.

Disappointed Hopes.

I had great hopes of breeding these difficult birds; and to this end I put them up a really beautiful nesting box, the same as I use for Budgerigars, only, of course, on a larger scale. At first my hopes stood on tip-toe, for they soon appropriated their new home, and woe betide any Budgerigars that came too near. I was delighted, moreover, to find after a time that the floor beneath the box was littered with chips, and the hen was usually inside a good part of the morning. After this had gone on for some time, I thought I would have a look inside. Alas, my expectations were doomed to disappointment. There was nothing in the box but a few chips. I tried to think what was wrong; clearly there was something. At last I came to the conclusion that the temperature was not high enough to induce egg-laying. And as this was a trouble that I could not get over without going to great expense, and that perhaps for nothing, I determined that the honour of breeding these birds would have to be for another.

I am sure everything was right as far as it went. The birds were healthy and evidently inclined to breed, but the temperature did not sufficiently remind them of their native clime. If I was determined to breed these birds I should construct a special aviary for them, properly heated with hot water, and I feel sure that, given a healthy pair to start with, I should succeed. The difficulty is to get a healthy pair. Those that came over last year are only "a little flock," as the Protestant Reformers were so fond of styling themselves, and they usually suggest to an onlooker the motto of the Roman Gladiators, "Moriture te salutant." (These about to die salute thee)

How to Distinguish the Sexes.

Red-faced Love Birds are bonny little things, about the size of an English Sparrow. The cock has a beautiful crimson head; that of the hen has an orange tinge; so that it is easy to tell a true pair. The outer tail feathers are red barred with black. The cock has a black under wing; the hen a dingy green.

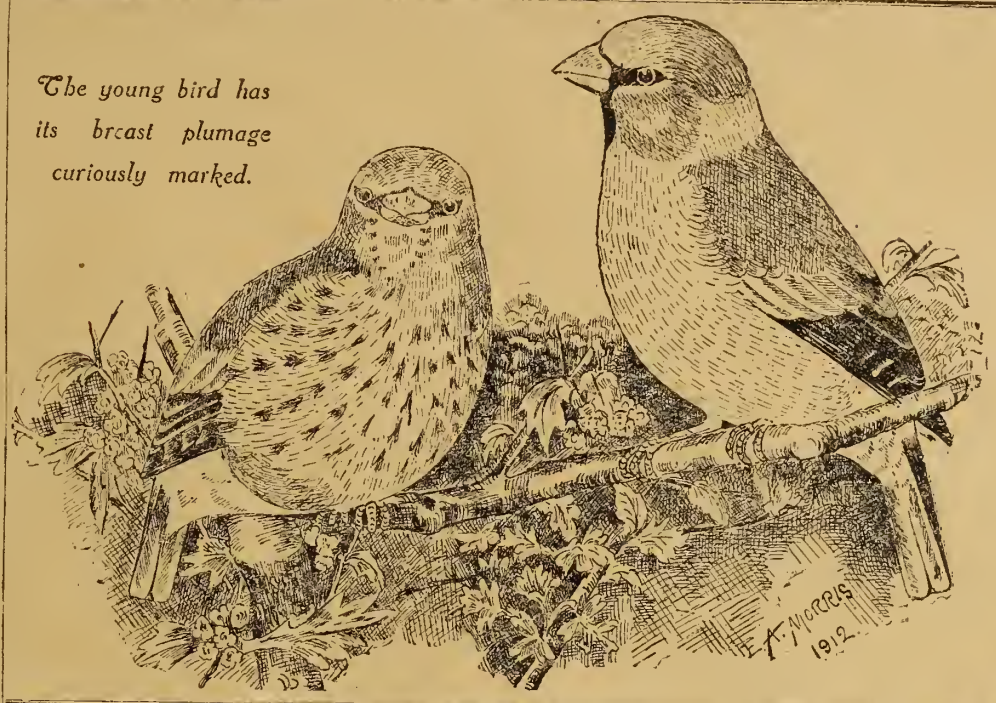
Let me give one little bit of advice. Never handle Red-faced Love Birds unless you are used to such work. They don't look very formidable, but only let one get hold of your hand, and I can compare it to nothing else than the bite of an old buck Squirrel. Those who have had that experience will know what I mean. Some birds are weak-billed, Red-faced Love Birds are not. I believe that if thoroughly acclimatised, they will stand an English winter all right out of doors, if their aviary is sheltered. At least mine did, and they seemed to suffer no more than the Budgerigars who shared their home. Personally, I would never buy them if they look the least bit "thick"; as they are certain to die. Consumption, or Bird-fever, the curse of all imported birds, will assuredly carry them off.

One day a friend came to see me, or the birds. I doubt that he had any clear intention of buying when he left home, but I wanted an aviary for one of my new experiments, and I felt that the Red-faced Love Birds and I must part. I therefore skilfully drew my friend's attentions to their beauty, their comparative rarity, and above all to their beautiful condition. I watched him out of the corner of my eye, and I saw that my words were sinking in.

Repentance Comes Too Late.

Some salesmen think that selling is like eating—to satisfy an existing appetite—but a good salesman is like a good cook—he can create an appetite when the buyer isn't hungry. That was what I did that day. I created an appetite, and then I proceeded to gratify it by selling my friend the finest pair of Red-faced Love Birds I ever saw. I thought at the time I had been rather smart. I have realised since that there is no fool like a young fool, because in the nature of things he has got a long time to live—and to regret his folly.

Many years later, when I had become richer or more successful, I had a nicely heated aviary, where I feel certain I could have produced young Red-faced Love Birds; but then, alas, there were none to be got; and I was reminded of the saying of a dear little girl I once knew in the slums; she was lying at the point of death, surrounded—too late—by every luxury. "It's hard, ain't it mister, 'ow the happetite comes when there ain't no jellies, an' the jellies comes when there ain't no happetite!"



The young bird has its breast plumage curiously marked.

THE NOBLE-LOOKING HAWFINCH.

See article on this page.

A FAVOURITE WITH EXHIBITORS.

The Noble-looking Hawfinch.

By E. A. MORRIS (Ilford):

WITHOUT doubt the Hawfinch can claim one of the foremost positions among our exhibition hard-bills, not on account of its song (as its vocal abilities are somewhat limited), but its extreme docility when once steady, and its ability to win in the very keenest of competition. To those fanciers who have had little or no experience with the noble-looking bird in question, the following lines are addressed, and may, perhaps, meet with some appreciation.

Selecting for Exhibition.

In the first place it is necessary to know what constitutes an exhibition Hawfinch; for this purpose it is a good plan to visit a few large shows and carefully compare the winners with those lower down in the awards. A large, bold, thick-set bird is very desirable, if at the same time possessing plenty of rich clean colour. By clean colour I mean free from smokiness and not of that dull dirty appearance often seen in this bird. It should have a large, full broad head. The bib should be almost triangular in shape (although some fanciers prefer those of the thumb-nail shape), dense black in colour, clean cut and free from ragged edges. The wing bar should be clearly defined, running well to the middle of the back, and be free from any break.

If possible obtain birds in their nest feather as I find they moult more freely than the adults. It is not so easy to tell at a glance the sex of Hawfinches in their nest feather as in the adults. The former do not resemble their parents in colour, being very much like young Thrushes in colour and markings. Their body colour is a rich yellowish tone, with arrowing down the breast, as shown in the accompanying sketch. Although the cocks carry a little more colour than the hens, young Hawfinches are very similar, but can be distinguished by their wings; the primaries and secondaries of the cocks are jet black, while those of the hens are edged with grey. This is a certain way of telling the sex of young birds.

The Moulting Often a Trying Period.

Although a fairly hardy bird, the Hawfinch often suffers during the process of the moult, and a little extra attention and care at this time are essential. A little linseed tea given once a week tends to ward off colds, and therefore should be used during the moult. Hemp seed should not be given at this time, as it darkens the plumage to a great extent, which is not always beneficial to the Hawfinch. Should a bird be "stuck in the moult" cochineal tea given for a few days will usually cure the trouble. If required for keen competition it is necessary to colourfeed.

Being a rather large bird, the Hawfinch requires a fairly roomy cage. One about 18 inches long, 15 inches high and about 9 inches deep makes a nice stock cage. This should be of the box pattern, with a loose wire front. Only two perches are required, and these should be placed about 6 inches apart; they should be at least half-inch square. Either sawdust or coarse grit is suitable for the cage bottom. A bath should always be placed at the bird's disposal, as the Hawfinch is usually a good bather. If the bird will not bathe, a good spraying every few days is very beneficial.

The food should consist of good sunflower seed as a staple, with the addition of a little mixed seed occasionally. Green peas, fresh from the garden, are greatly appreciated by the Hawfinch, and it also relishes shepherd's purse. In its wild state it lives principally on seeds and berries, such as the beech, ash, hornbeam hawberries, etc. In captivity it is very fond of meal worms, a few of which should be given each day.

An Important Point when Exhibiting.

A great point with an exhibition Hawfinch is steadiness. Here one must have patience. When the birds are fresh caught they should be caged separately, and the cage fronts covered down to the perches with calico the first week, leaving the bottom of the front uncovered. The birds do not damage themselves to any extent when this method is adopted. Give a meal-worm or two daily, at first pinning them to the perch. In most cases after a few weeks, the birds will take them out of one's fingers.

When fairly steady commence keeping the birds in show cages for a day or two each week. Handle the cages frequently, but at all times gently. Very soon one will notice a considerable change in the birds. In confinement the Hawfinch requires no heat.

Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

For Rules see page 922 last week.

THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of **ADVISORY EXPERTS.** Queries must in no case be addressed to any of them individually, but to the Editor.

Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mule and Hybrids—**G. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.H.S., &c., Wild Bird Life—**H. Norman.**

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

KEEPING IN FULL SONG (A. Cruse).—Certainly; there should be no difficulty at all in keeping a Canary in full song in a place where it can hear the song of a Linnet. In the majority of cases a healthy cock Canary would be induced to sing more, rather than less, by hearing other birds. The only thing you need fear is that the Canary may possibly pick up some of the linnet's notes, which may not be desirable if it is a well-trained songster.

WHAT KIND OF ROLLER? (Amateur).—You should have no difficulty whatever in getting a songster with a good variety of "changes" in its repertoire. Deposit cash with the Editor and then ask any respectable dealer to send you a bird of the Seifert or St. Andreasberg type on approval, explaining that you want a songster with plenty of variety in its song rather than one trained to sing two or three excessively long deep hollow rolls. There are plenty such birds to be had, and it is pleasing to note that there is a tendency now-a-days to add more variety to the repertoire of even the best contest singer.

CAUSE OF DEATH (L. C. C.).—It is quite useless speculating on the cause of death in any case after the occurrence. The only reliable or rational means of obtaining such knowledge is to have a post-mortem made on one or more of the bodies. In your case where the same cause was so obviously responsible for each of the deaths, it would only been necessary to post-mortem one of the bodies. I can only suggest from the few details you give that the deaths were probably due to acute pneumonia. Had the birds been exposed to a sudden chill from any cause—possibly too free bathing? Neither can I tell whether your room is too cold

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); Hause's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-roams, etc.," No. 10 "The Raller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

without knowing its temperature, whether in a sheltered position, affected with damp, etc., and also the breeding of your stock. Assuming it is too cold, other methods being unavailable, a portable hot-water coil heated by gas would form a very suitable method of heating. But the place should be properly ventilated, and you must always be prepared to face the risks inseparable from these methods.

A.O.V. (L. C. C.).—Your queries are admirably laconic, but unfortunately there is a conspicuous lack of particulars, which, to say the least, makes them a trifle vague. The cause of birds wheezing at night is very often the sign of the early stages of asthma, but it may also be due to an overfed condition. See they are kept free from cold draughts, or heated or impure air. Give a half teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with mow seed, every second day for a fortnight. Add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn to the drinking water for two days. Afterwards give 20 drops of whisky, five each of oxymel of squills and ipecac. wine, and two of eucalyptus oil, well shaken in the water every second day for a fortnight. See former reply concerning temperature of room. Norwich not singing may arise from some condition of health, or age, or they may be the wrong gender. Any healthy, self-respecting Norwich cock should sing on the following dietary. Staple diet plain canary only. Every second day give separately half a teaspoonful of summer rape and a spray of green food, or morsel of banana or sweet apple. Twice a week, on the intervening days, give a similar quantity of egg food, crushed biscuit or sponge cake sprinkled with a mixture of equal parts, maw and gold of pleasure seed, and on the remaining days, which will occur about three times a fortnight, give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, millet, teazle, and black rape, with a slight sprinkling of mustard.

VARIOUS (L. M. S.).—(1) Casual in-breeding when you know nothing of the pedigree of the birds is very rarely advisable, particularly when it is as close as mating mother and son. The practice is admittedly invaluable when properly done, but unless one has some very definite object in view it is best to avoid close in-breeding. If you were sure the hen was not the result of a consanguineous union no harm would result from the mating you propose, and it would undoubtedly fix and perpetuate to a great extent the good points the hen has inherited, but—and here lies the rub—if she has a decidedly bad fault it will be just as likely to perpetuate that also. (2) The symptoms point to an anæmic and generally weak condition. In a similar case in future, give a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with soft sugar every second day, and otherwise feed as advised in latter part of reply to "L. C. C." under heading "A.O.V.," but omitting the soft food. In the drinking water add 20 drops of chemical food every second day, continue until bird is decidedly better. (3) If the slipped toe, Is, as you suspect, the result of an accident, it would have no effect whatever upon any of her progeny. Her small size is certainly somewhat against her as a stock bird, but is far from a disqualification if she comes of good sized stock, and possesses good typical features apart from size. Mate her with a bird of good size and substance of body that comes of a good large stock.

BREEDING FOR COLOUR (Ansell).—Your query leaves me in doubt whether the young birds are really deficient in colour. If they have taken the prizes you name since the moult there cannot be very much fault with them. You must not, of course, expect buff birds to look anything like so deep and brilliant in colour as yellows. I do not advise you to double-buff with these birds next year to improve the colour. Mate them with good, sound rich yellows, with plenty of natural colour, not colour which comes from feeding, bred from double-yellows if possible. You say nothing about markings, but if your birds are clears, let the mates be ticked or lightly variegated. It is a dash of green blood that will do you best service, but do not go too close to the fountain-head if your aim is to get a good percentage of clear or slightly ticked birds.

VENTILATION (Constant Reader).—If you incline the blades of ventilator at a sufficient angle—say, 60 degrees, which is more than a right angle—I do not think there is the least fear of any draught blowing on to cages at the opposite end of room. As a matter of fact if ventilators are working properly there should be no intake of air at all by these apertures in the top part of room, which are outlets for the egress of the used up air which always rises to the top of the room. The intake for fresh, pure air should be near the floor in the centre of the front. Make this ingress 14ins. long and 7ins. deep, and the outlets each 8ins. by 6ins., and in each case you need not allow more than a clear quarter inch of space between each blade. Try them in the way advised, and if you are not satisfied with the working it will not be a difficult matter to reverse the inclination of the blades of the top outlets. But I think you will find them work O.K.

PERIOD OF SONG (L.E.W.).—There can be no definite time placed upon the singing period of the Roller. It depends solely upon the health and vigour of each individual, and this, of course, turns very largely upon how it is kept and managed. It is fairly safe to say that a Roller will sing well just as long as its health and general condition are kept good, whether it be two or three years or ten or twelve years. In fact, I have had quite good performers at the latter age, and have known others at a much greater age. Hence you will see the value of the assertion that they only sing two or three years.

WHAT IT ALL MEANS (J. Brown).—The ring on the leg of one of the German Canaries you bought simply means that it was placed there by the breeder as an identification mark to assist in tracing the ancestry, or pedigree, of the bird. The number on ring is merely the number under which the bird's description and breeding is entered in the owner's stud register.

BUSHES FOR AVIARIES (Andrew Robertson).—(1) Canaries are among the most destructive birds to small growing shrubs in aviaries. It is exceedingly difficult to get any small plant, particularly such as thorns, which they take as an acceptable addition to their menu, to grow, on account of the birds denuding them of the foliage and budding shoots. Stripping the bark, now they have denuded the plant of foliage, will afford amusement and healthful occupation to the birds, but nothing more. It will not harm them in any way. (2) Unless the aviary is a large one, wherein you could plant good-sized shrubs and bushes for cover, I would not advise you to encourage them to nest in bushes. Nothing is better for nesting sites than the small wooden travelling cages in which German Canaries are imported, if the water-pot, seed-box, and the short bars at one end are removed. But if you prefer shrubs, etc., hawthorn, privet, box, flowering and edible currants, lilac, hazel, elder, syringa, laurel, and guelder rose are all suitable.

HIND TOE TURNED UNDER (Roller).—I would not advise you to interfere with this bird's deformity now. If its other foot is perfect the fact of this one toe being unable to grip the perch will be no bar whatever to successful mating. All you need do is take care that the perches in breeding cage are of a suitable size and shape to give the bird a firm and comfortable grip, and that they are fixed securely, so as not to wobble about when birds alight on them. The reply you refer to last week would apply to your case, with the modification that there is no risk of your bird's toe sloughing. This danger might arise, however, if you put on a ring at this late date.

SWELLING ON FACE (E. McPherson).—Remove a few of the small feathers where the "head" of the swelling appears, but do not get quite near the eye, and prick it with a clean needle. Gently press out contents, and wash clean with warm water in a saucerful of which you have mixed a few drops of extract of witch hazel. Then dry gently and anoint place once daily for a few days with Lanocyllin. Do not wet the plumage more than is quite unavoidable, as this will cause the bird to rub the place more than it otherwise would, and probably make matters much worse. Keep perches scrupulously clean until the place is quite healed.

MAKES NOISE IN THROAT (Dickybird).—Examine cage closely, particularly about joints, and where small crevices are likely to exist, and if you find a white powdery-looking substance adhering to the surface, mites undoubtedly have a footing. If the birds are restless at night the same cause is at work. To deal with them, see reply to "T. Perrett" last week. For the noise, in addition to the usual seed diet give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it every second day for a fortnight. Add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece to its water for three consecutive days, and afterwards 20 drops of whisky, five each of oxymel of squills, and ipecacuanha wine, and two of eucalyptus oil well shaken in the water two days in every three for a week, and every second day in the following week.

DOUBTFUL PARENTAGE (Maesgwyn).—(1) Keep the hen in a fairly warm and equable place, but not overheat her, and see that she is free from cold draughts and heated impure air from burning lights. Give a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for three weeks, and twice a week on the alternate days give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts black and red rape, millet, teazle, and maw. On the remaining days give a morsel of banana. Give plain canary for staple. Allow it to bathe three or four times a week. In each two tablespoonfuls of drinking water dissolve a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a split pea, ditto of sulphate of iron half as big, and add six drops of dilute sulphuric acid. Give this in place of plain water every second day for a fortnight. (2) It is quite possible for either of the two cocks to be the male parent of the young in question. The probabilities, however, are very much in favour of the last one employed—the eight-year-old—being the parent. If mating had not been taking place freely between the first two, and commenced soon after the cocks were exchanged, I should regard the probability as a "cert." It is just one of those points which it is impossible to "swear to," but, personally, I should find eight-year-old "guilty."

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

A WEED (W. H.).—The weed sent is the field speedwell—very common, but I have never tried its seeds on birds of any kind, so can pass no opinion upon their value as a bird food. I have little doubt, however, that its seeds are found amongst many wild seed mixtures sold. It is a near relative of the other speedwell, whose tiny blue flowers are conspicuous in the spring, which is popularly termed "bird's-eye."

IN AN AVIARY (T. E. R.).—You can keep Yellowhammers, Chaffinches and Goldfinches together in a large aviary such as yours. Yellowhammers are seed-eaters (known as "hardbills," that is), but relish live food, and also a little insectile mixture, and are the better for these items. Wagtails are softbills; you will find full and up-to-date information on the feeding of them in "Nutshell" booklet No. 25 (post free 2½d.). You could try nine or ten pairs in your aviary, say, Goldfinches, Linnets, Siskins, Redpolls (Lesser and Mealy), Bullfinches, Chaffinches, Bramblefinches and Greenfinches, with a fair chance of one or other of them breeding, and that collection would not be an expensive one.

EATING THE PAINT (Friend).—Sorry to hear of your losses. I believe that white paint is reckoned the most dangerous of all—the white lead in it is, I understand, the ingredient that works the damage. If I am wrong, I hope some reader will correct me. Personally I do not use paint, but washable sanitary distemper, which answers splendidly, and I have never experienced any ill results from it, nor have I heard of anyone else doing so. I do not trouble about the brand so long as it is of good quality—Hall's, or Duresco, or any good make is suitable. It is, as a matter of fact, often advertised in our columns. You certainly made a mistake in using common paint.

GOLDFINCH AILING (B. B. B.).—Give for two days half-a-teaspoonful of syrup of buckthorn in the drinking water (two tablespoonfuls). Follow this with 20 drops of tincture of gentian in the same quantity of water for 8 to 10 days (fresh daily, of course). Let him have a few thistle and hardheads daily.

A FEW NEVER BRED (Hybrid).—A few "hardbill" crosses that we are waiting to see proved possible are Chaffinch, Bramblefinch or Yellowhammer and Canary; the same with the Bullfinch (also the Siskin-Bullfinch); then there is any cross with the Hawfinch as one parent—the Greenfinch-Hawfinch being possibly the most likely. Any cross between the Buntings would also, so to speak, be a winner. This is not a complete list, but just a few that occur to me on the spur of the moment, and enough, I think, for you to be going on with.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-roams, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S..

FOREIGN BIRDS (S.H.C.).—(a) If you are simply transferring them from one outdoor aviary to another, this can take place at any time, but if you are putting them outside into the garden aviary when ready, then, irrespective of being early or late, they must not be put out till first week in May; with hardy species they are better settled out all the winter, but with a new aviary you must make the best start you can to put indoor birds out earlier would be a case of "more haste, less speed"—and your season should not be a barren one. The best way of trapping birds in an aviary is a light wood frame, say, 18 inches square, with a drop door operated by a string from outside the aviary—put the food vessels in the trap and drop the door when the bird goes to the food. Sexes should be equal or the odd birds interfere with the nesting pairs. (b) I should keep the Saffron Finches with the Weavers and Javas. (c) Chinese Painted Quail, Diamond, Peaceful, or similar small Doves. (d) Yes, re Lavenders, if your county is a northern one, you must take them in for the winter. Chingolo Sparrows can stop out; many individuals are pugnacious, and also obstreperous; at the same time they do not work much harm if the aviary is roomy and not overcrowded.

AVIARY PLANS (G.M.W.).—Speaking of them as a whole, your suggested aviary should give good results, and providing your county is not far north will suffice for housing the birds you name out of doors all the year round, save perhaps the Lavender Finches, but this you can ascertain by observation. You must put a good sized window into the shed, as unless it is well lighted the birds will not use it. While you can keep, say, forty of the small Ornamental Finches in it, twelve pairs are the utmost you can put in it for there to be any prospects of breeding. The back of the aviary must be well lined with twiggy branches and nest receptacles hung up behind these, also bundles of brushwood must be fixed in the corners and against the roof, with well screened nest receptacles amid them.

A FEATHER PULLER (J.B.).—You do not say what kind of Parrot it is, not yet how you have been feeding and treating it; supply me with this information, and I shall be in a position to help you. In the meantime boil a tablespoonful of maize till soft, drain off all water and lightly dust with flowers of sulphur before supplying to the bird; give this quantity fresh daily, as it only keeps fresh 24 hours. So long as the voidings are not watery loose, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in its drinking water. Keep cuttlebone in the cage, and put a pinch of grit (not sand) into the daily supply of seed. Get a little clean paraffin oil, dip your finger in it, and gently rub the bare parts with same, but you must not use sufficient to run among and grease the plumage. Also spray twice a week with quassia

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-roams, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet St., London, E.C.

solution, taking care it does not take a chill while the plumage is moist. Keep it amused with cotton reels and a piece of a branch with the bark on, renewing same as necessary—see other replies.

AMAZON PARROT (C. Woodall).—You must let a vet. or some skilled fancier see it at once; the exuded part must be pressed back and a band put round the body to keep it in position. Of course, a hole must be cut in the bandage to leave the ventral passage open. But I strongly advise you to consult a vet., who can put a stitch in or take some other step he may think necessary and give the bird relief at once. Write us again at once, giving a short history of the bird, describing food and treatment, and stating how long you have had it. I cannot help you till I get these details. Keep the bird warm and quiet. On receipt of above information I will reply per return.

YELLOW-WINGED SUGARBIRD (Sugarbird).—I should only give the insectivorous food and cake in limited quantities for the present, but keep a strict watch on the bird, and do not allow it to become abnormally thin. The great difficulty with birds in cages is to avoid overfeeding; at the same time they should be in good condition, but any case of overfatness should be at once checked by the use of a laxative and limiting the food supply, but the reducing process must not be carried too far. Re the Cardinal, get from your chemist the following mixture:—Ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills and glycerine in equal parts, put ten drops of this into the drinking water (usual daily supply), till relief is given. One dose (half teaspoonful) of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water to precede the above treatment. Let the Cardinal have as much fruit as it will eat, also three or four mealworms or other insects per diem.

WHAT WEAVER? (Napoleon).—It is not a Napoleon; this species has the sides of body, as well as the top of head, neck, sides of neck, and breast, bright yellow, only the centre of abdomen being black on the undersurface. If your drawing correctly shows the colour areas, it is a Taha Weaver, an uncommon species.

GREY PARROT PULLING ITS FEATHERS. (A. Crookman).—As you will get the Nutshell before you see this reply, you will know how you ought to feed it. Get some bitter aloes and anoint the bare places with it; the bitter taste may check the bird picking at the pen feathers. I shall also spray with quassia solution twice a week, taking care that the bird does not get a chill while the plumage is moist. Every fourth day so long as the voidings are not watery loose, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia into the drinking water, and on the intervening days use either chemical food or hypophosphates. Give it a piece of a branch regularly, replacing it as it is cut to pieces; a piece off some fruit tree is best, but almost any kind will do. At the same time it is not well to use those of a splintery nature. Let it have as much ripe fruit as it will take. You will have to keep a watch on the bird, and persevere with the treatment with some Parrots feather pulling is an actual vice.

COCKATIEL AND ROSELLA (A. G. Wyndham).—The only thing to do is to leave these birds together, and if both are fit and adult, failing mates of their own species, they may make a match of it. On the other hand, they may ignore each other. I have never heard of this cross having been reared. Nothing certain is known about sexual differences in plumage; some hens have a green patch on the nape, but all hens have not this distinction; but I have never known an adult cock Rosella to have the green nape patch. Except where the plumage of the sexes is entirely different, colour distinctions are only applicable to adults. The only other distinction I have been able to discover is that the bill of the male is a little longer and also a wee bit stouter at the base than that of the female. The female is said to be a wee bit smaller and less brightly coloured than the male, but this distinction is certainly not constant; the plumage of the species is so variable as to intensity with both sexes, that fine distinctions are of very little value. If you a▸

any time want to pick a pair and have a number of adults to choose from, pick birds in which the shape and size of the head and beak vary to some small extent, and you will generally have a true pair. All Parrots can be taught to talk. I have heard of, but never seen, a talking Rosella, and I should imagine it would take a lot of teaching.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

"Goldie."—Long existing disease of the liver, due to fatty degenerative changes.

F.B.C.—Inflammation of the bowels of dietetic origin.

S. Burr.—Death arose from poisoning, but nature of the poison could not properly be determined without analysis, which is a costly and lengthy process. It is possible that your opinion re paint is correct, but this I cannot prove in the absence of analytical evidence.

J. Hierons.—Fatty infiltration of the liver.

GENERAL.

Answered by The Editor.

G. Benson.—Thanks for your reminder; we shall not overlook the item to which you refer.

F. Meadowcroft.—We have forwarded your address and offer to the correspondent in question.

G. M. McIntyre.—Thanks for the newspaper cutting; we have a report in type.

Cestrian.—We understand that there is no relationship whatever between Mr. J. M. Walsh, of Blackburn, who exhibits Hybrids, British and Foreign birds, and Mr. Jeffrey Walsh, the well-known judge.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Inverness.—Nov. 20, Rose Street, Drill Hall. Judges: Messrs. J. F. Dewar, F. A. Watt. 53 open classes: Scots, Fancy 1, Yorks. 6, Bord. 3, Nor. 11, Crest 5, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 4, Mules 2, Brit. 11, For. 1, Gronp 1, Gift 2. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 13, to T. Sutherland, 92, Telford-rd.

Tonbridge.—Dec. 3, 4, Public Hall Buildings. Judge, Mr. J. Robson. 22 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks. 6, Mules 1, Brit. 5, Sell 1, Nov. 1, For. 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 23, to P. Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow-rd.

Sittingbourne.—Nov. 27, 28, Fanciers' Hall, High-st. Judge, Mr. G. Gardner. 36 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks. 7, Crest 2, Bord. 3, Liz. 1, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 7, Mules 2, For. 2, Pairs 1, Sell. 2, Gift 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/9. Ent. close Nov. 20, to B. Tidy, 13, High St.

Cardiff.—Nov. 20-21, Queen's Hall, Queen St. Judges: Messrs. W. Vardy, W. Mundell, D. A. S. Longden. 66 open classes: Nor. 15 (4 Novice), Yorks. 15 (4 Novice), Crest 2, Scotch Fancy 2, Bord. 5, Sell. 3, Mules 7, Brit. 15, For. 2. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 13th to E. Thomas, 48, Craddock St.

Launceston.—Nov. 26. Judge, Mr. J. H. Payne. 21 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks. 4, Pairs 1, Mules 3, Brit. 3, For. 1, Sell. 2, 8 Local classes. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 21, to N. H. Reed, Church-st.

Ilkeston.—Nov. 23-25, Victoria Hall, Bath-st. Judges: Messrs. J. C. Barnes, C. Houlton. 37 open classes: Nor. 11 (2 Sell., 2 Nov.), Crest 3 (1 Sell.), Yorks. 7 (1 Sell., 2 Nov.), Bord. 1, A.O.V. 1, Mules 2, Brit. 9 (1 Nov.), For. 2, Gift 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 19, to T. Smith, 5, King-st.

Darlington.—Nov. 30, Corn Exchange. Judge, Mr. I. H. Roe. 21 open classes: Yorks. 3, Nor. 3, Bord. 1, A.O.V. 1, Mules 1, Brit. 7, For. 1, Sell. 3, Gift 1. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/-. Ent. close Nov. 25, to A. Walker, 47, Montrose-st.

Dundee.—Nov. 30, Gymnasium, Ward-rd. Judges: Messrs. R. Whitton, J. Holmes, J. Strachan, R. Thoms, W. Mossie, G. McArdle. 51 open classes: Crest 7 (1 Sell.), Nor. 13 (1 Sell.), Scotch Fancy 9 (1 Sell.), Bord 9 (1 Sell.), Mules 2, Brit. 11 (1 Sell.). Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 25, to A. Miller, 3, Park Avenue.

Llanelly.—Nov. 26, Market Hall. Judges: Messrs. W. Vardy, J. Frostick. 52 open classes: Nor. 8, Yorks. 8, Bord. 7, A.O.V. 1, Sell 3, Mules 4, Brit. 7, Sell. 1, For. 2, Decorated Cages 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 21, to D. John, 9, Pottery Place.

Broomhill.—Dec. 7, Central Hall. Judge, Mr. A. Brown. 9 open classes: Nor. 4, Bord. 2, Yorks. 1, A.O.V. 1, Linnet 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/-. Ent. close Nov. 30, to W. Smailes, 28, Hartside-terr., Chevington Drift, Acklington.

Glasgow and Dist. C.B.A.—Nov. 22-23, Drill Hall, Greendyke St. Judges: Messrs. J. Holmes, R. Lamb, Dr. Syson, R. Bald, S. Ward. 65 open classes: Nor. 15 (1 Sell.), Crest 5 (1 Sell.), Bord. 9 (1 Sell.), Yorks. 8 (1 Sell.), A.O.V. 1, Mules 7 (1 Sell.), Brit. 7, For. 3. Prizes, 12/-, 8/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Fee, 2/-. Ent. close Nov. 18, W. Hutchison, 163, Hospital St.

Stockton-on-Tees.—Nov. 28, Temperance Hall, Dovecot-st. Judges: Messrs. J. Robson, J. Maddison. 44 open classes: Yorks. 5, Nor. 5, Bord. 3, Crest 2, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 3, Mules 2, Brit. 11, For. 2. Prizes, 7/-, 4/-, 2/-, 1/-. Fee, 1/-. Ent. close Nov. 16, to J. W. Lowes, 17, Canning-st.

Rochdale.—Nov. 22-23, Ambulance Drill Hall. Judges, Messrs. C. A. House, W. Mundell. 70 open classes. Lancs. 13 (1 nov.), Liz. 9 (1 nov.), Yorks. 13 (1 nov.), Crest 2, Nor. 10 (1 nov.), Pair 1, Mules 3, Sell 3, Bord. 4, Cinn. 4, Brit. 5, For. 3. Prizes. 10/-, 7/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/6. Entries close Nov. 16 to R. Hincoe, 169, Drake-street.

Great Horton Good Intent.—Nov. 23, Congregational Schools. Judge, Mr. C. A. House 27 open classes: Yorks. 18 (8 nov.), Brit. 3, Mule 1, Sell. 3, Nov. 2. Prizes, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-, 1/-. Fee, 1/6. Entries close Nov. 19 to H. Gornall, 34, Surrey-st., West Bowling, Bradford.

Dartford.—Nov. 26-27, Assembly Rooms. Judge, Mr. A. E. Enfield. 7 open classes. Nor. 2, Yorks. 1, A.O.V. 1, Mule 1, Brit. 1, A.O.V. 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Entries close Nov. 18 to A. Lambert, Barn End-lane, Wilmington, Dartford.

Holywood.—Nov. 22-23, King Edward Memorial Hall. Judge, Mr. A. Wellings. 33 open classes: Sunday, 2. Nor. 8, Yorks. 8, Nov. 6, Sell. 3, Mules 3, Brit. 3. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Entries close Nov. 16, to J. Dunwoody, 42, Church Street.

Thurso. Dec. 4, Town Hall. Judge, Mr. J. Fulton. 25 open classes: Scotch Fancy 2, Nor. 8, Col. fed 1, Bord. 4, Yorks. 1, Pairs 1, Mules 1, Brit. 4, For. 1, Sell. 1, Gift 1. Prizes, 6/6, 3/-, 1/6. Fee, 1/-. Entries close Nov. 26 to D. Shearer, Sir John Square.

Haltwhistle. Nov. 22-23, Mechanics' Hall. Judges, Messrs. J. Dixon, A. Holden. 39 open classes. Bord. 13 (2 nov., 1 sell.), Nor. 9 (1 nov.), Yorks. 4 (1 nov.), Scotch Fancy 1, Sell. 2, Brit. 5, For. 2, Mule 3. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-, 1/-. Fee, 1/-. Entries close Nov. 16 to Nicholson and Tallantyre, West Gate, Haltwhistle.

In the Courts.

A Deal in Goldfinches.

A case of interest to fanciers was recently decided at the Mold County Court, before his Honour Judge Moss.—George Henry Burkhill, Buckley, sued Evans and Roberts, bird dealers, Llanwrst, for £1, the value of Goldfinches supplied. It appeared that plaintiff advertised the birds, and defendants replied asking for them to be sent on to Llanrwst. Plaintiff forwarded the birds, and later received a letter in which defendants complained that the birds had received injuries in transit. However, they made an offer which plaintiff at first accepted, but subsequently he requested defendants to return the birds. Evidently defendants were satisfied with their bargain, for they refused to do so. Plaintiff repeatedly asked for them, and at last defendants said they would neither return them nor send the money.—His Honour on hearing the facts, gave judgment for plaintiff, for amount claimed with costs.—"Chester Chronicle."

Twelve Months for Parrot, etc., Frauds.

It was stated at the Derby Assizes on Nov. 4, that thirty complaints from all parts of the country had been received concerning the transactions of James Wilshire, a labourer, of Ilkeston, who was convicted of obtaining cheques and postal orders by false pretences. The prisoner, it was stated, advertised at £1 each a number of Parrots, whose attainments were set out in glowing terms. They could talk, whistle, bark, kiss, and perform acrobatic acts, and were used to the nursery. A Cardiff customer received what he described as an Australian Crow, worth not more than 5s., while another customer said he was forwarded a Cockatoo of no ability. Wilshire also offered for the same amount pure bred Yorkshire terriers, and a Birmingham breeder who bought one said he could call it nothing but a freak of nature. The prisoner maintained that his descriptions were accurate, and said that the public misled themselves in these matters by not asking the necessary questions. He consented to other charges being taken into consideration, and Mr. Justice Scrutton sentenced him to twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour.—"Manchester Guardian."

DULWICH AND PECKHAM.

Ninth annual members' show held at the Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, Nov. 5. The entries were 63 in excess of last year, but the Yorkshire section was disappointing. A society that gives ample classes for this variety, with six exclusive specials, to say nothing of the chance of winning the cups, etc., should have support. Champ. Nor. were the feature of the show, and one of the finest in London this season, averaging 14 per class. "The News of the World" challenge shield, value £7 7s., was won by Mr. Baker, of Cowes, with a buff cock of exceptional merit, while the society's young bird bowl, value £5 5s., went to the same exhibitor; there was some difference of opinion concerning the latter award. Some splendid specimens of the Norwich variety were also staged by Messrs. Richardson, Hazel, Spillman, and Morris. The points challenge cup, value £5 5s., went to Mr. Tringham for the second year in succession, while the novice cup was taken by Mr. Reeks. Ramsden's and Sandiford's specials went to Messrs. Richardson and Baker respectively. Other winners of specials were: Messrs. T. Tringham, Fairman, Crawford, Richardson, T. Tebbs, Morris, Hazel, Botting, Coombs, Reeks, Matthes, Cant, Gillard, Cornish, Tomsett, and Clark. Novice Norwich might certainly have been more numerous, but there were some nice specimens among them. Of the novice Yorks. we have already said we should have liked to have seen them with the champions; this, we think, is sufficient praise. British birds were especially good. Of the management we cannot speak too highly. In Messrs. Richardson and Fairman were found too capable managers, one with great experience, the other a willing learner, and both possessing those necessary assets, the desire and ability to take every care of the exhibits entrusted to them. They were ably supported by a hard-working committee, who had all the birds packed and the room cleared by 10.30 a.m. Mr. John Robson judged. Unfortunately, through some misunderstanding with the printer, no catalogues were on sale.

CREST or C.B. (5): 1, 2, 3, 4, hc, Cant. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, Cornish. HYBRIDS (2): 1, Botting. DARK MULE (3): 1, 2, Fairman; 3, Groombridge. GOLDFINCH (4): 1, Reeks; 2, Groombridge; 3, 4, Fairman. BULLFINCH (5): 1, Botting; 2, Fairman; 3, 4, vhc, Cornish. LINNET: (4): 1, Rocks; 2, Botting; 3, Loose; 4, Perkins. CHAFFINCH, ETC. (13): 1, 2, Botting; 3, Loose; 4, vhc, hc, Madam Madewell; c, Matthes. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Botting; 2, Matthes; 3, 4, Tringham. A.O.S. HARDBILL (4): 1, 2, Botting; 3, Madam Madewell; 4, Loose. INSECTIVE (2): 1, Tringham; 2, Groombridge. FOR. (3): 1, Matthes; 2, Fairman; 3, Tringham. CHAMP. NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (10): 1, Hazell; 2, 4, Morris; 3, Spillman; vhc, Baker; hc, Cole; c, Richardson. BUFF: 1, Baker; 2, Lee; 3, Martin; 4, Thomas; vhc, hc, Morris; c, Ward. MKD. or VARIEG. CK. (12): 1, Baker; 2, Spillman; 3, Hazell; 4, Ward; vhc, Steed; hc, Richardson; c, Morris. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (17): 1, Baker; 2, 4, Richardson; 3, Spillman; vhc, Cole; hc, Morris; c, Ward. BUFF (15): 1, 2, Hazell; 3, Baker; 4, hc, Morris; vhc, Lee; c, Spillman. UNFLIG. HEN (18): 1, Morris; 2, Lee; 3, Spillman; 4, hc, Richardson; vhc, Steed; c, Baker. HEN (15): 1, 4, Baker; 2, hc, Morris; 3, Martin; vhc, Hazel; c, Ward. CHAMP. YORKS. CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (4): 1, 2, Tebbs; 3, 4, Tringham. CL. TKD. BUFF CK. (4): 1, 2, Tringham; 3, 4, Tebbs. MKD. or VARIEG. CK. (2): 1, Tebbs; 2, Tringham. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (5): 1, 2, Tebbs; 3, 4, vhc, Tringham. BUFF CK. (4): 1, Tebbs; 2, 3, 4, Tringham. UNFLIG. HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, Tebbs; 4, vhc, hc, Tringham. HEN (4): 1, 3, Tebbs; 2, 4, Tringham. A.O.V. (7): 1, 4, Richardson; 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Tringham. NOV. CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (4): 1, Gillard; 2, Crawford; 3, Tomsett; 4, Coombs. BUFF: 1, Crawford; 2, Coombs; 4, Gillard; vhc, Tomsett; hc, Linge. HEN UNFLIG. (5): 1, Gillard; 2, Crawford; 3, Tomsett; 4, vhc, Perkins. HEN (6): 1, 2, Crawford; 3, Coombs; 4, Tomsett; vhc, Gillard; hc, Fairman. YORKS. CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Reeks; 2, Gillard; 3, Cornish; 4, hc, Fairman; vhc, Bullen; c, Goodwin. CL. or TKD BUFF (9): 1, hc, Cornish; 2, Clarke; 3, vhc, Reeks; 4, c, Fairman. MKD. or VARIEG. CK. (7): 1, 2, hc, Clarke; 3, vhc, Goodwin; 4, Fairman; c, Reeks. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Clarke; 2, Gillard; 3, hc, Reeks; 4, c, Fairman; vhc, Cant. BUFF (8): 1, 3, Reeks; 2, Bullen; 4, Cant; vhc, hc, c, Fairman. HEN UNFLIG. (9): 1, 2, Reeks; 3, 4, vhc, Fairman; hc, Cornish; c, Bullen. HEN (10): 1, 3, Fairman; 2, Clarke; 4, Reeks; vhc, Bullen; hc, Goodwin; c, Cornish.

LEITH O.S.

The fifty-third annual show was held on November 9th. A grand total of 600 entries was forward, which creates a record for the society. The quality was of a high order, especially in the British section. The Keddie Cup winner was a non-fed Greenfinch of massive build and excellent colour, the property of Mr. John Messer, a popular win. The Scotch Fancy section contained a few birds of great merit, the cup winner being a yellow pied hen belonging to Mr. John Munro, which, for size and substance, was all that one could wish to see. The Norwich, although down a shade in numbers, made up for it in quality. Mr. Finnie's fine buff hen carried off premier honours. The Borders were a show unto themselves; in every class a double set of winners could be found. The buff cock belonging to Mr. Wm. Dodds was awarded the cup and B.F.C.C. medal for best. We have to congratulate the President on his successful debut with his greens in this section. The hall in which the show was held is an ideal one for such a purpose, being well lighted and free from draughts. The show was under the management of a very capable set of officials, who carried out their duties in a very satisfactory manner, everything passing off like clock work. The judges officiating were: Scotch, Messrs. A. Hamilton (Caldercruix) and Mr. J. Carlaw (Falkirk): Nor., Mr. E. Campbell; Borders, Messrs. R. Lambie (Whitburn) and J. Thomson (Newton Grange); British, etc., Mr. J. F. Dewar; and their awards gave every satisfaction. The show was well patronised by the public.

The Awards.

SCOTCH, CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Drysdale; 2, Dalgleish; 3, 4, Carson. CL. BUFF: 1, Munro, 2, Dunn; 3, McMillan; 4, Howden; 5, 8, Rodger; 6, Carson. YELL. PIED CK.: 1, 5 Dalgleish; 2, Paterson; 3, McMillan; 4, Hope. BUFF: 1, Munro; 2, Peterson; 3, 6, Dalgleish; 4, 5, Rodger; 7, 8, Dunn. YELL. GREEN: 1, 2, 4, Hope; 3, Paterson; 5 Carson; 6, Hendry. BUFF: 1, Dalgleish; 2, Howden; 3, 4, Rodger; 5, Weston. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Dalgleish; 3, Dunn; 4, Howden. BUFF: 1, 2, Dalgleish; 3, McMillan; 4, 5, Weston. YELL. PIED HEN: 1, 4, Munro; 2, Rodger; 3, 7, Paterson; 5, 6, Dalgleish; 8, Drysdale. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Dalgleish; 4, Rodger, 5, Paterson; 6, Baxter. YELL. GREEN HEN: 1, Hope; 2, Howden; 3, 4, Paterson. BUFF: 1, Hope; 2, 4, Dunn; 3, Weston; 5, Howden. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 3, A. Moffat; 2, 4 8 Craig; 5, 6, Finnie; 7, Dunn. BUFF: 1, 3, Finnie; 2, 7, D. Moffat; 5, Carson; 4, Black; 6, A. Moffat. VARIEG. YELL: 1, 3, A, Moffat; 2, 4, 5, Finnie; 6, 8, Alcorn; 7, Forrest. BUFF: 1, Finnie, 2, A. Moffat; 3, Dunn; 4, Blair; 5, Alcorn; 6, D. Moffat; 7, Carson; 8, Duncan. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, A. Moffat; 3, Dunn; 4, Finnie; 5, D. Moffat; 6, 7, Alcorn. BUFF: 1, 4, 5, Finnie; 2, 3, A. Moffat; 6, 7, Dunn; 8, Alcorn. VARIEG. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Finnie; 3, Craig; 4, 5, Carson. BUFF: 1, Weir; 2, Finnie; 3, Dunn; 4, 6, A. Moffat; 5, D. Moffat; 7, Carson. GREEN OR CINN.: 1, 2, Ross; 3, 8, D. Moffat; 4, Finnis; 5, 7, Craig; 6, Carson. CREST. CK.: 1, Alcorn; 2, Smith. HEN: 1, Smith. C.B. CK.: 1, Alcorn; 2, 3, Smith. HEN: 1, Smith. BORD., CL. YELL. CK: 1, 3, Brown; 2, Dodds; 4, Brunton; 5, 7, Baxter; 6, Rodger; 8, Duncan. BUFF: 1, 3, Dodds; 2, 7, 8, Brown; 4, Rodger; 5, Duncan; 6, Stevens. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, Rodger; 2, 4, Dodds; 3, 6, Brown; 5, Baxter; 7, Duncan; 8, Walls. BUFF: 1, 6, Brown; 2, Dodds; 3, Stevenson; 4, Irvins; 5, Milne; 7, Brunton; 8, Baxter. TKD. YELL.: 1, 7, Brown; 2, 3, Stevenson; 4, Dodds; 5, Alcorn; 6, Duncan; 8, Rodger. BUFF: 1, 2, Brown; 3, Duncan; 4, Brown; 5, Walls; 6, Brodie; 7, Carson; 8, Rodger. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Brown; 2, 4, Dodds; 3, 7, Brunton; 5, Duncan; 6, Baxter; 8, Rodger. BUFF: 1, 6, 8, Brown; 2, Dodds; 3, J. Brunton; 4, Baxter; 5, Brunton; 7, Weir. YELL. GREEN OR CINN.: 1, 4, Dodds; 2, Duncan; 3, 6, 7, Duncan; 5, 8, Stevens. BUFF: 1, 2, Lumsden; 3, 4, 5, 8, Dodds; 6, Alcorn; 7, Stevenson. GOLD LIZ.: 1, 3, Alcorn; 2, 4, 5, 6, Milne; 7, 8, Ross. SILVER: 1, 4, Alcorn; 2, 3, 5, Milne. FOR., GOLDFINCH: 1, Watson; 2, McMillan; 3, Dunn; 4, Finnie. BULLFINCH: 1, McMillan; 2, Stevenson; 3, Dunn. BRIT. GOLDFINCH: 1, Brown; 2, Sayers; 3, Allan; 4, 7, Finnie; 5, 8, Blair; 6, McMillan. LINNET: 1, Colbron; 2, Brown; 3, Messer; 4, Cunningham; 5, Watson; 6, Allan; 7, Finnie. GREENF. (NON-FED): 1, Messer; 2 McMillan, 3, Finnie, 4, Brunton; 5, Craft; 6, Brown; 7, Black; 8, Barclay. GREENF. (FED): 1, Craig; 2, 3, Messer; 4, Barclay; 5, Allan; 6, Finnie; 7, Forrest; 8, Brown. SISKIN: 1, Watson; 2, D. Moffat; 3, 7, Allan; 4, Messer; 5, Wood; 6, Craft; 8, Weir. TWITE: 1, Wood; 2, 5, Watsons; 3, Messer; 4, Alcorn; 6, Colbron; 7, Sayers; 8, Allan. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Finnie; 2, 4, Craft; 3, McMillan; 5, Howden; 6, Colbron; 7, Barclay; 8, Brunton. A.V. BUNTING: 1, 2, Watson; 3, Allan; 4, Sayers; 5, 6, Finnie; 7, Messer; 8, Cunningham. A.O.V. FINCH: 1, 2, 4, Allan; 3, Finnie; 5, Colbron; 6, Wood; 7, Brown; 8, Messer. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, 2 Craft; 3, 6, Sayers; 4, Hendry; 5, Brunton. HEN: 1, Craft; 2, Barclay; 3, 4, 8, Finnie; 5, Allan; 6, 7, Sayers. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: 1, 3, Finnie; 2, Watson; 4, Baxter; 5, 6, Barclay; 7, Allan. DARK: 1, 5, Carson; 3, 6, 7, 8, Watson; 2, Paterson; 4, Allan. GIFT: 1, Sayers; 2, 5, Paterson; 3, Alcorn; 4, Allan.

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CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Anfield, Everton C.B.S.—Nov. 16, Show Rooms, 8. Members' show. All pay and other business.—R. B. Wright.

Adwick le-Street C.B.S.—Nov. 9, Foresters' Arms, 7. Inter-club business. Allotting specials and other important business.—G. H. Robinson.

Ashton-under-Lyne and Dis. O.S.—Nov. 19, P.S.A. Rooms, 8. Schedules and other back-end show business.—J. R. Colville.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Nov. 16, Onward Hall, Ardwick. Annual members' show. Mr. A. Hirst and Mr. J. Berwick will judge. J. Spencer.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Nov. 19, Onward Hall, 8. Payment of prize money and specials delegates' report of amalgamated show.—J. Spencer.

Brighton and Hove C.B.A.—Nov. 20, Headquarters 8 o'clock. Washing exhibition by Messrs. C. Pearson and H. T. Gibb. Members are requested to bring birds. Mr. H. T. Gibb will see his special hot drying cage and explain its working. All members and friends invited.—Will. H. Gibb.

Bankfoot C.B.S.—Nov. 16, Brayshaw's Assembly Rooms, Bankfoot, 7. Social and dance. Fanciers and friends heartily invited. Dancing 7 to 11. Tickets, 6d.—F. Gelder.

Bingley and Dis. O.S.—Nov. 23, Co-op Assembly Rooms, during judging. Business important.—Asa Livesey.

Beamish C.B.S.—Nov. 16, Bird Inn, High Hold, 7. Stewards for annual members' show, and other business, contributions due.—Wm. Knowles.

Bradford Nat. Show Committee.—Nov. 20, Market Tavern, Bradford, 8. Show arrangements. Business very important.—H. Hill.

Birkenhead C.F.A.—Nov. 19, Ablett's Cafe, 8. Washing exhibition and competition. Members please bring birds. All fanciers invited.—Geo. Morton.

Bath F.A.—Nov. 21, West's Dining Rooms, Upper Borough, Wall, 7.30. Annual supper and concert. Chairman, Mr. H. G. Montagu. Tickets, 1s. 6d. each, from hon. sec.—W. E. Cotterell.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—Nov. 20, Crown Hotel, Hill Street, 8.30. Important business in connection with open show.—J. H. Jones.

City of Bradford O.S.—Nov. 16, Flying Dutchman Hotel, 8. Washing exhibition, by Mr. J. Horsfield, Bradford. Hearty invitation to all fanciers and friends.—F. Rhodes.

Crewe O.S.—Nov. 19, Brotherhood Institute, 8. Allotment of specials for November 30th show.—E. Jaycott.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Nov. 19, Black Bull, 7.30. Final show arrangements, members' entries, and other important show business.—G. Bescoby.

Edinburgh and Dis. C.B.S.—Nov. 19, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie Road, 8 p.m. Business: Arrangements for annual show.—J. I. Mackie.

East Bowling B.F.A.—Nov. 16, St. John's School, 2.45. Meeting and show. Judge, Mr. H. Wharton.—L. Booth.

Glossop, Hadfield C.B.S.—Nov. 19, Mr. J. H. Senior's, High Street, West, Glossop, 8. General business forthcoming members' annual show.—E. Thompson.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—Nov. 16, Crown Inn, 7. Show business.—A. J. Notley.

Jarrow Hebburn C.B.S.—Nov. 20, Lockhart's Cafe, 7.30. Show business.—W. Ayers.

Lochgelly C.B.S.—Nov. 20, Mrs. Heigh's, Church Street, 6.30. Annual general meeting. Balance sheet, election of officers for ensuing year.—W. Grewar.

Leeds Roller C.C.—Nov. 16, 55, Briggate, 7.30. Show business.—H. L. Davis.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Nov. 19, White Swan, 8.30. Presentation of cups, medals, and specials.—A. Freestone.

Leicester C.B.S.—Nov. 20, Saracen's Head Hotel, 8.15. Table show, A.V., Nor. Yell. cock (except unflighted), open and novice, Nor. Yell. Hen unflighted, open and novice, Linnets, Mules, or Hyb., unflighted. Fanciers invited.—J. Cook.

Leigh C.B.S.—Nov. 20, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Entries close 9 o'clock final, for Saturday's show.—R. Charleson.

Llanelly and Dis. C.B.S.—Nov. 16, Greyhound Hotel, 7. Show matters.—D. John.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Nov. 18, Deansgate Hotel, 7.45. Classification for Jan. show. Ticket money, etc.—H. Boothman.

Middlesex O.S.—Nov. 21, St. John's School, Southall, 8. General business.—Jeffery Jefferis.

Morley C.B.S.—Nov. 15, Sycamore Hotel, 7.30. Entries for Nov. 16th show; birds staged 3 o'cl. Judge, Mr. E. Clegg, Dewsbury.—J. Rhodes.

Northern Yorkshire C.C.—Nov. 20, 65, Grainger Street, 8. Ramsden's special, and table show for novices, 3 classes, 2s. 6d. for best bird.—R. Tindale.

National Brit. B. and M.C.—Nov. 21, "Feathers," Gt. Chapel Street, Westminster, 8. General business.—J. P. Carr.

Pelton Fell C.B.S.—Nov. 18, Enoch Waugh's, 7. Final arrangements for annual show.—Wm. Forster.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Nov. 16, Old Boar's Head, Corporation Street, Manchester, 6. Members' show, same date.—Andrew Percival.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Nov. 16, College Inn, 8. Special meeting, show business.—B. Bailey.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—Nov. 20, Wareing Dining Rooms, 7.30. Allotting specials for autumn show.—W. Pickup.

Sutton-in-Ashfield C.B.S.—Nov. 16, Masons' Arms, 7. Auditors' report, coffee supper, and other items.—R. Nuttall.

South-West London C.B.S.—Nov. 14, New Guild Hall, 8.30. General meeting; payment of prize money for late show, election of new members, and general business.—H. Freeman.

Stockport B.F.A.—Nov. 18, Boar's Head Hotel, 8. Entries for show, and final arrangements.—W. Stafford.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Nov. 16, Wharf Hotel, 7. Members' show, cock birds only. Judge, Mr. A. Rose, Halifax.—Sutcliffe and Walker.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Nov. 23, Fawcett St. Cafe, 7.30. Show business, important.—J. Jeffrey.

Springburn Possil Park C.B.S.—Nov. 18, Reid Hall, 8. Washing competition for novices.—J. Waugh.

Scottish National C.B.S.—Nov. 21, 142, High Street, Edinburgh, 8. Committee meeting. Business very important.—I. R. Meikle.

Wakefield O.S.—Nov. 16, Crown and Anchor, 8. Members' show, appointing judge, etc.—J. Isherwood.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Nov. 20, Dartmouth Hotel, 7. Fix staging for show, pay in specials.—W. G. Andrews.

Use our Notepaper

Correspondence.

Keeping the Bird-room Window from "Sweating."

Sir,—If O. Moffit will, after cleaning the glass of his bird-room, dry and polish with a duster, having glycerine smeared on it, he will find this to have the desired effect.

F. W. Stymns.

New Society for Cannock, Hednesford and District.

Sir,—Will any local fancier who would care to join a new society of Cannock, Hednesford and district, let Mr. Shephard, of Heath Hayes, or myself, at 161, Stafford Rd., Cannock, have their addresses. We shall be able to call a meeting then.

H. Bryan.

The C.C.C. Support at Gateshead Show.

Sir,—Although the support of this club was voted to Gateshead show, I regret to inform the Fancy through your valuable columns that the society has reduced its classification below the minimum demanded by this club; therefore the cash specials, etc., as already announced, will not be competed for at their show.

John Tyson.

Short Entries at Shildon Show.

Sir,—I would very much like to know through your valuable paper from any exhibitor the reason we can't get entries at our show? I might say we gave good prize-money and good specials, and I am sure we had a good schedule, also the room where the show was held is second to none in the north. This is our second open show, and we could only get about 200 entries each time. We also have had many letters congratulating us on the way we returned the exhibits. Now, Fanciers, let us know the reason, and see if we can't put it right next year.

J. H. Elwell, Sec.

The Future of the Sheffield O.S.

Sir,—After visiting Sheffield O.S. show on November 2nd, I come to the conclusion it was the best show I had seen for some years, and was glad to see Sheffield once more back to the high standard it occupied some years ago amongst the Fanciers of England. I was very much surprised to read in "Twitterings" this week that Mr. T. Bishop contemplates relinquishing his post as secretary after working so hard, and making it one of the best societies in the Midlands. I am sure when Mr. Bishop took the reins into his own hands and formed this society two years ago the fancy here was in a very low state, and to him the credit is due for such a revival of the Fancy in Sheffield. He is the only secretary that can make a show pay its way in Sheffield, so we cannot afford to lose such a worker. Last year he had a balance of £20 on the right side, and this year, by the looks of things at the show, will greatly add to this balance. I have made inquiries, and find out that it is the "novice know-all" or "wind-bags" who are at the bottom of all the unpleasantness. Now, Mr. Bishop, take no notice of such like; you have the support of all true Fanciers in Yorkshire. Let's go one better next year with you at the head of affairs.

Old Sheffielder.

Who First Established the White Canary Strain?

Sir,—In your issue of the 9th inst. I observe a reply from Mrs. Martin, N.Z., to my letter of 16th August last, and, as usual, her cry is: "I think I may claim that I am first in the field." It is evident that she does not even remember what she wrote in former communications. For example, in Cage Birds, 24th July, 1909, Mrs. Martin states that she thinks her friend that bred a White Canary in that year wrote to Cage Birds announcing the fact. Now, after an interval of three years, she comes along with quite a new tale—to this effect—(27th July, 1912), Cage Birds): "I may also state that before Mr. Kiesel's white Canary was exhibited I wrote home to Mr. Ramsden, manager of Crystal Palace Show, asking him what would be the value of my (then only) White Canary—a hen—a sport from buff parents. I exhibited it this year in Wellington, N.Z. So I think I really was the first in the field." All the while Mrs. Martin well knows that my bird had been mouths in existence, in fact was exhibited at the Crystal Palace before her friend's bird was hatched. Further, I had bred 11 Whites before Mrs. Martin bred her first; likewise, as I pointed out in my letter to you, August 10. Dr. Galloway (Aberdeen) and Dr. Simpson (Glasgow) had also been in front of her in the breeding of a white Canary. Evidently Mrs. Martin thinks that we on this side are possessed of very short memories—otherwise she would never chance such a letter as that of 27th July, 1912. Really it surprises me to note Mrs. Martin's attempt to come out of this controversy on such a quibble as "White to White" breeding.

W. Kiesel.

The Recent Record Show at Sheffield.

Sir,—I wish to thank you for the splendid report you gave us of our All England show in the issue of Friday last. Fanciers who were not present at the show, on reading your report must have realised they had unfortunately missed a treat. I also wish to thank the numerous exhibitors and visitors for the very kind congratulatory letters I have received, and hope to hold their confidence in the future. All prize-money, specials, and accounts have been paid.

T. Bishop, Hon. Sec.

Lizard Canaries at Blaydon Show.

Sir,—In regard to my clear capped, Gold Lizard being "wrong classed" at Blaydon show, on reading the report of the above show in your paper I notice it is reported as a broken cap. Perhaps Mr. House, the judge, will be good enough to give his reason for wrong classing this bird, as I have have examined it thoroughly and cannot find the slightest sign of anything which points to it being a broken cap. I may say the bird in question was exhibited at Newcastle show a fortnight before Blaydon in the clear cap class, and was placed first.

J. Riseborough.

Entries and the Midland Counties Y.C.C. Patronage.

Sir,—May I draw the attention of Midland Society secretaries to the splendid results our patronage brought the Hanley and Wolverhampton Shows? At present we are in want of application from two more shows for champion section, six or more classes, viz.:—Yellow (clear or ticked), Buff ditto, Yellow or Buff (marked or variegated), ditto (unflighted), Yellow Hen, Buff Hen.

Beck and Andrews.

School House, Rookery Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

Curious Happening at Warrington.

Is a Waxwing a "Hardbill?"

Sir,—An error was made at Warrington Show last Saturday by the judge in the any other variety Hardbill British Class. An exhibitor had entered two birds, one in the any other variety Hardbill class, and the other in the Softbill class. On arrival at the show he had apparently put the numbers on the wrong cages, with the result that his Waxwing competed with the Hardbills, while the Corn Bunting competed with the Softbills. The least a committee of a society can do in such a case, when a fancier has, through either hurry or carelessness, committed such a mistake, is to re-number the cages, thereby allowing the birds—which in this case were good ones—to have a run for their money. Apparently the committee allowed the mistake to stand, and the judge awarded the Waxwing first prize in a strong class of Hardbills, while the Corn Bunting in the Softbill class stood cardless, but whether disqualified or not there was no indication either in the catalogue or on the show-cage. If I had been an exhibitor in the same class I should have lodged a protest, and should have expected to have been successful; because it is obvious to the mere novice in the British fancy that in this case the committee intended Softbill and Hardbill to mean Insectivorous and Granivoreous.

Sub Rosa.

The Judge Explains and Pays.

Sir,—Kindly oblige with a small space to correct my mistake at Warrington show, Nov. 9, in class 41. A.O.V. Hardbill. Not thinking at the moment, I placed the Waxwing 1st, whereas the same should have been "W.C." Not until I was marking my catalogue from my judging book on my way home did my mistake strike me. I don't wish any of the prize-winners to suffer through the mistake. I am quite willing to make the prize-winners' money up to the full amount, as though the Waxwing was not there. I will make the second prize bird's money into 1st and follow on to the vhc, which will come 4th. I cannot write the exhibitors, as the catalogue I received at show goes no further than the letter C, and one in the D's (catalogue enclosed). I suppose this will be the printer's error. Will those entitled please write me, and I will forward the difference on to them. I apologise for the mistake, but I cannot correct it in any better way, as there will be no loss to prize-winners, only to myself.

Salisbury St., Prescot. A. Wellings.

A Yellow Sparrow Near Swansea.

Sir,—It will interest my brother fanciers to know that a yellow Sparrow has been seen in the Swansea district. I and a few fanciers took a stroll to see him, and we were not sorry we took the trouble. He is a young cock, with beak, legs and feathers all the same colour—a perfect yellow cinnamon Sparrow.

Sparrow.

How Did the Lizard Acquire Its Spangling?

Sir,—Having read Mr. Cutmore's splendid lecture on Pedigree Breeding and Heredity, there is one question I should like to ask the worthy lecturer, and that is can he tell us, or give his opinion, how the Lizard Canary came to be spangled the way that it is? I may say that I have kept and bred this variety over 25 years, and have tried various crosses, but all with one result—entirely spoiling the beautiful spangle of the bird. It is well known that the Lizard Canary is at its best after the first moult, as before and after the spangling is very rarely the same. I am sure it would be interesting to breeders and fanciers of this lovely bird if Mr. Cutmore would kindly give his opinion.

J. Naden.

Birds Caught Wearing Marking Rings.

Sir,—A friend of mine caught a Thrush on November 2nd at Moorland, near Bridgwater, on the leg of which was a ring marked Aberdeen University, and numbered 22 over 128. No doubt it was marked for the purpose of finding how far it travelled, and we are hoping to read some account of it later.

J. Dyment.

Sir,—I forward you a ring taken off a Seagull I caught on the shore at Morecambe, Sept. 14 last. It is one of Witherby's rings, No. 28825. I thought it would interest some readers of Cage Birds, which I wish every success.

Jack Aldren.

Sir,—I have to announce the capture in my back-garden at Bo'ness on Nov. 7 of a hen Greenfinch wearing a ring with the following inscription, "Aberdeen Univ. 776T," and trust that this will be of some service to the study of birds migrating.

F. McGillivray.

Mules at High Blantyre Show.

Sir,—Kindly allow me to reply to your correspondent, W. Gunning. First of all, I would draw his attention to the statement he is impudent enough to credit me with having made when asked my reason for reversing my decision in the Mule classes at above show. If he was there at the time, when such reason was asked and given, he must know that he is not adhering to the truth. I will here give, for the benefit of our deeply concerned friend (and all whom it concerns) my reasons for so doing, and hope that he may not become so mixed up again as to attempt to wriggle and twist some base insinuation out of my explanation. When judging commenced, the secretary asked that the novice classes be judged first to allow of their being transferred to the open classes. The mules were placed on the table five in number, not three, as your correspondent would have you believe. I did my best to steady this wonderful Goldie Mule, but it was no use, as he evidently preferred the wires to the perch; hence my reason for putting the Greenie Mule (which was steady and in capital condition) in front of him; this was about 11 a.m. The class finished, the birds were then transferred along with the others to the open class, and were not again seen by me till I had passed twenty other classes through my hands, which can't be done in a few minutes. Their turn arrived, however, and along with others they were again trotted out in front of me. Now, during the time that had elapsed between their first and second appearance, the Goldie Mule had settled down considerably, and justified my action in giving it the preference; but, bear in mind, although the bird received preference for position, it certainly did not enhance its value as a mule. While in conversation with those interested, I distinctly made them aware of the fact when I said neither of the two was of outstanding merit, and it was here my meaning was misconstrued, as I further told them that when the classification was open to all varieties, and the birds were of equal merit, it was quite customary for judges to select the best of each variety and mix them in their awards, thus giving all varieties a run for their money. I think I have given your correspondent full explanation. I hope that the next time he desires any enlightenment he will stick to the truth, for facts are chiels that winna ding, etc.

The Judge.

The Clashing of Shows.

Hartlepool Returns Thanks.

Sir,—The members of the Hartlepool C.B.S. desire to thank all those who have sent letters of thanks for prompt payment of prize-money, the quick despatch of birds, and the way our show was managed generally. We, in turn, desire to tender our sincere thanks to those exhibitors who enabled our society to establish a record (for us) in the number of exhibits, viz., 557. On glancing through your columns, we read that our society's name was mentioned in respect to holding our show on the same date as that selected by Derwent Valley and South Shields. We regret very much that three shows in practically the same district should be fixed on the same date, especially as there is a vacant date on the 16th November, with no show whatever advertised in the North. We have held eight shows and five of them have been fixed on the last Saturday in October. This date has been announced in your columns immediately after our annual meeting in January, and though we quite recognise that no one can appropriate unto themselves any particular date, we think clashing where possible should be avoided, if only for financial reasons. Considering these circumstances, we cannot do otherwise than express our regret that the societies above named had not the bumping entry which we are sure their efforts deserved.

Woodhead and Pyman, Hon. Secs.

A Failure at Linnet-Catching Explained.

Sir,—Seeing in last week's Cage Birds "Very Old Subscriber" failed to catch Linnets after being in a field where they were feeding, I think that if he had had two good brace birds (not birds that will hang on the string, but birds that will sit the stick, and baffle their wings) and a man walking them round, I guarantee he would have got three parts of the Linnets that were there. A man walking them round makes a lot of difference. He wants to walk them round slowly till he gets them near the nets. The man at the pull line has his brace birds up ready. When they are near the nets, drop your brace birds down, and the Linnets will follow them in. If he finds that they will not drop in the nets, he wants to pull at them as they are crossing the nets; but see that they are low enough. I may say that I have been a bird catcher for the last fifteen years, and I never take any call birds with me, but I take two or three good brace birds, birds that know their work before I take them out. I always get where the Linnets are feeding, and have some one to walk them round. Call birds are all right where the Linnets are crossing from one place to another. If the Linnets that the "Old Subscriber" is writing about have been "plagued," they will be a lot harder to catch. Then there is nothing for it but time and patience, or leaving them alone for a day or two. As for putting seed in the nets, I don't believe in it, unless there is snow on the ground. Another thing is to be up early, so as to get set as they come for their first feed. Anyone wishing to know anything concerning bird catching, making nets, making bird lime, etc., I should only be too pleased to supply them with the information. Bird lime is a thing I never use, as I believe in catching dozens at a time, not ones and twos as in the case with bird lime, besides having to clean them.

H. Palfrey.

"Very Old Subscriber" writes that the sentence in his letter which read that he had expended 30s. to 40s., should have read £30 to £40.—Editor.

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

Respecting Associate Membership.

Notwithstanding the very clearly expressed conditions printed on the coupon published at the foot of these notes each week, I am continually getting coupons which have not been properly filled up. Some readers send six coupons all filled up by themselves, some bearing names all written in the same handwriting; others send one coupon only, while this week I have received six coupons, all filled up by Long Eaton readers, but with no letter to indicate which of them has sent the coupons. I am therefore unable to send Associate Badge in exchange for these until I know the name of the sender.

The Norwich Fund.

Since the closing of the subscription list in aid of the fanciers of Norwich who suffered through the late floods, two amounts of 1s. have been received, one from "A League Member" and one from "A. R." Hampstead. The total amount, therefore, contributed by readers of CAGE BIRDS is £13 5s. 6d.

A Cup Offered to Cage Birds League Members.

At the show held December 4th by the Forres and Northern O.A., a silver medal of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE will be in competition for League Members only. I am very pleased to hear from the secretary, Mr. W. Cumming, that Mr. D. Ross will present a cup for competition among CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE members. Members should remember this, and make an effort to win this cup which has been so generously presented by Mr. Ross. Further, LEAGUE members, will, on production of their membership receipts be admitted to the show on payment of threepence, instead of the ordinary admission money. The cup has to be won three times, not necessarily in succession, so that members who miss it the first time will be able to have further tries.

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How to become an Associate.

Many readers of CAGE BIRDS have written to say that they would like to join CAGE BIRDS' LEAGUE, but cannot afford the subscription. To meet their wishes we have decided to form, in connection with the LEAGUE, a body of Associates. All we ask of these Associates is that *they will promise to give every possible attention to the wants of their birds.* And they must induce others to see that their birds are kept happy and contented.

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EDINBURGH (Southern).

21st annual competition of Scotch Fancy, Norwich, Border Fancy and Mules, held in the Buccleuch Parish Church Halls Nov. 2nd. The entries were not so numerous as in past years, but the quality was above the average. The committee are to be complimented on the arrangements made, both for exhibits and spectators. The judges, Mr. McMillan, Edinburgh, Scotch Fancy, and Mr. C. Miller, Leith, the remainder, gave every satisfaction with their awards. Mr. Menzies won the cup for best bird in the hall, a yellow hen of great merit, one that will still be heard of in open shows. Mr. Brash won gold badge for best bird in variety class with a buff Norwich cock, of good style, and should be heard of later on.

SCOTCH FANCY, CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Menzies, hard up, good reach and action, nice thickness through; 2, sp., Drysdale, good back, hard up, fine depth of head, well set up; 3, Bell, racy bird, plenty of action, long front, nice head, full of nerve. YELL. PIED CK. (2): 1, sp., Bell, large bird, great length of side and wing, good top end and reach; 2, Mills, smaller, good depth of rib, little over perch, good bird. YELL. GR. CK. (1): 1, Ross, small, but very neat. CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK. (5): 1, Bell, large size, good reach, fine position, good top end; 2 Menzies, smaller in size, erect, good drive, nice laid on wing, nice action; 3, Menzies, nice square bird, good top end, free of action. BUFF PIED CK. (6): 1, sp., Menzies, large size, good back, grand droop, tail well under, good position; 2, Sinclair, good size, well up, rather restless, will improve; 3, Mill, nice bird short of side, slow in action. BUFF GR. CK. (3): 1, Thomson, very stylish, good front and top end, tail well to perch; 2, Mills, nice position, clean front, fair top end; 3, Luke, nice length, free neck, good action, slightly over perch. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (6): 1, sp., and cup, Menzies, beauty, grand back and droop, tail well to perch, grand action, always ready, real gem; 2, 3, Luke, smaller, nice reach, rather still, more to the Belgian, 3, larger, erect, fine, lengthy side, good front and position, some preferred for second place. YELL. PIED HENS (8): 1, 2, 3, Bell, 1, large size, well filled in back, erect, good position, nice droop, 2, racy hen, rather thinner, fine side grand action, 3, smaller, good top, nicely set on legs, little restless. YELL. GR. HEN: 1, Luke, nice, erect, good back, fine breast, deep through, and good droop. CL. OR TKD. FOUL HEN (5): 1, sp., Luke, model, erect, good drive and action, fine top end and grand position; 2, sp., Menzies, rare action, very free in neck, grand drive and good top end; 3, Mills, good lengthy bird, little plain over back, good length of side and action. BUFF PIED HEN (4): 1, Menzies runner up for cup, good one, well built, back, fine drive and droop, erect on perch; 2, Mills, nice style, beautifully cut front, good action and position; 3, Ross, similar to second. BUFF GR. HEN: 1, Menzies, large size, good back, fine drive and depth, fair droop, nice style. NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (3): 1, Brash, fine, upstanding bird, good sized yell., fine size, good neck; 2, no name, similar to first, but beaten in size; 3, Brash, nice clean, tidy Nor., good head, on the small side. BUFF (5): 1, gold badge, Brash, good bird, fine size nice head and neck, a real good one; 2, 3, Brash similar to first, but lacks size, 3rd, nice buff cock, medium size, rather restless. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, Brash, 1, nice one, good qual., an easy winner; 2, similar to first, but falls in head 3, similar type, but on the small side. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Brash, 1, nice bird, wins easy, 2, similar stamp, but lacks head, 3rd, smaller, very typical. VAR. YELL. CK.: 1, Brash, good eye, nice size and style, an easy winner; 2, Thomson, a nice one, fine open feather, well placed; 3, Thomson, very thickly built, fails in head. VAR. BUFF: 1, 2, Thomson, 2 good ones, nice chubby birds, good heads, 3, Brash, good one, but lacks head and neck. BUFF HEN: 1, 3, Brash; 2, Thomson. CL., ETC., BUFF BORD. CK.: 1, Menzies; 2, Thomson; 3, Mills. YELL. HEN: 1, sp., Mills; 2, 3, Farquhar. BUFF: 1, 2, Thomson; 3, Menzies. YELL. CK. OR HEN: 1, Menzies: 1, Thomson. BUFF: 1, 2, Thomson. MULES: 1, Luke; 2, 3, Telford. BREEDING FINCH: 1, Thomson; 2, Thomson; 3, 4, Hewit.

PORTOBELLO.

Ninth annual show, held in Masonic Hall, Nov. 2, when 360 birds were staged; although a slight fall in numbers, the quality was well up. The special winners were: Challenge shield and medal, Border cup, Norwich medal, best bird medal, Davidson; Yorks. cup, Crest medal, A. Crerar; Scotch Fancy medal, W. R. Dunn; Mule and Hybrid cup, J. Neillands; British cup and medal, J. Leach.

BORD. CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, 2, Davidson; 3, Bell. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Davidson. CL., ETC. BUFF HEN: 1, Hogg; 2, 3, Davidson. VAR. and GREEN: 1, 2, Davidson; 3, Wilson. NOR. CL. ETC. YELL.: 1, Dunn; 2, Laird and Matthew; 3, Wilson. Hen: 1, Dunn; 2, Laird and Matthew; 3, Wilson. CL., ETC., BUFF: 1, Hogg; 2, Laird and Matthew; 3, Dunn. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Dunn. VAR. YELL.: 1, 2, Laird and Matthew; 3, Davidson. BUFF: 1, Davidson; 2, 3, Dunn. YORKS. CL. ETC., YELL: 1, 2, 3, Crerar. BUFF: 1, 2, Crerar; 3, Laird and Matthew. BUFF HEN: 1, 2, 3, Crerar. VAR.: 1, 2, Crerar; 3, Laird and Matthew. CREST: 1, 3, Crerar; 2, Laird and Matthew. HEN: 1, 3, Crerar; 2, Laird and Matthew. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, Crerar. SCOTCH FANCY CK.: 1, 2, Dunn; 3, Buchan. HEN: 1, 2, Dunn; 3, Buchan. MULE or HYB.: 1, 2, Neillands; 3, Hogg. OLD BIRDS, BORD.: 1, 2, Crerar; 3, Davidson. NOR.: 1, 3, Leach; 2, Dunn. HEN: 1, Dunn; 2, Laird and Matthew; 3, Vass. YORKS.: 1, 3, Crerar; 2, Anderson. HEN: 1, Crerar; 2, 3, Anderson. SCOTCH FANCY: 1, 2, Buchan; 3, Laird and Matthew. CREST: 1, 2, 3, Crerar. C.B.: 1, 2, Crerar; 3, Laird and Matthew. BRIT. H.M. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Dunn; 2, 3, Leach. LINNET: 1, 3, Leach; 2, Hood. MEALY REDPOLL or TWITE: 1, Leckie; 2, Laird and Matthew; 3, Leach. BRAMBLE or CHAFFINCH: 1, W. R. Dunn; 2, Leach; 3, Anderson. GREENIE: 1, 3, Leach; 2, Laird and Matthew. BULLIE: 1, Hood; 2, Laird and Matthew; 3, Wilson. A.O.V. HEN: 1, Leach; 2, 3, Laird and Matthew. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Leach; 3, Vass. F.M. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Vass; 2, Anderson; 3, Leach. LINNET: 1, Leach; 2, Leckie; 3, Hood. A.O.V.: 1, Hood. GOLDFINCH: 1, Vass; 2, Leach; 3, Laird and Matthew. FOR.: 1, Hood; 2, 3, Laird and Matthew.

DARTMOUTH F.A.

Third annual show, Nov. 12th, held in the Subscription Rooms. The opening ceremony was performed by the Mayor, C. Peck, Esq., who in an appropriate speech, said that next year's show would be held in connection with the fat stock show, and would as a result be a much larger show than the present one. The unfortunate cancelling of several cage bird classes helped to make this section smaller than would be the case if prizes were on a sliding scale, and would also prevent amalgamating classes. The chairman, Mr. W. J. Lugg, was a most genial official, as was also Mr. J. Veale, the able Hon. sec. Mr. A. Walker judged.

NOR. CK.: 1, sp., Grant, cl. yell., nice col. and qual., good wings; 2, res., Bovey, nat. col., yell., head marked, good size and very stylish; 3, vhc, c, Grant, cl. yell., good body, nice wings and col.; hc, Veale. MULES: 1, sp., 3, Daw, former Jonque Linnet Mule, of splendid qual., very steady and well shown, and a bull of the same variety, similar stamp; 2, Knapman, neat Dk. Goldfinch Mule, fair blaze, close feathered, very steady; res., Bovey; 4, Grant. A.V. BRIT.: 1, sp., 2, res., vhc, Rosser, well marked Wryneck leading, well-known winner, followed by a large Nightingale, in splendid feather; 3, Watts, Linnet, very steady, good feather, rich col., nice whites. FOR.: 1, sp., Pillar, African Grey Parrot, grand feather and cond.; 2, Watts, redheaded Cardinal, col. well up, nice size, shows well; 3, res., vhc, Gurowich, well matched pair of yell. Budgerigars.

BODMIN.

The 20th annual show of the Bodmin and Dis. Chrysanthemum, Cage, Bird, etc., and Dairy Association, was held on November 6th, and proved a record success, the attendance being large from all parts of the neighbourhood and a gate of £112 was netted. This year the weather proved favourable, and all roads led to Bodmin. Much of the success of this annual event is due to the splendid energy and enthusiasm displayed by a large band of officials who have the interest of the society at heart, and who make such excellent arrangements as to ensure success. Mr. John Pethybridge, the genial town clerk, was this year's President, taking quite an interest in the event. There are a large number of Vice-Presidents. Mr. A. Ernest Jago is the Hon. Secretary, a position he has held with conspicuous ability for many years. He has the work at his finger tips, and everything goes smoothly. The Committee of Management consists of several well-known fanciers, and everything was done promptly and efficiently. Committee, Messrs. T. H. Spear (Chairman), W. J. Adams, J. E. Bray, H. Brewer, J. Brewer, N. Birkenshaw, J. Brown, G. Buscombe, R. T. Buscombe, R. C. F. Edyvean, N. C. Hardwick, E. Harris, S. T. Hore, H. Kendall, E. C. Kent, J. E. Kistler, C. Lean, F. Liddell, W. S. May, R. Northcott, J. H. Pellow, J. Perkin, E. Scott, N. Shelley, Jos. Spear, W. Spear, F. G. Stevenson, S. Tickell, G. B. Treverton, W. T. Verran, W. West, J. Ivey and W. E. B. Lee. In connection with the cage birds there was a new departure this year; instead of being in the Market House they were staged in Agar Hall, and a better place could not possibly be found. The staging left nothing to be desired, and was evidently much appreciated by the exhibitors. The Norwich classes were a fine collection, and the Crests were, without doubt, as good as ever shown in Cornwall, the winner, exhibited by Mr. G. M. Davey (Plymouth) obtaining special for Norwich section and special for best bird in show. The winning Goldfinch is a grand specimen. Mr. J. Davies was the judge, and got through his task smartly.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. YELL. (8): 1, Symons Bros., rich in col., fine quality and size, correct shape and carriage; 2, Noyce, good size and quality, nice type; 3, Collings, grand size and qual., good head, shape and col.; r, T. Pope; vhc, J. R. Fox, F. Pascoe. CL. BUFF (7): 1, Williams, grand size, good quality, nice wings and tail; 2, Sherman, nice col. and quality, good size and type; 3, Collins, nice chubby shape, neat head and well carried wings; r, Garland; vhc, Spillman and Banks; c, Hawkins. TKD., ETC. (7): 1, Collings, grand type, good col., lovely feather and quality; 2, Williams, good substance and shape, rich col. and quality; 3, Spellman, good level col., grand substance, nice head and chest; r, Pascoe; vhc, Howard, Banks; hc, Whetter. HEN (10): 1, Collins, good size and quality, really smart hen; 2, vhc, Whetter, splendid quality, beautiful col. and feather; 3, Fox, good col. and quality, nice substance and shape; r, Collings; vhc, Curnow, Spillman; hc, Noyce. NON-FLIGH. (13): 1, Collings, wonderful size and type, grand quality, good head and neck, well shown; 2, 3, Pascoe, former another beauty, in grand condition, latter good type and quality; r, Pope; vhc, Roberts and Tunerry; hc, Spilman, Sherman; c, Howard. CREST (9): 1, 2 spls, 2,.Davey, former big bird, heavily feathered, with dense and very shapely crest, good centre and droop, grand specimen and credit to its owner, latter C.B., well clothed skull, feather long and broad, very densely feathered; 3, ex 3, Raby Bros., 2 good Crests, very nice shape and droop, plenty of feather, neatly finished; r, c, Symons Bros.,; vhc, Russell, Davey; hc, Russell. YORK., CL. YELL. (7): 1, spl., Allen, very lengthy, grand type, well drawn ,stands well good position; 2 Andrew, good length, very typical, lovely wings and tail; 3, Oatey, grand shape and position, rich col. and quality; r, Lobb; vhc, Sleeman, Martin. CL. BUFF (7): 1, spl., Sleeman, good position and type, nice feather and very stylish; 2, Julian, rich col. and quality, fine type and position; 3, Andrew, nice length, splendid type and qual.; r, Ellis; vhc, Allen and Oatey; c, Lobb. MKD. (9): 1, Oatey, very racy, grand type, well drawn, stands well, lovely col. and quality; 2, Julian, another good one, close up; 3, Sleeman, nice length, splendid type and quality; r, vhc, Allen; vhc, Andrew and Martin; hc, Ellis; c, Pincombe. A.O.V. CAN. (11): 1, spl., Dyer, Cinn., large shapely bird, good qual. and substance; 2, Unwin, Lan. Copp., good type and qual.; 3, Dyer, another good type Cinn., rich col.; r, Pope; vhc, Brown and Sherman; hc, Roberts and Trenerry; c, Brown. MULE (8): 1, spl., Hobbs and Son; 2, r, vhc, Collins; 3, Staddon; vhc, Jasper; hc, Curnow; c Tonkin. BRIT. GOLD (9): 1, spl., Coombie, lovely Finch, rare blaze, clean cut, beautifully tanned and buttoned, grand exhibit, shown faultless; 2, Rescorla, another fine Finch, good size and col., well polished; 3, Collins, very shapely and good qual.; r, Lobb; vhc, Jupe; hc, Wall. SMALL (7): 1, spl., r, Collings, former lovely Wagtail, rare size, well up in bloom, fine quality and well staged, latter good Bullfinch; 2, Hobha and Son, Bullfinch, grand cap and breast col., in good condition; 3, Roberts and Trenerry, Redpoll nice quality and condition; vhc, Fox; hc, Harvey; c, Hearn. LARGE (2): 2, spl., Collings, Hawfinch, real beauty, very tame, good condition, rich head clean wing bars, and good bib; 3, Bray, nice Thrush. CAGE OF 4 (5): 1, Symons Bros., well balanced Crests; 2, vhc, Andrew, former. Nor. ,good type and quality; 3, Allen, good York.; r, Raby Bros. FOR.. LARGE (3): 1, spl., the Hon. Agar Robartes, Hill Mynah, in perfect condition; 2, Davies, King Parrot, splendid condition; 3, Roach. SMALL (2): 2, Roberts; 3, Mrs. W. Tonkin. LOCAL CAN., A.V. (6): 1, 2, 3, spl., Wills; r, Pryan; hc, Tonkin; c, Lobb. BRIT., GOLD. (7): 1, 2, 3, r, spl., Wall; vhc, Tonkin, hc, Hearn.

SPALDING F.A.

Annual show held Nov. 7, St. Thomas' Hall. Entries throughout showed a slight decrease this year, and seven of the 14 classes had to be cancelled. Norwich totalled 40, and some well-known exhibits made their appearance. Yorks were well represented by many well-known exhibitors. The arrangements were of the best. The secretaries (Messrs. Elkin and Monks) are two hard-working fanciers of the right sort, with the intention of making their effort a success, and a word of mention is due to the stewards (Messrs. Auton and Murrell), who worked with a will to get the cards on the birds at the earliest possible moment. One entry, a cl. yell. Norwich, Class 42, No. 5, a good all-round bird, arrived at 3 p.m., and was too late for judging. Mr. W. P. Barnes placed the cards, and his awards appeared to give every satisfaction.

NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (12): 1, hc, Handley and Son, cl. yell., extra shape, good head, neck and body, broad chest, clean cut away behind, good col. and qual. of feather, grand condition; 2, Bond, variegated, lovely shape and type, a little narrow in head, grand body, broad chest, clean cut away, short flights and tail, little to choose; 3, Ison, mkd. right eye and wing, beautiful qual. of feather, good shape, bit long behind, extra condition; res, Reech; vhc, c, Bielby. BUFF (13): 1, Reech, tkd., lovely shape, good head and body, broad back, well filled, broad chest, well over perch, grand col. and qual., faultless condition; 2, c, Ison, cl., grand shape and type, good body, little small in head, nice col., hit unsteady; 3, Handley and Son, wonderful size and col., lovely qual., inclined to show a little brow; res, Bond; vhc, Bielby; hc, Handley and Son. 1912 (15): 1, Thompson, cl. buff, grand shape and type, nice col. and qual., good head and body, little long behind; 2, Handley and Son, buff, tkd. on right side of neck and wing, better col., nice qual., in grand form; 3, Willmot, cl. yell., nice col., quality and type, rather unsteady, not quite finished; res, Ison; vhc, Lockton; hc, Grimes; c, Bingham. YORKS CL., ETC., YELL. (9): 1, A. Ross, cl. yell., grand length and shape, neat head and neck, tapered body, long side, perfect stand, well up on leg, extra col .and quality, faultless condition; 2, Hedworth, variegated, equal in length and shape, good qual., position, erect, fails in col.; 3, c, Auton Bros., cl., good type and shape, good qual., even carriage of wings, pipe tail, fails a little in condition; res, Allen; vhc, Fancourt and Harrison; hc, Brown. HEN (8): 1, Laughton and Giles, cl. buff, grand length and shape, good head, neck and body, nice position, well up on leg, extra qual., feathered like a Java; 2, A. Ross, cl. buff, beautiful shape and quality, sock in position, hit stout in body, extra carriage in wings and tail, grand condition; 3, Hedworth, grand length for a yell., good shape and size, well tapered body, neat carriage; res, Auton Bros.; vhc, Allen; hc, Wellcox; c, Murrell. YORKS, 1912: 1, 3, Auton Bros., cl. buff, grand shape and type, lovely col., and quality, well up on leg, nice even carr. of wings and tail. 3rd yell., mkd. right wing, grand length and shape, lovely qual. and col, little rough at thighs when judged; 2, A. Ross, tkd. in neck, yell., grand length and shape, nice quality, lovely col., very steady, soon in position; res, Brown; vhc, Willcox; hc, Laughton and Giles; c, Murrell.

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ALNWICK.

Alnwick and Dist. C.B.S. held its 5th annual show November 13, in the Century Hall. The hall is quite a new one, and a cosy place, of nice height, free from draughts, and with plenty of room for the exhibits. We were pleased to come across quite an enthusiastic lot of officers—patrons and president, down to the committee, all being there and working like Trojans. The society is well served by way of a president, J. W. Allan, Esq., while we were pleased to see quite a splendid collection of British (not on competition) from one of the vice-presidents, Councillor Lingwood, to whom great credit is due for so handsomely staging the team. Happy, courteous, and industrious were the chairman, Mark Swan, Esq., and industrious were the chairman, Wm. Straughan, Esq.; committee, Messrs. Miller, Wake, Nesbit, Dixon, Pope, Tennent, Robinson and Rogerson—an excellent lot of fanciers. Treas., Mr. Staig, and assist.-secy., Mr. Tate, ably led on by the genial secretary, Mr. R. Forster, had everything in apple-pie order. We were pleased to note a steady flow of visitors when we left, although the weather was of its worst nature. Entries were better than ever, considering the reduction of five classes, while the birds of quality were all here, some toppers of the first water being staged. Mr. W. Marshall took special for best in show with his old warrior, the winning Crest. The other judge took Mrs. Taylor's winning Sugarbird, and as the two could not agree, the spin of the coin favoured the Crest. It also won Hyde's special. Most points in show, Mr. Miller, who took points spl. for a member, also Sandiford's, and best member's bird; Mr. A. Hay took Canaries, Mr. J. Maddison the remainder, and their awards were well received.

Mr. Hay's Classes.

NOR YELL. CK. (11): 1, T. Dixon, foul chest, hot col., rare head and chest, wings well carried; 2, Thompson, mkd. wings and head, rare carriage, well filled in behind; 3, Moffat, left wing tkd., nice head, best of wings and tail, not too steady; 4, Cowling, good one for type, col., and feather; vhc, Richardson; hc, Armstrong; c, Smailes. BUFF (9): 1, Armstrong, cl., hot col., lovely head, chest, and wings, rare carriage, wins well; 2, vhc, Cowling, almost even leading, grand type and style; 3, Smith, grizzle cap, rare head, fine qual.; 4, Pemrose, cl., excellent type; hc, Lee; c, Moffat. YELL. HEN (14): 1, Richardson, grizzle cap, hot col., good Bullie chest, nicely cut away behind; 2, Rowcroft Bros., mkd. wings and right eye, neat head, wings well carried, nice col.; 3, c, Cowling, cl. leading, hot col., nice type, well cut away; 4, Pierson, foul neck, lacks condition, but good type and style; vhc, Richardson; hc, Pemrose. BUFF (6): 1, vhc, Cowling, cl. leading, rare col., best of type, wonderful skull, well put down; 2, Richardson, neat type, well carried wings and tail, fails only in col.; 3, Hermeston, foul wing, good head and chest, well cut away; 4, Smith, cl., nice type and feather; hc, Rowcroft Bros. UNFLIG. YELL. (16): 1, Wyndham, cl., red hot col., topper for type and qual., carries himself grandly, well put down; 2, J. Dixon, cap mkd., looks like the Blyth cup winner, faultless, beaten in col. only; 3, Richardson, variegs., nice col., rare head, well filled in behind; 4, Pierson, cl., grand type, rare head and wings, fails trifle col.; vhc, Makins; hc, Armstrong; c, Thompson. BUFF (14): 1, 3, c, Crass, grand team, leader cl., grand col., lovely round head, rare body; 3rd, cap mkd., close up, fails col. only; 2, Seeley Bros., neat head, shapely in body; 4, Rennison, very nice cl., well filled in; vhc, Cowling; hc, Makins. BORD., YELL. CK. (19): 1, Purvis, r. wing tkd., sweet round head, rare body, well carried wings and tail, looks like the Stanley winner; 2, no name, 3-pointed, grand type, good gloss of feather; 3, Smart, cl., nice head, neat compact body, well tapered; 4, Lock, very good cl., fails a little in condition; vhc, Smith; hc, Aston; c, Wilson. BUFF (20): 1, Smart, foul head, rare type, lovely body, wings and tail, put down like wax; 2, Smith, similar foul, rare head and chest, close up, if anything beaten a shade in feather; 3, Purvis, left wing tkd., rare type, nice waxy feather, also close up on winners; 4, hc, Wilson, cl., grand type; vhc, Aston; c, Ross. HEN (24): 1, Watson, cl. yell., topper for col., rare style, a lady every inch, faultless; 2, Smart, cl. buff, rare feather, neat head and body, grand type and style; 3, Meston, neat head, rare wings and tail; 4, Lock, neck tkd., grand head, nice boxy feather, nicely rounded; vhc, William; hc, Wilson; c, Johnston. A.O.V. (18): 1, Smart, even mark, one of the best we have seen out this year, grand markings, put down in marvellous condition; 2, 4, Affleck, greens, neat pair, grand ground col., nicely pencilled, hard lines meeting winner; 3, Parker, very shapely cinn., nicely pencilled; vhc, Smith; hc, one of the best in class, 5-pointed, some thought in wrong class; c, Parker. YORKS. CK. (18): A hot class; 1, Fawcett, eye tkd. buff, stands like a soldier, hot fed, rare feather, well put down; 2, Coomber, wing and neck mkd., nice length, grand wings and tail, fine position; 3, Rowell, cl., hot col., rare head and style; 4, Dix, cl. buff, grand length, sweet, boxy feather; vhc, Warren; hc, Mather; c, Cattell. HEN (14): 1, Mather, cl. yell., rare length, very stylish, best of wings and tail, well drawn; 2, Fawcett, cl. yell., hot col., also very stylish, grand type and qual.; 3, Marshall, cl. yell., hot col., lovely head, well filled in neck, grandly put down; 4, Gray and Gilholme, cl. buff, boxy feather, grand length, rare wings and tail; vhc, Seeley Bros.; hc, Hutler; c, Moore Bros. A.O.V. (8): Wonderful class; 1, sp. for best in show, Hyde's sp., and 3, Marshall, with his grand old warrior, variegs. Dk. Crest, looking well; 2, vhc, Thompson, buff and yell S. Fancies, grand pair, leader rare reach and style; 4, Clark, very nice C.B., green, grand skull; hc, Seely Bros.; c, T. Dixon. MEMB. NOR. CK. (8): 1, Rennison; 2, 3, 4, Miller; vhc, Sway; c, Tate. HEN (10): 1, 2, 4, Miller; 3, Tate; vhc, hc, c, T. Dixon. NAT. COL. (10): 1, 2, hc, Dixon; 3, Rennison; 4, vhc c, Nesbitt. BORD. CK. (11): 1, Pope; 2, 3, c, Robinson; 4, hc, Rennison; vhc, Miller. HEN (8): 1, 4, Rogerson; 2, Rennison; 3, Miller; vhc, Pope; hc, c, Robinson. A.O.V. (2): 1, Arris; 2, Rennison.

Mr. Maddison's Classes.

LINNET (16): 1, Waters, grand size, lovely col., rare pencilling, steady as a rock; 2, hc, Davison, rich nutty col., very steady, well mkd.; 3, Bertram well mkd., paler on chest, fine size and shape; 4, Tomlinson, rare shade of nut brown, nicely pencilled, on the small side; vhc, Stewart; c, Richardson. GOLDIE, ETC. (15): 1, Davison, neat Goldie, lovely rich col., grand blaze, well put down; 2, c, Currie, grand Bullie, lovely cap, rare coloured chest, close up; 3, 4, Wilson; 3rd, Goldie, better blaze, but lacks body colour; 4, Bullie, fine type, nice col.; vhc, Tomlinson; hc, Stewart; c, Curry. No. 9, Waters, best in class, well marked, good condition. REDPOLL, ETC. (11): 1, Sykes, rare Twite, enormous size, grandly laced, wins well; 2, Aston, neat Siskin, rare cap and bib, fine col.; 3, Bowerbank Bros., neat little Poll; 4, J. Forster, good Twite, nice size; vhc, R. Forster; hc, c, Stewart. GREEN (9): 1, Hall, great size, nice head, fine col., well staged; 2, Robinson, rare col. and style, fails trifle in size; 3, Wilson, paler in col., lovely shape and qual.; 4, Hunter, we liked, large, steady, grand col.; vhc, McVay, hc, Hall Bros.; c, Wolson. CHAFF, ETC. (15): 1, 2, Sykes. Bramble, beauty, hot col., lovely lacings, well staged; 2nd, neat Chaffie, nicely barred wings, grand body col.; 3, Wilson, Chaffie, excellent size and col.; 4, vhc, Tomlinson, Bramble, good shape and style, nice colour; hc, Hunter; c, Forster. A.O.V. HARD. (9): 1, 2, Sykes, very fine Hawfinch and a Meadow Bunting, grand pair, win well; 3, Wilson, neat yellowhammer, well mkd., good col.; 4, Waters, Hawfinch, good type, fine qual., beaten only col.; vhc, Forster; hc, Rowcroft Bros. SOFTBILL (10): 1, Wilson, beautiful Waxwing, rare close feather, wins well; 2, Welch Bros., fine Tree Creeper, staged in marvellous condition; 3, Roper, grand Thrush, nice breast markings and col.; 4, Davison, very good Waxwing, beaten only in condition; vhc, Straker; hc, Davison. LIGHT MULE or HYB. (5): 1, 4, vhc, Wilson, Linnet-Bullie leading, shows cross well, nice size and col.; 4th, Goldie-Bullie, good type, rich col.; 2, Seeley Bros., pretty lightly marked Goldie-Can., well staged; 3, Curry, we liked, shows cross well, rich col. DARK (9): 1, Wilson, Can.-Bullie, many thought should be in previous class, grand exhibit, well put down; 2, Johnson, Siskin Mule, hot col., nice size, hard lines; 3, 4, Bowerbank Bros., both fine Goldies, leader best col.; vhc, Hall Bros.; hc, Robinson; c, Snaith. FOREIGN (7): 1, sp for 2nd best in show, Mrs. Taylor, marvellous Sugarbird, often mentioned, lovely condition; 2, Christer and Son, we unfortunately missed; 3, 4, vhc, Allan, leader good Orange Bishop, well staged; 4th, Red-crested Cardinal. MEMB. GOLDIE, ETC. (3): 1, Swan; 2, Scott; 3, Forster. GREENIE, ETC. (9): 1, Rogerson; 2, 3, Forster; 4, vhc, Rennison; hc, c, Scott. REDPOLL, ETC. (4): 1, Forster; 2, Rennison; 3, Staig; 4, Arris. LINNET (6): 1, Ewan; 2, Robinson; 3, Nesbit; 4, Rennison; vhc, hc, Forster. A.O.V. (2): 1, Forster; 2, Staig. MULE (7): 1, 3, c, Straughan; 2, vhc, Dixon; 4, hc, Forster. FOR. (8): 1, 2, 4, vhc, hc, c, Allan; 3, Arris. LOCAL (13): 1, Thompson; 2, vhc, Willcox; 3, Lawson; 4, Burn; hc, Richardson; c, Willcox.

CANTERBURY.

Annual show held Nov. 13, in the Corn Exchange, a fine roomy building for a show, with a grand top light. Our section was staged in quite a cosy corner, with just sufficient heat to make it comfortable. Norwich were A1, some very fine birds being staged. The principal winners were Messrs. Taylor, Euston, Wickham, Wood, etc., and in the Yorks., Messrs. Rayner, Lockett, Leaver, Wraight, Austin, etc., secured the premier positions. Some good Hybrids and British birds made up a very interesting collection. The management was all that could be desired, Mr. J. W. Sarjeant being well up to the work; in this he had willing helpers in Messrs. H. W. and F. H. Casemore, Taylor, Easton, and the Rev. Soames. Catalogues were out in quick time. Mr. H. Norman judged.

NOR. CL. (8): 1, 2, Easton, big bold buff, grand head, very fine type and substance, grand quality, well shown; 2nd, lovely yell., grand type, good head and bold front, hot col. and quality, bit untidy at wings; 3, Wickham, another yell. of fine size and type, neat clean head, good shoulders and wings, fine condition; 4, Wood, typical buff; vhc, hc, Taylor; c, Rogers. MKD. (8): 1, 2, 4, Taylor, bonny typical bird, fine substance, good head and neck, well rounded front, good tail carr., wins; 2nd, wings and eyes mkd. buff of good substance and qual., well-filled back, will improve; 4th, head and wing mkd. buff, good and typical; 3, Easton, head tkd. yell., fine type and size, good broad head, capital back and chest, hot col.; vhc, Acland; hc, Lynn; c, Rogers. HEN (7): 1, Easton, big four-pointed buff, grand size and type, well rounded, good head, lovely qual. feather, stands well; 2, 4, he, Taylor, lovely yell. head, just the sort to breed winners, grand type and quality, neat, well-braced wings; 4th, similar, shade hotter in col.; 3, Wickham, buff of fine type, neat head, well filled back and front, in tip-top condition; vhc, Lynn. UNFLIG. (8): 1, hc, Wickham, real beauty, wins sp. for best Nor., lovely type, neat head, well filled and short all round, superh condition; 2, 3, vhc, Taylor, fine yell., very typical, good size, neat head, well filled neck, good wedge shape, grand col.; 3rd, big mkd. buff, rare substance, good skull, well filled back; 4, Acland, grand qual. and condition; c, Lynn. HEN (10): 1, Casemore, good buff, fine size and substance, good wedge shape, neat head and neck, rare qual. feather; 2, 4, Pilcher, fine type yell., but hardly in tip-top condition, rare stamp; 4th, lovely yell., only beaten in size; 3, c, Taylor, lovely qual. tail mkd. buff, grand size and type; vhc, hc, Wickham. YORKS. CL. (1): Rayner, grand lengthy buff, well braced wing, clean cut, rare qual.; 2, Lockett, lovely yell, grand type, clean cut, neat head; 3, Leaver, lovely buff, rare length and type, good head, nice shoulders, well up on leg; 4, Austin, yell., good type; vhc, Rogers; he, Pilcher; c, Wraight. MKD., ETC. (8): 1, Leaver, head and wing mkd. yell, grand length, showing plenty of leg, good head, well filled throat, grand shoulders; 2, Austin, grand buff, just a bit stout for show, good head, grand shoulders, rare qual.; 3, Wraight, smart yell., very fine qual., hardly so hot in col. as winner, capital wings; 4, Rev. Sales, fine cinn. mks., rare length and type, neat wings; vhc, Rayner; he, Rogers; c, Veness. HEN (8): 1, he, c, Rev. Sales, lovely long upstanding bird of grand length and col., good head, grand wings and tail, fine col.; 2, Lockett, cap mkd. buff of grand length, good head and shoulders, fine wings, A1 quality; 3, Leaver, yell., good size, capital head, grand shoulders, well up on leg, neat wings; 4, Rayner, lovely quality buff, beaten size; vhc, Johnson. UNFLIG. (10): 1, 2, Johnson, grand yell., very fine length, lovely head, capital shoulders, well filled back, nice smooth front, grand wings, 2, lovely buff, grand head and shoulders, lovely quality; 3, hc, Rayner, grand buff, rare position and type, well up on leg, A1 quality; 4, Lockett, nicely drawn, wonderful quality; vhc, Barber; he, Britton. HEN (4): 1, Barber, fine yell. leading, good length and type, grand head, good shoulders and back, very fine quality; 2, Lockett, grand buff, fine length and type, good head and shoulders, capital wings and tail, A1 condition; 3, Rayner, smart yell.; 4, Britton, mkd. buff. BORD. (8): 1, hc, Burton, lovely buff, grizzled wing, grand type and qual. of feather, neat head, well filled throat, clean cut; 2, vhc, Aitken, capital yell., typical and neat, good qual. and col.; 3, 4, Wood, bonny green, rare col. and type, good head and wings; c, Rev. Soames. LIZ. (7): 1, 3, H. Wood, leader capital shapely cl., capped silver, nice even spangling, on a good ground, good body work, capital qual., 3, good gold, nicely spangled, rich ground col.; 2, 4, E. J. Wood, good silver, close on leaders, beaten only in under work; 4, neat Gold, nice qual.; vhc, c, Miss Bulpin. PAIRS (7): 1, Eastou, good Nor. marked buff and cl. yell., well matched pair, nice size and qual.; 2, 4, vhc, Taylor, pair of clears, shade stouter than winners, nice qual., 4, cl. Yorkies, capital size and length; 3, Hobden, 4 pointed yell. and cl. buff Bord., nice, typical pair; he, Wickham; c, Miss Bulpin. LIMIT: 1, Casemore; 2, vhc, Easton; 3, Britton; 4, Taylor; hc, Rev. Sales. HYB. (10): 1, Biles, fine big Can.-Bullie, bold head, nicely marked, fine col. and qual., wins; 2, Casemore, rattling good Greenie-Can., nice size, good sound col., rare qual. and condition; 3, Smith, good rich col. Siskin, finely marked, good size and col., hardly at its best to-day; 4, Mrs. Soames, capital non-fed Goldie, good size, full rich blaze, fine condition; vhc, Acland; hc, c, Smith. GOLDFINCH (3): 1, Biles, capital Finch, well up in col., rich full blaze, good wing, had lost a flight, still wins; 2, vhc, Casemore, good square cut blaze, nice tanning, rich col., capital wings; 3, Miss Murphy, not one of the largest, but very rich in col., good blaze, nicely tanned, inclined to be unsteady; 4, Wickham, big bold bird, nice shape; he, Austen; c, Wood. LINNET, ETC. (4): 1, Acland, capital Twite, for size and shape, full of work, hardly at his best yet; 2, 3, Casemore, nice Linnet, very shapely, well marked, fine col. and qual., 3, will make a good one; 4, Hobden. FINCH, ETC. (6): 1, 4, Acland, fine Hawfinch leading, nice size and shape, well up in col., in the pink, 4, big Bullie, good shape, nice cap and wings; 2, Wickham, lovely col. Bullie, grand head and neck, good shape; 3, Austen, bold Hawfinch, shade larger than winner, but hardly so boxy in feather; vhc, Smith; hc, Wood. A.O.V. (4): 1, 2, Dill, good Starling leading, beautifully spangled, fine condition, 2, bold Song Thrush, richly marked, nice shape and qual.; 3, Taylor, good Song Thrush, capital condition; 4, Foster.

DUNBAR.

Annual show, held Nov. 9th, when entries were about the same as usual. Borders were the strongest classes, and some good birds were forward. The sp. and B.F.C.C. medal for best were secured by Mr. J. Thomson, the well-known Green specialist; his winner was a masterpiece of this variety. Mr. Cordon accounted for both the Scotch Fancy cups, with some gems. Crests and Crestbreds were really good. Mr. Burns having forward some fine exhibits. Mr. H. Bennet judged. The show was held in an ideal room, away from the other sections, and was under the careful supervision of Mr. Burns. We are sure if fanciers knew the care that was bestowed on their exhibits the society would receive better patronage. Mr. Gilhooly, the worthy secretary, had everything in apple-pie order, and the show was well patronised.

The Critique.

SCOTS BUFF PIED OR GRN. CK.: 1, cup, 2, 4, Gordon, good lot, leader in rare trim, fine top and reach and drive, and A1 substance, well staged, 2, fails a little in top end, good size, 4, good body and substance; 3, vhc, Scott, leader rare length, very nervy, grand drive. HEN (4): 1, 3, Gordon, very stylish, grand top end, rare depth through, snaky head, A1 in actiou, 3 stylish; 2, Scott, good shape, splendid style, shade smaller; 4, Farquhar, fine top end and reach. BORD. CL., OR TICK YELL. CK. (6): 1, Patterson, jun., good foul, cap mark, grand body, well drawn, sweet carriage, lovely weight; 2, McKenzie, good stamp, lovely order, shade thin head and neck; 3, Davidson, extra good shape and taper, well balanced all round; 4, Lambie, nice size and quality; vhc, Skeldon; hc, Anderson. YELL. HEN (5): 1, McKenzie, sweet shape, neat head and neck, good qual., in grand bloom; 2, Arnot, better col., shade thin in front, nice finish; 3, Davidson, sweet hen, fine head and body, well drawn; 4, Voy, nice stamp, fine weight and taper; vhc, Schooler and Briggs; hc, Lawrie. BUFF CK. (8): 1, Shields, grand bloom, fine weight, extra good head and front, nicely drawn, very stylish; 2, Schooler and Briggs, good one, extra well balanced, grand head and neck; 3, McKenzie, good stamp, rare order; 4, Arnot, good quality, shade long in side, nicely finished; vhc, Patterson, jun.; hc, Voy; c, Skeldon. HEN (8): 1, Lambie, good shape, fine weight, and good wing carr., neatly drawn, nice trim; 2, Arnot, must have pressed, sweet one, grand all round, lovely head and neck, rare style; 3, Patterson, jun., shade stronger, but all there for shape and style; 4, Anderson, good stamp; vhc, McKenzie; hc, T. Arnot; c, Dods. GREEN MK.: (5): 1, 4, Schooler and Briggs, leader in grand trim, lovely shape, well balanced wings and eye markings, shade light, nicely finished; 2, Haddow, sweet Cinn. mkd. yell., grand order, rare type, beaten a little in eyes; 3, Arnot, nice yell. hen, again grand type, fails little in eye markings; vhc, Scott and Combe. UNEVEN (13): 1, Lambie, good all round, Cinn. mark, nice type, extra good in feather, well shown; 2, Arnot, lightly mkd., lovely boxy feather, sweet head and taper, well put down, close up; 3, Shields, rare head and front, good taper; 4, Thomson, nice size, grand feather; vhc, Arnot; hc, Patterson, jun.; c, Barrie. GREEN OR CINN. (9): 1, B.F.C. medal and sp., Joe Thomson, all over a grand yell. green, sweet size and shape, lovely balanced wings, pure and deep in ground col., well laced in full bloom; 2, Lambie, A1 green, as good in col. and markings, fails only a little in type; 3, hc, A. and W. Thomson, sweet shape and grand col., plenty of work on back, shade dark in tone; 4, Arnot, nice Cinn., sweet shape and col., well staged; vhc, Haddow; c, Davidson. CREST HEN (2): 1, Forsyth, good one, fine topniece, well centred, good body, in grand order; 2, Burns, sweet size, fails a little in frontal and side. C.B. CK. (3): 1, J. Burns, best entrance, good lash and skull, and plenty size; 2, R. Burns, close up, shade narrower at entrance, good length of feather; 3, Barrie, sweet head, good all round. HEN (3): 1, J. Burns, nice one, good skull and lash, plenty substance; 2, R. Burns, larger in body, shade narrower at entrance; 3, Barrie, good shape, lengthy feather. CREST (1912) (9): 1, 4, vhc, hc, J. Burns, leader easy 1st, grand top-piece, rare length and well carried down on side and frontal, sweet centre, good one; 2, 3, Forsyth, good pair, leader the best in frontal and centre, 3, scarcely so large, but good headpiece; c, R. Burns. C.B. (1912): (5): 1, 2, 3, R. Burns, good trio, leader in grand order, sweet entrance and back, skull well lashed, 2, only heaten in lashing; 4, Forsyth, good, size, nice head. NOR. CK. (4): 1, 3, Cameron, leader good yell., fine size, grand col. and qual., 3, foul buff, grand head, shade long in feather, both well staged; 2, C. Barrie, well made buff, plenty size, close featber, very nicely staged; 4, Farquhar. HEN (3): 1, 2, Cameron, nice yell. variegs. and clear buff respectively, both good ones from this well-known stable; 3, Barrie, sweet yell., grand col. BRIT. SMALL (7): 1, 3, vhc, Wm. Barrie, leader good Chaffie, rare col., lovely head and breast, grand feather, steady, well shown, 3, nice Bramble, well laced, steady; 2, Bruce, good Yellowhammer, very cl. in head markings, good col., and well up in size, well shown; 4, Scott and Combe, sweet Greenie, plenty size, bold head, shade dull in col.; he, Scott and Combe; c, Donaldson. MULE (6): 1, Bruce, easy win, romping, variegs. buff Goldie, rare face, in lovely order, well put down; 2, Patterson, very nice dark Greenie Mule; 3, vhc, no name, two sweet variegs. Goldies, nicely mkd.; 4, Farquhar, good all round dark Goldie, nice face; c, Haugh.

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Nov. 15 & 16.—**Preston.**—(J. P. Leeming, 40A, West Cliff.) J.H.R., A.W.

Nov. 15 & 16.—**Codnor Park and Eastwood.**—(J. H. Mitchell, South Street, Greenhill Lane, Alfreton). J.C.B.

Nov. 19 & 20.—**Bournemouth.**—(J. A. Crawshaw, 28, Gerald Rd.). J.H.P.

Nov. 19 & 20.—**Wimbledon.**—(H. Smith, 115, Merton Rd.) H.N., R.H., J.R.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Doncaster.**—(G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion Street). H.W.B., W.V., J.W.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Rochdale O.C.**—(R. Blincoe, 160, Drake Street). C.A.H., W.M.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Haltwhistle.**—(Nicholson and Tallantyre, Westgate.) J.D., A.H.

Nov. 23.—**Cramlington.**—(J. R. Chestney, Quarry Cottage). A.H., H.S.

Nov. 23.—**Hinckley.**—(A. H. Ridgway, Priesthills Rd.)

Nov. 23 & 25.—**Ilkeston.**—(Thos. Smith, 5, King-st.). J.C.B., C.H.

Nov. 26.—**Launceston F.A.**—(N. H. Reed, Launceston). J.H.P.

Nov. 27.—**Tavistock.**—(J. Young, 1, Church Lane). T.P.

Nov. 27-28.—**Bristol F.A.**—(G. T. H. Maggs, 9, Trinity St., Newtown, Bristol).

Nov. 27 & 28.—**Portsmouth F.S.** (W. E. Tyrrell, 38, Commercial Rd.). G.W.J., C.P.

Nov. 28, 29 & 30.—**L.C.B.A.**—(W. H. Mugford, 1, Strathearn Rd., Wimbledon, S.W.).

Nov. 29, 30.—**Sale C.B.S.**—(A. Royle, 99, Harley Rd.) C.H., A.G.D.

Nov. 30.—**Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.**—(A. Walker, 47, Montrose St.). J.H.R.

Nov. 30.—**Coventry Godiva.**—(H. Saunders, 31, Vernon St.) H.W.B.

Nov. 30.—**Harrogate C.B.S.**—(G. H. Barnwell, 20, College-rd.). W.M.

Dec. 3, 4.—**Tonbridge.**—(Percy Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow Rd.).

Dec. 4, 5.—**Birmingham.**—(J. H. Jones, 169, Church Lane, Aston, Birmingham.)

Dec. 6, 7, & 9.—**Bradford National.**—(H. Hill, 35, Settle Terr., Thornton Lane.)

Dec. 7.—**Rotherham.**—(B. Bailey, 47, Craven Street, Parkgate, nr. Rotherham.) J.C.B.

Dec. 11.—**Luton.**—(E. Bloomfield, 22, Hitchin Rd.) J.R., J.F.

Dec. 12.—**Frome F.A.**—(C. I. Young, 8, Palmer St.). H.N.

Dec. 13 and 14.—**Gateshead.**—(J. G. Greason, 24, Newman Terrace). G.H., J.C.B., J.R., J.M., W.C.D.

[A full list will be given next week].

Scotland.

Nov. 16.—Cowdenbeath.—(J. R. Reid, 7, Woodland-pl.) J.P., J.W.B., C.C., G.A., W.R., L.J.A.

Nov. 16.—**Galashiels.**—(J. Brown, 156, Croft St.). G.F., T.B., A.G., A.H.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Glasgow and Dis. C.B.A.**—(Wm. Hutchison, 163, Hospital Street.) J.H., R.L., Dr. S., R.B., S.W.

Nov. 23.—**Blairgowrie.**—(M. Irvine, 17, Brown St.)

Nov. 23.—**Uddingston C.B., etc., S.**—(Jas. Cosgrove, 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell.)

Nov. 30.—**City of Dundee.**—(A. Miller, 3, Park Ave.). J.S., R.T., R.W., W.M., J.H., G. McA.

Nov. 30.—**Musselburgh.**—(W. Nisbet, 101, High St.). J.McL., T.A., R.B.

Dec. 4.—**Forres and N.O.S.**—(W. Cumming, 28, North Rd.). J.L.

Dec. 7.—**Cupar.**—(Kitch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar.)

Dec. 14.—**Broxburn.**—(W. M'Laren, Church Street). J.McL., A.C., G.H., R.V.R., J.Gw.

Dec. 14.—**Kilsyth.**—(A. D. Duncan, "Chroniele" Office.)

Dec. 31 & Jan. 1, 1913.—**Scottish National.**—(J. R. Meikle, 51, Lothian Rd., Edinburgh.)

Jan. 1 & 2.—**Edinburgh Open.**—(R. Lile, 15, Argyll Terr.)

Jan. 1 & 2.—**Paisley O.A.**—(W. Lambie, 25, Caledonia Street.)

Wales.

Nov. 20 & 21.—**Cardiff.**—(E. Thomas, 43, Craddock-st.) W.M., W.V., D.A.S.L.

Nov. 26.—**Llanelly.**—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) W.V., J.F.

Nov. 28.—**Pentrebach.**—(A. E. Brown, 66, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil). G.G.

Dec. 4.—**Pontypridd.**—(A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser-st., Maesycoed).

Dec. 11.—**Mid Rhondda.**—(A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwynelyn, Porth.)

Jan. 2.—**Waunarlwydd.**—(J. Walters, Sunny Bank, Westfield Road, Waunarlwydd, nr. Gowerton, S. Wales). J.H.P.

Ireland.

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Holywood and Dist.**—(Jno. Dunwoody, jun., 42, Church-st.).

Nov. 22 & 23.—**Lurgan.**—(S. McCollum, Drumgor). J. M:L., A.H.

Nov. 28 & 29.—**South County Dublin (Kingstown).**—(D. Smyth, 21, Eden Terr., Kingstown.) W.M.

Dec. 6 & 7.—**Ulster O.A. (Belfast).**—(R. Trimble, 11, Waring St., Belfast.) J.F.D., W.V.

Dec. 12 & 13.—**Larne.**—(T. Mayne, 35, Barnhill.)

ENTRIES EXTENDED.

Nov. 16 (morning).—**Wimbledon.**—H. Smith, 115, Merton Rd.

Nov. 17 (1st post).—**Reading.**—W. H. Pyke, 102, Radstock Rd.

Bearing Nov. 16 postmark.—**Inverness.**—T. Sutherland, 92, Telford Rd.

Nov. 19 (1st post).—**Cardiff.**—E. Thomas, 48, Craddock St.

Nov. 18 (1st post).—**Rochdale.**—R. Blincoe, 160, Drake St.

Nov. 18.—**Darley Dale, Derbys.**—Dawson and Fearn.

Nov. 19 (1st post).—**Doncaster.**—G. Bescoby, 1, Pavilion St.

Nov. 19 (1st post).—**Haltwhistle.**—Nicholson and Tallantyne, Westgate, Haltwhistle.

Nov. 20.—**Swindon.**—W. J. Morgan, 2, Brunswick St.

Nov. 23 (morning).—**Uddingston.**—J. Cosgrove, 2, Croftbank Terrace, Bothwell.

BANBRIDGE (Ireland).

Show, held in Town Hall, Nov. 7, 8. Entries showed a great increase on previous years, and quality was very high indeed. The President, Mr. Halliday, worked hard, also the Vice-president, Mr. Harvey, and their efforts, combined with those of Mr. McCaherty, the hon. sec., left nothing to be desired. Mr. A. Livingston, Paisley, judged Scotch, Belgian, British and Mules. Mr. J. Hartley, Norwich and Yorks. Both appeared to have given every satisfaction. Messrs. Dickinson, Faith, Boyd and McBurney acted as stewards, and everything passed off without a hitch.

The Critique.

BELGIANS (6): 1, sp., 2, Ronaldson, buff, beautiful shoulders and top, nice droop, very nervy, 2nd, yell., wonderful substance for a yell., extra good shoulders and neck, not so nervy as winner; 3, Lavery, yell., nice shoulders and neck, very taking exhibit; 4, Neill; vhc, Ronaldson; hc, Neill. SCOTCH FANCY, YELL. CK., CL., OR FOUL (6): 1, 2, Lavery, good top end, nice qual. feather, moves well, 2nd, another yell., hardly the depth of winner, stylish, good mover; 3, Ronaldson, another yell., neat exhibit, good length of side, nice top and reach; 4, Gillespie; vhc, Trimble; hc, Neill. BUFF (8): 1, sp., Liddell cup, best Canary in show, Ronaldson, buff, capital exhibit, wins, good substance and length of side, grand condition; 2, Trimble, close up, slimmer, grand length of side, well up on shoulder and nice reach, fails a bit in substance and style; 3, Lavery, fine style, good reach and droop, nice neck and head; 4, Dunlop sen.; vhc, Trimble; hc, Hamilton; c, Neill. YELL. PIED CK. (4): 1, Hamilton, nice head and neck, fine shoulders, good reach and droop; 2, Neill, fine style, good reach, nice top end, stylish; 3, sp., Dunlop sen., slimmer, very nervy, not so prominent in shoulders; vhc, Trimble. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Hamilton, rare good one, plenty of action, extra good position, in rare trim, 2nd, another good one, slim, but full of nerve, good shoulders and length of side; 3, Trimble, stylish, good action, nice body, tail well under; 4, Dunlop, sen.; vhc, sp., Lavery; hc, sp., Gillespie; c, Dunlop, sen. GRN. CK. (3): 1, Dunlop, sen., yell., fine long side, good shoulders, nice trim; 2, 3, Lavery, buff, good substance and action, very nice top and reach, 3, yell., sweet and stylish, full of nerve. YELL. HEN, CL. OR FOUL (8): 1, sp., Lavery, good one, plenty of action, good depth across; 2, Ronaldson, close up, not so long in reach, grand mover; 3, Lavery, smaller, fine snaky head, good style and quality; 4, Hamiltou; vhc, Trimble; hc, Gillespie; c, Ronaldson. BUFF (11): 1, 2, Ronaldson, nice reach and qual. of feather, good depth throughout, nicely staged, 2, slimmer, grand reach and droop, good body; 3, sp., 4, Lavery, another slim one, good top end and reach, stylish; vhc, sp., Hamilton; hc, Dunlop; c, Neill. YELL., PIED HEN (4): 1, Hamilton, good size and substance, nice reach and droop; 2, Ronaldson, good shoulders and reach, very nervy; 3, Trimble, plenty substance and good quality, not so stylish; 4, Dunlop. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Lavery, splendid shoulders and reach, stylish, well shown; 2, good substance, nice depth of side, nervy; 3, Neill, good shoulders and neck, very stylish, but slim; 4, Hamilton; vhc, Gillespie; hc, Trimble. GREEN HEN (3): 1, Trimble, good one, hard up on shoulders, lovely reach and droop; 2, Lowther, very good substance, gets to work well; 3, Neill, slim, nervy exhibit, good neck and nice snaky head. CREST (2): 1, sp., Creighton, good body, immense crest, well packed, in good order; 2, Birse, nice crest, not so large as winner, fails substance. C.B.: No entries. NOR., CL. YELL. CK. (11): 1, 3, Thompson, splendid exhibit, plenty substance, beautiful head, wings and tail, wins; 2, Faith, winner Sandiford medal, blaze of col., nice and cobby head, a little pinched, 3, hardly finished, good wings and tail, could be better col.; 4, sp., Conuell; vhc, sp., McCammon; hc, Devins; c, McCagherty. TKD. YELL. (3): 1, sp., Creighton, large one, rather long in tail, good head and colour; 2, McCagherty, nice and cobby, good wiugs and tail, fails head; 3, Birse, typical, not the substance of first two. CL. BUFF (9): 1, sp., Faith, immense substance, splendid head and chest, well staged; 2, Thompson, good one, nice head, wings and tail, bit loose in feather; 3, sp., hc, Faith, good substance, well carried wings and tail, little small in head; 4, Connell; vhc, e, McCagherty, latter wiuner of Boyd cup for best young Canary bred by exhibitor. TKD. BUFF (7): 1, sp., Faith, tkd. back of head, good size, nice wings and tail; 2, Birse, good substance, nice head and chest, not in condition; 3, Graham, very typical, good colour and condition; 4, Adamson; vhc, Stewart; hc, sp., e, Thompson. VARIEG. (11): 1, McCagherty, buff, good col. and substance, lovely head and chest; 2, McCammon, another good buff, nice wings and tail, good round head; 3, Thompson, yell., good body, head bit flat, and little browed, No. 10, Thompson, wrong classed, the best in the class; 4, Cottrell; vhc, O'Reilly; hc, Faith; e, Connell. HEN, CL., OR TKD. YELL. (10): 1, c, sp., Faith, good body and head, lovely wings and tail, nicely staged; 2, Stewart, lovely colour and type, lacks the substance of winner; 3, Thompson, tkd. back of head, lovely head, back and wings; 4, sp., Alexander; vhc, O'Reilly; hc, Lea. BUFF (13): A strong class. 1, sp., 4, Faith, splendid col. and qual., nice full head and neck; 2, vhc, sp., O Keefe, nice and cobby, short flights and tail, fails a little in head to winner; 3, sp., Stewart, very typical, full of quality, nice head, wings and tail, fails substance; hc, Adamsou; c, McCagherty. VARIEG. (8): 1, Finlay, buff, plenty substanec, nice head, wings, well carried; 2, O'Reilly, buff, nice and cobby, good qual., head a little pinched; 3, Faith, yell., good body, short wings and tail, fails neck and head; 4, Stewart; vhc, Carleton; hc, c, McCagherty. YORKS., CL. YELL. CK. (14): 1, O'Reilly, good length and col., fine qual., nice wings and tail; 2, Keating, longer, grand position, might turn the tables next time out; 3, O'Keefe, good col. and qual., beaten here in size and substance; vhc, Mulligan; hc, sp., Devins; c, Fleming. HEN (10): 1, O'Reilly, extra good position, fine qual. and col.; 2, O'Keefe, longer, good wings and back, nicely folded tail; 3, Keogh, nice size, lovely position, in good form; vhc, Ryan; hc, Birse; c, Keating. TKD., ETC. CK. (16): 1, sp., Woods, best Yorkie, in show, splendid position, good length, lovely qual., wins; 2, Fleming, wing tkd., yell., fine length and qual., good col.; 3, hc, sp., O'Keefe, thigh tkd., yell., lovely head and neck, good qual. feather; vhc, sp., Keogh; c, Dunwoody. HEN (13): 1, Keating, tkd. yell., grand type, qual. and col.; 2, Dunwoody, good wings and tail, nice position, runs thin in neck; 3, O'Keefe, buff mkd. head and wing, plenty substance, good quality; vhc, Woods; hc, Dunwoody; c, Fleming. CL. BUFF CK. (11): 1, O'Reilly, small one, lovely col. and qual., good back and wings, nice pipe tail; 2, Keating, an old warrior, often described as fit as ever; 3, vhc, O'Keefe, fine upstanding bird, grand lengthy wings and tail; hc, Dunwoody; c, Birse. HEN (10): 1, Ryan, fine size, good qual. and style, well merited win; 2, Keating, smaller, very neat, lovely wings and tail; 3, hc, O'Keefe, nice position, very typical, close feather, poor colour; vhc, Dunwoody; c, Devins. CINN. MKD. CK. (5): 1, sp., Keogh, wing-marked yell., lovely qual. and col.; 2, Tansey, marked buff, old winner, often described; 3, Keating, Buff variegs., smaller, nice qual. and col.; vhc, Dunwoody; hc, O'Keefe. HEN (7): 1, Rynn, very small marked wings and eye, lovely qual., nice position; 2, Tansey, yell., grizzled on back, grand qual. and col., very nervy; 3, hc, Dunwoody, buff, wing marked, small crosses, wings at times; vhc, Montgomery; c, Keating. NOV., YORKS., CL. YELL. Ck. (2): 1, Morgan, nice length of wings and tail, good position; 2, Casey, smaller, good position and colour, not yet finished. HEN (5): 1, 2, Lawless, non-rung, good length, nice wings and legs, 2, slimmer, grand position, a little thin in neck; 3, Power, lovely qual., grand long wings and tail, slightly frilled; vhc, Henry; c, Morgan. TKD., ETC., CK. (6): 1, sp., Lawless; wing tkd. buff, grand col. and qual., nice position; 2, vhc, sp., Lattimore, buff tkd. wing, good position and col.; 3, hc, McKeown, buff cinnamon tkd., nice qual. and col., well frilled neck; c, sp., Power. HEN (7): 1, hc, Kavanagh, yell., variegs. Cinn., grand position, nice head, neck and back; 2, Morgan, buff, tkd. on wing, good length and style, nice col.; 3, sp., Lawless, buff Cinn. tkd., nice position, thin in neck; vhc, McKeown; c, Casey. CL. BUFF CK. (4): 1, Lattimore, plenty of length good col. and qual.; 2, Henry, good length, rather flat in head, little frilled; 3, Kavanagh, smaller, nice qual., crosses wings; vhc, Casey. HEN (2): 1, Power, nice back and wings, good col.; 2, Casey, variegated, with paint off cage. GOLDFINCH-CANARY, TKD., CL., ETC. (5): 1, sp.; Creighton, buff, almost even mkd., grand size and col.; 2, 3, sp., vhc, Lavery, yell. mkd. eyes and wings, close up, 3, smaller, grand form; 4, Osborne. DARK: 1, 3, sp., Lavery, good size, level col. all over; 2, Birse, smaller, better blaze, in grand condition, might have won; 3, buff, good size and col. A.O.V. CAN. MULE (12): 1, 3, sp., Lavery, Can.-Bullie, grand size, well staged; 2, 4, Birse., variegs. Lin.-Can, grand size and col., well put down; 3, Greenie-Canary, plenty size and excellent col.; vhc, Harvey; hc, Alexander; c, Osborne. HYB. (5): 1, 2, 4, Lavery, Goldie-Bullie, grand size and col., lovely condition; 2, Linnet-Bullie, splendid exhibit, grand size and col.; 3, sp., Alexander, Goldie-Bullie, not so large as winner, or in the same trim; vhc, Webb. FOR. (2): 1, Ruddy, White Cockatoo, grand condition; 2, Priestley, Siberian Goldie, large one, good blaze. LINNET (9): 1, 3, Morrow, large one, nicely pencilled, shows whites well, 3, smaller, nice brown on back; 2, 4, vhc, Lavery, nice size, shows well, not far behind winner; hc, Carleton; c, Montgomery. GOLDFINCH (6): 1, 2, McLaw cup, Lavery, fine large one, nice square cut blaze, lovely bars and nicely tanned, 2, similar, not so good in tannings; 3, sp., Mulcahy, smaller, nice blaze and tanuings; vhc, hc, Webb. A.O. BRIT., SMALL. (10): 1, Mulcahy, Bullie, grand size, nice cap and bib; 2, Lavery, Greenie, plenty size and col., grand form; 3, hc, Alexander, Chaffinch, beautiful col. and condition; vhc, sp., Birse; c, Devins. A.O. BRIT. BIRD (4): 1, Mulcahy, Chough, grand condition, wins; 2, Birse, Hawfinch, grand col., well shown; 3, 4, Black, Yellowhammer, very good col., wild.

HAMILTON (Cadzow Oak)

Annual show, held Nov. 9, in the Town Hall, Hamilton, a most suitable place for such a show, being well lighted all round and of a most comfortable temperature. The classes were well represented by prominent exhibitors from all parts, and the entries were slightly up, while the gate, although not quite a record, was the best the management had experienced for the last four years, and was voted a distinct success. That such ought to be the case goes without question, as one has only to look at the names connected with this association to repose sufficient confidence in such a body of fanciers as to trust them with their most delicate specimens. It would hardly be fair to single out any individual, as all worked energetically for the welfare of their show, and the big smile on the face of Mr. Marlin, the worthy Secretary, foretold that he had achieved the object of his desire, and felt rewarded for labour spent for the well-being of the Fancy. The judges got through their work in nice time, and we failed to hear much grumbling, which is to say that their awards met with general approval. Weel ken't faces, representing all the different varieties, were assembled. The judges were, for Norwich and Crests, Mr. J. Smeaton (Musselburgh); Borders, Mr. J. Hamilton (Eskbank); Yorks., Mr. J. Smeaton; Hybrids, British and Foreign, Mr. R. Bald (Bathgate).

The Critique.

CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Morris, fine size and qual., neatly filled, fine carr.; 2, Watson, well up in size and substance, nice feather, well put down; 3, Shearer, Senr., good body and nice qual., not quite so well filled at top end as leaders; 4, Marshall, nice qual.; 5, Kennedy and McEwau; 6, Gallacher. BUFF (12): 1, Fleming, fine size and qual., neat carr. and style, well braced and in good trim; 2, Mathieson, fairly good all round, except, maybe, a trifle weak at head; 3, Braidwood, fairly cobby and neat, good qual., beaten in staging; 4, Naismith, fine style, very close up; 5, Stewart; 6, Hobbie. VAR. or GREEN CK. (13): 1, Campbell, yell var., fine size, grand condition, shapely and well braced, a good one; 2, and members' cup, Braidwood, fine massive buff, plenty substanec and short feathered cobby exhibit, well shown; 3, Fleming, good large yell., fine qual., neatly staged, hard up for higher position; 4, McNeil, nice yell., good trim, neatly put down; 5, Calderwood; 6, Liddell. CL. or TKD. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Fleming, topper for size and qual., neat cobby body, well filled in at front and top end, clean cut, wins well; 2, Calderwood, fine one for qual. and shape, not just so massive as leader, but well up; 3, Morrison, good one for feather, but rather unsteady; 4, Cameron, grand quality and size, massive built, just inclined to be long behind; 5, Watson; 6, Steel. BUFF (13): 1, Morrison, nice qual. feather and typical good head and neck, neat front, might be a shade better in wing carriage; 2, Cameron, good one for size and substance, cobby made, well up for top honours; 3, Fleming, fine size and good type of feather, must have pressed; 4, Braidwood, good size and qual., neatly staged, well placed; 5, Stewart; 6, Barrie. VAR. or GREEN HEN (6): 1, Blackley, nice broken green, raro qual. and shape, cobby and short behind, could do with more size; 2, Braidwood, nice size and good shape and qual., might just he a shade shorter behind; 3, Morrison, fine feather, good qual., nice size and condition; 4, Barrie, well up in size and shape, a little faulty in wing carriage; 5, Scobie; 6, McFadyen. UNFLIG. CK. (16): 1, Harris, fine tick yellow, lovely qual. grand size, cobby, neat carr.; 2, Gallacher, fine col., good qual. feather, stylish, neat, well up on leader; 3, Mathieson, rather smaller in build, but lovely qual. and shape, must have pressed; 4, no name, late entry, good qual. exhibit, rather smaller; 5, Naismith; 6, Cameron. HEN (16): 1, Fleming, well up in size and lovely texture feather, neat shape, fine carriage; 2, Cameron, real nice one for shape, cobby and thick set, short neck and sweet head, fine braced wiugs, just a bit open in feather at thighs, but good one; 3, Harris, nice qual., shapely, could be better in wing carriage; 4, Morrison, fine size, good qual., well put down, in fine trim; 5, McKay; 6, Williams. UNFED CK. (10): 1, Gallacher, nice one for size and qnal., broad, well-filled front, neat head and neck, staged in fine bloom; 2, Fleming, well up for size and condition, nice thick make; 3, Thomson, fine qual., and well filled in at top end, good body, just loses in wing a trifle; 4, Marlin, rare skuil, neatly made body; 5, Shearer, Junr.; 6, Cant. HEN (8): 1, Calderwood, fine size and qual., nice head and neatly filled in front, good shapely make, fine carriage; 2, Morrison, nice thick set, well made cobby lady, good size, and in prime condition, well staged; 3, Gallacher, not quite so massive, but not far off the mark in point of quality; 4, Cant, fine size and substance and in grand form bearing hard on 3rd; 5, Liddell; 6, no name. CREST: 1, Cram, rare massive bodied, feathery exhibit, capital top piece, fine frontal, neat spread all round, in fine trim; 2nd, Hamilton, very nice one, not quite so massive in body or so good in frontal, but thicker in crest, abundance of leafy feather and must have been well in the hunt for top position; 3, Nimmo, good one, but beaten in substance, fine top and in good feather and condition. C.B. (5): 1, 2, Cram, two good ones from the same stable, fine body and substance, plenty of feather, rare skull and fine lash, groomed to perfection; 3, McKay, fine size and substance, not just quite finished yet; 4, Hamilton, nice shaped skull and good body feather, not quite up to leaders in size; 5, Wilson. BORD. CL., ETC., TKD. YELL. CK. (22): 1, Munro, real shapely, well drawn, neatly tapered, stylish spec., close fitting, A1 quality feather, in topping condition, wins here; 2, Watson, another of the right kind, put down in winning form, hard up on winner; 3, Pollock, good one, nice make and fine quality feather, neat tail, scarcely just perfect in wing carriage, otherwise all right; 4, no name, nice one, not just in full bloom yet; 5, Davidson; 6, Gentleman. BUFF (13): 1, McKenzie, lovely quality feather, real waxy-like jaunty little fellow, staged to win, one of the cream; 2, Ritchie, fine qual., neat wings and tail, not just so well drawn as winner; 3, Bennet, good one, possessing rare Border qualities, must have pressed for another point; 4, Allan, good feather, neat shape, good tail, wings; 5, Hamilton; 6, Houston. YELL. HEN, CL., TK. or FOUL (15): 1, Dunsmore, good shape and fine quality, neat carried wings and fine close tail, maybe just a wee trifle strong in beak, otherwise good; 2, Pollock, grand little exhibit, lovely qual., neat carr., fine shape, must have tried hard for the top; 3, Haston, nice one for qual. and shape; 4, Houston, very nice one, looks scarcely finished yet; 5, Campbell; 6, McKenzie. BUFF (16): 1, Hamilton, nice typical shapely specimen, top quality feather, grand condition, wins 3rd in members' class; 2, Bennet, another of the right kind, grand quality, lovely feather and carr. of the best, close up for top position; 3, McKenzie, not much behind, beautiful waxy feather, lovely shape and carr., neat and clean cut away; 4, Davidson, nice one for quality and shape; 5, Kerr and Smith; 6, Pollock. UNEVEN YELL. (12): 1, Davidson, really good yell., fine jaunty carriage, sweet type, fine boxy feather, capital condition; 2, Lawson and Sons, cinn. mark, yell., looks a hen, topping qual., neat carr., stylish, capital trim; 3, Bennet, really nice yell. of fine qual. and col., neat shape, but inclined to be a bit unsteady; 4, Fisher, yell., capital feather, nice make, good wings and tail, nicely placed; 5, Beck; 6, Richmond. BUFF (11): 1, Bennet, in rare bloom, capital qual. feather, nice jaunty carriage, sweet close-fitting boxy feather; 2, Fisher, neat wings and tail, good shape, nice condition; 3, Davidson, well up in type and qual., sweet jaunty shape, neat fitting wiugs and tail, must have pressed hard; 4, A. Walker, real heanty for shape and type, good qual.; 5, Davidson; 6, J. Walker. EVEN MARK: 1, 4, Watson, leader fine markings, lovely qual. and type, capital feather, good carriage; 4th, nice qual., fine condition, but a bit unsteady when we saw it; 2, A. Walker, taking exhibit, put down in grand trim, type and qual. well balanced here; 3, Haddow, taking yell., fine style and shape, neat head and clean front, nice one, well up; 5, D. Watson; 6, Lawson and Sons. NOV. (16): 1, Thomson, we missed; 2, 4, Paterson, leader buff, fine qual., neat carr., good head and neck, finely staged; 4th, yell., sweet jaunty appearance, nice shape and condition, close up; 3, Beck, yell., fine qual, neat type and carr., well placed; 5, Murphy; 6, we could not find. GR. or CINN. COCK: 1, 5, A. and W. Thomson, leading with a lovely exhibit, capital qual., rare col., fine type, neatly folded wings, close tail; 2, 4, Wilson, leader nice one for col. and qual., fine shape, neat wings and tail, feather seemed scarcely so close as might be, but a good one; 4th, very nice cinn., lovely col. and pencilling, put down in capital condition; 3, J. Thomson, fine col., neat tapered body, good in carr. and condition; 6, Campbell. HEN (18): 1, 3, A. and W. Thomson, leader in capital trim, rich col., good shape, fine quality, nice jaunty style; 3rd, nice shaped buff green, good qual. feather, capital condition, neatly braced wings and tail, steady, nicely placed; 2, Wilson, lovely cinn., best of col., fine type, A1 quality, real clean cut boxy appearance, worth its place; 4, Campbell, yell. green, looking very fit, nice style and carr., creditably staged; 5, Murray; 6, McCall. YORK., YELL. CK. (4): 1, Johnson, lovely qual. and length feather, grand shape, fine head, neck and wings; 2, McRobbie, topper for length, fine, sleek, slim specimen, scarcely so hot in col. or close in feather as leader; 3, Stewart, nice looking exhibit, very unsteady; 4, Gray, we could not find. BUFF: 1, Rielly, tkd. lovely qual., fine length and shape, neat fitting coat of good texture, nice win; 2, McRobbie, fine length, good shape, capital qual., nice condition; 3, No. 4, no name, lovely qual., fine length, neat carr., wings just inclined to open at front; 4, Gray, neat exhibit, capital close boxy feather, smart one. YELL. HEN: 1, Gray, leading with an exhibit of grand close and boxy feather, nice one; 2, Stewart, we could not entice to leave the wires of the cage. BUFF: 1, Gray, nice one, fine feather, good shape and steady, nicely rounded and well drawn. A.O.V.: 1, Thomson, nice yell. cinn. Nor., in fine trim; 2, Clark, grand cl. cap silver Liz, neatly spangled and showing fine marking, would have made a creditable winner. VAR. CAN. MULE (6): 1, McQuiston, topper, Goldie cross, col. nicely blending, fine size, romping condition, wins well; 2, Whiteford, large var. Greenie Mule, capital feather, good one; 3, we could not find; 4, 5, Ramsay, leader nice buff Goldie; 6, no name. DARK GOLDIE OR LIN. CAN. (7): 1, McQuiston, a topping jonque Linnet, massive built, capital col., A1 condition, an easy win; 2, Scobie, nice Goldie, fine size and condition, showing the cross well, good one; 3, Kennedy and McEwan, again Goldie, in nice condition, just loses in substance; 4, Brownlie and Sons, nice jonque Linnet, in fine trim, good one; 5, Naismith. A.O.V. DK. CAN. MULE; 1, McQuiston, bouncing Greenie, capital feather, steady as a rock, well ahead; 2, 3nd 2 in members' class, Whiteford, we could not find; 3, Pirie, Greeme, in fine condition, good size, but well beaten by winner; 4, Hannah, another of the same; 5, Cook; 6, Edwards. A.O.V. HYB EXCEPT BULLFINCH (some rare crosses in this class) (10): 1, Mitchell, grand Redpoll Goldie in capital trim; 2, Williams, Redpoll-Greenie; 3, McQuiston, Siskin-Goldie; 4, 5, Maslin, leader Goldie Greenie; 6, Cook. GOLDFINCH (7): 1, MacRobbie, nice one for size and distinct marks, clean cut, square blaze, fine pure whites, deep yellow wings, wins well; 2, Clark, good one for size and condition, but not quite so expansive in blaze; 3, Alexander, good one, staged to perfection, rich coloured blaze and nicely buttoned wings, well up on 2; 4, Allan, fairly nice, all-round Goldie, not quite so pure in whites as those in front; 5, Kelly; 6, Whiteford. BULLFINCH (9): 1, Wallace, clinker, great size and col., fine dark expansive cap, well defined markings, capital order; 2, Thompson, nice one for condition and markings, not quite so massive, but well up; 3, Sykes, good one for size and col., but a little loose underneath, trifle unsteady; 4, Irvine, real one for feather and condition; 5, Campbell; 6, McQuiston. BULLFI. HEN (13): 1, McQuistou, grand size, lovely col., staged in tip-top order, steady as a rock, not a ruffled feather; 2, Stewart and Dalling, beauty, first-class style, equal in size and general condition, must have been difficult to separate; 3, no name, nice one, but not just in full bloom yet; 4, Downie, trifle smaller, but real nice qual.; 5, no name; 6, Steel. BRITISH HEN, SMALL (7): 1, Telfer, fine Bramble, in superb condition, top size, fine qual., neatly spangled and steady; 2, McQuiston, very nice Linnet, looking very fit and perfect in condition, a creditable specimen; 3, Cook, nice Siskin, fine feather, steady, neatly put down; 4, Pirie, nice Bramble, good form, not so massive; 5, McGavin; 6, Cumming. LINNET (7): 1, 2, McQuiston, leader real clinker, massive built, real nutty brown, pencilled to perfection, one of the best we have seen for a long time, 2 nice one for size and condition, well staged, but well beaten by its stable companion; 3, Thomson, good size and fine feather, more substance and better pencilled than 2, must have tried hard; 4, Cummings, well up for size and steadiness, beaten in breast pencilling; 5, 6, Leckie. LINNET, F.M.: 1, Downie, good size and finely polished nutty brown col., neat pencilling, perfect plumage, wins nicely; 2, Leckie, well up for size and condition, hardly so rich in col.; 3, McQuiston, large, steady, finely pencilled specimen, nice ground col., must have been difficult to separate from 2; 4, Henderson, nice one, rather unsteady; 5, Waugh; 6, McGavin. GREENFINCH, COL.-FED. (8): 1, Stewart and Dalling, gem for size and col., topping condition, tight in feather, put down like silk, one of the best out; 2, Irvine, rare good col. and condition, fine deep yell. wings, good substance; 3, Nelson, capital col., perfect feather, needs more size to win here; 4, McGavin, larger than 3rd, but not such nice deep olive col., nice condition; 5, Campbell; 6, McGregor and Boyd. NAT. COL. (15): 1, Sykes, real clinker, staged in lovely bloom, top size, A1 feather, the right material; 2, Kennedy and McEwan, fine size and top condition, with more time will do well; 3, McLean and Sons, good one, just about equal to 2nd; 4, Campbell, fairly good in size and steady, barely so close in feather as those in front; 5, Reid; 6, Stevenson. LESSER REDPOLL (9): 1, McQuiston, little gem, put down in the pink of perfection, lovely feather, grandly mkd., staged to win; 2, Maslin, again very good one, capital trim, scarcely so profuse in pencilling, otherwise well up; 3, Williams, fairly good one, in grand condition; 4, Williams, nice feather and condition, little behind 2nd; 5, Nelson; 6, Kelly. F.M. (19): 1, Kerr and Sons, little beauty, winning well in hot company, a real taking exhibit; 2, Campbell, we could not find; 3, Gentleman, well up in staging and condition, good markings; 4, Nisbet, we missed; 5, McGregor and Boyd; 6, Nelson. MEALY 'POLL OR TWITE (11): 1, McQuiston, fine Twite, nice col. and condition, well pencilled, perfect trim; 2, Quinn, grand mealy, nice size, fine feather, pure col., distinct mkgs., good 2nd; 3, Gentleman, Twite, good condition, nicely put down; 4, Leckie, mealy, in nice trim; 5, Skyes; 6, Cummings. SISKIN (7): 1, Lindsay, good one, laid down in lovely order, fine, clear, rich, distinct col. of mkgs., nice cap and bib, staged in fine taste; 2, Watson, laid down in good condition, looking fit, but beaten here; 3, McGregor and Boyd, nice one in good feather, inclined to be trifle unsteady; 4, Reid, very nice one, fine col., distinct mkgs., must have pressed to gain a point; 5, Cummings; 6, Sykes CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE (11): 1, 2, Sykes, two of the best finches we have come across this season, lovely Bramble leading, superb Chaffinch following hard up; for distinct markings, depth of col., size and quality this couple will be hard to out-class; 3, Lawson and Sons, fine size and condition, perfect in feather, not just so rich in ground col. as leader; 4, Stewart and Dalling, good Chaffie, in fine trim, large, steady exhibit, not quite so rich or pure in mkgs.; 5, Henderson; 6, McQuiston. BUNTING (7): 1, McQuiston, lovely Corn., in gorgeons feather, steady as a rock, rich ground col., perfect mkgs., staged in the form that tells; 2, Sykes, lovely Meadow, in good feather, fine size, steady, clearly defined mkgs., well placed; 3, Stevenson, clinkiug Yellowhammer, fine size, steady, perfect feather and mkgs., and all there for qual.; 4, Henderson, capital Snow, monster for size and perfection of mkgs., staged in faultless bloom, deserves its position; 5, Stewart and Dalling; 6, Henderson. A.O.V. (6): 1, E. Taylor, magnificent little Dartford Warbler, put down in this exhibitor's best style; 2, G. Henderson, lovely Waxwing, perfect feather, capital size, lovely wings and tail marks; 3, Sykes, capital Hawfinch, all there for size and mkgs., steady, perfect in feather, fine bib, rich col.; 4, Arnott, nice Black Redstart, good plumage, looked a wee bit soft; 5, Kerr and Sons, topping Jay; 6, Hamilton, Magpie. FOR. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Waugh, rare size and condition, large deep crimson, square cut blaze, fine tan, bright wings, neatly buttoned; 2, Stewart and Dalling, equal in size and condition, purer in whites, but barely so expansive in blaze, well placed; 3, Vass, nice one for size and col., good in condition and hard up on 2nd; 4, no name, nice exhibit, scarcely up in col. yet; 5, Gibson. FOR.: 1, 2, Arnott, Shama and Nonpariel respectively; both staged to perfection, lovely exhibits and highly creditable to their owner; 3, Ross, Gouldian Finch, lovely order, not a ruffled feather, a perfect beauty; 4, we missed.

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DUNFERMLINE.

Fourth annual show held Co-operative Hall, Nov. 2nd. Entries were a record for the society, and also was the gate, a gratifying result and reward of the painstaking efforts of the worthy sec., Mr. R. T. Campbell, who understands his business to perfection, and who was backed up by a committee of the right kind, who all work for the well being of the society. Challenge cup, cp, and gold medal for six nominated birds, were won by R. T. Campbell, with 35 points; rose bowl, for most points over Canary section, by R. T. Campbell, with 47 points. Runner-up, Mr. A. Burt, 41 points; rose bowl for most points in British, was won by Mr. John Rankine, 53 points. Runner-up, R. T. Campbell, 32 points. Special for most points in show, R. T. Campbell, 79 points. Sp. for best bird, Mr. Alex. Howie, with his champion Crest, this noted warrior looking better than ever. Other special winners were: British, Mr. J. Rankine; Variety classes, J. Sneddon; Crest or C.B., A. Howie; Plainhead, Wm. Grewar; Border, Alex. Burt; Mule, J. H. Reid; young bird, bred by a member, R. T. Campbell; novice ditto, P. Langan; most points in novices, A. Watt. Judges, Norwich, Mr. A. Dickson; Borders, Mr. T. Peel; British and Foreign, Mr. W. Malcolm, whose awards were well received, comments being conspicuous by their absence.

The Critique.

CREST CK. (9): 1, 6, Howie, leader D.C., even wing, good substance, densely clad in fine leafy feather, nice droop and frontal, a real champion; 2, 5, Sneddon, leader massive bird, great quantity of feather, fails in crest to winners, still a good one; 3, Burt, fine body, good feather; 4, Lister. SCOTCH FANCY: 4, Campbell, good one, all there for qual. CREST, HEN (7): 1, Sneddon, monster green, capital body, densely clad with the right material, good win; 2, McLaren, large variegs., not the substance of winner, good all round bird; 3, Howie, variegs., good body and wealth of feather, nice crest, close up; 4, Burt; 5, 6, Lister. CREST, 1912 (5): 1, 2, Howie, leader grand bird, in lovely feather, very forward in condition, wins easy, 2nd fails in front to winner, sweet head, nicely lashed; 3, McLaren, sweet shape, bold headed one, good qual. of feather, well placed; 4, Sneddon; 5, Lister. C.B. CK. (9): 1, 4, Burt, leader, large variegs. green, plenty of feather, fine lash, carried well forward, in fine bloom, 4th in good order; 2, Howie, cl., fine bodied bird, good skull, nice feather, splendid condition; 3, McLaren, nice headed bird, variegs., nice size and shape; 5, 6, Sneddon. HEN (6): 1, McLaren, sweet one, rare size, grand head, good entrance, plenty lash, wins; 2, Burt, cl., fails a little to winner, well forward in lashing, good qual.; 3, Low and Scobie, nicely lashed, sweet head; 4, 5, Howie; 6, Sneddon. C.B., 1912 (5): 1, 5, McLaren, leader nice variegs., good substance, rare skull, nice size, in fine bloom; 2, 3, Howie, leader, close up on winner, grand qual., tip-top order, 3rd nice big bull, barely finished; 4, Low and Scobie. NOR. CK., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (6): 1, Grewar, large upstanding bird, clear win here, well rounded front, good wing carriage, in the pink of condition; 2, 3, Watt, leader, smaller got up, nice sweet style, in lovely feather, still some preferred 3rd for second place, which was built on the same lines as winner; 4, Wildridge; 5, Smith; 6, Moodie. HEN (6): 1, 5, Watt, leader good one, grand head, sweet front, well rounded, nice wing carriage, in full bloom; 2, 3, Grewar, two grand birds, well put down, but not the shape of winner, well placed; 4, Wildridge; 6, Langan. HEN, BUFF (7): 1, Wildridge, grand size, fine, bold, well rounded head, nicely drawn, good wing carriage, nice flights and tail, wins; 2, Watt, good head, nice style, grand qual. of feather, shade slimmer than winner, in good order; 3, Langan, good qual. of feather, nice head, splendid wing carriage, very shapely, nicely staged; 4, Johnson. SELF GREEN, FOUL OR VAR. (8): 1, 5, Grewar, leader large green, good one, lovely shape, grand short feather, splendid wing carriage, well put down; 2, Reid, large variegs., good feather, sweet head, nice wing carr., fails in substance; 3, Langan, variegs., nicely got up, all there for qual., will improve with time; 4, Smith; 6, Wildridge. UNFLIG. (8): 1, Langan, grand bird, nice shade of col., sweet head, grand wing carr., wins; 2, Smith, large variegs., sweet size and shape, not so well finished as winner; 3, Grewar, cl., fails in size to leaders, but all there for shape and qual.; 4, Moodie; 5, Wildridge; 6, Watt. BOED., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (10): 1, 2, Burt, two grand birds, not much between them, nice jaunty carr., well balanced wings, well placed; 3, Kennoway, sweet bird, nice size, bit open in breast feathers, very restless; 4, Sneddon; 5, 6, Kay. BUFF (11): 1, Kay, grand class, lovely feather, sweet head and neck, nicely finished all over; 2, Burt, nice size, good style, not so close in feather as winner; 3, Pringle, good front and wing carr.; 4, 5, Kennoway; 6, Campbell. MKD. (10): 1, Campbell, eye and wing mkd., nice size, lovely condition, well balanced wings, well staged; 2, Burt, eye and wing mkd., good qual. of feather, fails in eye markings to winner; 3, Sneddon, good qual. of feather, nice head and wing carr., restless; 4, Pringle; 5, 6, Kilpatrick. VARIEG. CK. (8): 1, Kilpatrick, good one, nice stamp, grand head, nice qual. of feather, well staged; 2, 3, Campbell, two grand birds, in the pink of condition, nicely finished, sweet heads, nice wing carriage, close up; 4, Kennoway. HEN (7): 1, 2, Campbell, nice class, two grand ones, in the best of order, leader the best in head and wing carr., nicely staged; 3, Kilpatrick, good shape and qual., not so well rounded on back as winners; 4, Kennoway; 5, Burt. GREEN OR CINN. (4): 1, 2, Campbell, leader nice cinn., grand order, sweet head, nicely put down, 2nd green, nice col., well pencilled on flanks and back, well placed; 3, 4, Rice, leader, nice green, not the qual. of winner, 4th we noticed was very soft. A.O.V. (2): 1, Sneddon, large coppy, put down in the pink of condition; 2, Coutts, large buff cinn., nicely staged. COM. CAN. CK. (8): 1, 6, Rice, sweet headed bird, grand qual. of feather, wins; 2, McLaren, another good one, put down in lovely condition; 3, Campbell, close up, grand wing carr.; 4, Coutts; 5, Rolland. HEN (10): 1, 2, Rice, two grand conditioned birds, put down in lovely order; 3, Gold, close up, in rare condition, and qual. of feather; 4, 5, Watt; 6, McLean. GOLDFINCH: 1, sp best British Bird, Rankine, nice Goldie, grand blaze, nice cheeks, and tannings, good all-round bird; 2, 3, McLaren, leader grand sized Finch, little wild, will make a good one with time, 3rd smaller in blaze than winner, well placed; 4, Rolland. BULLFINCH: 1, Coutts, nice Bullie, good cap and wing bars, fine breast col., little rough on thighs, when we saw it; 2, 4, Hogg, leader good one, smaller in bib than winner, very steady; 3, Anderson, scarcely the qual. of winner, paler in breast col.; 5, Rolland. LINNET: 1, sp, McLaren, large, well mkd., rare shade, nut brown col., sweet one, well put down; 2, Rankine, smaller, little open in breast, fail little in polish to winner; 3, Kennoway, little off when we saw it; 4, 5, Reid; 6, Hogg. GREENFINCH: 1, Campbell, nice thick set bird, rather flat on head, grand wing, flights, in good order; 2, 4, Rankine, leader sweet one, nice shade of col., fails shape and size to winner; 3, Reid, good sized Finch, bit unsteady; 5, Johnson; 6, Coutts. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Kemp, nice nat. col., 'Poll, grand bib, beautiful lacing on flanks, rather wild, we thought, for red ticket; 2, Robertson, real good one, we preferred, in tip-top order, well laced, nicely staged; 3, 5, Campbell, leader fails a shade in size only; 4, Warwick; 6, Rice. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Campbell, Mealy, of great size, fine head and bib, nice flank marks, well staged, wins; 2, Coutts, Siskin, nice cap and bib, well laced, good tone of col., well placed; 3, Rolland, Siskin, beaten in finish to winners, good cap; 4, Gold. A.O.S. HARDBILL: 1, Rankine, Yellowhammer, fine head and cheek mkd., steady, well staged; 2, Anderson, Chaffinch, well up in col., good dense breast, lovely whites, in pink of condition; 3, Robertson, Yellowhammer, fails in col. to winners, unsteady; 4, Coutts, Bramble. HEN, HARDBILL OR MULE: 1, Campbell, large buff hen Greenfinch, very steady, many thought was a shade lucky; 2, Rankine, hen Goldfinch Mule, in nice order, well staged; 3, McLaren, large hen Siskin, in tip-top order, well laced; 4, Hogg; 5, 6, Kilpatrick. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: 1, Reid, Goldie Mule, teeming with col., grand face, all there for marks, easy win; 2, 4, Rankine, leader nice Goldie Mule, smaller than winner, 4th nice Redpoll Hybrid; 3, Kilpatrick, Linnet-Bullie Hybrid, in good order, on the small side. DARK.: 1, Grewar, wins, grand Goldie Mule, grand shade of col., staged to perfection; 2, 4, 5, Rankine, Greenie Mule, Linnet Mule, and Greenie Mule, all well placed, and in grand condition; 3, Reid, Goldie Mule, fails in head and substance to winner. FOR., GOLDIE: 1, 2, Howie, champion leading, as fit as ever, needs no comment; 2nd another stormer, close up; 3, Johnson, nice conditioned Goldie, fails in blaze and condition to winners; 4, Reid; 5, Rankine. A.O. FOR.: 1, spl, Gold, nice green Budgerigar, well staged.

All Quality at Nottingham.

Magnificent display in all sections: Some wonderful Crests: Record broken at the "Gate": Model management.

Thirty-first annual exhibition, held in the Mechanics' Lecture Hall, Nov. 9 and 11. It proved in every way satisfactory, and quite equal to the many splendid shows organised by the Nottingham and Notts O.S in the years that are gone. It is curious that the society should never (at least of recent years) be favoured with an entry that can be described as a "bumper." We have in the past ventured to ascribe this to the unpopularity of Saturday and Monday, so far as exhibitors are concerned, as show days; and we still hold this opinion. The society knows its own business best, however, and it certainly is very doubtful whether any increase of entry fees resulting through a change in the days could compensate the loss of "gate" that would follow. The receipts on the Saturday again well beat all past records—over £21 being taken in sixpences! Good business, and no mistake!

The popularity of Nottingham Show is well deserved, too, for we do not know of any fixture where, year after year, the same unvarying high quality of the exhibits is to be met with. In every section champions of the various breeds are always to be found, and this no doubt accounts for the exhibition proving such an unfailing draw to the large number of fanciers in the surrounding districts. Further, the management is of the highest possible character; birds could not possibly be more carefully looked after, or the needs of exhibitors be more sedulously studied. The unpacking and repacking arrangements are perfect; Mr. Ley gives this department his personal supervision and his help. The staging, too, on the up-to-date three-tier principle is all that one could desire, while the show-room is lent an added attractiveness by means of drapery and plants. The scene on the Saturday evening was magnificent, the handsome room being simply packed.

The society once again had the invaluable assistance of Mr. R. Rhodes, than whom there can be no better or more popular chairman, his genial, business-like manner helping greatly to steer the show into the harbour of success. Mr. G. C. Ley, too, once again very ably filled the role of vice-chairman, and this enthusiastic and successful Crest fancier was one of the hardest workers in the hall. As a keen business-man himself, he is a firm believer in "system"—and there can be none better than the Nottingham system as adopted to-day. The committee is composed of very good fanciers, and one and all put their shoulders to the wheel; no trouble is too great for them. Messrs. G. W. Boaler, W. Bown, W. Cottingham, F. Clarke, G. Hill, T. Hodgkinson, J. Renshaw, W. H. Raven, G. Sharpe, J. W. Saywell, E. Wolfe, and G. A. White are to be congratulated on their work. Valuable aid, too, was rendered by Messrs. R. Miller, E. Robinson, T. H. Hayter, Wall, and R. Graham (the latter a Crest fancier of the good old school).

Coming to that most important of all departments, the secretarial one, we must say that no society could be better served. Mr. G. E. Wilkinson—fast becoming a regular old war-horse—smiling and imperturbable as ever, saw that everything ran smoothly and well. He is a rare good sort, and none know better than the members what they would lose by his absence. We hope he will long stick by them, and hold the secretarial reins. In Mr. J. G. Royce he has a splendid assistant. In fact, Mr. Royce this year did the bulk of the work, and the magnificent success of the venture is an all-sufficient testimonial to his ability, and the manner in which he carried out the extra duties devolving upon him. Mr. Wilkinson was quite proud of his "nestling"—a truly promising bird. The society is in luck in having at command so enthusiastic and genial a worker.

An excellent display of cages (breeding, show and stock) and fanciers' appliances was to be seen on the stall of Mr. E. Page (Annesley Road, Hucknall Torkard). This maker is developing a big trade—low prices and good workmanship being his motto. A tastefully arranged stand of CAGE BIRDS' books, etc., was in charge of Mr. W. Cottingham, the well-known Nottingham fancier and dealer, who also did good work in feeding the birds.

This being a cup show in connection with the Norwich P.B. Club, we went prepared to find very strenuous battles being fought in the endeavour to annex points towards the capturing of the various valuable trophies offered for competition amongst the members. The best birds of the Fancy were present, birds of marvellous character, full of fire, and of wonderful substance and symmetry, feathered to perfection—truly a sight worth a journey of many miles to see. When such notable stables as Messrs. J. E. Davies, S. Cook, W. H. Howe, W. Wrigley, and J. Hayhurst are represented, "hard nuts" are bound to be there to be cracked. A good day's work was accomplished by Mr. J. E. Davies, for 3 firsts and other wins went his way; Mr. S. Cook also staged a magnificent team, likewise claiming 3 firsts and other honours. In the amateur section we had 129 entries in six classes, averaging over 21 per class, and hardly a "waster" in the whole lot; many amongst them, indeed, were quite capable of competing among the "upper ten" without being numbered amongst the "also rans!" Really a very fine display, and a credit to the "starters," shall we say. Lovely specimens were those of Miss A. Scott (bravo for the weaker sex), and Messrs. A. Bradley, G. W. W. Boaler, W. Philpot, and W. Lee. The special for best in section fell to Mr. J. E. Davies.

Year after year the display in the Lace capital creates a wonderful stir amongst the breeders and admirers of the noble Crests and Crest-breds. The classification is excellent. The Crested Canary Club's patronage is in evidence, so can one wonder for a moment that magnificent specimens should be on view? To-day we had truly a marvellous collection, the best that England can produce. Our worthy friend, Mr. T. Heath, went into raptures when judging the Crested-bred buff hen class, and well he might, so marvellous were they in character. In the current year yellow Crest class, much controversy took place over the 2nd prize bird. The general opinion seemed to be that it was a buff. On scrutinising this exhibit most carefully the crest itself and the chest and under feathers certainly point towards a yellow, but the back feathers undoubtedly denote buff properties. Under the circumstances, however, it was considered that the judge did perfectly right in giving the benefit of the doubt to the exhibitor. Special winners:—Best crest, Mr. F. G. Bale, his buff grizzled tail D.C., the Plymouth winner we presume, doing the necessary. Best C.B., Mr. G. C. Ley, an eye opener all over. Crest (bred 1912), Rev. G. W. Joyce; C.B., Messrs. Evins Bros.; cl. body C., Mrs. E. Litchfield; yell. C. or C.B., Mr. J. Brotherton; Nov. Crest., Dr. Twigg; C.B., Dr. Twigg. Best in section, Mr. F. G. Bale; best vhc, Mr. G. C. Ley.

The birds of "grace and beauty" mustered fairly strongly, and we have no hesitation whatever in declaring them the best collection of Yorks. that has appeared at this well-known Midland fixture for many years past. Yorkshiremen, give of your best support on future occasions, and our Notts. friends are willing to cater right well for you. Mr. W. E. Kearns (Rawtenstall) staged a very fine team, capturing three 1sts and spl. best in section, with a very fine buff cock, mkd. head. Best vhc, John Hibbitt, junr.

The Lizards were a fine lot, some noted teams being in competition, and the section attracted a lot of attention. The awards, we understand, in some cases were altered from those which obtained at previous shows, but we heard no grumbling; one fancier sportingly remarked that it was a good thing the same birds didn't always win.

Although not numerous, the Lancashires excelled in quality. We should certainly have liked to have seen more of the "Giants of Canarydom" benched. That very old and esteemed fancier, Mr. G. Fitton (Rochdale) staged a few real gems, and with six entries claimed 2 firsts, 1 second, and 3 thirds, also gaining special for best in section. The Midland enthusiast, Mr. Green, also put down a few good ones.

In the Hybrid, British and Foreign bird sections the quality of the exhibits was fully equal to the high standard set by the best of the Canary sections—particularly so in the classes set apart for our native birds, in which many noted teams met and rendered the judge's task of placing the awards none too easy. The total of exhibits, however, was not what it ought to have been, considering the inducements put before exhibitors. What can foreign bird men want? They were offered six classes and 26s. prize money in each, for a 1s. 6d. fee, yet in two classes there were not enough birds even to win the prizes! Fancy only three entries in a class confined to Budgerigars!—very discouraging. The two novice British classes were likewise a failure. The chief special winners were: Best in Hybrid and Brit. sections, Messrs. Martin and Archer (the noted Chaffinch-Greenfinch); best hardbill, Messrs. Pitchford and Stocker (a fine Goldie); gold medal, best softbill, Mr. P. Walsh (Wryneck); Foreign Bird Club's medal, and best foreigner, Mr. J. M. Walsh (Black-throated Tanager).

The judges were Messrs. W. Vardy (Nor. and Liz.), T. Heath (Crests, Yorks. and Lancs.), and G. E. Weston (Hyb., Brit., and For.). They were favoured with an excellent light, had the assistance of a highly efficient band of stewards, and got through in good time, with the result that the catalogues, with full awards, were on sale by three o'clock—another record for the society!

Mr. W. Vardy's Classes.

NOR. CL. YELL. (10): 1, 2, Davies, topping couple, leader massive in build, grand shape and carr., teeming with qual., hot as a stove, gem, 2nd for type, qual., and col., all one need desire, not possessing the substance of his stable companion, yet a picture; 3, Proctor, rare size and col., grand head, neck, and chest, neat carr. of flights, short tail, hardly the exquisite feather of those above; 4, Dr. McConaghey, short and thick set, superb feather, nice action, beaten a little in col. and size; vhc, E. Wilcox; hc, Hayhurst; c, Adnitt and Driver. BUFF (13): 1, Davies, well known winner, looking even better than ever, often described as a "real stormer," and full worthy of the homage; 2, Proctor, still more substance, A1 feather, col., and frosting, rare head and neck, bold-fronted, clean cut, shade longer in barrel, but a beauty; 3, Thomas, bonneer, wonderful head, neck, and chest, lovely texture, rich col., but bit loose behind to-day; 4, Wrigley, capital feather and col., jaunty carr., sweetly moulded, gets one wing up, which tells against it; vhc, Hill; hc, Alton; c, McConaghey. TKD., YELL. (12): 1, Davies, mkd. wings and head, ablaze with col., delightfully clothed, rare shape and size, tight as a Java, Sheffield 1st week previous; 2, W. H. Howe, variegs., the old warrior of last year, captured many 1sts, and wears well, capable of doing a lot of winning yet; 3, Cook, mkd. head, full of qual., like a ball of fire, very shapely and stylish, grand finish; 4, Thomas, lightly variegs., cobby, excellent qual. and col., moves finely; vhc, Hill; hc, Wrigley; c, Prince. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Cook, charming brace, leader mkd. wings and eyes, demon for col., superb feather and mealing, round as a ball, graceful carriage, eye opener, the Sheffield winner, 2nd mkd. wing, red hot, good size and carr., capital qual., rare shaped body, perhaps not quite so full in head and neck; 3, Wrigley, mkd. wing, root of tail, and head, well up in substance, A1 qual., neatly frosted, moves well, beaten a trifle in symmetry; 4, Adnitt and Driver, mkd. wing, cobby, splendid qual. and col., not a feather misplaced; vhc, Sharpe; hc, Gilbert; c, Senior. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Cook, cl., marvellous substance, exquisite qual. and col., grand head and neck, fine expanding deep chest, delightful wing carriage, knock out; 2, Thomas, mkd. wings, tail, and eyes, well up in size, lovely texture of feather, full of col., all front, stood 1st Sheffield, close up; 3, Davies, mkd. head, A1 col. and qual., fine shaped body, neat wing carriage, nice head and neck; 4, Barraclough, mkd. neck, short and thick set, capital feather and col., fair size; vhc, Whittaker; hc, Proctor; c, Hill. BUFF (7): 1, Whittaker, mkd. wing and head, rare size, grand col., feather, and frosting, sweetly moulded, lovely carr., shows to perfection; 2, Symonds and Son, very shapely cl., capital feather and col., jaunty carriage, well across perch, nice size; 3, Vaughan, cl., tight as a Java, A1 qual. and col., nice shape and style, fairly deep in chest; 4, Hill, green, silky texture of feather, shapely, nice substance, worth her place; vhc, Bowler; hc, Twine Bros.; c, Pearce. UNFLIG. YELL. (9): 1, Wrigley, thigh mkd., grand shape and carr., well up in size, delightful feather and col., beautiful finish; 2, Cook, mkd. neck, lovely col. and feather, very shapely, full of style, fine substance, even fuller in head and neck, must have pressed; 3, vhc, Proctor, warmly fed cl., silky texture of feather, grand head and neck, wee bit longer; 4, Senior, beautifully clothed cl., rich in col., cobby and neat, in the pink; hc, Adnitt and Driver; c, Barraclough, red hot cl., true type, A1 feather and size, we thought could have gone up. BUFF (8): 1, Howe, cl., wonderful frame, magnificent feather and col., lovely from tip of toe to end of beak, will want stopping, one of the "nuts"; 2, McConaghey, mkd. wing and head, still more col., capital feather, neatly frosted, moves nicely, good body, bit "sour" in head character; 3, Whittaker, very shapely cl., rich tone of col., delightful feather, not the size, certainly, but we thought pressed 2nd very hard; 4, Proctor, red hot cl., silky texture, capital subs.; vhc, Hill; hc, Hayhurst; c, Prince. NAT. COL. CK. (13): 1, Hayhurst, cl. buff, bonneer, round as an apple, magnificent feather, rich col., lovely carr., gem; 2, Herbert, cl. yell., well up in col. and qual., grand shaped body, fair head and neck; 3, Wrigley, model of a cl. yell., delightfully clothed, well up in size, grand carr., A1 col. and finish; 4, McKail, buff mkd. head, capital feather, very shapely, A1 carr., clean cut away, not the substance; vhc, Springhall; hc, Lee; c, Huggins. HEN (8): 1, Cook, variegs. yell., true shape, superb feather and col., fine subs. and carr., well shown, Manchester winner; 2, Howe, lightly variegs. yell., A1 feather and col., nice subs., wee bit longer in body, yet very charming; 3, Davies, yell., mkd eyes and root of tail, full of col. and qual., sweet expression of head, thick neck, bold front, shade smaller; 4, Thomas, well clothed cl., very shapely, nice action, capital col., again on the small side; vhc, Alton; hc, McConaghey; c, Gerrard. AMATEUR: YELL. (24): Very choice class: 1, Bradley, mkd. wing, superb col. and feather, grand subs. and shape, free action, regular swell; 2, Brown, variegs., ablaze with col., rich texture of feather, well up in size, neat head and neck; 3, Fielding, warmly fed cl., silky feather, lovely body and carriage, loses bit in head and neck; 4, Bond, variegs., good size, qual., and col., shapely, not far behind; vhc, Cooper; hc, Hitchin; c, Drury. BUFF (21): Again a hot lot: 1, Miss A. Scott, lightly variegs., teeming with qual. and col., grand shape, size, and carr., real beauty; 2, Philpot, cobby thigh tkd., lovely feather and col., A1 carr., clean cut away, not quite so large; 3, Hitchin, almost green, capital qual. and col., more subs., nice head, neck and chest, bit square behind; 4, Fielding, well fed, slightly variegated, rare quality, good subs., nice body; vhc, Hopcroft; hc, Bond; c, Kirkby and Son; No. 9, Worthington, very bonny cl., minus a claw, but many though might have got in. YELL. HEN (19): 1, Boaler, cl. of rare subs., col., and quality, lovely contour, capital carr., dainty damsel; 2, Scott, red hot variegs., A1 feather, grand shape, one of the best, very close up; 3, Stafford, mkd. head, short and thick set, silky feather, full of style, would do with more col., nice size; 4, Fennell, variegs., rare subs. and col.; superb feather, neat head and neck, good chest, longer in barrel; vhc, Drury; hc, Fildes; c, McKail. BUFF (23): Choice array: 1, Philpot, mkd wing, rattling subs., exquisite col. and qual., delightful shape and carr., grand exhibition; 2, Boaler, mkd., wing, neck, and eyes, good shape, col., and qual., nice carr., hardly so close in feather, yet close up; 3, Blease and Son, mkd. head, cobby and of excellent carr., capital qual. and mealing, behind in substance; 4, Grey, well fed cl., good size, fair body shape, not nice expression of head, neat carr.; vhc, Hopwood Bros.; hc, Fielding; c, Fennell. UNFLIG. YELL. (21): Many very promising birds here: 1, Lee, cl. of great warmth, feathered to perfection, wonderful size and shape, A1 carr.; 2, Boaler, cl., magnificent feather and col., very shapely, not the size, yet one of great merit; 3, Hitchin, mkd. wings and head, massive in frame, grand shaped body, fine carriage, rich feather and col., fails little in head and neck; 4, Huggins, mkd. head, ablaze with colour, rattling feather, fine head and neck, lacking somewhat in chest properties; vhc, Simpson and Vertigan; hc, Smith; c, Fildes. BUFF (21): 1, Bradley, bouncing cl., teeming with qual. and col., delightful shape and carr., could win at many open shows; 2, Grey, cl., short and thick set, jaunty carriage, tight as wax, hot, beaten in substance only; 3, Blease and Son, mkd. eye, full of fire, cobby, A1 quality, well put down; 4, Fielding, mkd eyes, ablaze with col., shapely, good texture of feather, nice carriage; vhc, Scott; hc, Garbutt; c, Stafford. LIZARDS, GOLD CL. CAP. (8): 1, Ollerenshaw, rich ground col., grand shape and size, delightfully rowed, sweet carriage; 2, Barnes, very shapely, good size and carr., full of neat work, not quite the richness of col., still pressed hard; 3, Hamer, good subs. and shape, free action, neat rowing; 4, Rukin, full of col., lovely qual., grand shape, prettily and profusely spangled, should have been higher, we thought; vhc, Hampshire; hc, Ditto; c, Ditto. SIL. CL. (12): 1, Rukin, rattling shape and size, delightful col. and rowing, one of the finest we have seen for many a day; 2, Hampshire, even more subs., sweetly moulded, evenly rowed, rich body col.; 3, Rukin, superior col., well up in size, profusely mkd., bit soft when taking notice; 4, Hamer, good in feather, shape, col., and qual., graceful action, neat spangling; vhc, Ollerenshaw; hc, Barnes; c, Pickering. G. BK. (9): 1, 4, Ollerenshaw, with a choice pair, full of fire, superb quality, rare shape and size, magnificently rowed, beautiful shape, full of neat work, but for damaged tail feathers no doubt would have been higher up; 2, Hamer, sweetly moulded, A1 qual., nice size and carr., lovely rowing; 3, c, Barnes, shapely, capital qual., col., and spangling; vhc, Bosworth; hc, Hampshire. SIL. BK. (12): 1, 3, Rukin, brace of beauties, lender the bird that was so ill at Grantham, now in condition, real "knock out" all through, we are extremely pleased to record its quick recovery; 3, full of qual. and col., nice shape, neatly rowed, not far behind; 2, 4, vhc, Ollerenshaw, fine

trio, splendid shape, rattling spangling, bold and distinct, full of nerve, hardly so rich in col. as winner, 4th beautifully rowed, good size and shape; hc, Hampshire; c, Pickering.

Mr. T. Heath's Classes.

CREST BUFF CK. (10): 1, spls. (2), F. G. Bale, griz. tail D.C., wealth of rich texture of feather, rare subs., crest of grand dimensions, magnificently drooped, correct centre, stormer; 2, Radley and Son, green, abundance of grand quality feather, well up in size, crest as round as a hoop, thickly thatched, splendid droop and centre, not far behind; 3, Evins Bros., mkd wings D.C., heaps of feather, good subs., crest of fine frontal, bit spare at sides, neat centre; 4, vhc, spl, Ley, cl., rich quality, grand back crest, neat frontal, rather weak at sides at present, should improve; hc, Norwood; c, Mrs. T. Taylor; No. 3, Memmott; w.c., cl. buff C.B., hard lines. HEN (13): 1, G. C. Ley, mkd. wings D.C., massive in build, any amount of superb feather, crest of immense size, delightfully radiated, capital droop and centre, real gem; 2, 4, Evins Bros., with a lovely brace, former cl. body D.C., exquisite qual., rare subs., crest large, but not quite so thickly packed as winners, yet delightful droop and centre, 4th mkd. wings D.C., shapely, A1 qual., neat frontal, wee bit out at sides, grand droop and centre; 3, Rev. G. W. Joyce, mkd. wing D.C., heaps of qual. feather, fine substance, crest rich leafy texture, beautiful shape and droop, neat centre, but smaller; vhc, Brotherton; hc, Mrs. L. M. Thynne; c, Norwood. C.B. COCK (8): 1, Gilbert, mkd. wings and head, abundance of quality feather, rare subs., great width and beautiful rise of skull, lashed to perfection; 2, Ley, mkd. head, rich feather, rare size, skull of fine width, hardly so lengthy in feather, grand lash, very close up; 3, Rev. G. W. Joyce, variег., shapely, good size, good skull and brow, densely clothed; 4, Mrs. T. Taylor, almost green, plenty of A1 qual. feather, nice shaped skull, neat lash, well shown; vhc, hc, Evins, Bree.; c, Brotherton. HEN (11): Unique class: 1, Bewick, green, marvel all over, wealth of superb feather, wonderful subs., great massive skull, lashed to perfection, the best we have seen benched this season; 2, Bale, variег., another such as one dreams of, but very seldom sees, just beaten, and only just, in size of skull, topper; 3, Rev. G. W. Joyce, green, wonderful size, heaps of grand feather, great width and rise of skull, very fine lash, a gem; 4, Brotherton, massive variег., A1 texture, very shapely, fine subs., rattling skull properties; vhc, Mrs. T. Taylor; hc, Mrs. L. M. Thynne; c, Radley and Son. YELL. C. (9): 1, 3, Evins Bros., lovely pair, leader mkd. wing and tail D.C., rattling size, superb feather, crest of great size, thickly thatched, delightful droop and centre, the Plymouth winner, we heard, 3rd mkd. wings D.C., A1 feather, good subs., crest nice size and shape, neatly drooped; 2, Ley, green pied tail D.C., marvel for size, abundance of feather, crest leafy and as round as a florin, delightful droop, correctly placed centre, close up; 4, H. Faux, variег. D.C., plenty of feather, nice size, crest veiny, capital radiation, smart; vhc, spl, Mrs. E. Litchfield; c, Brotherton. C.B. (3): 1, spl, Brotherton, variег., well known winner, Cheltenham 1st four years in succession, C.C. show four times, 1st Rochdale four years, and Manchester three years 1st in succession—what a record to be sure; 2, Mrs. E. Litchfield, cl., lovely feather, very shapely, not quite the width of head, yet neat lash, good bird; 3, G. C. Ley, mkd. wing and head, nice shape and qual., built on smaller lines. CINN., C. OR C.B.: Cancelled. CURRENT YEAR BUFF CREST (14): 1, Bale, mkd. wing, grey C., lovely feather, rare substance, crest of wonderful size, radiation, delightful droop, correct centre, Plymouth 1st, will make a name; 2, Ley, mkd. wing D.C., fine size, wealth of superior feather, crest large, thickly thatched, round as a hoop, beautifully drooped, A1 centre, again a stormer; 3, spl, Rev. G. W. Joyce, green, superb feather, shapely crest, clinking droop and centre, very promising; 4, Norwood, almost green, pied tail, marvel for subs., crest capital size, A1 frontal, but lifts at sides somewhat, which holds it back; vhc, c, Radley and Son; hc, Bewick. C.B. (10): Slashing lot: 1, Shaw and Booth, congratulate new faces on their success, mkd. wings and head, giant, superb feather, rare substance, magnificently cushioned skull of great width, lashed to perfection, should do some winning; 2, 4, spl, Evins Bros., all green, pied tail, great substance, fine rise and width of skull, neat lashing, close up; 4th variег., heaps of feather, good width of skull, lacking in density to above, well lashed; 3, Bale, green, superb feather, rare substance, good rise of skull, hardly the width, neatly lashed, the Plymouth and Barnstaple winner, but just beaten to-day; vhc, Bewick; hc, Rev. Joyce; c, Barker. YELL. C. (6): 1, Ley, green pied tail, superb quality, grand shaped crest of rare size, beautiful radiation, perfect droop and centre, a gem without a doubt; 2, Bewick, mkd. wing D.C., heaps of feather, well up in subs., crest large, but not so thick as 1st, capital shape, droop, and centre, the controversial bird as to colour; 3, White, green pied tail, abundance of feather, crest round as a crown, neatly drooped, good centre, smaller; 4, vhc, Evins Bros., variег. D.C., capital qual., plenty of feather, crest on the small side; hc, Memmott. C.B. (8): 1, Evins Bros., all green, A1 quality feather, rattling subs., immense width and rise of skull, profusely lashed; 2, Bewick, mkd. wings and head, well up in size, lovely qual., massive bead, nice brow, in the pink; 3, vhc, Ley., variег., superb feather, good size, nice width of skull, not the density, grand body; 4, Jacklin, cl., superior qual., built on smaller lines, but true in character; hc, Barker; c, Faux. CREST, £3 (5): 1, 4, Wolfe; 2, Brotherton; 3, Taylor; vhc, Holmes. DO., £2 (6): 1, 3, Jacklin; 2, Mason; 4, Wolfe; vbc, Salisbury; hc, Holmes. DO., 20/- (9): 1, Jacklin; 2, Holmes; 3, Norwood; 4, Mason; vbc, Bent.; bc, Gilbert; c, Faux. C.B., 30/- (10): 1, 3, Radley and Son; 2, Mason; 4, Cooper; vhc, Holmes; bc, Salisbury; c, Stevens. NOVICE.—CREST (16): 1, 2, vhc, spl, Dr. Twigg, smart team, yell. all green pied tail, heaps of feather, nice substance, crest round as a rim, not over large, but capital radiation, droop, and centre, 2nd buff, cl. body grey, abundance of feather, nice size, crest, good frontal and back, neat centre; 3, hc, Gillespie, buff, lightly mkd. D.C., cobby, nice substance, crest neat in droop and centre, but V-shaped; 4, Twine, buff mkd. wings D.C., capital subs., A1 feather, crest nice frontal, little weak at sides; c, Hodgkinson. C.B. (11): 1, 2, 4, spl, Dr. Twigg, very characteristic trio, leader buff green, bouncer, abundance of feather, wonderful skull properties, grandly lashed, 2nd buff all green pied tail, full of quality, skull massive and well browed, 4th buff variег., shapely, capital qual., skull inclined to be bit narrow, neatly lashed; 3, vhc, Stevens, buff all green, well up in subs., nice skull; worth its place; hc, Twine; c, Broadhead.

YORKS. YELL. (17): Grand class: 1, 3, Towers, brace of gems, mkd wing, straight as a gun barrel, very lengthy, capital back, flights and tail, clever on leg; 3, cl., shooty, rattling length, nice col., good back and wing carr., bit open on breast; 2, Wood, cl., very lengthy, clinking pos., A1 col., full of style, beaten in qual. a shade; 4, Ogden Bros., clin. mkd. wings and over beak, tight as wax, lengthy, A1 pos., well on leg., worth its place; vhc, Hedworth; hc, Thomas; c, Dykes. BUFF (10): 1, spl., Kearns, mkd. head, marvellous length, best of qual., capital pos., lovely back and wing carr.; 2, Towers, cl., superb feather, very lengthy, stands like a guardsman, well filled back, neat wings and tail; 3, Hedworth, cl., lovely salmon col., full of style, neat and narrow, most attractive; 4, Ogden Bros., cl., richly clothed, A1 col. and meal, lengthy, stands well, bit slack about thighs to-day; vhc, spl, Hibbitt, junr.; hc, Dykes; c, Thomas. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Dykes, mkd. back, wonderful length, neat and narrow, straight as a pencil, full of nerve, real gem, wins well; 2, Kearns, ticked head, lengthy and upstanding, beautiful expression of head, grand back and wing carr., not far away; 3, Ogden Bros., clnn. mkd. wings and eyes, tight as a Java, slim, capital pos., well on leg.; 4, Dr. Craig, cl., smooth as a bottle, lengthy and erect, magnificent back, flights, and tail; vhc, Towers; hc, Allen; c, White. BUFF (10): 1, Dr. Craig, cl., very shooty, full of style, good length, well filled back, capital wing carriage, neatly folded tail; 2, Kearns, cl., more length, A1 feather and col., beaten only a little in style; 3, Dykes, richly fed cl., smooth as wax, perfect pos., not the longest, but one of the smartest; 4, Mountain, mkd. wing., capital qual., well up in position, not so tight in clothing, otherwise all there; vhc, Hymas; hc, Muxlow; c, Rudd. UNFLIG YELL. (10): 1, hc, Kearns, mkd. eye, beautifully drawn, slim and lengthy, delightful pos., A1 qual., clever legs; 2, Dykes, very lengthy cl., fine pos., neat head and neck; 3, Mountain, cl., full of nerve, stands well, superb feather, shorter; 4, Thomas, mkd. wing and eyes, red hot, straight up, very lengthy, apt to cross wings at times, which tells against it; vhc, c, White. BUFF (13): Nice class and well selected: 1, 3, Kearns, cl., smooth as wax, straight as a pencil, very lengthy, capital back, flights, and tail, beauty, 3rd cl., paler in col., nice stand, well filled back, neat wings and tail; 2, Thomas, cl., good in qual., nice length and pos., bit stout in waist, very nice colour; 4, Dr. Craig, mkd. eye, A1 feather, straight up, full of style; vhc, c, Pass; hc, Towers. GIFT (7): 1, Hill; 2, Wolfe; 3, Sharpe; 4, Cottingham; vbc, Bown; hc, Onion; c, White. STOCK (4): 1, 2, Wolfe; 3, 4, Alton.

LANCS. COPPY YELL. (9): 1, 3, Fitton, winner very massive cl. body, griz. coppy, wonderful subs., great length of side, lovely feather, marvellous skull character, 2nd Manchester we heard, 3rd cl. body griz., rare length and subs., A1 qual., not so good in spread of coppy; 2, c, Green, cl. body griz., fine upstanding specimen, not quite the bulk of body, very neat in headpiece, good one; 4, vhc, Beattie, cl. body griz., rare size, grand length, fails only in radiation of coppy; hc, Hordern. BUFF (10): 1, hc, Green, monster cl., delightful feather, lovely shaped head and body, greatly admired; 2, Hordern, griz., giant, capital qual., neat in coppy, although hardly so large, close up; 3, Fitton, cl., rattling qual, good position, length, and subs., coppy yet in pen, will no doubt improve; vhc, Bracegirdle; c, Kay. YELL. P.H. (9): 1, Kay, cl., marvellous length, great subs., magnificent qual., wonderful skull and lash, real stormer, Manchester winner; 2, Fitton, cl., better col., exquisite qual., stands well, not the length neat head and lash, good subs.; 3, 4, Beattie, both cl., former rare length, good body subs. and skull, 4th fair subs., A1 quality; vhc, Bracegirdle; hc, Green; c, Hordern. BUFF (9): 1, 3, spl, Fitton, cl., giant, delightful qual. and subs., marvellous skull of great width and density, profusely lashed, stood 1st Manchester we believe; 3, cl., nice length and subs., fails in skull to its stable companion, yet full of merit; 2, Maitland and Vickers, cl., lovely qual., grand body subs., beaten a little in skull, neat lash; 4, Kay, cl., true character but rather diminutive, A1 qual., in the pink; vhc, Green; hc, c, Hordern.

Mr. G. E. Weston's Classes.

CL. ETC. CAN. HYB. (7): 1, 2, Martin and Archer, the noted clear Linuet and lightly grizzled Greenfinch, two gems of their kind, in very perfect condition, much admired; 3, Pearce, almost 6-pointed jonque Goldie-Can., the celebrated "Prince Charlie," magnificent size, very stylish, ablaze with col., carries rare polish; 4, vhc, Gilbert, two almost clear buff Goldie-Cans., trifle small, but otherwise lovely exhibits, beautiful shape, col. and qual., hard luck to meet leaders; hc, and members' spl., Hayter. DARK (10): 1, c, Somerfield, the well-known jonque Greenie, winner of about 50 firsts, grand size, style and col., not quite fit yet; 2, 4, Martin and Archer, leader the Palace winning jonque Goldie, gem of its kind, also not quite ready, pen feathers in face; 4th, big shapely Siskin, well mkd., trifle flat in col.; 3, Hayter, jonque Greenie, excellent size and shape, lovely tone of col., all of a shimmer with qual., unfortunately takes the perches none too well; vhc, Bowler; hc, Kitchener. A.O.V. HYB. (6): 1, sp, Martin and Archer, the Greenfinch-Chaffinch, often described, bonnie exhibit, in lovely order, a great attraction; 2, Hayter, real nice Linnet-Bullie, good size, fine col., well mkd.; 3, J. M. Walsh, Can.-Bullie, jonque, on the small side, exquisite col. and condition, shines like silk; 4, Holmes, very big buff Can.-Bullie, lovely shape, a baby, fails to-day in col. and polish, promising bird; vhc, Gilbert; wrong class, Mrs. Mallatrat, we understand is said to be a variegated Can.-Bullie, and if so should be in class 59. BRIT. GOLD. (8): 1, sp, Pitchford and Stocker, charming bird, expansive square-cut blaze, lovely tone of col., stylish, shapely, rich tan, well mkd., in beautiful condition, wins hands down; 2, Fletcher, good stamp, fine blaze, well cut, nice col., rich in chestnut, not in the highest condition, and inclined to be unsteady; 3, Allen, not so forward, will probably beat 2nd later, nice big face, good cobby body, finely mkd.; 4, Brooks, loses trifle in under-blaze, otherwise close up, good Finch; vhc, Bowler; hc, Reynolds; c, Lovatt and Mason; wrong class, Hexter, a mistaken entry, palpably a foreigner. BULLFINCH (8): 1, 3, Woods, leader perfect gem, medium size, lovely cobby shape, splendid carriage, bold head and neck, dense well-cut cap and bib, very hot even breast col., not a feather awry, polished like glass; 3rd, bigger, magnificent shape and style, very dense breast colour, but not quite so fiery in tone as winners, grand bird, would have been second but for some untidy feathers on back, due, maybe, to soap in the wash, both house-moulted; 2, P. Walsh, correct cobby type, well across perch, nice size, splendid bold head and front, fine cap, good and level in breast colour, staged in great form, waxlike in plumage; 4, Gilbert, another grand bird, beautiful type, col. and markings, A1 condition; vhc, Marley; hc, Martin and Faux; c, Brooks; No. 4, looking soft. LINNET (14): 1, vhc, Marley, leader magnificent size and shape, perfect style, fine cond., very sound in col., but a little on the dark side, chock-ful of work from top to bottom; 2, P. Walsh, hardly the size, plenty of work all over, prominent whites, lovely nutty col., grand polish, coming into fine form; 3, Lovatt and Mason, very rich and sound in col., carries beautiful polish, grand shape and style, but on the small side and deficient in pencilling; 4, Brade, grand size, good sound col., profusely, though finely, pencilled, excellent cond., pressed 3rd hard, but does not show well, faces cage back too much; hc, Mrs. Pyrah; c, J. M. Walsh. GREENFINCH (10): 1, P. Walsh, really magnificent jonque, big, very thick set, tight as wax in plumage, lovely tone of colour, not spoiled with pepper, grand wings, bold head and neck, steady as a top, ran Goldie close for the special, his show cage could be improved upon; 2, 4, Brade, two clinkers, leader trifle smaller, well fed, nice tone of col., very bold shape, plenty of gold in wings and tail, 4 also a bonny bird; 3, Marley, buff, nicely fed, exquisite qual. and condition, very shapely and stylish, but on small side; vhc, Hayter; hc, Mrs. Pyrah; c, Pilgrim. TWITE, ETC. (17): 1, Marley, big, very stylish Twite, sound, rich col., beautifully mkd., smooth as boxwood in plumage; 2, Lees and Smith, very cobby and large Siskin, grandly laced, rich, level col., good cap, no bib; 3, Pitchford and Stocker, another wonderfully fine Twite, ran winner very closely, even better mkd., but trifle shorter, grand qual. and polish; 4, Bower, big, thick-set, mealy Redpoll, grand bib and col., down a shade in condition; vhc, Brade, another fine Siskin; hc, Hexter; c, Hayter. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLEF. (15): 1, 4, Marley, leader surely a champion Chaffinch, great size, wonderful width of chest, bold head and neck, grandly mkd., nice whites, perfection of condition, 4th fine Bramble, not quite the class of his stable companion, however; 2, Brotherhood, the noted winning Bramble the hottest in col. and densest in markings seen for many a long day, not overdone with size, but lovely shape and style, shines like silk, unfortunately apt to carry flank feathers untidily; 3, P. Walsh, another grand Chaff., correct tone of col., beautiful mkgs., splendid size and shape; vhc, Saywell; hc, Hexter; c, Gilbert; No. 9 looked good, but rough and unsteady when judged. A.O.S. HARD. (10): 1, 4, Marley, Hawfinch leading, fair size, simply magnificent col. and polish, grand bib, very thick-set shapely body, 4th real good Cirl Bunting, splendid col. and mkgs.; 2, 3, Gilbert, Corn Bunting leading, rare size, beautiful shape and col., magnificent mkgs., very steady, 3 extra big Yellowhammer, nice rich nat. col., finely mkd.; vhc, Saywell, good Snow Bunting; hc, Hayter; c, P. Walsh. HENS (9): 1, Marley, rare big Hawfinch, huge bead and body, good bib and col., fine condition; 2, vhc, c, Gilbert, fine trio, leader one of the best ben Brambles we have seen, very large and steady, grandly mkd., nice polish; 3, MacPherson, big hen Bullie, on the border-line for size, but got the benefit of the doubt, grand shape, col. and qual., fine cap; 4, Fancourt and Harrison, Siskin, very shapely, full of col., very nicely laced, got through the water-hole of cage but was luckily captured by the judge; hc, Alton. SMALL INSECTIV. (13): 1, spl., P. Walsh, very large, grandly mkd. Wryneck, in lovely plumage, well staged; 2, Ward one of the nicest Redstarts we have seen, beautiful col. and condition, gem; 3, c, Wagg, charming Willow Warbler, tight as wax, well put down; 4, vhc, Saywell, very fine Greater Whitethroat, in rare condition, and a good Nightingale; hc, Fletcher; grand class, hard to judge. LARGE (6): 1, Marley, Missel Thrush, very fine specimen, huge size, grand col. and mkgs., A1 condition; 2, P. Walsh, lovely Waxwing pressed hard, one or two waxings short on one wing; 3, Alton, splendid Starling, lovely lustre, profusely and evenly spangled; 4, Wagg, fine Ring Ouzel, excellent condition; vhc, Saywell. NOVICE (8): 1, 3, Lomas, winner very big, well mkd. Magpie, rare lustrous plumage, 3rd very decent f.m. Bullie, nice type and col.; 2, Tupholme, typical b.m. Bullie, shapely, well built, nice head, good level col., soon claimed at £1; 4, c, Wood, another good b.m. Bullie, lovely shape and cap; vhc, Drury; hc, Lowe. A.O.S. NOVICE (3): 1, Stenning, nice Thrush, sang charmingly; 2, Lomas, fair Greenf., good col., unsteady; 3, Wood, nice Redpoll, also unsteady. FOR., BUDGERIGARS (3): 1, 3, Mrs. Duncan, two very fine pairs yellows, well staged; 2, Cottingham, another splendid pair yellows. PARRAKEETS, ETC. 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Walsh, Black-throated Tanager, superb condition, and Black-beaded Sugar-bird, two gems, beautifully staged; 3, 4, Saywell, Necklace and Blue-shouldered Tanagers, both in lovely plumage. A.O.S. (3): 1, 3, J. M. Walsh, White-eye-browed Wood Swallow, real beauty for colour and condition, and grand Black-beaded Sibia; 2, Simpson, very fine Long-tailed Glossy Starling, in perfect order.

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HENS, (14): 1, Silk, nice type and qual., short all over, good head, well braced wings, neat tail; 2, Mason, lovely type and size, hardly so clean in col., and feather, still a good one; 3, Mortara, beauty, hardly the size of 2nd but wonderfully short and cobby, very clean in col., beautifully put down; 4, Wickham, very shapely; vhc, c, Morris; hc, Pennells, a beauty for type and col., tight as wax, lovely quality. NOV. YELL. (8): 1, Perry, shapely, nice size, neat head, good shoulders and back, sound col. and qual.; 2, Leech, similar, capital type, nice clean run to a well carried tail, good wings; 3, Martin, shade longer, good head and neck, nice full front, capital col. and qual.; 4, Campbell, grand qual. feather; vhc, Miss Edwards; hc, Parr; c, Golian. BUFF (14): 1, Mrs. H. Lohr, beauty for type and size, lovely head and neck, good full front, well put down; 2, Martin, good one, fine size and type, hardly the tail carr. of winner, but grand qual. feather; 3, Perry, good full head and front, nice wings, inclined to drop tail, but rare qual.; 4, Hail, beauty for size and qual., capital front; vhc, Campbell; hc, c, Fleet. UNFLIG. (11): 1, Campbell, bonny bold bird, grand full head and neck, well rounded front, good wings, lovely col. and qual.; 2, Marshall, hardly the substance of winner, neat head, wonderful qual. and col.; 3, Martin, yell., lovely type and substance, neat full head, grand col., well braced wings and good tail carr.; 4, Leech, lovely qual. and col., well shown; vhc, Lohr; hc, Miss Edwards; c, Marshall. HENS: 1, Mrs. Lohr, good bold bird, of nice type, sweet head, nice carr. of wings and tail; 2, Marshall, nice bold front, capital wings, fine qual.; 3, Leech, capital size and style, neat head and neck, good feather and condition; 4, Fleet, shapely, good qual.; vhc, Martin; hc, Campbell; c, Jackson. YORKS. CL. or TK. YELL. (17): 1, Jones, long, slim, grand type, wonderfully straight, neat head, nice shoulders, put down in grand order, a bonny bird; 2, c, Hawes Bros., a beauty, lovely head, grand shoulders, fine length of wing and good tail; 3, Salter, bonny bird, wonderful length, shade fuller round waist than winner, rare length of wing, A1 condition; 4, Pilcher; vhc, Cook; hc, Easterling and Co. BUFF (16): 1, Jones, fine length, grand type, lovely head, good shoulders and back, grandly braced wings; 2, Easterling and Co., a beauty, similar bird, shade better condition than winner, perfect wings and tail; 3, Rorke, perfect head, beautifully rounded, grand wings, in very fine trim; 4, Atkins, slim type, grand length; vhc, Veness; hc, Pattrick; c, Forse and Son. MKD., ETC. (11): 1, hc, Jones, long bird, good head and shoulders, nicely braced wings, good style, hardly so tight in feather as 2, Pattrick, a sweet one, full of nerve and "swank" the best of heads, grand wings, shown to perfection; 3, Rorke, beauty for type, grandly moulded, very hot col. and condition, must have pressed leaders; 4, Hawes Bros., rare length and style; vhc, Atkins; c, Forse and Son. UNFLIG. ETC. (28): 1, Green, fine long yell., straight as a gun, lovely position, good head and shoulders, nice length of leg, good col.; 2, Pattrick, very fine buff, grand size and type, stands well, nice head, well filled back, wonderful qual., third Cheltenham; 3, Cook, buff, grand type and style, hardly so tight in feather as winners, well up on leg; 4, Smith, good length and style, capital head, lovely qual, nice condition; vhc, Atkins; hc, c, Mrs. Gill; No. 27, Pattrick, the Cheltenham winner, cardless, a perfect specimen, in the pink of condition. HENS, YELL. (13): 1, Foxen, smart, nice type, very clean run, neat head, and neck, good shoulders, grand col. and well put down; 2, Easterling and Co., wee shade stouter, lovely contour, grand head, perfectly braced wing, good shoulders, and neat tail; 3, Pattrick, slim breedy one, lovely type, well up on leg, good head, shoulders, and wings, little gem, much admired; 4, Jones, good one, rare type, full of nerve; vhc, Penton; c, Pattrick. BUFF (17): 1, 2, hc, Hawes Bros., rare size and length, good head and shoulders, neat wings, nice smooth front, grand condition; 2, beauty, perfect position, grand shoulders, very clean run to a neat tail, grand wings; 3, Easterling and Co., good style, nice head, good back and wings, grand qual.; 4, Rorke, big bold bird, fine type; vhc, Jones; c, Penton; NOV. (10): 1, Orange, hot col., tkd. one eye, rare length and type, good shoulders, nicely braced wings; 2, Farmer, good one, slim type, plenty of nerve, capital shoulders, light in feather; 3, Wilson, nice length and style, straight, good position, neat head, hot col. and qual.; 4, King, paler in col., nice qual.; vhc, Neal. BUFF (4): 1, King, big bold bird, grand length, lovely head, good shoulders and back, well packed wings, neat tail; 2, Lock, stylish, plenty of nerve and go, grand shoulders, good legs and tail; 3, Wilson, breeding bird, neat head, nice clean front, good run, pipe tail; 4, March, very smart yell., we liked very much. UNFLIG.: 1, Lloyd, nice head and wing mkd., fine length and style, well braced flights, good tail, fine condition; 2, Wilson, very smart, cl., grand shoulders and wings, neat head, lovely col. and grand qual.; 3, 4, King, fine lengthy heavily mkd. bird, good size and type, capital position, good qual.; 4, cl., fine length, neat head, capital qual.; vhc, Rogers; hc, c, Wilkins. HENS (7): 1, 4, King, nice type of bird, good length, nice clean run, capital wings, good legs; 2, Lock, very smart bird of nice position, shade longer than winner, hardly so nicely rounded; 3, Wilson, racy, on good legs, neat head, good shoulders and back, capital wings and tail; vhc, Lloyd; hc, Farnier; c, Winzar. CREST: 1, 2, Frazer, wing mkd., dark, grand size and shape, well packed crest, nice frontal, good droop; 2, scarcely so large, grand shape and front, good centre, very neat; 3, Hayden, big var., grand sized crest, plenty of feather, hardly so neat as winners. C.B. (5): 1, Mrs. Clarke, fine size, good entrance and skull, grand dome shape, looks well packed; 2, 4, Franz, rare size, broad skull, beautifully cushioned, grand entrance; 4, another good var. bird, hardly the size of winner; 3, vhc, Hayden, fine big, cl., grand size, full of good qual. feather, well lashed. 1912 (4): 1, Hayden, cl., body dark, lovely neat head, capital size and shape, nice front, good centre; 2, 3, Pettet, var., grand headpiece, good shape and droop, plenty of it; 3, nice grizzle, capital shape, very neat centre, well radiated, lovely qual.; 4, Mrs. Clarke, fine var. bird, good big crest, capital shape, thick, well drooped, leafy feather, will win. NOV. (6): 1, hc, Gollan, var., good size, capital crest, grand size and shape, well packed, nicely veined; 2, 3, Campbell, big bold bird, good shaped crest, capital centre, rare front, beautifully veined; 3, var., fine size, very neat, shapely creet, well packed all round, nice droop; 4, vhc, Pettet. A.O.V. (14): 1, Nason, grand big Cinn., good shape, very sound in col., fine head, tip-top condition; 2, Lohr, capital Belgian, nice size, grand position, full of nerve; 3, Mrs. Salter, nice little even mkd. Bord., lovely qual. and condition, well shown; 4, Andrews, big bold Cinn.; vhc, Fleet; hc, c, Thurling. MEMBERS, NOR. CHAMP.: 1, 2, hc, Morris; 3, hc, c, Taylor; 4, Cooper. HENS: 1, 3, Morris; 2, Cooper; 4, Taylor. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 3, Morris; 2, 4, Taylor; vhc, Billingsley. BUFF: 1, Cooper; 2, 3, Morris; 4, vhc, Taylor. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Skinner; 2, Bennett; 3, 4, Forse and Son. BUFF: 1, Bennett; 2, 4, vhc, Forse and Son; 3, Skinner. MKD., ETC.: 1, Forse and Son; 2, Skinner; 3, Bennett. HENS: 1, Skinner; 2, King; 3, Forse and Son. UNFLIG.: 1, Bennett; 2, vhc, Skinner; 3, 4, King. Amateur Nor. Ck.: 1, 2, Teasdale; 3, 4, Parr. HENS: 1, Teasdale. UNFLIG.: 1, Teasdale; 2, 3, Burbidge; 4, vhc, Parr. MKD.: 1, 3, Wyatt; 2, Burbidge. HENS: 1, Wyatt. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Burbidge; 2, Wyatt. CREST: 1, 2, 3, 4, Wallace. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, Wallace. NOV. NOR.: 1, Evans; 2, Tuck; 3, 4, Dalton; vhc, Harding. HENS: 1, Harding; 2, Marshall; 3, Evans; 4, Marsh; vhc, hc, Pettet; c, Wiliams. UNFLIG.: 1, Dalton; 2, Marshall; 3, Williams; 4, Marsh. BUFF: 1, Tuck; 2, Evans; 3, 4, vhc, Dalton; hc, Marsh; c, Marshall. NON-FED.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Rhodes; 4, Dalton. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Fox; 2, Corby; 3, vhc, hc, Shankley; 4, Parker; c, Jacomb. BUFF: 1, Fox; 2, Farnier; 3, Smith; 4, vhc, hc, Parker. MKD.: 1, 2, Parker; 3, Mays. HENS: 1, 2, Farnier; 3, Corby 4, vhc, Parker; hc, c, Smith. UNFLIG.: 1, Parker; 2, 4, Fox; 3, hc, Smith; vhc, Corby; c Mays. BUFF: 1, vhc, Wilkins; 2, Blackman; 3, Shankley; 4, c, Smith; hc, Mrs. Davies. NON. FED: 1, Farnier; 2, Corby; 3, Hayman. CREST and C.B.: 1, 4, Rhedes; 2, 3, Whilker. 1912: 1, 2, 3, 4, Rhodes. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Parker. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Parker; 2, Fish. HYB.: 1, Parker; 2, Oliver; 3, South. A.O.V.: 1, Archer; 2, 4, Cooper; 3, vhc, Oliver; hc, South; c, Sheldon.

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MR. J. FROSTICK'S CLASSES.

British birds made a grand display. Greenfinches and Insectivorous were specially fine classes, the latter containing a couple of good Dartford Warblers, an adult bird of Mr. Adams' securing 1st and special for best softbill. Though the quality of the exhibits generally was of a very high standard, the entries were not nearly so numerous as they should have been with such an excellent schedule provided, many prominent Metropolitan exhibitors preferring to send their birds hundreds of miles away to risking their treasures having to cross London. Foreign birds were a complete failure, both in numbers and, with few exceptions, in quality, and this in London town, too, so noted for exotic birds of rarity. With a specialist judge to place the cards, we had hoped for better things.

GOLDFINCH (12): 1, sp, Harris, Cheltenham winner, bonny Finch, improving daily; 2, vhc, Hinson, good all-round, but not so forward; 3, Stephens, fails in col. of blaze; 4, Mortara, excellent col., fails a little in width of skull; hc, Offord; c, Sarling. BULLFINCH (6): 1, Carrier, one of the best out this season, rich colour, splendid cap, and steady as a rock, wins; 2, Harris, lovely col., fails in cap, but will improve; 3, Roby, nice bird, not so good in head properties; 4, Marley, not quite rich enough in col.; vhc, Sadler; hc, Orange. GREENFINCH (12): 1, sp, 3, Marley, leader nicely fed yell., good size and shape; 3rd, well known buff which, for a buff, falls in nothing but size; 2, Harris, yell., grand qual., not over steady, will improve, beak would be all the better if trimmed; 4, Botting, slashing natural col. bird, should make a topper given time; vhc, Hellens; hc, Orange; c, Pettet. LINNET (6): 1, Nicholas, exceedingly rich in col., marvellous quality, shines like satin, trifle open in breast work, but a grand bird; 2, 3, Marley, leader beautiful markings, both losing here in richness of col. and size; 4, Cormick; vhc, Hall; hc, Hellens. CHAFFINCH, ETC. (9): 1, 2, Marley, beautiful Chaffinch, real topper, staged to perfection; 2nd, very nice Bramblefinch; 3, vhc, Hull, both Bramblies, fail in condition; 4, Botting, good Bramble, loses a bit in col.; hc, c, March. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, Marley, grand Twite, lovely markings, rich col., well put down; 2, Nicholas, gem of a Redpoll, nice even tone of col.; 3, Sadler, Twite; 4, Woodcock, Twite; vhc, Sadler, the only Siskin in the class, but not a bouncer or would have gone up; hc, Hull; c, Botting. HAWFINCH (3): 1, sp, Harris, well-known champion, scoring yet another easy victory; 2, 3, Marley, leader good col., fails size to winner. A.S. BUNTING (5): 1, sp, Marley, yellow, good col., fine well-defined head marks; 2, Botting, Lapland, not one of the biggest, but nicely marked; 3, Ford, yellow, close up to winner; 4, Harris, yellow, would be improved by feeding. SOFTBILL (small) (10): best class seen this season; 1, sp, Adams, Dartford Warbler, charming little bird, in full adult rich coloured plumage; 2, hc, Rose, delightfully steady, grand coloured Yellow Wagtail, well shown, and good Redstart; 3, Mortlock, grand Blackcap, rare size, rich cap, in the pink; 4, vhc, Puck, Whitethroat and Blackcap, beautifully shown; latter fails in size to 3rd, other points equal; vhc, Evans, another Dartford Warbler, and a good one, but not yet matured; hc, Askew, splendid Shore Lark, but outclassed here; c, Andrews Bros., artistically staged pair of Bearded Tits. A.O.S. (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Marley, grand team comprising Blackbird, Song Thrush, Great Grey Shrike, and Fieldfare, all beautifully staged, and fit to win in any company; 4, Woodcock, very excellent Starling. HEN HARDBILL (4): 1, sp., 4, bonny Corn Bunting, we've seen larger, but never one so beautifully coloured; 2, Marley, sweet little Redpoll; 3, Askew, pretty Siskin; 4, Orange, Bullfinch. FOR. (small) (5): 1, Ward, Java Sparrows; 2, Miss Whitbread, Zebras; 3, Sheldon, Russian Goldfinch; 4, Woodcock, Striated Finches; vhc, Puck. LARGE (4): 1, sp, Puck, well-known Shama, a splendid specimen; 2, 3, 4, Reed, Glossy Starling, Cowbird, and Virginian Cardinal in the order named. HYB. LIGHT CAN. (4): 1, Lamb, lightly marked Goldfinch in rare form, well staged; 2, Archer, good Greenfinch-Can.; 3, Botting, samo variety as winner; 4, Mortlock. DARK (11): 1, sp, Howick, well-known Can.-Bull.; 2, hc, Smith, both good col., well marked Siskin-Can.; 3, Lamb, Can.-Bull., fails in condition; 4, Edwards; vhc, c, Cornick. A.O.V. (6): 1, 2, Lamb, both well-known, Goldfinch-Bullfinch and Redpoll-Goldfinch, often described; 3, Askew, nice little Redpoll-Siskin; 4, Archer, Goldfinch-Bullfinch; vhc, Edwards, Linnet-Bullfinch, with severe cold in one eye, or would have gone up; wrong class, No. 3, undoubtedly a foreign hen Grosbeak.

BELFAST O.S.

47th annual exhibition of Canaries in the Clarence Place Hall, 2nd Nov. The great bulk of the birds were Scotch Fancies, and some really fine specimens were shown, notably the yellow piebald cock belonging to Mr. R. Trimble, which was awarded the cup; in the judge's opinion this is one of the best Scotch Fancies ever bred in Ireland. Mr. Trimble was also runner-up with a fine yellow foul hen. In Norwich the quality was average, no bird standing out prominently. Some excellent specimens were exhibited in the mule classes. Mr. J. Rock judged Scotch Fancy classes, and Mr. J. E. Adams the other classes, the awards giving general satisfaction. The exhibition, which was under the supervision of Mr. R. Trimble (president) and Mr. J. Ronaldson (secretary), was well patronised by visitors.

BELG. CK.: 1, R. Trimble; 2, Hamilton; 3, Neill. HEN: 1, R. Trimble; 2, Neill. SCOTCH FANCY. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Hamilton; 3, R. Trimble. BUFF: 1, Dunlop; 3, R. Trimble; 3, W. Trimble; 4, McConnell. FOUL: 1, Hamilton; 2, Kirkpatrick; 3, Tedford; 4, McConnell. YELL. PIED: 1, 3, R. Trimble; 2, Dunlop; 4, McConnell. BUFF: 1, 3, Lavery; 2, W. Trimble; 4, Hamilton. GREEN: 1, 3, W. Trimble; 2, Dunlop; 4, R. Trimble. YELL. HENS: 1, 3, R. Trimble; 2, 4, Hamilton. BUFF: 1, 3, Hamilton; 2, Dunlop; 4, W. Trimble. FOUL HEN: 1, 4, R. Trimble; 2, 3, Hamilton. YELL. PIED HEN: 1, 2, Hamilton; 3, 4, R. Trimble. BUFF: 1, Lavery; 2, 3, McConnell; 4, Hamilton. GREEN: 1, 3, R. Trimble; 2, Kirkpatrick; 4, McConnell. CREST CK.: 1, 2, Creighton; 3, Brownlee. HEN: 1, 3, Brownlee; 2, 4, Creighton. C.B.: 1, Brownlee; 2, 3, M'Alister. HEN: 1, Creighton. BUFF: 1, 2, W. Trimble. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, M'Clurg; 2, W. Trimble. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, M'Clurg; 3, W. Trimble; 4, M'Alister. BUFF: 1, W. Trimble. VARIEG.: 1, 4, W. Trimble; 2, 3, M'Clurg. MULES: 1, 4, Brownlee; 2, 3, J. Lavery.

AMBLE.

Annual Show held Nov. 9th, when entries were much the same as in former years, and some grand birds were staged. The Council Hall, in which the Show was held, is an ideal place, well lighted and no draughts. In the following officers the Society has plenty of talent with which to carry out a successful show:—President, Mr. A. Anderson; committee, Messrs. Lightly, Goggie, Morgan, Aston, and Hume; treasurer, Mr. J. P. Whittle; secretary, Mr. J. Crackett. Quite a good gate was crowning their endeavours to run the show successfully. They are much indebted to the Amble public, who, we learn, have responded well to the Society's appeal for specials, etc. Mr. A. Dippie (Morpeth) judged, and his awards seemed to give entire satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (10): 1, sp, 2, hc, Smailes, grand team leader, cl., grand size, hot col., lovely body; 2, also cl., grand wing carr., close up; 3, Cockburn, good one, on the small side; vhc, Pemrose; c, Ingles. BUFF (10): 1, sp, Crackett and Hume, cl., grand broad skull, neat wings and body; 2, Inglis, close up, if anything scarcely so shapely in chest; 3, Badmin, close up on winner; vhc, Anderson; hc, Pemrose; c, Richardson. YELL. HENS (7): 1, sp, Smailes, cl., sweet hen, lovely head, well rounded, grand deep chest, well cut away behind; 2, Crackett and Hume, cl., another good one, not so well filled in neck; 3, Morgan, fails in chest; vhc, c, Goggie; hc, Badmin. BUFF (6): 1, sp, 2, Smailes, cls, neat pair, both faultless; 3, Crackett and Hume, cap mkd., bit rough in feather; vhc, Richardson; hc, Anderson; c, Lightly. OLD BIRDS, YELL. (14): 1, sp, and sp. best Nor., and Sandiford's medal, and 3, Smailes, eye mkd., hot col., well staged; 3, cl., fails in condition; 2, Richardson, cl., not quite ready yet; vhc, hc, Crackett and Hume; c, Morgan. BUFF (13): 1, sp, Pemrose cl., neat head and chest, rare wing carr., well put down; 2, Goggie, nice wings and tail, not so neat in chest; 3, Smailes, close up; vhc, Moffett; hc, Crackett and Hume; c, Whittle. YELL. HENS (16): 1, sp., Goggie, mkd. wings and eyes, rare type, correct size, hot col.; 2, Pemrose, cl., not so shapely as winner; 3, vhc, Crackett and Hume, variegated, grand silky feather, claw gone; hc, Whittle; c, Badman. BUFF (13): 1, sp, Inglis, cl., grand col., splendid pair of wings, well carried; 2, Glass, cl., fails only in col.; 3, Morgan, head mkd., close up; vhc, hc, Anderson; c, Richardson. YORKS. (3): 1, sp, 2, Moffett, yell. mk. and cl., both good ones; 3, Lightly, cl. buff. HEN (2): 1, sp, Moffett, cl. buff, grand length, nice back and tail; 2, Lightly, cl. yell., not quite so shapely. BORD. YELL. (8): 1, sp, vhc, Aston, cl., sweetly moulded, like wax, rare body; 2, 3, c, Glass, clears, both very nice in type and quality; hc, Smailes. BUFF (7): 1, sp, and sp. for best Bor., Aston, cl., rare type, grand round head, neat wing carr., piped tail, well put down; 2, 3, Glass, neat one, inclined to frill at chest; vhc, Crackett and Hume; hc, Richardson; c, Smailes. YELL. HEN (10): 1, sp, 3, Aston, cl., grand body, rich col.; 3, shade rough in feather; 2, Crackett and Hume, presses winner hard, equally as good; vhc, Smailes; hc, c, Glass. BUFF (7): 1, sp, Aston, cl., nice round head, typical in body, well put down; 2, Smailes, wing mkd., very shapely, not so well cut away behind; 3, Lightly, cl., fails only in col.; vhc, Glass; hc, c, Darling. CINN. (6): 1, sp, Richardson, rich coloured yell.; 2, vhc, Inglis, buff leading, good head, nice chest; 3, yell., on the small side; hc, Smailes; c, Lightly. MULE or HYB. (5): 1, sp, 2, hc, Robson, Goldie-Canaries, dk. yell. leading, grand col.; 2, var., looks like a hen; 3, Cockburn Linnet-Can., nice size and col.; vhc, Lightly Bros. LINNET (6): 1, sp, Lightly Bros, not very large, but grandly pencilled, rich nut col., very steady; 2, vhc, Morgan, similar to winner; 3, Crackett and Hume, not so rich in col.; hc, Glass; c, Robson. A.O.S. BRIT. (6): 1, sp., Aston, lovely Siskin, grand cap., nicely laced; 2, Morgan, Greenie, rare size, lovely polish; 3, Robson, Goldie, neat size, grand blaze, might be better in wings; vhc, Glass, hc, Badman; c, Cockburn.

FALKIRK.

Annual show of the Falkirk O.S. held November 2. The show proved a great success, the entries being twenty over last year. Mr. J. D. Maxwell won the Scotch Fancy cup with a nice yellow piebald cock, and Mr. P. Maxwell was runner-up with a nice green hen. Mr. G. Paterson won the Norwich cup, Mr. Hutton being runner-up. Mr. A. McDougall won the Border cup. The judges were: Scotch Fancy, Messrs. A. Price, Barrhead, and J. Hendry, Leith; C. Campbell, Glasgow, Norwich, Border, Mules, and British.

S. FANCY YELL. CK. (4): All P. Maxwell. BUFF (13): 1, 2, 3, 4, J. D. Maxwell; 5, 7, P. Maxwell; 6, Niven. FOUL, ETC. (6): 1, J. Maxwell; 2, P. Maxwell; 3, Carlaw; 4, Niven. PIED CK., YELL. (6): 1, 5, J. Maxwell; 2, 3, Strathearn; 4, Carlaw; 6, Stirling. BUFF (15): 1, 2, J. Maxwell; 3, Dougall; 4, 5, Strathearn; 6, Stirling; 7, Reid. GREEN CK. (6): 1, 2, Strathearn; 3, 4, J. Maxwell; 5, Stirling; 6, P. Maxwell. HEN, YELL. (4): 1, 3, P. Maxwell; 2, J. Maxwell; 4, Kirk. BUFF (7): 1, 2, 3, 6, Niven; 4, J. Maxwell; 5, Kirk; 7, Stirling. FOUL (7): 1, Carlaw; 2, McDougall; 3, 6, Niven; 4, 5, P. Maxwell; 7, Miller. YELL. PIED (4): 1, 3, J. Maxwell; 2, McDougall. BUFF (8): 1, 4, Strathearn; 2, 5, Stirling; 3, J. Maxwell; 6, Dougall. GREEN (9): 1, 2, 3, 4, P. Maxwell; 5, Strathearn; 6, 7, Stirling. OLD PAIRS (9): 1, 2, Simpson; 3, Carlaw; 4, McDougall; 5, Stirling; 6, Kirk; 7, Dougall. NOR. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Sutton; 2, Merriman; 3, 4, Buchan; 5, 6, Reid; 7, Prattis. BUFF (10): 1, 2, Hutton; 3, Kirk; 4 not in cat.; 5, Dougall; 6, 7, Buchan. YELL. HEN (14): 1, 3, Buchan; 2, not in cat.; 4, Hutton; 5, Reid; 6, 7, Merriman. BUFF (15): 1, 5, Morrison; 2, Reid; 3, Prattis; 4, 7, Buchan; 6, Hutton. CREST CK. (7): 1, Paterson; 2, Dougall; 3, 4, 5, Wright; 6, Merriman. HEN (5): 1, 3, Wright; 2, Paterson; 4, Dougall. C.B. CK. (7): 1, 2, Wright; 3, Paterson; 4, Merriman; 5, Dougall; 6, McDougall. HEN (7): 1, Paterson; 2, Wright; 3, 4, 6, McDougall; 7, Merriman. NOR. PAIRS (10): 1, 7, Buchan; 2, 5, Hulton; 3, Paterson; 4, Merriman; 6, Kirk. CREST PAIRS (6): 1, Paterson; 2, McDougall; 3, 4, Wright; 5, Merriman. BORD. YELL. CK. (11): 1, 3, Smith; 2, 5, Buchan; 4, Reid; 6, Hutton; 7, Reid BUFF (7): 1, 6, McDougall; 2, Smith; 3, 5, Buchan; 4, Hutton; 7, Reid. YELL. HEN (11): 1, 6, McDougall; 2, Buchan; 3, Hutton; 4, R. Reid; 5, Sutton; 7, W. Reid. BUFF (13): 1, 2, 7, Smith; 3, McDougall; 4, W. Reid; 5, Buchan; 6, Sutton. PAIRS (10): 1, 5, McDougall; 2, 3, 4, Buchan; 6, 7, Hutton. MULE (8): 1, 3, 7 Prattis; 2, 5, 6, R. Reid; 4, Paterson. LINNET OR GREENFINCH (7): 1, R. Reid; 2, Smith; 3, 4, Paterson; 5, Sutton; 6, Prattis; 7, Buchan. A.O.S. BRIT. SMALL (13): 1, 2, Smith; 3, 6, Sutton; 4, Prattis; 5, Paterson; 7, Reid.

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WOOLSTON.

Annual show, open to the county of Hants, held Nov. 6 in the Victoria Hall. There was a capital entry, and the arrangements were excellent. The chief drawback was the somewhat indifferent light, this being chiefly attributable to structural arrangements. Mr. F. G. Etheridge makes a splendid hon. secretary, his assistant, Mr. G. Lock, also taking an energetic part in the management. The committee were Messrs. F. West, F. W. Batt, A. E. King, A. Roberts, E. Etheridge, W. Taylor, H. Newman, J. Blaxall, A. Standing, J. Welsh, R. E. Hardy, D. Callaway, H. Dear, W. J. White, and H. Stockley. The show was opened in the afternoon by the President (J. N. Campbell, Esq.) in a felicitous speech, and hearty thanks were accorded to him for his interest in the society. The quality, especially in the Yorkshire classes, was really tiptop, the specials for best cage bird in show, best cage bird shown by a member, and best Yorkshire in show all falling to a grand bird exhibited by Mr. L. B. Yates. Norwich were nice classes for quality; and there were some rattling exhibits in the novice classes. In the British bird section Mr. J. Welch exhibited a magnificent Nightingale, which justly secured special. Woolston Society has reason to be proud of the grand display, and one and all may congratulate themselves upon the results of their labours. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged.

The Critique.

NOR. CK.: 1, hc, Jupe, winner yell., nice shape, rare qual., col.; 2, White, buff, nice shape, scarcely so compact or well staged; 3, Etheridge, neat buff, hardly so good in qual.; vhc, Adams; c, Brown. HEN: 1, Jupe, yellow, fine quality of feather, nice shape, a neat hen; 2, Page, yell., hardly so rich in qual., still nice; vhc, hc, White. 1912 CK.: 1, spl, Jupe, a sweet bird, rare type, full of colour and nice in leather; 2, Foyle, good but for a hinge tail; 3, White, again a good bird, has the same habit; this is a great fault in a Norwich, and stops many an otherwise good bird; vhc, Weekes; hc, c, Hartnell. C. OR C.B.: 1, spl, Tomes, fairly nice frontal crest, somewhat handicapped by horns; vhc, Cawte. YORKS CL. YELL. CK.: 1, spl, Yates, a wonder, up like a rocket, rare qual.; 2, vhc, hc, Adams, another grand position bird, handicapped by a little too much frill. What a number of Yorkies are showing this frill this season! Is it the dawn of the era of honesty? BUFF: 1, four spls, vhc, Yates, quick, nervy, grand positioned bird, splendidly cut away, long behind leg, neat head, and gets up beautifully; 2, Egerton, grand bird, wing carr. hardly so nice as winners; 3, c, Adams, not quite the length or the display of leg, but very neat and nicely moulded; hc, Grant; a fine class. TKD. ETC. CK.: 1, 3, vhc, Adams, leader grand position, rare length of side and behind the leg; 2, Grant, very sweet, captivating, but hardly the length at all points; hc, White; c, Lomer. HENS: 1, 3, hc, Adams, a fine team of hens, 1st tapers beautifully and full of nerve; 2, Yates, just a trifle slack at waist, but very shapely and nervy; vhc, E. Etheridge; c, G. H. Etheridge. 1912: 1, c, Adams, good upstanding yell., lovely feather, nervy, and neat; 2, Holliday, grand style, just a trifle slack in feather; 3, E. Etheridge, buff, beautiful shape and action, well shown; vhc, hc, Yates. MULE: 1, spl, Dr. Weekes, good Greenie Can.; 2, Page, Goldie Can.; vhc, Yates; hc, W. J. White; c, S. White. NOV. CLASSES—NOR.: 1, Mrs. M. Etheridge, ticked buff, very fine undercolour and nice feather and type; 2, Foyle, good cl.; vhc, Hartnell; hc, Othen. YORKS: 1, spl, 3, Mrs. Wainwright, two neat birds, winner best style, position and leg; 2, Othen, buff, nice pose, trifle frilly and open; vhc, Mrs. M. Etheridge; hc, W. J. Etheridge; c, Egerton. GOLDIE: 1, spl, Etheridge, nice face bars and buttons, brightest and best toned Finch; 2, White, not so good in face, but a neat Finch; vhc, Shephard. BULLIE: 1, White, best col., none too stout; 2, Mrs. M. Etheridge, loses a trifle in colour; vhc, Flintoft. GREENIE: 1, 2, White, two nice-coloured Greenies, hardly substance enough. LINNET, SIS., ETC.: 1, 2, White, Linnet and Redpoll respectively, nice colour, etc.; vhc, Shenhard. A.O.S.: 1, spl, Welch, magnificent 'Gale, steady as a Lord Chief Justice, saucy and fearless, rich in col., in lovely trim, a credit to its owner; 2, Lomer, good Yell. Bunting, well shown; 3, hc, White; hc, Mrs. W. J. White. FOR.: 1, spl, Standing, Cockatoo, in nice feather; 2, vhc, Slade, the former a nice Pekin Robin; hc, Flinoff.

CLYDEBANK AND DISTRICT O.S.

Twenty-sixth annual show, held in the Co-operative Hall, Hume Street, November 9, under the distinguished patronage of the following: A. Acland Allan, Esq., M.P., Col. H. Brock, W. D. Black, Esq., D. Cameron, Esq., Mrs. Stark, Clyde Bank Co-operative Society, and others. Judges: Messrs. D. Black, Govan, A. Nisbet, Golston, J. Watson, Glasgow, W. Webster, Greenock; secretary, A. Kirkwood, 148, Kilbowie Road. There were twelve classes for young birds and four for old, with an entry of 150 birds, which was quite up to last year, and quality was above the average. Secretary Kirkwood and his committee had all the show arrangements up to date. The hall is situated in the centre of the town, with abundance of accommodation and light, and is an ideal hall for a bird show. The hall was crowded, many well-known fanciers being present, and a fair number of ladies graced the show with their presence. The cup and gold badge was won with a yell. pied cock, owned by Mr. G. T. Campbell, good size and top end, nice length of side, sweet head and neck, splendid droop, the runner-up being a typical foul buff hen, same owner. The judge's awards seemed to give general satisfaction, with one or two exceptions, where the birds appeared not quite through moult. The show was a great success, the gate proving very satisfactory.

YOUNG BIRDS, YELL. (8): 1, G. T. Campbell; 2, 5, sp., Monteith; 3, Bowman; 4, Ross. BUFF (3): 1, Brizale; 2, Bilsland; 3, Clark. YELL. HENS (4): 1, Brizale; 2, Clark; 3, Bisland; 4, Ross. BUFF (6): 1, Monteith; 2, Bisland; 3, Allison; 4, Ross; 5, sp., Bowman. YELL. PIED (7): 1, sp., sp., 2 sps., cup bird, G. T. Campbell; 3, sp., Ross; 4, sp., Bowman; 5, Kennedy. BUFF (7): 1, sp., 4, Ross; 2, Campbell; 5, 3, sp., Dewar. YELL., PIED HEN (11): 1, 2, 4, 5, Ross; 3, Dewar. BUFF (7): 1, sp., Ross; 2, sp., Dewar; 3, 5, sp., Kennedy; 4, sp., Bowman. FOUL (4): 1, Allison; 2, Monteith; 3, Ross; 4, Bilsland. HENS (4): 1, sp., 3, runner-up, gold badge, Campbell; 3, Bowman; 4, Clark. GREEN (6): 1, Murdoch; 2, Kennedy; 3, Campbell; 4, 5, Brizzle. HENS (7): 1, Ross; 2, Monteith; 3, Bowman; 4, Garscadden; 5, Clark. OLD BIRDS: YELL. (13): 1, 4 sps., Wilson; 2, sps., 3, Campbell; 5, Dewar. BUFF (21): 1, sp., Campbell; 2, Allison; 3, sp., 5, Ross; 4, Monteith. YELL HENS (13): 1, Campbell; 2, Hay; 3, Allison; 4, Dewar; 5, Brizzle. BUFF (12): 1, sp., Campbell; 2, sp., Dewar; 3, sp., Bowman; 4, sp., Hay; 5, Bowman.

LOWESTOFT.

24th annual show, held at the Swimming Baths, South Lowestoft, Nov. 6 and 7, open to Norfolk Suffolk, Essex, and Cambridgeshire. Entries were fairly good, and amongst them there were some very nice exhibits. The show was well attended by the public, and several fanciers from Norwich were amongst the visitors. The committee would very much like to see more of the Norwich fanciers exhibiting at this show another year, as they give a liberal classification, and the exhibits are well looked after by Messrs. Hart, Kirk, Rackham, and others. Many thanks are due to Mr. Crow, the energetic secretary, who spares himself no trouble to see that everything goes on all right. Mr. W. E. Greeves placed the awards, and gave every satisfaction. Mr. Linder won the Rev. Dickson's Memorial cup for most points in Canary section.

The Critique.

CL., ETC., NORWICH CL.: 1, Alpe, good head, nice level col., good wing carr.; 2, Schofield, not quite so good, nice shape, etc.; 3, Miss Moore, not so good in body as winners, fails col.; 4, hc, Howard; vhc, Ebbage; c, Rackham. BUFF (8): 1, Miss Moore, a real good one, lovely qual., good col., nice head and neck, good in wing carriage, very taking exhibit; 2, Howard, a nice shape, good in head and neck, fails quality; 3, Ebbage, nice col., good in head, rather stack feathered at thighs; 4, Schofield; vhc, Howard; hc, Fysh; c, Crow. VARIEG. YELL. (9): 1, 4, Howard, lovely head, nice shape, wins special for hottest bird; 2, Kirk, good body, fails head and col.; 3, Alpe, mkd. neck, nice shape, well braced wings and tail, fails in col.; vhc, Rackham; hc, Dady; c, Crowe. BUFF (9): 1, Ebbage, mkd. tail, very nice qual., good col., nicely mealed, well shown; 2, hc, Howard, when we saw it looked very sick; 3, Miss Moore, heavily marked, nice qual. of feather, fails a bit in col.; 4, Rackham; vhc, Calver and Sons; c, Crowe. HEN (10): 1, Alpe, yell., nice col., very nice head, good quality, wins well; 2, Ebbage, another yell., nice shape, fails head; 3, Miss Moore, varieg. buff, nice col. and qual.; 4, hc, Kirk; vhc, Rackham; c, Hart. NAT. COL. (8): 1, Shearing, buff, good body, nice quality feather, nice wings and tail; 2, Bedwell, yell., good col., rather on small side; 3, Shearing, yell., good size, nice head, rather loose in feather; 4, Wilkerson; vhc, Alpe; hc, Howard; c, Lüder. PAIRS PLAIN-HEADS (7): 1, 3, Rackham, 1st, yell., cock and buff hen, plenty of size, a nice pair, 3, another good pair; 2, Miss Moore, very nice pair; 4, vhc, Ebbage, lovely buff hen; with good cock would have gone up higher; hc, Dady; c, Mulford. CINN., YELL. (7): 1, Cook, lovely rich col., good in head, a model; 2, 3, Andrews Bros., not so good in shape or col. as winner; vhc, hc, c, Crow, Cinn. BUFF (7): 1, 2, 3, Andrews Bros., 1, and 2, real toppers for size and quality, lovely shape, win well, 3, not quite so good in shape or col.; 4, Cook; vhc, Shearman; hc, c, Crow. CREST YELL. (6): 1, Crow, Green, good col. and size, will improve; 2, hc, Clapham, not quite so large in body or crest, but a very nice yell.; 3, Carlton, nice body and crest, not so rich col. as winners; c, Linder. YELL. C.B.: 1, 3, Linder, 1st, real good one, plenty of feather, rich col, shown well; 2, 4, Crow, not so good shape, rather too long we thought. BUFF (9): 1, Corke, a real good one, lovely radiated crest, very dense feather, wins well; 2, Carlton, another nice exhibit, nice drooping crest, heavily feathered body; 3, 4, Shearman, good bird, plenty of feather, would improve with wash; vhc, Crow; hc, c, Linder. C.B. BUFF (7): 1, Howard, heavily variegs., good wide head, plenty of feather, good size; 2, Carlton, another good bird, well shaped body, heavy feathered one, we liked much; 3, Gabriel, very large body, a rare good one for stock; 4, Shearman; vhc, Linder; hc, c, Crow. HEN: 1, Clapham, real nice hen, good head and neck, short thick body, with plenty of feather; 2, Linder, not quite so good in head, nice body, plenty feather; 3, Carlton, good bird, not much parted them; 3, 4, vhc, Crow; hc, Shearman; c, Hart. CREST BUFF, 1912 (9): 1, Shearman, very neat, well formed Crest, good body will improve; 2, Crow, not so large as winner, nice crest, plenty of feather; 3, 4, Linder; vhc, Carlton; c, Clapham. C.B. BUFF, 1912 (12): 1, Corke, heavily variegated, rare size, with plenty of feather, will make a good one; 2, Shearman, Green, with a good body, nice head; 3, Carlton, not so large or heavily feathered; 4, Hart; vhc, Linder; hc, Gabriel; c, Goldsmith. PAIRS CRESTS (5): 1, 3, Linder, two good pairs well matched; 2, vhc, Hart, two more nice pairs; 4, Crow. AMAT., NOR., YELL. (9): 1, Schofield, nice exhibit this, fair size, good rich col., well balanced wings, wins; 2, Keymer Bros., short, cobby bird, good head, fails to winner in qual. and col.; 3, Hart, larger, fails col., a real good stock bird; vhc, Dady; hc, c, Brewster. BUFF (12): 1, c, Brewster, rare type of Norwich, lovely qual. and col., wins well; 2, Keymer Bros., very nice qual. and col., fails in type to winner; 3, 4, Hart, larger, nice qual. and col.; vhc, Brewster; vhc, Keymer Bros.; hc, Schofield. YELL. HEN (4): 1 Brewster, nice shaped bird, good wings, short tail, a good one; 2, Hart, another nice shaped one, loses to winner in head; 3, Keymer Bros., not so tight in feather, otherwise good shape; 4, Dazeley. BUFF (6): 1, Bartram, mkd. on head, lovely shaped body, short wings and tail; 2, Keymer Bros., not so good in head, nice quality and shape; 3, Pye, mkd. eye and wing, very nice qual., good col., not so good shaped body; 4, Hart; vhc, Dazeley; hc, Dady. CREST (7): 1, 4, Linder, nice radiated Crest, good body, plenty of feather, a nice one; 2, vhc, Page, not so neat in crest, plenty of feather, will improve; 3, Roper, very neat Crest, but smaller than winners; hc, Barton; c, Pye. C.B. (8): 1, 4, Page, large, heavy feathered, good head, one we liked, wins well; 2, 3, Roper, nice exhibits; vhc, Lindner; hc, Roper; c, Barton. NOV. CREST: 1, 2, Goldsmith; 3, Olle and Gunn; 4, Pye. C.B. (5): 1, Castleton; 2, Olle and Gunn; 3, 4, vhc, Goldsmith. NOR., YELL.: 1, Dady; 2, Keymer Bros.; 3, Bartram; 4, Butcher. BUFF: 1, vhc, Dady; 2, Wilkerson; 3, 4, Keymer Bros.; hc, Butcher; c, Castleton. HEN: 1, 4, Olle and Gunn; 2, Dazeley; 3, Butcher; vhc, Wilkerson; hc, Keymer Bros.; c, Pye. MULE: 1, 2, Fysh; 3, c, Crow; vhc, Widdows; hc, Fysh. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH: 1, 2, Cook; 3, 4, Miles; vhc, Crow. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Cook; 2, hc, Cooper; 3, Miss Love; 4, Miles; vhc, c, Lowne. A.O.S. SPEEDBEATERS: 1, Cooper; 2, 4, Fysh; 3, c, Lowne. INSECTIV.: 1, Cooper; 2, Cooderham; 3, Lowne; 4, Hunt; vhc, Johnson. FOR.: 1, Curson, Blue-fronted Amazon; 2, Roll; 3, Lowe; 4, Miss Dunnett; vhc, Andrews Bros.; c, Miss Love. SMALL: 1, 2, 3, Andrews Bros.; 4, Miss Love; vhc, Proudfoot; hc, Miss Watson; c, Miles.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

OLD SHILDON.

Annual show, held in the Workmen's Club, Nov. 8 and 9. A fine spacious room was provided, lofty, well lighted, and free from all draughts, and nicely heated with hot water pipes. The exhibits could be seen with every comfort, and their wants were well attended to by a large and enthusiastic committee; in fact, the management throughout was of a highly satisfactory character. The entries were not large, due, we think, to the somewhat limited classification, e.g., Norwich and Yorkshire hens in one class. Mr. Elwell, the secretary, was, as usual, courteous and hard-working. Messrs. Gray Bros. made the awards, but in many of the classes we could not follow them. Members had only one class, but every exhibit was awarded a prize: 37 entries and the value of the 37th prize was 13s. Prizes were all of value, and consisted of clocks, cruets, vases, teapots, blankets, cases of cutlery, carpets, bags, umbrellas, hams, boots, travelling rugs, coal vases and kettles, the lowest prize being a pair of handsome copper kettles.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (6): 1, Freeman, good size, rich colour, good shape and quality, a bit faulty in wing carriage; 2, vhc, Wilson, nice level colour, rare quality, nice shapely body, short wings, good chest; 3, Watson, ticked on head, grand quality, nice head and back, beaten chest; 4, Jeffries, A1 quality; hc, A. Simpson. BUFF (7): 1, J. Cuthbertson, nice shapely cl., lovely qual., rare bloom, good head, wings and tail; 2, Freeman, big bird, good col., not so neat in head; 3, Stanger and Herdman, nice qual., plenty of size, little rough on chest; 4, hc, c, Jeffries; vhc, Seely Bros. YORKS. YELL. (8): 1, Cattell, hot col., fine qual., bit rough on chest and neck; 2, Nattrass, long slim bird, moderate neck; 3, G. W. Cuthbertson, lengthy, good wings and head, A1 quality; 4, Cook and Hood, marked wing, rare quality and shape; vhc, Foster; hc, Wilkinson Bros., grand quality, good shape and position, tight in feather, neat head, this and the 3rd some liked better than 1st and 2nd. BUFF (11): 1, Wilkinson Bros., big shapely bird, grand quality, stands on good pair of legs, good back; 2, Campling, good col., rare qual., nice position; 3, G. W. Cuthbertson, rare qual, good length, position; 4, Cattell, shapely, nice quality, neat head; vhc, Fawcett; c, Crowther and Button. UNFLIG. (13): 1, Fawcett, eye mkd. buff, slim and shapely, rare quality, close fitting wings, well up on leg; 2, G. W. Cuthbertson, yell., rare quality, good position, neat head, good legs; 3, O'Hagan, yell., fine qual., nice shape and position; 4, Cattell, buff, nice type, good shape and position, fine quality; vhc, Wilkinson Bros.; hc, Campling; c, Hall. HEN (7): 1, Stanger and Herdman; 2, J. Cuthbertson; 3, Freeman; all Nor.; 4, G. W. Cuthbertson, good yell. Yorks., we liked for a higher place; vhc, Seely Bros.; hc, Allen. CREST (4): 1, Hugill, good size crest, nice radiation and droop, fairly good centre, good substance of body; 2, 4, Taylor, crest very neat, good size and formation, neat centre; 3, Gibson, good size, nice feather. C.B. (4): 1, Bewick, green, splendid skull carrying abundance of feather, well lashed, good entrance, plenty of substance; 2, Hugill, variegs., fine head, plenty of feather; 3, Gibson, good head, does not carry so much feather as winners; 4, Gardner. CREST or C.B. UNFLIG. (6): 1, Hugill, crest of good size and shape, nice leafy feather, good body; 2, Bewick, C.B., a gem, skull of great size and grand shape, well lashed, grand entrance, rare body, our choice; 3, Taylor, C.B., good head and length of feather; 4, Taylor, crest of nice size, fine condition, neat centre; vhc, Outhbertson; hc, Richardson. BORD. (13): 1, Stanger and Herdman, nearly even marked yell., excels in shape, very neat, lovely qual.; 2, vhc, Elliott, wing mkd. buff, grand qual., very neat and shapely; 3, 4, Ogden, eyes and wing mkd., good shape, nice carr.; 4th, tkd., very fine qual., shapely; hc, Bewick; c, Quidgley. CINN. (4): 1, 2, Seely Bros., grand col., rare qual. and bloom; 3, 4, Robinson, rich qual., beaten size and shape. HEN, A.O.V. (6): 1, Taylor, Crest, rare size, grand leafy crest feather, neat centre, well radiated, good droop; 2, Bewick, Crest, close up, grand centre, feather of great length, good shaped crest; 3, Charlton; 4, Ridley, little to choose, both C.B. of fair size; vhc, Bradley; hc, Seely Bros. PAIRS (5): 1, Taylor, Crests, grand pair; 2, Webb, Crests, well matched; 3, Robinson, Cinns.; 4, Wilson, Nor., grand var. yellow cock, hen shade small; vhc, Elwell. NOV. A.V. (14): 1, Orton, C.B., good body, plenty of feather, nice skull, well clothed; 2, hc, Wiggens and Harrison, head, eyes and wing mkd. Goldie Mule, good size, A1 qual., rare bloom; 3, Richmond, very fair Crest, nice length of crest feather, well radiated; 4, Mrs. Roberts, Crest, good head, nice feather; vhc, Rowlandson; c, Richardson. MULE, ETC. (13): 1, 2, 3, Dr. Wilson, fine team, grand Goldie-Bullie leading, not one of the biggest, but in rare condition and col.; 2nd, Greenie-Bullie, beaten condition, shade small; 3rd, very fine Linnet-Bullie, rich col., grand shape, nice size, pink of condition, might have gone up; 4, Todd and Son, Linnet-Bullie, good size and shape; vhc, Seely Bros.; hc, Todd and Sons; c, Wilcock. LINNET (5): Where are all the Linnet fanciers? 1, Rutherford, good size and shape, rich coloured back, bit light underneath and markings on breast, bit cloudy, some thought should have given way to 2, Meadley, nice bird, rich col., good breast, well pencilled; 3, Foster, shapely, steady, good rich col., shade light underneath; 4, Crowther and Button; vhc, Bloomer. GOLDFINCH (6): 1, hc, Thompson, Goldie, good size, nice clean-cut blaze, but not up in col.; 2, Boyd, Bullie, good size and type, richly coloured, good shaped cap, nice breast col.; 3, Hall, Bullie, fair condition, beaten type; 4, Dr. Wilson, Goldie, not one of the biggest, but in rare bloom, rich, square-cut blaze, grand body col., good mooning and buttons; vhc, Wilcock. GREENFINCH, ETC. (8): 1, vhc, Dr. Wilson, Greenfinch, rare shape and size, rich col., perfect condition, and a really good Bramble, rare col, well spangled; 2, Henderson, Greenfinch, nice size and shape; 3, Gregory, Greenfinch, fair bird; 4, Parnaby, nice Chaffinch, good size, in grand feather, nice whites, good head; hc, Foster; c, Boyd; the judge seemed somewhat to favour the Greenies in this class. SISKIN, ETC. (12): 1, Willis and Johnson, Mealy Redpoll, nice size and col.; 2, Gregory, bonny little Siskin, good nat. col., well laced, nice bib, good cap; 3, Boyd, real good Lesser Redpoll, rich col., rare condition and size, our choice; 4, Foster, Mealy, grand col. and condition, better bib, and larger than 1st; vhc, Swinhurn; hc, Todd and Son; c, Charlton. SOFT-BILL, SMALL (7): 1, 2, Wilkinson and Danby, Wryneck and Redstart, in grand condition, well staged; 3, vhc, Dr. Wilson, very nice Nightingale, in good trim; 4, Foster, Lark, good size and col. A.O.S. (6): 1, 3, Boyd, well-known Chough and a real good Jay, in grand form, fine size and rich col.; 2, 4, vhc, hc, Parnaby, tip-top Missel Thrush, well marked, great size, and Waxwing, in spotless condition, good size and col.

YORKSHIRE C. AND C.B.S. OF IRELAND.

Fourth annual show, held in the Central Hall, Dublin, Oct. 31, Nov. 1. Entries came up well, totalling about 440; the Central Hall is an ideal room for a cage bird show, well lighted in the roof and free from draughts. The officials were a good body of workers, led by their able chairman, Mr. J. Dowling, along with their never-tiring secretary, Mr. C. Lattimore, and well supported by a committee comprising Messrs. McDonnell, Callaghan, Briggs, Lea, Fleming, Mulcahy, Furley, Mr. P. Mason, Windhill, judged, and gave every satisfaction.

DRAW CLASS (10): 1, Dowling; 2, Briggs; 3, O'Toole; vhc, Lea; hc, McDonnell; c, Furley. CINN. MARKS (6): 1, sp. and diploma for best bird in open Yorks., Keogh, yellow, nicely marked, well up on leg, straight as a rush; 2, Tansey, buff, fails in position to winner; 3, Dunwoody, nicely marked, rather thin in neck; vhc, Neville; hc, Keating; c, Ryan. HENS (11): 1, Ryan, buff mk. wings and eyes, lovely position, feather like wax; 2, Dunwoody, Cinn. tick, nice position, not as tight as 1st; 3, Cottrell, nice position, not quite as big as the winner; vhc, Lavery; hc, Neville; c, Keating. CL. YELL. (19): 1, Keating, good upstanding bird, nice col., carriage and wings; 2, hc, O'Keeffe, long raking bird, but rather rough under; 3, Neville, lovely qual. and feather, trifle small; vhc, Mulligan; c, Fleming. HEN (14): 1, 2, Keogh, rare feather, good length, grand position; 2nd, not so long as winner; 3, vhc, O'Keeffe, nice position, but rather short; hc, Woods; c, Fleming. CL. BUFF (10): 1, hc, Dunwoody, good position, rare qual., good length; 2, Carroll Dawson, nice position, rare qual.; 3, Keating, nice position, but fails in length; vhc, Ryan; c, Tansey. HEN (17): 1, Devins, nice position, good wing carr.; 2, Mulligan, beauty, close up to winner; 3, Dunwoody, nice position, but rather loose; vhc, Tansey; hc, c, O'Keeffe; c, Lavery. TK., ETC., YELL. (12): 1 Woods, nicely marked both wings and eyes, good qual.; 2, Dunwoody, nicely marked also, good position; 3, Ryan, rather heavily marked, fails on leg; vhc, c, O'Keeffe; hc, Keogh. HENS (7): 1, Dunwoody; 2, Fleming; 3, Keating; vhc, Woods; hc, Tansey; c, Devins. BUFF (15): 1, Buckley, nice stylish cock, good feather and position; 2, vhc, Dunwoody, not much to choose between the two; 3, Neville, good bird, but not quite the nerve as 1st and 2nd; hc, Carroll Dawson; c, Ryan. HEN (9): 1, O'Keeffe, nicely marked, good position; 2, Dunwoody, also a nicely marked, not much to choose; 3, Keating, fails in length to others; vhc, Ryan; hc, Lavery; c, Mulligan. NON FED CK. (8): 1, O'Callaghan; 2, hc, Sholdice; 3, c, Hall; vhc, Devins. HEN (7): 1, two sps., Dowling; 2, 3, Sholdice; vhc, Whitty; hc, Byrne. NON FED CLASSES, TKD. (9): 1, Sholdice; 2, Barclay; 3, hc, Dowling; vhc, Hall; c, Byrne. TKD., ETC. HEN (9): 1, Buckley; 2, Mulligan; 3, Barclay; vhc, hc, Sholdice; c, Whitty. NOV. CL. YELL. (13): 1, Morgan, nice position, good quality; 2, Smyth, close up to winner; 3, Jamieson, rather small; vhc, hc, Mills; c, Fleming. HEN (5): 1, Power; 2, Lawless; 3, Henry; vhc, McKeon; hc, Wilson. OL. BUFF (10): 1, 2, Briggs, nice youngster, good typical bird; 3, O'Byrne, nice quality, fails in length; vhc, Power; hc, Henry; c, Mills. HEN (8): 1, vhc, Power, nice position, good feather; 2, Wilson, rather thick on breast; 3, Mills; hc, Lawless; c, Walsh. TKD., ETC., CK. (19): 1, vhc, McKeon, spl. diploma best bird in novice classes, rare beauty; 2, Lawless, another nice one, close up; 3, Power, fails in position; hc, O'Byrne; c, Lattimore. NOV. TKD., ETC., HEN: 1, McKeon; 2, vhc, Kavanagh; 3, Lattimore; hc, Lawless; c, O'Byrne. CREST: 1, Wall; 2, Dawson. C.B.: 1, 2, Wall. NOR.: 1, Devins; 2, 3, O'Keeffe. HEN: 1, 2, O'Keeffe; 3, Lea. SCOTCH FANCY, CK.: 1, 2, Birch; 3, Dunlop; vhc, Kelly. HEN: 1, Dunlop; 2, Birch. LIGHT CAN. MULE: 1, 3, Lavery, 1st six-pointed yell., in beautiful condition, wins easily; 3rd, four-pointed yell.; 2, Osborne, four-pointed buff, well worth its place; the best class of Mules seen in Dublin. DARK GOLDFINCH MULE: 1, Furley; 2, 3, Lavery. DARK LINNET CAN. MULE: 1, Kennedy; 2, Devins; 3, Wall. A.O. MULE or HYBRID: 1, 2, Lavery; 3, Osborne. GOLDFINCH: 1, Lavery; 2, Mulcahy; 3, Dawson. GOLDFINCH, H.M. (3): 1, Waters; 2, Lavery; 3, Mulcahy. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, O'Neill; 2, Lavery; 3, Furley. LINNET: 1, Dawson; 2, Lavery; 3, Mulcahy. LINNET, F.M.: 1, Kennedy; 2, Lavery; 3, O'Callaghan. SKYLARK: 1, Cole; 2, Wall; 3, Swaine. BLACKBIRD, ETC.: 1, Mulcahy; 2, O'Reilly; 3, Swaine. BULLFINCH COCK: 1, Devins; 2, Dawson. HEN: 1, Furley; 2, Mulcahy; 3, Dawson. SEED EATING: 1, Wall, Hawfinch; 2, Dawson, Bramblefinch; 3, Mulcahy, Hawfinch. SOFTBILLS: 1, Mulcahy, Chough, sp. for best bird in show; 2, Furley, Jay; 3, Mulcahy, Missel Thrush. FOR.: 1, 2, Whitby, Bengal Rock Parrot, pair of Budgerigars.

GOVANHILL AND DISTRICT O.S.

7th show, held in the Lesser Dixon Hall, on Nov. 2. President, Wm. Tennant; vice, John McMichael; sec. and treas., Charles C. Watson. Judges, Jas. Carlaw (Falkirk), J. Dalgleish (Edinboro'), and John Park (Govan). There was a considerable falling off in the number of entries compared with last year, due to a bad season's breeding. Some typical Scots Fancies were staged. The first yell. cock runner-up for the cup, the first yell. hen cup winner, belonging to Mr. James Vernall, are a pair of capital birds, and real good types. Sec. Watson had all his arrangements made to perfection, the birds being nicely staged along the south end of the hall. The latter is well adapted for show purposes in every way. During the afternoon the show was well patronised, there being a large turn out of visitors. The awards gave all round satisfaction. Ex-Councillor Dr. Garey handed the prizes over to the successful winners.

YELL. CKS., CL. OR FOUL (5): 1, sp., sp., Vernall, best bird opposite sex to cup winner; 2, Michael; 3, Hayman; 4, vhc, Keary. BUFF (10): 1, Lyle; 2, 3, hc, Keary; c, Vernall; vhc, McMichael. YELL. PIED, sp., ETC., CKS.: 1, Wilson; 2, Milroy; 3, Campbell; 4, Harvey. BUFF (12): 1, 2, sp., 3, sp., 4, sp., Wilson; vhc, sp., Rennie; hc, sp., Keary; c, Vernall. YELL HENS: 1, sp., cup winner, 3, Vernall; 2, sp., Wilson; 3, Wilson; hc, Harvey; c, McMichael. BUFF (12): vhc, Wilson; hc, Harvey; c, McMichael. YELL., nie; vhc, sp., Hayman; hc, sp., Harvey. YELL., PIED OR GREEN HENS: 1, 3, Wm. Wilson; 2, no name; 4, Hayman; vhc, D. Wilson; hc, no name; c, Harvey. BUFF (11): 1, 2, sp., Wm. Wilson; 3, sp., D. Wilson; 4, Rennie; vhc, Vernall; hc, Keary; c, Black. MATCHED PAIRS (6): 1, Keary; 2, 4, Watson; 3, Millroy; vhc, McMichael. AMATEUR: 1, P. OR G. CK.: 1, 3, Campbell; 2, Millroy. YELL. HENS: 2, D. Wilson. BUFF: 4, D. Wilson; YELL. HENS: 2, D. Wilson. BUFF: 4, D. Wilson; hc, Millroy. YELL PIED OR GREEN HEN: 1, 2, sp., Campbell, BUFF HENS: 3, sp., D. Wilson.

WHITEHAVEN.

A record collection greeted exhibitors and visitors who attended the 14th annual exhibition held Nov. 8 and 9 in the Oddfellows' Hall, a spacious well adapted room. Norwich were well represented, a fine collection of typical birds filling the classes. This being one of the patronage shows of the W.Y.C.C., the cream of the members' birds, as well as those of several leading Yorkshire exhibitors, were forward. The champion section contained birds of exceptional merit. Only 19 birds put in an appearance in the three novice classes. Bords. with the exception of the unevenly marked classes were good, both in numbers and quality, the medal for best member's bird being awarded to the buff ock belonging to Mr. Rae, of Embleton; special for best of opposite sex falling to a lovely yellow hen belonging to Mr. Harding, Harrington. British were also nice classes, the two Linnet classes being exceptionally good ones. The committee responsible for the carrying out of the show consists of Messrs. J. Ellwood (chairman), T. Brown, J. Kelly, W. Levason and T. D. Ayre, who with Mr. W. T. Douglas as secretary, spared themselves in no way to merit success, being indefatigable in working, and courteous and obliging in every respect. Prize money was paid out to all exhibitors present, absent ones having it forwarded within a few days. The judges were: Borders, Mr. Harry Davidson, Lockerbie; remainder, Mr. J. H. Roe, Derby.

The Critique.

NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (7): 1, Davies, fine col., good chest, rare size, grand wings; 2, Davies, good head, rare col., clean and shapely; 3, Joe Thomas, good broad head, well feathered, behind in col. and substance; 4, Sewell, good col. and type; 5, Freeman; 6, Wilson; 7, Nume. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Davies, grand birds, size, col., and qual., well staged; 3, Reid Bros., good stamp, fine feather and col.; 4, Thomas, not so good in wing carr.; 5, Clark; 6, Nume; 7, Younghusband. UNEVEN, ETC., YELL. (7): 1, 2, Davies, leader mkd. eyes and wings, red hot in col., grand head and carr., latter varieg., fine col., good stamp; 3, Nume, rare col. and type, fine size, had knocked wings all to pieces; 4, Thomas, varieg.; 5, Sumpton Bros.; 6, Younghusband; 7, Clark. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Sumpton Bros., leader check tkd., fine col., good size and type, latter wing tkd., fine feather, good col.; 3, Younghusband, grizzle head, good head and stand, behind in chest; 4, Thomas, neck tkd., rare stamp. HEN (6): 1, Mattinson, yell., mkd. eyes, wings, and back, fine and typical, good col.; 2, Younghusband, lightly tkd., rare and chubby; 3, Sumpton Bros., cl. buff, good stamp, some tail feathers just growing; 4, Davies, fine qual., good stamp; 5, Wilson; 6, Clark. UNFLIG. COCK (10): 1, Parlett, cl. buff, good bold head, fine substance; 2, Davies, yell., fine size, rare col.; 3, 7, Mattinson, wing mkd. yell., fine head, good type; 4, 5, Harrison, behind in wing carr.; 6, Wilson. HEN (13): 1, Mattinson, cl. yell., good chest, fine col.; 2, 5, Thomas, cl. buff, fine substance; 4, Freeman, good col. and fed; 6, Nicholson Bros.; 7, Sumpton Bros. YORKS. CL., ETC., YELL. (16): 1, Sutcliffe and Son, finely drawn, long, slim, and stylish, clever shower; 2, Coulson, big, upstanding, well drawn, good wings, paler col.; 3, Wilkinson Bros., slim and showy, well set up, cap, col., and qual.; 4, Crawhall, long, reachy, fine level col.; 5, Hutler; 6, Dykes; 7, Clegg. BUFF (10): 1, Sutcliffe and Son, wonderful qual. of feather, reachy, upstanding, clean cut all over, well set up, and beautifully shown; 2, Clegg, similar build, shade paler in col.; 3, Crawhall, grand feather and col., well up, beautifully built; 4, Tweedie, fine, upstanding, little behind in qual.; 5, Wells; 6, Hirst; 7, Lyall. TKD. OR UNEVEN YELL. (9): 1, Cuthbertson, mkd. back of neck, rare good stand, well braced up, clever shower; 2, 6, Douglas, hot col., well drawn, good wing (passed at Cleator Moor the previous week as being a buff); 3, Sutcliffe and Son, wings, eyes, and head, well set up, slim and stylish; 4, Tweedie, varieg. cinnamon; 5, Brown and Son; 7, Stewart. BUFF (13): 1, Sutcliffe and Son, grizzle cheek, slim and stylish, feathered like wax; 2, Wilkinson Bros., tkd. back of head, similar to winner; 3, Cuthbertson, wings and eyes finely made, beautifully drawn; 4, Tweedie, wing and cheek, shade steuter in build; 5, Stewart; 6, Brown and Son; 7, Crawhall. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Dykes, cl., fine col. and qual., rare upright carr.; 2, 3, Clegg, cl. and cinn. tkd., fine, well drawn, reachy, and rare qual.; 4, Stewart, one wing mkd., good and stylish; 5, 6, Douglas; 7, Hutler. BUFF (9): 1, Crawhall, cl., beautiful qual., fine and upstanding, sweet head, clever wings and stylish; 2, Cuthbertson, finely drawn cl., good salmon col., well braced wings; 3, Stewart, tkd. neck and shoulders, fine position, cleanly made, well set up; 4, Dykes, nervy and well up; 5, Stewart; 6, Coulson; 7, Lyall. UNFLIG. YELL. OR BUFF COCK (11): 1, Sutcliffe and Son, wing mkd. yell., rare length and stylish, beautiful cl. cut all over; 2, Hurst, cl., yell., not quite the length, but stylish; 3, 7, Hutler, clear buff, fine position, wonderful qual.; 4, Lyall, yell., tkd. neck, good col., and rare feather; 5, Stewart; 6, Tweedie. UNFLIG. HEN (11): 1, 2, Clegg, yell., nicely drawn, sweetly moulded, good qual., latter buff, good position, stylish, well feathered; 3, Dykes, buff, good length, fine position; 4, Tweedie, buff, well drawn, very stylish; 5, Hutler; 6, Sutcliffe and Son; 7, Stewart. COCK, NOVICE (6): 1, 2, Bostock, hot col. yell., 2nd buff, nice style; 3, Hetherington, yell., fine position, patchy in col.; 4, Huntington; 5, 6, Rothery. HEN (6): 1, Thurston, yell., fairly good in position and col.; 2, 6, Bostock, nice qual., good, and stylish; 3, Hetherington; 4, Huntington; 5, Rothery. UNFLIG (7): 1, 6, Huntington, yell., good in position, nicely set up; 2, 3, Thurston, buff and yell.; 4, 5, Bostock, both nice position and style; 7, Hetherington. DARK CAN. HYB. (9): 1, Sumpton Bros., Linnet and Can., fine size and col., beautiful condition, fine polish; 2, Hodgson, Goldie, fine face, good size and finish; 3, 6, 7, Bertram and Baines, Redpoll, nice and steady, fair size and feather; 4, Tams and Son, Siskin, capital condition, good size and col.; 5, Davies. GOLDIE (8): 1, Bertram and Baines, fine and well cut blaze, good and distinct in markings, capital wings, steady; 2, Bradley, not so deep in blaze col., but good otherwise; 3, 6, Wilson and Godfrey, good in all round properties, fine size; 4, Tams and Son, fine, shapely; 5, Mrs. Jenkinson; 7, Robinson. GREENFINCH (7): 1, 6, Wilson and Godfrey, good, shapely bird, fine condition, rich col.; 2, Douglas, rich col., fine size and shape, field moulted; 3, Hudson, fine shape and feather; 4, Biggar and Steward, nice hen, shapely, and well shown; 5, Brown and Ingoe; 7, Rowland and Martin. LINNET, F.M. (13): 1, 4, Bell and Nelson, fine size and shape, good markings and col., rare polish, sound col. on breast, no white stripes; 2, Park, fine rich col., good, sound, and well rounded chest, capital markings; 3, Stewart, capital shape, well rounded body and chest, fine col. and markings; 5, Wilson and Godfrey; 6, Corkill and Lowrey; 7, T. and J. Kearton. DO., H.M. (16): 1, 5, Wilson and Godfrey, good bodied, nice size, well mkd., sweet, rich col.; 2, Douglas, finely shaped, good col., and size, beautifully mkd.; 3, Traill, good sound col., fine size and markings, well polished; 4, Tams and Son, beauty, finely mkd., good size; 6, Mrs. Jenkinson; 7, Corkill and Lowrey. LESSER REDPOLL (5): 1, 3, T. and J. Kearton, leader fine col., nicely mkd., good size, latter not quite so sound in col., similar type; 2, Moore and Son, rare type, shapely and nicely mkd., little behind in bib; 4, Maddison, close up; 5, Wilson and Godfrey. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 3, Wilson and Godfrey, Twite leading, rich col. and markings, fine size and condition; 2, J. and J. Reay, Mealy Redpoll, good size, nicely marked, steady and in grand order; 4, Douglas, Mealy, very little behind; 5, Maddison; 6, Brown. SMALL SEED-EATER (10): 1, 3, Parlett, leader Bramble, fine, shapely, rich col. breast, nicely spangled and well cut markings, latter Chaffie, good size and col., both in grand order; 2, Douglas, Yellowhammer, good size, nice head and cheek markings, very steady; 4, Hellon, Bullie, nice and well defined col., good breast and cap; 5, Bradley; 6, Bell and Nelson; 7, Hopper Bros. INSECTIV., SMALL (2): 1, 2, Lewis, Blackcap and Robin, both in capital feather and beautifully staged. LARGE (2): 1, 2, Lewis, Chough and Waxwing, former frequent winner, latter beautiful in plumage, a treat to see; these two classes, though small in number, were a source of attraction, and well worth seeing. FOR. (6): 1, Lewis, lovely bird, beautiful condition and col.; 2, 6, Mrs. Thompson, Alexandrine Parrakeet, in grand order; 3, 4, Miss Bellman, Amazon Parrots, fine condition; 5, Curwen, do. GIFT (12): 1, Davies; 2, Douglas; 3, Moore and Son; 4, Brown; 5, Ayre; 6, Ellwood; 7, Stewart. BORD., YELL., ETC. (20): 1, Dixon, beautiful qual. and col., nicely put down, sweetly made, capital wings; 2, Wilson, good col. and qual., not so stylish as winner; 3, Pearson, heavier in build, good col. and qual. nice carr.; 4, Smith, very little behind; 5, Watt; 6, Hopper Bros.; 7, Knight. BUFF (17): 1, sp., fine, good typical bird, sweetly made, excellent qual., nice col.; 2, Hudson, fine qual., well carried wings and tail; 3, Levason, neat head, good type, fine carr.; 4, Watt, close up; 5, Ellwood; 6, Pennington; 7, Poole. UNEVEN YELL. (6): 1, Nicholson, cinn. mkd., oft described; 2, Dixon, eyes, wings, and tail, good markings, fine col. and qual., rare position, minus a toe nail; 3, Smith, head and wing mkd., good qual. and col., nice type; 4, 5, Ayre, last year's winner, not quite ready yet; 6, Leggat. BUFF (5): 1, Wilson, ex. mkd. eyes and wings, good col. and qual., capital order; 2, Ellwood, lightly mkd. eyes, and one wing, fine order, sleek and fine; 3, Knight, head and one wing, fine qual., behind in col.; 4, Reid Bros., fine feather, stylish; 5, Moore and Son. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (15): 1, sp, Harding, cl., stylish, well shown, good qual.; 2, Ayre, close up to winner; 3, Wilson, fine qual., typical; 4, Egerton, good type; 5, Poole; 6, Ellwood; 7, Levason. BUFF (17): 1, Rae, fine qual., good type, nicely rounded; 2, Hudson; 3, Ayre; 4, Watt, all there, very stylish, neat and well fitting coats, very near thing; 5, Hopper Bros.; 6, 7, Poole. EVEN MARK (5): 1, Nicholson, finely mkd. buff hen, good feather, nice type; 2, 5, Moore and Son, buff and yell. hen, former nicely mkd., grand qual. and very stylish, latter has light feather in one wing, which put her down; 3, Dixon, finely mkd. buff cock, good col. and qual., tail feather growing; 4, Walker, buff hen, fails in eyes; 6, Watson. UNEVEN, ETC., HEN (9): 1, Ellwood, eyes and one wing, yell., fine style and feather; 2, 5, Pearson, wings and one eye, cinn. marks, good style, fine feather; 3, Watt, wings and head cinn., similar to 2nd; 4, Pennington, wings and eyes, all four yellows; 6, Wilson; 7, Moore and Son; No. 6, Lambie, absent. GREEN, ETC. (11): 1, Pennington, yell. green, fine shade of col., nice size and typical; 2, 7, Coulthard, buff cinn., fine shape and feather; 3, 4, Montgomery, buff green leading, good in every respect; 5, Leggat; 6, Moore and Son; No. 3, Lambie, absent, Mr. Lambie's two entries arrived on the afternoon of Friday, after the classes were judged.

EXETER C.B.S.

Sixtb annual members' show, Nov. 2, in the Market Hall. Entries came up well, especially in Norwich, Yorkshires, and Finches. The former contained some old winners in open competition, most notably Mr. Middleton's buff cock. Yorks. were a grand lot, and those belonging to Mr. Elston were capable of holding their own in any competition. Mr. Marshall also staged a grand team of Mules, other well-known winners being Miss Joseph's Jonque Goldfinch Canary, and lightly variegated. ditto. Goldfinches were the finest lot seen in the county, and Crest were an even lot, the winning Crest possessing a grandly radiated Dk. Crest of beautiful texture. The other sections were not far behind, if anything. The Norwich cup was won with a shapely unflighted yell. cock of Mr. Jas. Martin, who secured most of the honours in this section with a fine team. The Yorks. cup was won by Mr. A. Elston again with an unflighted. Like the former, this exhibitor staged a grand team; one, a grand buff, cardless owing to his wild condition, could win at most shows. The Crest cup was won by Mr. J. Johnson; Mule cup, Mr. Franks, and British cup, Mr. R. D. Chudley, with a fine Hawfinch. Mr. Pope judged to the satisfaction of everyone.

NOR. YELL.: 1, sp., Martin, cap mk., large, deep body; 2, Casley, cl., fine head and neck, nice size; 3, 4, hc, G. Mitchell, var., very neat; vhc, Parker; c, Tripe. BUFF: 1, sp., Middleton, cl., good head and neck, nice feather, good wings; 2, Mitchell, cl., nice head and neck, very shapely, close up; 3, Martin, fails size and shape, nice feather; 4, Parker; vhc, Purrington; hc, c, Folley. HEN: 1, sp., 2, Martin, yell., sweet shape and style, 2nd, buff, good feather and wings; 3, vhc, Mitchell, grand feather buff, neat head; 4, Middleton, close feather, good wings, trifle small; hc, Parker; c, Tripe. NON-FED.: 1, sp., Casley, good size and shape, well shown; 2, Franks; nice feather; 3, Mitchell, good wing carriage, fails size; 4, Sloman. 1912: 1, cup, Martin, yell., grand shape, best of short wings, nice style; 2, Turner, nice col. and feather; 3, Martin, buff, good size and shape; 4, Parker, good col., fails size; vhc, e, Middleton; hc, Martin.

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FORFAR.

Third annual show held in the Masonic Hall, Nov. 9, under the patronage of the S.P.C., B.F.C.C., and S.B.B. and M.C. The entry was very poor considering the classification and prize-money offered —£1 per class. The entry totalled 303 in 36 classes, 70 down on last year, the falling-off being mostly in Border Section. The hall is a splendid one for the purposes of a show, being well lighted from the roof, the birds being well staged round the sides of the hall and down the centre. The executive are a rare set of workers. Mr. John Bowman, the genial President, was the life of the show, and did everything in his power to make the wheels go smoothly. The Vice-President, Mr. Kennedy, was also working hard to the same end, while the committee, Messrs. Fyfe, Kydd, Ily. Bowman, Simson, and Anderson, were all in attendance and kept the work well in hand. Quality was of the best, and included many of the Brechin winners of the previous Saturday. The Border Cup winner at Brechin was beaten for the Forfar Cup, and the decision caused a lot of excited comment among the visitors, many of whom expressed an opinion that a mistake had been made. The awards in certain of the Border classes seemed to meet with some little disapprobation. The Bowman Rose Bowl for best Norwich was won by Mr. Smeaton with his splendid non-fed yellow cock; Bowman medallion for best Norwich of opposite sex to cup winner by Mr. Grewar's unflighted buff hen. Mr. Smeaton also won S.P.C. medal for best cock, and Mr. George Mitchell medal for best hen. Mr. George Steven annexed Sandiford's medal, and also Hyde's teapot. Border Cup was won by Mr. Henderson, Buckhaven, the runner-up being Mr. John Craig, B.F.C.C. medal was won by Mr. T. Arnott, Kirkcaldy. The judges were:—Norwich, Mr. Sloan, Glasgow; Borders, Mr. Peters, Buckhaven; British, etc., Mr. W. Bishop, Stirling. The secretary, Mr. D. Kerr, had all his arrangements well forward, and made a very good start for a novice.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. ETC. YELL. (5): 1, spl, Bishop, good size, rare quality, old winner often described; 2, Smeaton, nice col., good size and substance, nice head and wings; 3, Kydd, still a good one, grand size, well laid on wings and tail; 4, Harper, fine col., nice qual. BUFF (5): 1, Mitchell, good size and col., rare front, good head and wings, nice qual., wins; 2, Houston, fine size, good head and front, nice qual., fails wing carr.; 3, Grewar, nice size, rare qual., good head and front; 4, 5, Anderson. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Harris, old winner, looking well; 2, Smeaton, Brechin winner, nice qual., grand size, good feather and condition; 3, Myles, good type and qual., nice size, good wings; 4, Kydd, grand size, good head and wings; 5, Boath; 6, Anderson. BUFF (9): 1, Mitchell, beauty for size and qual., rare head and wings, nice col., wins; 2, F. Taylor, good size and substance, nice head and wings, rather flat below; 3, J. Taylor, nice size, good type and qual., fine wings; 4, Bishop, nice one for size and quality, very typical; 5, Smeaton; 6, Houston; 7, Boath. VAR. ETC. YELL (8): 1, Will, Brechin winner, fine size, good substance, nice col., good wing carriage; 2, Calderwood, heavy marked, good size and substance, nice head and front, fine quality; 3, Pirie, rare good qual., not so thick as winners; 4, Gardiner, nice type, good style, fails size; 5, Kydd; 6, Sandison; 7, Bowman. BUFF (6): 1, spl, Steven, good one for size, nice col., good head and neck, typical; 2, Hannah, good one, nice quality, grand feather; 3, Masterton, nice size and substance, good head and wings, fine style; 4, Pirie, very stylish; 5, Harris; 6, Harper. VAR. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Gardiner, heavily var., good size and substance, nice wing carr., good head and feather, 2, Smith, good type and qual., nice front; 3, 7, Mitchell, 3rd good one for size and qual., nice head and wings, presses; 4, Steven, good size and substance; 5, Kydd; 6, Harper. BUFF (10): 1, F. Taylor, good size, nice head, good quality; 2, 3, Mitchell, leader fine size, rare good wings and tail, fine quality of feather; 3rd similar, nice front, both worth place; 4, Bowman, nice qual., good head and wings, well put down; 5, Sandison; 6, Grewar; 7, Pirie. UNFLIGH. (16): 1, Steven, Brechin winner, cl. yell., grand col., rare qual. of feather, good wings and tail, well staged; 2, Mitchell, rare type and qual., good size, nice col., fine feather; 3, Grewar, good size and substance, nice type, good fettle; 4, Smeaton, heavy marked buff, good size and substance; 5, Sandison; 6, Boath; 7, A. Strachan. HEN (9): 1, Grewar, cl. buff, grand size, nice head, short colby body, good front, clinking good one; 2, Smeaton, Brechin cup winner, beaten to-day, cl. yell., good size, rare qual., beautiful type; 3, Smith, nice buff, good size, rare qual. of feather, fine condition; 4, Masterton, nice one, good head and wings; 5, Boath; 6, Braid; 7, Gardiner. NON-FED (4): 1, cup, Smeaton, cl. yell., splendid size and substance, rare good head and wings, nice quality, grand condition; 2, Mitchell, grand exhibit, fine size, good head, wings, and col., in shining order; 3, Grewar, good Green, fine size, good head, nice deep front, good wings and tail; 4, Gardiner, nice one, well put down. HEN (6): 1, Harris, good buff, great size, nice round front, good head and wings, well carried; 2, Mitchell, good Green, nice size, good quality of feather, rare wings; 3, J. Taylor, nice var., good size, fine quality of feather; 4, Hadley, fine size and quality; 5, Bishop; 6, Calderwood. BORD. CL. ETC. YELL. (10): 1, Craig, Glasgow winner, nice type and col., good head and wings, in shining order; 2, Irons, nice type, good quality of feather, nice head; 3, Crabb and Finlayson, good one for type, rare jaunty carriage, nice colour, presses hard; 4, Munro, nice qual., good wings and carr.; 5, Arnott; 6, Henderson; 7, Campbell. HEN (10): 1, Arnott, good type and col., fair size and qual., could do with a wash; 2, Irvine, good one, fine head and wings, well carried, well put down; 3, Stevenson, grand style, good size, rare good wings, well carried, well staged; 4, Munro, nice quality, good size, fine style; 5, Crabb and Finlayson, another good one, might have gone up; 6, Irons; 7, Craig, Brechin winner. CL. BUFF (8): 1, 2, 3, Craig, a trio of beauties, either could have headed a good class; 4, Irons, fairly good one, nice head and tail, fails wing carr.; 5, Rea and Reid; 6, Henderson; 7, Irvine. HEN (8): 1, Arnott, nice head and wings, good style and qual.; 2, Robertson, good one, nice style, good quality of feather; 3, Irons, typical, good head and wings, well carried; 4, Kennedy, fairly good one for type; 5, 7, Craig; 5, old winner, often described, easily best bird in class, hard lines; 6, Robertson. EVEN MKD. (3): 1, Hampton, good one for size and col., nice head and wings, well carried, very typical; 2, Arnott, good exhibit, nice wings and tail, fine qual.; 3, Robertson, nice one for size and colour, well put down. UNEVEN YELL. (7): 1, Rae and Reid, a wee dandy, grand col. and markings, fine size, in spanking order; 2, Crabb and Finlayson, good one for type and col., fine size, good head and wings, well put down; 3, Henderson, good size and col., nice head, not so good quality of feather; 4, 5, Craig, both Brechin winners; 6, Hampton; 7, Irons. BUFF (7): 1, cup, Henderson, good size, good head and tail, nice all round bird, but bit loose in feather, some thought lucky to achieve this distinction; 2, Arnott, good head and wings, well carried, nice qual.; 3, Irvine, capital style, good head and wings, well laid on; 4, Craig, good one for size and type, in rare order; 5, Robertson; 6, Irons; 7, Smart. GREEN OR CINN. cancelled. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, 5, Watson, J. D., Goldie Bullie, grand size and col., nice bright blaze, well staged; 2 Nicol, Linnet-Bullie, an old face, still looking well; 3, Taylor, F., Goldie-Bullie, fine size, very good face, nice col.; 4, Fyfe, Greenie Siskin, nice quality of feather, good col.; No. 2, McFarlane, absent. DK. GOLD OR LINNET MULE (4): 1, Strachan, nice Goldie Mule of good size and col., fine quality of feather; 2, Hendrie, good Linnet, nice col., good quality, well staged; 3, Grewar, Goldie, good size, fine col.; 4, Watson, J. D., Goldie, fine size, nice qual., good col. A.O.V. DK. (5): 1, 2, Craig (Edinburgh), fine Greenie, capital size, good head and wings, nice col.; 2, similar, well put down; 3, Fyfe, another good Greenie, very good size and col.; No. 3, McFarlane, absent. GOLDFINCH (8): 1, Nicolson, good size and nice blaze of good col., well tanned, fine wings, nicely buttoned; 2, Mackie, good one, in rare order, fine rich face, well mounted, and well staged; 3, Black and Lumsden, nice Goldie, scarcely size of leaders, rich blaze, good wings; 4, Harcombe, nice one, good size and col.; 5, Muir and Heeman; 6, Irons; 7, Cranna. BULLFINCH (6): 1, 5, Watt, leader winner at Perth and Brechin, grand size, good back and breast col., fine cap, nicely cut, nice bars; 2, 4, Cranna, leader scarcely size of winner, rich breast col., fine jet black cap and nice bars; 4, similar, not so rich col.; 3, Strachan, bonnie Bullie, fails size; 5, Nicol. GREENFINCH (10): 1, Nicolson, fine size, big hold head, rich grass green colour, nice wings, showing yellow well; 2, 7, Aitken, another good one for size, fine col., good head and wings; 3, Law, fairly good bird, not condition of leaders, might perhaps have changed places with 4, Sharp, good size and quality, nice head and wings; 5, McKinley; 6, Morton. LINNET (13). 1, Nicolson, good size and col., nice pencilling, fine wings; 2, McKinley, good one for quality, fine facing; 3, 4, 5, McMaster, trio of nice ones, leader winner at Perth, looking well; 6, Fox; 7, Muir and Heenan. SISKIN ETC.: 1, Nicolson, good Siskin, fine cap and bib, good col. and size, in nice trim; 2, 3, 4, Morton, Siskin, Lesser 'Poll, and Twite, good trio in grand order, well staged; 5, 7, Watson; 6, Muir and Heenan. HEN BRITISH (6): 1, Mackie, one of the best Bullie hens we have seen this season, in beautiful order, wins; 2, Morton, good Greenie, fine size and col.: 3, Ed. Taylor, Black Redstart, in rare trim; 4, Robb, Bearded Tit, very wild; 5, Colville and Son; 6, Simpson. A.O.S. BRIT. (6): 1, spl, Ed. Taylor, Redstart, in the pink of condition, very smartly turned out; 2, Nicolson, Corn Bunting, good size and col., very steady; 3, Colville and Son, good Bearded Tit, in splendid order, very steady, well staged; 4, Langlands, Waxwing, still looking well, beaten to-day; 5, Douglas; 6, Fox. FOR. (4): 1, 2, Robb, leader Grenadier Weaver, fine condition, very gorgeous colours; 2nd, Pintailed Nonpareil, in grand order, very steady; 3, Lees, pair Yellow Budgerigars, in fine plumage, could do with a wash; 4, F. Mitchell, nice Indian Lariot, in grand plumage.

MAIDENHEAD.

Annual show, held Nov. 6 and 7, in the Skating Rink. Entries were about the same as last year, but it was a great pity Windsor and Oxford shows clashed, which must have made a difference to entries. The fee of 2s. for 10s., 5s. and 2s. 6d. prizes may have kept entries away. Birds were staged by Messrs. J. W. Goldsmith and G. W. Baylis, who well looked after their wants. Mr. T. Yates, of Reading, judged. NOR., CL. YELL. TKD., OR VARIEG. (5): 1, 2 sps., Goldsmith, even mkd., good head and chest, nice wings, good size, might be better colour; 2, withheld; 3, Baylis, cl., good col and qual.; vhc, Price; hc, Weatherill. BUFF (4): 1, buff, lovely type, rich col., fine wings and tail, good front, well carried wings and tail, nice col. and qual.; 3, Baylis, nat. col., good head and chest, fine qual.; vhc, Baylis; hc, Crosse. 1912 (7): 1, Brooker, tkd. buff, good head, nicely carried wings and tail, fine col. and qual., fails a little in chest; 2, 3, Price, cl. yell., nice col. and qual., 3, cl. buff, little weak in head, good col; vhc, Baylis; hc, Goldsmith; c, Weatherill. YORKS. (6): 1, 2, Mrs. Ballard, cl. buff, lovely tye, rich col., fine wings and tail, good head, neat; 2, ticked yell., fine position, well carried wings and tail, good col.; 3, withheld; vhc, c, Hawes Bros.; hc, Miss P. Philcox. 1912 (6): 1, vhc, Hawes Bros., cl. yell., fine col. and qual., nicely carried wings and tail, well up on legs; 2, Goldsmith, yell., fails in colour and position to winner, wants more length; 3, withheld; hc, c, Price. FOR. (7): 1, hc, Cox, Mynah, fine form, well shown, easy 1st; 2, no name, Parrot, shown in splendid form; 3, Mrs. Webster, Green Parrot, nice wings and plumage, good size; vhc, c, Miss D. Sawyer.

SHIPLEY.

First members' winter shoaw, held Nov. 6, at the Prince of Wales, when 91 birds were staged. Mr. W. A. Cowgill was the judge, and gave every satisfaction. Point winners up to date are: Champions: Messrs. J. B. Martin 38, H. Long 37, E. Grange 31, A. M. Craven 31, W. Bloomfield 28, H. Hudson 24, J. A. Taylor 22. Novices: J. Excell 28, T. Cooper 24, G. Harrison 21, J. H. Murgatroyd 20. Awards: CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, c, Towers; 2, Martin; 3, vhc, Long; hc, Hudson. BUFF: 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, 3, Towers; vhc, Martin. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Taylor; 2, Grange; 3, Martin. BUFF: 1, Craven; 2, Sutcliffe and Son; 3, Taylor; vhc, c, Grange; hc, Martin; c, Crossland. CL., OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Bloomfield; 2, Towers; 3, Craven; vhc, Taylor; hc, Long; c, Sutcliffe and Son. CL. OR TK. BUFF HEN: 1, Grange; 2, Taylor; 3, vhc, Crossland; hc, Long; c, Martin. EVEN, etc., YELL.: 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, Craven; 3, Long. BUFF: 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, Towers. EVEN, ETC. YELL. HEN: 1, Sutcliffe and Son. BUFF: 1, 3, vhc, Long; 2, Bloomfield; hc, Towers. CINN. TK., ETC., BUFF: 1, 2, Hudson; 3, vhc, Grange. HEN: 1, 2, Towers; 3, Hudson; vhc, Sutcliffe and Son; hc, c, Grange. FOUL MK.: 1, Towers. NOV., A.V. YELL. CK.: 1, vhc, Murgatroyd; 2, 3, Excell; hc, Armstead; c, Briggs. BUFF: 1, Cooper; 2, Murgatroyd; 3, Armstead; vhc, Briggs; hc, Harrison. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Cooper; 3, Excell; vhc, Harrison. BUFF: 1, 2, Excell; 3, Cooper; vhc, Armstead; hc, Cooper; c, Harrison. FOUL MKD.: 1, Murgatroyd; 2, Cooper.—A. Tillotson, Sec.

WARRINGTON.

Held Nov. 9, in the Kendrick Street Schools, a compact, well lighted room, and well heated, perhaps a little too hot in the afternoon. The show was very strong in the Yorkshire section, and in the champion classes some of the champions of the day were on view. Novice classes were exceptionally strong in both Yorks. and Norwich. Norwich champion classes did not fill well, although there were some grand birds amongst them. The Greens, Yorks., and Norwich were cancelled, not having the Green Club patronage. Border Fancies were really good, the Green class being a very fine one. Mules and Hybrids were good, and here we saw one or two notably good birds taking a back seat. British in the five classes which stood were very good, and in the Goldfinch, etc., class one or two "crack" Finches were left out of the tickets, one notably, Mr. A. P. Hurst's well-known winning Goldie. In the A.O.V. Hardbill class, a splendid Waxwing won. Surely a mistake has arisen here somehow. The officials worked well, and had matters well in hand all through, and the only annoyance came through the printer failing to complete the catalogue properly, which left many disappointed who visited the show. Mr. Wellings judged Norwich, Mules, and British, and Mr. Battye Yorkshires, Borders, etc., and in one or two instances only did we hear adverse comment, the awards generally being well received.

The Critique.

YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. (19): Fine lot all through: 1, Bain, very finely drawn, well rounded, upright position, neat carriage and A1 tight condition; 2, Eastwood, bit coarser, nice carr., neat shape; 3, Knowles, very finely drawn, grand style and carr., good feather and condition; 4, Spencer, breedy, fine qual. and condition; vhc, Boote; hc, Perry; c, Beaumont. BUFF (13): 1, Ogden Bros., tkd. left shoulder, grand bird from end to end; 2, 4, Knowles, clears, rare length and style, splendid tight condition; 3, Craig, cinn. varieg., grand qual., good style and A1 carr.; vhc, Cowgill; hc, Dooley; c, Ellis. YELL. HEN (14): 1, Wilkinson Bros., eye and wing mkd., very neat and finely drawn, well rounded, good carr., wings and tail; 2, Shackleton, tkd .left wing, very fine and breedy, clean through, A1 form; 3, Thomas, tkd. nape, grand all over it; 4, vhc, Knowles, cinn. varieg., beautifully drawn out, clean and neat through, A1 condition; hc, Ogden Bros.; c, Craig. BUFF (14): 1, Ogden Bros., tkd. nape, a gem of the first water, in most lovely form; 2, Ellis, tkd. wing, lovely qual. and position, neat carr. of wings and pipe tail; 3, Wilcock, a fine big lady, but a neat and clean cut one, in very tight trim; 4, Bain, very finely drawn, rare carr. and good condition; vhc, c, Knowles; hc, Boote. UNFLIG. (18): 1, Brooks, very large yell., but neat and clean cut, and A1 carr., etc.; 2, Shackleton, yell., very well rounded, grand type, carr., and condition; 3, vhc, Thomas, buff, nice size, very finely drawn, well up on leg, in A1 condition; 4, Ogden Bros., yell., var., very slim, well wrapt up, grand col. and condition; hc, Durnford; c, Wilcock. NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (8): 1, 2, Raynes, father and son, former last year's winner, in A1 order, rare cobby big bird; 2nd smaller; 3, Hall, fine, stout built bird, grand col., carr., and condition, equal to first except head; 4, Nelson, nice type and col., just beaten in shape a little; vhc, Granger; hc, Cleminson; c, King. BUFF (11): 1, Moss, a clear, very silky, full of bloom, and condition; 2, Barnes, dark head and breast, grand type, qual., col., and condition; 3, Johnson, grizzle back, very fine feather, full of bloom; 4, Hall, smaller cl., flowing with qual. and tight condition; vhc, Critchley; hc, Raynes; c, Titchard. YELL. HEN (8): 1, cup, Leigh, dark head and wings, grand size, shape, col., qual., and condition; 2, Raynes, cl., grand type, col., carr., and condition; 3, Critchley, var., grand col. and type, A1 condition; 4, Dyer, cl., smaller, very nice body and condition; vhc, Marsh; hc, Nelson; c, Barnes. BUFF (7): 1, Marsh, cl., cobby, well up in qual. and bloom, good bird all over; 2, Hall, var., rare col. and qual., nice type and condition, good size; 3, c, Raynes, large, heavy var., thick set, fine col., bloom, and qual.; 4, Jackson, grizzle cap, nice qual. and condition; vhc, Nelson; hc, Moss. UNFLIG. (7): 1, Marsh, mkd. cap yell., grand stamp, A1 right through; 2, vhc, Barnes, var., very chubby, fine qual., col., and condition; 3, Grainger, similar body, beaten in head; 4, Leigh, smaller, slimmer buff; hc, Williams; c, Mort. YORKS., YELL. (21): 1, Hamlin, rare size and length, cl., slim as a pencil, and as tight; 2, Potts, beaten in wing and tail carr. by first; 3, Gill, better carr., finely drawn, in grand feather and condition; 4, Davidson, very breedy, fine qual. and condition; vhc, Wroe; hc, Stainsfield Bros.; c, Ferguson. BUFF (20): 1, Appleton, medium size, cl., rare type, tight and straight as a drum, grand stand and condition; 2, Ferguson, big, bold bird, tkd. head and wing, thicker through, but grand qual. and condition; 3, Stansfield Bros., very fine, tight cl., flatter in chest, long drawn out, nice top carr. and condition; 4, Jones, cl., good all through; vhc, Davidson; hc, Harper; c, Robson. HEN, YELL. (17): 1, Smith Bros., grand cl., medium size, A1 condition; 2, Croesley, very long and slim, clean cut, good qual.; 3, Jones, good body, bit coarser head; 4, Smith, beaten wing carr.; vhc, Gregory; hc, Gilbert; c, Holmes. BUFF (19): 1, Harper, cl., large, but good and clean through; 2, Warburton, cl., good body and col., bit forked in tail; 3, Gregory, tkd. eye, A1 qual., tight in feather, pipe tail; 4, Potts, larger and stouter, good carr.; vhc, Ratcliffe; hc, Sutton; c, Booth. UNFLIG. YELL. (14): 1, Hamlin, cl., grand big bird, but clean through; 2, Potts, smaller, good stand, bit flatter on head; 3, Sutton, variegated., rare col. and nicely drawn; 4, Radford, tight, well built, clean, grand bird; vhc, Richards; hc, Livesey; c, Farrell. BUFF (23): 1, Sutton; 2, Potts; 3, Lealman; 4, Hamlyn, all these very level and alike, as two peas, and very hard to separate, a rare lot for qual., etc.; vhc, Jackson; hc, Gilbert; c, Wroe. NOR. YELL. (13): 1, Lord, tkd, on right cheek, grand cobby shape, well clothed, good col., carr., etc.; 2, McFarlane, marked head and wing, fine shape, col., and qual.; 3, Crowe, cl., bit longer, good bird; 4, Marshall, cobby body, beaten in head; vhc, Hayes; hc, Stonier; c, Smith. BUFF (28): 1, Bailey, good all round cl., wins in a strong class; 2, Nolan, tkd. saddle, another grand one; 3, Furness, beaten substance, nice qual. and condition, 4, Collier, cl., bit soiled, nice body, beaten in head; vhc, Clunn; hc, Kirby; c, Taylor. YELL. HEN (14): 1, Furness, large, thick set type, nice bloom and condition; 2, Higham, grand head, rare type and qual., beaten in substance; 3, Stonier, smaller cl., but good; 4, Rosebotham, rare good type and feather; vhc, Jones; hc, Thompson; c, Bailey. BUFF (15): 1, Stonier, tkd. nape, type good, fine qual., tkd. nape and left wing; 2, Fearnett, A1 cobby cl.; 3, Rowbotham, var., good body, narrower head; 4, Whalley, cl., fine type and A1 qual. and condition; vhc, Crowe; hc, Robson; c, Hayward. UNFLIG. YELL. (13): 1, 2, Peters, really good pair, and hard to separate; 3, Ashley, tkd. head, grand shape, col., and qual.; 4, Crowe, var., A1 col. and condition; vhc, Anderson; hc, Jones; c, Warburton. BUFFS (23): 1, McAndrew, big, thick set, variegated bird, A1 qual., col., and bloom; 2, Taylor, var., similar all over it; 3, Hayward, cobby cl., grand bloom and condition; 4, Jackson, tkd. neck, good feather, bit long all through; vhc, Rowbotham; hc, Crowe; c, Sutton. OPEN: BORD. YELL. (8): 1, Long, cl., good type, body, jaunty, long enough in tail; 2, Nelson, eye and wing mkd., lovely type, carr., and condition; 3, Harrison, very nice type clear, sound colour, fine carriage and condition; 4, Short and Backhouse, marked, bit soft condition when we saw it; vhc, c, Large; hc, Lloyd. BUFF (12): 1, hc, Large, grand shape and qual., strong col. for a buff; 2, Hancocks, grand mkd. bird, just big enough, grand tight carr., feather, and condition; 3, Crowe, cl., full of col. and qual., nice carr. and condition; 4, Harrison, good type and level col., sound, beaten a little at the moment in tightness; vhc, Lloyd; c, Walton. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Nelson, wee gem, type, col., qual., etc., all there; 2, Large, nice type, beaten in style and condition; 3, Higham, good type and carr., also gives way in condition; 4, Harrison, good size, tight in feather; vhc, Ridge; hc, Jackson. BUFF (11): 1, Green, grand type, medium size, gay and jaunty carriage, and condition; 2, Ridge, mkd., very silky feather, A1 carriage and condition; 3, Lloyd, cl., tight, and slim, good carr. and condition; 4, Large, tkd. wing, good sound qual..; vhc, Long; hc, Pitchford; c, Clare. GREENS, ETC. (18): Good class: 1, 2, Green, yell. and buff, latter best and tightest condition, both good type, etc.; 3, Harrison, most typical gem of a yell., in very smart order; 4, Harrison, foul tail buff, grand qual., type, etc., nice size; vhc, Greenall; hc, Hampson; c, Hancocks. LIGHT MULE (8): 1, J. M. Walsh, heavy eye and wing mkd. buff Gold-Can., medium size, splashed at sides, nice feather; 2, Cowgill, similar bird; 3, Durston, the old champion cl., late Colton, Bond, etc., now in his teens and looking a bit dicky at the moment; 4, Morgan, 4-point, even mkd. buff Gold-Can., larger and better mkd. than leaders, rare col., shape, qual., and condition; vhc, Johnson; hc, Thompson, really fine varieg., nearly even yell., might well have split up buffs; c, Furness. DARK MULE (16): 1, J. M. Walsh, lucky win here, buff Siskin-Can., bit dull in col., nice condition, medium size; 2, Titchard, bright col. yell Lin.-Can., medium size; 3, Leigh, smart young yell. Greenfinch-Can., in A1 condition; 4, H. Walsh, very good buff Gold-Can., fine flush; vhc, Metcalfe; hc, Sutch; c, Mort; No. 10, Morgan, Manchester winning buff Greenfinch-Can., hard hit to be out of tickets. HYB, ETC. (6): 1, H. Walsh, nice Greenfinch-Bullfinch; 2, 3, 4, Johnson, Gold-Bull., Linnet-Bull., and pied tail Can.-Bull., all in nice order; vhc, Metcalfe, larger, grand Linnet-Bullie; hc, Lewis, pied tail Can.-Bullfinch. GOLD. OR CHAFFINCH (20): 1, Jones, nice stout body, good even tanning, nice moonings, wee bit dull plumage to-day, nice face for cut; 2, Metcalfe, neat body, good col. and marks, and nice condition; 3, Davies, grand blaze, good chest, nice bloom, etc.; 4, Kilner, very clear whites, nice face, small and narrower than others; vhc, Williams; hc, Hurst; c, Drury; No. 13, Hurst, well-known winning Finch, missed the tickets. LINNET (21): Good class: 1, Davies, the winner all over to-day; 2, Johnson, little behind, except in rich tan col.; 3, Kilner, grand markings, smaller and slimmer, tight and glossy; 4, J. M. Walsh, broad chest, bit duller in plumage; vhc, Jones; hc, Lester; c, Hatton. TWITE, ETC. (13): 1, Jones, good Twite, wins well; 2, Davies, small but smart Siskin; 3, Metcalfe, fine Mealy Redpoll; 4, Mort, smaller, darker Twite; vhc, Barnett; hc, Astley; c, Hope. A.O.S. HARDBILL (16): 1, Fallding, lovely Waxwing, but unmistakably in its wrong class; 2, Hurst, well-known good Hawfinch, entitled to first here; 3, 4, c, Johnson, Corn Bunting, very good Yell. Bunting, and Hawfinch, in order named; vhc, Jones; hc, Mort. SOFTBILL (8): 1, Hartle and Berry, fair conditioned somhre Grey Wagtail, dull in feather; 2, Hemmings and Brereton, old champion Thrush, in great form; 3, vhc, Sharples, very pretty Whitethroat, and his well-known Chough, latter not quite so good in body as we have seen him; 4, Mort, nice Thrush, paler than 2nd; hc, Morgan.

OXFORD.

The Oxford C.B.S. held their annual show on November 7th, at the Peterle Baily Hall. The entry was fairly good, and the quality was above the usual standard, Mr. Holliday, the Hon. Sec., had things well in hand, and everything passed off very satisfactorily. Mr. White judged British, and Mr. W. Clark Canaries and Mules, and their awards were well received.

NOR. YELL.: 1, 3, 2 spls., Lees, hot col. yell., leading; 2, Lewin, larger, good type, fails only in col. to winner. BUFF: 1 2, spl., Lewin, well up in size, good type; 3, Cliffe, shade long in body; vhc, Wren. HEN: 1, Lees, very smart yell.; 2, 3, spl., Wren; vhc, Lewin. HEN UNFLIGH.: 1, 2, 3, spl., Lewin, nice trio, nearly even mkd. leading; vhc, Wren. YELL. UNFLIGH.: 1, 2, spl., Lees, both typical yell., good col. and qual.; 3, Wren, some thought might have changed places with vhc, Lewin. BUFF: 1, spl., 2, Lewin, two large typical buffs, rare type; 3, Wren, equally as large, longer in body. AMATEUR: 1, Simms, very smart typical yell.; 2, 3, vhc, spl., Wood, very typical, bit too free in feather. HEN: 1, 2, spl., Wood both very smart exhibits, good type; 3, Simms, rather pinched in head to winner; vhc, Dennis; hc, Simms. YORK.: 1, spl., Cliffe. AMATEUR: 1, 2, spl., Tombs, very stylish buff leading, nicely drawn; 3, hc, c, Simms, close up; vhc, Tombs. A.O.V.: 1, spl., 3, hc, Gough, all Cinn. nice yell. leading, sound col., smart exhibit; 2, Castle, very useful Crest. LIGHT MULE: 1, spl., 3, vhc, Lees, light Linnet leading, well-known, often described; 2, Gough, light Linnet quite a baby, will improve. DARK: 1, Pearce, Greenfinch-Can., nice sheen; 2, Gough, Goldf.-Can., fails only in col.; 3, vhc, spl., Wren, Goldfinch cross. BRIT. HYB.: 1, 2, spl., vhc, White Bullfinch-Greenfinch leading, 2 Linnet-Bully, both very taking exhibits, does the breeder great credit; 3, Wren, Goldie-Grecnie, wants a little more polish, otherwise very smart. GOLDFINCH: 1, 3, spl., Gough, winner somewhat unsteady, bit lucky; 2, Wren. BULLFINCH: 1, 2, spl., Wren, good size, neatly cut cap, winner takes spl. for best Brit.; 3, Gough.; vhc, Gough. GREENFINCH, ETC.: 1, spl., 2, Wren; 3, Gough; vhc, Cliffe. LINNET, ETC.: 1, spl., Pearce; 2, Wren. BRIT. HEN: 1, spl., 2, Wren, Bully and Greenie, good size. HARDBILL: 1, spl., Cliffe, large Hawfinch, very unsteady. GOLD. or BULLFINCH, AMAT.: 1, spl., Castle, very taking Goldie, about the best Goldie in the show; 2, Rose, close up; 3, Wood, not quite ready; vhc, Tombs; hc, Simms. A.O.S. HARDBILL, AMAT.: 1, spl., Tombs; 2, Rose. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Rose, nice Goldie-Bully; 2, 3, spl., Simms, Goldie-Greenies, both very young, will improve. FOR.: 1, spl., Cliffe.

GRANGEMOUTH.

A record entry: Referee has to decide upon special winner.

The Grangemouth and Dis. O.S. held their fourteenth annual show, Nov. 9, which we must vote a great success. Notwithstanding the enforced cancellation of all of the six Scotch Fancy classes, they still had a record entry of over 500 birds, and not a bad one amongst the lot. The show was housed in the Town Hall, than which we know of no better for the purpose. The lighting from roof and sides is all that could be desired, and the comfort for exhibits and exhibitors alike is par excellence. There was a rare tussle for the cup for best Bord. or Nor., Mr. Chalmers championing the Border and Mr. Winter the Norwich. As neither would give way a referee was called in to settle the matter, with the result that the cup was given to Mr. Wilson's (Bannockburn) Border. Cup for best Crest or C.B. was won by Mr. Moir's young Crestbred cock, a bird which we predict will be heard of again. Mr. Bell won cup in the Mule, Brit. and For. classes with his four-pointed Goldfinch, a popular win. Mr. Smart, the President, a name to conjure with in the Norwich world, is the right man in the right place, and he did yeoman service to make the show the success it undoubtedly was. Mr. Scaife, the Treas., another well-known exhibitor, was a willing and hard worker, whilst Mr. Woodhouse, the able and energetic secretary, has little to learn in the way of seeing to the comfort and convenience of exhibitors and visitors alike. He was ably assisted by a committee of good workers, amongst whom we noted Messrs. J. Reid, G. Matthews, J. Moreland, J. Penman, J. Veitch, J. Menzies, D. Meikel, J. M'Pherson, J. M. Aitken, and J. Milne. The judges were: Bord., Mr. A. Chalmers (Kirkintilloch), Nor. and Crests, Mr. J. Winter (Edinburgh), and Mules, Brit. and For., Mr. P. McQuiston (Ayr), and their awards were very well received, and we could find no cause for grumbling.

The Critique

SCOTCH all cancelled. CREST, Young (6): 1, sp, Moir, clear body, dark crest, very fine crest, grand centre and beautifully arranged, good length of feather; 2, Williamson, cl. body, dark crest, similar as to body markings, not quite the girth of crest, yet a grand bird; 3, Moreland, var., neat centre and good length, quite a nice one; 4, Smart; 5, McLeod; 6, Ferguson. HEN (7): 1, Moir, dark crest and one wing marked, grand head, splendid droop, massive body, great length and width of feather; 2, 4, Liddell, one wing marked, dark crest, beautiful rise, dense and long feather, rare good one; 3, 5, Ferguson, even wing mkd. D.C., well spread, good width, comes well over beak, fine spec.; 6, Smart; 7, Williamson. YOUNG C.B. CK. (6): 1, cup, sp, 3, Moir, 1st var., grand head, clothing and lashing, fine body, wonderful length, density and width of feather; 3rd not so wide in entrance, still a grand head, very attractive bird; 2, Liddell, var., fine head, not quite the girth or density of feather, but bonnie bird; 4, McLeod; 5, 6, Ferguson. HEN (8): 1, Moir, green mkd., good head, entrance and lashing, full of quality, fine body, rare length and width of feather; 2, Smart, heavily var., fine head properties, good length of feather; 3, Liddle, lightly var., wide at entrance, nice lashing; 4, 5, Ferguson; 6, McLeod; 7, Williamson. OLD CREST (12): 1, sp, Sharp, even wings, dark crest, fine crest, grand centre, great length of feather all round, good body; 2, 6, Moreland, former grizzle, good crest, neat centre, fine droop, nice one; 3, Williamson, good length of frontal, nice veiny crest; 4, Moir; 5, Smart; 7, Hunter. CREST BRED (13): 1, sp, Moreland, light var., good head, domed grandly, rare width of entrance, splendid lashing, massive body; 2, 4, Sharp, former green, beautifully dense, long over beak, fine lashing and skull, wide entrance; 3, Moir, cl., fine lashing, just a wee shade narrower at entrance than leaders, but nice formation of skull; 5, 6, Smart; 7, Ferguson. YOUNG NORWICH, CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (13): 1, 6, Smart, best of type, short and chubby, neat head, fine wing carriage; 2, 4, Milne, another real beauty of the right sort, hard to find fault with; 3, sp, Matthew, very neat, not just so chubby as leaders, capital head and front; 5, sp, Heard; 7, Scaife. BUFF (19): 1, sp, 7, Smart, fine size, good head and body, grand qual., in lovely condition; 2, Heard, beauty, real chubby body, short and clean cut, nice head and best of carriage; 3, Milne, quite a neat one, scarcely so massive in build; 4, Ovenstone; 5, Woodhouse; 6, Menzies. YELL. HEN (14): 1, Smart, fine head, grand qual. throughout, well filled in, bold head and neck, good one; 2, 4, Heard, another topper, hot and even colour, grand quality, not quite so full in front as winner; 3, 7, Clubb, former fine stamp, short and chubby, a wee bit soft; 5, sp, Ovenstone; 6, Veitch. BUFF Hen (9): 1, Scaife, easy win, lovely col. and qual., neat head and chest, put down in rare order; 2, 3, Smart, 2nd fine type and qual., neat wings; 3rd, fine size and feather, good type, shown in grand bloom; 4, Ovenstone; 5, Clubb; 6, Godfrey Bros.; 7, no name. A.O.V. YOUNG CK. (21): 1, 3, Smart, leader nice size and quality, neat and typical throughout, finely staged, in good trim, a buff; 3rd, yell., real nice one, well up in size, scarcely so full in front; 2, 7, Ovenstone, former buff, good size, lovely qual., grand shape; 4, Milne; 5, Scaife; 6, Heard. HEN (12): 1, sp, 2, Scaife, winner buff of fine qual., well up in size, good type and wing carr.; 2nd, fine size and qual., all front, clean cut away, best of carr.; 3, sp, Smart, yell., lovely qual., large, shapely, nice style, fine wing carr., close up; 4, Veitch; 5, Heard; 7, Smart. OLD CK. (27): 1, sp, Smart, big yell., good all over, fine head and neck, sweetly moulded, nice qual.; 2, 5, sp, Ovenstone, var. buff, follows close, finely staged, in good trim; 3, sp, 7, Woodhouse, former yell., non fed, fine type, lovely qual. and size, close up; 4, Meikel; 6, Scaife. HEN (22): 1, 2, Scaife, both cl. buffs, beauties for type and quality, well up in size, well staged; 3, Smart, var. yell., nice quality, good head and neck; 4, Heard; 5, Matthew; 6, Ovenstone; 7, Wilson. YOUNG BORDER, CL. or TKD. YELL CK. (15): 1, 7, Reid, good one for col. and qual., neat shape, stylish carriage; 2, 4, 5, Wilson, another real beauty of the right sort, good col.; 3, 6, Auld, slightly smaller, but neat and typical, good carr. BUFF (16): 1, 3, 5, Wilson, grand team, and a credit to their owner, staged in the height of condition; 2, sp, 4, Reid, former very nice one for colour and style, neat head and wings; 6, Aitken; 7, Auld. YELL. HEN (13): 1, 3, sp, 5, Wilson, 1st, real hot and level col., a little lady, grand type, A1 qual.; 3rd, nice one for col. and qual.; 2, 6, Reid, very nice exhibit, not so good in colour as winner, but a very good one in all other respects; 4, 7, Auld. HEN BUFF (14): 1, 6, Reid, fine little girl, neat shape, rare quality throughout, grand mover; 2, 4, 5, sp, Auld, well up for type and qual, neat head, wings and tail; 3, 7, Wilson, former eye tkd., nice one for col. and qual. A.O.V. YOUNG CK. (25): 1, cup and two sps, 3, Wilson, former var. yellow, fine typical exhibit, good feather, put down in the pink of condition, grand even colour, lovely head, rare wing carriage; 3rd, one wing marked, good one for col. and qual., neat carriage and style; 2, Marshall, even mkd. yell., well up for type and qual., neat head, wings and tail; 4, 5, 7, Leitch; 6, Auld. HEN (24): 1, Wilson, var. yell., well up in col. and qual., fine head and neck, neatly carried wings and tail, put down in sparkling order; 2, 4, 5, Auld, former even mkd. buff, fine quality, good silky feather, neatly balanced exhibit; 3, 7, sp, Reid; yell. green, fine grassy col., grand type and qual., one of the right stamp; 6, Leitch. OLD CK. (22): 1, sp, 2, 3, sp, Auld, grand team, shown in the best of condition, fit to win in any competition; 4, Aitken; 5, sp, Matthews; 6, Reid; 7, Marshall. HEN (25): 1, 5, Reid, cl. buff, well up for size and quality, sweet and taking exhibit, grandly staged; 2, Wilson, cl. buff, quite a nice one, good carriage and build; 3, 6, Auld, 3rd, cl. yell., good one for type and qual., must have pressed hard; 4, 7, Aitken. VAR. or DARK MULE (Young) (20): 1, 3, sp, Eadie, leader jonque Goldfinch, grand size, good flush face, well staged; 3rd, jonque Greenfinch, grand size and body; 2, Pagan, jonque Linnet, very hot col., grand markings, fails a little in size; 4, Aitken, Siskin, grand col.; 5, 7, sp, Heard; 6, Bell. CLEAR (6): 1, sp, cup, 2, 3, 4, Bell, leader four-pointed buff Goldfinch, grand size, lovely eye and wing marks, real good one, staged in nice bloom; 2nd, Goldfinch-Bullfinch, grand size, lovely breast col., shown in tip-top bloom; 3, Redpoll-Siskin, very interesting exhibit, shows parentage distinctly. VAR. or DARK (Old) (12): 1, 3, Bell; 1st, lightly marked yell. Goldfinch, fair size, grand col. and qual.; 3rd, dark yell. Linnet, grand size, fair col.; 2, 4, 6, Eadie, dark yell. Goldie, grand size, fine body col., fails a bit in blaze, grandly staged; 5, Godfrey Bros.; 7, Aitken. HEN BRIT. (15): 1, sp, Heard, Corn Bunting, grand size, lovely col. and markings, very steady and well staged; 2, Ovenstone, Bullfinch, grand body colour, good type, fine head and wing bars, well staged; 3, Aitken, Linnet, grand size, col. and markings, extra steady; 4, 5, Eadie; 6, 7, Moreland. HYBRID PAIRS (8): 1, sp, 2, 3, Ovenstone, wonderful team, leaders Foreign Goldfinch and For. Bullfinch, both gems of the first water; 2nd, For. Goldfinch and yell. Nor. hen, lovely pair; 3rd, Canary and Bullfinch, another gem pair, staged in faultless condition; we wish owner all success in the breeding season; 4, Ferguson; 5, Pagan; 6, McCulloch; 7, Eadie. GREENFINCH (13): 1, 3, sp, Eadie, leader grand sized yell., very hot fed, good big head, grand wing bars, shown in tip-top condition; 2, Ovenstone, nat. col., best of size and shape, nice grassy green tone of col.; 4, Rennie; 5, sp, Wilson; 6, Bell; 7, Meikel. LINNET (20): 1, 3, 6, Robertson, winner grand size, lovely breast work, nice tone of col., steady and well staged; 3rd, real good wild one, lovely breast work, fairly steady; 2, 4, Godfrey Bros., 2nd, good size, lovely breast work, good head and shoulders, fails breast col.; 5, McCulloch; 7, Bell. A.O.V. HARD (19): 1, sp, Robertson, Hawfinch, grand size, wonderful colour, good head and markings, steady and well staged, leads a good class; 2, 3, 4, 6, Bell; 2nd, Siskin; 3rd, Twite; 4th, Mealy Redpoll; grand team, shown in tip-top condition; 5, Heard; 7, Hunter. SOFTBILL (7): 1, 2, 5, sp, 6, Eadie; 1st, Starling, in lovely form, grandly spangled, well staged; 2, Bearded Tit, grand size, a little unsteady; 3, 4, McPherson, 3rd, Song Thrush, nice size, very steady, good breast work; 4th, lovely Blackbird. BRAMBLE, ETC. (15): 1, Bell, Bramblefinch, grand col. and spangling, very hot col., steady, well staged; 2, 3, Eadie, former Yellowhammer, lovely col. and markings, very steady; 3rd, Chaffinch, grand size and col., close up; 4, 5, 7, Rennie, 6, Hunter. GOLDFINCH, ETC. (15): 1, 3, sp Bell, two well-known Bullfinches, grand birds; 2, Robertson, Goldfinch, lovely body col., grand head and blaze, might have won, but had lost some flight feathers; 4, Ferguson; 5, Eadie; 6, Ferguson; 7, Woodhouse. FOR. (11): 1, Ovenstone, Goldfinch, lovely quality, rare big head and blaze, grand tannings, real good one; 2, Meikel; 3, 5, 6, McPherson; 3rd, Whydah, lovely condition; 4, Robertson; 7, Eadie.

PAISLEY (Amalgamated).

The twenty-eighth annual show of the Amalgamated Ornithological Societies of Paisley was held November 2, in the North Minor George A. Clark Town Hall. The entries were twenty up from last year. A good number visited the show during the afternoon. First and second amalgamation prizes were won by Mr. A. Ferguson, of the Tannahill Club, and the third by Mr. R. Rice, of the Burgh Club. The prize list of each club is as follows:—

Tannahill Club.—Judges, Mr. Alex. Nisbet, Gaiston; Mr. Jos. Higgins, Hamilton; Mr. P. McAdam, Jamestown; and Mr. W. Thornton, Edinburgh. YELL. CK.: 1, Ferguson; 2, Malcolm; 3, Fulton; 4, McDowall. BUFF: 1, Ferguson; 2, 4, Fulton; 3, Malcolm. YELL. PIED: 1, Fernie; 2, Fulton; 3, Neil; 4, Malcolm. BUFF: 1, 3, Fulton; 2, Moore; 4, Hamilton. FOUL: 1, 4, Fulton; 2, Gillies; 3, Fleming. GREEN: 1, 3, Fulton; 2, Meikle; 4, Moore. YELL. HEN: 1, Price; 2, 3, McDowall; 4, Powell. BUFF: 1, Ferguson; 2, Fulton; 3, Neil; 4, Allison. YELL. PIED HEN: 1, 4, Fulton; 2, Powell; 3, Fleming. BUFF: 1, 2, Fulton; 3, Fleming; 4, Price. FOUL HEN: 1, 4, Fulton; 2, Neil; 3, W. Neil. GREEN: 1, Slater; 2, 3, Fulton; 4, Fleming. Club specials: Cup, 2 and 5, A. Ferguson; 3, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, and 13, J. Fulton; 4, J. Price; 9, T. Slater; 10, J. Malcolm; 14, R. Neil; 15, A. McDowall; novice winner, T. Slater; runner-up, W. Meikle.

Old Club.—Judges: Mr. Prentice, Clydebank; Mr. Hunter, Irvine. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Hart. BUFF: 1, Little; 2, Kennedy; 3, O'Donnell; 4, Slater. YELL. PIED: 1, 3, Little; 2, Hart; 4, Moore. BUFF: 1, Moore; 2, 3, Slater; 4, Hart. FOUL: 1, Paterson; 2, Little. GREEN: 1, Little; 2, Paterson. YELL. HEN: 1, Siddons; 2, 4, O'Donnell; 3, Moore. BUFF: 1, Slater; 2, Moore; 3, Little; 4, Paterson. YELL. PIED HEN: 1, Little; 2, Hart; 3, Paterson; 4, Kennedy, sen. BUFF: 1, Slater; 2, 3, Moore; 4, Little. FOUL HEN: 1, Cassidy; 2, Hart. GREEN: 1, 4, Little; 2, Moore; 3, Kennedy, sen. Club specials: 1, 5, 8, 12, J. Little; 2, 7, 10, J. Slater; 3, 4, 6, 9, H. Moore; 11, J. Kennedy, sen.; 13, J. Paterson.

Burgh Club.—Judges: Mr. J. A. Stewart, Cathcart; Mr. J. Muirhead, Bonnybridge. BUFF CK.: 1, Price; 2, Smith; 3, Wham; 4, Thomson. YELL. HEN: 1, McArthur; 2, Price; 3, Kennedy; 4, Wallace. BUFF: 1, Smith; 2, Hair; 3, McArthur; 4, Price. YELL. PIED CK.: 1, Briggs; 2, Hair. BUFF: 1, Thomson; 2, Wallace. YELL. PIED HEN: 1, Briggs; 2, Kennedy. BUFF: 1, Baird; 2, Thomson; 3, Wham; 4, Hair. FOUL CK.: 1, Wallace. HEN: 1, Hair; 2, Wham. GREEN HEN: 1, Price; 2, 3, Briggs; 4, Hair. Club specials: 1, R. Price; 2, 3, J. Smith; 3, 5, A. McArthur; 4, J. Hair; 6, A. M. Baird; 7, W. Thomson.—A. M. Baird, Sec.

WEST STANLEY.

Annual show held Nov. 8 and 9. Although the society has been in existence several years they have always previously contented themselves with holding members' shows, and this year is the first time they have ventured with an open event, and it is to be hoped that it will prove to be a financial success. A large mining centre like West Stanley, abounding with keen fanciers, is quite capable of holding a big show, and as they have very capable men at the head of affairs, we have no doubt that, with a little more support from outside fanciers, they will soon become one of the principal shows of the North. The Hibernian Hall was engaged for this show, and it is, without a doubt, one of the finest and most comfortable halls we have yet been in. Lofty and roomy, and kept at a suitable temperature, the only fault we could find with it was the want of a little more top light, otherwise it is practically an ideal place for a show. Entries, though not bad, were scarcely up to the expectations of the committee. The exhibits were splendidly arranged, the staging being quite a treat, the whole effect being very neat and pleasing to the eye. The energetic secretary, Mr. Wm. Elliott, had everything in grand working order, the whole of his work being carried out with accuracy and precision, and he got through his arduous duties splendidly and without the slightest hitch. It would be difficult to find a more genial and courteous secretary than he, and his success in again winning the silver cup in the British and Foreign section for the third year in succession was a very popular one, the cup now becoming his own property. That keen and popular Northern exhibitor, Mr. W. H. Butler, as chairman of the society, heads a grand body of workers, and it would be difficult to overestimate the great services he renders to the club, his keenness and great ability for work being a grand incentive to those under him. He is well backed up by such splendid fanciers as Mr. R. Peart (treasurer), and Messrs. W. Boyd, J. Hunter, S. Foster, W. Thompson, J. Emmerson, T. Burdon, J. Robson, J. Culvert, and M. Crosby, all of them doing their best to make the show a success. A very regrettable incident was the non-arrival of the team of Mr. G. Edwards (Leominster), the birds not arriving until the Saturday morning, the day after judging. We understand that the birds had been at Newport show, and were to have come direct to West Stanley, but whoever is responsible for the delay deprived Mr. Edwards of the opportunity of exhibiting his team here, and it is quite possible that had his birds arrived in time some of the awards might have been different. The "gate" came up very well, and with a good sale of tickets the officials were confident that the show would be a success. Winners of section specials were: Norwich, W. H. Butler; Crests, R. S. Bewick; Yorkshires, L. Dykes; Borders, W. Espie; A.O.V., J. Risebrough; Mules, J. Maddison; British, W. H. Butler; Foreign, J. Scott. Mr. G. Bates won the members' silver cup for most points with three nominated birds, and Mr. W. Elliot, as mentioned above, the silver cup for most points in British and Foreign. Sandiford's medal went to Mr. W. Smith with a very hot yellow Norwich. The judges were Messrs. A. Brown, Canaries, and F. Marwood the remainder.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (7): 1, 3, vhc, Butler, leader big bouncing cl., nice shape, hot col., thick head, rare neck and chest, nice qual.; 3, cl., trifle longer in flights, yet a good one for shape and col., nice neck and chest, good carr., clean cut; 2, 4, Smith, leader lovely shape, cl., well filled in back, neat head and neck, good chest, nice wing and tail carr., hot col., loses only to leader in size, takes Sandiford's medal; 4th, cl., scarcely so full in head and neck, nice shape, lovely feather, fitting like a glove, well carried wings and tail; hc, c, Little. BUFF (7): 1, 4, Butler, clears, leader lovely type, grand chest, well filled in back, neat head, thick neck, nice col. and qual., correct wings and tail; 4th, varieg., grand substance, good quality, wants tightening up a bit and will go higher; 2, Hodgson, cl., hotter col. than leader, but scarcely so well filled in, neat head, good chest, nice quality, good wing and tail carr.; 3, Robson and March, cl., good size and shape, neat head, full neck and chest, nice col. and qual., grand wing and tail carr., scarcely so well finished behind; vhc, c, Watson; hc, Foster. 1912 (9): 1, Butler, varieg. yell., good one, fine size and shape, neat head, good back and chest, good col. and qual., grandly carried wings and tail; 2, Summers, yell., tkd. both eyes and left wing, fine size and shape, good col. and qual., neat head, good neck and chest, lacks the finish of leader; 3, 4, Foster, cl. yell. leading, scarcely the substance of leaders, yet nice shape, hot col., fine quality, neat wings and tail; 4th, cl. buff, nice shape, good carr.; vhc, Hodgson; hc, c, Crowell. HEN (11): 1, 2, Butler, leader cl. yell., grand one, nice size, grand shape, close boxey feather of the finest qual., neat head and neck, good chest, grand wings and tail; 2nd, varieg. buff, grand substance, rare head, neck and chest, lovely wings and tail, a bit pale in col., otherwise a good one; 3, Hope, cl. buff, lovely qual., nice size and shape, neat head and neck, good chest, gets wings over a bit; 4, c, Foster, buff, tkd. back of head, good size and shape, loses in quality to leaders; vhc, Little; hc, Cresswell. CREST CK. (3): 1, 2, Bewick, foul tail green leading, rare size, good dense feathered crest, nice centre and droop; 2nd, lightly varieg., scarcely so dense as leader, but grand shape, nice radiation and droop, neat centre; absent, Edwards. C.B. (4): 1, Bewick, varieg., grand size, nice rise and entrance, well lashed, appears to carry tons of feather; 2, Routledge, foul tail green, broader skull than leader, nice rise, good lash, plenty of good, long feather, must have pressed winner close; 3, Coates, foul tail green, scarcely the substance of leaders, yet a very nice one; 4, Clark, smaller, nice skull, good feather. CREST OR C.B. HEN (1): 1, Bewick, cl. body, grizz. crest, very neat and shapely, grand frontal, good droop and density, neat centre, worthy of more competition. 1912 (2): 1, 2, Bewick, wing mkd. grizz crest leading, nice size and shape, neat centre, good radiation and droop, a very nice youngster; 2nd, lightly varieg. C.B., plenty of substance, but a bit weak in skull properties. YORKS., YELL. (10): 1, Walker, grizz. right cheek and wing, nice length, well drawn, neat shoulders and waist, nice col., lovely quality; 2, e, Simeson, varieg., nice position, good length, grandly drawn, neat head, lovely wings and tail, loses in finish to leader; 3, Dykes, cl., lovely style, slim and beautifully drawn, neat head, scarcely the quality of leaders, and gets wings over a bit at times; 4, Coomber, lovely finish, beautifully tapered; vhc, Mather; hc, Reed and Collings. BUFF (9): 1, Coomber, varieg., fine length and position, lovely close boxey feather, neat head, good shoulders and waist, grandly carried wings and tail; 2, Dykes, bit shorter than leader, lovely position, beautifully drawn, sweet head and neck, nice col. and qual., lovely wings and tail; 3, Simeson, plenty of length, scarcely so well rounded as leaders, grand position, lovely style, nice col. and qual.; 4, Crawhall, shorter but very neat; vhc, Wearmouth; hc, Pyman; c, Yetts. HEN (13): 1, Dykes, cl. buff, lovely position, straight up, sweet head and neck, neat narrow shoulders, beautifully braced wings and tail; 2, 3, hc, Walker, leader buff, trifle shorter than winner, but lovely style and position, slim and beautifully drawn, neat head, grandly braced wings and tail; 3rd, yell., cl., fine length, neat narrow shoulders, fine style and position, neat head and neck, beautifully carried wings and tail; 4, Robinson, cl. buff, very neat shape, well drawn, well carried wings and tail; vhc, Mather; c, Hutchinson. YELL., 1912 (11): 1, Dykes, grizz. head, lovely length and position, beautifully drawn, neat narrow shoulders, well rounded, neat head and neck, good col. and qual., a good one; 2, Pyman, varieg., very slim, beautifully drawn, well rounded body, neat head, shoulders and waist, nice col; 3, Walker, cl., hot col., grand length and position, beautifully drawn, neat head and neck, beautifully braced wings and tail, another good one; 4, Simeson, nice style and position, not quite so neat in head as leaders; vhc, Mather; hc, Crawhall; c, Claytor Bros. BUFF (7): 1, Mather, grizz. left wing, lovely close boxey feather, fine length, nice position, well rounded body, nicely drawn, neat head and neck, well braced wings and tail; 2, Crawhall, cl., grand shape and position, well rounded, slim and well drawn, neat head, good wing and tail carriage, loses to leader in col.; 3, Simeson, wing tkd., fine length, nice position, neat head and neck, well tapered body, lovely wings and tail; 4, Pyman, cl., not so neat behind head, nice length and position; vhc, Carter; hc, Lane; c, Claytor Bros. BORD., YELL., CL. OR TKD. CK. (8): 1, Purvis, tkd. right wing, beautifully moulded, sweet head and neck, lovely col. and qual., beautifully braced wings and tail, a good one all over; 2, Peel, cl., lovely shape, but a trifle thin in neck, grand col., lovely feather of fine texture, well carried wings and tail; 3, Elliott, cl., lovely shape, rich col. and qual., good head and neck, wee shade open on throat and breast, grand wing and tail carriage; 4, Bewick, lovely cl., beautiful col. and quality, sweetly moulded; vhc, Browell; hc, Wilson; c, Bates. BUFF (11): 1, 2, Espie, leader beautifully cl., lovely shape, close boxey feather, fitting like a glove, sweet head, grandly rounded back, good col. and qual., closely carried wings and tail; 2nd, cl., lovely shape, sweet head, good neck and back, nice col. and qual., inclined to drop right wing at times; 3, Bates, cl., shade heavier in build, nice col. and qual., good shape, neat head and back, good wing and tail carriage; 4, Peart, shade longer than leaders and scarcely so sweetly moulded, nice col. and qual., good wing and tail carriage; vhc, Nicholson; hc, Browell; c, Elliot. MKD. (8): 1, Purvis, even mkd. yell., lovely col. and qual., grand shape, sweet head and neck, lovely wings and tail, well rounded back, clean cut; 2, Nicholson, even mkd. buff, lovely shape, tight as a drum, sweet head and back, lovely wings and tail; 3, Browell, yell., tkd. cheek and wing, nice shape, good col. and qual., neat wings and tail, scarcely so neat on head or so well finished as leaders; 4, Espie, uneven mkd. buff, lovely shape, sweet head and neck, grand feather, tight as a bottle; vhc, Peel; hc, Gamble; c, Peart. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Crosbie, varieg., lovely type, sweet head and neck, beautifully rounded back and chest, nice col. and qual., lovely wings and tail; 2, Hillary, two-pointed, wee shade long, scarcely so grandly rounded as leader, yet a good one, nice head and neck, well carried wings and tail, nice col. and qual.; 3, Gamble, cl., scarcely so neat in head, nice shape, grand col., rich qual., nice wings and tail, beautifully cut away; 4, Browell, cl., lovely col., grand feather of fine texture, nice shape, well rounded, shade thin in neck; vhc, Elliott; hc, Peart; c, Wilson. BUFF (11): 1, Espie, cl., beauty for shape, grandly rounded, sweet head and neck, lovely back, beautifully braced wings and tail, trifle pale in col.; 2, Peel, grand one, fine shape, well rounded back, sweet head, lovely wings and tail, equal to leader in all but qual.; 3, Browell, varieg. cinn. mkd., scarcely so shapely, but lovely qual., neat head and neck, beautifully carried wings and tail; 4, Gamble, cl., trifle slim in build, nice col., good qual.; vhc, Crosbie; hc, Hillary; c, Bates. A.O.V. (5): 1, Summers, four-pointed buff Nor., lovely shape, nice size, grand col. and qual., nicely mealed, short wings and tail; 2, 4, Risebrough, leader cl. cap Gold Liz., fine size and shape, nice back work, well laced, lovely ground col., good wings and tail; 4th, cl., cap Silver Liz., nice size, good shape, nicely rowed back, spangling scarcely so well defined as we like, good col. and quality; 3, Calvert, buff cinn., fine size and shape, good rich level col., nice head, good back and wings, nice qual; vhc, Goodchild. LIGHT MULE, ETC. (6): 1, Maddison, noted cl. Goldie-Can., wonderful size and shape, well named "Prodigy"; 2, Butler, lightly mkd. Goldie, nice size and shape, lovely col. and qual., beautiful condition; 3, Curry, Goldie-Greenie, medium size, lovely shape, grand col. and condition; 4, Mrs. Purvis, varieg. Goldie-Can., nice size and shape, good col., grand condition; vhc, Peart. DK. CAN. (9): 1, 2, 3, Maddison, grand team, leader well-known yell. Linnet-Can., grand size and shape, wonderful col. and polish, grand condition; 2nd, Greenie-Can. (yell.), good size, nice shape, rich col. and qual., lovely feather and condition; 3rd, buff Goldie-Can., rare substance, grand shape, nice col. and qual., well flushed face and wings; 4, Naisbet, non-fed Greenie-Can., good one for size and shape, nice natural col.; vhc, Butler; hc, Charlton; c, Smith. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, Robson and March, Siskin, grand size and shape, lovely col., nice cap and bib, grandly laced, nice condition; 2, Hanson, Twite, nice size, good shape, rich col. and polish, abundantly pencilled; 3, Robson, really good Lesser Redpoll, nice size, rare col. and polish, well pencilled, grand condition; 4, Waters, another sweet little Lesser, nice col. and condition, grand polish, well pencilled; vhc, Curry; hc, Elliott; c, Chambers. GOLDIE, ETC. (13): 1, Butler, Goldie, grand size, rare shape, lovely pure col. face, clean cut and bright in tone, beautifully tanned, grand wings, lovely condition; 2, Rice, Bullie, good one all over, grand size, lovely shape, grand dense col. cap, clean cut, rich breast col., deep and pure, nice back and wings; 3, Almond, Goldie, smaller than leader, but a beauty for col. and polish, lovely face, very bright and pure in col., grandly tanned, nice wings, lovely condition, loses to leader in size only; 4, Waters, Goldie, Newcastle and Derwent Valley winner, grand size and shape, beautiful clean cut blaze, lacks the brightness of leaders to-day, looks a trifle down in condition; vhc, Dunn; hc Charlton; c, Curry. A.O.S. HARDBILL (8): 1, Stamp, Hawfinch, lovely feather, tight as a drum, medium size, lovely col. and polish, nice head, grand back and wings, perfect condition; 2, 4, Tomlinson, lovely Bramble leading, grand size, lovely breast col., carried well down, well spangled back, nice head, beautifully laced, lovely feather and condition; 4th, Chaffie, grand one for col., medium size, nice head, good back, lovely wing bars, beautiful tight feather, grand polish and condition; 3, Waters, Hawfinch, larger than leader, good col., nice level col. head, good back and wings, loses to leader in polish and condition; vhc, Butler; hc, Davidson; c, Walton. LINNET, H.M. (23): 1, 2, Carr, toppers, both medium size, leader beautifully pencilled, clear and distinct all over, nice head, good col., rare feather and condition; 2nd, beautiful col. and polish, grandly pencilled, but scarcely so profuse as leader; 3, Waters, topper for size and shape, nice col., beautifully pencilled, but not so far under as leaders, grand feather and condition; 4, Stamp, smaller, but a good one, grandly laced; vhc, Dunn; hc, c, Davison. F.M. (12): 1, Clark, medium size, lovely shape, grand col. and polish, beautifully pencilled, carried well down, nice wings, grand condition; 2, vhc, Maddison, larger than leader, good rich col., grandly pencilled, but not so well defined down flanks, steady, and in good condition; 3, Robson, grand shape, well laced, clear and distinct, but not so profuse on breast as leaders, nice col. and feather; 4, Calvert, good size and shape, lovely pencilling, grand col., fails a trifle in head to leaders; hc, Carr; c, Cowey. SOFTBILL, SMALL (3): 1, Butler, lovely Bearded Tit, magnificent col., grand condition and feather, but a trifle unsteady, should make out a topper; 2, Elliot, Pied Wagtail, nice size, good col., very steady and in grand condition; 3, Bates, Skylark, nice size and col., fair markings, good feather and condition, steady. LARGE (5): 1, 4, Davidson, leader lovely Waxwing, nice size, lovely feather and condition, grand col., not a feather out of place, shines like silk, good back and wings; 4, Jay, nice one, good size, nice col., good condition and feather; 2, 3, vhc, Scott, leader Chough, grand one, fine size, lovely plumage, sleek and glossy, grand beak and legs, splendid condition; 3rd, Magpie, good size, nice col., good feather and condition. FOR. SEEDEATERS (6): 1, 2, Scott, leader Yellow-naped Parrakeet, resplendent in its different colours, grand feather; 2nd, King Parrot, gorgeous plumage, in grand condition, and looking well pleased with himself; 3, 4, vhc, Almond, good team, smart Lavender Finch leading, in lovely plumage, and tight as a drum, might have gone in between the two big ones; 4th, fine pair of Golden-breasted Waxbills, nice col., good condition and feather; vhc, very smart pair of Firefinches, first time they have been out of the money; hc, Elliott. INSECTIV. (1): 1, Butler, well-known Ceram Lory, in grand col., shown in the pink.

Members' Classes.

NOR. YELL. (8): 1, 2, Smith; 3, Armstrong; 4, Gowland; vhc, Hunter; hc, Williams; c, Goodchild. BUFF (8): 1, Gowland; 2, Yitts; 3, Smith; 4, Humphrey; vhc, Foster; hc, Armstrong; c, Hunter. HEN (7): 1, 4, Emmerson; 2, Smith; 3, Goodchild; vhc, Humphrey; hc, Hunter; c, Hetherington. YELL., 1912 (7): 1, Hunter; 2, Williams; 3, Smith; 4, Yetts; vhc, Humphrey; hc, Piper; c, Goodchild. BUFF (7): 1, Hunter; 2, Gowland; 3, Humphrey; 4, Smith; vhc, Forster; hc, Goodchild; c, Piper. HEN (10): 1, hc, Armstrong; 2, Humphrey; 3, Smith; 4, Foster; vhc, Piper; c, Goodchild. PAIRS (3): 1, Piper; 2, Goodchild; 3, Gowland. NAT. COL. (4): 1, Smith; 2, Humphrey; 3, Elliott; 4, Goodchild. NOVICE (8): 1, 4, Yitts; 2, Hunter; 3, Armstrong; vhc, Hetherington; hc, Thompson; c, Craig. CINN. (3): 1, Calvert; 2, Robinson; 3, Goodchild. NOV. CINN. (1): 1, Robinson. CREST, ETC. (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, Coates; hc, Foster. CREST, NOV. (2): 1, Armstrong; 2, Thompson. YORKS. CK., OLD BIRDS (5): 1, Oxley; 2, Goodchild; 3, Bentinet; 4, Foster; vhc, Robinson. 1912 (7): 1, 4, Goodchild; 2, 3, Robinson; vhc, Oxley; hc, Bentinet; c, Thompson. OLD HEN (5): 1, 3, Robinson; 2, Oxley; 4, Bentinet; vhc, Thompson. 1912 (5): 1, Foster; 2, 3, Robinson; 4, Goodchild; vhc, Bentinet. NAT. COL. (6): 1, 2, Goodchild; 3, Foster; 4, Bentinet; vhc, Oxley. NOV. (3): 1, Thompson; 2, Bentinet; 3, Cockburn. BORD., YELL. (5): 1, Elliott; 2, Bates; 3, 4, Peart; vhc, Thompson. BUFF (5): 1, 4, Elliott; 2, Bates; 3, vhc, Peart. HEN (8): 1, 2, Bates; 3, hc, Peart; 4, vhc, Elliott; c, Soulsby. NOV. (6): 1, 3, Bates; 2, Thompson; 4, vhc, hc, Soulsby. GIFT (9): 1, Coates; 2, Butler; 3, Elliott; 4, Hunter; vhc, Gowland; hc, Peart; c, Emmerson. LINNET, F.M. (17): 1, Calvert; 2, Robinson; 3, Robson; 4, Craig; vhc, Humphrey; hc, Peart; c, Bates. HOUSE-MOULTED (13): 1, Humphrey; 2, Robson; 3, Peart; 4, Robinson; vhc, Calvert; hc, Foster; c, Emmerson. GOLDIE (2): 1, Emmerson; 2, Peart. BULLIE (5): 1, Robson; 2, Williams; 3, Smith; 4, Cockburn; vhc, Elliott. GREENIE (7): 1, Soulsby; 2, Bentinet; 3, Humphrey; 4, Robson; vhc, c, Elliott; hc, Hetherington. MULE, ETC. (9): 1, 2, vhc, Peart; 3, Humphrey; 4, Smith; hc, Gowland; c, Hunter. REDPOLL, ETC. (10): 1, 3, Elliott; 2, Robson; 4, Humphrey; vhc, hc, Robinson; c, Emmerson. A.O.S. HARDBILL (13): 1, 4, hc, Elliott; 2, Smith; 3, Humphrey; vhc, Bentinet; c, Emmerson. SOFTBILL (3): 1, Elliott; 2, Robinson; 3, Bates. BRIT. NOV. (6): 1, Bates; 2, Thompson; 3, Bentinet; 4, Robson; vhc, Cockburn; hc, Cockburn. FOR. (5): 1, Robinson; 2, 4, vhc, Elliott; 3, Cockburn.

NORTHWOOD.

Fourth annual show held Oct. 31, in the Church Hall. The arrangements were carried out in a way which left nothing to be desired. Mr. P. J. Barnes makes a most admirable secretary, and his efforts were ably backed up by a hard-working committee consisting of Messrs. Everitt, Fisher, Franklin, Prince, Reason, Waller, Wright and Brookman. Mr. F. J. S. Chatterton judged, and seemed to please everyone. CANARIES (three classes amalgamated) (9): 1, 4, Boffin; 2, hc, Fox; 3, res, Buckingham; vhc, hc, Dumbleton; hc, Nichols. NAT. COL. (9): 1, Wignall; 2, Stanley; 3, Wright; 4, Swain. MULES (2): 1, Carter; 2, Coller. GOLD, or BULLFINCH (8): 1, Swain; 2, 4, Buckingham; 3, Cashen.

KIRKBURTON.

Third annual show in the Parochial Hall, Nov. 9. About sixty birds were entered in the six classes. Mr. Luther Dyson was the judge and his awards seemed to give general satisfaction.

YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, E. Radley, cl. yell., great length, grand col., well filled neck, long flights, goes up like a rocket; 2, Morley, another good one, but not the length of winner; 3, Jebson, cl., good length, grand qual., bit loose on front; vhc, Atkinson; hc, Astley, C. Cousins. BUFF CK.: 1, Dyson, tdk. thigh, lovely qual., a gem; 2, E. Radley, cl., lovely type and feather, pressed hard; 3, M. Radley, shade longer, but not qual. of 1st and 2nd; vhc, Morley, very nice tkd. wing; hc, Wilcock; c, Atkinson. YELL. HEN: 1, Morley, grand length, beautiful feather, wins easy; 2, 3, M. Radley, 2nd good col. & grand position, not so good in neck as 1st, 3rd longer, but not as smart in feather; vhc, Cousins; hc, Wilcock; c, Atkinson. BUFF: 1, withheld; 2, Radley, charming lady, feathered like wax, a good one; 3, Jebson, could do with a wash; vhc, Morley; hc, M. Radley; c, Hirst. UNFLG.: 1, E. Radley, cl. yell., red hot in col., good length, grand qual., cheap at catalogue price; 2, Jebson, cl. buff, good length, not so steady; 3, Dyson, yell., good position and feather, could do with a little more length; vhc, Cousins; hc, Owen, Dyson; c, Jebson. A.O.V.: 1, Radley, buff D.C., large expansive crest, good frontal, any amount of substance; 2, Astley, C.B., heavily var., good brow and lashing; 3, Crawshaw, Nor., good front, nice head and wings; hc, Bowman.

EALING AND HANWELL F.S.

Evening show, Nov. 2nd, held at St. John's Hall, West Ealing. Judge, Mr. P. Rorke. YORKS. UNFLIG: 1, spl, 2, res, vhc, Crockett; 3, Fletcher; hc, Wright; c, Bamber. OLD OK.: 1, Bamber; 2, Wright; 3, Boffin. BRIT: 1, 2, Bamber; 3, Boffin.—R. Bamber, Hon. Sec.

STANTON LEES.

First show held Nov. 9 in the Reading Room, kindly lent for the occasion. The management was in the hands of Mr. H. Wain, hon. sec., and Mr. W. E. Webster, assisted by Messrs. F. Greaves, C. Wain, H. Walker, and T. Webster. The judges were Mr. W. J. Dean (Matlock), who took the Nor. and Yorks. classes, and Mr. J. S. Cooper (Matlock), selling class and British. Their awards gave general satisfaction. The winner of the silver medal for best bird in show was Mr. J. Else, Matlock. YORKS. CK. (2): 1, 2, Wain. HEN (3): 1, Wain; 2, 3, Salisbury. NOR. CK. (4): 1, sp, Else; 2, Buxton; 3, Lill; r, Wain. HEN (7): 1, 2, Lill; 3, Else; r, Wain; vhc, Buxton; hc, c, Greaves. SELL. (4): 1, 3, Lill; 2, r, Else. BRIT. (3): 1, Allwood; 2, Wain; 3, Hardy.

HIGHGATE, HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

Fifth annual exhibition, held at Spencer Hall, Nov. 8 and 9. Again the committee have to register a success; this time under the most adverse circumstances. Owing to the resignation of the hon. sec., Mr. Clarke, not long before the show, Herculean efforts had to be made to save the event from collapse. Mr. J. Hyde, with a self-sacrifice which is commendable, stepped into the breach, and in his work received the greatest possible assistance from Mr. Shakespeare and from Mr. C. W. Law, who held the post of secretary with great distinction prior to the advent of Mr. Clarke. The various members of the committee also rendered willing aid, with the result that a splendid list of specials was got together, the whole of the details well arranged, and a splendid entry obtained. The members were delighted, and numerous congratulations were showered on the above hard-working officials and others who rendered aid. Quality throughout was of a very high standard, particularly in Norwich and Yorkshires. The Touche silver challenge cup fell to a splendid yell., unflg. Norwich, shown in the novice section by Mr. W. H. Wills, who received many compliments on his win. In addition this bird won special for best in novice section. Mr. Jones won special for best Yorks., and Mr. Hyde won Mr. Street's colour prize; Messrs. Lovegrove and Lovegrove won Sandiford's medal. A good number of fanciers visited the show. Competition all round was very keen, and it will be seen that the novices made a bold and successful bid for the challenge cup. In many cases in this section, however, birds would have done better if more attention had been paid to washing and staging. Amongst the more prominent exhibitors will be found Messrs. Lovegrove and Lovegrove, Cowie and Elton, Dann, Sparke, C. W. Law, H. T. Jones, Byne, Hyde, Knight, Bush, Kent, Wills, Walmsley, Wakefield, Street, Trigger, Gill, Millsom, Withers, Johnston, Day, Mrs. Giddy, etc., etc. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged, and his awards were well received.

The Awards.

CHAMP. NOR. CL. OR TK. YELL. CK.: 1, sp., 2, hc, Lovegrove and Lovegrove; 3, sp., Dann; vhc, Sparke. BUFF: 1, 2 sps., 2, sp., 3, Lovegrove and Lovegrove; vhc, Sparke; hc, Cowie and Elton. VARIEG. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Lovegrove and Lovegrove. BUFF: 1, sp., Cowie and Elton; 2, Dann; 3, Sparke. HENS, CL. OR TKD.: 1, sp., Law; 2, 3, vhc, Lovegrove and Lovegrove; hc, Cowie and Elton. HENS, VARIEG.: 1, Dann; 2, Lovegrove and Lovegrove; 3, vhc, sp., Sparke. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Jones. BUFF: 1, 2 sps., 2, Jones. VARIEG. BUFF CK.: 1, Laws. HENS, CL. OR TKD.: 1, sp., 2, Jones. MULES, ETC.: 1, sp., Dann. AMATEUR NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Hyde; 2, 3, Byne. BUFF: 1, Hyde; 2, Byne. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, 2, Hyde. BUFF: 1, sp., 2, Byne. HENS, CL., OR TKD.: 1, W. Knight; 2, Byne. VARIEG.: 1, sp., Hyde. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL CK.: 1, sp., vhc, Knight; 2, Kent; 3, hc, Bush. BUFF: 1, 2, Bush; 3, hc, Kent; vhc, sp., Knight. VARIEG. YELL. CK.: 1, sp., 2, Kent; 3, Bush. BUFF: 1, Kent. HENS, CL., OR TKD.: 1, sp.: 2, 3, sp., Knight; vhc, Bush. VARIEG.: 1, 2, Kent. CRESTS: 1, Jones. C.B.: 1, Jones. BORD.: 1, 2, Kent. MULES: 1, 2 sps., 2, Jones. NOV., NOR. CL., OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, cup and sp., Wills; 2, Hardcastle; 3, Staines; vhc, sp., Walmsley; hc, Cooper; c, Day. BUFF: 1, c, Wakefield; 2, Walmsley; 3, Trigger; vhc, Street; hc, Hardcastle. VARIEG. YELL. CK.: 1, sp., Trigger; 2, sp., Walmsley. BUFF: 1, Wills; 2, Wakefield; 3, Hardcastle; vhc, Staines; hc, Walmsley; c, Gambrill. HENS, CL., OR TKD.: 1, sp., Staines; 2, Wills; 3, Walmsley; vhc, A. Knight; hc, c, Wakefield. VARIEG.: 1, Wakefield; 2, Walmsley. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL CK.: 1, Newcombe; 2, Rawlinson; 3, Fisher; vhc, Millsom; hc, Miss Lindsay Smith; c, Cooper. BUFF: 1, sp., 2, sp., 3, Withers; vhc, hc, Rolls; c, Johnston. VARIEG. YELL. CK.: 1, sp., 2, Newcombe; 3, Johnston; vhc, Shearer; hc, Millsom; c, Gambrill. BUFF: 1, Newcombe; 2, Millsom; 3, vhc, Rolls; hc, Cooper; c, Shearer. HENS, CL., OR TKD.: 1, sp., Rawlinson; 2, vhc, Millsom; 3, Johnston; hc, Shearer. VARIEG.: 1, Rawlinson; 2, Millsom; 3, Johnston; vhc, Rolls. CRESTS: 1, sp., 2, 3, sp., Gill; vhc, Shorter. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, Gill. BORD.: 1, sp., Trigger. A.O.V.: 1, sp., Millsom; 2, Knight. MULES: 1, 2 sps., King; 2, 3, hc, Mrs. Giddy; vhc, Wakefield; c, Day. PURCHASE CLASS: 1, sp., W. Knight; 2, Law; 3, vhc, Gambrill. GOLDIE: 1, sp., c, Millsom; 2, Radford; 3, Day; vhc, Withers; hc, Shearer. BULLIE: 1, Kent; 2, Shorter; 3, Mrs. Giddy. GREENIE: 1, sp., 2, Kent; 3, Mrs. Giddy; vhc, Carrington; hc, Mound; c, Street. LINNET: 1, 2, Shorter; 3, Mound; vhc, Mrs. Giddy; hc, Kent; c, Street. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 3, Mrs. Giddy; 2, Mound; vhc, Day; hc, Street. CHAFFIL, ETC.: 1, 2 sps., Kent; 2, Radford; 3, Street. A.O.S. FINCH: 1, Mrs. Giddy. BUNTING: 1, Radford. BLACKBIRD, ETC.: 1, sp., A. Knight. HENS: 1, 2 sps., Mound; 2, Street; 3, Mrs. Giddy. FOR.: 1, sp., Street; 2, Shorter. GIFT: 1, Trigger.

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HALIFAX.

Halifax O.S. held their 23rd annual show, Nov. 8th and 9th, in the Friendly and Trades' Hall. They had issued a good schedule, catering for each section with a nice number of classes, and they were rewarded with a total entry of 612, an average of nearly 16 per class. Yorkshires came up well, both in quality and number, the best of them being on view; Norwich were also fair in number for this district, and some very good birds were put down. The British, etc., sections were a failure in regard to numbers, though the quality of the winners was of a very high order. The novice classes were very good in both quality and numbers. Halifax can always raise a good band of workers, and this year was no exception to the rule. The able secretary, Mr. H. Clegg, and his assistant, Mr. Fred Burdekin, worked hard, and had matters splendidly in hand. They were well backed up by Mr. T. Pilling president, Messrs. J. Mottram, S. Haigh, and J. J. Dunn, vice presidents; Messrs. Rose, Ball, Robertshaw, Priestley, McPherson, J. Burdekin, Woodhead, Spenk, Child, Horsman, Dewhirst, Benn, Walsh, Townsend and others, a list of fanciers which guarantees that all passed off with the greatest of precision. A good number of sectional specials were offered, the winners being: Most points, classes 1-11, Messrs. Ogden Bros.; 12-16, Mr. Rowland; 17-22, Mr. Heap; 23-27, Dr. Wilson; 28-29, Mr. Mottram; 30-37, Mr. S. Binns; 38-39, Messrs. Hudson and Birbeck tie. Most points by novice in Yorks. Greens, Mr. Sharp; most points class 37, Mr. Mann. Mr. J. Rohertshaw won sp. for best bird bred by member. Hyde's prize, Mr. Clegg, Mr. Thomas the Ramsden cruet, and Messrs. Heap and Holroyd each won a Sandiford medal. The room is a new one for this show, and answers the purpose admirably. Messrs. W. A. Cowgill, Bradford, and A. G. Davis, Manchester, officiated as judges, their awards meeting with full satisfaction.

Mr. Cowgill's Open Classes.

CL. OR TK. YELL YORKS. (17): 1, 2, Bailey, leader slim, nicely drawn out, leggy, good head, rattling qual., 2nd., stronger, good long bird, shapely and nice feather; 3, Towers, grand length extra position, nice shoulders, good qual., beaten in wing carriage; 4, Ogden Bros., breedy, fine position, shows a nice bit of thigh, good head, rattling qual.; vhc, Burdekin Bros.; hc, Rigg; c, Tyas. BUFF (18): 1, Bailey, fair length, good shape, well up in position, nice qual.; 2, Morrison, beautiful shape, nicely cut away, neat narrow shoulders, lovely quality, well put down; 3, Jeffreys, nice shape, great length, rattling col., good qual., bit across perch; 4, Bennett, nice shape and position, good qual.; vhc, Dykes; hc, Thomas; c, Stohart. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Thomas, rare type and length, wonderfully drawn out, round as a bottle, perfect feather, wius; 2, Radley, tk. head, neat type, stands cleverly, leggy, lovely qual.; 3, Pearson, good shape, nice head and back, lovely qual.; 4, Morrison, slim, neat very leggy, full of qual. and col.; vhc, Lister; hc Ross; c, Lawford and Son. BUFF (13): 1, Robertshaw, good shape, excellent qual., nice head, well up; 2, Ogden Bros., tk. wing, grand size, rattling shape, well filled all through, feathered to perfection; 3, Craven, very neat, grand type, extra well up in position, smart qual.; 4, Bailey, neat shape, shows well, leggy, lovely qual., on small side; vhc, Brown and son; hc, Fieldhouse; c, Whitley. UNFLIG. YELL. (17): 1, Allen, lengthy, very slim all through, leggy, rattling wings and tail, straight, full of qual. and col.; 2, hc, Thomas, stronger, good shape, leggy, plenty of length, rare qual.; 3, Walsh, grand type and style, smart, marvellous col. and qual.; 4, Helliwell, grand type, neat narrow shoulders, good head, nice back, lovely qual.; vhc, Ogden Bros.; c, Towers. BUFF (21): 1, Mason, good shape, trifle on strong side, nice pos., wonderful qual., very compact; 2, Bailey, tk. head, extra type and style, good head and back, lovely qual.; 3, Ogden Bros., good shape, nice head, smart feather; 4, Townsend, very lengthy, good shape, good col. and qual.; vhc, Robertshaw; hc, Allen; c, Denby. HEN (21): 1, Peel, buff, grand shape and position, leggy, lovely qual.; 2, Snead, tk. yell., lovely shape, slim, neat, straight, very stylish, grand feather and col.; 3, Robertshaw, buff, grand shape, good head and back, very boxy featber; 4, Elsegood, Cinn. tk. yell., nice length, well drawn out, leggy, rattling col. and qual.; vhc, Burdekin Bros.; hc, Radley; c, Tinkler. GREEN MKD. YELL. (16): 1, Dykes, mkd. wing, cheek, neck, grand length and shape, leggy, good back and wings, rattling qual.; 2, Ogden Bros., 4-pointed, very slim, extra good shape, leggy, lovely qual. and col.; 3, Denby, four-pointed, extra good length and shape, straight, grand wings, good feather; 4, Mason, slim, neat type and style, well up, rattling col. and qual.; vhc, Chittenden; hc, Thomas; c, Morrison. BUFF (17): 1, Ogden Bros., mkd. wing, eye, splendid shape, stylish, marvellous col. and qual., very clean made all through; 2, Dykes, mkd. wings, eyes, breast, extra smart shape, fine position, good col. and qual., good one; 3, Dewhirst, mkd. eyes and neck very lightly, wonderful shape, extra position, rattling wings and tail, lovely qual., gem; 4, c, Bailey, dark flights, eyes and head, neat type, well up, rattling qual.; vhc, Priestley; hc, Morrison. DITTO YELL. HEN (10): 1, Dykes, mkd. wings, eyes, very smart type and stylish, rare qual. and col.; 2, Ogden Bros., mkd. wings, eye, very slim and typical, good position, lovely feather; 3, Stobart, mkd. wing, eyes, splendid shape, leggy, marvellous qual., not a feather out of place; 4, Craven, mkd. wings, cheeks, head, nice shape, straight, nice qual.; vhc, c, Thomas; hc, Myers and Lumh. BUFF (17): Grand class. 1, Dykes, mkd. wings, eyes, lovely shape and position, good head, neck and back, perfect feather, put down in faultless condition; 2, Mason, mkd. wings, rattling shape, good head, back, wings, tail, very compact, marvellous qual., gem; 3, Morrison, mkd. wings, cheeks, good type and very leggy, rattling qual., neat; 4, Ogden Bros., mkd. wings, cheeks, head, good shape, leggy, showy, lovely qual.; vhc, Allen; hc, Brown and Son; c, Pearson. GREEN SELF YELL. (17): 1, 3, 4, Rowlands, grand trio, leader excels in type, rattling wings and tail, good col. and qual., 3rd, good length and position, leggy, good col., not so clean put together, 4th, rare type, good col.; 2, Morement, good shape, leggy, good position, nicely pencilled, good col.; vhc, Robinson; hc, McDermott; c, McNulty. FOUL YELL. (6): 1, Walker, slim, nice shape and position, rattling qual. and col.; 2, Rowlands, grand length, good shape, leggy, rich col., nice feather; 3, Pilling, slim, very bonny type, good feather, nice col.; 4, Robinson, stronger, good shape, splendid col., rare qual.; vhc, McNulty; hc, Handley. SELF BUFF (12): 1, 4, Rowlands, winner rattling type and style, slim, extra qual. and col., 4th, lengthy, too strong, fine col.; 2, vhc, McNulty, good col., nicely pencilled, rattling shape; 3, Handley, good size and shape, neat wings, tail, nice feather; hc, Hartley; c, Simpson. FOUL BUFF (12): 1, McNulty, good shape, well filled up, straight, fine position, rare col. and qual.; 2, 3, Walker, good shape and position, rattling colour and quality, 3rd, fair shape, good colour; 4, Handley, pretty hard, correct type, fine position, lovely qual., nice col.; vhc, McDermott; hc, Metcalfe; c, Rowlands. HEN (12): 1, Metcalfe, foul yell., some remarks were made as to its being too light, fine shape and position, leggy, full of qual. and col.; 2, c, Simpson, bonnie type and style, grand position, rare qual. and col., self buff; 3, Rowlands, self yell., good shape, extra position, rattling col., nice feather; 4, Morement, self yell., slim and neat type, showy, good col.; vhc, Sharp; hc, McDermott.

Mr. Davis's Open Classes.

CL. TK., ETC., YELL. NOR. (15): 1, Heap, grand shape, plenty of substance, rare head, excellent col. and qual.; 2, 4, Mallinson, leader, very massive, rare chest, rattling col. and feather, 4th, mkd., nice shape, good substance, red hot col., nice qual.; 3, Johnson, mkd., good cobby shape, nice chest, good qual.; vhc, Hulse; hc, Thomas; c, Humphries. BUFF (13): 1, Plowright, grand size, good shape, rare head, splendid qual.; 2, Thomas, good shape, very massive, excellent col. and qual.; 3, Heap, grand shape and size compact, nice qual., col.; 4, Ball, short, cobby build, nice head, rare feather; vhc, Humphries; hc, Clegg; c, McMillan. UNFLIG. YELL. (9): 1, Heap, neat shape, cobby, good sub., rattling top end, lovely qual.; 2, Hirst, nice substance, good head, nice col. and qual., a little too erect; 3, 4, Thomas, 3rd tk. wing and cheek, good size and substance, fair qual., 4th, good body shape, nice substance, rare head, nice qual.; vhc, Mottram; hc, Morris; c, Graham. BUFF (13): 1, Ball, marvellous shape, grand head, extra qual., rattling col., well put together; 2, Hirst, mkd., grand size and substance, lovely qual.; 3, Heap, tk. eye, good head, plenty substance, fine col. and qual.; 4, Jackson, nice shape and size, good head, rattling qual. and col.; vhc, Hulse; hc, Thomas; c, Roc. YELL HEN (12): 1, Clegg, rattling size, splendid head, cobby, nice chest, lovely quality, real good hen; 2, Thomas, grand shape, very cobby build, rattling qual.; 3, Ball, good shape, and chest, nice head, good col. and qual.; 4, Hirst, mkd., very nice bird, good size and shape, very good chest, nice qual.; vhc, Jackson; hc, McMillan: c, Mallinson and Son. BUFF (16): 1, Thomas, grand shape, rattling chest and head, excellent qual., gem; 2, Hargreaves, marvellous size and substance, rare qual., pale col.; 3, 4, vhc, Heap, 3rd, very massive build, good shape, fine head, lovely qual., 4th, good size and shape, rattling qual.; hc, McMillan; c, Lloyd. BRIT. GOLD. OR BULLIE (6): 1, Lane, Goldie, rattling size, good square blaze, nice bars, very rich tan, looking well; 2, Inman, Goldie, another good one, plenty of size, only beaten in richness of tan; 3, Dr. Wilson, Bullie, graud size, very rich col., good cap, smart; 4, Isherwood, neat Goldie, rich col., beaten size; vhc, McPherson; hc, Wilson. LINNET, ETC. (5): 1, Inman, Linnet, rattling size and shape, very rich col., nice pencilling, very steady; 2, Greenwood, Siskin, good size, bonnie col., nice bird; 3, Lane, Linnet, smaller, good deep nutty col; 4, Woodhead, Linnet, good size, paler col.; vhc, McPherson. A.O.V. HARD (7): 1, Isherwood, Hawfinch, grand size and shape, rattling deep col., good hib, full bloom, smart; 2, McPherson, Hawfinch, another good one, nice bloom and col.; 3, Dr. Wilson, Chaffluch, good size, very steady, splendid col.; 4, Lane, Yellowhammer, good big one, rare col., rattling condition; vhc, Pickles; hc, c, Benn. SOFTBILL (4): 1, Dr. Wilson, Waxwing, grand exhibit, brilliant in col., faultless condition, gem; 2, Booth, Grey Wagtail, good size, rare order, fine col.; 3, Lane, Sandpiper, good col., not very steady; No. 2, absent. HYB. (7): 1, 2, 4, Martin and Archer, well-known trio, unevenly mkd. Goldie-Can. leading, good size, full of col., well staged, 2nd, Greenie-Bullie, bonnie bird, nice size, rattling col., 4th, clear Greenie-Can., rompling size, lovely feather; 3, hc, Dr. Wilson, Can.-Bullie, brilliant col., smart; vhc, Inman; c, Wilson.

Mr. Cowgill's Novice Classes.

CL. OR TK. YELL. YORKS. (22): 1, Midgley, nice shape and length, fine position, good back, rattling qual.; 2, Cockroft, lengthy and leggy, brimful of col. and qual.; 3, Binns, breedy type, well up in position, nice feather; 4, Beaumont, good size and shape, leggy, very compact in feather; vhc, hc, Brook and Oldfield; hc, Harney. BUFF (33): 1, Lee, nice shape and leggy, fine position, rattling qual. and col., bit hollow in back; 2, Dibb, grand type, full of nerve, very erect in position, good qual., smart; 3, Saville, typical and leggy, nice style, good head, lovely qual. and col.; 4, Boulton, smart shape, stands well, nice qual.; vhc, Mosley; hc, Lassey; c, Naylor. YELL. HEN (27): 1, Beaumont, slim, leggy, shows well, nice col. and very close feather; 2, 3, Naylor, 2nd, mkd., neat type and stylish, leggy, extra qual., 3rd, very slim, nice wedge shape, nice position, nice qual.; 4, Townley, bonnie shape, nice round head, good qual.; vhc, Helliwell; hc, Smith; c, Child. BUFF HEN (28): 1, Barron, nice shape and shows a nice bit of thigh, lovely qual.; 2, Binns, mkd., nice shape and position, good back, rattling qual.; 3, Beaumont, good size, nice head, neck and back, extra col. and qual.; 4, Nichols, mkd., great length, nice shape, well filled up, lovely qual.; vhc, Hutchinson; hc, Moore; c, Mosley. UNFLIGHTED YELL. (25): 1, Quarmby, tk. head, grand shape, lengthy, nicely drawn out, excellent qual. and col.; 2, Binns, lengthy, leggy, rattling type, very round, good qual.; 3, Helliwell, lovely col., nice size and shape, rare feather; 4, King, rattling length and shape, good back, bit open at front, nice qual.; vhc, Radley; hc, Harney; c, Cawtherey and Son. BUFF (20): 1, Taylor, tk. wing, full of swagger, grand shape and position, leggy, extra qual., gem; 2, Midgley, nice length, marvellous shape, lovely close, compact feather, all there; 3, Wilkinson, smart shape, stylish, rare col. and qual.; 4, Townley, mkd., nice shape, neat head, round body, good qual.; vhc, Marsden and Beaumont; hc, Radley; c, Fisher. MKD. (25): 1, 4, Binns, buff leading, rattling shape and position, lengthy, good qual., 4th, yell., leggy, stylish, good qual. and col.; 2, Naylor, yell., grand shape, good round back, rich col. and nice qual.; 3, Helliwell, buff, bonnie type, neat wings, rare qual.; vhc, Wood; hc, Highley; c, Tasker. GREEN (7): 1, Moore, foul yell., nice length and shape, rattling col. and qual.; 2, 3, Mann, foul yell., lengthy and slim, nicely drawn out, good col. and feather, 3rd, self yell., bonnie type and style, nice col. and qual.; 4, vhc, hc, Brearley, self yell., shapely, leggy, good col.; c, Woodhead.

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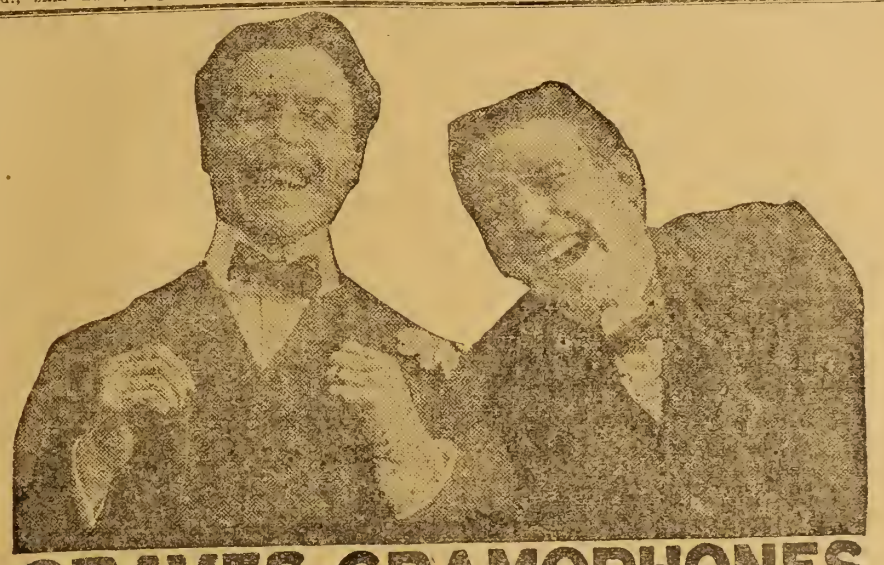
NOR. CK. (24): Grand class. 1, vhc, Watson, yell., tk. wing, very massive, grand shape, rattling head, good col. and qual.; 2, Birbeck, good shape, chesty, neat, excellent feather and col., buff; 3, Hudson, buff, tk. eye, good shape, plenty of substance, nice head, smart feathered; 4, Howarth, yell., mod. substance, good col., nice qual., too erect; hc, Kaberry; c, Pearson. HEN (16): 1, Hudson, mkd. yell., neat, compact, good qual. and col., trifle small; 2, Lord, buff, good type, nice head, rare suhstance, nice qual. and col.; 3, Lythell, yell., grand shape and substance, lovely qual., bit patchy in col.; 4, hc, Birbeck, yell., good size, grand head, chubby build; vhc, Pearson; c, Tingler.

DOVER.

Twelfth annual show, held in the Market Hall, Nov. 6 and 7. The exhibition was opened by the Mayor and was quite a success; the entries came up well, and the quality was top-top. Some grand Norwich were shown by Mr. Wickham, who won sp. for best. Yorks were a hot lot, Mr. Leaver winning two cups with a grand clear yellow. British were also good, especially Bullfinches and Linnets. Mr. W. R. Miles judged, and his decisions were very well received. The staging of the birds was under the special supervision of Messrs. Reeve, Leaver, Brown and Rayner, who saw that their every requirement was effectively supplied, and nothing was left undone. The hon. secs., Messrs. Abbott and Austen, had everything well in hand; catalogues with awards were out in good time, and it is satisfactory to record that the efforts of such hard-working officials were crowned with the success which they deserved.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. YELL. (7): 1, Wickham, fine bouncing bird, good head, short neck, nicely packed wings and tail, good col. and qual., takes sp. for best Norwich; 2, Easton, fine size, but not the quality or finish of winner, inclined to open his tail at times; 3, vhc, Meades, good type, nice qual. and col.; 4, c, Taylor, typical bird; hc Kilby. BUFF (7): 1 4, Taylor, former grand type and qual., red hot col., might be a bit better in head; 4th, nice exhibit; 2, Wood, grand head, nice silky feather, bit down in colour; 3, Kilby, nice body, good type and colour; vhc, Wickham; hc, Meades; c, Smith. TKD., ETC. (8): 1, 4, Kilby, a big bouncing nearly green leading, good head, nice silky feather, a real good one; 4th loses in wing carriage; 2, vhc, Taylor, bonny variegated bull, good body, head, and neck, well up in size; 3, Lynu, variegated yell., nat. col., good type and qual., rare form; vhc, Taylor; hc, c, Meades. HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, Taylor, gem of a bull variegated leading, good head and neck, nice silky feather; 2nd, cl. yell., nice type and qual., fails a little in head; 3rd, buff, rather smaller, but beautiful type and qual.; 4, Meades, rather long in barrel, but a nice hen; vhc, Easton; c, Wood. 1912 (12): wonderful class: 1, 3, Wickham, cl. buff leading, marvel for type and qual., feather like silk, a little inclined to cross its wings; 3rd, cl. yell., not quite so stout in body, will improve; 2, 4, Taylor, large red hot yell., good size, not quite so stout; 4th, lovely col., loses a little in size; vhc, Meades; vhc, hc, c, Lynu; c, Pilcher. YORKS. CL. YELL. (7): 1, Leaver, grand typical bird, long and slim best of style, takes cup for best exhibit in the show, also members' cup, which now becomes winner's property; 2, vhc, Johnston, very smart, good style, neat head, loses in wiugs; 3, 4 Austen rather larger and not quite so good style; 4th, a little open in tail; hc, Rayner; c, Lockett. BUFF (6): 1, 4, Rayner, long upstanding bird, nice wings and tail, straight as a gun; 4th, neat head, good qual., not the best of wings; 2, Lockett, loses length and style, nice qual. and col.; 3, Leaver, wee bit strong in body, good qual.; vhc, Taylor; c, Smith. TKD. (10): 1, Rayner, grand yell., neck and wing mkd., good length, stands well on leg; 2, Austen, wing mkd., slim build, tigbt as wax, loses a little in wings; 3, Lockett, tkd., stands well, 4, Leaver, variegated yell., a little open in tail, which, no doubt, put him back; vhc, hc, Johnson; c, Vidgen. HEN (12) good class: 1, 4, Johnson, sweetly mounded, rare length, good head and neck, nice col. and qual., 4th, long bird, a bit stouter; 2, Leaver, yell., well on leg, handly bt; 3, hc, Lockett, cap mkd. buff, beautiful type, well necked, nice qual.; vhc Company; hc Rayner. COCK, 1912 (13) another hot lot: 1, 3, Johnson, very typical yell. leading, straight as a rush, nice qual. and col., 3rd, buff, loses in style, 2, hc, Rayner, red hot bull, nice and shapely, stands well on leg, good head and neck; 4, Lockett, loses col. and style; ex 4, Leaver, not quite bt; vhc, Vidgen; hc, Johnson, Rayner, Goodwin. HEN (9): 1, vhc, Rayner, grand stylish yell., neat head, good wing and tail carriage, stands well; 2, Lockett, grand qual., loses a little in style; 3, Johnson, nice exhibit, but a bit strong; 4, Vine, typical, gets wings crossed at times; vhc, Leaver; hc, Austen; c, Taylor. BORD. (4): 1, 2, 4, Wood, grand little buff leading, nice type; 2nd, wing mkd. buh, not quite the style of winner; 4th, cl. yell., not quite so good carr.; 3, Soames, sweet little green, nice style. 1912 (9): 1, 2, Burton Bros., bonny even mkd. yell. leading, nice jaunty carr.; 2, cl. buff, not quite the style; 3, vhc, c, Wood, even mkd. buff, good eye and wing markings; 4, hc, Soames (Rev.), sweet little green; hc, c, Maycock. LIZARD (5): 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, Wood, bonny lot, winner good cl. cap, 2 well laced, good tail, only half down, which put him back; 3, nice cap, well spangled; 4, loses spangling and col. DARK MULE (10): 1, Casemore, big bouncing Greenie, rich col., rare size, well shown; 2, Webb, Siskin, nice exhibit, well shown; 3, hc, Soames, monster Goldie Can., good col.; 4, Reeves, another Goldie, blaze of col., loses size; vhc, Ackland, Ward; hc, Lord; c, Austen. BULL or GREENFINCH (6): 1, Wickham, wonderful Bullie, grand cap and bars, beautiful breast and back, well up in size; 2, vhc, Ackland, Bullie, must have pressed winner, good size, just a trifle paler in col.; 3, Prior, fine field moulted Bullie, blaze of col., not quite the size of others; 4, Wood, not up in col.; hc, Wood. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Casemore, nice Finch, a little unsteady, good blaze; 2, 3, c, Wood, loses condition, will improve; 3rd, a bit on the small side; vhc, Ackland. LINNET (8): 1, Wickham, sweet bird, grand col., nice pencilling; 2, Casemore, close up, not quite so good col.; 3, Pankhurst, fails to others in col. and markings; 4, vhc, c, Wood, nice col., not in condition yet; hc, Webb. SISKIN, ETC. (4): 1, Pankhurst, Redpoll, nice exhibit, good col., well shown; 2, Casemore, Siskin, nice cap, good colour, well laced; 3, Ackland, good Twite, rich col., well marked; 4, Austen, Twite, loses col. and markings to others. SOFTBILL (3): 2, 3, Austen, nice Missel Thrush, good col., well spangled, 3 large Jay, not over steady; 4, Weld, Tbrush, large, well marked. A.O.S. (6): 1, 2, Austen, two grand exhibits, Bramble and Hawfinch, well up in size and col. takes members' spl. for best Brit.; 3, Leaser, large Hawfinch, well up in size, close run; 4, vhc, Ackland, good Hawfinch, loses a little in size; c, Dennis. PARROT, ETC. (5): 1, Clayson, lovely Blue-fronted Amazon; 2, Brown, monster Cockatoo; 3, Hardy, Amazon; vhc, Marshall; c, Tee.



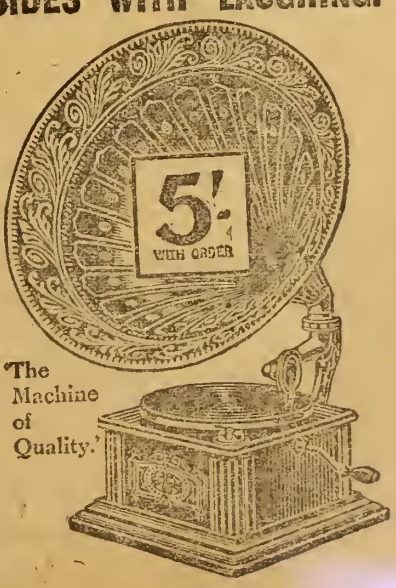
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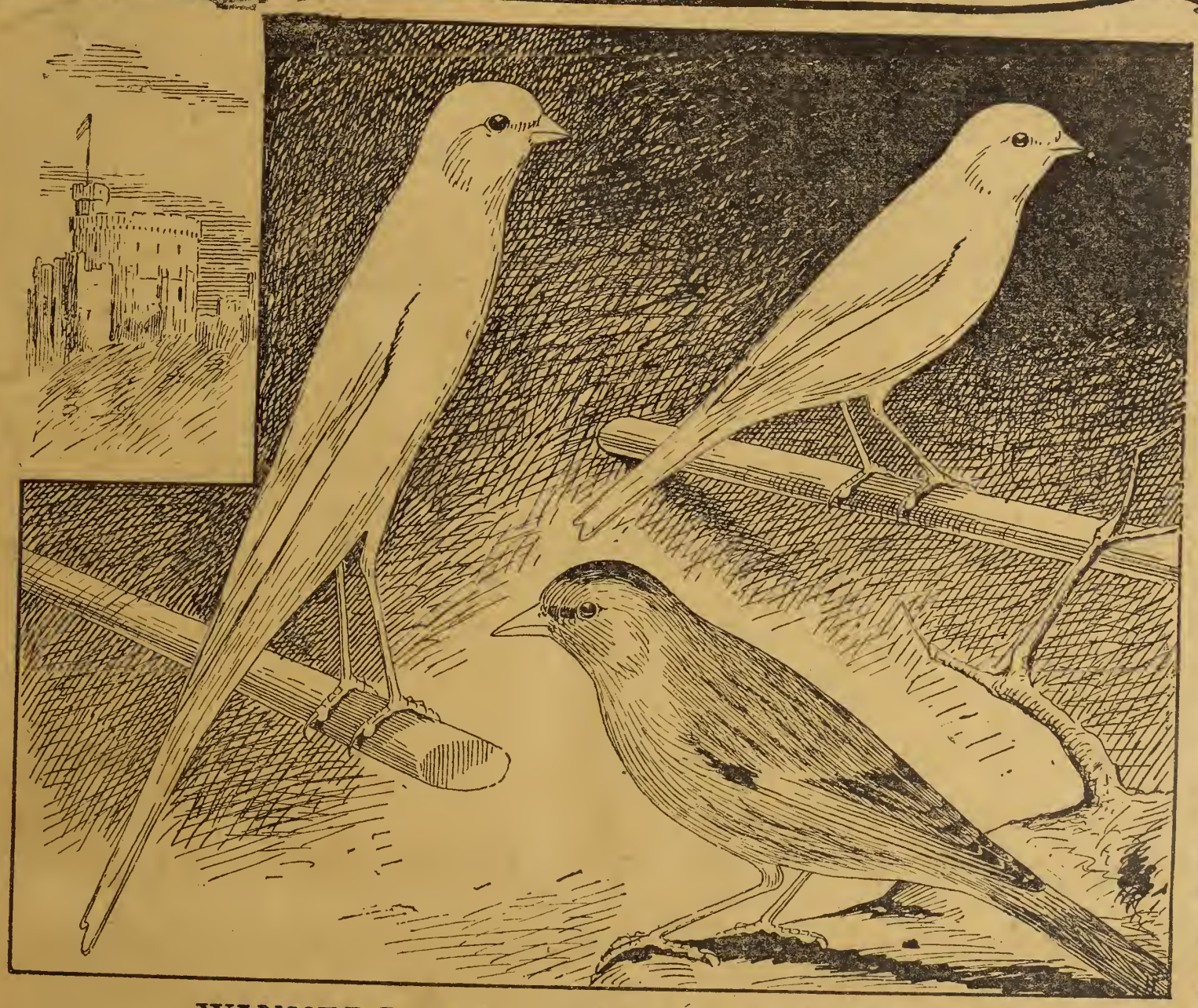
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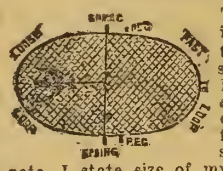
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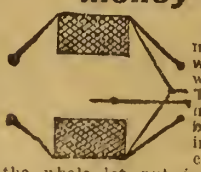
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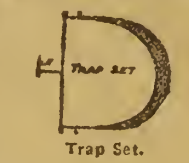
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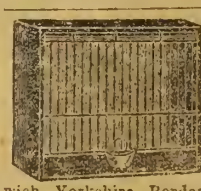
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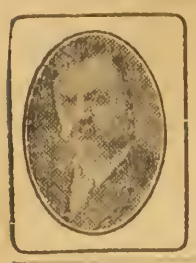
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Belgians.

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

ON sale; I have a few Belgian birds, fit for the show bench: Apply, Walmsley, Horse Shoe, Ormskirk. (192)

BELGIANS, a few yellow and buff hens, also buff cocks; cheap; approval: F. Butts, 7, Well-st., Barnstaple. (225)

FOR sale, 25 high-class Belgians, same strain as my cup winners: Lady Verhees, Grens, 56, Mortsel, Antwerpen. (241)

CHAMPION Belgians for sale from my winners, L.C.B.A., Scottish National, Edinburgh, Crystal Palace; approval; prices reasonable: Horrill, Barnstaple. (224)

CHAMPION Belgians, grand, for disposal including grand Yellow hen, winner open Derby strain; my winners three 1sts, spls last Barnstaple show, numerous other prizes; approval: Baker, Georges-av., Yeo Vale, Barnstaple. (213)

Cinnamons.

YELLOW hen, splendid feeder, yellow green cocks, 7/6 each: Sheldon, Hosier, Wanstead. (244)

ONE pair Nor. Cinnamons, B. cock, yell. hen, all correct, 20/-: Edwin Lloyd, jun., 12, Bridge-st., Chester. (230)

YELLOW Cinnamon cock 12/6, buff 8/6, two buff hens 6/- each; approval, deposit: Crofts, 127, Taylor-st., Leicester. (230)

CINNAMON cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-; hens, 4/6, 5/6 up; cage, 3d.; bargains: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

WINNERS; two firsts Plymouth, first Paignton, first Leicester, first Bodmin, second Abertillery; all for sale; state wants: Dyer, 140, Beaumont-rd., Plymouth. (244)

CINNAMONS, Norwich type, cold-room bred, can spare several, winning strain, perfect health; stamp for reply: Brown, 15, Wembury Park-rd., Peverill, Plymouth. (206)

LARGE typical pair 1912 bred Cinnamons; yellow cock, buff hen, Dormer's cup strain, colour fed, first order 15/- gets them: Geo. Cubley, Lutton Gowts, Long Sutton, Lincs. (243)

Crests and Crestbreds.

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TIME-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

CREST and Crestbred from 8/6 upwards; stamp reply: Boulter, 32, Palmerston-rd., West Hampstead, N.W. (230)

THREE young cock Crestbreds for sale, over moult and singing, 9/6 each: L, 84a, Salusbury-rd., W. Kilburn. (238)

GREEN heavy Crested cock, 7/6; yellow Crest-bred, 7/6; Crest-bred hen, 4/-; approval: Comben, Outfitter, Portland. (245)

NOTICE.—Several grand Crests and Crested Breds for show or stock, prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

SHAW AND BOOTH have few Crest and Crestbred for sale, cheap; state wants: Queen-st., Sutton-in Ashfield, Notts. (240)

60 SURPLUS Crest and Crestbred cheap to clear, approval; Barnett's blood: Bleher, 29, Sweet Briar Walk, Edmonton. (240)

CREST and Crestbred for sale from 12/6; reasons giving up breeding: Nicholson, 16, Warwick-st., Old Lenton, Nottingham. (230)

FOUR large Crest-bred hens, 1912, £3; or exchange large green Crest cock: Mason, 5, Prince Albert-bldgs., Edinburgh. (237)

FOR immediate disposal see Various Canaries column.

CREST and Crestbred cocks, Evins strain, large feathery stock, 7/6 to 20/-; particulars: Hunt, River-st., Truro, Cornwall. (231)

FOR sale, good C.B. cocks, 1912, best of blood; or exchange for good Crested hens J. Adams, 163, Newfoundland-rd., St. Pauls, Bristol. (230)

EVINS Brothers can supply a few pairs, or single birds cheap; pairs 40/-, single birds 20/- upwards; approval: 259, High-street, Exeter. (234)

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SEVERAL good class variegated Crestbred cocks, 8/6, 10/-; also Crested hens, 4/-, 5/-, cash or deposit: Ramsay, 112, High-st., Winchester, Hants. (229)

EXHIBITION Crests and Crestbreds, also good stock birds, from £1 to £7; approval: David Scott, 128, Atkinson-rd., Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (237)

CREST bred cock and Crested hen, 2 self green Norwich hens; several Crestbred cocks and hens; all bred direct from winners; cheap: Butcher, 33, Gibson-st., Harpurhey, Manchester. (242)

HIGH-CLASS Crests, Crest-breds, cheap; young birds; cocks and hens bred from winners, 10/- upwards; approval: F. Jones, Arden Cottage, Castle Bromwich, near Birmingham. (233)

HAVING to reduce my stock of Crests, Crest-bred, I offer some good birds from 7/6, my own breeding cold room; approval; deposit: Tetin, 124, Chestnut-avenue, Forest Gate, Essex. (234)

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MONSTER buff dark crested cock, a clinker, 1st Doneaster, 1st Kirkburton last week, breeder, £5 10/-, dirt cheap; several others, Crest and Crested breds, cheap; approval: E. Radley, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (231)

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Greens.

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

GRAND Norwich Greens, show or stock birds approval, inspection invited: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (213)

A FEW high-class Yorkshire Greens for disposal all bred from winners; approval.—McDermott, 9 Maple-grove, Liverpool. (233)

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NOT being able to follow showing up have all my Lizards for sale, reasonable, a grand lot both show and stock birds, best strain living; stamp particulars: John Dewsnap, 14, Princess-st., Glossop. (219)

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Norwich.

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WANTED, heavily variegated big buff Norwich hen: Hay, 24, East-st., Chichester. (240)

FEW Norwich for sale; reasonable approval; cash or deposit: Wilson, Baker, Banchory. (234)

FIVE buff cocks for sale, £2 the lot; or sell separate: H. Bell, Clements-st., Coventry. (234)

TWO pairs Norwich, 10/6, 12/6 pair: Bickerton, Kiln Houses, Little Houghton, Lesbury, Northumberland. (228)

TEN young Norwich, eight cocks, colour fed, 7/6 each, 45/- the lot: Large, 88, Fleet-rd., Hampstead. (241)

SOME good Norwich cocks and hens for sale, prices reasonable; approval: Myles, 4, Queen-st., Arbroath. (241)

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

A. WATSON can spare a few good typical birds, on approval; stamp reply: 5, Arbuckle-st., Kilmarnock.

MONSTER year old ticked yellow cock, grand bird, worth £2; sacrifice, 15/-: Nelson, 81, Bury New-rd., Bolton. (237)

GREAT sacrifice to clear, six Norwich cocks, five buffs, one yellow, 10/- each; 55,- lot: Harland, Bagdale, Whitby. (233)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich hens, 1911 and 1912, 5/- each; also several dark Mules in song, 6/6 each: Dowell, 4, Beer-st., Yeovil. (232)

FOR sale, few pair Norwich, good type, from 8/6 pair: H. Matthews, 47, Bosworth-st., Leicester (deposit system). (238)

SEVERAL matched pairs, 8/-, 9/-, 12/6, 15/-; see reports this week: Dallman and Son, Market Place, Melbourne, Derby. (240)

GRAND Norwich cocks, 7/6; hens, 3/6 and upwards; approval; seen any time: Fairshaw, Rawlinson-st., Dalton-in-Furness. (224)

LOOK here! Fit for exhibition, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 per pair; cash, deposit: approval: Girling, 19, Harford-st., Norwich. (241)

A FEW yellow Norwich Canaries from 15/- upwards; large typical birds; stamp reply: McLennan, 16, Market-st., Forres. (233)

STRONG, healthy Norwich cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-; approval; cash or deposit: Miles, St. Andrew's, Norwich. (235)

THREE good pair champion stock birds for sale; also buff Cinnamon cocks; approval: L. Roberts, 4, Balfour-st., Blackburn. (238)

GRAND typical pair of Norwich Plainheads, 15/-; bargain, cash or deposit: D. Jeffery, 34, Parchment-st., Winchester, Hants. (229)

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H. J. BANBURY can spare a few 1911, 1912 Norwich from his well-known winners, 10/- upwards; approval: Pinhoe-rd., Yeovil. (219)

BUFF cock, buff hen, unflighted, £1; others from 7/6 upwards; winning strain; approval; particulars: Priddle, St. Michaels-rd., Yeovil. (244)

GOOD Norwich, yellows and buffs, 10/6, 15/6, £1 pair; will exchange for good talking Parrot: D. Aspinall, 38, Pilling-lane, Chorley. (242)

FOUR yellow Norwich hens, good size, colour; exchange buff hens or cocks; approval; Forrest, Wood-st., Longton, Staffordshire. (239)

J. W. DALZELL will sacrifice good pair, yellow cock, buff hen, bred from my winners, 12/6; approval, deposit: Ormrod-st., Oldham. (244)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, yellow and buff cocks, 8/- and 10/; Buff hens, 4/6, fed; approval: Thibrell Bros., Bootmakers, Chipping, Lancs. (232)

VARIEGATED yellow or buff cocks, 10/- to 15/-, hens 7/6 to 10/-, good quality birds: Ramsden, 11, Josephine Avenue, Brixton, London.

TWO clear yellow Norwich hens, 6/- each; buff cock, 7/6; nice sized, typical birds; approval willingly: Gibson, Vernon-avenue, Nottingham. (235)

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GRAND yellow cock, res. Royal Cornwall, 10/6; monster buff variegated cock, fed, 10/6; typical yellow hen, 4/6: Eddy, Bellevue, Penzance. (231)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich cocks, 4/-, 4/9, 5/6, 7/-; hens, 1/9, 2/3, 3/-, 3/6; not suited money returned: Alfred Riley, Grocer, Lower Church-gate, Leicester. (234)

SOME fine Norwich for disposal, clears and variegated, fed and non-fed, about 30 to clear out from 5/- each up: J. Yeats, Linthorpe, Fraserburgh. (220)

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PRIZE BRED Norwich for sale, pairs from 10/-, single birds reasonable; approval: Smailes, Dunsfield-place, Radcliffe, Acklington, Northumberland. (238)

HIGH CLASS Norwich for sale, winner and bred off winners, all of the best type and quality, from 12/6 upwards: James Logan, Baker, Dysart, Fifeshire. (234)

A FEW surplus birds, some good specimens, all related to my winners; state wants; on approval, or seen any time: S. Ward, 21, Warwick-st., Pimlico. (230)

GEORGE THOMAS has some typical Norwich for sale, pairs from 17/6; also single birds reasonable; stamp; approval: 79, Larcom-st., Walworth, London. (218)

CHAMPION large, typical Norwich, cocks 7/6, hens 5/6; sure winners 15/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (226)

FOR sale cheap to clear several Buff Norwich cocks, all related to my winners Hull show, see report in this issue; approval, stamp: Potter, Walker-st., Hull. (241)

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FEW good Norwich cocks and hens; some can win; cheap to clear; state wants; cold-room; healthy; approval: Hotchkis, 37, Barry-terrace, Newtown, Pontypridd. (244)

J. H. TAYLOR has a few choice Norwich for sale; prices reasonable; wins, 1st Longton, 2nd Warrington, 1st, 3rd, vhc Preston; see report in this issue: 66, Richard-st., Crewe. (232)

CHAMPION Norwich, 30 years breeder of the best; several can win; large birds, good heads, silky feather, reasonable; approval: T. Billington, Hambleton, Poulton-le-Fylde. (235)

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MONSTER 1912 Buff Norwich cock, immense size, rare type and quality, only 10/6; also smart typical 1912 yellow hen, full of quality, feathered like silk, only 7/6 or 15/- the pair; also large typical 1912 yellow cock, rare type and quality, good size and substance, only 10/6; also monster 1912 buff hen, real model for type and quality, only 7/6 or 15/- the pair; all bred from big winners, rare chance for beginner; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (242)

MR. HAWKES, having no time for exhibiting this season through pressure of business, offers the following high class colour-fed typical Norwich at great sacrifice: Unflighted yellow marked cock, 1st, spl., Windsor, 40/-; clear unflighted yellow cock, 1st Stratford, etc., 40/-; another clear unflighted yellow cock, 2nd Stratford, 4th Abertillery, etc., 30/-; buff cock, 1st Stratford, 4th Abertillery, etc., 40/-; several other tip top cocks in faultless condition, and which have been shown and won within this last month, 20/- each; approval; above are choice present-day winning exhibition specimens, clean moulted and feathered to perfection: 330, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (242)

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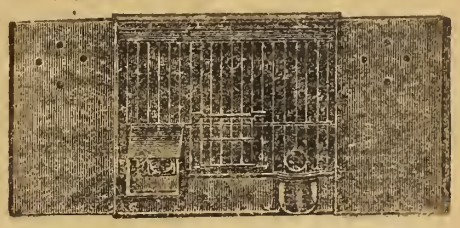
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CHAMPION Yorkshires, grand upstanding, leggy birds, full quality cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, to 20/-; hens, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 to 15/- each; pairs, properly matched for breeding winners, 12/6, 15/-, to 30/- pair; few exhibition specimens, can win keen competition, very reasonable; approval 4 days; particulars: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (217)



CHAMPION YORKSHIRES, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- Per Pair.

I am now offering marvellous value in Yorkshires, bred from winning strains, and every bird personally selected by me. Grand lengthy cocks, in full song, and feathered to perfection, at 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each upwards.

Grand racy hens, splendid type, and feathered like wax, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each upwards. Matched Pairs, correctly mated for breeding winners, and sex guaranteed, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- per pair. I can supply these in Clears, Ticks, Green Marked, Cinnamon Marked, or Self Greens.

WINNING YORKSHIRES.

I have a few real gems, ready for immediate benching, sure winners at small shows, at 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 35/-, 40/-, 45/-, or 50/- each. **Cocks or Hens.** These can win their cost in prize money. I have also a few real toppers, able to hold their own in hottest open competition. Kindly state wants. The following testimonials taken from scores recently received, need no comment of mine. "4, Chale Road, Brixton Hill, Nov. 13, 1912.—You will be pleased to know that a hen bred from the Yorkshires I had from you, took first and special at Clapham Show." Another from: "Londonderry, Nov. 16, 1912.—I received the 2 hens quite safe, and have shown them both. You will be glad to know that I won 1st with the yellow and 2nd with the buff. I thank you very much for the way you have treated me." The originals are filed here for the inspection of all. For particulars as to my own winnings, see reports of all champion shows.

I have also some real good specimens in Crests, Border Fancies, Mules, Rollers, Lancashires, etc., etc. Also some grand thick-set cobby Norwich at same prices as Yorkshires.

REMEMBER this please—I send every bird on approval for 7 days at my risk.

I guarantee absolute satisfaction or cash returned in full to every customer.

Don't Forget that my rooms are open every day, but Sunday. That I have the largest stock of high-class birds in the country; and that I give you a very cordial invitation to come and see them. If you cannot come, however, send a P.C. for my Free Illustrated Catalogue. Easy payments can be managed to suit the convenience of genuine fanciers.

JOE THOMAS, Breeder, Exhibitor, & Exporter, **AMBLER THORN, HALIFAX.**
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MR. HAWKES, having no time for exhibiting this season through pressure of business, offers the following high-class colour-fed typical Yorkshires at great sacrifice: Cinnamon marked yellow cock, gem all over, 1st, spl., Windsor, Stratford, 2nd Enfield, 3rd Abertillery, see reports, £2 15/-; unflighted clear yellow cock, typical specimen all through, 1st Enfield, 40/-; another grand yellow unflighted, won several prizes recently, 30/-; several other buff and yellow cocks, in faultless condition, and which are fit for the hottest competition and make certain winners, 20/- each; approval: Heathbank, 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (242)

EXCEPTIONAL BARGAIN

Six double breeding cages, three slashing typical Yorkshire hens, also two large flight cages, the lot carriage paid £2 10s., worth three times the amount, for quick cash: J. Sheppard, 129, Floyer-rd., Small Heath, Birmingham. (237)

RADLEY'S WINNING YORKSHIRES

Show or stock birds, cock 7/-, hens 5/- upwards. I breed my own winners, see reports at all the leading shows; approval: Allen Radley, 205, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, nr. Huddersfield. (236)

ROOLEY AVIARIES

Dealers write for our latest wholesale price list for good large colour-fed Yorks Canaries: 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford. (218)

P. RORKE'S WINNING YORKSHIRES

Have now ready some of the best from, 15/- pair upwards; my birds win in the keenest competition, see reports all S.Y.C.C. shows: Rorke, 50, Ringmeray., Munster-rd., Fulham. (222)

STRAIN TELLS

I have some excellent Yorkshires for disposal, bred from the best strain in the county, prices reasonable; state wants and I will endeavour to satisfy you: Crawhall, Chemist, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

W. E. KEARNS

Can supply high-class Yorkshires, bred from, or related to, his winners at Derby, Hanley, and Manchester, at very reasonable prices; cocks from 7/6, hens from 6/-; approval, deposit; visits by appointment: Carr House, Rawtenstall, Lancashire. (209)

EDWIN NORTH'S CHAMPION YORKS.

3 grand unflighted yellow cocks, grand length, feathered like wax, these gems only 16/- each; 8 unflighted buff hens to match, 5/6 each; 4 grand clear buffs, unflighted cocks, nice length, and well up on leg, 7/6 each; yellow hens to match, 4/6 each; these pairs will breed ten times their cost; a few specially selected singing cocks, 6/6, 7/6 each; all cocks in full song, and sent on 7 days' approval on receipt of cash with order or "Cage Birds" deposit note: 477, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (242)

GENUINE OFFER

Had wonderful results through advertisement. Have still few splendid hens left; buffs, yellows, cheap, healthy, colour-fed, and feathered like silk; one buff cock, beauty, 15/-; one grand lengthy yellow cock, 17/6; this bird can win; four show cages and case, new, 9/-; must sell: Hastings, Fish Merchant, Hartlepool. (231)

STILL WINNING.



See reports of leading show weekly, and remember there is only one **DYKES** shown: **Yorkshires.** So I am not claiming credit due to some one else. **My Yorkshires won more 1sts at last Palace show** also twice as many as any other exhibitor during 1910, 1911, 1912, and Cups, Bowls, Medals, etc., too numerous to mention. If you want to come out on top, try the old firm. **I could fill a whole paper with testimonials from all parts of the world,** and can give you the same satisfaction.

If you want **stock birds or show birds,** I have some **fine specimens ready for immediate disposal** at prices to suit all; and remember I send all orders off same day as received.

Champion Yorkshire Cocks, at **5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** each, all on full song, and some seven inches long, just the sort to breed winners. Fine racy **Hens,** possessing that bit of breed so much admired on the show bench, birds that will be **worth double before long, yellows or buffs, 4/-, 5/-, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6** each. **Pairs,** properly matched to give best results, and guaranteed cock and hen, at **8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-** per pair. **Clears, Ticked, Green, or Cinnamon-marked,** colour-fed or natural colour. Travelling **Cages, 3d. extra.** All on seven days' approval at my risk.

Exhibition Cocks or Hens, ready for the show bench, at very **reasonable prices.** Kindly state wants. Satisfaction guaranteed. **Price list post free. Easy payments arranged with reliable fanciers.** Inspection invited.

L. DYKES, RELIABLE AVIARIES,

SHANN STREET, BOLTON WOODS, BRADFORD.

HAWES BROS.

Best and biggest stud of winning Yorkshires south; good show or stock birds from, 10/6 pair; inspection invited; can be seen any time during daylight; stamp reply: 20, Barnsdale-rd., Paddington, or Post Office, Oakley, Bucks. (241)

CHANCE OF A LIFETIME

Giving up through change of occupation. Grand stock of 60 (including well-known Midland winners) for sale, 3/- to 15/- each; no fancy prices; approval willingly: Wells, Helmside, Erdington, Birmingham. (232)

A. E. PATTRICK

Some clinking Yorkshires for sale, bred from my winners, either show or stock birds, none reserved, satisfaction guaranteed or money returned in full, at my own risk: 6, Essex-st., Southend-on-Sea. (235)

H. H. TOWERS

winner of trophies and prizes at all the principal shows for many years, including championship diploma for best Yorkshire, Crystal Palace, 1912; Yorkshires now ready, pairs from, 15/- upwards; birds suitable for exhibition at reasonable prices; export orders at the cheapest possible rates; full satisfaction guaranteed, on approval; cash or deposit: Colne-rd., Glusburn. (9)

PURE YORKSHIRES

1912 Crystal Palace first prize strain, guaranteed; some lovely specimens, clean moulted cocks, yellows or buffs, from 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-, 15/- each; hens, yellows or buffs, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each; any on approval; I guarantee to please you, as soon as you see them. Cages, 2/- each. Breeder 30 years: Sandiford, Canary Judge, Preston, Lancs.; also at 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London. Send for catalogue.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

WE HAVE THEM AND WE'LL SELL THEM

which is proved by the champions we have bred, sold and exhibited for over 30 years, winning thousands of prizes, championships, cups, bowls, medals, etc., at leading shows throughout England, including three times championship Crystal Palace. This season we have supplied some of the biggest champions out, which are winning leading shows. It is a well-known fact that exhibitors keep the best for themselves, but as we cannot follow the shows, all our winners are for sale, including some real gems, fit for Palace or swell shows; also clinking lot of stock birds, the best money can buy, possessing plenty of length, full of style, and feathered like wax, the sort that do breed champions. Cocks or hens, yellow or buff, from 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/- each; approval: we guaranteed satisfaction, or return money in full: Messrs. Ambler, Langton Lodge, Scotton, near Knaresboro', Yorkshire. (239)

YORKSHIRE BREEDERS' SOCIETY

1,000 BIRDS READY

Splendid opportunity to buy direct from the genuine breeders, who have supplied some of the best winners to the leading exhibitors. Sets (cock and two hens) from 12/6 to 30/-; pairs from 8/- to 25/-; cocks from 5/-, hens, from 3/6. Exhibition birds at reasonable prices; easy payments arranged: Apply, Secretary, 40, Spring Cliffe, Manningham, Bradford. (241)

SHACKLETON'S CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

have won thousands of prizes and specials at all the leading shows in the kingdom. At the Crystal Palace I have won 6 championships, and over 30 first and special prizes. Birds bred and sold by me during the last 10 years have won hundreds of prizes and specials for their owners at all leading shows, and again this season my clients are taking leading honours all over the country, thus proving beyond question that this strain stands pre-eminent as the best and most reliable strain in the Fancy. I have for disposal some really grand birds, fit to win in the keenest competition; also some suitable for small shows and novice classes at reasonable prices. Properly matched pairs from 15/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/- upwards; single birds in proportion; Satisfaction guaranteed or money returned in full; approval, cash or deposit: W. H. Shackleton, Melrose Aviaries Lytton-rd., Girlington Bradford Yorkshire. (10)

OGDEN BROS.

Another record, 18 1sts in three days, besides numerous 2nds, 3rds and spls. A few of these winners for sale, so write direct to the fountain head, as this strain is unequalled for producing winners; properly matched pairs, bred from the best blood in the world, 10/6, 15/6, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair; special invitation to any fancier; or birds sent on approval: Dudley Hill, Bradford.

EVERY BIRD

I guarantee **my own breeding** and cold-room reared **from my winners** of highest honours in open competition **at all leading All-England Shows,** gold and silver medals **Crystal Palace, etc.;** winner of challenge and other cups in the keenest of competition. **Bennett's strain** is undoubtedly the **purest, finest,** and **oldest strain in the Fancy.** Send direct to the fountain head for your Yorkshires and **breed your own winners.** Now ready, **Cocks,** like soldiers in satin, at **5/-, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-** up.; **Hens,** like ladies in silk, at **4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-** up. **Matched Pairs** a speciality from 8/- up. All on approval; **cash** with order, **or deposit** with "C.B." Cages 3d. extra; **T. BENNETT, 14, Cumberland Road, Lidget Green, Bradford.** (241)

QUALITY WINS

Do you want to improve your stock? if so, get the best. If you are a beginner, be sure you start with good quality birds. They are always the best, therefore the cheapest. Do not be misled by unshapely crossbreds, but have reliable pure bred birds, on seven days' approval at my risk, so that you may judge the value I give. I have had many years' experience, and supplied many winners to my customers. I have none reserved; every bird is for sale; that accounts for my customers doing so well. My Yorkshires are all bred from the very best of high-class exhibition birds, full of quality, of standard length, light in feather, etc. Cocks, on song, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; hens, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 4/6 each; matched pairs, properly mated to breed the right stuff, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-. I have some real fine Norwich, same price as Yorkshires. Remember I send all my birds to you on 7 days' approval at my sole risk. Illustrated price list, post free: E. L. Storey, Bird Specialist, Crowle, Doncaster.

Various Canaries.

NORWICH cock and Yorkshire cock, 6/- each, or 11/- the two; approval: Hotchin, 38, Belmont-st., Lincoln. (231)

WANTED hen Canaries for export, will give 1/-; Yorkshires, 1/3: Manager, Bird and Poultry Stores, Wakefield. (236)

HENS. Three Norwich, 4/- each; 3 Yorkshires 5/- each; good birds, 25/- lot; bargain: Black, Brook Terrace, Darlington. (232)

CANARIES, strong, healthy, 1912, outdoor bred; cocks, 4/-; hens, 1/6 upwards; sex guaranteed: B., 38, Fant-lane, Maidstone. (236)

MONEY-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

THROUGH removal, 35 Canaries for sale, Yorks., pair Cinnamons, Crestbred, Lancs. coppy, some winners: Mullett, Caroline-st., Dudley. (231)

NOVICES; a chance of lifetime; all my Norwich and Yorkshires, some clinking good birds, from 12/- pair to 40/-; every bird has to be sold; birds before cash: Lloyd, 707, Bolton-rd., Pendlebury. (235)

NOTICE; giving up Fancy; I have some grand Norwich and Yorkshire cock Canaries, 3/6, 4/6; hens, 2/-, 2/6; parents are winners of hundreds prizes; approval, deposit: Andrews, 61, Philip-st., Bedminster. (245)

THOSE who have a pet Canary will find much that is instructive and interesting in "Nutshell No. 5," post free 2½d., from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. 2d. from agents (see list published frequently).

DECLINING Fancy. Sib bred light muling birds, Weston's, cock cost 20/-; 3 young hens, buff, 25/- the lot; 6 three compartment, 4 two-compartment joiner-made cages, 4/- each; 9 single breeders, 2/- each: Cowans, Wooler. (231)

A BARGAIN; 12 young Canaries, cold outdoor aviary bred, 7 cocks guaranteed amongst same, 35/- lot; also 30 others from another aviary, £5 the lot; intending purchaser will see money back on cock birds alone; can be viewed: W. Furner, May Villa, Erith. (229)

DERBY BREEDERS' SOCIETY

Good birds for sale, related to winners at London, Manchester, Nottingham and Derby shows, the largest stock in the district; Crests, Crestbreds, Norwich and Yorkshires; state wants; enquiries invited: Secretary, G. H. Wharam, 23, Macklin-st., Derby. (243)

BIRDS SUPPLIED FROM 1s. PER WEEK on my easy purchase system. Birds forwarded on receipt first payment on approval. No such terms offered elsewhere. Largest breeder in the West enormous stocks Plainhead, Norwich, Yorkshires, and Crests; having some of the finest birds in England defy contradiction; stamp reply: Neame, Exporter and Exhibitor, The Aviaries, 13, Durnford-st., Stonehouse, Devon.

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to all breeders, a limited amount of space in "Cage Birds Annual" for 1913. This is THE advertising medium of the year. All breeders' cards are inserted in special positions, following the finest possible reviews of the show season published. Space is limited, and may now be booked. Secure your space at once, and thus work up a first-class connection next year. Low prepaid rates:—2/6 (3-inch by 4 inches) and 4/6 (3 inch by 4 inches): The Advertisement Manager, "Cage Birds Annual" for 1913, 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

Canaries! Canaries!

Strong, clean, and healthy Canaries, cold aviary bred, guaranteed cocks, in full song, 5/- each; 48/- dozen; hens, 2/- each; 18/- dozen.—**WALSH, Bird Specialist, Blackburn.** (245)

Let Broadbent's System

of selling birds **be your system of buying. Deposit with order 3/- on cocks, 4/- on matched pairs. Balance at 1/- per week. Birds on first payment.** Splendid selection of **Yorkshire, Norwich, Border Fancies,** and **Hartz Cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each. Pairs, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6** upwards. Odd hens at **1/6, 2/6, 3/6** each. Full price list of all kinds of Canaries and British, ½d. stamp. Travelling boxes **3d.** extra.—**EDGAR BROADBENT Decorator, 355, London Rd., SHEFFIELD.** (241)

Extra Pains Mean Extra Satisfaction.

This I give in scientifically matching all the following varieties to produce good results for

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In pairs, Plainheaded Norwich, Yorkshires, Border Fancies, or Hartz Mountain Rollers, **10/6, 12/6, 15/-;** Crests, **15/-, 20/-, 30/-.** Cage, **3d.** A good **double breeding cage,** fitted complete with every requisite for any of above, **5/-** extra, or single cage **2/6. All I ask for above is comparison. Your approval is my ambition.**

W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, **NORWICH.**

MULES—HYBRIDS.

I WILL give good price for cock Mules: 117, West-st., Dunstable. (236)

FOUR cocks, one hen, Finch notes, £1 lot, or 6/- each: Poole (see Miscellaneous Exchange) (235)

TO Mule breeders; six grand Bullfinch hens, 2/6 each; 12/- the lot: Carstairs, 263, High-st., Perth. (213)

2nd PRIZE Linnet, 3rd Linnet Mule, Yorkshire hen and Linnet Mule, £1 the lot: Drye, 45, Arthur-rd., Windsor. (239)

FINE house-moulted Goldfinch and Yorkshire hen, bred 7 Mules this season, 10/6: H. Smith, Portland-road, Hove. (236)

DARK yellow cock Greenfinch Canary Mule, colour fed, 10/-; approval: J. Davies, 381, Station-rd., Winsford, Cheshire. (234)

HANDSOME cock Goldfinch Mules, full song, 5/- each; Yorkshire hen Canaries, 2/6 each; approval, deposit: George Neal, Freckenham, Soham. (238)

FOUR cock Goldfinch (Yorkshire hen) Mules, monsters, singing, 1912 birds, 7/- each; approval, deposit or cash: Harper, Tobacconist, Uttoxeter. (233)

REDPOLL-GREENFINCH Hybrid, winner several prizes, latest win 2nd Stratford, Oct. 24th; accept 15/-: Hawkes, 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (242)

CATCHERS! 1912 cock Goldfinch Mules, variegated dark yellows, 6/6 each, Goldfinch song; week's approval: Bryant, 4, Wilson-grove, Garston, Liverpool. (232)

FOR sale two dark buff Goldfinch Canary Mules, could win at some shows, one rare size and substance; approval: McWatt, Bankview, Bonnybridge. (241)

LARGE, pink-eyed, Sib.-bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, 5/6; cocks, 7/6 each; or exchange: ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (236)

LOVELY yellow Mule, even eyes, otherwise clear, 70/-; even 4-pointed buff, 55/-; large birds; Goldfinch and two Canaries, parents of above, £2 (see British): Bird. (232)

TO Mule breeders. Goldfinch, proved Muler, fit for exhibition, 12/6; one untried, 5/-; also field-moulted cock, 4/-: Howells, Hawthorn Villa, Haverfordwest. (238)

A GOOD large Redpoll-Canary (cock), 10/-, also a good large Siskin-Canary (cock), 15/-, and a large Goldfinch-Bullfinch, fit to win, 30/-: S. Ward, 21, Warwick-st., Pimlico. (230)

IMPORTANT to bird catchers; champion singing cock Goldfinch mule, 10/-; champion singing cock Linnet mule, 10/-; pure song; approval; also pairs for breeding; cheap: Dutton, Mule Breeder, Dunstable. (237)

ALL cocks. Large Goldfinch Mule, Finch note, 7/6; one Linnet Mule, 6/6; two others, 5/6 each; Greenfinch Mule, 5/6; hen Bullfinches for muling, 1/-; cocks, Bullfinches, 1/9; approval: Charles Lewis, Highbridge, Somerset. (237)

TO Hybridisers, Canary-reared cock and hen Greenfinch, cock Siskin, hen Bullfinch, all proved hybridisers; also exhibition Greenfinch Mules, Goldfinch-Bullfinch and Redpoll-Greenfinch hybrids: Nichols, 82, Wandsworth Bridge-rd., Fulham. (239)

FIVE dark Goldfinch Canary Mules cocks, singing, 5/6 each; five dark Goldfinch Canary Mules hens, 5/- lot; cock Goldfinch twice, H.M. and buff hen Canary, parents of above, 8/6; clean and healthy: Willis, 63, Dorothy-rd., Leicester. (246)

NOV. 18th., 1912.—I should be glad if you would state in "Cage Birds" that I am obliged to all applicants for Muling hens which are all now disposed of; I could not reply to all applicants they were far too numerous, which shows what one advertisement will do for you in "Cage Birds."—W. Nichols (Fulham).

CAGE-BIRD HYBRIDS.—Published in 8 Monthly Parts at 6d. each, post free 7d. Complete bound in cloth, 7/6, carriage paid. This great work is written by Charles Houlton, an authority with a reputation extending over 25 years as a leading exhibitor and a leading expert and judge; (associate editors, G. E. Weston and C. A. House). Magnificently illustrated by that great bird artist, H. Norman. There are no less than sixteen coloured and sixteen art plates in this work. Each plate is a perfect study of an individual Hybrid. Every plate shows the correct colour, the correct shape, the present-day type and general characteristics of a modern Hybrid. The practical and comprehensive work for which all Hybrid breeders have been waiting: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

GOLDFINCH, LINNET, GREENFINCH, AND SISKIN CANARY MULES.—Cocks, in **full song,** pure wild notes, **8/6, 10/6,** and **12/6** each. Grand Hen Mules, **1/6** each; approval.—**WALSH, Bird Specialist, Blackburn.** (245)

100 PURE SIB. BRED HENS

Norwich or Yorkshire type, beauties, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/- 7/6 each; approval with any; est. 1879: Sandiford, Bird Specialist and Judge, Preston, or 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

BUY FROM THE BREEDER

H. E. Hedges, 46, Greys-rd., Eastbourne has for disposal few cock Goldfinch Mules, 7/6, 8/6 each; house-moulted cock Goldfinches, 3/6, 5/6 each; cock Chaffinch, fine feather, 3/6; Norwich cocks, 7/6; hens, 3/6 upwards; approval. (238)

COCK MULES & HYBRIDS

Grand Goldfinch-Canary or Linnet-Canary Mules, in full song, guaranteed, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 each; grand cages for same, from 1/-, 1/6, 2/-; Greenfinch-Canary cock Mules, 4/-; Siskin-Canary Mules, cocks, 5/-; Greenfinch-Linnet cock Hybrid, beauty, 6/-; approval: Sandiford, Bird Specialist and Judge, Preston, Lancs.

FOR SALE, COCK GOLDIE-BULLFINCH

Also cock Linnet-Bullfinch, in pink of condition; both 1912 birds; price £5; stamp reply; cash or deposit: Mrs. L. Robinson, 114, King-st., Plymouth. (239)

MULES! MULES! MULING HENS!

Large collection of singing Mules (can be seen here), Goldfinch, also Linnet; many Muling hens at 2/6, 3/6; pink-eyed, 5/- each; giant Gold finch, and large Muling hen, 10/6 pair. These lots are great bargains; cage 3d.: W. Rudd, the Bird Specialist, Norwich. (240)

Wildfowl.

TAME Seagulls for garden from, 2/6 each and waders (various) from, 2/: Everitt, 86, East-st., Prittlewell, Essex. (239)

FOREIGN BIRDS.

COCK Shama wanted for cash: Ledden, Shelley Lodge, Worthing. (230)

REDRUMP Parrakeet hens, 15/-; cocks, 12/6; pairs, 25/-: R. Colton, 9, Birkendale-rd., Sheffield. (216)

LARGE lemon-crested Cockatoo, very tame, say few words, 30/-: Brown, 163, Snargate-st., Dover. (240)

COCK Shama for sale, acclimatised, tame, and in perfect condition, 45/-: Mrs. Willis, 27, Belgrave-rd., S.W. (244)

AFRICAN Grey Parrot and cage, talks and whistles bugle call, £3: Apply, P.C. Pegg, Aspley Guise, Beds. (231)

GRAND Budgerigars, aviary bred, beauties, 4/6 pair. Est. 50 years: Sandiford, Bird Specialist, Preston.

VERY fine young male Cockatiel, beautiful condition, 7/6, or with aviary 17/6: H. Smith, Portland-rd., Hove. (236)

MONEY-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

RED-WINGED Parrakeet wanted, a hen, also wanted, a hen Manycolour: T. H., Brooklea, Downs-rd., Linton. (229)

MAGNIFICENT African Grey Talking Parrot and cage, very plain and fluent talker, £6 10s.; approval: Dutton, Dunstable. (236)

BUDGERIGARS from garden aviary; Greens 5/- per pair to clear: Dunstan, 2, Redannick Villa, Chapel Hill, Truro. (232)

AMAZON Parrot, very tame, talks whilst perched on finger, indoors or out, with cage, 35/-: Emery 266, Bramall-lane, Sheffield. (241)

TEN pairs Skerett Watmough's champion African Owls, whites, blacks, pieds; exchange Foreign birds: Shiell, Chirnside, Berwickshire. (240)

A GOOD talking Parrot wanted; will exchange good Norwich or Yorkshires (see Norwich column): D. Aspinall, 38, Pilling-lane, Chorley. (242)

ONE hundred perfect Tovi Parrakeets, 12/- pair; handsome squirrels, 3/6; ferrets, 4/6; white Pom. pup, 20/-: Hayter, Importer, Southampton. (234)

HANDSOME Lemon Crested Cockatoo, tame, acclimatised, and in perfect health and plumage, with excellent cage, 35/-: Sansom, Stony Stratford. (230)

BUDGERIGARS, from exposed outdoor aviary, healthy, unrelated pairs Greens, 5/-; Yellows, 7/-; odd cocks and hens; approval: Criddeford, Honiton. (231)

EXHIBITORS; true pair Peach-faced Lovebirds, perfect health and plumage; owner's possession 2½ years; lowest, £7: Pickles, Stoneyhurst, Morecambe. (243)

VERY rare breeding hen, blue wing Parrakeet, £5; pair blue Tanagers, £2; wanted Parrakeets: Clare, "The Hollies," 194, Coombe-lane, Wimbledon. (240)

FOR disposal cheap, beautiful acclimatised talking blue-front Amazon Parrot and cage, Budgerigars. Canaries: Gilbert, Blindgrooms, Shadoxhurst, Kent. (239)

NOTICE, grand pair cock yellow and green Budgerigars, warranted winners, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

EXHIBITION specimens: grand pair Nutmeg Finches, 4/6; pair Bronzewing Mannikins, gems, 5/-; cock Orangecheek Waxbill, 1/6: F. Howe, 54, Thomas-st., Wellingborough. (242)

PARSON Finches, aviary-bred, 25/- pair; parents of same (claws defective), 30/- pair; aviary bred Ribbon Finches, 4/6 pair: Nicholson, Weardale-place, Stockton-on-Tees. (232)

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MEALY Redpoll, perfect bib and lacings; also Greenfinch, yellow muler, house-moulted, fit for keen competition; exchange green Budgerigars: Sayward, King's-rd., Halstead, Essex. (234)

EXCHANGE Muling cock Siskin and house-moulted cock Chaffinch for large Mealy Redpoll, must be good in all points; on approval both ways: Morgan, 11, Derbyshire-lane, Stretford, Manchester. (239)

EXCHANGE two cage-moulted white-legged cock Goldfinches, Welsh, bred Mules, for good Seifert Roller cock, or sell 6/- each; yours first: Hussey, Baker, High-street, Kington, Herefordshire. (239)

BLACK cock Bullfinch, cock Greenfinch, bred Mules; three Canary-reared Linnets; pair adult Budgerigars with two young; exchange; offers: Herbert Woodhead, Jug and Glass, Edwinstowe, Notts. (240)

EXCHANGE exhibition house-moulted cock Goldfinch for field moulted Linnets or Siskins; must be good, big birds for exhibition, or sell 10/-; cock Hawfinch, 4/-; or exchange: Stewart, Stanley-terrace, Morpeth. (229)

SALE or exchange, the following exhibition specimens: Goldfinch, 1st, sp, Enfield, 20/-; Reed Bunting, big winner, 15/-; Bullfinch, 3rd Stratford, 12/6; Linnet, 2nd Portsmouth, 10/-; Greenfinch, 1st Stratford, 5/-; Chaffinch, 2nd Windsor, 15/-; Lesser Redpoll, 5/-; 2nd Peterboro'; above are all cocks, colour fed and feathered to perfection, and have won many other prizes: Hawkes, 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (242)

Mainly Canaries.

MONEY-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

GOOD pair Borders; exchange for large yellow muling hen, or sell 6/-: Bulloch, Ayr-rd., by Larkhall, Lanarkshire. (229)

WHAT offers in cash for 8 cocks, 10 hens Norwich, mostly clears: C. Allen, Hairdresser, Bury St. Edmunds. (236)

WILL exchange two Border cocks for good yellow Yorkshire hen, sell 13/: Wall, 31, The Mead, Street, Somerset. (234)

FIVE 1912 Canaries, 4 cocks, sell £1, exchange pair 1912 Norwich same value; Hallows, 33, Willow-st., Romford. (230)

FOUR splendid Crested Roller cocks, sell 28/; or exchange sewing machine or gent's gold ring, or anything useful: Spratt, 56, Orchard-lane, Southampton. (244)

EXCHANGE cock Canary for cock Goldfinch, R.M., Mule breeder, sell 7/6; yours first: Belcher, Bury-st., Ablngdon. (235)

WILL exchange large Yellow Norwich hen for good Yellow Border Fancy cork: A. Menzies, 6, Bankside-av., Johnstone. (241)

FOUR hen Canaries for sale, 10/; or exchange for cock Goldfinches: Allen, 15, Centre square, North Camp, Aldershot. (231)

NICE pair Lizards, exchange long rabbit nets or ferrets; no rubbish wanted: H. Hinson, 56, Wood View, Bourne, Lines. (230)

EXCHANGE Norwich Yellow hen and variegated hen for Norwich cock or sell, 6 - two: 20, Hedge's Yard, West Croydon. (242)

WILL give Canaries from winners for treadle sewing machine, good condition: B. Soanes, 92, Bevan-st., Lowestoft. (245)

EXCHANGE six hens and four cock Canaries for Parrot and cage, or sell 30/-: Hulee, 90, Woodford-lane, Wimford, Cheshire. (229)

GOOD pair stock Norwich and single breeder, 15/6, or exchange lady's long coat; offers: 25, Hartington-rd., Custom House, Essex (242)

EXCHANGE good variegated buff Norwich hen for clear or variegated yellow Norwich hen: Habgood, 8, Brunswick t., Swindon. (230)

LARGE buff Cinnamon hen, exchange British: also few Borders for sale, yellows: Hodgetts, Middle Row, Isabella Pit, Newsham. (231)

TWO pairs prize Yorkshires for good gramophone and records; Goldfinch for Roller cock: Robinson, Aldgate, Kettou, nr. Stamford. (244)

WHITE-LEGGED Finch, two large Norwich hens, sell £1; or exchange Yorkshire yellow hen, unflighted: R. Pinnell, Warminster. (234)

NORWICH cock and two good Yorkshire hens, 12/-, exchange for blow lamp, clock, anything useful: Hitchcox, Mitre-st., Buckingham. (231)

SALE or exchange pair Border Fancies for British hardbills, Goldies, Siskins, and Linnets preferred: John Lambie, Hunterfield, Gorebridge. (232)

BARGAIN; extra deep Seifert Roller cock and 2 hens same strain, sell 30/-, or exchange suit to measure: Sowerbutts, South-st., Bacup. (231)

TICKED buff cock, winner 2nd, var. yellow hen, winner 3rd prize, 12/6 pair; exchange, good Norwich: Davies, Ferndale, Craven Arms. (235)

GOOD Norwich songster cocks, 4/6: hens, 1/9; or anything useful, joiner's tools preferred: David Gillott, Thorpes-rd., Heanor, Derbyshire. (234)

TWO fine Yorkshire hens, Dykes', H.M. Goldfinch, mules; exchange three common songsters, approval: Williams, Dynevor-st., Fochriw, Cardiff. (231)

TWO good Yorkshire hens and one Sandiford's double breeding cage, 8/6, or exchange good ferrets: Brammer, Armitage, Staffordshire. (239)

GOOD Rollers, Norwich, from 7/6, or useful exchange; hand-reared Thrush, 2/6; exchange cock Bullfinch: 39, Easton-st., High Wycombe. (232)

TEN prize-bred Border hens; best offer; exchange pair Yorkshires to value 25s.; splendid birds; approval: Bulman, Cockermouth. (239)

TICKED yellow Yorkshire cock, 10/6, for good yellow Norwich hen; mutual approval: J. and H. Kennedy, Harelesshill-rd., Larkhall, Lanarkshire. (229)

FOUR pairs healthy Norwich Canaries; exchange anything useful; Yorkshire Toy or Pekinese: Fenton, Barton-st., Clown, nr. Chesterfield. (240)

PRIZE bred Norwich from 6/6 to 50/-, exchange British, Linnets, show cages and ease, or gold jewellery; state wants: Peters, 572, Liverpool-rd., Patricroft. (231)

THREE Yellow Norwich cock Canaries, housemoulted; cock Goldfinch; two Linnet Mules; will seperate; anything useful: Silk, All Hallows, Worcester. (241)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich and Borders; pairs, 10/- to 30/-; exchange gents' and ladies' underwear, table linen, furs, etc.: Gamble, Clydesdale House, South Wigston. (237)

NORWICH cock Canary and cage, 10/-; or exchange three White Leghorn pullets, pair Pouters, young Terrier: Hollingshead, 21, Fonthill-rd., Hove, Brighton. (237)

PRIZE bred Cinnamon Border Fancy, three good 1911 hens, 7/6 each, two others with foul tails, 5/- each, or exchange Norwich: W. J. Allen, 5, Vine-st., Stamford. (231)

WHAT offers in Canaries, Foreign, or British birds for suit length good tweed, or sell 35/-, or lady's dress length or sell 12/6: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

SALE or exchange, prize-bred Norwich Canaries, colour-fed; cocks from 10/-; also breeding cages; exchange incubator, jewellery, etc.: Spinner, Leslie Park-rd., Croydon. (237)

MULING Canaries, healthy, good strain sell 7/6 each, none better, or exchange anything useful, cutlery, etc., on approval: Naylor, 120, Hasland-rd., Hasland, Chesterfield. (230)

CLEARING out; four Norwich cock, six Norwich hens, four Goldfinch Mule hens, one cock Linnet; the lot exchange for new overcoat or sell: Moore, Alfred-st., Wells, Somerset. (242)

GOLDFINCH Mule, Goldfinch notes, 7/6; also its sire, 7/6; Linnet, fit for showing, 7/-, or £1 lot, or exchange Yorkshire 1912 birds: 74, Peel-st., Dresden, Stoke-on-Trent. (238)

FIVE Yorkshire, 1 Norwich cocks, 3 Yorkshire, 3 Norwich hens, cold-room, sell £3, or nearest offer; or exchange gent's strong bicycle, 26in. frame: Maslen, 9, Police-cottages, Avonmouth. (236)

EXCHANGE buff Norwich cock, three buff Border hens, for good typical yellow Norwich cock or hen, or offers good British; approval both ways: Connell, 72, East Main-st., Darvel, Ayrshire. (234)

LARGE yellow Norwich cinnamon cock and buff cinnamon hen, 1911, £1 10s.; or exchange large clear yellow cock; must have good head and neck: Mason, 5, Prince Albert-buildings, Edinburgh. (237)

CANARIES, cock, 3 hens, 1911, 15s.; 3 as bred, 12/-; 4 cock Redpolls, 3 single breeders and fittings, 10/-; exchange gramophone or cycle, yours first: Parsonage, North Hill, Colchester. (230)

EXCHANGE big buff Yorks. cock, grand stock bird, for big Norwich yellow marked cock or hens; also Yorkshire or Norwich, for coatings or cotton remnants or spirits: Middleton, 15, Willoughby-avenue, Holbeck, Leeds. (232)

YORKSHIRE Canaries for disposal; cinnamon bred, clear and green variegated, 1911-1912, good strain; hens from 3/6; cocks, 7/6 upwards; or exchange for gent's boots, underwear, good quality; stamp: 49, Banstead-grove, Roundhay-rd., Leeds. (232)

TWO pair Yorkshires, 15/- per pair; pair Norwich, 12/6; Crested Norwich cock, 7/6; h.m. Goldfinch and hen Canary, mulers, 10/-; three hen Canaries, 2/6 each; Yorkshire cock, beauty, 15/-; young cock, 5/-; must sell: J. Hannon, Greenhill-rd., Wakefield. (228)

SALE or exchange for anything useful, buff cock Norwich, 2nd Windsor, 20/-; yellow cock, 2nd Stratford, 20/-; buff hens, big winner, 15/-; pair of Yorkshires, 4th Leyton, 20/-; clear yellow cock, won several prizes recently, 25/-; approval: Hawkes, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (242)

YORKSHIRES, yellow cock, winner, buff hen; exchange two unflighted yellow Norwich hens or yellow cock; must be good birds or useless; sell 25/-; approval: Watts, 11, Philipe-lane, Colne, Lancs. (239)

Mainly Foreign.

CATBIRD, cage moulted, in song, rare, 20/-; tail damaged; exchange cock Shama or Mocking Bird: Harrison, Retreat, Tiverton. (228)

WHAT offers in Canaries, in exchange for good Cockatoo and square cage, make a good talker: Knight, Fruiterer, Pontmorlais, Merthyr. (233)

HANDSOME pure white Java cock, pair Weavers, cock Ribbon Finch, acclimatised, 15/-; exchange Fancy pigeons: Lawton, Summer-st., Glossop. (232)

RED Cardinal and Amber and Black Troupial, both moulted in private aviary, 30/- each; or exchange talking Parrot: B. Jones, 1, Falkirk-st., Kingsland-rd., London. (241)

BUDGERIGARS, genuine adult pairs Greens, 5/6; Yellows, 6/6; approval; worth double; offers Canaries, boots, anything: Cawthorne, Ferry Bridge, Yorkshire. (239)

COCKS: Cutthroat, Silverbill (outdoor), and young variegated Norwich; exchange St. Andrew's-berg Roller cock, or sell separately: Miss Pottel, 22, Havelock-rd., Croydon. (229)

GREEN Budgerigars (own breeding) from outdoor aviary, 5/6 pair; one yellow cock 3/6; would exchange, good big Norwich: Singleton, Byrne-road., Wolverhampton. (241)

BEAUTIFUL Green Amazon Parrot, plain talker and mimic, good plumage and condition, sell £2, including nearly new cage; useful exchange entertained; no birds; stamp ensures reply; call or write: Burry, Dairyman, Broad-st., Kidderminster. (233)

Miscellaneous.

WILL exchange high-class Yorkshires for anything useful: Cheshire, 26, Crawford-st., Bradford. (220)

SMART pair men's chrome, 9/8, 10/6; or two Norwich cocks, in song: Grant, East-st., Llangollen. (243)

WHAT offers in cage birds for 6 new Norwich show cages: Hodgkinson, 81, St. Chads-rd., Derby. (230)

WHAT Canaries for wire-haired terrier bitch, kill or find anything: Cole, 77, Butcher's-lane, Cradley. (240)

50/-, GRAVES' express English lever watch, £1; exchange gramophone, offers: Criddeford, Honiton. (231)

WILL give pair large, warm heavy blankets for 2 pairs Canaries: B. Soanes, 92, Bevan-st., Lowestoft. (245)

EXCHANGE, pike rod, cost £1 1s., for Pigeons, or rabbits: 2, Bramley-st., Elder-rd., Bramley, nr. Leeds. (232)

AIR gun, slugs and darts for 1912 York. or Norwich cock; yours first: F. Putner, Hairdresser, E. Greenwich. (234)

BOY'S jacket and vest, size 12, never been worn, for good singing cock Canary: Cawson, Alexandra-st., Goole. (230)

ALL kinds of British and foreign birds, exchanged for all kinds of dogs: Walter Smith, 98, Tib-st., Manchester.

HOW to save time, trouble, and money: See Norwich column.

BARGAIN, Fox Terrier bitch, full pedigree, 18 months, 15/-, exchange anything: Smith, 47, Pear-st., Sheffield. (230)

DULCIMER and case in good order, 7/6; or exchange offers to value, 10/-: Groom, 41, Rosemary-rd., Peckham. (241)

EXCHANGE Rose trees, Conden apples, for Canaries, fowls, rabbits: Muncey, Old-rd., Enfield Highway, Middlesex. (242)

WHAT offers in British Hardbills for 60 "Cage Birds" coloured plates: J. Graham, 19, Harraby Green, Carlisle. (232)

SALE or exchange, Airedale puppies, 7 weeks, 8/6; punching ball, set boxing gloves: Jones, Queens, Ystalyfera, Glam. (237)

SIX Flying Homers, 6 high-flying Tipplers, 15/-; exchange birds, offers: J. Griffiths, The Aviaries, Long Sutton, Lincs. (231)

FOR sale, 42 lantern slides, 3¼ by 3¼, subject "Astronomy"; offers invited: B. Southcott, 31, West-st., Tavistock. (245)

EXCHANGE six new Roller training cages with cabinets, for common hen Canaries: 25, Gt. Croft-st., Darlaston, Staffs. (240)

BEAUTIFUL hornless gramophone, sell 25/-; or exchange for Foreign birds to value: Miss Gregory, The View, Eyam-by-Sheffield. (226)

EXCHANGE lady's 9ct. 5-stone opal ring for three good Yorkshire 1911 hens; birds first: Davis, 4, Church-rd., Bedminster. (236)

EXCHANGE a 3¼ x 2½ roll film camera for a Seifert Roller cock, Glucke strain: Apply E. Slater, Wood-st., Wednesbury. (241)

EXCHANGE Gem Combination Phonograph, takes 2 and 4-minute records, value £3, for good birds: Meaden, Tisbury, Wilts. (235)

EXCHANGE pair coachman's boots and trees, size 8, for Canaries; what offers: Blake, 38, Sandringham-rd., Cricklewood, London. (243)

EXCHANGE half-bushel measure (new), cost 12/6, for Canaries or fishing kit: Brown, 28, Harle-stone-rd., Northampton. (240)

PATHE Phonograph, 28 records, sell 25s., or exchange for good 1912 Norwich Canaries: Royce, 223, Oundle-rd., Peterborough. (235)

EDISON reproducer, model C., exchange pair Borders or Crest-bred hen: Jeffrey, 209, York-road, Battersea, London. (240)

BARGAIN, splendid tone mandoline, 15/-; what offers in 1912 Norwich hens; no rubbish: Franks, 70, Okehampton-st., Exeter. (235)

PAIR Greenfinches, cock Redpoll, h.m., 6/-; five good flying Homers, 7/6; exchange hen Canaries: Dainty, 115, Stanbernill, Stourbridge. (232)

RIDING breeches, exchange Goldfinch or Linnet Mule (in song); approval; letters only: C. B., 60, Furness-rd., Harlesden, N.W. (235)

EXCHANGE gent's cycle or sell 30/-; also three Green Budgerigars, for Rollers or anything: Halton, 7, Ewe-hill-ter., Fence Houses. (234)

GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-, as new; exchange Canaries, Mules, or anything useful: Ellis, 73, Smith-st., Clerkenwell, London. (242)

TWO bronze figures, each holding nickel midget clock on arm, new, 10/6; exchange; approval: Algar, Bedford-st., Sunderland. (243)

FOUR pairs champion short flying pigeons, sell cheap; exchange cocks, Goldfinches, or offers: Stubbs, 23b, Well-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (237)

DONKEY riding saddle, 4/3; asbestos stove, 3/6, large saw, 1/3, horse's reins 1/6: Broadhurst, 220, Cavendish-st., Ashton-under-Lyne. (231)

EXCHANGE magneto-electric machine for two Yorkshire hens, 1911, or offers: Harry Smith, 23, Pentre-rd., Mardy Rhondda, Glam. (225)

AIREDALE bitch, 16 months, by Champion Crompton, Orang; what offers Yorkshire Canaries or Mules: Jones, Constable, Festiniog. (229)

WHITE pom bitch, small (pedigree), 30/-; exchange first-class Norwich cock; give cash for good one: Pedder, 149, North-st., Luton, Beds. (241)

WHAT offers, cock Redpoll, cock Canary, two believed hen Mules, two hen Canaries: Poole, 6, Malin's Lee, nr. Shifnal, Salop. (235)

FERRET, quick worker, quiet to handle, 5/-, 6 purse nets, or useful exchange; no cards: Mitchell, Ridge Green, S. Nutfield. (238)

MALTESE bitch, white, a lovely companion; two pairs good show homers; exchange clothing, anything useful: 4, Trelawney sq., Flint. (244)

WHITE Pom. bitch, 12 months, a beauty, sell 20; exchange two good pair Norwich Canaries: Gallacher, 74, Cromond st., Glasgow. (233)

EXCHANGE for Toy Pom., pair grand Spangled Game Bantams, pair show Homers, and three prize-bred Cinnamons: Carr, Holt, Norfolk. (237)

WHAT offers for Edison Gem phonograph, brass horn, stand, and 20 records; exchange anything: Bennion, Heath-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (242)

BEAUTIFUL pair Modern Pile Game Bantams, 1912 birds; exchange good British Bardbill: Waedall, 110, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (242)

ENGLISH thistle seed, 3/- lb., post free; stamp for sample; exchange Yorkshires or Norwich Canaries: Sutton, March-st., Consbrough. (240)

FIELD glasses in sling case, 15/-; approval; exchange cock Mules, Goldfinches, Canaries, etc.: Traveller, 25, Glendish-rd., Tottenham. (238)

GRAND Ancona cockerel, April hatched, splendid bird, 7/6; only half its value; exchange cock Goldfinches to value: Rowson, Swerford, Oxford. (234)

SALE two Yorkshire terriers, dog and bitch, good pedigrees, dog £4, bitch 15/-; or exchange anything useful: Fortune, 35, Victoria-ter., Keighley. (231)

EXCHANGE five volumes "Family Physician," cost 37/6 for one pair high-class Norwich: A. Stubbs, 7, Middlefell-st., Farnworth, Bolton.

SELL or exchange Graves' gramophone, eight double-sided records, two single; £2 or offers bike: Fred Cole, 4, Cookland-place, Cradley Heath. (240)

EXCHANGE set of ivorine handled carvers, hand forged blades, for cock or three good hen Canaries; approval: Turton, 15, Bellefield-st., Sheffield. (241)

EXCHANGE 90 "Cage Birds" and plates, egg and bread mill (new) for birds or anything useful: J. Howard, 14, Cemetery-rd., Bridlington. (246)

CLAPNETS, hand knitted, 11yds. long, 5ft. 6in. fly, sell 16/-, exchange greyhound; approval: Kempton, 76, Chatterton-rd., Bromley, Kent. (238)

WHAT offers, exchange birds or anything useful, Enfield rifle, silver Waltham lever watch, ditto lady's watch and chain: Hatton, George-st., Brighton. (237)

PAIR roller skates, used once, fit any size shoe, 10/-, or exchange for birds, any kind, or cages: Calvert, Fairford-terrace, West Stanley, Durham. (231)

EXCHANGE four Norwich show cages and case, Buff Norwich cock, Linnet, winners; for Rollers: Howard, 50, Newearth-rd., Walkden, Manchester. (240)

WILL exchange two pairs of stock birds and three young ones of long-timed flying tipplers for Yorkshire Canaries: Clement, Lowmoor, Durham. (244)

ONE pair clap-nets, 7yds., all complete; one pair 4yds., complete; exchange Canaries or British birds; Kaye and Cook, Third st., Horden, Sunderland. (233)

BLACK curly Retriever bitch, good yard dog, 22 months, extra good hunter, used to gun, sell 15/-; offers: E. Goodwin, Greenhead, Crook, Co. Durham. (234)

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Club Reports.

WOLVERHAMPTON C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Nov. 14th, Mr. F. J. Weaver in chair. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the chairman, show manager, secretary, and the stewards for the splendid manner in which the annual show was carried out. A lengthy discussion took place re the member's bird which was taken away from the show after being claimed, before the certified time, but I am pleased to say I have succeeded in getting the bird back and settled the matter up. The committee and members exonerate the chairman and secretary from blame. Will members kindly let me have ticket money as soon as possible, so as I can give a full account of show on Dec. 12th, our next meeting night.—J. Gibbons, Hon. Sec.

BRADFORD WEST C.B.A.

Monthly meeting, Nov. 9th. The washing exhibition and competition was a great success, drawing quite a crowd of members and friends. When Mr. W. A. Cowgill rolled up his sleeves for the exhibition wash the room was quite full, and no doubt all learned a thing or two from our old friend. Then followed on the competition. Entries came in very nicely, but we had to draw a line at the 7th competitor, as time would not allow of more. Mr. Tidswell finished with giving us another exhibition. Mr. W. A. Cowgill then declared Mr. A. Bennett the winner of the competition, and Mr. F. Western a good second, both handling their birds in nice easy fashion. Decided that there should be a pie supper on our next meeting night, Dec. 14th, at 1s. per head, all members desirous of attending kindly send their names to the secretary as early as possible. Don't forget Dec. 14th, at 7 o'clock prompt—not first Saturday.—Kilburn and Western, 5, West View, Mumby Street, Fairweather Green.

SOUTH HAM O.S.

Monthly business meeting held before a good gathering of members; Mr. J. Hughes occupied the chair. Messrs. J. and W. Seers, Tallis, and A. Richardson were elected members. Close on 70 now appear on the books, and at the December meeting we hope to make it 80. The members' show business was chief item on the agenda. Mr. Roe kindly offered his services to judge again, and the offer was accepted by all. Rules as last year, with several additions and increased classification, were duly passed. The proposed special fund, as sketched out by the secretary, so as to give all members a chance to contribute, and which will provide a very handsome dinner service, value 30s., for the premier special, was passed, the president heading the list with 10s. 6d., and the same amount to the funds of the society. No less a sum than £3 was promised in the room, which looks like making the members' show a record for the Midlands. Everything is being rushed forward in connection with same, and entries will close on Monday, Dec. 14th. As specials will be allotted at the December meeting, every one should do their best to attend.—J. Sheppard, Sec.

ANNFIELD PLAIN F. & F. & C.B.S

Meeting held Nov. 9, Mr. J. Hall presiding over a good attendance, enrolling four new members, viz., Messrs. M. Hodgson, Wm. Stephenson, C. Piper and J. Biggs. Proposed and seconded that Sec. make out a financial statement showing how society is standing, also passed that we have 1500 schedules printed. Mr. Clarke, of Annfield Plain, has kindly consented to print 250 admission tickets free, and same will be ready by next meeting. I hope all members will just exert themselves a little and push these tickets. Our schedule is now ready for printer, therefore should like to know by next meeting how members are progressing re specials. All subs must be paid a month before show, this rule strictly enforced. Next meeting Dec. 7th, Queen's Hotel, 7.30.—J. W. Christon, Sec.

KENT COUNTY C.B.A.

Meeting held Nov. 13th, Mr. Reeve in the chair. Correspondence dealt with, and various matters of interest discussed. The following are the points obtained at present in the K.C.C.B.A. competition Yorks.: Mr. Lockett 32, Mr. Johnson 31, Mr. Rayner 18, Mr. Taylor 3. Nor.: Mr. F. J. Wickham 25, Mr. Taylor 21, Mr. Meades 3. Bord.: Rev. Soames 15, Mr. H. Wood, sen. 24, Messrs. Burton Bros. 25, Mr. Maycock 3. Mules: Mrs. Soames 19, Mr. Ward 5, Mr. Webb 6, Mr. Reeve 4. Brit.: Mr. Austen 20, Mr. Wickham 24, Mr. H. Wood, sen. 8, Mr. Webb 6 Lizards: Mr. E. L. Wood 26, Mr. H. Wood, sen 23. If members find any discrepancy in this list, would they communicate with the secretary?—H. Wood, Hon. Sec.

COLINTON AND CURRIE PARISHES O.S.

Monthly meeting held in the Higher Grade School, Juniper Green, Nov. 16, Mr. Begbie in the chair. Mr. Begbie congratulated the society on the success of their first show, when 200 birds were staged, and he also paid a high tribute to the secretary for the grand work he had done in making the show the success it was. The secretary then made the financial statement, which showed an income of £20 7s. 8d., and an expenditure of £12 7s. 4½d., leaving a balance of £8 0s. 3½d. It was decided to pay 5s. a class prize money, leaving a balance of £3 11s. 4½d. to carry forward to next year, which was considered very satisfactory considering the annual subscription is only 3s. per year. The old committee were re-appointed unanimously. Decided to pay out prize money at the next meeting, Dec. 14, in the Drill Hall, Juniper Green, at 6 p.m.—J. Napier, Secretary.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.

A good turn up of fanciers at the Flying Dutchman, on November 16, to see the Canary washing exhibition by Mr. John Horsfield. The Chairman, Mr. T. Fortnam, in introducing Mr. Horsfield, said he could assure those present that there was a treat in store for them. Mr. Horsfield put a few birds through the water in quick time, and in a masterly manner, using a badger-hair brush, two sponges, and three bowls of water, wrapping each bird in a cloth for about thirty minutes, before transferring them to their cages. In the meantime, a little competition was arranged, and three novices had a turn at a bird each, which they handled remarkably well. Mr. Horsfield was referee, and the awards as follows: E. Kitson 1st, W. H. Rhodes 2nd, and W. Rhodes 3rd. A little bit of fun was caused when the landlord's singing bird was brought up to be washed. Joe, not having seen one washed before, stared with both ee'n, as they say in Yorkshire. But he was highly pleased when he saw it after it was dry. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Horsfield brought a most interesting evening to a close.—F. Ludbrook.

NORTHERN BRITISH, MULE, AND F.B.C.

Meeting held October 26th. The chairman, Mr. Petterson, presided over a good attendance. It was decided to ask Mr. Crawhall to judge table show. A pleasant surprise to most of the members was the presentation of a beautiful silver cup for the foreign birds, to replace the one won outright last show season by Mr. A. C. Young, and he was most heartily thanked for same, which just leaves us to get one now for the Mule section, towards which I have received some subscriptions. I will be glad to receive any further donations, however small, as we want to get it before the annual presentation of cups and medals. We decided to have table show at next meeting, Nov. 27th, with the following classes: 1, Linnet, f.m.; 2, Goldfinch, Bullfinch, Greenfinch, Chaffinch; 3, Foreign, Javas, Spice Birds, Cutthroats, Nuns, Silverbills, Grey or Green Singing Finches and Weavers; 4, Mule, any variety. Judge, our old friend, Mr. A. Storey. Result of the show:—LINNET: 1, 3, Scott; 2, vhc, Petterson; 4, Watson; hc, Voutt. HOUSE-MOULTED BRIT.: 1, McGuire; 2, 4, Almond; 3, vhc, Voutt; hc, Harrison; c, J. Scott. FOR.: 1, 3, Scott; 2, Young; 4, Voutt; vhc, Harrison; hc, Petterson. A vote of thanks to Mr. Crawhall brought an interesting meeting to a close.—W. Curry, Sec.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

A very interesting meeting was held November 7th, at the Wentworth Cafe, Pinstone Street. A good number turned up to witness the washing exhibition given by Mr. Tow, who put a bird through the water in fine style. Washing competition for novices followed, an dsome had a go who had not washed a bird before. These did very well. Winners: 1, Lockwood; 2, Marcroft; 3, Bailey. The prizes were given by Messrs. Tomlinson, Drabble, and Thorpe. A lot of business was done in connection with open show, December 14th. Several more birds were promised for the gift class. Stewards elected were, Messrs. G. Fletcher, C. W. Hobson, and W. T. Furniss, also Mr. Furniss was appointed to see all birds off to catch special trains. Two more classes were added to foreign section, making four in all; also crest classes were extended to four, these being guaranteed by our friend, Mr. Memmott. Mr. Fletcher gives 5s. for best true pair in foreign classes. The following members also either promised specials or guarantees: Messrs. Drabble and Bennett, Bailey, Falding, Tow, Jones, Thorpe and A. Hobson. Three prizes are given for members selling most tickets. We trust all will do their best. The nomination of officers was a lengthy business. All members are requested to vote on the names submitted. Ballot papers will be sent out before next meeting, which will be a very important one, as in addition to the final table show of young birds, several Important alterations to rules are down for discussion. A good muster of members is desired. Judges appointed for next table show, held December 5th (instead of the 12th) are: Messrs T. Tow and T. Ridal. A record entry is expected, as this show decides the winners of the points specials. See syllabus for specifications. A vote of thanks to Mr. Tow for his washing exhibition and to the donors of specials brought the meeting to a close. Mr. Dodd (Stavely) was elected a member.—J. Woolhouse, Assist. Sec.

ROUND THE SHOWS.

VALE OF LEVEN.

Annual Show held Nov. 16, in the Public Hall, Alexandria. The society has every reason to feel proud of the display given by the members, each one playing his part gallantly. Entries exceeded the expectations of the most sanguine. The list of specials was a grand one. Cups, gold and silver medals, and many useful household articles, and they appeared to be well divided. The Public Hall is not an ideal spot for such an exhibition, light being at a discount. The officials are all possessed with that genuine ring of the fancier, and a most popular lot they are. Pres. Hannah had his men trained to the hour, and was ably backed up by Vice-Pres. Davidson. The genial and unassuming secretary, Mr. A. H. McLean, thoroughly understands the routine, and in a marked degree is possessed of common sense and tact. Cup for best Scotch Fancy was won by Mr. McAdam with a slashing yellow cock, the runner up being Mr. A. H. McLean's buff pied hen. Gold medal for best Brit. was won by Master A. Finlayson, with a grand Redstart, while the secretary won a similar prize for best Mule or Hybrid, with his well-known Redpoll Greenfinch. Special for best Border went to Mr. J. Buchanan, with a very neat and natty yellow cock. Judging was got through in good time, and the Show was well patronised by visitors. The following made the awards:—Canaries, Messrs. D. Holden, Muirkirk, G. Hislop, Stirling; remainder, Mr. J. H. Adam, Glasgow.

The Critique.

YOUNG NOR. CK. YELL. (5): 1, 2, Todd, good col., qual., and type, in nice order; 3, Jeffrey, nice stamp, should improve; 4, 5, Storrie. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Todd, a runaway, put down in grand fettle; 3, Maltman, nice qual., fails a trifle in head, nice bloom; 4, Davidson. BUFF HEN (3): 1, 2, Todd, beauties, nicely mealed; 3, Davidson, loses in type to leaders, fine order. YELL. (2): 1, 2, Todd, two grand hens, put down in the pink. C.B.: 1, Gibb, nice size and substance, well lashed, fine feather; 2, Bennie, loses in cushion to leader. BORD. CL. or TKD. YELL. (15): 1, Buchanan, good col., nice qual. of feather, nicely rounded, grand trim; 2, Gillies, nice one, fails in bloom to-day; 3, 4, 5, 6, Campbell, grand quartette. BUFF (13): 1, McLean, nice one, round as a marble, rare col., fine head, neck, and wings, grand condition; 2, 3, Campbell, good one, presses hard fine fettle; 3, lovely feather; 4, Buchanan; 5, McEwan; 6, McCafferty Brothers. YELL. VAR. or GR. (8): 1, 3, Campbell, leader, a good one, in the best of condition; 2, Gillies, loses in texture to 1st; 4, McDurand; 5, 6, Crow. BUFF (8): 1, 2, McLean, leader, var., winner of gold medal, should be heard of again; 3, Buchanan, loses in moult to winner, still a good one; 4, 5, Campbell; 6, Gillies. SCOTCH FANCY YELL. CK. (4): 1, Taylor, good size, nice depth through, full drive, nice top end; 2, McAdam, fails a trifle in depth, grand order; 3, Thom. BUFF (4): 1, 2, 3, McAdam, a grand trio. BUFF HEN (2): 1, McAdam; 2, Taylor. YORKS. CK. (10): 1, Liles, well up on leg, good col., nice back and wings, wins; 2, McColl, fine length and col., in fine form; 3, 4, 6, McIntosh, very fine trio; 5, Jeffrey. HEN. (1): 1, McColl. A.O.V. (2): 1, Taylor, Silver Liz., neat cap, nicely spangled, rare order. MULES (7): 1, McEwan, yell. Greenfinch-Can., full size and substance, grand feather; 2, Lindsay, Siskin-Can., fine size and col., presses hard; 3, McColl, Linnet-Can., good one, in nice feather. OLD BIRDS, NOR. YELL. CK. (9): 1, 4, Liles, rare size, grand col., fine head, good neck, best of wing and tail carr. rare bloom; 2, Todd, another hot one, grand shape and col., well put down; 3, 5, McLean, a brace of good Plainheads; 6, Gibson. BUFF (7): 1, Todd, nicely mealed, good head, rare substance, in fine form; 2, Maltman, good one, just fails a trifle in shape to leader; 3, 4, Davidson, not much between them; 5, Roxburgh; 6, McBride. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Todd, good size and col., fine chest, good wings and tail, wins; 2, 3, McLean, former smaller than leader; 3, loses in type; 4, Gibson; 5, Liles; 6, McBride. BUFF (6): 1, Todd, rare size and substance, nicely mealed, good feather; 2, Davidson, fails a trifle to leader in size and type, good order; 3, McBride could do with more substance; 4, Storrie; 5, Gibson; 6, Ritchie. CREST (6): 1, 5, Ritchie; 2, Abraham; 3, 4, Cameron; 6, McLean. C.C. (5): 1, Cameron; 2, 5, Ritchie; 3, Abraham; 4, Bennie. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Buchanan, good col., finely tapered, and nicely rounded, well laced wings, in lovely bloom; 2, Stratton, another nice one, feathered like satin; 3, McCafferty Bros., another of the right sort, rare condition; 4, McEwan; 5, Campbell; 6, Crow. BUFF (9): 1, Gillies; 2, Ritchie, crosses a little at times; 3, Buchanan, some preferred for first, nice stamp; 4, Campbell; 5, Donaldson; 6, Buchanan. CL. or TKD. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Buchanan, good col., fine head and neck, good wings and tail, rare qual. of feather; 2, McCafferty Bros., nice one, rare col. and qual., well put down; 3, Gordon, well staged and placed; 4, McLean; 5, McEwan. BUFF (5): 1, Buchanan, sweet one in rare fettle; 2, Campbell, grand little lady, in rare order; 3, Gillies, loses in bloom to leaders; 4, Stratton; 5, Crow; 6, Donaldson. VAR. or GR. CK. (5): 1, Buchanan, var. buff, nice stamp, well drawn, and nicely tapered, well braced wings and tail, hotly pursued by 2, McLean, buff var., put down in clinking order; 3, Gillies, yell. Cinn., neat and natty, good col., fine order; 4, Campbell; 5, Gordon; 6, McCafferty Bros. HEN (7): 1, Buchanan, var. yell., put down in rare bloom; 2, McEwan, var. yell., sweet head, good wings and tail, fine condition; 3, Gillies, buff Cinn., deserves position; 4, McCafferty Bros., 5, 6, McDermid. SCOTCH FANCY, YELL CK. (8): 1, cup, 2, McAdam, well-known yell. pied cock, Glasgow and Paisley winner, rare stamp, erect position, fine size, hard up, decided drive, fine length and depth, tail well in, sweet head, a clinker and no mistake, rare condition; 2, another good one, fails slightly in drive; 3, 5, McLean, brace of very nice exhibits; 4, Taylor; 5, 6, Thom. BUFF (5): 1 2, McAdam, rare size, fine pose, rare solid top, fine reach, grand depth through, wins; 2, loses in depth; 3, 5, McLean, nice stamp, could do with more size; 4, Gillies; 6, Bell. YELL HEN (8): 1, 2, McAdam, two grand hens, possessing true Scotch Fancy characteristics; 3, McLean, a nice yellow hen for £1 (where were the bargain hunters?); 4, Nicholson; 5, McLean; 6, Taylor. BUFF (9): 1, McLean, runner-up for cup, Buff Pied hen, good size and substance, full top, good drive, rare worker, popular win; 2, 3, 4, McAdam, good one, just fails a trifle in size to winner; 3, nice Buff, well punched up, nice depth; 5, McLean; 6, Thom. YORKS YELL. CK. (5): 1, Liles, long slim stylish exhibit, well up on leg, fine col., A1 qual., staged in grand bloom; 2, Lindsay, neat and typical Yorkie, good length, rare col., well staged and placed; 3, McLean, good col., full size, nice position, good fettle; 4, McIntosh; 5, Kinloch; 6, Cameron. BUFF (2): 1, McLean; 2, Jeffrey. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Cameron, good length, shape and style, feathered like boxwood; 2, McLean, not the style of leader; 3, Gordon. BUFF (5): 1, Lindsay, nice leggy exhibit, fine back, rare wings and tail, wins; 2, 3, 4, 5, Liles, a credit to any stable; 6, Kinloch. A.O.V.: 1, 4, McEwan, Cinn. leading; 2, Maltman, Lancs; 3, Pringle, Lancs; 5, McIntosh; 6, 7, Maltman. MULE (7): 1, McCafferty Bros., Greenfinch-Can., good size and substance, fine col., a good win; 2, Hannah, var. buff Goldie-Can., good condition; 3, Macfarlane, dark buff Goldie-Can., fair rose and size, nice order; 4, 5, Dow; 6, McEwan. HYB. (1): 1, McLean, well-known Redpoll-Greenfinch, in good order, wins medal for best Mule. GOLDFINCH (9): 1, Storrey, nice Finch, good rose of the desired hue, neat tans, good clean cut collar, in good order; 2, Roxburgh, larger rose, fails in col.; 3, Hannah, same remarks apply; 4, Kinloch; 5, Binnie; 6, McLean. GOLDFINCH FOR. (8): 1, Taylor, previous winner here, good flush, neat collar and button, not overtanned, wins; 2, Donaldson, another nice Finch, just fails a trifle in lustre of rose, well put down; 3, 6, Begg, loses in blaze; 4, McLean; 5, Liles. BULLFINCH (10): 1, Hannah, good size, fine cap and bars, good col., grand clean legs, a good win; 2, Clemson, good col., fine bars, rare cap, nice feather; 3, Finlayson, loses in legs, bit rough; 4, Maxwell; 5, Walker; 6, Carrick. LINNET (16): 1, Maxwell, good size, good nutty brown, well laced, in good order; 2, Mallon, very steady, good size and col., nicely pencilled, in good order; 3, Dow, nice stamp of a Linnet, put down in lovely order; 4, Lindsay; 5, Clemson; 6, Finlayson. GREENFINCH (10): 1, McBride, yell., nat. col., of good size, might be staged to better advantage; 2, Maxwell, colourfed, failed to stand up when judged; 3, Todd, nice Greenie; 4, Campbell; 5, McEwan; 6, Roxburgh. SISKIN ETC. (9): 1, McBride, nat. col. yell. Siskin, good size, nice cap, put down in lovely order; 2, Maxwell, Twite, good size and col., nice markings; 3, Binnie, Mealy Redpoll, good size, rare col., fine order; 4, Todd, fed Siskin; 5, McEwan; 6, Roxburgh. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFINCH (9): 1, Maxwell, Chaffinch, rare size, good col., nice head, good whites, staged in spanking form; 2, 3, Lindsay, Bramble and Chaffinch, former fine size, nice col. and head, good order; 3, good one, only fails in size to leader; 4, Gillies; 5, McKirdy; 6, McLean. BUNTINGS (5): 1, Lindsay, Yellowhammer, fine size and col., good head, in fine fettle; 2, Gillies, Ortolan, in nice order; 3, Maxwell, Corn, fine trim; 4, spl, Gillies, Snow; 5, McBride, Black-headed. BRIT. SOFTBILL (4): 1, gold medal best British, Finlayson, Redstart, good one, fine size, well lashed, grand col., tail slightly frayed, still wins; 2, McKirdy, Magpie, good "Piet" of fine size, fine glossy feather, fails staging; 3, Finlayson, Whitethroat, beautiful fettle; 4, McKirdy, Jay, in grand bloom. BRIT. HEN (11): 1, McColl, Bullfinch, grand size and col., good cap and bars, nice clean thighs, well put down; 2, Todd, Siskin, good col. and size, nice lacings, grand feather; 3, Taylor, Bullfinch, fails in size and col. to leader, good order; 4, Carrick, Siskin, a nice one, in good condition; 5, McEwan; 6, Finlayson. LESSER REDPOLL (10): 1, Todd, jaunty little 'Poll, nice col. and markings, wins; 2, McKirdy, just loses in col. to winner; 3, Maltman, smart little chap in grand feather; 4, Kerr; 5, Hannah; 6, Dow. FOR. (1): 1, Carrick, Green Budgerigar, in grand fettle.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Members first cup show of the season, held Nov. 9, in the St. George's Schools. There was a grand entry of 192 birds, amongst them being some real eye-openers. Competition for the Leeds and President's Cups, and sectional gold medals was exceptionally keen. Leaders are:—Leeds Cup: E. Norton, 22 points; W. A. Wilson, 21; J. Owen, 20; H. J. Mennard, 20; J. Livingstone, 19; W. Johnson, 18, T. Baldwinson. President's Cup: E. Norton, 35 points; W. Johnson, 30; H. J. Mennard, 29; Wilson, 28; J. Livingstone, 25; T. Baldwinson, 23. Sectional Gold Medals: Yorks.—C. E. Hall, 70 points; H. Chew, 65; E. Norton, 54; F. Farrar, 54. Nor.—W. A. Wilson, 62 points; W. Johnson, 61; H. J. Mennard, 59. Brit.—J. Owen, 67; E. Middleton, 48. Mr. R. Halliday (Shipley) judged.

YORKS. YELL. (9): 1, Sykes; 2, Norton; 3, 4, Hall; vhc, Baldwinson; hc, Rhodes; c, Chew. BUFF (11): 1, Rhodes; 2, McDade; 3, hc, Hall; 4, Farrar; vhc, Norton; c, Chew. YELL. HEN (16): 1, Norton; 2, 3, vhc, Baldwinson 4, Hall; hc, Sykes; c, Farrar. BUFF (11): 1, Norton; 2, Baldwinson; 3, vhc, Farrar; 4, Hall; hc, Chew; c, Bristow. YELL. UNFLIG. (10): 1, McDade; 2, 4, Hall; 3, Farrar; vhc, Norton; hc, Sykes; c, Greaves. BUFF (10): 1, 3, Norton; 2, vhc, Hall; 4, Chew; hc, c, Farrar. NOR. YELL. (5): 1, 4, vhc, Mennard; 2, Hattersley; 3, Livingstone. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Johnson; 3, hc, Wilson; 4, vhc, Mennard; c, Hattersley. YELL. HEN (8): 1, vhc, Wilson; 2, 3, Menard; 4, Livingstone; hc, Hattersley; c, Meir. BUFF (4): 1, Hattersley; 2, Johnson; 3, Livingstone; 4, Meir. YELL. UNFLIG. (7): 1, 4, Livingstone; 2, hc, c, Mennard; 3, Johnson; vhc, Meir. BUFF (8): 1, 4, Wilson; 2, vhc, Johnson; 3, Livingstone; hc, Mennard; c, Meir. LINNET (5): 1, 4, W. Kay; 2, 3, vhc, J. Owen. GOLD. or BULLFINCH (7): 1, Gath; 2, c, Middleton; 4, Waind; 3, vhc, hc, Owen. REDPOLL, ETC. (5): 1, 4, vhc, J. Owen; 2, 3, Middleton. A.O.V. (12): 1, vhc, Kay; 2, 3, 4, Owen; hc, Middleton; c, Hatter-ley. MULE or HYB. (4): 1, Hattersley; 2, 3, 4, Middleton. YORKS. YELL. NOV. (9): 1, 3, Marshall Bros.; 2, J. W. Pease; 4, Waind; vhc, Storey; hc, Ellis; c, Chew. BUFF (9): 1, Oates; 2, Storey; 3, Marshall Bros.; 4, hc, Chew; vhc, Beckwith; c, Reed and Longley. HEN (13): 1, Storey; 2, Ellis; 3, Dennison; 4, c, Chew; vhc, Smith; hc, Beckwith. UNFLIG. (19): 1, Dennison; 2, Reed and Longley; 3, Beckwith; 4, Chew; vhc, c, Storey; hc, Smith.—W. A. Wilson, Hon. Sec.

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ANFIELD, EVERTON AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

First members' old bird show held November 16th in the Mission Hall, Burleigh-road. It was a great success; an entry of 450 is something to be proud of. How do you do it, Mr. Wright? The jeweller's shop (with additions) was again in evidence, and as this was the second show of the competition for season's specials, a keen fight was waged. The entries turned up rather late, which caused the judging to be prolonged well into the afternoon. Why not make a strict time for closing entries? The room was crowded in the afternoon with visitors, and we were told seven new members joined in anticipation of joining in the Klondyke which is to be competed for on Boxing Day. Mr. Wright took his coat off for this show, but he expects a deal of the remainder of his clothes will go on Boxing Day, as there is a furniture van-load of specials, and it is expected that all previous records will go to the wall. Two more Judges have been engaged to help Mr. Wellings, and special train arrangements made. In addition to the secretary a capital lot of stewards gave the judges every assistance. Mr. S. Hadwin judged Yorks., and Mr. Mallinson (Ilscard) the remainder, and satisfaction was expressed on all hands.

The Critique

CHAMP., CL. YELL. YORKS. (8): 1, Crowe, good leg qual. and pos., well drawn; 2, Whiteside, good leg and pos.; 3, Parsons, good qual.; vhc, c, Alston; hc, Corbett. BUFF (7): 1, Alston, special best in show and best York., cl. or tkd., grand pos., col., and leg, rare qual., real topper; 2, Rawsthorne, good qual. legs and pos.; 3, c, Whiteside; vhc, Parsons; hc, Hamilton. CL. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Hamilton, qual. leg and pos., beauty; 2, Crow, very similar; 3, Corbett; vhc, sp, Rawsthorne; hc, c, Wright. BUFF (10): 1, Parsons, type, qual., pos., and style, gem; 2, Young, qual. and pos.; 3, Alston; vhc, Wright; hc, Crowe; c, Rawsthorne. TKD. (8): 1, 3, Davidson, 1st good qual., length and pos.; 2, vhc, Plunkett, leg qual. and pos.; hc, Alston; c, Hamilton. CLASSES 7 and 8 (Amalg.) (3): 1, Parsons, beauty for style, qual., and pos.; 2, Corbett; 3, Wright. UNEVEN, ETC., YELL. (5): 1, 2, Hamilton, qual., style and pos., good one; 3, Plunkett, good length and leg; vhc, Holden; hc, Longmore. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Parsons, leg, qual. and pos.; 2, Plunkett; 3, Alston; vhc, Corbett; hc, Whiteside; c, Folland. UNFLIG., CL. YELL. (5): 1, Alston, grand qual., leg and pos.; 2, 3, Wright, good ones, not far behind; vhc, Rawsthorne; hc, Plunkett. BUFF: 1, Wright, good length, qual., leg and pos.; 2, Plunkett; 3, Corbett; vhc, Davidson; hc, Whiteside; c, Alston. TKD. YELL. (1912) (7): 1, Parsons, qual., style and pos.; 2, Crowe, good length; 3, Plunkett, good qual. and leg, shade soft; vhc, Wright. BUFF (5): 1, Plunkett, good leg and pos.; 2, 3, Wright; vhc, Steinart; hc, Crowe. HY. MKD., ETC., YELL. (4): 1, Parsons, leg, pos., qual., good style; 2, Steinart; 3, Whiteside; vhc, Corbett. GREEN SELF YELL. (13): 1, hc, Hamilton, col., qual., leg and pos., well mkd., good one; 2, Tolland, rare col. and qual.; 3, Bell; vhc, Benson; c, Walker. BUFF (12): 1, 3, Young, 1st and sp. for best green, rare col. and qual., good leg and pos.; 2, Crowe; vhc, Bell; hc, Parsons; c, Corbett. SELF YELL. HEN (9): 1, Young, rare qual., col., and pos., perfect lady; 2, c, Benson, very similar, hard to separate; 3, Parsons; vhc, Rawsthorne. BUFF: 1, Leatherbarrow, well pencilled, qual., and pos., gem; 2, Parsons; 3, Benson; vhc, Young; hc, Gore; c, Corbett. FOUL (6): 1, Walker, foul yell., rare col., leg and pos., bit rough; 2, Tolland, better qual., fails style; 3, Bell; vhc, Gore; hc, Parsons; c, Benson. FOUL YELL. HEN (7): 1, Parsons, good col and qual., well filled; 2, Stewart; 3, hc, Tolland; vhc, Plunkett; c, Bell. BUFF (4): 1, Plunkett, good qual. and col.; 2, Parsons; 3, Bell; vhc, Steinart. YELL., 1912 (14): 1, Wright, good length, pos. and qual., grand col.; 2, Rawsthorne; 3, hc, Bell; vhc, Benson; c, Plunkett. BUFF, 1912 (15): 1, Plunkett, good length, qual., and col., nicely drawn; 2, Hamilton; 3, White; vhc, Gore; hc, Rawsthorne; c, Benson. NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. (5): 1, 2, Cutmore, good col., nice sub.; 3, Crowe; vhc, hc, J. Cooper. BUFF (4): 1, J. Cooper, good col. and sub., nice shape; 2, vhc, Redpath; 3, Crowe. HEN (6): 1, Crowe, grand sub., good head and chest; 2, Cutmore; 3, vhc, hc, c, J. Cooper. YELL., Bred 1912 (5): 1, 2, Cutmore; 3, Crowe; vhc, Poole; hc, J. Cooper. BUFF, Bred 1912 (6): 1, 2, hc, Redpath, grand shape, good sub.; 3, Crowe; vhc, Cutmore; c, Poole. BORD., CL. AND TKD. BUFF (4): 1, 3, Crowe, sweet shape, nice pos.; 2, vhc, Leatherbarrow. GREEN (9): 1, Leatherbarrow, good col. and markings, stylish; 2, 3, Cutts; vhc, c, Ritchie; hc, Foulkes. YORKS., NON-FED, CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (3): 1, Cross, good legs and pos.; 2, Thornley; 3, Winn Bros. BUFF (7): 1, vhc, Winn Bros., good leg and qual.; 2, hc, Cross; 3, Corbett; c, W. Harrison. HEN (8): 1, hc, Corbett, good leg and pos., nice qual.; 2, vhc, McLoughlin; 3, Cross; c, W. Sinclair. NORWICH, NAT. COL. (2): 1, 2, Frankham. A.O.V. YORKS. (5): 1, H. Kelly; 2, Frankham. A.O.V. YORKS. (5): 1, H. Kelly; 2, Cutts; 3, W. Sinclair; vhc, Toncroft; hc, Poole. MULES (3): 1, 2, Cutts, good dark Goldie, well staged; 3, Foulkes. GOLDF. (4): 1, Whiteside, good blaze, nice condition; 2, Bewley; 3, H. Kelly; vhc, Hamilton. BULL. AND GREENF. (5): 1, Barker, Bun., fine condition; 2, Redpath; 3, vhc, Bell; hc, sp, Whiteside. CHAFF., ETC. (6): 1, Baker, Bramble, good col. and condition; 2, hc, Whiteside; 3, Redpath; vhc, c, Bell. LINNET (3): 1, 3, Bell, good markings and condition; 2, Barker. TWITE, ETC.: 1, c, Cutts, Mealy Redpoll, well staged; 2, vhc, Barker, Lesser, in the pink; 3, Bell; hc, J. Cooper. HEN (2): 1, Barker, Snow Bunting, grand form; 2, Parsons, Bullie hen, faultless. NOVICE, CL. YELL. YORKS. (3): 1, Holden, good col., qual. and style; 2, Draper; 3, Longmore. BUFF (6): 1, c, Redpath, good qual., well filled, nice pos.; 2, Draper; 3, W. H. Harrison; vhc, Ritchie; hc, c, Kelly. CL. YELL. HEN (3): 1, 2, Erentz, 1st lovely qual., leg, and pos., good one; 3, C. Kelly. BUFF (9): 1, R. Williams, rare qual., length, leg, and pos.; 2, Redpath; 3, Erentz; vhc, W. Harrison; hc, Ritchie; c, Holden. BUFF (3): 1, Draper, grand shape and qual., like a bit of wax; 2, H. Kelly; 3, R. Williams. EVEN. ETC., YELL. HEN (5): 1, W. H. Harrison, leg and pos., smart; 2, Longmore; 3, Draper; vhc, Poole; hc, W. Sinclair. CL. YELL. (1912) (4): 1, vhc, Evans, good length, style and qual.; 2, Holden; 3, W. Harrison. BUFF (1912) (5): 1, Mullens, sweet shape and qual., good one; 2, Holden; 3, Erentz; vhc, Ritchie; hc, W. Harrison. TKD. YELL. (1912) (7): 1, 2, 3, W. Harrison, trio of good ones; vhc, Frankham; hc, c, Mullens. UNEVEN, ETC., BUFF (1912) (3): 1, McLoughlin, good leg, pos., and qual.; 2, Redpath; 3, Frankham. SELF YELL (2): 1, Redpath, col., leg, and pos. good; 2, Poole. BUFF (7): 1, Redpath, good col. and qual., nice shape and leg; 2, Mullens; 3, Holden; vhc, c, Kelly; hc, Evans; c, Draper. SELF YELL. HEN (7): 1, W. Harrison, sweet shape, good col.; 2, Redpath; 3, hc, C. 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Nov. 27-28.—**Bristol F.A.**—(G. T. H. Maggs, 9, Trinity St., Newtown, Bristol).
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Dec. 3, 4.—**Tonbridge.**—(Percy Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow Rd.).
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Dec. 11.—**Mid Rhondda.**—(A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwyncelyn, Porth.)
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Ireland.

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CARDIFF.

Held Nov. 20-21, at Queen's Hall, Queen-street. The hall was tastefully decorated with palms, and the exhibits were staged in tiers three high, the background covered with red baize, which gave a very pleasing appearance. The hall was well lighted from the roof, giving an ideal light at all parts of the room in daytime and electrically lit at night. The excellence of the management of this society has placed it in the forefront in Wales, and nothing is left undone for the comfort of the exhibits and visitors. The Right Hon. Viscount Tredegar is president, and he is well supported by a long list of influential vice-presidents and patrons. A splendid schedule was issued by the society, comprising 65 open and 8 members' classes, and these, with the great array of specials, brought forth a good total of entries. The chairman, Mr. S. F. Whetton, is a keen enthusiast, and is well supported by a band of willing workers, Messrs. E. J. Banks, H. C. Smith, A. Maggs, W. Wilson, F. Howard, F. Hopson, W. Chedgey, A. Simons, A. Allsopp, W. Morgan, W. Merritt, E. Adams, J. Dugmore, E. James, W. Weeks, all doing their very best to make everything go smoothly, and well they succeeded. The secretary and show manager, Mr. E. Thomas, is admirably adapted to his position and makes a very courteous and energetic official, and had everything well in hand. The exhibits themselves were a grand lot for numbers and quality in all sections. Norwich were a very level lot, the principal awards falling to Messrs. Collins, Crowley, Houghton, Follwell, Slocombe, and Maggs. Yorks. were also good, some real stonners being put down by Messrs. H. T. Jones, Atkins, Broughton, Towers, Portman, Casey, Cross, and Kearns. Special for best in this section was won by Mr. Broughton with a thigh tkd. yell. of exceptional col. and qual. Scots Fancy were a nice lot, some fine birds being put down by Messrs. Willison and Fleming. Borders, though poor in number, made up in quality, and some lovely exhibits were staged by Messrs. Jenkins, Madagan, Hocking, and Smith. Mules did not come up to expectations in numbers considering the classification given, and we rather fear that the fame of Mr. Shellam has frightened some exhibitors off. British were a very level lot, and some grand exhibits were staged by Messrs. Heal, Marley, S. Jones, Lewis, Jeffries, and Nicholas. Foreign birds, though not large in number, were wonderful for quality. The Tanagers were a show in themselves, and were greatly admired by visitors, especially the ladies. The judges were: Nor., Crests and Selling, Mr. W. Vardy; Yorks. and Bord., Mr. W. Mundell; Mules, Brit., and For., Mr. D. A. S. Longden.

Mr. Mundell's Classes.

YORKS., CL. YELL. (10): 1, H. T. Jones, splendid length, good head, neck and shoulders, neat wings and tail, grand position; 2, Cross, close up, grandly braced wings and tail, very stylish, good length; 3, Pritchard, hardly as long, beautiful feather and type, neat head and neck, good straight back, stands well; 4, Thompson, very slim and neat; vhc, Bale; hc, Atkins; c, hc, Smith. BUFF (17): A grand class; 1, Atkins, upstanding bird, good type, neat head and neck, good wings and tail; 2, Mock, lovely qual. and col., well braced wings and tail, nice shoulders and back, good position; 3, Kearne, grand length, well up on leg, neat head, neck, wings and tail; 4, Rorke, a gem, lovely type and qual., grand position; vhc, Towers; hc, Pritchard; c, Wells. YELL., TKD., ETC. (13): 1, 4, Broughton, a pair of beauties, leader thigh tkd., grand length, good head, well filled neck and back, well up on leg, 4th, tkd., good qual. and col., neat wings and tail; 2, Pritchard, head and neck tkd., good col. and qual., nice straight back, well balanced wings, very nervy; 3, Towers, wing tkd., very neat, good head, neck, and shoulders, well up on leg; vhc, Rorke; hc, Wells; c, H. T. Jones. BUFF (12): 1, Tower, variegs., good length, nice col. and qual., neat head and neck, well up on leg; 2, Kearns, grizzle mkd., good head and neck, straight back, nice piped tail, stands well; 3, Bale, varieg., good col. and qual., neat wings and tail, very nervy; 4, Smith, varieg., lovely qual., nicely braced wings; vhc, H. T. Jones; hc, Dells; c, Smith. VARIEG., ETC. (16): 1, Portman, varieg. yell., grand col. and qual., good straight back, neat head, neck, wings and tail, good leg; 2, Brown, varieg. buff, good type, nice col. and qual., well up on leg, neat wings and tail; 3, H. T. Jones, einn. varieg. buff, lovely qual., good straight back, neat head and neck, well braced wings, nice position; 4, Atkins, varieg. buff, good qual., nice type, lovely length; vhc, Parfitt; hc, Merritt; c, Weeks. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Casey, grand length, good col. and qual., neat head and neck, well filled shoulders and back, good leg; 2, Towers, good col. and qual., very nervy, nice type, well braced wings; 3, Gregory, lovely col. and qual., good back, wings, and tail, well up on leg; 4, hc, Smith, grand qual. and col., stands well; vhc, Bale; hc, Bevan; c, Phillips. BUFF (11): 1, Cross, neat head and neck, good shoulders and back, well up on leg; 2, H. T. Jones, good length, nice type and qual., grand position, neat wings and tail; 3, Kearns, good col. and qual., nice length, well braced wings, neat head and neck, very nervy; 4, Rorke, lovely qual., well up on leg; vhc, hc, Smith; hc, Brown; c, Casey. TKD., ETC., HEN (13): 1, Kearns, tkd. yell., grand col. and qual., neat head and neck, well filled back, stands like a guardsman; 2, Easterling and Carson, tkd. yell., lovely col. and qual., nice position, good straight back, neat wings and tail; 3, Atkins, tkd. buff, grand length, nice head and neck, good back, well up on leg; 4, Brown, variegs. yell., lovely col. and qual., well braced wings; vhc, hc, Thompson; c, H. T. Jones. UNFLIG. YELL. (11): 1, Kearns, tkd., grand col., lovely shape, well braced wings, good position; 2, Mock, cl., another topper, lovely qual. and col., neat head and neck, nice wings and tail, grand length; 3, Bevan, cl., good length, nice col. and qual., neat wings, good well filled back; 4, H. T. Jones, cl., good length, nice wings and tail; vhc, Kearns; hc, Towers; c, Dicks. BUFF (16): 1, Kearns, grizzle mkd., grand length, nice head and neck, well braced wings, good position; 2, Rorke, cl., lovely type and qual., good wings and tail, well up on leg; 3, Pritchard, varieg., nice length, good back, neat wings and tail, good qual. and col.; 4, Weeks, varieg., good straight back, net wings and tail; vhc, Jones; hc, Easterling and Carson; c, hc, Smith. UNFLIG. HEN (14): 1, Towers, cl. buff, lovely lady, good length, neat head and neck, nicely braced wings, good piped tail; 2, Griffiths, cl. buff, well up on leg, nice type and qual., good length; 3, Brown, cl. buff, a topper, grand col. and quality, neat wings, grand position; 4, Cross, Cin. varieg., grand length, neatly braced wings, nice type and qual.; vhc, Dugmore; hc, Brown; c, Bale. NOV., YELL. CK. (12): 1, Jelly, varieg., good length, lovely qual. and condition, neat head and neck, well on leg; 2, Raymond, cl., grand col., neat wings and tail, loses trifle finish to leader; 3, Bale, cl., grand type, lovely col. and qual., good straight back, nice leg; 4, c, Merrit, cl., grand col. and qual., neat head and neck, good back, well up on leg; vhc, Williams; hc, Barron. BUFF (16): 1, Dugmore, variegs., good col. and qual., neat head and neck, good straight back, well on leg; 2, Bale, cl., grand type and qual., neat wings and tail, good leg; 3, Furze, cl., lovely qual., good head, neck and tail, very nervy; 4, Raymond, cl., good type and feather, neat wings and tail; vhc, Curtis and Son; hc, c, Merrit. HEN (22): 1, Dugmore, cl. buff, lovely lady, well up on leg, good full back, neat wings and tail, grand qual.; 2, hc, Raymond, variegs. yell., lovely col. and quality, neat wings and tail, nice position; 3, Parfitt, cl. buff, lovely type and qual., good straight back, neat wings and tail; 4, Griffiths, cl. buff, neat head and neck, good wings and tail, nice leg; vhc, c, Merritt. UNFLIG. (21): 1, Ley, cl. yell., a blaze of col., grand type and qual., good wings and tail, nice position; 2, Barrow, cl. buff, lovely qual., neat wings, good head and neck, well up on leg; 3, Mellows, cl. yell., nice length, good col. and qual., nicely braced wings, neat tail; 4, Curtis and Son, variegs. buff, nice type and qual., good length, stands well; vhc, Dugmore; hc, Watkins; c, Merrit. SCOTS FANCY CK. (8): 1, 4, Wilkinson, a pair of toppers, good drive, nice position, very nervy; 2, Fleming, neat shape, gets into position quickly; 3, Fleming, close up, good size, nice shoulders and drive; vhc, Farrow; hc, Jones; c, Harrington. HEN (9): 1, 3, Willison, nice pair, good posititon, grand drive, nice top end; 2, 4, Fleming, another couple of good ones, grand position, good drive; vhc, Farrow; hc, Jones; c, Harrington. BORD. YELL. (6): 1, 3, D. Jenkins, pair of gems, lovely col. and qual., neat heads, grand wing carriage, beautiful feather; 2, Portman, nice type and qual., very jaunty, loses polish to leader; 4, Mugford, nice col. and qual., neat head and neck, well braced wings; vhc, no name; hc, Vaughan. BUFF (5): 1, Madagan, topper, lovely quality, neat type, well carried wings and tail; 2, 3, Jenkins, close up, two beauties, grand shape, nice col. and quality, lovely wing carriage; 4, Mugford, good one; vhc, Smith. TKD. (7): 1, 4, D. Jenkins, grizzle-headed buff leading, lovely type and qual., good wing carriage, 4, tkd. yell., neat wings and tail, lovely feather; 2, 3, varieg. buff, very shapely, lovely qual. and condition, good wings and tail, 3rd, also varieg. close up, good type and qual., lovely feather; vhc, Hocking; hc, Smith; c, Portman. HEN (9): 1, 2, D. Jenkins, two gems, Cinn. varieg. leading, lovely type and qual., feathered like wax, perfect, 2, cl., neat head and neck, grand qual., A1 form; 3, Allen, cl. yell., nice type and qual., good wing carriage; 4, no name, cl. buff, very jaunty; vhc, Pepperell; hc, Madagan; c, Pearce. A.O.V. (7): 1, D. Jenkins, yell.-green, lovely body qual. and col., nice type, good wings; 2, 3, Hocking, Cinn. leading, lovely col. and qual., well braced wings, neat tail, latter yell.-green, nice col. and qual., good wings and tail; 4, P. Jenkins, yell.-green, lovely type and qual., close up; vhc, P. Jeukins; hc, Pearce; No. 7, wrong class. MEMBERS, YORKS., YELL. (8): 1, Weeks, variegs., good col. and qual., nice length, well up on leg; 2, 3, c, Wells, good type and qual., nicely braced wings, neat head and neck; 4, Merrit, cl., grand length, neat wings and tail; vhc, hc, Brown. BUFF (8): 1, Wells, cl., good type and qual., nicely balanced wings and tail; 2, Weeks, variegs., good col. and qual., neat head and neck; 3, no name, cl., good back, neat head and neck; 4, Whetton, variegs., nice length, good wing carriage; vhc, Brown; hc, Merrit; c, Weeks. HEN (10): 1, Brown, tkd., grand length, good wings and tail, well on leg; 2, Brown, variegs., nice col. and qual., neat wings and tail; 3, Adams, tkd., good length, well up on leg; 4, Merrit, tkd. yell., good col. and qual., trifle shorter than leaders; vhc, Wells; hc, Ball; c, Whetton. BRIT. (3): 1, 2, Davies; 3, Morgan.

Mr. Vardy's Classes.

NOR. CL. YELL. (13): 1, Collins, grand size, col. and qual., nice round head, well balanced wings and tail; 2, vhc, Hitching, good substance, neat head and neck, not quite col. of leader; 3, Chedgey, lovely col. and qual., loses substance to leaders; 4, W. Davies, good head and neck, neat wings; hc, Houghton; c, Maggs. BUFF (10): 1, Crowley, grand head and neck, nice short wings and tail, looks like Swansea winner in new hands, a topper; 2, Houghton, good size and shape, neat head and neck, grand col. and qual.; 3, E. Thomas, grand col. and qual., good head, neat wings and tail, not quite substance of leaders; 4, D. R. Jones, nice size and shape; vhc, Capt. Collier; hc, G. T. Jones; c, Allsopp. TKD. ETC. YELL (8): 1, Houghton, eye and wing mkd., good substance, full head and neck, nice col. and qual.; 2, Chedgey, grizzle wing mkd., lovely col. and qual., good round head, neat wings and tail, our choice; 3, Maggs, neck tkd., good col. and qual., neat head and neck, loses trifle wing carriage; 4, hc, Capt. Collier, grizzle mkd., nice type and qual.; vhc, Redwood; c, Slocombe. BUFF (17): 1, Maggs, grizzle mkd. head, lovely type, grand col. and qual., well balanced wings and tail; 2, Collins, neck mkd., lovely size, colour and quality, neat head and neck, not quite wing carriage leader; 3, Chedgey, very typical, good sound chest, neat head and neck, nice col. and qual.; 4, Maggs, grizzle mkd. neck, good col. and qual.; vhc, Follwell; hc, Allsopp; c, Collins. HEAV. MKD. (9): 1, Houghton, foul tailed yell. green, grand col. and qual., neat shape; 2, Maggs, var. yell., good size and shape, neat head and neck, well balanced wings and tail; 3, G. T. Jones, var. buff, good substance, neat head and neck, nice wings and tail; 4, George, var. buff, lovely col. and qual.; vhc, Rowden; hc, Hill; c, Collins. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Follwell, cl., beautiful feather, nice type, well balanced wings and tail; 2, A. Jeremy, good size and shape, neat head, well filled neck, hardly qual. of leader; 3, Collins, cl., good size and shape, neat round head, nice wings and tail; 4, Slocombe, cl., neat wings and tail; hc, no name; hc, Thomas; c, Mattison. BUFF (14): 1, Collins, cl., a topper, lovely qual. of feather, good entrance, well filled neck, grand type; 2, Maggs, var., good size and shape, lovely qual., neat head and neck; 3, 4, Slocombe, tkd., good size and shape, lovely meal, in A1 order; 4th, another cl., grand type and qual., good head and neck; vhc, G. T. Jones; hc, Simons; c, Cleares. UNFLIG. HEN (17): 1, Houghton, cl. yell., topper, grand head and neck, lovely type and qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, Redwood, var. buff, lovely shape and qual., nice size, good wings and tail; 3, Collins, cl., grand col. and qual., well braced wings, lovely type; 4, Slocombe, cl. buff, good type and qual.; vhc, Follwell; hc, Hitchings; c, Maggs. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (15): a grand class; 1, Slocombe, lovely col., qual. and cond., neat head and neck, good well balanced wings and tail, trifle brown; 2, 3, Collins, pair of beauties, blaze of col., lovely substance, grand heads and necks; 3rd, a real topper, beautiful carr., lovely wings and tail; 4, Maggs, grand head and neck, lovely col. and qual., good chest, trifle loose in throat feather; vhc, Chedgey; hc, Rowden; c, Follwell. BUFF (16): 1, Redwood, var., a topper, wonderful substance, grand head and neck, well braced wings and tail; 2, Davies, cl., good col. and qual., lovely shape, neat wings and tail; 3, G. T. Jones, cl., good substance, neat head and neck, well braced wings, lovely qual.; 4, Chedgey, cl., lovely col. and qual., nice type, hardly substance of leader. NON-FED (9): 1, Capt. Collier, head and wing tkd. buff, nice size and shape, neat wings, grand condition and qual.; 2, F. Slocombe, cl. yell., good head and neck, neat wings and tail, good type and qual.; 3, Thompson, var. buff, nice head and neck, well braced wings, good size; 4, Chedgey, cl. buff, lovely qual. vhc, Jones; hc, G. W. Slocombe; c, Tedstone. NOVICE NOR. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Chedgey, tkd., grand col. and qual., neat head and neck, well braced wings; 2, Brown, cl., lovely type and qual., grand col., neat head and neck, good wings and tail; 3, Simons, cl. yell., grand size and shape, neat wings and tail; 4, Powell, cl., good type and qual.; vhc, Rogers; hc, Furze; c, Simons. BUFF (14): 1, Kenyon, cl., grand shape, lovely wings and tail, good qual. and cond.; 2, Phillips, another cl., close up, good type and qual., well braced wings, neat head and neck; 3, Powell, cl., good head and neck, neat wings and tail, nice col. and qual.; 4, Thompson and Durham, cl., good type and col., nice size and shape, lovely qual.; vhc, c, Chedgey; hc, Crowley. HEN (12): 1, Crowley, cl. buff, a topper, grand type and qual., well balanced wings and tail, neat head and neck; 2, Chedgey, cl. buff, lovely lady, grand head and neck, neat wings and tail, good col. and qual.; 3, Simons, cl. buff, good size and shape, neat head and neck, well balanced wings and tail; 4, Powell, non-fed yell., nice size and shape, good col. and qual.; vhc, Hopson; hc, Townsend; c, Gardiner. UNFLIG. (11): 1, Chedgey, cl. yell., lovely col. and qual., neat head and neck, good wings and tail; 2, vhc, Simons, var. buff, lovely type and qual., good wings and tail, very cobby; 3, c, Brown, cl. buff, nice col and qual., good head and neck, neat wings and tail; 4, Gardiner, var. yell., nice col. and qual.; vhc, Simons. CREST (2): 1, 2, Allen, dk. Crests, nice centre and radiation. C.B. (2): 1, 2, Allen, very shapely var., good substance. MEMBERS' NOR. YELL. (3): 1, Thomas, grizzle mkd., neat head and neck, lovely qual.; 2, Slocombe, var., good col. and qual.; 3, Allsopp. BUFF (3): 1, E. J. Davis, good col. and qual., neat wings and tail; 2, Slocombe, nice qual., good type; 3, no name. HEN (4): 1, Thomas, cl., good head and neck, nice shape; 2, Slocombe, good type, nice qual.; 3, Allsopp, not quite the subs. 4, E. J. Davies.

Mr. Longden's Classes.

CANARY MULE (5): 1, 2, Shellam, cl., Greenie, noted winner, lovely col. and qual., shown in tip-top order, an easy winner, latter Var. Goldie, lovely type and qual., good size, nice order; 3, Ball, very neat Var. Greenie. DK. GOLDFINCH (10): 1, Shellam, grand jonque, lovely blaze, col. and qual., good size and shape, wins; 2, Popplestone, neat buff, good rich blaze, grand type and qual., in A1 condition; 3, hc, Davies, jonque, grand col. and qual., loses size to leaders; 4, Reece, buff, good size and qual.; vhc, c, Somerfield. DK. GREENIE (6): 1, Somerfield, lovely col., qual. and condition, grand size and shape wins; 2, Shallam, good size and shape, grand qual., not depth of col. of leader; 3, Shallam, grand col., qual. and condition, loses trifle in shape; 4, Portman, good size and shape; vhc, hc, Tams and Son. LINNET-CAN. (6): 1, 2, Shellam, grand pair, good col. and qual., good size and shape, in lovely order; 3, P. Jenkins, buff, good size and shape, nice col. and condition; 4, Somerfield, a good jonque: hc, Fox; hc, Portman. DK. SISKIN, ETC. (2): 1, Shellam, a topper, grand col. and qual., nice size, shape and condition; 2, Goodall, Redpoll-Canary. HEN (6): 1, W. P. Thomas, Var. Goldie, nice size, col. and qual., good shape, wins; 2, no name, Goldie-Bullie, nice size and shape, lovely feather; 3, Ball, Var. Greenie Mule, a youngster, nice col. and qual., will improve; 4, Portman, Greenie-Bullie; vhc, Fox; hc, E. J. Davies; c, Roberts. A.O.V. MULE OR HYB. (4): 1, Shellam, noted Can.-Bullie, a ball of col., grand size, shape and qual.; 2, Morgan, Goldie-Bullie, nice size, good blaze, col. and qual., will improve; 3, Thomas, Linnet-Bullie, good size, col. and qual.; 4, Fox, Goldie-Greenie. GOLDFINCH (15): 1, 4, Jeffries, good square blaze, lovely col. and qual., nice tans, latter, easily best bird, but unfortunately had knocked out flights; 2, vhc, Richards, neat blaze, good tans, lovely bars, buttons, and equal 3, Maidment, good size and shape, nice square blaze, neat bars and buttons; hc, J. J. Reeee, Tilley; c, Heal. GREYPATE (14): 1, vhc, Lewis, good blaze, nice col. and qual., grand bars and buttons, neat tans, wins; 2, hc, Gregory, close up, good blaze, neat bars, buttons, qual. and condition, loses trifle polish to leader; 3, G. P. Morgan, grand type, good blaze, col. and qual., loses trifle size to leaders; 4, Pitchford, nice square blaze, neat tans, bars and buttons; c, Marley; No. 7 had been bathing when judged. BULLFINCH CK. (9): 1, S. Jones, lovely type, grand cap and bars, good col. and qual., wins; 2, T. J. Gregory, good size and shape, lovely col. and qual., loses trifle in width of skull to leader; 3, Tilly, grand col. and qual., lovely cap and bars, not quite so cobby; 4, Peterson, very cobby, neat cap; vhc, Marley; hc, Williams; c, Ford. GREENFINCH (10): 1, Wilkins, grand col. and qual., lovely head and neck, good shape, wine; 2, 4, Marley, nice qual., shape and condition, loses col. to winner; 3, Heal, good size, shape and qual., not quite the polish of leaders; vhc, Morgan; hc, Jeffries; c, J. W. Ford. LINNET (12): 1, Heal, a stormer, good size and shape, lovely head, col. and qual., wealth of lacing, wins; 2, Nicholas, nice col. and qual., good shape, dense markings, loses size here; 3, S. Jones, good shape, nice col. and qual., not so well marked as leaders; 4, Jeffries, good col. and qual., well laced, in good order; vhc, Tams and Son; hc, Richards; c, Marley. F.M. (16): 1, Bancroft, nice size and shape, good col. and qual.; 2, Nicholas, grand col. and qual., nice shape, a wealth of lacing; 3, 4, S. Jones, two neat exhibits, lovely lacing, col. and qual., leader inclined to carry one wing a bit high, a pity; vhc, Gregory; hc, c, Marley. LESSER REDPOLL (13): 1, Nicholas, grand col. and qual., neat bib, well laced thighs; 2, Ford, shade smaller, neat bib, good col. and qual., nicely laced; 3, Heal, F.M., good size, col. and shape, nice qual. and condition, neatly laced; 4, vhc, Marley, good col. and qual., nice size and shape, well laced; hc, c, Jeffries. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, 2, 3, Heal, grand team, Twite leading, good size, col., qual. and markings, 2 Siskin, bonny bird, grand tight feather, lovely col. and qual., 3 Mealy 'Poll, grand size and shape, grand col., lovely lacing; 4, Marley, Twite, nice size and shape, loses col. and markings to leader; vhc, S. Jones; hc, Morgan; c, Tams and Son. BRAMBLE, ETC. (9): 1, Marley, Bramble, lovely col. and qual., nicely spangled, grand size and shape, wins; 2, 3, Jeffreys, Chaffinches, two beauties, grand col. and qual., lovely shape, grand whites; 4, Marley, Chaffinch, good col., lovely qual.; vhc, Morgan; hc, Gregory; c, Goodall. A.O.V. (8): 1, 4, vhc, c, Marley, Cerl Bunting leading, good size and shape, lovely cheek mkgs.; 4, Hawfinch, nice col. and qual., rather unsteady; 2, Bancroft, Crossbill, wonderful size and col., lovely order; 3, Heal, Yellowhammer, grand col. and qual., good size and shape, hc, S. Jones. BULLFINCH. HEN (7): 1, Nicholas, grand cobby bird, wonderful size, good broad cap, nice col. and qual.; 2, S. Jones, good col. and qual., loses substance to leader; 3, Gregory, neat cap and bars, nice col. and qual., shade black at thighs; 4, Morgan, good type and qual.; vhc, Fox; hc, Roberts; c, Ford. A.O.S. HEN (10): 1, Ford, Cirl Bunting, grand size and col., a wealth of marking, wins; 2, Jeffries, bonny little Siskin, lovely col. qual. and lacing; 3, Mays, Bramble, beauty, grand qual. and condition, nice size and shape; 4, Jones, sweet Linnet; vhc, Jeffries; hc, Daniel Bros.; c, Morgan. THRUSH, ETC. (9): 1, Middleton, Song Thrush, grand col. and qual., lovely spangling, in A1 order, wins; 2, Ford, Blackbird, grand size, col. and shape, nice beak and cere; 3, 4, Marley, Fieldfare and Missel, two neat exhibits, in grand order; vhc, Marley; hc, Jeffries; c, Ford. SOFTBILL (7): 1, Daniels Bros., Wheaten, grand col., qual. and condition, wins; 2, c, Curtis and Sons, Pied Wagtail, lovely qual. and col., A1 form; 3, Heal, Nuthatch, good size and shape, lovely col. and condition; 4, Marley, Whinchat; vhc, Jones; hc, Mays. A.V. FOR. (7): 1, H. Jenkins, Tri-coloured Tanager, staged to perfection, in A1 form; 2, Edmunds and Smith, Copper-headed Tanager, lovely qual. and col., had lost part of tail; 3, Ford, Superb Tanager, lovely col. and qual., loses staging; 4, Clissold, pair very neat White Javas, in good order; vhc, hc, Clissold. LARGE (2): 1, Thorne, Troupial, in lovely order; 2, Clissold, Ring-necked Parrakeet, well shown.

SOUTHAMPTON.

The 24th annual Show of the Southampton F.S. was held 20 and 21 of November. The entry in our section was good, and the quality excellent. The special for the best was won by Mr. Fellows' grand Crest. The British were very good. Mr. A. T. Jupe won the specials with his noted Goldfinch, and the same owner's Bullfinch was greatly admired, as was also Mr. Cooper's Hawfinch. Mr. Kiddle makes an excellent secretary, and had every thing well in hand. Mr. G. E. Silk judged, and his awards were well received.

CREST. (4): 1, sp, Fellows, lovely var. Crest, nice feather, easy win; 2, Hayden, also varieg., beautiful feather, nice condition; 3, (withheld); vhc, Spooner; hc, Smith. CREST. (1912) 14): 1, Hayden, lovely yell. grand crest, nice length of feather, good one, and cheap; 2, Spooner, very nice varieg., good col., excellent crest; 3, (withheld); vhc, Wells; hc, Perkins. C.B. (6): 1, Hayden, grand yell., good size, very broad head, nice feather; 2, Fellows, fine varieg., good head, close up; 3, (withheld); vhc, Smith; hc, Wells. C.B. (1912) (6): 1, Smith, varieg., nice head, grand feather and size, in nice form; 2, Spooner, good head, beautiful size; 3, (withheld); vhc, hc, Fellows. NORWICH, YELL. (2): 1, Lees, grand col., good stout head, nice size, wins easily; vhc, Fellows. DITTO (1912): 1, Rogers, very stout yell., good size, splendid col.; 2, Lees, another good yell., nice col., carries himself well; c, Weeks. BUFF (11): 1, Rogers, very good varieg., nice soft col, good head and size; 2, 3, Fellows, good varieg., leading, nice size, grand col.; vhc, hc, Martin. DITTO (1912): cancelled. YORKS. YELL. (12): 1, Gamble, beautiful length, nicely drawn, good one; 2, Hayter, another good bird, neat, stands well; 3, Gamble, very long, stands at the right angle; vhc, White; hc, Walker, Rogers, Cooper; c, Cooper. DITTO (1912) (10): 1, hc, Hayter, good yell., nice col., stands well, rather stout in body; 2, 3, White; 2, very nice, good length and col., beautiful tail, close up, 3, sweet, yell., good col., well drawn; vhc, Adams, hc, Boyes; c, Spratt. BUFF (7): 1, Egerton, good one, nice col., great length; 2, Yates, very nice col. good wings and tail, stands well; 3, (withheld); vhc Hayter, Rogers; hc, White, Cooper; c, Cooper DITTO (1912) (10): 1, Gamble, good buff, nice length, good col., stands well; 2, Etheridge, also buff, good condition, nice style; 3, Hayter, sweetly pretty bird, nice length, good col; vhc, Boyes, Cooper; hc, White. BRIT., GOLDFINCH (11): 1, sp, 2, Jupe, old champion, wonderful size, beautiful tannings, very steady, another week or two for his blaze, and then he will want beating; 2, another good one, not so large but wonderful col.; 3, Fellows, very nice Finch, good blaze, rich col., not in so good condition; vhc, Etheridge, Page; hc, Tapping; c, Carrington. BULLF. (5): 1, Jupe, grand one, nice col., gossy cap, shown in faultless condition, one of the best we have seen this year; 2, Hallett, nice col., promising, but rough thighs, field moulted; 3, (withheld vhc, Broomfield, Fellows; c, Broomfield. GREENF. Cancelled. LINNET, ETC. (5): 1, Carrington, pretty Siskin, good col., very steady, nice size; 2, hc, Fellows, also Siskin, nice col., not quite the size to winner; 3, withheld; vhc, Kimber. LARGE (4): 1, Cooper, grand Hawfineh, good col., in nice form; 2, Lower, grand Thrush, fine size and condition SMALL: 1, Welch, grand Warbler, in nice form; vhc White, Eldridge. MULES, LIGHT: 1, Dr. Weeks fine wing and eye mkd. yell., beautiful col., in nice condition; vhc, Dear; hc, Wells. DARK (9): 1, 3 Dr. Weeks, leader beautiful size, very rich in col. grand cond.; 2, Page, nice one for size and col.; hc Minns; c, Melville Smith, Tongs. VARIEG. (4): 1 Lees, very pretty one, nicely mkd., good col.; 2 Hartnall; vhc, Paterson; c, Spratt. HYB.: Cancelled. FOR., LARGE (1): 1, sp, Cundell, lovely Green Parrot. SMALL (5): 1, 2, vhc, Slade, 1st lovely Blue Tanager, in very nice feather; 2rd, good Pekin Robin, fine condition; hc, White. NOVICE NOR. (8): 1, Melville Smith, very good yell. for type and col.; 2, Foyle, another good yell., rich col.; 3, Walker, nice varieg.; vhc, Etheridge; hc, Welch. NOVICE (1912) (12): 1, Etheridge, nice varieg., good build and style; 2, 3, Walker, pretty type, good col. and cond.; vhc, c, Foyle; hc, Smith. Welch. A.O.V., NOV. (3): 1, Wainwright, very nice Yorks., good length and style; vhc, Othen. GIFT (2): 1, White; 2, Fellows.

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ROTHERHAM C.B.S

Special meeting held College Inn, Mr. W. Brotherton chair. It was passed members' entries must close on Nov. 20th at the meeting, and none will be accepted unless they are clear on the books. Next meeting, Nov. 23rd, will be at 9 o'clock instead of 8 o'clock, as some of the members want to go to the shows held not far from us. The Mayor, Mr. P. Bancroft Coward, has kindly promised to open the show for us on Dec. 7th at 1 o'clock.—B. Bailey, Sec.

Backworth and Dis.—Nov. 30, Backworth Institute Hall. Judge: Mr. T. Dixon. 10 open classes: Nor. 3, Bord. 3, Yorks. 2, Brit. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 25, to Mr. Tom Hunter, East Holywell, Shiremoor, Northumberland.

GLASGOW WEST END.

Third annual show held in Co-operative Hall, St. George's Cross, Nov. 16. The show was a very successful one, with an entry of 350 (a big increase from last year), and the birds were nicely staged. The hall proved a very suitable one for the purpose, with good light and entirely free from draughts. In Mr. Proudfoot this society possesses a very able and obliging secretary, who had all arrangements well in hand. He was ably assisted by a willing committee: Messrs. Miller, Lunn, Crawford, Brown, Phillips, Houston, and Campbell, and according to the number of specials (100), they one and all have worked hard to ensure success. The rose bowl, gold medal, sp. for best bird, Hyde's special, and best in section, went to H. Somerville (novice) with a very typical yell. var. Nor. This bird won seven specials a grand record for one bird. Cup for the best Border or Yorks. went to Mr. Miller, also B.F.C.C. medal, with a very sweet yell. Bord. ck. Cup for best young Mule, Mr. Jamieson (a fine Goldfinch-Canary Mule). The judges were: Mr. W. Bishop, Mr. J. Lappin, and Mr. Craig, and their awards were well received.

The Critique.

YOUNG BIRDS: CREST (1): 1, Whyte, green, good size and subs., fine centre and droop. C.B. (2): 1, 2, Whyte, leader, a green, fine length of feather, good qual., well lashed, 2nd var., lighter build. NOR. YELL., ETC., CK. (7): 1, 4, Henderson, nice size, good head fine qual.; 2, 3, sp, Houston, better shape, fine deep fronted bird, best of qual. and col., grand wings, some preferred, 3rd fine stamp, not quite so good in col.; 5, 6, 7, Crawford. BUFF (9): 1, Somerville, medium size, fine shape and qual., nice short wings; 2, 4, Crawford, close up, fine qual., good head and neck, nicely mealed; 3, 6, Houston, another good one; 5, Kane; 7, Prentice. YELL. VAR. CK. (8): 1, seven sps, Somerville, mkd. on right wing, good head and neck, fine, deep, broad front, excellent wings, lovely qual., fine size; 2, 3, Houston, fine qual., good shape, 3rd head and wing mkd., good col., little rough in feather; 4, Miller; 5, 6, Crawford; 7, Phillips. BUFF (10): 1, 2, 3, Miller, fine size and subs., good wings, winner excels in col., 3rd lighter, fine team; 4, sp, Crawford; 5, 6, 7, Houston, 5th best headed bird in class, fine front and wings. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (10): 1, 4, Houston, nice size, fine head, good qual., carries wings well; 2, sp, Somerville, medium size, good head and neck, lovely qual.; 3, 6, Henderson, 3rd lighter build, fine qual.; 5, 7, Crawford. BUFF (8): 1, sp, Somerville, fine, short, typical hen, nice qual., well mealed; 2, 6, Houston, another nice one, fails in wings; 3, sp, Miller; 4, 7, Henderson; 5, Crawford. YELL. VAR. HEN (5): 1, Houston, mkd. head, wing, and tail, fine qual.; 2, Henderson, almost green, fine wings and tail; 3, Crawford, another of the same, fails head, 4th no name; 5, Taylor. BUFF (10): 1, Somerville, mkd. head, neck, and wings, fine shape, good qual., best of wings; 2, Houston, same stamp as leader, fails in wing carriage; 3, 4, Henderson, 3rd heavily var., fine qual.; 5, Miller; 6, Crawford; 7, Prentice. A.O.V. (6): 1, 4, 5, 6, Hamilton, 1st cinn.; 2, Houston, buff green; 3, sp, J. Henderson, cinn.; 6, Hamilton. NON FED, A.V. (4): 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, Brown, 1st mkd. eye, fine head, lovely qual., well staged, 2nd clear, good one, 3rd same stamp, fine trio. BORD., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (5): 1, 4 sps, B.F.C.C. medal, 2, Miller, cl., grand qual. and condition, good col., sweet shape, carries wings and tail well, nicely rounded, in fine bloom, wins, 2nd fine type, fine texture of feather, fails in wing carr., 6, Lunn, nicely rounded, fine qual., rich col. close up; 4, Somerville; 5, Phillips. HEN (7): 1, sp, 4, Miller, cl., sweet little lady finely rounded, lovely qual., well braced wings, capital trim; 2, D. Lunn, presses hard on winner, same stamp; 3, sp, Symington, fine, jaunty carr., well staged; 5, W. Lunn; 6, Phillips; 7, Campbell. BUFF (5): 1, Miller, fine shape, lovely qual., well braced wings, tight as a drum, wins well; 2, 4, Lunn, shapely, splendid texture, fine carr.; 3, Proudfoot, cl., well made, fine col. and qual.; 5, W. Lunn. HEN (5): 1, Miller, nice shape, lovely qual., splendid wing carr.; 2, 4, sp, Symington, 2nd nice one for shape, carries wings well, close up; 3, 5, Proudfoot, 3rd good stamp, fine qual., in good order. BORD., YELL (4): 1, Symington, heavily mkd., grand qual., neat shape, nice bloom, splendid col.; 2, Miller, almost even mkd. on eye, fine shape and qual., fine carr., good wings; 3, W. Lunn, mkd., both eyes and wings, very stylish; 4, Lunn. BUFF (8): 1, 3, Lunn, 1st heavily mkd., shapely, of good qual., fine braced wings, A1 bloom, 3rd mkd. on right wing; 2, Miller, saddle mkd., fine shape and col., neat style well backed wings, close up; 4, W. Lunn; 5, 7, Proudfoot; 6, Phillips. GREEN OR CINN. (8): 1, 2, 2 sps, Lunn, fine shapely yell. green, lovely col., nicely laced, jaunty carr., 2nd cinn., fine col., neat shape, well braced wings, good carr.; 3, Campbell, neat buff green, crosses wings at times; 4, 2 sps, J. Henderson; 5, 7, James Henderson; 6, George Henderson. CL., ETC., YELL. YORKS. CK. (5): 1, 2, 2sps, Pinnock, 1st hot colour, good length, fine qual. feather, 2nd well upon leg, rare length, shade stouter than winner; 3, Hendry, fine col., well braced wings, stands well; 4, Proudfoot; 5, no name. BUFF (5): 1, sp, 2, Gibb, 1st stylish, well braced wings and tail, grand feather, free from frill, 2nd fine col., well grown out, and stylish; 3, sp, 5, Hendry, 3rd fine position, good qual.; 4, sp, Pinnock. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (3): 1, Gibb, rare good feather, very stylish, good back, wings, and tail, good hen; 2, Pinnock, close up, stands well up on pins, beautiful qual., slim built; 3, Hendry, very fine Yorks. A.O.V. YORKS. (2): 1, sp, Pinnock, very fine cinn. mkd., rich col., well up on leg, good position; 2, Dunn, buff var., stands well up, fine qual. DARK MULE (4): 1, 3 sps, Jamieson, Goldfinch, fine size and col., good face, in buff; 2, 4, G. Henderson, both very nice Siskin Mules, fine col.; 3, Prondfoot, Linnet, fine col., will improve. OLD BIRDS: CREST (3): 1, sp, Hamilton, buff variegated crest, fine droop; 2, Campbell, grizzled head, good size, nice drooping feather; 3, Whyte, same stamp as 2nd. C.B. (3): 1, Hamilton, fine, big green, good body, rare broad skull, well lashed; 2, Campbell, variegated, good broad head, fine length of feather; 3, sp, Whyte, buff, var., good one, fine qual. NOR. CL., ETC., CK. (6): 1, sp, Houston, fine cl. buff, good head and neck, rich qual., nice front; 2, sp, Miller, yell., neat head, fine front, good col., neat wing; 3, Kane, yell., fair size and qual., good feather; 4, Campbell; 5, Prentice; 6, Gibb. VARIEG. BUFF, CK. (2): 1, Miller, good qual., rare bold head, neat wings; 2, Crawford, fine front, rich col., good wings, fails head. CL., ETC., HEN (5): 1, Wilson, cl. buff, fine size, neat head, fine thick neck, good deep broad chest, short wings and tail, one short cropped bird, we made best hen in show, soon claimed at catalogue price, good bargain; 2, Houston, buff, neat head, and good qual., fine subs. to winner; 3, Stewart, fine shape and quals., fails condition; 4, Crawford; 5, Campbell. VARIEG. (7): 1, Miller, mkd. eyes [illegible] shape, nicely mealed, good [illegible] yell. mkd. on wing, fine qual., fails condition; 3, sp, Stewart, variegated buff, fine size and shape, fails on head; 4, sp, Allan; 5, Crawford; 6, Campbell; 7, Lunn. GREEN OR CINN. (6): 1, 2, 3, Hamilton, 1st yell. green, 2nd buff, 3rd yell., greens, good team, winner excels in size and subs.; 4, 5, 6, James Henderson. NON-FED (5): 1, 5, Campbell, 1st fine cl. buff, neat head and neck, fine front, neat wings; 2, Miller, yell. variegated, good col., rare head, good wings; 3, Bannerman, fine shape, fails size to leaders; 4, Proudfoot. BORD., YELL. (5): 1, 5, W. Lunn, fine, shapely cl., neat wings and tail, rare silky feather, wins; 2, Miller, cl., rich col., neat shape; 3, Proudfoot, sweet shape, good carr., rare order; 4, Somerville. BUFF (7): 1, sp, 2 sps, Proudfoot, both cls., right shape, fine carr., winner excels in wings; 3, D. Lunn, shapely, stylish exhibit, well placed; 4, Miller; 5, Phillips; 6, 7, W. Lunn. A.O.V. YELL. (4): 1, 4, D. Lunn, 1st sweet yell. green, rich col., neat shape, splendid wing carr., very tight feather, of nice qual.; 2, Proudfoot, var. yell., nice moulded one, rich colour, silky feather; 3, sp, W. Lunn, cinn., neat shape, good qual. BUFF (4): 1, Brown, eyes and wings mkd., gem for shape, well rounded, well packed wings and tail, fine jaunty carr.; 2, no name, saddle mkd., neat shape, fine tight feather, good qual.; 3, Lunn, eyes and wing mkd., sweet shape, fails in wings; 4, Miller. YORKS., CL., ETC., CK. (11): 1, sp, 7, Hendry, 1st fine, big yell., 4kd., grand length, nice position, hot col., good wing and tail carr.; 2, sp, Pinnock, cl. buff, good one, fine length, straight as a rush, nice col. and qual., beautiful braced wings and tail, well finished, pressed; 3, Wilson, nice length, very slim, free from frill, well placed; 4, sp, Dunn; 5, Gibb; 6, Prentice, good class. HEN (5): 1, Gibb, cl. yell., grand qual., very slim and upstanding, nicely tapered, good wings and tail, wins; 2, 5, Hendry, cl. yell., well rounded, good position, neat wings and tail, well placed; 3, sp, Wilson, Buff mkd., trifle stouter, well rounded, gets well up; 4, Pinnock. A.O.V. YORKS. (2): 1, Brown, buff variegated, fine slim built, nice length, well rounded back, good wings and tail; 2, Dunn, buff variegated, close up, fine upstanding Yorks., neat wings and tail. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: 1, Gillespie, yell. variegated Goldfinch, rather wild. A.V. DARK: 1, Allan, Linnet; 2, Campbell, Linnet. GOLDFINCH (3): 1, Henderson, good size and shape, nice dense col., blaze, clean cut, wings, and buttons; 2, Taylor, neat shape, fine face, not so expansive as winner; 3, Whyte, good face, little rought. BULLFINCH (6): 1, Jamieson, neat cap, rich colour, fine back and wing bars, good shape; 2, Henderson, close up, shade smaller, fine col., good cap and wing bars; 3, Allan, tails colour; 4, sp, 5, Gillespie; 6, Campbell. LINNET (10): 1, sp, Jamieson, good size and shape, fine rich coloured back, wonderfully well laced on breast, grand condition, wins; 2, sp, Campbell, lighter tone of col., fine size and shape, little lighter on breast; 3, 4, Gillespie, 3rd fine col., fails breast; 5, sp, Henderson; 6, Prentice; 7, Bibby. SISKIN (2): 1, Wilson, neat shape, fine cap, nicely mkd., on flanks, might be richer in col.; 2, Henderson, richer col., neat shape, narrower in cap, trifle restless. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (7): 1, Wilson, rich col. Twite, good size, right stamp, well laced, shows whites well; 2, C. Campbell, fine big Mealy, neat shape, grand head, finely bronzed; 3, sp, Jamieson, very nice, Twite, presses winner hard, neat shape, fine col.; 4, W. Campbell, Mealy; 5 Gibb; 6, Henderson; 7, Taylor, good class. LESSER REDPOL (4): 1, Loan, neat, cobby shape, fine col. and size, well laced; 2, Henderson, close up, shapely, fine col., not so neatly laced; 3, Gibb, fails shape and col.; 4, Gillespie. GREENFINCH (9): 1, Jamieson, fine, big yell., wet when taking notes, looks a good one; 2, Allan, big buff, well built, fine butts and tail; 3, Campbell, rather wild or might have gone up one; 4, Loan; 5, Taylor; 6, Gillespie; 7, Henderson. CHAFFINCH (6): 1, Henderson, fine, rich col. bird, neat shape, good head and wings; 2, Adams, close up, good col., fine size and shape; 3, Adams, nice one, smaller; 4, Taylor; 5, Gillespie; 6, Brown. BRAMBLE (4): 1, Henderson, great size, fine head, well spangled, might be richer in colour; 2, Taylor, only loses in size; 3, Henderson, nice one; 4, Campbell. YELL. BUNTING (4): 1, sp, Gibb, City of Glasgow winner, rich col., good size and shape, wins; 2, sp, Loan, not so rich col., but good one; 3, Brown, col.; 4, Henderson. BUNTING: 1, Henderson, Snow Bunting; 2, Taylor; 3, Allan, very fine Ortolan; 4, Henderson, Snow. BULLFINCH, HEN (8): 1, Loan, fine make, good cap, nice col., A1 bloom, wins; 2, Taylor, same stamp, little rough; 3, 4, Allan, nice hen; 5, Gibb; 6, Proudfoot; 7, Henderson. HEN (HARD-BILL) (6): 1, Taylor, very fine condition, Bramble; 2, Loan, rich col. Greenfinch; 3, Jamieson, Chaffinch; 4, Henderson, Redpoll; 5, Gibb; 6, Gillespie. A.O.S. BRIT. SMALL (5): 1, 2, sp, best British, Taylor, with his well-known winning Redstart; 2, 5, Taylor, 2nd well shown Crested Tit, 5th Wagtail; 3, sp, Henderson, Redstart, in good order, not to be compared with winner; 4, sp, Wilson, Bearded Tit, trifle wild. LARGE (3): 1, 2, Henderson, very fine, well shown Waxwing, shining like silk, 2nd well mkd., Missel Thrush, well shown; 3, Taylor, good Fiftie. BLACKBIRD OR THRUSH (5): 1, 3, 4, 5, Adams, very fine team, leader stands alone for size, shape, and condition, last year's winner, we heard, all Blackbirds; 2, Brown, neat shaped Mavis, fine ground col., wonderfully well mkd., rare order. BRIT., F.M. (5): 1, Henderson, Linnet; 2, Adams, Blackcap; 3, Gibb, Twite; 4, Taylor; 5, Jamieson. FOR. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (3): 1, Adams, good size Goldie, fine blaze, rich col.; 2, Henderson, Goldie, smaller; 3, Miller, fine Goldie. FOR., LARGE (5): 1, Proudfoot, well-known King Parrot, beautiful plumage; 2, sp, Wilson, Toucau, very rare exhibit; 3, Pearson, Rock Parrot, in good order, well staged, regular Rock Parrot, in good order, well staged, regular old chatterbox, much admired; 4, 5, Ferrier, we could not find. FOR., SMALL: 1, 3, Henderson, 1st pair Diamond Finches, rare order; 2, Allan, Bishops; 4, sp, Wilson, Bishop. SELL., 10s. 6d.: 1, sp, Houston; 2, Lunn; 3, Houston; 4, Pinnock; 5, Whyte; 6, Kane; 7, Proudfoot. GIFT: 1, sp, Allan; 2, sp, J. Campbell; 3, sp, Houston; 4, sp, C. Henderson; 5, sp, C. Campbell; 6, sp, J. Henderson; 7, sp, Crawford.

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SALE

C.H.S., November 29th and 30th. 55 Open Classes. Judges: C. Houlton, A. G. Davis. Entries close Nov. 23rd, not later than first post, Nov. 25th. Write for schedule to: A. Royle, Sec., 99, Harley Road, Sale. (245)

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Judge: H. W. Battye (Huddersfield). Schedules from: H. Saunders, Hon. Sec., 31, Vernon Street, Coventry.

DUNDEE

City and Dis. C.B.S. Annual Show,

Nov. 30.

Judges: Whitton, Holmes, Strachan, Thoms, Mossie, and McArdle. Crests and C.B. Class 1, A.V. Crest Ck.; 2, do. Hen; 3, Any Col. C.B. Ck.; 4, do. Hen; 5, Crest Ck. or Hen, bred 1912; 6, C.B., do; 7, Selling, A.V. Ck. or Hen, limit £1; state sex. Plainheads.—8, Cl. or Tkd., yell. Ck.; 9, do., Buff do.; 10, Yell. Var. Ck.; 11, Buff do.; 12, 13, 14, and 15, Hens, as above; 16, Unflig. Ck.; 17, do. Hen, 18, N.-F. Ck., any col.; 19, do., Hen; 20, Selling A.V. Ck. or Hen, limit 15s., state sex. S. Fancies.—21, Cl. Yell. or Foul Ck.; 22, Yell. Pied or Green Ck.; 23, Cl. Buff or Foul Ck.; 24 Buff Pied or Green Ck.; 25, 26, 27, and 28, Hens, as above; 29, Selling, A.V. Ck. or Hen, limit £1. Borders.—30, Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Ck.; 31, do. Buff do.; 32, Yell. Mkd., or Var. Ck.; 33, Buff do.; 34, 35, 36, and 37, Hens, as above; 38, Selling Ck. or Hen, limit 7s. 6d., state sex. Mules.—39, A.V. Light Mule or Hyb., includ Can.-Bull.; 40, A.V., Dark Mule. British.—41, Goldf.; 42, Redpoll or Twite; 43, A.O.V., Finch or Bunt.; 49, A.V. Lark or Less.; 50, A.V., not larger than Missel Thrush; 51, Selling, A.V., Mule or Brit., limit 7s. 6d. Enter from above; Grand Specials, all open.

Entries close Monday next, Nov. 25.

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O.S. First Grand Annual Show.

Saturday, Nov. 30.

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Cups, Medals, and any amount of Specials.

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Entries close Mon., 25th Nov. (last post). Please enter early. Time is Short!

W. Nisbet, 101, High St., Musselburgh.

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November 30th. Splendid Classes and Specials. Judges: Lamble and Winter. Schedules ready. Prizes, 10/, 5/-, 2/6. Entry 1/6.—A. France, 63, Herbertshire Street, Denny. (228)

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O.S. 23rd Annual Show. Canaries; Mules; Brit and Foreign; **Nov. 30th, in Grand National Halls, Main Street, Gorbali, Glasgow. Admission 4d. Be there.**
W. Hutchison, Sec. (246)

IRVINE

Saturday, November 30th. 47 Classes for Cage Birds. Judges: R. Jeffrey, Glasgow (Norwich); J. W. Bruce, Coldstream (Yorks. and Borders); and C. Campbell, Glasgow (Brit. and For.) **Entries close Nov. 25th.** Schedules from **H. B. Young, 55, West Road, Irvine.** (231)

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6th Open Show.

Dec. 3rd & 4th.

Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, Cavies, **Cage Birds.**

Cage Bird Judge: JOHN ROBSON.

N.B.—Owing to entries being short we are extending to Nov. 27. Please send as many as possible.

P. Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow Road, Tonbridge.

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Canaries and British. **29 Classes. 3 Cups, about 20 Specials.** Flying Homers: 10 classes, cup, and 8 Specials. Cats: 17 Classes, Cup and 30 Specials. Cavies: 2 Classes, 6 Specials. **Specialist Judges.—T. G. Field, Hon. Sec., Exmouth.** (229)

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Dec. 5th

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BROOMHILL and Dist. P.P. and C.B. show, **Dec. 7th** Judges: Pitry., J. Wilkinson; Pgns, J. Goodwin; **Cage Birds**, A. Brown. **Entries close Nov. 30th.—Wm. Smailes, Sec., 28, Hartside Terrace, Chevington Drift, Northumberland.** (216)

CUPAR

(Fife), Sat., Dec. 7th. Open show of Cage Birds, in **Hall separate from all other exhibits.** 50 classes. Scotch Fancies: J. Hogg (Oakley); Norwich: A. Dickson (Kelty); Borders: J. Hutchison (Dysart); Yorks., Brit., and Foreign: J. Goodfellow (Edinburgh). Schedules: **Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar, Fife.**

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Wednesday & Thursday, DEC. 4th & 5th.

Judge: J. Robson, Esq. Schedules from: **J. H. Jones, 169, Church Lane, Aston, Birmingham.**

BELFAST

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Twentieth Annual Open Show, **Friday and Saturday, Dec. 6th and 7th.** Judges: **J. F. Dewar** (Edinburgh), and **W. Vardy** (Huthwaite). **Entries close Monday, Dec. 2nd (open to Ireland only).** For schedules, apply: **Robert Trimble, Sec., 11, WaringStreet, Belfast.** (228)

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GATESHEAD

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GALSTON (AYRSHIRE), Saturday Dec. 7th. Judges: Scotch Fancy—J. A. Stewart (Muirend). Norwich, Borders and British—Gavin Alston (Darvel). **Alexander Frew,** Secretary, **26, Duke Street.**

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REMEMBER!

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Entries close Dec. 4th.
Schedules—**E. Bloomfield, 22, Hitchin Road, Luton.** (223)

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(SOMERSET).
December 12th. Schedules will be sent to all last year's exhibitors. Others please apply: King and Edwards, Catherine Hill, Frome.

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Saturday, 14th December.

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Entries Close, Monday, 9th December

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Entries Close 9th December.

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REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Pontypridd.—Dec. 4, Victoria Hall.—Judge, Mr D. A. Longden. 19 open classes: Nor. 3, Yorks 3, Bord. 1, Crest 1, A.O.V. 2 (1 Nov.), Mules 1, Brit. 6, For. 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 28th to A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser Street, Maesycoed, Pontypridd.

Carnarvon.—Dec. 7, Assembly Rooms, Market St. Judge, Mr. W. A. Cowgill. 25 open classes: Yorks. 4, Bord. 2, Nat. Col. 1, bred 1912 1, Nor. 2, Mules 2, Brit. 8 (1 Nov.), For. 1, Sell. 2, Can. Nov. 1, A.O.V. Nov. 1. Prizes 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 30th to J. Wynne Parry, 18, Titliebarn St.

Chandler's Ford.—Dec. 4 and 5, the Parish Room. Judge: Mr. J. E. Woodford. 12 open classes: Nor. 1, Crest 1, Yorks. 1, A.V.C. 1, Mule 1, Brit. 5, For. 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 5s., 3s., 1s. 6d. Ent. fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 26, to A. J. Dean, Hursley Road.

Denny and Dunipace.—Nov. 30, Forrester's Hall, Denny. Judges: Messrs. Winter and Lambie. 34 open classes: Crest 4, Nor. 12, Bord. 8, Brit. 6, For. 2, Hyb. 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Ent. fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 25, to Mr. A. France, 63, Herbertshire Street.

Larne.—Dec. 12 and 13, The McGarel Town Hall. Judges: Messrs. J. Trengrove and J. W. McIlhagga. 37 open classes; Scots. 4, Nor. 8, Sell. 3, Yorks. 12, Variety 3, Brit. 7. Prizes, Yorks., 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. ent. fee 1s. 6d.; remainder 10s., 5s., 3s., 2s., ent. fee 2s. Ent. close Dec. 7, to Mr. Thomas Mayne, 35, Barnhill, Larne.

Exmonk.—Dec. 4, Market Hall. Judges: Messrs. J. Dummett (Canaries), W. J. Smith (other var.). 29 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks. 4, Bord. 1, Pairs 1, A.O.V. 1, Nov. 1, Mule 1, Hyb. 1, Brit. 7, For. 2, A.V. (ladies), 1, Sell. 2. Prizes, 5s., 3s., 2s. Ent. fee 1s. Ent. close Nov. 27, to Mr. T. G. Field, 24, St. Andrew's Road.

Pembroke.—Dec. 4, Market House. Judge: Mr. T. J. Owen. 8 open classes: Yorks. 1, Nor. 1, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 3, Mule 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 6s., 3s., 1s. 6d. Fee 1s. Ent. close Nov. 27, to Mr. Thomas Sinnett, 10, King's Bridge.

Oakham and Dis.—Dec. 5, Poultry Hall, Oakland. Judge: Mr. O. Smart. 4 open classes: Nor. 1, Yorks 1, Brit. 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. Ent. close Nov. 25, to Mr. T. J. Walker, Barley Road Oakham.

Cambridge.—Dec. 4 and 5, Corn Exchange. Judge: J. T. Palmer. 15 open classes: Nor. 3, Yorks. 2, A.O.V. 1, Hyb. 1, Brit. 5, For. 1, Sell. 1, Gift. 1. Prizes, 7s. 6d., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 23, to Mr. E. J. Dowling, 41, Lensfield Road.

Waltham Abbey.—Dec. 4, Town Hall. Judge: Mr A. E. Enfield. 21 open classes: Nor. 3, Yorks 3, Crest 1, A.O.V. 3, Mules 2, Brit. 5, For. 2, Sell. 2. Prizes on sliding scale. Fee 1/-. Ent. close Nov. 23, to Mr. W. D. Ward, Lower Island.

Worksop and Dis.—Nov. 30, Town Hall, Worksop, Judge: Mr. J. C. Barnes. 14 open classes: Yorks. 5, Nor. 2, Crest 1, Hyb. 1, Brit. 1, For. 2, Sell. 1, Gift 1. Prizes on sliding scale. Fee 1s. Ent. close Nov. 23, to Mr. Herbert Smith, Victoria Square.

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Twitterings.

R. A. Newley is "the" man for show cages. Order early. Address: 24, Stockwell Green, London, S.W.—(Advt.)

We hear that Mr. J. W. Metcalfe is judging the first open show of the Tredegar (Mon.) C.B.S. on Jan. 2nd.

Llanelly show! Bound to extend entries till Sunday morning; please help. D. John, 9, Pottery Place.—(Advt.)

The name of our cage bird judge should be A. E. Enfield, Esq., J.P. (not Penfold) writes Mr. Howard, sec. Weybridge and District F.S.

Mr. T. Bishop, sec Sheffield O.S. writes that Messrs. W. Mundell, C. Honlton and J. Robson will judge at the 1913 show, held Nov. 7 and 8.

At the Pendleton and Salford O.S. show to-day (Saturday) there will be on view a very rare Indian bird, also a White Albino Linnet, writes Mr. J Critchley.

OBITUARY.

It is with the deepest regret, writes Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) that I have to announce the death of Mrs. J. R. Senior, the beloved wife of one of the truest fanciers that Sheffield ever possessed. Her genial and kindly disposition won her hosts of friends, who will be most sincerely grieved at the sad news. I am sure the fullest sympathy of all fanciers will be extended to the heart-broken husband in his sad and sudden bereavement. The interment took place on Nov. 19th at Walkley Cemetery.

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. Chas. Mackwell, that I have to inform you of the death of Mr. Arthur Shackleton, of Croft Street, Keighley, who passed away in his 43rd year, on Nov. 17. He had been a reader of your paper for many years.

It is with deepest regret, writes Mr. E. R. Ridley, hon. sec. Hull C.B.S., that I have to announce the death of one of our members, Mr. T. Briggs, the sad event taking place on Friday last, the day of our open show, at which Mr. Briggs was exhibiting a good team. He had been in failing health some time, but his love was with the birds. His wife undertook all the duties of looking after them during the past breeding season, and also colour-feeding them. Mr. Briggs has suffered terribly, having undergone two operations. He will be much missed by the members of the Hull Society, his genial disposition and good qualities endearing him to all who knew him. I am sure that all fanciers will join with the Hull members in offering their heartfelt sympathy to the widow in this, her hour of trial.

C. A. Luer sells 2,000 Rollers weekly, and sold his whole consignment of 800 Siberian Goldfinches within a week. A fresh consignment arrives Friday, 22nd inst.—(Advt.)

Ratcliffe and Dis. C.B.S. autumn show takes place Nov. 30 in the Conservative Club, Radcliffe, when Mr. Lomas, of St. Helens, will judge, writes W. Pickup, the Sec.

All entries for the L.C.B.A. show, writes Mr. D. John, Llanelly, will be sent on direct from our show by the night mail on the 26th, on making arrangements with the secretaries.

We are asked to notify the following changes of address: Mr. J. Mackie, from Markinch to High St., Frenchie, Fife,; Mr. S. J. Burton to 50 Mulgrave Rd., Dollis Hill.

At a meeting of the Kilsyth F.A., held 13th inst., it was arranged that the judges at Kilsyth show, Dec. 14, be: Norwich, Mr. J. M'Lay. Kirkintilloch: Bord., Mr. D. Hamilton, Hamilton; British, Mr. W. Sharp, Bathgate.

We are having a smoking concert at headquarters, Temperance Club, Toad Lane, on Wednesday evening, Nov. 27, writes Mr. Tom Holt, Hon. Sec. Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S., when an interesting ceremony will take place in regard to one of our members. Fanciers and friends are welcomed to make same an enjoyable evening.

Just purchased from W. N. Midgley, Winslow, all his surplus stock Norwich—Crystal Palace, Manchester, etc.—big winners; send to Sandiford, Preston, for particulars of what you require; mostly unlighted birds.—(Advt.)

The Committee are obliged to extend entries for Whitby show held Nov. 27. There are 93 classes, and only 65 entries are to hand! This is a black look-out! Let us hope that fanciers will rally round; Saturday's post will be in time.

In the Woodside O.S. special prize list in schedule, in place of 2nd best, 3rd best, and 4th best, read best 2nd, best 3rd, and best 4th in given classes. Also special 26, read, pipe for best in classes 27, 29, and 31, writes Mr. J. G. Milne, the secretary.

It is worth taking a little trouble in selecting stock, and readers will agree with Mr. Rudd, of Norwich (see Canary Various column) that "Extra pains mean extra satisfaction." Last week the word "pairs" appeared wrongly instead of "pains."

Mr. J. Sheppard, Sec. South Birmingham O.S., writes that he now resides at 129, Floyer Road, Small Heath, and that arrangements are being pushed forward for members' show on Boxing Day, with a record number of specials, including a handsome dinner service.

Sale C.B.S., write Messrs. Royle and Wood, secs., have engaged at great expense the large rooms at the Technical School Sale, well lighted and free from draughts, 1 min. from Sale station; trams pass the door. This is the show where 13 classes are provided for the novices.

Kindly allow me to inform Crest exhibitors that all specials put up by the Gateshead Society stand for competition, writes Mr. J. G. Greason, the sec.; it is only C.C.C. and N.C.C. specials that are withdrawn. The Crest section will receive just as much attention as any other.

We are giving similar prize cards to last year, writes Mr. C. I. Young, sec. Frome F.A., when we received any amount of congratulations over them. The photographic views thereon are of Longleat, the seat of the Marquis of Bath, St. John's Church, and the Market Place.

We are informed that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Any one who has been overlocked should apply to the respective secretaries: Markinch, Swansea. Brighton and Hove. Stoke-on-Trent, Hull, Bradford East, Wisbech, Leicester Hand-in-Hand, Leyton.

Bird-lovers in Portsmouth should remember the show of the local fanciers' society held next week (Nov. 27 and 28) in the Connaught Drill Hall. Cheap admission tickets can be had of the hon. assist.-sec., Mr. B. Coffin (155, Dover Rd., Copnor, Portsmouth). A fine display is expected.

Unless fanciers come to our assistance, the cage bird section at our show, Nov. 27 and 28, will be a total failure, writes Mr. W. Lightfoot, hon. sec. Wandsworth and Dis. F.S., 86, Heythorp St., Southfields, Wandsworth, S.W. Entries extended to Saturday, Nov. 23, and I hope fanciers will respond.

Our friends, the members of the Codnor Park and Eastwood Society seem bent on progression. Another year they are looking forward to engaging the Mechanics' Hall, which is most suitable for their show. They are a true lot of fanciers, and exhibitors should bear them in mind, and respond liberally with entries.

Will you kindly announce, writes Mr. H. Boothman, hon sec. Manchester & Northern Counties O.S., that Mr. W. Broughton, and not Mr. Sharpe, won second in class 18, ticked, etc., Buff at our late show. I shall be much obliged if you will also state that it was Mr. Broughton's bird that was described in your report.

Kindly allow me to thank you, writes Mr. W. Elliott, sec., West Stanley C.B.S., for the splendid way you advertised our show during 1912. Also I should like to express a word of praise to your painstaking reporter for the way in which he described the birds. I should like also to thank those exhibitors who have written expressing their satisfaction at the prompt payment of prize-money and the quick arrival of their birds back from our show. All prize-money has been paid in full.

We are asked to rectify the following errors or omissions in show reports:—At Warrington Messrs. Ogden Bros. won 1st in Yorks cl. etc. yell, not Bain; at Leyton the cup for novices' best unflighter was won by Mr. C. W. Tuck, not Dalton; at Swansea Mr. Chedgey was 2nd in Buff Nor. hen, not Powell, and Mr. Hocking won 1st and 2nd in Cinn. Borders, not Middleton; in the report of Warrington show the awards in Yell. Yks. ck. class should read 1 Ogden Bros., 2 Dooley, 3 Mrs. Gray, 4 Thomas, vhc Wilkinson Bros., he, Boole, c Brooke, and not as printed; in Spalding show reserve in yellow class and 1st in buff was won by Messrs. Keech and Son, not Reech.

The photograph of the officials of Brighton and Hove show which appears in this issue is the work of Messrs. Wiles Bros. (Hove).

Kindly correct small mistake in our club report of last week; 2s. per class should have been 7s., writes Mr. W. B. Smart (Loanhead C.B.S.).

Cage-bird men should not overlook Exmouth show (held Dec. 4) where the classification is good, and there are some nice specials (seven have been added since the schedule was issued) including an open challenge cup. See advt. in this issue.

Next Week

we shall issue another

MAMMOTH DOUBLE NUMBER

and would once again impress upon all readers the necessity of ordering copies from their newsagents in advance.

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The Closing Date is Tuesday, November 26th.

Post all advertisements early to reach us on that day certain, or we cannot guarantee insertion in this Mammoth Number.

We should be glad if Mr. Schroeder, late East 70th St., New York, would communicate his present address.

We hear that entries are awfully short for Bristol show, Nov. 27 and 28 (about 70 in 33 classes). A special was left out of the advertisement of the excellent classification last week. A pint tankard (cost 12s. 6d.) for best Cinnamon in show. We hope exhibitors will rally round this show (note advt. this week) for the Society richly deserves a good entry, as we pointed out in our issue of Nov. 9.

Your good report of Exeter and District C.B.S. show unfortunately contained an error in the 1912 Norwich Plainhead class, writes Mr. Jas. Martin (Topsham). It gives 2nd, Turner, which was won by my bird, as I took 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and he in that class. I should not have written about it only I have offered this second bird for sale through the advertisements in your paper, and it will look rather misleading to strangers.

We hear that the annual members' show of the North London C.B.A. held this Friday and Saturday in the Library Hall, Stoke Newington, promises some keen competition, especially between the Yorks exhibitors. Fanciers will find good birds of all kinds on view.

Help the L.C.B.A.

An urgent appeal on behalf of the Horticultural Hall show is made in our correspondence columns this week, and we hope a hearty response will be made and this fine exhibition adequately supported.

All the Difference.

In the report of the Goldfinch class at Alnwick show our representative wrote: "No. 9, Waters, best in class, soft in condition," which our printers unfortunately rendered "good" in condition. We are pleased to correct this, as Mr. Maddison, who judged, made no mistake in his award.

Leith Secretary Honoured.

We note that Mr. Geo. Brown, the popular secretary of the Leith O.S., has been honoured by the reproduction of his portrait in the last issue of the "Leith Observer," and that journal has some very nice things to say about him as a bird-lover and judge, and his efforts on behalf of his society.

Sheffield O.S. Secretaryship.

Rumour has it in Sheffield that a paid official, in the person of Mr. E. Job, a well-known local auctioneer and sec. of the Hallam and Ecclesall Society, is to be put forward at the meeting convened for the election of officers for 1913, as secretary of the Sheffield O.S., should Mr. T. Bishop relinquish the post, which we have every reason to believe will be the case.

Always the Best!

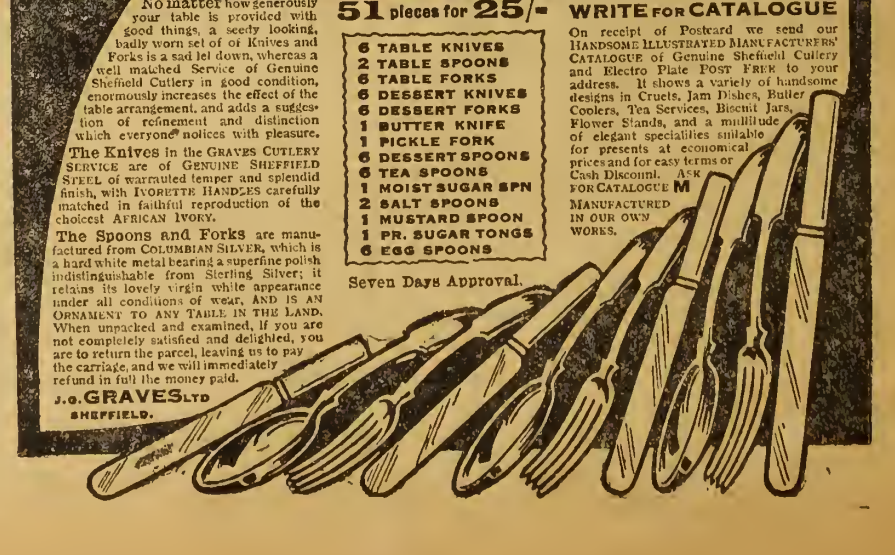
We hear that a large consignment of birds left England the other week for Australia, consigned by Messrs. F. W. Barnett, W. Mundell, J. Robson, J. W. Ramsden, and Shearman, and that very dirty weather was experienced across the Bay of Biscay which, however, was safely negotiated by the whole of the birds with the exception of two very valuable Crests being sent out by Mr. Barnett.

Judges at the L.C.B.A.

By an unfortunate error, write Messrs. Mugford and Knight, the names of Messrs. S. L. Cocks and F. A. Lester were included in the list of judges. Also in "Bird Notes" it is stated that Mr. F. Finn is to judge the Foreign birds. This is an error, as Mr. Seth Smith, the curator of birds at the Zoo., has at great inconvenience undertaken the responsibility. We regret very much that the names of the above have appeared in print, and offer them our apologies.

Who Forged His Name?

About our judges, writes Mr. T. Clelland, sec. Coaltown of Wemyss show, some person has been forging Mr. J. W. Bruce's name. I got a p.c. stating that he could not come to our show as he was fixed for that date. Mr. Bruce saw this announced in "Twitterings," and was surprised. He wrote to me asking our reason, and I told him. He is trying to find out the person who wrote the post-card, and give him in charge. Please put in CAGE BIRDS this week that Mr. Bruce will judge in place of Mr. Sharp. I received posters all right; highly pleased with them.



How Exhibition Yorkshires are Bred and Trained.

By SAM WILKINSON (Halifax).

Is "Touching Up" essential: Does the "greatest tactitian" win?

BEFORE you can expect to do justice to the mating of the Yorkshire Canary to breed exhibition specimens, you must have some knowledge of how the birds you intend to breed with have been produced. I would like to lay special emphasis on the above, as I find that it is the only way to ensure success. I do not say you cannot breed a winner unless you know your stock, but such successful happenings are few and far between, which makes the game not worth the candle.

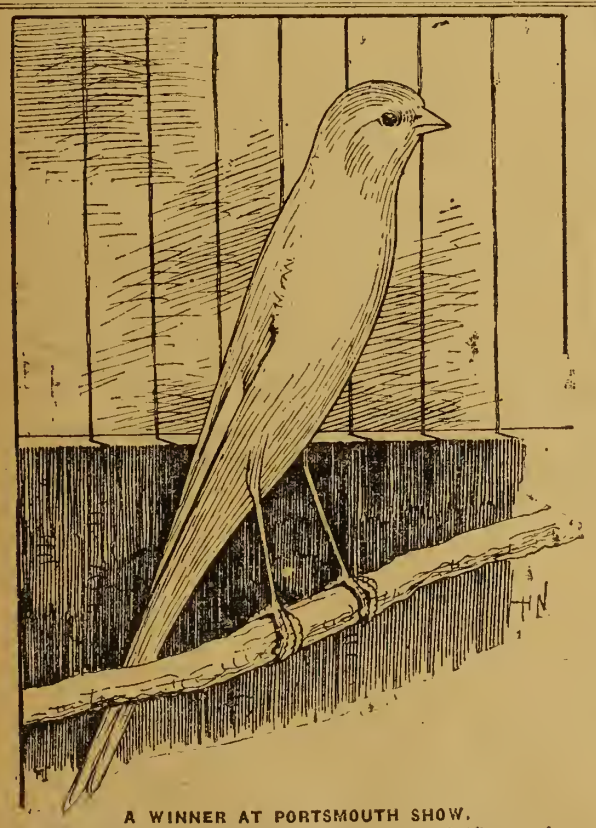
Now, in considering this interesting part of the hobby, you must have some good stock birds to select from; winners are not produced from winners. About the second week in the New Year I look round my birds, to see what they are as some young birds take a long time to "come on," as we say in the Fancy. I never part with my young birds until I see what they are going to be; and it is occasionally a long time after the above date. I only keep birds that have some good points about them. If I have a bird with such a fault as a drop-tail, I mark that as one to go, and if I have one that is very thin in the neck I also let that go, as I find they are not worth keeping. I try and keep clear of birds that have a bad frill in the front, as they have a way of breeding the frill up again, sometimes with interest.

My Lord and My Lady.

I like to have a good big cock bird with plenty of leg, as you get the size from his side. He must have a good back on him, and be a nice wedge-shape from the top of his legs. I like him to have a nice fitting pair of wings with good long flights. He must be well filled up about the neck, with a good round chest, and a neat round head. I like to avoid a flat head in the cock, so try and get a nice round head with the eyes well placed, not too near the crown. I also try to have as good a quality of feather as I possibly can, but one can afford to sacrifice a little here if you have a nice boxy-feathered hen to pair with such a cock.

Now let me say a word about her ladyship. In my opinion a good hen is a treasure, as I find she plays no small part in the making of exhibition birds. I like her to be of a fair size, not too big and not too small. I try to have a good feathered hen, not one with a frill. The hen must possess a good head—the exact kind depends somewhat on the cock bird. If he has a pointed head then I look out for a hen with a nicely-rounded head. To put the thing in a nutshell, I try and make the one help the other; where one is weak, the other must be strong. I try and get her with a good pair of legs, and a tail with no tendency to drop—rather have one with it tilted up than down. I would lay special stress on this, as it cost me a lot of money before I found its great importance out.

When I have decided what I will keep, I separate each bird into a cage by itself till breeding time; but what I sort out in January I sometimes change, as a bird can alter very much in a few weeks. I take my final look round about the last week in March, and I pair up the first week in April. I am never tempted to pair up before this date, as cold weather may always be about, even in May. My advice is, do not be in too great a hurry; it will pay you to wait a little longer.



A WINNER AT PORTSMOUTH SHOW.
Clear yellow Yorkshire exhibited by Mr. J. Matthews, of Portsmouth.

I always pair two hens to one cock, and never let the cock bird stay to do the feeding, as I think the hen does better by herself, and by doing so, the cock is always in the best of form, and at the end of the season is not worn out. I only put the cock into the hen on three occasions: First, say, on Monday; then on Wednesday; and again on Friday; and I find that it is just as good as leaving the cock in until the eggs are laid. You see that I take care of the cock, as it would not do to have him "off colour."

I have no special way of feeding the young ones. I simply follow the old method of egg and bread, and find nothing to beat it. I give a good supply of egg for the first week, gradually weaning off till they are able to do for themselves. When the young are about 25 days old, I remove them to a clean cage, and they generally go on first class.

From now, I have to exercise as much care as I give to the selecting of my stock birds, as a good bird can be spoiled, never to be put right again. I find it very difficult to tell a good bird from an ordinary sort of bird, as some take longer to "come" than others. I like to see a bird come on gradually, as these are the sort to make the best.



AT BREEZY BRIGHTON.

Names (left to right): G. Absalon, W. Wall W. Cadman, W. Miles, Mrs. Pearson, C. A. House (judge), J. Robson (judge), Mrs. H. T. Gibb, W. H. Gibb (hon. sec.), Mrs. Absalon, Mrs. Dandridge, and W. Swaysland.

You will soon discover the importance of keeping your young birds until you see what they are, for it is not so pleasant to see someone else winning with the bird you have discarded instead of sticking to. I will mention, as an instance, a case where a man bought a bird for eighteenpence and the same did very well on the bench last year. If I happen to breed a good bird I am never tempted to take it to a first feather show, as I have lost some good birds by so doing; perhaps the hope of a year's breeding.

My next trouble is the training of the young, which is a very important point, as a bird that will not stand to be looked at might just as well be left at home. My method is to train them from the beginning, as you cannot start too soon. I always have a show-cage on the front of the stock cage when the young are 20 days' old, and they begin to run in after their parents, and so get quite used to the show cage even before they are put by themselves.

Trained from their Youth.

I remove the young when they are 25 days' old and place a show cage in front of their new cage, and they generally settle down all right. I try to run them into the cage on the second day, not overworking them at first. I follow this process until the youngsters are quite used to the show cage. I then begin to look at them in the cage, all the time trying to draw their attention. This keeps them from flying up at the wires, and I always try and avoid giving them a sudden shock at any time.

I think a young bird is at its best when about eight or nine weeks' old, then you are able to judge some of the results of your labours. I have seen some very promising looking birds turn out very badly after the moult, however, and I have seen good birds develop from those which appeared bad birds before the moult. I always take special care of first-nest birds, as these are the birds that will do most good, if they happen to be show specimens ("the early bird catches the worm.") You will then be able to retire from the show bench before the end of the season, and your birds will be all the better for it, as showing them week after week tells a tale on them.

If you have trained your birds as I suggest, they will soon steady down after you have colour-fed them. If I am fortunate enough to have bred a good bird, one that I think will do me credit, I take it to a model I always keep hung up in my room, and if it compares at all well, I single it out and pay special attention to it. I never go into the room without running it out into a show cage.

Putting on the Polish.

I wash a bird about six days before the show, as it takes a day or two to get back into condition again. If the bird seems a little bit slack in feather, I give it about two teaspoonfuls of white millet on two successive days; this has a wonderful effect, as it tightens up the feathers and gives a glossy appearance. I always spray the birds I intend to show on the morning before the show, as I am a great believer in the spray for finishing off a bird's toilet. I have in my mind a bird that does a lot of winning, and which, but for the spray, would never count; it has a bad front, but when sprayed it takes it all away for about two days. In the meantime the cards have been placed! If you are to be successful, you will have to touch them up a bit. My opinion is that the greatest tactitian (shall we say) wins.

In conclusion, if I do not win I try not to grumble, but take hold of the birds in the cards and place the one that belongs to me by their side, and see where I have been beaten. If I discover anything that I am short of I feel well repaid for laying out the entrance fee, as you have to pay for experience.

Familiar Friends: The Lesser and Mealy Redpolls.

By WILLIAM LECKIE (Portobello).

(Concluded from page 921).

From an exhibitor's point of view the Lesser Redpoll is now one of our principal Finches, at most shows a class being provided for it, and this is generally well filled. For exhibition purposes my idea of a really good specimen may be given, but I have no doubt there are many that may hold different opinions in regard to the various points.

In the first place I think the bird chosen should be of a good chubby type, with a wide chest, and good broad, rounded head. The red cap should go back well behind the black of the forehead, and the bib must be as large and as jet black as possible. General tone of colour to be a soft tan, with plenty of distinct markings on breast and flanks, and well defined wing bars.

As these birds to be successful on the bench must generally, unless of very exceptional merit, be colour fed, it is not advisable to select them too dark in colour, as the feeding usually makes such birds too "brassy." They are usually very fond of the bath, and are best kept in box cages, as otherwise they often develop the bad habit of continuous wire climbing

The Large Light-coloured Relation.

Apart from size, and its much paler, or mealy colouring, the Mealy Redpoll may be said to resemble the Lesser. It is unknown as a British breeding species, its nesting quarters being the Northern countries of Europe, Asia, etc. They are in most years a rather scarce winter migrant to this country, but we have from time to time an abnormal migration of this species. Whether determined by the prevailing winds at the migratory period, or whether the migration is caused by the great increase during a prolific breeding season, compelling a large number to depart from the usual migratory routes, to avoid overcrowding, is unknown.

A considerable number of these abnormal migrations have been chronicled. Gatke mentions one which passed Heligoland in November, 1847, which was so great that when the birds settled the island was almost covered with them. The two most recent in this country occurred in the winters of 1899 and 1910, the latter being considerably the greater of the two. The numbers caught on this occasion were such that in Scotland dealers were compelled to refuse thousands. A peculiar feature of these latter migrations, which may also have been common to the others, was that by far the larger proportion of the flocks consisted of male birds. In East Lothian the numbers caught in the early part of the rush, which lasted a considerable period, were so great that the catchers were chasing the birds away from their "sets," as they could find no market for them.

The Girls They Left Behind Them.

Another feature of the 1910 migration would, I have no doubt, appeal to many observers, namely, the great difference in size between what one might almost call the two varieties caught. The greater part consisted of birds not much larger than our native Lesser Redpoll, but a very considerable number were caught that were quite as large as Linnets, and, in point of fact, bore much the same comparison as may be made between our native Goldfinches and those imported from Siberia. From this I am inclined to think that breeding places very far apart contributed to the migration, as no slight geographical distance would be the least likely to cause such a size variation in birds exhibiting absolutely no other specific difference.

The nest and eggs of this Redpoll are said to resemble those of our native species. The food in a wild state is practically the same, but in captivity it is advisable to feed as far as possible on plain canary seed, with a very small proportion of good German rape. These birds resemble the Ortolan Bunting in that they are willing to eat at all times, and put on much fat.

In selecting a show specimen, the only point I may mention, apart from those recommended for the Lesser Redpoll, is that you get the mealy as mealy as possible, if I may use the term—that it, as light coloured as possible.

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CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

KEEP VERY SOFT (Optimist).—Do not overheat the birds by keeping them in a warm corner of the kitchen. Keep them in a comfortable temperature, certainly for a week or two, but see that it is well ventilated, though free from cold draughts and fairly equable. Allow birds to bathe three times a week. Give a staple diet of plain canary. Every second day for a fortnight give in addition half-a-teaspoonful of summer rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and sprinkled with maw. Twice a week give a pinch of equal parts hemp, niga, millet, and teazle. Add six drops of syrup of buckthorn to the drinking water for one day, and afterwards six drops of tincture of gentian and three of tincture of steel every second day for a week.

NOT SINGING (Crest).—There may be nothing at all seriously wrong with the birds. It is nothing unusual for cocks after the first few seasons to take a few weeks' rest after moulting before resuming their song. Another thing, if I am right in thinking they are in an aviary with other birds, this also would tend to make them longer coming in song. Keeping a mixture of birds requiring dissimilar foods is rarely successful for long, save in quite large aviaries. Cage the cock Canaries separately and feed as advised to "Optimist" for a week or two. In the water give six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece every second day for a week, and in the following week give four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day. Cage the two hens in a roomy cage where they can get good exercise. Give a staple diet of plain canary, a pinch of mixed seed twice a week, and a liberal allowance of greenstuff daily. Give the above-named medicines in water for a fortnight. Continue the above method of feeding for a month if necessary to reduce them to a normal condition.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Rattye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); Normon's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

A COLD THAT HAS STUCK (L. N.).—The probability is that the bird is now a chronic bronchial sufferer, and the change from a very hot room where it was reared to a cold draughty one is at the root of the mischief. Your treatment of the bird has been unavailing simply because you were treating the effects and allowing the causes to remain. Giving medicine is absolutely useless unless injurious conditions are removed. Keep the bird in a comfortable temperature, and see that it is quite free from cold draughts and damp. It is necessary to overheat it if the above conditions are complied with, but the place should be nicely ventilated. The room you describe where it is now being kept should be warm enough. In addition to its staple seed diet give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw every second day for a fortnight. On the alternate days give a pinch of mixed seed twice a week and a spray of green food on each of the other days. Limit the diet to this. Add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece to the drinking water for three days, and afterwards give 20 drops of the following mixture in water every second day for a fortnight or three weeks, as may seem necessary. Mixture: Two drams each of glycerine and oxymel of squills, one dram each of chlorodyne and ipecacuanha wine, and eight grains of iodide of potassium. Any chemist will mix this for you.

A SUITABLE ROOM (R. W., Novice).—Yes, providing only you take due care to procure stock birds which have been reared and kept under normal conditions of temperature, your spare bedroom situated over a living room will make an excellent birdroom, and no artificial heating will be necessary, or, indeed, advisable. See that it is sufficiently ventilated to keep the air pure and fresh, but do not arrange cages in the direct line of cold draughts. The room should also be free from damp. Given these conditions you should find the birds flourish in such surroundings. As a beginner you should get "Canary Breeding for Beginners," and digest the contents prior to next spring.

STARTING AN AVIARY (A. Hancox).—I think the correct answer to your query probably depends upon the type of aviary in view—large or small, indoor or outdoor. You are quite silent concerning your own view, and I have not a copy of the work named at hand at the moment. I will, however, look it up, and give you a further reply next week. Meantime you may take it that, in a general way, the autumn is a very favourable time to procure stock to start an aviary—say, any time after the moult is finished up to about January—but unless some particular object is in view the cocks and hens should not be kept together until time to mate them in Spring.

FOOT TROUBLE (G. N.).—You do not give sufficient details for me to dogmatise as to the exact cause of the trouble. Is there any accumulation, or growth rather, of scurfy crust on the claws, and does the complaint seem to spread if birds are kept in the same cage? As you trace the complaint to a single stock bird several seasons backward it is undoubtedly congenital. Are your stock in-bred to any extent? Possibly this may explain something of the cause. As a remedy, to remove the effects, bathe the foot, or feet, once daily until well in a warm solution of extract of wych-hazel—a teaspoonful of the extract in a saucerful of warm water. If this does not have the desired effect try the treatment given in detail for the disease termed "Crab," in Part VI. of "Our Canaries." In view of its hereditary tendencies you should aim at eradicating the taint by avoiding, as far as possible, breeding with birds so affected, particularly if their parents, one or both, were also troubled with the complaint.

A FREAK BEAK (Ruvigny).—It is probably some time ago since this bird was a youngster, in which case, I fear, you will not be able to do much to remedy the growth on beak. Many old birds begin to show signs of these accretions of tissue. When it disappears it has doubtless been rubbed off by the bird against the perch or wires of cage, having, perhaps, become strangulated, as it were, at the base. When it disappears again anoint the spot sparingly each day with Lanoeylin for a week or so. If you notice the growth re-appearing just touch it twice a week for a fortnight with a small feather or camel-hair pencil dipped in tincture of iodine. As regards the overgrown tip, I take it from your sketch it is the lower mandible which is overgrown. Whichever it is, you need not be afraid to trim it back to a normal condition if you exercise even ordinary care and avoid pulling or wrenching the beak, or cutting back to the "quick." The latter is very easily avoided, and the former is only likely to occur through careless handling, or trying to do the trimming with an improper, or dull-edged implement. Use a quite small pair of sharp nail or embroidery scissors. When you have trimmed it again stick a cube of sugar in the wires firmly for it to nibble at, which will help to keep the beak worn down.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

WHAT IS IT (Norrie).—Your bird is the American Snow Bird (Junco hymelis). Your diet is about right, but supply greenfood, lettuce or sweet apple, and if you are in a position to get a small piece of turf occasionally, such as is given to Larks, it will be appreciated, and help to keep its feet clean, but during frosty weather you must keep it indoors several hours to remove frost taint before putting it in the cage. Use natural twigs as perches. Will reply further in our next issue.

WHAT PARROT (H.R.H.).—I think your bird is an Amazon Parrot of some sort, but I am doubtful as to the species. I am of the opinion that it is a young bird, and in immature plumage, but will consider the matter further, an dlet you have a further reply in next issue. A better mixture will be: one quart each canary and white millet seeds, one pint each oats and hemp, half a pint each paddy rice, maize, dari and sunflower seeds, well mix together. Also supply such ripe fruit as it will eat, nuts, plain biscuit. Keep cuttlebone in the cage, and add a pinch of grit (not sand) to the daily supply of seed. It must have water daily.

WHAT PARROT (S.W.).—It is a Pennant's Parrakeet, and fortunately the treatment, etc., given in my former reply will apply to this species only. It is a hardy species, and only requires to be kept out of draught. Give it a full-sized parrot cage, and as soon as it is tame and accustomed to its quarters let it have a daily fly round the room at any convenient period, but the fire must have a guard in front of it, while the bird enjoys a little exercise, do not drive it about, it will soon learn to return to its cage after enjoying a little liberty. You can train it to go back by placing some titbit in the cage that it is specially fond of, and then quietly close the door as soon as it enters. In training pet birds, all hasty, or hurried or scaring movements should be avoided.

AILING AMAZON (Mrs. M.).—You must keep this bird out of all draught, but at the same time it must have light and air; the temperature of your living-room will be ample. While giving drugs you must only use a china or glass drinking-vessel. Get a bottle of Dinneford's Magnesia, and put one teaspoonful into the usual supply of drinking-water; after an interval of two days repeat the dose. On other days, that is when not giving the magnesia, put half a teaspoonful of the chemical food in the drinking water. A few sips of very weak, chilled brandy and water, twice a day, will be soothing and stimulating. Diet: Seed mixture; boiled maize, this only keeps fresh one day; shelled nuts, plain biscuit, ripe fruit, and a leaf of lettuce occasionally, or other salad as in season. Keep a piece of clean cuttlebone in the cage, and add a pinch of parrot grit to the daily supply of seed. How you have been dieting the bird should always be stated in such queries as yours; however, you must not give tea, coffee or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever. If it has been accustomed to sops, stop them, but give a little stale bread, moistened with chemical food water, for a time. To prepare the maize, boil till soft, but the corn should be left whole, drain away all water, and lightly dust with flowers of sulphur; when cool supply to the bird. Report progress a fortnight hence.

GREY PARROTS (J.G.D).—I am glad to note the beneficial results. I should only use the glycerine occasionally, and not in conjunction with the spirits. Treat with glycerine for a few days to soften, etc., and then return to the former treatment. I am afraid it is impossible to stop the bird throwing out its seed, as all parrots do this; they pick out the favourite kind first, and then next, and so on, stirring up the seed in the pan to sort out the respective kinds. As a rule parrots are keen on sunflower, and yours will soon acquire the taste. The mixed seed will be better for it, but when next mixing double the quantity of hemp. Yes, give the nuts separately; the fruit, plain biscuit, etc., should be offered at intervals as a change to the staple dietary (seed mixture). The irritation at not getting all the hemp it wants will pass as it becomes accustomed to the changed diet. The squalls will get less and less as it becomes accustomed to you. It really does not matter which way you give the nuts, be guided by the bird's demeanour in this; all parrots look for notice and some tit-bit frequently from their owner's hands. If the birds get canary, oats, hemp and sunflower, they will do well enough, but really the general mixture is better for them, but one must yield, as far as possible, to the taste of an individual bird. The only method I know of to obviate the scattered seed, is to get a piece of flat zinc, about six inches deep, and wire this to outside of the cage on the side the seed hopper hangs, and thus confine the scattering to the cage.

BUDGERIGARS (N.H.D.).—A millet spray and a few oats occasionally will be about all they need, if they care for it they can have a piece of plain biscuit to play with and eat. Green food should be given regularly (lettuce during the winter, flowering grass and other weeds during the spring and summer), also grit and cuttlebone. Whether kept in a cage or aviary do not use stiff forms, perches, but put in a twiggy branch for roosting and exercise. Our Nutshell, "Budgerigars," 2½d., post free, from our Manager, gives full detailed treatment for cage or aviary—it would help you.

TURTLE DOVES. (Airlabie).—This group is a fairly large one, the Barbary Ring Dove is more properly the Barbary Turtle Dove, and the Turtle Dove, as it is usually spoken of, without affix, is grey and brown, with a chequered wing and the neck collar broken at the back and front of the neck, the black collar or patches at the sides of neck being scaled with white. The only book I know of devoted entirely to doves is "My Foreign Doves and Pigeons," by Miss Rosie Alderson, 3/6, plus postage. I think the Editor would obtain it for you.

A FEATHER PULLER (Trascott).—I should keep this bird on a plainish diet for a time, chiefly canary and white millet seed and a few oats, plain biscuit or crust of household bread, with ripe fruit and greenfood. Do not omit to add a pinch of grit (not sand) to the daily supply of seed and also keep a little in cage. Your best plan will be to put this bird on a course of Dinneford's Magnesia and Byno-phosphates; for methods and quantity see other parrot replies in this issue. Keep a good sized piece of a natural branch with bark on in its cage for it to cut up, also a piece of clean cuttlebone. The complaint arises from several causes, such as ennui, improper feeding, etc., but as you supply no details I cannot express an opinion in this case. Diet and treat as above, and unless it has become a confirmed vice with your bird there should be some improvement in about a month. In view of possible parasites spray with quassia solution twice a week, and carefully keep out of draught till dry.

PEKIN ROBIN (V.A.F.).—Pekin Robins are rather subject to this complaint, and while the swelling arises from the bird's general condition, and the treatment given is the best you can do for it, and you have really no alternative but to catch it and bathe the affected region, or leave matters to take their course. The bird must have light and air, yet be kept warm and out of draught. A weekly purge will do it good while the trouble lasts. On two successive days put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia with the soft food, so: Take the required quantity of dry soft food mixture, put over it the teaspoonful of magnesia, then add sufficient boiling water to make it crumbly moist. It must have at least four mealworm or other insects per diem. Try to hunt up a spider or two for it; also give as much ripe banana, grapes, etc., as it cares to take. With a general improvement in its condition, the eye trouble should gradually get less, but watch against chills.

GREY PARROT (Grey Bird).—As you have our "Nutshell" on the Grey Parrot, I presume you are dieting it according to the directions contained therein, if not do so, but do not let the change be too sudden. The temperature of any ordinary living room will be ample for the bird, but it must be kept out of draught, yet not away from light and air. From what you say I should imagine its nostrils are partially stopped up. Get a bottle of glyco-thymoline, take a small portion of this, and dilute it with six times its bulk of water, and with a camel hair brush cleanse the nostrils twice daily till they are clear, and cease from running, if the latter should occur. I should also keep the bowels moving freely by giving one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day, so long as the voidings are not watery loose, and on the intervening days put half a teaspoonful of Byno-phosphates in the water. Continue this treatment for a month, and then report progress. As soon as the bird is quite accustomed to you all, and is in condition, it will be likely to respond to teaching, but it is no use attempting to train it till it is quite tame, and at home among you. You will find full directions as to this in the "Nutshell."

YELLOW-WING SUGAR BIRD (Sugar Birds).—I am sorry you have lost the bird, and it was evidently the dreaded pneumonia which carried it off, and for this there is practically no remedy. It had evidently caught a chill. The symptoms you described to me pointed strongly to the usual origin, viz., overfeeding. They are really robust birds, though when a little low very susceptible to a sudden chill, and we've been having treacherous weather of late. The treatment had nothing to do with its decease; it really helped the bird to fight the disease up to a certain point, as your remarks indicate.

WHAT PARROT? (W. Bain). It is an Alexandrine Parrakeet, many of which make really talented talkers. It little use to commence training till the bird is quite tame and steady. Keep it in your midst, but not where it will be continually subject to scaring movements, etc., and it will pick up many words it hears uttered in general conversation, also mimic cries and calls and crying and laughing, etc. Also teach it by the constant repetition of anything you wish it to learn. Diet: A seed mixture of one quart each canary and millet seed, one pint each oats and hemp, and half a pint each paddy rice, dari, maize, and sunflower seed—well mix the whole together, and keep a supply in the cage. Also supply greenfood, ripe fruit, nuts and plain biscuit. Add a pinch of grit (not sand) to the daily supply of seed, and keep a piece of clean cuttlebone hanging in the cage. Supply water regularly, and keep a good size piece of a branch in the cage for it to cut up and play with, and it should do well.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

A "BALD" BLACKBIRD (William).—I have had several cases of "bald" birds recently, and have recommended the following treatment, which I have been pleased to hear has been successful in every instance. A few applications of a good healing ointment improve the condition of the skin, and pave the way to a renewed growth of plumage. Try Kerol ointment. It is advisable to use it warm, to cause it to "work" as thinly and freely as possible. Apply a tiny smear with the tip of a finger, rubbing gently the way the feathers should lie. Repeat morning and evening for five or six days; then await events for a reasonable time. I hope you are feeding the bird on the right lines.

FEEDING, JACKDAWS, MAGPIES, ETC. (N.H.D.).—This question is getting quite an old friend. Feed on these lines: Puppy cakes, or dog meal or food (such as "Melox") thoroughly soaked with hot water, and reduced to a kind of moist consistency (not "sloppy"). Give some meat chopped into tiny pieces (beef or mutton), or rabbit flesh, which I prefer to the others; add table scraps of meat, vegetables, gravy, and the like; also give dead mice, sparrows, beetles, worms, snails, gentles, etc., frequently. They are very accommodating in the matter of appetite.

SHOW CONDITION OF HAWFINCH (Puzzled).—The bird you speak of must have moulted very early and so have come into condition early. The blue beak denotes high (breeding) condition. To obtain it you will have to feed your bird up well, giving him a little hemp (let it be good and sound) now and again, in addition to sunflower, which is excellent; so is beech-mast; likewise the various nuts, especially the shelled kinds sold (mixed) at shops catering for vegetarians; while berries (black, privet, hawthorn, mountain ash, etc.), are very valuable. Don't, too, forget three or four mealworms daily; these are invaluable.

A SHOW GREENFINCH (A. T. Bishop).—Am pleased to hear you have bought a show Greenfinch so cheaply. The most important food item is a daily feed of good, sound (full kernelled) sunflower (or half sunflower, half safflower) seed. This can be offered in a separate dish, or placed among the stock mixture. The latter should be made up as follows: Canary and teazle, two pints each, hemp, summer rape, and linseed half a pint each. Crack the safflower seed, if used. Wild seed mixture, and some good maker's special packet Finch mixture, can be occasionally offered for a change, while sunflower heads (gathered from the garden full of seed), thistle and hardheads, seeding chickweed, groundsel and shepherd's purse, should be freely given as in season.

FEEDING A GOLDFINCH (S. Mayrick).—Feed your bird on the following seed mixture—Teazle four parts, canary three parts, hemp two parts, linseed one part, sunflower, safflower, and summer rape half-part each. The sunflower and safflower I crack lightly by passing them through a seed-crushing machine. In addition I have two other mixtures, of which I give a small teaspoonful daily—one, one day, the other the next day, and so on. They are (1) niger three parts, and maw one part; (2) thistle three ounces, dandelion and sesame two ounces each, lettuce, gold of pleasure, and cornflower one ounce each. All the others are mixed by measure. These seeds are those I have found by long experience the Goldfinch is particularly partial to, and as "tit-bits" they help to bring them into song and condition quicker than anything else I know. Plenty of dandelion, young tender leaves, and flowering and seeding heads are essential also to bring them along into breeding condition. At this time of the year, of course, only thistle, etc., heads are available.

Owing to very severe pressure on our space this week, several replies have to be held over.—Editor.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

Victor Fowler.—We shall be pleased to send on your note if you will forward the necessary penny stamp.

Jas. Henderson.—We will find a corner for your little contribution in next week's special issue; accept our thanks.

W. Gunning.—We do not see that any public interest attaches to the further questions in the letter you now send up, or that their publication could serve any good purpose. You say you are quite satisfied with the judge's explanation, and we think the matter might very well end there.

Singing Contests.

LEEDS.

Open contest for quality held at Old Bird House, Klug's-road, Shannon-street, November 16th, when 13 birds sang for three good prizes given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson. 1st, Ward; 2nd, Stead; 3rd, Lacy. Judges, S. Hardcastle, W. Naylor. Also November 17th, when 16 birds sang for three good prizes. 1st, Ward; 2nd, Robinson; 3rd, Lacy. Judges, A. Jennings, W. Naylor, S. Hardcastle, Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Weekly Linnet singing contest held at the Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, Nov. 17, when 20 birds competed for three good prizes: 1, Banfield; 2, Clark; 3, shared by Madden and Clark. Judges, Messrs. C. Lorriman and Butler. Also a Canary match for members only, when 8 birds sang. Result: 1, Chippendale; 2, Brabina; 3, Stubbs. Judges, Messrs. C. Lorriman and J. Chippendale.—J. Smith, Hon. Sec.

PENDLEBURY.

Linnet contest held Nov. 16th at Butchers' Arms, Union street, when 18 birds entered. 1st, S. Harrison; 2nd, J. Green. Timekeepers, Messrs. G. Bate and J. Evans; minute, J. Green; bird-keeper, J. Jackson. After contest five new members were enrolled, who are all old bird fanciers. Next contest open to members only, Nov. 30th, first pair up at 2.30 prompt. After contest we are having a tea.—E. Hickman, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Annual meeting held at headquarters, Commercial Hotel, Nov. 18th. The president, Mr. O. Potter, presided. Report re balance-sheet was accepted as satisfactory. Decided to have open sings every alternate Saturday, first sing January 4th; first pair of birds sing at 3 p.m. prompt; 1 minute spring, 3 minutes bluff, and 5 seconds a break. Now is the time for Linnet fanciers to get their birds ready for the open sings. There is a splendid singing room and every accommodation. Entrance fee for new members, 1s.; contributions, 2d. per week.—R. Plows, Sec.

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In the Courts.

A Bristol Man Fined for Cruelty, and Illegally Catching Goldfinches.

George Elliott, a Bristol birdcatcher, on Oct. 11, had to answer charges of cruelty to Goldfinches caught at Portbury on October 8. He had 25 birds in his possession, newly caught, itself an offence under the Wild Birds Protection Act.

Inspector Craigen, of the R.S.P.C.A., stated there were three charges, one of having in his possession birds which were protected by the Act all the year round, and two other charges of cruelty to the birds. The Inspector explained that a decoy bird was used by the defendant. Four of the birds found were "braced"—that was a process of tying a thin line around the bodies and then tethering them to the ground by a little hoop. The birds had enough room to rise a little from the ground, but would then fall back.

P.S. Mellnish said whilst cycling near Portbury on October 8th he noticed the defendant carrying a workman's frail, in which was a cage. Investigation revealed there were Goldfinches in the cage, and after walking over a mile with him towards Portbury Moors, Elliott said: "You might as well take this one, else it will be dead—it is a decoy bird." He then pulled an exhausted bird out of a linen bag he had carried in his pocket. The bag seemed absolutely airtight, and the bird had been in Elliott's pocket for three-quarters of an hour to witness's knowledge. The cage in which the 25 birds were found was 16in. by 6in. and 4½in. deep. Twenty of these birds had had their wings tied by thin thread at the tips, and five were braced so cleverly that witness did not find it out for some time. Six of the birds died that night, and witness released the other 18. Undoubtedly the birds had suffered great pain from suffocation as well as from being tied and confined. Witness added that a number of gangs came down from Bristol trapping these birds, and when challenged one would escape with the birds and another with the nets.

Defendant was fined 10s. or in default seven days, for the cruelty to the decoy bird, 10s. (or seven days) for cruelty to the other birds, and £1 (or 14 days) for having the birds in his possession, the fines to include cost, or, in default, the sentences to run concurrently.

ENTRIES EXTENDED.

Nov. 23 (1st post).—**Weybridge.**—Selby Howard, Oatlands Farm.
Nov. 23 (1st post).—**Swindon.**—W. J. Moran, 2, Brunswick St.
Nov. 23.—**Gravesend.**—A. H. Terry, 12, New Rd.
Nov. 23.—**Bristol.**—G. T. H. Magge, 9, Trinity St., Newtown.
Nov. 23 (last post).—**L.C.B.A.**—Mugford and Knight, 1, Strathearn Rd., Wimbledon.
Nov. 24 (morning).—**Llanelly.**—D. John, 9, Pottery Place.
Nov. 25 (1st post).—**Sale.**—A. Royle, 99, Harley Rd.
Nov. 25 (1st post).—**Pentrebach.**—A. E. Brown, 66, Clare St., Merthyr Tydfil.
Nov. 25 (last post).—**Coventry Godiva.**—H. Saunders, 31, Vernon St., Coventry.
Nov. 27.—**Tonbridge.**—P. Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow Road.

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Anfield, Everton C.B.S.—Nov. 23, Headquarters, 8. Committee meeting, show business, etc.—R. W. Wright.

Bonnyrigg C.B.S.—Meeting postponed till first Saturday in December.—James Hamilton.

Bishop Auckland C.B.S.—Nov. 27, Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7. New members, members' table show, and other important business. Fanciers invited.—R. Elliott.

Bankfoot C.B.S.—Nov. 26, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Balance sheet for social and dance, judging competition, arrangements for next social, and members' show.—F. Gelder.

Bradford Nat. C.B. Show.—Nov. 28, Market Tavern, Bradford, 7 to 11. Officials will be in attendance to take entries. Yorks. fanciers please note.—H. Hill.

Bradford East O.S.—Nov. 26, Park Chapel Schools, West Bowling, Bradford. Members' show. Judges: Mr. H. Sutcliffe (Windhills), and Mr. H. H. Towers (Keighley). Birds staged 7.15. Entries Monday and Tuesday night.—H. Hill.

Chopwell C.B.S.—Nov. 23, Club Hall, 6. Social and other important business.—W. Tomlinson.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Nov. 24, Church Institute, 60, Paddington St., W., 8.15. Judging competition in Crests and C.B. Judge, Mr. W. Prance. Payment of prize money.—H. W. Dickinson.

Chester C.B.S.—Nov. 26, Nag's Head, Cocoa Rooms, 8.30. Payment of prize money and specials.—R. N. G. Simpson.

Derby C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Derwent Hotel, 7 p.m. Entries for members' shows, etc.—G. H. Whatam.

Dunfermline C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Co-op. Hall, 7. Annual general meeting. Election of officers.—Robt. T. Campbell.

Darlington C.B.S.—Nov. 27, Labour Hall, 7.30. Entries for show and final arrangements. All members to be paid up to compete for specials. 15 classes. Cash special for each class. Judge, T. Wright, York.—H. Todd.

Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.—Nov. 27, George Hotel, 8. Final arrangements for open show. Members' entry forms to be sent to secretary not later than Monday, Nov. 25.—Arthur Walker.

Eccles C.B.S.—Nov. 27, Headquarters, 7.30. Table show, etc. Members kindly bring their birds as soon as possible. Judge, Mr. Clowe.—D. T. Monks.

East Ham F.S.—Nov. 25, Earl of Wakefield, 8 p.m. Specials for annual show for Dec. 12. Don't forget concert on 28th inst.—H. Rutter.

Green Canary Assn.—Nov. 28, Oldham Hall, Liverpool, 8. Night Show. 28 classes. Arrangements for old show.—Geo. Green.

Grimsby O.S.—Nov. 28, Slatter's Rooms, 8. Members' half-day show, and other important business.—Towl and Smith.

Great Horton O.S.—Nov. 23, Butchers' Arms, 7.30. Also members' show. Birds to be staged 7.30. Judge, Mr. P. Mason.—J. Holroyd.

Grimsby and Cleethorpes Roller C.S.—Nov. 23, 119, Cleethorpes Road, 7. Schedule and other show matters.—H. Mason.

Glasgow and Western Counties C.B.S.—Nov. 30, 122, Ingram Street, 6.30. Taking entries and specials for annual show. Lecture by Jas. B. Clark, Rothesay, on Wild Seeds, Nuts, and Berries.—W. Connelly.

Heywood O.S.—Nov. 26, Rechabite Hall, Pine St., 7.45. Report of show and other important business.—A. H. Meadowcroft.

Hebden Bridge C.V.O.S.—Nov. 26, White Horse, 8. Entries for show.—A. Pickles.

Hebden Bridge C.B.F.A.—Nov. 26, Sellos Dining Rooms, Market Street, 7.30. Entering up for old bird show.—A. Roberts.

Hyde C.B.S.—Nov. 25, St. George's School, 8. Schedules for show, etc.—T. Allsop.

Lancashire C.A.—Nov. 23, Rochdale Railway Hotel, Milnrow Road, 6.30.—J. Hampshire.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Nov. 23, Railway Hotel, 2. Members' show; judge, Mr. J. Greaves (Manningham); Mr. Patchett, steward.—J. E. Hudson.

Lancashire Amalg. Societies.—Nov. 23, Rochdale Good Intent Headquarters, 6. Delegates please attend.—Jas. Cope.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Nov. 23, Greyhound Hotel, 7. Last meeting before the show to receive members' entries.—Daniel John.

Manningham C.B.A.—Nov. 27, Headquarters, 10 a.m. Members' show. Judge, Mr. H. Sutcliffe. Entries Nov. 26, 8 to 11.—H. Grange.

Morpeth C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Earl Grey, 7.30. General business.—E. Cowling.

Midland Roller C.C.—Nov. 28, Swan and Peacock, 8. Will members kindly bring ticket money.—T. J. Smith.

Middleton C.B.S.—Nov. 25, Old Boar's Head, 8. Show business.—J. Oldham.

Northern Brit. M. and F.C.—Nov. 27, Headquarters, 7.30.—Table show, 4 classes. Judge, A. Storey. Fanciers invited.—W. Curry.

Northern Crest Club.—Nov. 27, 65, Grainger St., Newcastle, 7.30.—Arrangements for show on New Year's Day, and business of great importance.—J. G. Hutchinson.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Nov. 26, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, Harpurhey, 8. Show business.—John Davey.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S.—Nov. 28, 65, Grainger Str., 8. Committee report on open show.—I. W. Reed.

Oldham C.B.S.—Nov. 26, Textile Dining Rooms, Shaw Road, 8. Show report, etc.—Jas. Cope.

Pendleton and Salford O.S.—Nov. 23, annual members' show. Judge, Mr. J. Beswick.—Critchley and Metcalfe.

Pendleton and Salford O.S.—Nov. 25, Irwell Castle Lr. Broughton, 8. Payment of prize money, and very important business.—Critchley and Metcalfe.

Rawtenstall F.S.—Nov. 26, Mission Room, Hall Street, Rawtenstall, 8. Business arranging for annual show. All fanciers cordially invited.—Herbert Kershaw.

Sale C.B.S.—Nov. 25, Volunteer Hotel, 8. Open show business.—Royle and Wood.

Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—Nov. 25, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Pay members' prize money, receive ticket money and specials, arrangements for Boxing-day show.—J. Pitchford.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Wharfe Hotel, 8. Annual members' show business.—Sutcliffe and Walker.

Smallbridge C.B.S.—Nov. 25, I.O.G.T. Room, 8. Important; back-end show, etc.—W. Laryon.

Wingate F.S.—Nov. 16, Wingate. Decided that we hold first annual open show of poultry, pigeons, rabbits, and cage birds, Jan. 1st. No schedules to be printed, full classification will appear in the Fancy papers.—J. Birdett.

Wallsend and Mid-Tyne C.B.A.—Nov. 27, Station Hotel, 7.30. Pay prize money, allot specials, decide show for next year, and read balance sheet.—John M. Macdonald.

Windhill C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Members' judging competition. Judge, M. Broadley. All competitors to bring one cock and one hen. Entries up to 3 p.m.—J. Taylor.

Warrington C.B.S.—Nov. 21, Blue Bell Sale Room, 8.—G. M. Nelson.



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Correspondence.

Is a Call Bird Useful With Hawfinches?

Sir,—Will someone inform me whether a decoy call bird is of any use in catching Hawfinches?

Oxon.

The Dove's Strange "Chick" is Thriving.

Sir,—The little bantam which my Dove hatched, and which you mentioned in Cage Birds, is still thriving. His latest trick is to awaken me in the morning as soon as it is light by flying on to the bed, settling on my head, and starting crowing—a novel alarum, and quite effectual the first time!

M. Evans.

Can Irish Champions and Novices Exhibit from the Same Address?

Sir,—At a recent show in the North I noticed the name of an exhibitor in the novice section (Yorkshires) who in my opinion is not eligible. His son is exhibiting in the open section, and I contend that if the father wishes to exhibit he must do so in open classes, as both reside at the same address. I would like to hear the opinion of others on the above, as I am only a novice.

A. Verner.

Roller Canaries at the L.C.B.A Show.

Sir,—There is an unfortunate mistake in the schedule of the L.C.B.A. show re the judging of the Roller section. It states birds to be at the hall on Wednesday, as the judging will begin on Thursday morning. This is wrong. The birds must be at the Hall Tuesday as the judging will commence Wednesday morning. I have spoken to Mr. Mugford about it, and he has asked me to write you, and I shall esteem it a favour if you will call attention to this; also that Mr. F. A. Lester is not judging at the show, his name being included in the list of judges by error.

J. W. Norris.

Hon. Sec. B.R.C.C.

The Capture of Birds Wearing Marking Rings.

Sir,—I much appreciate the fact that your readers kindly notify recoveries of these ringed birds; and that you publish them is of great benefit to the scheme. With regard to the Gull marked with my ring, this is a Black-headed Gull, and was ringed at Ravenglass, Cumberland, by one of my correspondents in June, 1912. With regard to the Aberdeen University rings, I have sent a copy of your paper to Mr. Landsborough Thomson, who manages this inquiry. I may add that I shall shortly be publishing a large number of recoveries in my magazine, and several of them have been notified in Cage Birds, which shall be duly acknowledged.

H. F. Witherby

326, High Holborn, London.

Sir,—I see that Mr. F. McGillivray (Bo'ness) has caught a Greenfinch hen with Aberdeen University ring No. 7761. I rung this bird here in the Blairadam Woods, Fife, in the nest on the 19th of May of this year. I am pleased to hear about this, as I and my friend, Mr. J. Cordey have rung over 200 birds of all sorts these last two years, and this is the first time we have heard about any of them.

A. Dickson.

Sec. Kelty and Blairadam C.B.A.

Extraordinary Fate of a Thrush

Killed by an Earthworm.

Sir,—I have a small very overgrown garden, and during the summer I sit there a good deal. Being very quiet, the birds love it. One day in the spring I heard a young bird grumping a bit in the bushes behind me. On going to see, there was a young Thrush looking rather humpy, and to my astonishment there appeared to be green beetles running in and out of its feathers on the back. I afterwards found they were green flies about the size of a bluebottle. I ... the poor bird must be ill, and as it was ... to catch, I put it in a small cage, and ... it for its parents to feed, which they did ... with black currants, as soon as I had left ... I got flies off and dusted it with Keating's ... Powder. I fed it with bread and milk and ... hard-boiled egg and biscuit, as it seemed to ... worse on the black currant diet. It ... for about a week, and then died. After ... was dead, I opened it to ascertain the ..., and found that the parents must have ... with a very lively worm, which made a ... the first hole it could, and that happened to be the entrance to the wind-pipe at the back of the tongue. The little trachea or wind pipe, had two or three holes in it, where the worm had escaped into the body, and there it was dead, about two and a half inches long, outside the organs of digestion; but it had doubtless been the cause of the piercing squeaks the bird gave every now and then, as it seemed to have no breathing trouble. This I give as a warning to boys, as I know how fond they are of getting young Thrushes and feeding them with worms.

E. M. Tucker.

The Recent Fine Show at Swansea.

Sir,—May I tender my best thanks to the 707 exhibitors at Swansea show, and especially to the members of the Y.C.C., S.Y.C.C., N.B.B. and M.C., and W.C.B.C. for their grand support in their various sections; also the exhibitors from Scotland and Ireland who helped to make this show one of the finest in the history of the Society. We paid out all prize-money on Saturday last. I am in duty bound to convey to you my personal thanks for the valuable support given to us by Cage Birds, without which we should not have succeeded; also to your representative at the show who must have worked very hard to get his report away in time for publication the same week as the show, when it is taken into consideration that the judging did not finish until after four o'clock in the afternoon, and by our arrangement with the railway companies, we were able to dispatch all exhibits away at the scheduled time. I trust that by doing our duty to exhibitors this year, we shall be able to retain their support for our next open show, arrangements for which have already been practically made.

S. H. George, Hon. Sec.

The Future of the Sheffield O.S.

Sir,—I was surprised on reading my Cage Birds last Friday morning to see someone who was afraid to sign his name making a most untruthful and unjust statement concerning the Sheffield O.S. Your correspondent must be totally ignorant of the inner workings of our society, or else he would know that it is anything but a one-man show. I consider his remarks an insult, not only to myself, the Secretary and Committee, but to the members generally. As to our financial position and bank balance, let me inform your correspondent that I—and I don't like blowing my own trumpet, but feel obliged to—by the help of my friends, quite outside the society, was able to give well over £20 in hard cash to our Secretary last year, which is really more than the balance carried forward to profit. I may also tell your correspondent that I and Mr. Cotton ran bird shows with a substantial profit, before Mr. Bishop was really in the Fancy, so I'm no novice. We live in times of change, but if I am spared I will see that no stone be left unturned to gain greater success next annual show than we have already obtained this year. I feel that the attractions which will be provided and the management which we shall then have will make not only our society a financial success, but our show second to none. Let me add: This is my first letter and last on the subject.

Thos. Dawn,
Chairman Sheffield O.S.

Sir,—Your correspondent "Old Sheffielder," in his desire to pay a tribute to the above Society and to Mr. T. Bishop in particular, has done an injustice to secretaries of other cage bird societies in Sheffield. I do not wish to detract in the least from the very fine show (fine in every sense) neither would I wish to begrudge Mr. Bishop and the rest of the officials of the S.O.S. the credit due to them, nor yet begrudge them the success which their enterprise and hard work merited. But I am sure Mr. Bishop, if I know him, and I think I do, would not like anyone to get the impression that he is so conceited as to believe that he is the only man in Sheffield who can make a show pay. Fancy a city the size of Sheffield with only one good business man in the bird fancy! I feel that if I did not reply to this letter, I should be doing an injustice to Mr. A. Hobson, the Secretary of Sheffield C.B.S. We, the members of the S.C.B.S., think a lot of this gentleman, and we have very good reason, for only last December he, along with Mr. Woolhouse, made a big success of our open show. It was a big success in every way, and worked without a single hitch, and the members have every confidence that if hard work and care as to detail, have their reward, we shall have a bigger success on Dec. 14 when we hold our next open show. I will close with the sincere wish that Mrs. Bishop may speedily be restored to health, so that Mr. Bishop may be able to take an active interest in a Fancy he loves. With apologies for taking up so much space.

F. Jones (President S.C.B.S.).

Talking Parrots at the Sheffield O.S. Show.

Sir,—The worthy and esteemed secretary, Mr. T. Bishop, is the donor of the special prize of a very handsome cruet, which my Parrot won at Sheffield show, being declared the best talker in the talking competition. Mr. Bishop writes me that my bird was talking both the show days, and gave endless amusement to all the visitors. This prize will be treasured by me and my wife. Word of praise is due to Mr. Bishop and his committee for the admirable way the birds were looked after, for my own returned home in splendid condition.

James Ditchfield.

A New Society for Arnold and Daybrook District.

Sir,—No doubt you will think the new society I wrote you about a little while ago had fallen through, but I am pleased to say we have got a nice few of the fanciers together here, and have formed the above-named society, and anyone wishing to become a member can do so by applying to me. We are having a show in the British Schools, Arnold, on Nov. 30. We have 18 classes, 2 Norwich and 2 Crest and C.B. open, the remaining classes for members. We have guaranteed prize-money in open classes 7s., 4s., 2s., with a 2s. 6d. cash special in each class. We hope to have a nice little show, and to increase the number of fanciers here. Now old and new fanciers, give us a lift!

J. Terce, Hon. Sec.

Worrall St., Arnold, Notts.

Lizard Canaries at Blaydon Show.

Sir,—In my opinion Mr. Riseborough's Gold Lizard "wrong classed" by myself at Blaydon is a broken-cap. The fact that it won first at Newcastle as a clear cap does not make it one, and cannot. This bird is broken on the left side of the cap, and were it to be shown under me fifty times it would be "wrong classed" every time, even though other judges had admitted it as a clear cap. Blakston, the guide of my youth, taught me that a clear cap Lizard must not have its cap "run, broken, nor fouled by a single speck." Mr. Riseborough's bird has more than one speck. Blakston says, speaking of the clear cap—"The outline of the cap must be clearly defined and unbroken, and its entire area unsullied by the presence of a single dark feather, which simply means that it must be absolutely clear. To make the matter more explicit, he says that "a single feather, a minute tick," in an otherwise clear cap makes it a broken cap. In Mr. Riseborough's bird there are many feathers in the cap that are dark. I "wrong classed" another bird in the same class which was not nearly so badly broken as Mr. Riseborough's. As a Lizard Mr. Riseborough's bird is of great excellence; it was one of the best birds in the class at Blaydon, and would have been 1st or 2nd had I been able to admit it, but I could not.

C. A. House.

Unprolificacy in Canaries.

Sir,—While recognising the weight which the position of advisory expert lends to Mr. Claude St. John's comment on my article, I should like to point out a few phrases in his letter which tend to put a wrong construction on the opinions I expressed. Firstly, I never said that unprolificacy was confined to high class stock, but that it was most manifest in such. Surely Mr. St. John does not mean to say that high-class Crests, Scots Fancies, or Belgians are as prolific as commons? Does Mr. St. John claim that despite the absence of any check on deterioration, nature will do for this cult what she has hitherto done for none other in which human control abrogates the law of survival of the fittest? His claim that records of hens breeding nearly all the year round, and laying almost continuously, whether paired or not, are indicative of an increase in prolificacy, is nullified by the fact that for one such there are hundreds which never produce a chick. Eggs are not proof of prolificacy; promise is not fulfilment, inasmuch as two prominent breeders here have only reared about twenty birds out of over two hundred eggs. If Mr. St. John thinks I am quoting isolated instances, let him state what he would consider a fair average of reproduction per hen, per season, and I believe I can convince him that unprolificacy is much more manifest than he is at present aware of. That there are some remarkably prolific birds, even in the highest-class stock, I am quite aware, and these form the basis on which a higher standard of average would be erected. Does Mr. St. John deny that prolificacy is an inherent quality? Whether this be so or not, what other preventive than that which I have suggested (elimination) would he advise to arrest a clear case of decline in reproductive powers manifest in a Canary stock, having every other indication of health and robustness and the management of which was identical with other stock which proved highly prolific? While echoing his hope that breeders of high class birds will give their opinions (and delaying this in hopes of such) I fear that those who suffer most, say least, as unprolificacy is not conducive to big sales or prices. The alleged reproductive powers of some breeders' stock must be marvellous. I have known a breeder to sell over forty young from a single hen in one season! I thank those correspondents who have expressed their appreciation of the article, and I am prepared and willing to uphold the views therein expressed.

J. Steel.

Urgent Appeal on Behalf of Horticultural Hall Show.

Sir,—As will be seen by our advert. in to-day's issue, we have been obliged to extend our date of closing to the last post Saturday, 23rd (or received first post Monday morning). Up to this morning (Wednesday), we have received entries from 50 prospective exhibitors, as against some 550 last year. We are most anxious that the reputation of this show should be maintained, and it can only be by your cordial support. It may be news to the Fancy in general to know that the whole work of this show is carried out by voluntary labour and at times considerable expense to members personally. The expenses of the hall and printing alone are enormous, over £100 being spent annually, and all for the benefit of the Fancy. Have you, kind reader, not a few entries that you could send to bring the classes up to reasonable dimensions? A perusal of the schedule will convince you that it is for you we give our brains, time and money, and we appeal to you to show your appreciation. This is no idle appeal, but the pure unadulterated truth, and we feel confident that all those exhibitors who supported us last year and the years before will again rally round us. We give 193 classes, more than any other society, which proves that it is not "self" with us. If you have no schedule, send on and we will classify. *Do help us.* All exhibits will be packed Sunday night and despatched by newspaper express trains Monday morning

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A Failure at Linnet Catching Explained.

Sir,—Permit me to thank Mr. H. Palerey for his kind and explicit information on the subject. From Mr. Palerey's remarks, I conclude that the birds must have been "plagued," although the old farmer assured me repeatedly that "nobody never caught no Linnets on his lands." A rusty old drinking tin and several other signs aroused my suspicions before a country labourer winked at me one morning with the remark: "After the Linnets, sir?" So it seems I was not the first. At all events, all other conditions had been faithfully complied with, and the brace birds acted absolutely perfectly. They were old experts and took to the stick the instant the brace line was touched. Nets were set in the evening and left ready for the morning, so that only brace-birds had to be added. No birds' seeds were used, but wild plants—such as hardheads, on which the birds were feeding at the time. I made what the experts term "a pretty little garden"; finally, I had a man to walk the birds around, but they never came nearer than 15 to 20 feet from the nets above or aside. I was quite ready to pull at them crossing the nets, and have caught Long-tailed Tits and a variety of other birds that way. But those particular Linnets would have none of it, and made me look rather foolish. Would Mr. H. Palerey kindly favour me with a little information, how flue or drop nets are used? I do not understand, if they hang simply vertical, why birds should not be able to disentangle themselves immediately.

Very Old Subscriber.

Sir,—Would Mr. H. Palerey kindly explain how to train Linnets to sit the stick? The place where I lay my nets (nine yards) the birds cross from one place to another, and include Linnets, Chaffinches, and a few Goldies. Would he say how many call birds he would use, and where place them?

Novice.

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Please thank all who answered my advertisement in "Cage Birds," and state birds were sold mid-day, Saturday. I could have sold them to six enquirers on Saturday, but as cheque came earlier have sent them to sender. Up to time of writing I have had sixteen letters and am expecting more! It shows the value of a small advertisement in "Cage Birds" to either sell or buy anything in the bird line. I wish "Cage Birds" continued success.—W. H. Harris (Dorchester).

LEEDS ROLLER C.C.

The seventh annual contest was a huge success, providing 56 more entries than the previous year, and the "gate" also proved highly satisfactory. Many well-known Roller men from almost all the principal centres in the North, visited the show, and if the popularity of our little friend the Roller continues to increase at the present rate, a much larger room will be needed next year. The room was well lighted, and kept at a pleasant temperature throughout the show. 209 birds were down to face the judges, Messrs. M. Jacquemin, Wolverhampton; J. Lyons, Blackburn, and T. W. Walton, Leeds, the services of the last-named gentleman being requisitioned owing to the large entry. Their decisions appeared to be well received. Prize-money was paid or posted before the close of the show. A record entry, a record gate. The Leeds members should feel justly proud of their work. In the list of awards abbreviations are made as follows. Hollow roll, HR; hollow bell, HB; bass, B; schockel, S; Glucke, G; tintes, F; water roll, WR; water Glucke, WG; deep bubbling water tour, DBWT; bell tour, BT; bell roll, BR; general effect, GE. The Leeds Roller challenge cup was won by Mr. J. A. Craig.

The Awards.

CHAMP. Y.B.: 1, cup, Wellows, HR 5, HB 3, S 2, G 4, F3, WR 1, WG 3, DBWT 3, GE 6, 1 off sharp flutes, total 29; 2, sp., Veen, HR 6, HB 4, B 4, F 2, WR 2, WG 3, DBWT 3, BR 1, GE 4, 1 off sharp flutes, total 28; 3, sp., Twigg, HR 5, HB 3, B3, F 3, WR 2, WG 3, DBWT 3, GE 5, total 27; 4, sp., Simpson, HR 5, HB 3, B 3, S 3, F 3, WG 2, DBWT 2, BR 1, GE 4, total 26; 5, sp., Turner, HR 4, HB 3, B 3, F 3, WR 3, WG 4, DBWT 2, GE 4, total 26; 6, sp., Neugebauer, HR 5, HB 3, B 3, F 3, WG 3, DBWT 2, BT 1, BR 1, GE 4, total 25; 7, sp., Humphries, HR 5, HB 3, B 3, S 2, F 3, WG 3, DBWT 2, GE 4, total 25; vhc, Turner (3) 24, 24, 25, Neugebauer 24, Lester 24; he, Harper 23, Willows 23, Bird 23, Wirth 23; c, Simpson 22, Humphries 22, Bird 22, Wirth 22, Diplomas for best tours: HR, Veen; HB, Wirth; G, Willows; G, Turner; Bass, Ives. Spl. most song points, Turner; Nos. 8, 19, 25, 27, 30, 36, 38, 48, 56, 57, 59, no song. NOV.: 1, cup, Preston, HR6, B4, S3, G3, F3, DBWT2, BT1, BR 2, GE 4, total 28; 2, sp., Preston, HR 6, B 3, S 4,G 3, F 3, DBWT 2, BR 2, GE 4, total 27; 3, sp., Christie, HR 5, B 3, S 3, G 4, F 3, DBWT 2, BT 1, BR 2, GE 4, total 27; 4, sp., c, Taylor; HR 6, B 4, S 4, G 3, F 4, BR 2, GE 3, total 26; 5, sp., Rawcliffe, HR 6, B 3, S 4, G 3, F 3, WR 1, BT 1, BR 2, GE 4, 1 off sharp flutes, total 26; 6, sp., Sawcliffe, RR 6, B 1, S 3, G 2, F 2, WR 1, DBWT 1, BR 2, GE 4, total 25; 7, sp., Johnson, HR 6, B 3, S 4, G 2, F 3, WG 2, BR 2, GE 3, total 25; vhc, Davis 21, Maybury 23, Craig 22, K. Taylor 22, Smethurst 22, Whistance 21, Smalley 21, Mason 23; he, Groves 20, Hopkin 19, Christie 20, Preston 21, Whistance 20, Smethurst 20, Rawcliffe 20, Peel 20, Morris 19, Maybury 19; c, Atkinson 18, Bew 18, C. Taylor 18, Groves (3) 17, 18, 18. Diplomas for best tours: HR, Morrison; HB, E. Taylor; G, Christie; WG, Bew; B, Barnett. Special most song points, Preston. Nos. 1, 2, 21, 24, 27, 47, 53, no song. CHAMP. (ANY AGE): 1, sp., Simpson, HR 4, HB 3, B 3, G 3, F 2, WR 2, WG 3, DBWT 3, GE 4, 1 off sharp bell, 26; 2, sp, Whittlestone, HR 5, HB 3, B 3, F 2, WG 3, DBWT 3, BR 2, GE 4, total 25; 3, sp., Walton, HR 5, HB 3, B 4, WR 2, WG 3, DBWT 3, GE 4, total 24; 4, sp, Willows, HR 5, HB 3, B 3, F 3, WG 3, DBWT 3, GE 4, total 24; 5, sp, Kremner, HR 1, HB 3, B 3, F 3, WR 2, WG 3, DBWT 3, GE 4, 1 off Aufzug, total 4; vhc, Smith, 21; he, Rodley, 19; c, Wirth, 18; diplomas for best tours, HR, Whittlestone, Glucke, Simpson, No. 7, no song. NOVICE: 1, sp, Tomkins, HR 6, Bass 2, Sch. 3, G 5, F 4, BT 1, GE 3, total 24; 2, sp, Warrington, HR 7, B 4, S 4, F 3, BT 2, GE 3, total 23; 3, sp, Heron, HR 6, HB 3, S 3, F 4, BT 2, GE 3, total 21; 4, sp, Allsopp, HR 5, HB 2, B 2, S 3, F 2, WR 1, BT 1, GE 3, total 19; 6, sp, Healy, HR 5, B2, S 3, G 2, F 2, BT 1, GE 3, total 18; 5, sp, Escreet, HR 6, HB 1, B 2, S 4, F 3, GE 3, total 19; vhc, Best, 18; Wild, 18; Bew, 18; he, Maybury, 17; Sykes, 17; Kilshaw, 17; Morrison, 17; C, Roberts, 16; Johnson, 16; diplomas for best tours, HR, Christie; HB, Heron; WG, Johnson; B, Hopkin; BRCC medal, Allsopp; No. 21, no song. OPEN £2 LIMIT: 1, sp, Barnett, HR 6, B 4, S 3, G 2, WG 4, GE 4, total 23; 2 sp, Ives, HR 4, B 1, S 3, G 2, F 3, WG 3, GE 4, total 20; 3, sp, Davis, HR 4, B 2, S 3, F 1, WG 4, BT 1, GE 4, total 19; 4, sp, Davis, HR 6, B 2, S 4, F 2, BT 1, GE 3, total 18; 5 Kremner, HR 4, B 2, S 4, WG 5, BT 2, GE 2. 1 off sharp bell, total 18; vhc, Smethurst, 17; Wirth, 17; he, Hanbury, 16; Craig, 17; Kremner, 16; c, Whistance 15; Hesling, 15; Netherwood, 15; Nos. 12, 20, 21, no song.

Winning Nos. on admission tickets: 1297, 1218, 2118, 1213, 1929, 1249.

PROVINCIAL ROLLER C.C.

Members' show held Nov. 16th at the Old Boar's Head Hotel, Manchester. Number was not up to expectation, but the quality taken all round seems to be improving. Novice classes were disappointing, only 22 entries, in the two classes provided for them. The attendance also was below the average, but the foggy weather may account very largely for this.

CHAMP., Y.B.: 1, Turner, 23 points; 2, Maseey, 23; 3, Wardleworth, 22; 4, Wirth, 22. CHAMP., Any Age: 1, Wardleworth, 28; 2, 4, Turner, 24 and 22; 3, Kilshaw, 23. NOV., Y.B.: 1, 4, Christie, 24 and 18: 2, 3, Smethurst, 23 and 20. NOV., ANY AGE: 1, 4, Smethurst, 26 and 20; 2, Christie, 24; 3, Tomlinson, 23.

In the evening a meeting was held, at which a good number of members were present to discuss the business on hand. The birds not taken away by their owners were dispatched in good time to the railway stations.—Andrew Percival, Hon. Sec.

WEST LONDON F.A.

Twenty-fourth annual show, held Nov. 6 and 7, at Hampshire House Club, King-st., Hammersmith. The new hall proved to be an ideal one for a bird show, free from draughts and well lighted by electric light, and the club should do well at their new headquarters. Crests were a particularly strong section, among the exhibitors being Mrs. Thynne and Messrs. Turner, Lazarus, Gibbons, Shepherd and Mugford. Mr. Turner scored his third win for the Crest cup in keen competition, so it now becomes his property. Mr. Withers will have his name engraved on the Norwich cup for the second time, and the Yorkshire cup was captured by Mr. Bennett. The British and foreign bird cup (presented by Mr. Shepherd) was won by Mr. Dewhurst. Mrs. Thynne won foreign bird cup on points, and Mr. Dewhurst British bird cup, also on points.

CRESTS: 1, Thynne; 2, Lazarus; 3, c, Turner; vhc, Shepherd; he, Gibbons. C.B.: 1, 2, Turner; 3, he, Mugford; vhc, Thynne; c, Shepherd. CRESTS, UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Turner; 2, Gibbons; vhc, he, Lazarus; c, Shepherd. C.B. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Turner; 3, Shepherd. NOR. YELL., CL. OR TK. CK.: 1, Withers; 2, Butterfield. BUFF: 1, 2, Butterfield; 3, vhc, Withers; he, c, Lethbridge. VAR. CK.: 1, Withers; 2, Lack. HEN, YELL.: 1, Butterfield; 2, 3, Withers; vhc, Lack. BUFF: 1, vhc, Lethbridge; 2, Lack; 3, Withers; he, Butterfield UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Withers; 3, he, Lethbridge; vhc, Butterfield; c, Knight. YORKS., YELL., CL., OR TKD. CK.: 1, 2, Dewhurst. BUFF: 1, Bennett; 2, Dewhurst. VAR.: 1, 3, Dewhurst; 2, Bennett. YELL HENS: 1, Bennett; 2, Dewhurst. BUFF: 1, Bennett; 2, Dewhurst. UNFLIG.: 1, vhc, Bennett; 2, he, c, Dewhurst; 3, Mugford. BORD., YELL.: 1, 2, Knight; 3, Easterling. BUFF: 1, Easterling; 2, Thynne; 3, Knight. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Thyme; 3, vhc, Knight; he, c, Easterling. HYB. CAN. AND BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Lingley. TWO BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Dewhurst. GOLDFINCH: 1, Lingley; 2, Dewhurst. GREENFINCH: 1, Lack; LINNET: 1, Dewhurst. REDPOLL: 1, 2, 3, Dewhurst. CHAFFINCH and BRAMBLE: 1, Lack; 2, 3, Dewhurst. A.O.S. SEEDEATING: 1, Dewhurst. HENS: 1, 3, vhc, Dewhurst; 2, Butterfield. INSECTIV.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, he, c, Dewhurst. FOR., SMALL: 1, 2, Thyme. LARGE: 1, 3, Dewhurst; 2, Shepherd.

BLACKWOOD O.S.

Ninth annual show held in the Southfield Hall and St. John's School, Blackwood, Nov. 16. Hon. Pres., Robert H. Rule, Esq.; Hon. Vice, A. M. Lindsay, Esq., M.D.; Pres., Mr. S. Pate; Vice-Pres., Mr. Thos. Jackson; treas., Mr. A. Brown; sec., Mr. Jas. Hamilton, with 15 members of a committee—all well-known fanciers. Judges: Scotch Fancy, Mr. Caldwell; Borders, Mr. Ritchie; Nor., Mr. Chalmers. There were two silver cups, one presented by Arthur Kirk, Esq., for the best young S.F. bred by exhibitor, and the other for best Border. Entries were a shade down from last year, but quality was in advance of any previous shows of the society. Borders were a specially good lot. Scotch Fancies were also A1. Norwich and British sections being close up. In Scotch Fancy section Mr. John Burnside won the silver cup for the best young bird bred by exhibitor with his Green hen, a City of Glasgow winner, a very stylish hen. The award seemed not to be a popular one, but on referring the matter to the judge he stated that the bird certainly was looking perfect in every way when it was judged, and in his opinion won its place. The runner-up was Mr. A. Allerdice's cl. yell. cock, a bird of excellent merit. Mr. James Walker won the Border Cup and medal with a head-marked yell. cock, a perfect gem, Mr. A. Walker being close up with a clear buff hen teeming with merit; a close run. The exhibits were nicely staged, and all the arrangements were well carried out by Sec. Hamilton and his able committee, to whom every credit is due.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FCY. CL. OR. FOUL YELL. CK. (6): 1, Jackson, cl. yell., fine head, neck and drive, nice depth through chest, erect, grand body and wing; 2, spl, 4, spl, Allerdice, 2nd runner-up for cup, erect, tail well in, nice head, good reach and droop, nice body and length of side; 4th good type; 3, L. Jackson, grand size, well set up on pins, good back, nice tail sweep; 5, 6, James, Trail. BUFF (6): 1, spl, 4, Allerdice, 1st nice massive frame, erect, determined drive, nice top end, rare body and wing; 4th, nice type; 2, Burnside, nice body and wing, fine head and reach, good droop; 3, spl, J. Jackson, fine style, erect, neat body and wing, good frame and feather; vhc, L. Jackson; he, Park. GRN. OR PIED YELL. CK. (4): 1, L. Jackson, Green, erect, nice head and neck, good droop, nice round back, good body and wing; 2, Jas. Burnside, well up, nice head and neck, solid frame and long body; 3, T. Jackson, hard up, nice style and finish; 4, John Buruside. BUFF (7): 1, 3, John Burnside, nice head and neck, grand style and thickness through; 3rd fine body and length of wing; 2, Kirk, grand size and top end, good reach and droop, tail well under, nice length of side. 4, Allerdice, fails in size a shade, plenty of style and finish; 5, L. Jackson; 6, J. Jackson. CL. OR FOUL YELL. HEN (3): 1, Allerdice, cl., erect, good body, very stylish and solid back; 2, 3, Park, 2nd cl., close up to 1st, grand length of side, nice deep chest; 3rd very typical. BUFF (8): 1, 6, L. Jackson, 1st clear buff, nice size, good style, fine reach and droop, fine pose, stands well up; 2, spl, Allerdice, jun., nice typical bird, plenty of style, nice frame and substance; 3, John Burnside, fair size, good style, erect and nervy; 4, Allerdice, nice style, plenty of go; 7, J. Jackson. GRN. OR PIED YELL. HEN (2): 1, spl, John Burnside, cup winner, Green, nice shoulders good depth of chest, nice tapering neck, good droop, bit too clean cut below and shows plenty of leg. BUFF (8): 1, John Burnside, fine head and neck, solid back, good body and wing, tail comes well in; 2, Allerdice, erect, sweet head and solid frame, fine length of wing, tail well under; 3, spl, 6, Trail, best 3rd hen, hard up, good top end and full of style, good reach and droop; 4, spl, 5, Jas. Burnside, best 4th bird, fair all round, fails in size and style a bit; 7, Robert McClue. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (16): 1, two spls, J. Walker, cup and Border medal, ticked on head, nice size, lovely carriage, feathered like wax, good all over; 2, Scott, another nice one, nice front and feather, fine style and finish, very neat; 3, spl, A. Walker, shade slim, neat wing carriage and good style; 4, spl, R. Sandilands, good shape and front, fails in carriage to others; vhc, T. Haston; he, Kennedy; c, Smith. BUFF CK. (12): 1, J. Walker, very stylish, fine carriage and style, a little model; 2, Sneddon, another good one, fine style and finish, nice feather; 3, A. Walker, nice front and head, fine style and lovely finish; 4, Kelly, full of go, a wee bit short; 5, Elliot; 6, Allerdice; 7, Waye. VAR. YELL (6): 1, A. Walker, grand type, neat head, good chest, nice carr., neatly tapered behind, grand feather; 2, Sneddon, barely so nice in wing carr. as first, but a nice typical bird; 3, J. Walker, good bird, but barely the finish of those in front; 4, R. Scott, grand condition; 5, E. Kelly; 6, Murphey. BUFF; 1, spl, 2, spl, A. Walker, first nice shape, grand feather, tight and smooth as wax, nice wings and tail, well tapered off, a good one; 2nd very similar to 1st, grand shape and feather, good second; 3, Sneddon, lovely shape, nice col. and qual., neat wings, not quite so good in carriage, nice type; 4, Graham Bros., fails a shade in shape to others, sweet head and neck points; 5, Waugh; 6, R. Scott; 7, J. Walker. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (9): 1, A. Walker, nice qual., rich col., grand head and neck, neat wings and tail, beautifully moulded off; 2, 4, Kelly, 2nd lovely shape, neat head and neck, nice feather, well tapered off behind; 4, nice type; 3, Smith, a really nice hen, neatly moulded, feathered like wax, neat carriage, and full of style; 5, Waye; 6, 7, Haston. BUFF (18): 1, spl, 6, A. Walker, runner-up to cup bird, cl., model, grand close feather, lovely shape, full of quality; 2, 3, J. Walker, 2nd grand shape and qual., neatly moulded, fine front and carriage, close up; 3, barely the finish of others, but a fine model; 4, spl, Sandilands, nice shape, grand head and neck, nicely braced wings, good tail; 5, Kelly; 7, Elliot. EVEN MARK (5): 1, A. Walker, grand shape and nicely moulded, lovely wings and tail, neat head and neck; 2, spl, Sneddon, lovely shape and colour, well braced wings and tail, nice feather and condition; 3, spl, 5, Scott, 3rd nicely moulded body, good wings and tail, neat shape and feather; 4, Graham Bros. GRN. OR CINN. (12): 1, 3, Sneddon, leader gem for shape, grand body, nice head and neck, nice qual., grand wings and tail; 3rd nice body, neat head, fine wings and tail; 2, 5, 6, Wilson, 2nd very shapely, rare head and neck, fine back, wings and tail, rare feather; 4, McIntyre, good shape wings and tail; 7, McPhee. COM. CAN. (15): 1, 2, Sandilands; 3, Pirrie; 4, McEwan; 5, 6, 7, J. A. Kennedy. CREST (5): 1, spl, McInnes, Buff cock, grand size, good shape of crest, nice centre, in grand condition; 2, Nimmo, Buff cock, nice type, good head, rare shape, droop and centre, lovely feather; 3, Arnott, barely the size and shape of second, nice crest and droop, nice front; 4, Sneddon; vhc, Scott. C.B (9): 1, spl McInnes, cock, fine body, good skull and entrance, lovely feather, grand body; 2, Arnott, rare size and feather, rare hot col., very shapely; 3, Sneddon, grand body and shape, nice feather, good bird; 4, Nimmo, nice feather and condition; vhc, he, Scott. NOR. YELL. CK. (8): 1, spl., Mathieson, colour fed, nice type, grand style, rare col. and qual., nice bold head, staged in lovely condition; 2, 4, Hamilton, 2nd good bird, but not the size of winner; 4th nice type, shade small; 3, Scobbie, good typical bird, very stylish; vhc, Allan; he, Morton. BUFF (7): 1, Mathieson, cl., 2nd Hamilton, rare size, grand shape, good colour, nice model; 2, Allerdice, jun., var., nice body, good shape, fine bold head; 3, Anderson, nice body and shape, rich col., nice wings, tail, bold front; 4, Scobbie; 5, W. Kennedy; 6, Hamilton. HEN YELL. (13): 1, Hamilton, grand body, good shape and feather, nice compact wings, wins; 2, Scobbie, shade better in head to winner, but not so good for shape and size; 3, Mathieson, var., grand shape, well moulded body, close up; 4, Cuthbertson falls in size a bit, but good shape and substance; 5, Chalmers; 6, Coughtrie. BUFF (8): 1, spl, 6, Scobbie, var., nice size, good col. and shape, grand feather; 2, W. Kennedy, cl., of good all-round merit, very neatly moulded bird; 3, Hamilton, var., excellent size and type, staged in nice condition; 4, Morton; 5, Buchanan. MULE OR HYB. (13): 1, spl, Mitchell, Goldfinch-Siskin, one of the best, good col. and feather; 2, Anderson, Bullfinch-Linnet, nice size and finish, grand condition, 3, Whitford, Goldfinch-Can., rare size, shows Finch crossing well, a good one; 4, Hannay, Greenie-Can., fine bold exhibit, in grand feather; 5, Brownlie and Son; 6, McEwan. GOLDFINCH (9): 1, 2, McGregor, 1st good-sized blaze, grand cheeks and tannings, nice model; 2nd tails in blaze to winner; 3, Brownlie and Sons, good bird, nice col., grand buttons, good value for its place; 4, Small, not so good in blaze, shade dull in colour to others; 5, McEwan; 6, Pirrie. BULLFINCH (7): 1, Small, grand cap and good wing bars, rich breast col.; 2, Pirrie, another good one, a shade thin in body to 1st; 3, Wyper, good head and big, not so good in feather as those in front; 4, Morton; vhc, Coughtrie; he, Thompson. GREENFINCH (6): 1, Brownlie and Son, rare size, bold head, nice col., excellent shape and condition; 2, Morton, nice body and wing bars, fails in head a shade to winner; 3, Allan, nicely finished Greenie of a good rich col., might have gone up; 4, Anderson; 5, McCall; 6, Tilfer. LINNET (7): 1, spl, Cummings, nice nut brown col., pencilling very even, sweet head and shape; 2, Thompson, not quite so well marked as 1st in front or pencilled so evenly, shade darker in col.; 3, Livingstone, neat, shade better in col., well laced, sweet head, nice wings; 4, Morton; 5, Arnott; 6, Coughtrie. REDPOLL, ETC. (15): 1, spl, McCall, Twite, nice size, well marked, rich col.; 2, 4, Coughtrie, 2nd Siskin, fine cap and lacings, good wing bars; 4th, Twite, nice size, but not so well marked as others; 3, Brownlie and Sons, Redpoll, nice size, lovely cap and bib, nice lacing, nice shape; 5, McGhee, 6, Wyper. A.O.S. SMALL (6): 1, spl, Morrison, Hawfinch, nice evenly marked Finch, grand shape and feather; 2, Wyper, Yellowhammer, a nicely marked exhibit, fine rich col., lovely feather; 3, Sinclair, Bramble, grand size, sweet head, nice back lacing, good wing bars, fine colour and polish; 4, Nimmo, Chaffinch, rich in colour and beautifully marked, hard luck, we thought; 5, 6, Dugson.

BELPER.

Held Nov. 16th. The limit for cage birds being £5, some rare bargains were to be found, both in Yorks and Crests, in fact some exhibits had previously won in much keener competition. Cup for the best unflighted Yorkshire fell to Miss Allen's bird, a lovely specimen, sleek as a mole and tight as boxwood, standing on a good pair of legs as straight as a gun barrel. Winner of the Sandiford medal was Mr. Smith's Norwich, a real red-hot one. Special for best bird shown by a member was captured by Mr. Brown, of Crest fame. The secretaries (Messrs. Stillman and Holden) are two young fellows of whom the society should be proud, they go about their work quietly, as they have everything at their finger tips. Mr. Geo. Colledge judged.

The Critique.

NOR. (6): 1, sp,, Dallman and Sons, red-hot, lovely qual., shone like satin, very typical; 2, J. Baker, grand sheen and qual., but tail and flights much too long; 3, Dallman and Sons, well braced wings, nicely cut away behind, but fails head to winner; vhc, Orme, best Nor. in class, but fails condition; he, J. Williams; c, A. J. Harwood. UNFLIG. (8): 1, J. Baker, big bouncing bird for a youngster, feather like satin; 2, W. J. Dean, real Nor., plenty of front, fine type, brimful of quality; 3, J. M. Williams, grand head and neck, but fails wing carr.; vhc, A. J. Smith; he, H. Orme; c, A. J. Howard. YORKS (12): 1, T. J. Cockerham, grand specimen, tight as boxwood, all the chief characteristics which go to make a grand show bird, a clear win; 2, W. Richards, immense length, excellent stilts, well braced wings, staged to perfection; 3, F. Green, grand qual., shade snaky on breast; vhc, A. J. Smith, bird of exceptional merit except head; he, G. York; c, J. Smith. UNFLIG. (8): 1, J. Pass, finely drawn youngster, lovely feather, a knock-out here to-day, having won in much better society; 2, F. Green, real good Yorky, standing well up, nice qual., but street behind winner; 3, J. Watson, another good one, but a shade too heavy in front; vhc, T. J. Cockerham, fails round thighs, too loose in feather; he, grand youngster, but on small side; c, A. Sims. CREST (5): 1, W. Brown, D.C., broken green, thick heavy frontal, crest as round as a rim, grand youngster; 2, Barber, lovely exhibit, varieg. D.C. hen, well-known winner, Derby and Manchester, veiny, leafy crest feather; 3, B. Woolley, another grand D.C., beautiful crest feather of the finest qual., loses in size of crest; vhc, B. Woolley; he, Osborn. C.B. (4): 1, Brown, big massive green, very broad skull and well lashed; 2, J. Osborn, broken green, carrying a large thick body with good length of head feather; 3, B Woolley, big cl. with good skull, but not the length of head feather; vhc, Barber. MEMBERS (8): 1, W. Brown, big massive D.C., easy win; 2, C. Schofield, Nor., wins special for member's [illegible] Nor., lovely type and qual.; 3, A. J. Smith; [illegible] J. Watson; c, G. Elkins. NOV. A.V. EXCEPT CREST or C.B. (14): 1, W. J. Dean, Nor., lightly mkd. bird, gem for type and qual.; 2, T. J. Cockerham, raking long yellow Yorks., standing on good long legs, beautiful qual. of feather, staged in lovely cond.; 3, Miss Allen, another Yorks lovely exhibit, set down like an old stager; vhc, J. Watson; he, C. Schofield; c, A. J. Smith.

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WIMBLEDON.

Eighth annual show of the Wimbledon C.B.S., Nov. 19-20, proved to be a huge success. An entry of nine hundred birds was abroad as many as could be comfortably staged in the Queen's Hall. The birds were beautifully arranged, and looked well in long tiers down the room. Norwich this year headed the list in point of numbers, and some of the best birds in the south competed. All the crack breeders and exhibitors made entries, and the competition was very keen. Messrs. Gill and Pethick were in yell. cocks with a bird blazing with col. and quality, and Mr. Baker's grand bull once more romped home in a good class. In yell. marks Mr. Rippon's bird added one more win to his already good record. Yorks. was of very high-class, all the chief exhibitors of the south Yorkshire clubs sending in birds. Messrs. Hawes Bros. did exceptionally well, having winners in nearly every class. Mr. Knight, of Cambridge, staged several beauties. In Crests Mr. Broad romped home with his young variegd. bird that was mentioned at Portsmouth. The novice section was well filled, and some fine birds hard on the heels of the champions were put down. Norwich classes were hardly so packed as the Yorkies, but the quality was all there. Yorks. had some good classes, particularly the multi-listed, 24 good ones facing the judge. A very choice lot of Hybrids, Brit. and Foreigners made up a fine collection. Although the members' Yorks. were good, they hardly came up to the Wimbledon standard, but many members had their best birds in the open. Borders were a hot lot, the competition for Mrs. Thynne's cup bringing many entries. Sixteen beautiful greens competed for the Rev. Soames' cup, the winner proving to be one of the donor's own birds. Members' novice section was also well filled with fine specimens. The management was all that one could desire. In the capable hands of Mr. H. Smith, who once again held the reins, everything that could possibly be done was managed and arranged for in advance. The awards were up and catalogues on sale soon after the last slip was handed in. Mr. Smith had valuable assistance from Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stoakley, the chairman, and Mrs. Owen, who very generously came to his assistance. Of the committee Messrs. Dixon, Dyke, Griffiths, Owen, Rorke, and Whittome, did yeoman service. The society are also much indebted to Mr. and Mrs. Thynne for putting in a full day's work on the opening day. The judges were: Messrs. Halliday (Yorks.), Robson (Brit. and other Can.), and Norman (Amit and members).

The Critique.

NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (11): 1, he, Gill and Pethick, grand bird, lovely type and size, good head, full neck and front, stands well across the perch, A1 col.; 2, Morris, another beauty, little to choose; 3, Spellman, beauty for type, hardly so hot in col., but wonderful qual., grand wings; 4, Silk, sound type, good wedge shape bird; vhc, Baker; c, Ellis. BUFF (10): 1, Baker, big bold bird, wonderful substance, grand head, well filled neck and front, well braced wings, neat tail; 2, Gill and Pethick, a wee shade longer, but lovely qual., grand head, hot col.; 3, Hodder, beauty for type, grand head and neck; 4, Ellis, shade longer, but grand substance; vhc, Irons; he, Morris; c, Silk. UNEVEN YELL. (9): 1, Rippon, big, well known, the picture of health, Norwich and Leyton winners; 2, Pennell, fine bold head, mkd., good wings, stands well, very fine qual.; 3, 4, Baker, two beauties from the well-known Lewes Aviaries; vhc, he, Spellman; c, Gill and Pethick. BUFF (8): 1, Gill and Pethick, grand bold bird, well filled all round lovely head, good neck, wings, neat, tight, lovely qual., and condition; 2, 3, Baker, leader neck mkd., very fine type, nice wedge shaped, good front, well put down; 3rd, similar, nicely moulded, in fine fettle; 4, he, Hodder, typical, nice qual.; vhc, Morris; c, Hazell. HENS (14): 1, Baker, bonny lady, grand substance and type, neat head and neck, lovely qual., well put down; 2, c, Gill and Pethick, variegd., very typical, nice clean front and run, well filled all round, grand wings and tail; 3, 4, Houghton, beauties, leader neat head, well filled in, fine condition; 4th, as short and compact as any in the class, must have pressed; vhc, Pennell; he, Hodder. UNFLIG. YELL. (14): 1, vhc, Gill and Pethick, wing mkd., fine type and qual., nicely rounded, good wings, well shown; 2, 3, Baker, bonny birds leader head and wing mkd., good type, neat in head and wings; 3rd, similar, nicely rounded, good back, stands and moves well; 4, Houghton, beauty, bigger than winner, grand type and in the pink; he, Wickham; c, Hodder. BUFF (17): 1, c, Baker, good bold bird, very fine qual., nice sub., hardly so clean in head as some; 2, Morris, short, very cobby, good clean head, closely braced wings, good qual, some preferred; 3, Rippon, shade longer, but still good type, grand quality; 4, Irons, nice size, good full front; vhc, he, Houghton. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (9): 1, 2, he, Hawes Bros., 1st good head and back, tips wings at times, but still a good one, 2 slim type, jaunty carr., well braced wings, good tail, fine condition; 3, Knight, grand length and position, neat head and neck, good shoulders, very fine fettle; 4, Easterling and Co., bonny bird, good breedy specie; vhc, Crisp; c, Dewhurst. BUFF (16): 1, 2, he, Hawes Bros., typical grand length, good position and style, nice wings, well braced, neat tail, fine fettle, 2 equally as good, but hardly so long, wonderful type and style; 3, Knight, fine length, good head, well moulded, fine qual., well put down; 4, Mock, nice type and qual.; vhc, Walsh; c, Mrs. Owen. VAR. (10): 1, Crisp, slim type, beautifully moulded, neat head, good shoulders and back, fine condition; 2, Rorke, another racy one, lovely type and length, beautiful wings, fine quality feather, well put down; 3, vhc, Hawes Bros., nice length and type, bit pale in col.; 4, he, Mrs. Owen, grand length, lovely quality; c, Bullen. HEN, YELL. (10): 1, 4, Crisp, leader very breedy, well up on leg, nicely moulded, grand wings, fine fettle, 4 another beauty, lovely type, perfectly braced wings, very hot col., grand col.; 2, Hawes Bros., another breedy spec., nice length and type, neat head, grand wings and tail; 3, Holliday, fine type and qual., nice bit of "swank," capital position, quality and condition; vhc, Mock; he, Mrs. Owen; c, Dewhurst. BUFF (18): 1, Knight, grand length, good head and shoulders, grand wing, very fine qual.; 2, 4, Hawes Bros., grand length and type, jaunty, rare order, Leyton and Swansea winner, 4 neat head, good shoulders, grand length of wing, neat tail; 3, Crisp, beauty for type, cleaner cut than anything in the class, lovely head, grand shoulders and wing, will put down; vhc, Walsh; he, Boyes; c, Mrs. Owen. VAR. (11): 1, Knight, grand bold Cinn. mkd., fine length, beautifully moulded, not too stout, lovely wings and tail, and A1 quality, wins; 2, 3, 4, Hawes Bros., beauts, wing mkd., fine length, good legs nice bit of shoulder, very fine condition; 4, snaker, but very fine type and style, nicely moulded all round, wing tkd., 4 Var., grand length, c of the breedy sort. UNFLIG. (19): 1, Rev. [illegible] grand Cinn. mkd., very fine length, neat [illegible] and shoulder, nicely moulded, clean run, very [illegible] wins; 2, Boyes, good one, hardly so cleanly cut nor quite in the same condition, still a real good one, fine length of wing; 3, Rorke, Var., good length, grand shoulders, nicely moulded, good wings and tail, fine quality; 4, Holliday, grand col., very fine type; vhc, Easterling and Co.; he, Crisp; c, Hawes Bros.. CREST (5): 1, 4, Broad, a real stormer, Var., good size, shapely Crest, dense feather, well veined, good centre, hardly at its best yet, 4 good size and quality of feather; 2, Mrs. Thynne, bonny bird, good size and shape, beautifully veined, nice droop and qual.; 3, vhc, Pickard and Good, bold bird, capital top, good shape and rare frontal, nicely dropped. T.B. (4): 1, 4, Broad, fine bold Green leading, grand skull, nicely domed, full of feather, 4 cl., good size, nice length of feather, well lashed; 2, Mrs. Litchfield, capital cl., good size, nice shaped skull, good feather, well placed; 3, Pickard, bonny Green. YEL. BORDER (6): 1, 2, G. Pratt, charmer, beautiful type and qual., little to choose, neat heads and wings, and good tails, nice position and style; 3, Pratt, good one, close up to leader, good type, nice and jaunty, very fine condition; 4, Burton Bros., good type, neat head, wings and tail, vhc, Owen. BUFF (5): 1, Pratt, nice type, neat head on a good neck, capital wings and tail, fine qual.; 2, Burton Bros., similar, close up, nicely moulded, very fine fettle; 3, Owen, shade stouter in body; 4, Mrs. Thynne, clean cut, beautifully moulded. YELL. HEN (6): 1, vhc, Pratt, nicely rounded, neat head, back and well braced wings, jaunty, fine condition; 2, Burton Bros., very fine type, nicely rounded, neat head and wings, good order; 3, Mrs. Thynne, a good one, capital type, neat head, nicely moulded; 4, Elwood, very fine Green, grand type BUFF (8): 1, Lathbury, bonny little lady, lovely shape and qual. of feather, capital wings, well braced and good tail; 2, Owen, beautifully moulded, neat head and wings, A1 qual., fine fettle; 3, Mrs. Thynne, very shapely and typical, hardly at its best, will do better; 4, Burton Bros., typical, nice quality; vhc, Pratt; he, Ellwood; c, G. H. Pratt. A.O.V. (4): 1, Dyer, very bold buff Cinn., grand size and shape, good head, well filled body, lovely qual.; 2, Dart, good Belgian, of fine size and type, very nervy, in grand condition; 3, Fleet, Cinn., grand size and type, good bold head, neat wings. NOV. NOR. YELL. CK. (12): 1, Perry, fine size, type, good front, neat, full head and neck, grand qual.; 2, Simms, a shade longer than winner, lovely head, good shoulders and back, nice wings and tail; 3, Miss Edwards, bonny, capital size and type, beautifully rounded, well braced wings, neat tail; 4, Mrs. Williams, another beauty, fine type and qual., well shown; vhc, Wart; he, Cole; he, Wilkinson. BUFF (10): 1, Harris, cap mkd. bird, of grand size and type, good head and neck, well filled front and back, A1 qual. and condition; 2, Elliott, grand size and type, neat head and wings, nicely rounded, good qual.; 3, Campbell, shade longer in body, stands well, fine condition; 4, Tomsett, well filled all round, grand qual.; vhc, Wart; he, Cooper; c, Mrs. Ingles. VARIEG. (7): 1, Perry, grand size and type, well filled head and neck, good wedge-shaped, capital wings, neat tail, well put down; 2, Evans, well filled, good back and wings, grand condition; 2, Campbell, tkd., fine type and qual., neat head, nicely rounded front; 4, Kerr, eye and wings mkd., rare substance, well filled; vhc, Tomsett; he, Cole; c, Elliott. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Wart, nicely filled all round, grand type and sub., stands well, good wings, in fine fettle; 2, Kerr, good size and type, neat head, well filled body, in good order; 3, Campbell, well filled, nice quality feather; 4, Cole, very shapely, nice quality; vhc, Cooper; he, Elliott. BUFF (16): 1, Wart, grand type and substance, beautifully moulded, grand head and wings, very fine qual. feather, well shown; 2, Harris, close up, good type and substance, neat head and wings, fine condition; 3, Miss Edwards, nice type, shade smaller, good head and wings; 4, Marshall, nice full front, good head and wings, in very fine condition; vhc, Gollan; he, Cole; c, Simms. UNFLIG. (16): 1, Hatter, good type and quality, very hot col., capital head and neck, good wings; 2, 3, Wart, hardly the col. of winner, shade shorter, very short wings and tail, fine quality; 3, fine bold type, nicely rounded in grand order; 4, Campbell, capital head and wings, neat tail, nice qual.; vhc, Harris; he, c, Wade. YORKS., YELL. CK. (12): 1, Heath, fine type and style, good head, neck and shoulders, well braced wings, neat tail, fine qual.; 2, Bennett, very smart, full of nerve, well up on leg, good wings and tail, grand condition; 3, Tebbs, hardly so tight in feather, lovely type and qual., well braced wings; 4, Blackman, fine breedy spec.; vhc, Clarke; he, Phipps; c, Bush. BUFF (12): 1, Kent, fine length and style, neat head and neck, good wings and tail; 2, Bush, capital type, good long wings and neat tail; 3, Blackman, typical and well filled, good shoulders, neat wings; 4, Bennett, grand size and length; vhc, Clarke; he, Hall; c, Nicholls. VARIEG. (9): 1, 4, Tebbs, two beauties, leader mkd. wings and eyes, real Yorkie type, neat head, well braced wings, wins, 4th, nearly as good; 2, Kent, very fine Cinn. mkd., grand type and size, capital qual; 3, he, Clarke, very fine length, in fine fettle; vhc, Bush; c, Goldsmith. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Budd, wonderful size for a lady, grand type and qual., neat head, good shoulders and back; 2, Clarke, nicely rounded, neat, well braced wings, well filled, smooth front, fine condition; 3, Kent, head mkd., grand length and type, beautifully drawn, nice length of wing, very fine quality; 4, Bennett, a good cl., of grand length; vhc, c, Hall; he, Tebbs. BUFF (11): 1, Goldsmith, wonderful length, nicely moulded, good shoulders and back, capital wings, nice length of leg; 2, Tebbs, similar, fine length and qual., good position, wings and condition; 3, Clarke, wing and tail mkd., fine length and type, well rounded, good wings and tail, grand order; 4, Bush, fine size and type, rare qual.; vhc, he, Hall; c, Heath. UNFLIG. (24): 1, 4, he, Tebbs, very fine yell. mkd. leading, a real beauty for type and position, beautifully drawn, fine wings, 4, rare length and type; 3, Kent, fine length, nice head, good wings and tail; vhc, Hall; c, Clarke. CREST (8): 1, Collan, Green, grand size, big full crest, capital shape, grand droop and veining, nicely paced; 2, 3, 4, Campbell, capital team, all good, well formed crests, of fine size and shape, nicely drooped; vhc, Hawkes; c, Glascock. C.B. (6): 1, Griffiths, grand size, nice full head, well packed with feather, fine form; 2, Campbell, rare size and shape, good skull; 3, Miss Benthield, nice shaped skull, good entrance; 4, Snook, lightly mkd. spec., with good skull, well lashed. BORD. CK. (12): 1, 3, Sayer, 3-pointed, leading, very fine type, nicely moulded, good wings, neat tail, 3, good one, nicely drawn, fine form; 2, Marriott, typical, nicely drawn, beautifully rounded, neat tail and wings; 4, Lear, capital, fine condition; vhc, Joplin, he, Mould; c, Cudham. HEN (7): 1, 2, Mould, typical, nicely moulded, good col. and qual., capital braced wings, neat tail, 2, similar, good type and qual.; 3, Joplin, capital type, although a wee shade small; 4, Marriott, fine variegd., grand type and qual., good back and wings; vhc, Fisher; he, Lear; c, Burgess. BRIT. GOLDFINCH (11): 1, Hurst, real beauty, wonderful size, grand face, well up in col., rich tanning; 2, Mays, nice full, wide blaze, grand top, well tanned, capital wings; 3, Lonsdale, another beauty, good under blaze, hardly so wide at top; 4, Gatfield, very fine condition, we liked equally as well; vhc, Drowley; he, Sherman; c, Fysh. BULLFINCH (9): 1, Mays, fine bird, good size and col., nice condition; 2, Wickham, grand size, real Bullie type, good full cap, very sound, rich col., some thought should have won; 3, Hinds, another beauty for size and type, full of rich col.; 4, Ford, big, good shape; vhc, Cross; he, Cashier; c, Francis. SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, 2, he, Francis bonny Twite, lovely size and shape, full of work, 2, grand little Siskin, very shapely, very fine fettle; 3, Hall, bonny feld-moulted Redpoll, nice cobby shape, good poll and bib; 4, Marley, another Twite, grand shape and col., well laced; vhc, Mays; c, Sexton. LINNET (19): 1, Drowley, fine big bold bird, grand shape, well proportioned, nicely laced; 2, Marley, very shapely, neat head, good front, very fine col. and lacing; 3, Hall, big, bold, nice head, full of lacing; 4, Gunnell, real topper, capital size and col., well shown; vhc, Hall; he, Francis; c, Sherman. GREENFINCH (10): 1, Hurst, well-known winner, grandly proportioned, shown in the best of condition; 2, Ford, another beauty, very fine shape and size, lovely tone of col.; 3, Marley, grand tight fitting jacket, lovely col.; 4, Frostick, wonderful size, grand shape and col.; vhc, c, Francis; he, Pain. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE (13): 1, 2, Marley, fine bold Chaffie, wonderful size and shape, very rich col., fine condition, 2nd, good Bramble, shapely, well spangled, rich colour; 3, he, Francis, another fine Bramble, grand shape and size; 4, Mays, yet another Bramble, grand col., beautifully spangled; vhc, Drowley; c, Buckingham. A.O.S. (9): 1, Marley, very fine Hawfinch, lovely rich col., capital size, good bib; 2, Hurst, shade bigger, good bib, hardly so rich in col.; 3, Frostick, lovely Corn Bunting, grand size and markings; 4, Askew, Shore Lark (in its wrong class), very good, shown in fine condition; vhc, Drowley; he, Rell; c, Francis. HENS (8): 1, Marley, Hawfinch, wonderful size and shape, real gem; 2, he, Francis, very fine Corn Bunting, one of the best; 3, Hall, good Siskin, capital size and shape; 4, Ford, bold Bullie, good col.; vhc, Sexton; c, Frostick. THRUSH, ETC. (3): 1, Lomer, good bold Blackbird, capital size and shape, rich plumage; 2, 3, Dell, very fine Starling, grand size and shape, beautifully spangled, must have pressed, 3, good Tiurush, A.O.S. (4): 1, Frostick, lovely Dartford Warbler, capital col. and shown, in very fine condition; 2, Evans, another same species, not so rich in col., nor so fully feathered, well shown; 3, Mays, lovely Willow Warbler, pink of condition. PIED, ETC. (3): 1, Mays, grand Pied Pipit, fine size, in A1 condition, beauty; 2, Dell; 3, Dyke. HYBRIDS, LIGHT (3): 1, Spillman, lovely tkd. Goldie, capital size and shape, real gem for quality and neatness; 2, Lamb, lovely clear, hardly so large, but quite as good otherwise, real beauty. VAR. (11): 1, Tams and Sons, neck and wing mkd. Greenie-Can., wonderful size, good shape, A1 condition; 2, 4, Lamb, Bullie-Goldie, mkd. eye, grand size, very shapely, nice blaze, 4th Greenie-Can, another good bird; 3, Ramsden, head and wing mkd., shade larger in build, fine col., in grand fettle; vhc, Mrs. Askham; he, Gunnell; c, Fysh. DK. GOLD. OR LINNET (7): 1, Lamb, wonderfully good Goldie-Can. leading, grand size, teeming with rich col., good win; 2, Ramsden, Linnet-Can., large, well mkd., good col. and quality; 3, 4, Kirk, bonny Gold, good size and type, grand wings, 4th another good Linnet; vhc, he, Andrews. A.O.V. DK. (10): 1, Crabb, very fine Skwin-Can., capital size and col., beautiful cap and wings, well laced; 2, Buckingham, grand Redpoll-Can., fine size and shape, beautifully mkd., in fine fettle, we liked; 3, Askew, good Greenie, grand size and type, A1 col. and qual.; 4, Davies, another good Greenie; vhc, c, Smith; he, Simpson. BULLF.: 1, Mrs. Askham, fine bold Can.-Bullie, grand size and shape, wonderful rich col. and quality; 2, 3, Lamb, real gem of a Redpoll-Bullie, marvellous size, beautifully mkd., well shown; 3, Goldie-Bullie, very fine size and shape, grand blaze, fine exhibit; 4, Byles, another Can.-Bullie, fine size and shape; vhc, Fysh; he, Crabb. A.O.V. (10): 1, Lamb, lovely Goldie-Redpoll, grand size, lovely col., fine fettle; 2, 4, Ramsden, beautiful Redpoll-Greenie, grand shape and size, A1 col. and qual., 4th very fine Linnet-Greenie, one of the best, in very fine form; 3, he, c, Williams, Redpoll-Siskin, wonderful size, grand wing and flank lacing; vhc, Shipton. PARROTS (3): 1, Miss Clark, very fine rare Alexandra Parrakeet, grand col. and cond., well shown; 2, Davies, another grand Parrakeet, in fine condition; 3, Frostick, a Many Colour, in grand form. A.O.S. (11): 1, 3, Miss Clare, lovely pair of White Eyes, well shown, in the pink of condition, 3rd good Violet-eared Waxbill, we liked even better, in lovely feather; 2, Mrs. Thynne, grand Tanager, lovely col., in very fine condition; 4, Frostick, very fine pair of Tri-colour Tanagers, perfect pair, lovely condition; vhc, Mrs. Thynne; he, Buckingham; c, Gollan. MEMBERS'.—CL. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, 3, he, Saunders; 2, vhc, Withers; 4, Mrs. Thynne; c, Wheeler. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, Saunders; 2, Mrs. Thynne; vhc, Wheeler; he, c, Withers. HEN: 1, 2, 4, Saunders; 3, Mrs. Thynne; vhc, c, Withers. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, Saunders; 4, he, Withers; vhc, Wheeler; c, Mrs. Thynne. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, he, Rorke; 2, Miss Walker; 3, 4, Wheeler; c, Smith. BUFF: 1, 2, Rorke; 3, vhc, Wheeler; 4, Smith; he, Whittome; c, Stoakley. HEN: 1, Smith; 2, 4, Whittome; 3, Miss Walker; vhc, Mrs. Owen; he, Rorke; c, Wheeler. BUFF: 1, Rorke; 2, Mrs. Owen; 3, Smith; 4, Miss Walker; vhc, Stoakley. UNFLIG.: 1, Smith; 2, Rorke; 3, 4, he, Wheeler; vhc, Owen; c, Stoakley. NON-FED: 1, Mrs. Owen; 2, Withers; 3, Smith. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, Mrs. McGregor; 2, he, Saunders; 3, vhc, Plank; c, Lathbury. BUFF: 1, 2, Saunders; 3, Mrs. Thynne; 4, he, c, Plank; vhc, Gollop. YELL. HEN: 1, 4, Saunders; 2, Plank; 3, Owen; vhc, Moore; he, c, Mrs. Thynne. BUFF: 1, 4, he, Plank; 2, 3, Saunders; vhc, Lathbury; c, Mrs. Thynne. GREEN: 1, 4, Rev. Soames; 2, E. Sayers; 3, vhc, Mrs. McGregor. NOV. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Shipton; 2, Jay. BUFF: 1, Randall; 2, Jay; 3, Baker; 4, Nash. YELL. HEN: 1, Jay. BUFF: 1, 2, Wade; 3, Shipton; 4, vhc, Hamilton; he, Baker. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, he, Harris; 2, Beckett; 3, Whiting; 4, Miss Wright; vhc, Gibbs. BUFF: 1, Truelove; 2, 3, Whiting; 4, c, Beckett; vhc, Gibbs. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Whiting; 3, Beckett; 4, Truelove; vhc, Harris. BUFF: 1, Harris; 2, Whiting; 3, Truelove; 4, Beckett. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Truelove; 3, he, c, Miss Wright; 4, vhc, Mullins. NON-FED: 1, 2, Mrs. Wilkes; 3, Randall. BORD.: 1, he, Harrison; 2, 4, vhc, Mrs. Denham; 3, Ward. CREST: 1, 3, Mrs. Thynne; 2, 4, Pickard. C.B.: 1, Mrs. Litchfield; 2, 3, Mrs. Thynne; 4, Pickard. A.O.V. 1, 2, Miss Walker. BRIT. FINCH: 1, Miss Wright; 2, 4, Mrs. Mullins; 3, Mrs. Wilkes; vhc, Mrs. Owen; he, Nash. FOR.: 1, Mrs. Thynne; 2, 3, Day. ROLLER (Open): 1, vhc, c, Randall; 2, vhc, Stolle; 3, 4, Neugebauer; he, Allsop, Keen; c, Gooding. 1912: 1, 4, 5, Keen; 2, Randall; 3, 3, vhc, Williams; vhc, Neugebauer, Harrison; he, Neugebauer, Randall; c, Dummock, Lister, Harrison.

READING.

The Reading and Dis. C.B.S. held their annual show November 20th, at the Palmer Hall. The entry was good, considerably in advance of previous shows. During the evening many visitors put in an appearance, and seemed to thoroughly enjoy the fine collection on view. The show was ably managed by Mr. Pyke, who had everything in fine working order, and catalogues out in record time. He was ably assisted by Messrs. Acton, Vince, Yates, Fraser, Avis, Dearlove, Tremlett, Laurence, Smith, Maisey, Albury, and Hayward. Specials: "Pyke" cup, for most points Brit. and foreign, Mr. G. H. Acton; "Acton" cup, for Canaries, Mr. G. H. Dearlove; amateur cup (best bird), Mr. J. Ward; challenge cup for most wins proved to be a tie between Mr. F. Dearlove and Mr. J. P. Lawrence. Best Nor., Mr. J. P. Lawrence; best Yorks., Mr. W. G. King. The judges were Mr. J. Robson, Can., Brit., etc.; Mr. H. D. Astley, F.Z.S., For.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (7): 1, Silk, bonny bold bird, grand col., neat, good shape; 2, 3, Lovegrove, hot one, grand qual., good head, 3rd, similar, beautifully rounded, well put down; vhc, Taylor; he, c, Clark. BUFF (13): 1, Taylor, grand bold variegd., good size, lovely type, well filled back and front, grand col. and qual.; 2, Dearlove, hardly the substance, wonderful col. and qual., well put down; 3, Miss Edwards, bonny cl., plenty of substance, grand col., vhc, Silk; he, Davies; c, Lovegrove. HEN (10): 1, 2, Wren, nice qual., but shade small, good rich col., neat head, well filled back; 2nd, big buff, good subs., good head and qual.; 3, Dearlove, variegd., lovely short type, cobby, bold head, grand front, capital qual. and col., much admired; vhc, Bowler; he, c, Lovegrove; No. 21, Clark, real good yell., cardless, lovely qual. YORK., YELL. (16): 1, Dicker, lengthy, lovely head, capital shoulders, good, long, well fitting wings, neat tail, A1 quality; 2, he, Acton Bros., smart, typical, plenty of leg, nicely braced, A1 col. and qual., must have pressed; 3, Lockett, another beauty, wonderful length and style; vhc, Newell; c, Lloyd. BUFF (13): 1, Rosser, very smart, typical spec., grand length, lovely head and back, well shown; 2, Parfitt, another gem, all there for swagger and qual.; 3, Acton Bros., stormer for type and qual., beautifully moulded; vhc, Dicker; he, Newell; c, Lockett. HEN (8): 1, sp., Parfitt, grand length and style, typical, very straight, nice clean run; 2, Foxen, breedy, beautifully rounded, very clean cut; 3, Dicker, capital type and quality, neat, good head and shoulders; vhc, Lockelt; he, Aiton; c, Lloyd. A.O.V. (8): 1, Castle, grizzle Crest, clear body, good size and shape, nice front, capital droop and centre; 2, 3, Lane, fine clear Crestbred, good head, well dressed and packed; 3, Green; C.B., fine size; vhc, Dyer; he, Silk. GOLD (7): 1, Harris, bonny Finch, grand size and shape, very fine full square-cut blaze, rich col.; 2, Poole, equally as good, but hardly the size, although if anything better condition; 3, he, Bowler, still another real topper, grand face, rich col., little to choose between them; vhc, Castle; c, Pownsett. LINNET (4): 1, Bowler, bonny bird, grand size, very shapely, full of work, rich col., good quality; 2, Harris, marvel for lacing, very shapely, bit pale down centre; 3, Lowe, good bird, nice size and shape; vhc, Rumble. A.O.V. (7): 1, Harris, very fine Hawfinch, grand size and shape, sound rich col., good bib; 2, Silk, good bold Bullie, wonderful col. and shape, grand cap; 3, Poole, another good Hawfinch, fine size, good bib, hardly the col. of winner; vhc, Fellows; he, Wren; c, Rumble. FOR. (10): 1, Davies, very fine Eclectus, grand bold bird, wonderful col. and condition; 2, Mrs. Pyke, good Amazon, fine col., in good form; 3, Sugden, grand Cockatoo, wonderful size, real good one; vhc, Mrs. King, Sugden, Swain, Brinson; he, Giles, Sugden; c, Challener. PARRAKEETS (7) 1, 2, 3, Acton, very fine pair of Tovi Parrakeets, lovely col., as tight as wax, good win; 2nd, 3rd, good pairs, in grand order; vhc, Yates; he, Fidler. LARGE (11): 1, he, c, Cox, very fine Hangnest, lovely specimen, grand col., fine condition; 2, Stewart, a Bare-eye Thrush, very fine bold specimen, tight as wax, real beauty; 3, Acton, very fine Shama. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Acton, Pintail leading, fine size and col. in grand order, 2nd good pair Parson Finches, 3rd Nonpareil Bunting, very fine; vhc, Miss Wilkinson; he, Miss Backhouse; c Yates. MEMBERS.—NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, Lawrence; 3, Yates; vhc, he, Dearlove; c, Gough. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Dearlove; 3, Lawrence; he, c, Yates. HEN: 1, 3, he, Dearlove; 2, c, Yates; vhc, Lewin. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1 Lawrence; 2, vhc, Dearlove; 3, Montgomery; he, Lewin. BUFF: 1, vhc, Lewin; 2, 3, Dearlove; he, c, Lawrence. YORKS, YELL.: 1, Montgomery; 2, Atkins; 3, Rosser; vhc, Cripps; he, c, Maisey. BUFF: 1, Atkins; 2, Maisey; 3, Turner; vhc, Montgomery; he, Cripps. HEN: 1, Turner; 2, Atkins; 3, vhc, Turner; he, Montgomery. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, King; 2, Turner; 3, Atkins; vhc, c, Rosser; he, Goldsmith. BUFF: 1, Atkins; 2, he, Maisey; 3, King; vhc, Avis; c, Goldsmith. CREST: 1, 2, 3, vhc, he, Pike. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, he, c, Pike. A.O.V.: 1, Maisey; 2, Gough; vhc, he, Ward. HYB.: Lewin; 2, c, Gough; vhc, Montgomery; he, Munday. GOLDIE: 1, 2, Acton; 3, Vince; vhc, Montgomery; he, Primmer. BULL.: 1, Montgomery; 2, Primmer; 3, Miss Wilkinson; vhc, Albury; he, May. LINNET: 1, 2, Vince; 3, Primmer. A.O.V.: 1, he, Acton; 2, Miss Wilkinson; 3, Montgomery; vhc, Munday. AMAT., NOR. YELL.: 1, Hayward; 2, Price; 3, c, May; vhc, he, Shepherd. BUFF: 1, Church; 2, Hayward; 3, Church; vhc, Shepherd; he, Frewin. HEN: 1, vhc, Hayward; 2, c, Frewin; 3, Smith; vhc, Larkeom. YORK. YELL.: 1, 3, Ward, 2, vhc, he, Avis; c, Tremlett. BUFF: 1, 2, Avis; 3, Price; vhc, he, Davison; c, Ellis. HEN: 1 vhc, 3, Avis; 2, Davison; he, Ellis; c, Ward. NOVICE, NOR.: 1, he, c, Hayward; 2, Church; 3, vhc, Mrs. Bartlett; 2, ex-2, Buckett. YORK: 1, vhc, c, Thomas; 2, Baylis; 3, he, Price.

YARM, EAGLESCLIFFE & DIST.

A members' show in connection with the above was held in the Town Hall, Nov. 15th. The entries were all that could be desired. The chief prize winners were Messrs. Henderson, W. Sirrell, E. Wilson, P. Johnson, W. Smith, J. Willis, Garbutt and Clement, J. Spence and Geo. Stead. The judging was in the capable hands of Mr. W. Johnson, Ilday Nook, who gave a handsome show cage for most points, won by Mr. J. Henderson after a very close run with Mr. W. Sirrell. We are working very hard in various ways to make our annual show a great success. There will be heaps of specials. All prize money in connection with this show last year was paid out within 12 hours; we are going to try and beat that this year, and are hoping for a record entry, as the society was never in a more prosperous position than it is at present. T. F. Wilson, Sec.

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BOURNEMOUTH.

Twenty-first annual show held Nov. 19th and 20th, in the Central Hall, a nice room for a bird show, being well lighted from the top, and quite free from draughts. The exhibits were nicely staged and the staging being draped with red bunting, the effect was very pronounced and pleasing. The society is certainly to be congratulated on its coming-of age show, as the quality all round was most excellent, the competition keen, and the entries very satisfactory, totalling close upon 500. Competition in the Hybrid, British, and Foreign was very hot, many birds having to stand cardless that could win at many shows. The Countess of Malmesbury performed the opening ceremony, and in connection with this function a pleasing presentation was made to the youthful Viscount Fitzharris, of a beautiful brass cage and yell. Norwich Canary, the gift of the society. The hon. secs., Mr. J. A. Crawshaw, made the presentation in a happy speech. We need hardly say the exhibits were thoroughly well looked after by a good body of fanciers. Owing to the illness of the hon. sec., the brunt of the work fell upon the shoulders of the show manager, Mr. J. W. Jones, and he had the valuable assistance of the hon. treas., Mr. L. Bousfield, and right well did they do their work, as everything passed off as smoothly as clockwork. When we left the hall was crowded with visitors, and everything pointed to a financial success. The awards were made by Mr. J. H. Payne, and everybody seemed well pleased.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. YEL. OR TKD. (amalg.) (11): 1, 3, Banbury, good shape and feather, nice wing carr. and neat tail, good head and neck, level, but not hot in col., 3rd rare shape, substance, and qual., good col., showing horns a bit when judged; 2, Baker, lovely col. and qual., nice head and neck, good back, not quite so chubby; vhc, Miles; hc, Hulse; c, Farrer. BUFF (15): 1, 3, hc, Miles, lovely feather, grand back, wings, and tail, nice round clean skull, good col., nicely frosted, 3rd hot and level col., nice back, not quite so close in feather; 2, vhc, Baker, nice feather, short flights and tail, good shape and qual.; c, Oddie. HEN (15): 1, Miles, head tkd. buff, good size, shape and colour, nice head and neck; 2, Hulse, clear buff, nice shape and qual., well packed flights, neat tail, well over perch; 3, Howard, yell., lovely feather, neat head, wings, and tail, shapely, bit on the small side; vhc, Matthews; hc, Howard; c, Farrer; No. 10, Miles, grand yell., but wet when judged. UNFLIG. CK. (10): 1, 2, Pope, yell. nkd eyes, and wings, lovely col. and feather, nice shape, good wings and tail, tight as wax, takes sp. best Norwich, 2nd buff, good shape and feather, short body, flights, and tail, nice head and neck; 3, Hulse, grand shape, nice col. and qual., well packed flights and neat tail; vhc, Baker; hc, Clarke; c, Williams. HEN (7): 1, Hulse, yell., nice shape, good col. and qual., short flights and tail, neat head and full neck; 2, Williams, Mrs., nice feathered and shapely ci. buff, neat tail and wings, bit pale in col.; 3, Clarke, shapely buff, neat tail and wings, not quite so tight; vhc, Allen; hc, c, Matthews. MEMBERS, YELL. (14): 1, 3, vhc, Farrer, cl., nice shape and qual., good wings and tail, 3rd cl., nice shaped body, good chest; 2, Harris, nice qual., tkd., neat shape, good col.; hc, Matthews; c, Allen. BUFF (16): 1, Farrer, lovely shape and feather, neat head, wings, and tail, good back and chest; 2, Winter, grand feather, nice shape, good col., not quite so short in body; 3, Harris, nice shape and qual., neat wings and tail; vhc, Howard; hc, Basten; c, Matthews. YORKS., YELL. (11): 1, Dykes, lovely feather, col. and qual., stands well up, neat tail and wings, lovely back, nice head, wins well; 2, Bayes, long and slim, good stand, long flights and tail, well on leg, pale col.; 3, vhc, Mole, grand feather, nice position, neat flights and tail, not quite the length of others; hc, c, Bousfield. BUFF (12): 1, vhc, hc, c, Fulford, beautiful boxy feather, good stand and style, neat head, long flights, pipe tail; 2, Dykes, head and wing nkd., nice position, wings well braced, grand feather, bit stronger; 3, Mole, grand feather, stands well, nice flights and pipe tail. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Dykes, nkd. eyes and wings, smooth as a bottle, nice wings and pipe tail, grand back, clean under, wins; 2, 3, vhc, Fulford, cl., straight as a rush, well on leg, neat tail, well packed flights, not quite the qual. of winner, 3rd nice length, neat head, good qual., stands well; hc, Mole; c, Bousfield. BUFF (10): 1, vhc, Fulford, nkd. head, check, and right wing, straight as a pencil, slim built, well on leg, gets well up, pipe tail, nice boxy feather; 2, hc, Bousfield, H., cl., grand position, nice feather and style, hardly so slim; 3, Dykes, nice lengthy cl., good flights and tail, close up; c, L. Bousfield. UNFLIG. (13): 1, Dykes, long raking wing tkd. yell., long flights and tail, good feather and stand; 2, vhc, Mole, buff, nkd. check and wings, nice tail; 3, L. Bousfield, lengthy yell., nice qual. and position, inclined to cross wings at times; hc, Fulford; c, Holliday. MEMBERS' YELL. (10): 1, c, Harris, nkd. head and wings, good col. and qual., stands well up, slim built, nice wings, pipe tail; 2, 3, Kearle, grand col., nice feather, wings and tail, not quite so slim, 3rd slim built, variegd., good col. and style; vhc, hc, Maidment. BUFF (9): 1, 2, vhc, hc, Maidment, eye and neck tkd., nice position, capital feather, 2nd head and wing nkd., nice length, close feather, not quite so good in carr., 3, Cherrie, nkd. eyes and wing, good col., nice back; c, Harris. NOV. CREST (9): 1, vhc, Gale, nkd. wings, nice leafy circular crest of good droop and radiation, neat centre, good back crest; 2, Davey, long frontal crest, good droop and radiation, runs shade narrow at back; 3, Allen, nice dip and frontal, beaten at sides; hc, c, Miss Onslow. C.B. (8): 1, Davey, rare length of head feather, both fore and aft, nice skull formation, good body; 2, Mrs. Spooner, nice dome shaped skull, dense and long head feather, good back skull; 3, c, Miss Onslow, nice length of head feather, good shaped skull; vhc, Gale; hc, Fellowes. NON-COL FED. (11): 1, Kearle, yell. Yorks., grand feather, nice length and position; 2, vhc, Farrer, yell. Nor., nice shape and feather; 3, Allen, shapely yell. Norwich, good back, flights and tail; hc, Bousfield; c, White. PAIRS (12): 1, Davey, grand Crest and C.B., wins well; 2, Oddie, Norwich, good size, shape and col.; 3, Gale, good Crest and C.B.; vhc, L. Bousfield; hc, Baxter; c, Goodland. COLLECTION (5): 1, Goodland, Nor., well up in size, good shape, and full of col., level lot.; 2, hc, Miss Onslow, nice lot of Crests and Crestbreds; 3, c, Farrer, nice lot of Crests; vhc, Matthews. CHALLENGE CUP (10): 1, cup, Miss Onslow, Crest, nice spread, good droop, radiation and centre, capital body, a popular win; 2, Fulford, yell. Yorks., straight as a rush, stands like a Guardsman, nice length of side, capital wings and tail, takes spl. for best Yorks; 3, Howard, nice shaped yell. Nor., good col., nice flights and tail; vhc, Kearle; hc, Matthews; c, Fulford. NOV. CAN. or MULE (10): 1, hc, Mrs. Farrer, yell. Nor., capital shape, nice col. and qual.; 2, Miss Onslow, nice C.B., good head feather; 3, Miss Heath, nice feathered dark buff Goldfinch-Can. Mule; vhc, Norris; c, Miss Baxter. CAN. MULE or BRIT. FINCH (17): 1, Miss Gyers, lightly nkd. Goldfinch-Can. Mule, good feather; 2, Jones, Goldfinch, nice face, bars and buttons; 3, Mrs. Briant, good shaped variegd. buff Nor., rare size; vhc, Mrs. Ladford; hc, Bulmont; c, Reynolds. GIFT CLASS (10): 1, Basten; 2, Bousfield; 3, Davis; vhc, Miss Onslow; hc, Winter; c, Howard. DARK (13): 1, vhc, Bowlek, Can.-Bullfe, rare size and shape, grand feather, beautiful col. and markings, rare head and cap, a clinker; 2, Peake, jonque Goldfinch, feathered like boxwood, shines like satin, nice face and col., good shape, another gem, in the pink; 3, c, Miss Bousfield, buff Goldie, rare flush, good size, col. and shape, another good one; hc, Lamb. HYBRID (7): 1, Lamb, Linnet Bullie, nice size, shape and col., beautifully feathered; 2, hc, White, Greenfinch Bull-Linch, nice size and shape, grand feather and condition; 3, vhc, Collins, Goldfinch-Redpoll, nice size, shape and feather, shows parentage distinctly. GOLDFINCH (17): 1, Cheney, nice bright scarlet blaze of good shape, lovely buttons and bars, well tanned chest, grand feather; 2, Burr, bit larger in blaze, good size and shape, not quite so good for buttons and tanning, still close up; 3, Cheney, grand feather, nice bars and buttons, good col. blaze; vhc, Elston; hc, c, Miss Thomas. BULLFINCH (17): 1, sp. best Hardbill, Carrier, a really grand Bullie, lovely breast col., very distinct bars, large dense coloured cap, grand back, clean at thighs, put down to the minute; 2, Cheney, lovely feather, grand back and bars, nice shape and condition, not quite the depth of breast col., still a good one; 3, Poole, rare cap, size and shape, nice breast col., not quite the feather; vhc, Burr; hc, Smith; c, Searle. LINNET or TWITE (11): 1, Miss Bousfield, Twite, nice shape, feather and condition, good side and wing markings, shows well; 2, hc, Burr, Linnet, nice shape, feather and pencilling; 3, Prior, Twite, capital col., nice feather and markings; vhc, Cheney; c, Collins. REDPOLL or SISKIN (13): 1, Miss Bousfield, Siskin, yell., rare size and shape, good cap and col., well marked flanks, in grand trim; 2, Poole, mealy Redpoll, grand markings and condition, nice bib; 3, Collins, lovely coloured Lesser Redpoll, good feather, bib and side markings; hc, Francis; c, Prior. GREENFINCH, ETC. (17): 1, 2, Miss Bousfield, grand Yellow Bunting, rare size, shape and col., nice V and cheek marks, in the pink of condition; 2nd, a Snow Bunting, lovely col., shape, feather and markings, grand form; 3, vhc, Francis, Bramble, good size, shape and col., well spangled; hc, Prior; c, Collins. SOFTBILL (11): 1, 3, vhc, Miss Bousfield, Waxwing, lovely feather and col., grand waxings, rare form, a gem; 3rd, good coloured Dartmouth Warbler; 2, c, Tout, Tree Creeper, nice markings, good size, feather and condition; hc, Welsh. FOR., LARGE, PARROTS, ETC. (8): 1, Sanby; 2, Matthews; 3, Miss McCheane; all the winners Amazons, and close together, winner has the pull in size; vhc, Hoare; hc, Davis; c, Darville. BUDGERIGARS (6): 1, Mrs. Jones, lovely pair of yellows, grand size and feather, in fine trim; 2, Bassett, fine pair of greens, well marked, nice size and feather; 3, Potter, close up; vhc, hc, Edmunds. SMALL PARROTS or PARRAKEETS (6): 1, vhc, hc, Edmunds, Many-coloured Parrakeet, grand feather, colour and condition; 2, c, Miss Bousfield, grand pair of Red-rumps, fine condition; 3, Lydford, fine Brazilian Parrot, nice colour and feather. A.O.S. FOR. (17): 1, 2, 3, vhc, c, Bousfield, Blue Sugarbird, a gem for feather and col., in perfect condition; 2nd, grand White-capped Tanager, nice soft colour and grandly feathered; 3rd, fine feathered and rich coloured Haugnest; hc, Slade; grand class.

BRISTOL.

Held Nov. 13 in the Kingsley Hall. There were 250 entries—not so many as had been expected, and the society certainly merited a better result. We hope they will not be discouraged, but try again. Mrs. B. Pool, the hon. sec., and her very able committee are to be congratulated on the excellent management of the show, and the fine hall in which it was held. Mr. J. H. Roe judged.

NOR., BRED 1912 (12): 1, 3, Houghton, leader cl. yell., splendid shape and col., bold head and neck; 3rd, variegd. buff, stylish, fine shape and col.; 2, hc, Mitchell, cl. buff, well shaped, bold head, nice wings and tail; vhc, Tristem; c, Bennett. NOV. (14): 1, Phillips, buff, fine size, well carried wings, excellent qual.; 2, Lewis, good col., nice body, smart head and neck; 3, Wyndham, yell., good size and style, exquisite qual.; vhc, Hudd; hc, F. W. Hudd; c, Greenslade. YORKS., YELL. (10): 1, Stonelake, fine length, good legs, clean cut, rich col.; 2, Greenslade, cl., lengthy, smart, neat head, wings and tail; 3, Mrs. York, splendid style and pos.; vhc, F. J. York; hc, Richards; c, Hall. HEN (14): 1, Greenslade, buff, smart, very typical, exquisite feather; 2, Brett, yell., real good length, nice feather, well balanced on legs; 3, Jones, buff, fine qual., splendid feather; vhc, hc, Stonelake; c, Mrs. York. BRED 1912 (15): 1, cup, Stonelake, cl. yell., beauty, splendid length and pos., smart style, well carr. wings, excellent qual.; 2, F. J. York, cl. yell., well drawn, fine length and pos., excellent qual.; 3, Bousfield, very nice yell., good length and shape; vhc, Weeks; hc, Keegan; c, Lovell. NON-FED (11): 1, vhc, Lovell, variegd. yell., rare good length and pos., splendid feather; 2, Bousfield, cl. buff, fine pos. and shape, not quite so good feather; 3, Greenslade, yell., nice length, qual. and pos.; hc, Rossignol; c, Pace and Williams. NOV. (13): 1, Gardiner, fine length, lovely feather and qual.; 2, Mikon and Cooper, yell., stylish, grand length, requisite qual.; 3, vhc, Davies, buff, good feather, smart pos.; hc, Brett; c, Horler. GOLDFINCH (12): 1, Winstone, fine col., big, well-cut blaze, fine bird; 2, Cheney, we liked, lovely big face; 3, Risseria, nice col. and markings, good face; vhc, Pool; hc, Bull; c, Elvton. FOR. (11): 1, 3, Miss Bousfield, White-capped Tanager, and Black Gouldian, two gems; 2, Mrs. Sage, handsome Senegal Parrot; vhc, hc, Wyndham; c, Mrs. Sager. MEMBERS—CRESTS (3): 1, Pool; 2, 3, Fletcher. C.B. (2): 1, 2, Pool. NOR. YELL. (3): 1, Houghton; 2, Pool; 3, Tristem. BUFF (3): 1, Pool; 2, Tristem; 3, Fletcher. HENS (4): 1, 2, Houghton; 2, vhc, Tristem. BRED 1912 (4): 1, 2, cup, Houghton; 3, vhc, Tristem. NON-FED (2): 1, Buckland; 2, Granfield. NOV. (1): Hudd. YORKS. YELL. (5): 1, no name; 2, hc, Buckland; 3, Stonelake; vhc, Keegan. BUFF (3): 1, Keegan; 2, Buckland; 3, Fletcher. HENS (3): 1, Stonelake; 2, 3, Pool. BRED 1912 (6): 1, Stonelake; 2, vhc, Lovell; 3, Keegan; hc, Fletcher. NON-FED (5): 1, 3, Buckland; 2, Keegan; vhc, Price. NOV. (3): 1, 3, Hudd; 2, Davies. MULES, LIGHT (2): 1, 2, Stonelake. DK. (3): 1, Manley; 2, vhc, Pool; 3, Coggins; hc, Watts. HYB. (1): Fletcher. GOLDF. (4): 1, 3, Watts; 2, Coggins; vhc, Manley. GREYPATE (4): 1, Mrs. Woodward; 2, Watts; 3, Coggins; vhc, Price. BULLF. (1): Watts. LINNET (4): 1, 2, vhc, Pool; 3, Coggins. FIELD-MOULTED (2): 1, Pool; 2, Manley. SISKIN, ETC. (3): 1, 3, Pool; 2, Hudd; vhc, Manley; hc, Coggins. GREENF., ETC. (7): 1, Coggins; 2, vhc, Pool; 3, hc, Manley; c, Fletcher. BUNTING (3): 1, Coggins; 2, 3 Manley. SOFTBILL, LARGE (1): 1, Manley. SMALL (3): 1, 2, 3, cup, Coggins.

BANGOR (Ireland).

The Bangor (Co. Down) C.B.S. held their third annual open show on Nov. 14 and 15, in the Dufferin Hall (a most convenient room for the purpose. Unfortunately the show clashed with Dundalk and Derry, hence the poor support in most of the classes. Another year it would be advisable to spend with CAGE BIRDS, and be put on the guaranteed list. This will avoid clashing, and exhibitors will know where to send to. It will also stop a lot of ill-feeling between societies. Each will have its own date, and better support all round. Quality was in evidence in all the exhibits. The Canary section was down in numbers to previous years, but the Brit. and Hyb. were a great show. The Siskin Mules were really great. Mr. McConaghie makes an ideal show manager. He was ably backed up by Mr. Shannon (chairman), who is a keen Brit. fancier. G. Absolom (hon. treas.) and the stewards, who tended to the wants of the visitors and birds alike. Messrs. Alexandra, Brennan, Carleton, and R. Stewart. The exhibition was opened by the President (John M. Meekan, Esq., J.P.), who congratulated the society on the quality of the birds. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, Liverpool, placed the awards, and gave entire satisfaction.

The Critique.

CRESTS: 1, 2, Bowman, leader, well formed massive crest, well radiated from centre; 2, small but neat crest, fails droop to winner. NOR. CL. YELL. (2): 1, 3, Thompson, real good chap leading, rare bold head and neck, glorious feather, seems to have fault with one eye; 2, Connell, short and compact, fair chest, short flights, crosses wing; 3, slightly longer, magnificent feather. YELL. HEN: 1, Teasey, sweet lady, exquisite feather and style, good head and neck; 2, 3, J. Stewart, two fair girls, smaller and hardly so good in feather, very cobby. CL. BUFF: 1, Thompson, bouncing big chap, capital head and neck, carries nice meal; 2, vhc, Connell, another good one, makings of a big bird later; 3, Foreman, monster, takes spl. for largest bird, fails head only. HEN: 1, Foreman, sweet and dainty damsel, smart clothing, real good bold head and neck, round as a ball; 2, 3, Stewart, two more of the right sort, short wings and flights, carries nice meal; vhc, Tearey. TKD., ETC., YELL.: 1, 3, Thompson, brace of beauties, leader thigh tkd., good head and neck, boat shape, fair level col.; 3, variegd., shade long, good stock bird; 2, Finley, variegd., stormer for size and col., bold head, well filled in neck, square wing; vhc, Montgomery; hc, Miss Lyle. HEN: 1, 2, Teasey, two nice exhibits, small but neat heads, size required only. VARIEG. BUFF CK.: 1, Thompson, looks like the old champion going a bit long, rare head and bold eye, good chest; 2, Foreman, grizzle back, monster, fails head to winner; 3, Connell, very fair head; vhc, Miss Lyle. HEN: 1, Finley, good bold front, well mealed, nice carr.; 2, Foreman, capital style, well put down. NOV. CK.: 1, 3, M. Bride, couple of big head birds, buff leading; 2, Brennan, looks like a hen, and good one at that. HEN: 1, 2, M. Bride, two small ladies, full of style and type, wants massive yellow for them; 3, Miss Lyle, neat exhibit, well staged, backward in size only. YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, Conn. Tausey, straight as a pike staff, rare qual. of feather, shall but unlighted; 2, S. Stewart, very racy, good flights, and tail, shows a slight frill. TKD. CK.: 1, Conn. Tausey, variegd., good big one, round as a pencil stock bird; 2, Montgomery, long racy bird, trifle thin, nice feather. BUFF HEN: 1, Conn. Tausey, as nice a hen as we have seen for a long time, round and perfect type, rare sweep; 2, Montgomery, long and racy, pale col., slight frill; 3, Stewart, good bird, but faints when handled. NOV. CK.: 1, Beattie, real Yorkie, straight as an arrow, smart quality and style; 2, 3, Hunter, brace of neat exhibits, nice length of flights, well put down; vhc, c, Dunwoody, good birds spoilt in wash; hc, Verner. HEN: 1, 3, Malcolm, two sweet ladies, well polished up, quite smart in appearance, a credit to owner; 2, Beattie, topping buff hen, round and charming feather, must have had her head in the inkpot, which kept her back; vhc, Peake; hc, Dunwoody. CINN MKD. CK.: 1, Conn. Tausey, charming long fellow, good wings and back, fails qual.; 2, Stewart, smart and well groomed, fails length to above. HEN: 1, Stewart, good hen, bonny back and neck, charming feather; 2, Montgomery, racy hen, fails feather and head. MEMBERS. NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, D. Carleton; 3, vhc, hc, Absolom. HEN 1, Alexander; 2, 3, vhc, Carleton. BUFF CK.: 1, R. Stewart; 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, D. Carleton. HEN 1, McConaghie; 2, 3, vhc, Carleton. CAN. MULE, LIGHT: 1, 2, 3, St. wart. DARK: 1, Shannon; 2, Brennan; 3, Wilson. SISKIN MULE: 1, Alexander; 2, Carleton; 3, Shannon; vhc, Stewart; c, Absolom. GOLDFINCH: 1, Carleton; 2, Stewart; 3, vhc, Alexander; hc, Shannon; c, McConaghie. LINNET: 1, Carleton; 2, Alexander; 3, Shannon; vhc, hc, Beattie. SISKIN T or R.: 1, 3, Absolom; 2, Shannon; vhc, Alexander. BULLFINCH, ETC.: 1, 3, vhc, hc, Carleton; 2, Alexander; c, Absolom.

WINDERMERE (Westmorland).

The Windermere fanciers held their first show (30 miles radius) on Nov. 14, in the Institute; an ideal place for a show of this kind. Messrs. G. Ion and E. Spront had everything well in hand, and a good staff of stewards to look after the exhibits. Mr. Charles Ward (Derby) judged, and gave every satisfaction.

NOR. CL. YELL. (8): 1, Heywood, grand shape, size and col., takes special best in show; 2, Tedcastle, all there for shape and col., neat head; 3, Dickenson, nice qual.; res, Clossley; hc, Dr. Allin; c, Dickinson. CL. BUFF (4): 1, Reed Bros., nice shape and col., wins; 2, Dr. Allin, neat body and feather; 3, Dent, good type and qual.; res, Dent. TKD., ETC., YELL. (4): 1, Crossley, grizzle cap, nice body and shape; 2, Tedcastle, head nkd., good col. and style; 3, Wearing, good variegs.; 4, Dr. Allin. TKD., ETC., BUFF (6): 1, Heywood, variegs., nice shape, size and head; 2, 3, Dickinson, variegs. and dark tailed almost clear, in order named, both rare qual.; res, Bell; hc, Dickinson. CL. YELL. YORKS. (6): 1, 2, Mackereth, couple of finely drawn birds, grand position; 3, Cafferty and Sons, rare type and qual.; res, Dr. Allin. BUFF (5): 1, Higginson, nice length and pos., rare col.; 2, Mackereth, nice shape and style; 3, Dr. Allin, all there for qual.; res, Moffatt; vhc, Cafferty and Sons. TKD., ETC. (1): Higginson, finely drawn, nice col. variegs.; 2, Clark, neck nkd., nice type; 3, res, Cafferty and Sons; vhc, Mackereth; hc, Moffatt. BORD., CL. YELL. (6): 1, no name in catalogue, really typical, grand col. and carr.; 2, vhc, Reed Bros., grand body and head, feathered like wax; 3, Thompson, grand shaped one, neat wing carr., very fit; res, Dickinson; hc, Ransome. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Dickinson, couple of neat good ones, both grand col. and smooth feather, neat heads; 3, Ransome, shapely and well shown; res, Mackereth; vhc, Simpson; hc, Thompson. TKD., ETC. (8): 1, Thompson, very rich col. head and wing nkd., lovely condition (claimed); 2, Simpson, variegd. buff, nice wings and style; 3, Ransome, grizzled neck buff, nice feather and shape; res, Reid Bros.; vhc, Clarke; hc, Armstrong. CINNAMONS, only two, both very nice colour and feather, shown by Mr. Jos. Wills. A.O.V. CANARY (5): 1, Vart, very good variegated buff Crest, nice feather and droop; 2, Dickinson, green Crest and silver clear cap Lizard, both rare quality; res, Vart; vhc, Miss Green. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Heywood, nice blaze and col., well shown Brit.; 2, Bell, large good col. Siberian; 3, Dent, very fair Brit.; res, Northover; vhc, Miss Cope. BULLFINCH (4): 1, Miss Wood, grand col. breast and wing bars; 2, Gibson, very steady, nice cap, rich breast; 3, Pearson, rather wild; res, Dixon. A.O.V. (3): 1, Dixon, nicely staged Yell. Bunting, lovely col. and marking; 2, Dewin, brown Linnet, nicely pencilled; 3, Dixon, moderate Jay. FOR. (20): 1, hon, lovely feathered South African Grey Parrot; 2, Dockray, pretty, well shown Amazon (blue fronted); 3, Clara, nice coloured Rosella Parrot.

CIRENCESTER.

Owing to the very poor support accorded the Cage Bird section in past years, only three classes were provided this by the Cirencester F. and F.A. for their show, held in the beautiful Bingham Hall Nov. 20th and 21st. The arrangements were splendidly carried out by the committee. Mr. W. G. Inward made a most excellent secretary, being most courteous and obliging in his dealing with exhibitors and most energetic in the carrying out of his duties. Mr. C. A. House judged.

CAN. (10): 1, sp, Burrows, long, slim, stylish well feathered, but pale coloured yell. Yorkie; 2, 3, Ireland, grandly feathered, nicely browed, good shaped variegd. C.B., and a very pretty wing nkd. Crest, of nice shape and droop; 4, res, Burrows, very hot yell. Nor., good shape and feather, and another good yell. Yorks.; vhc, Dibsdale; hc, Gillman; c, Miss J. Mullings. BRIT. AND FOR. (6): 1, sp, Holloman, very rich coloured, grandly feathered Bullie, excellent shape, grand cap and back; 2, res, Wallis, grandly nkd., neat feathered, showy Cordon Bleu; 3, 4, Lait, another topping Bullie, of rare col. and feather, and a very nicely nkd. pair of Budgerigars, in good feather; vhc, Ireland. CHILDRENS (6): 1, Alice Pouting; 2, vhc, Rita Harrison; 3, Walter Strange; 4, Fred Telling; res, Walter Cole.

ST. MARY CHURCH AND BABBACOMBE.

Annual show held Nov. 20th, in Town Hall. The birds were nicely staged in a snug corner and looked most attractive. Yorks contained some classy birds, especially yellows, Crests, and C.-B. were also good, Mr. G. Williams winning spl. for best Canary with a magnificent Crest. The British were a credit to any show, the spl. winner, a Magpie, being a regular stormer. This society is most fortunate in possessing such a smart set of officials. The Chairman (Mr. Hamlyn) is a hard-working and real fancier, as also is Mr. R. Wills, the Vice Chairman, while too great praise cannot be bestowed on the Hon. Sec., Mr. R. H. Bearne, who is ably assisted by his wife. Mr. J. N. Jeffery judged and gave satisfaction.

YORKS (Colour-fed): 1, spl, 2, 3, Bishop, yell. of good size leading, nice style, well folded tail, good col. and quality; 2, 3, a yell. and a buff hen, very close feather, neat throughout; res, vhc, c, Berry. NAT. COL.: 1, res, hc, c, W. Clay, yell., grand back, wings and tail, lovely qual., well shown; 2, Sanders, buff, nice length, feather like boxwood, well mealed; 3, vhc, Berry, orange buff, splendid feather. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, vhc, Bishop, darker yell., nice position, grand back, well folded tail; 2, buff, splendid col. and qual.; 3, hc, Berry, grand size and quality, good wings and tail; res, c, Sanders. CREST and C.-B.: 1, spl, Williams, grand Crest, heavily variegd., abundance of feather, nicely radiated; 2, 3, vhc, Williams, 2nd light variegd., dark crest, very even and neat, nice droop; res, hc, Berry; c, Lord. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, sp, Berry, yell. Belgian, grand shoulders, nice and nervy; 2, 3, Clay, nice pair yell. Borders. SMALL BRIT.: 1, Berry, sweet Goldfinch, nice square blaze, well up in col., good rich breast and back; 2, 3, res, hc, Wills, former large Bullfinch, grand cap and col., nice wing bars; 3rd very steady, cage-moulted Bramble, rich col. LARGE: 1, spl, Beare, Magpie, well shown, splendidly defined markings, easy winner; 2, 3, res, Wills, smart and well spangled Starling, grand gloss, very steady, 3rd Blackbird, nice size and col. LINNET: 1, 2, Wills, grandly laced pair, steady; 3, Nickels, rich col., wants steadying, field-moulted.

CITY AND COUNTY OF PERTH.

Members' show, held in Good Templars' Hall, Nov. 16th. There was a fair turn-out of young birds and the quality was good all round. Cup for young Crest, and also cup for C.B. was won by Mr. Blyth. Cup for best young Norwich was won by Mr. Kerr with a nice non-fed cock, the runner-up being Mr. Carstairs, with a very good non-fed hen; special for best young Canary in show was won by Mr. Kerr with a tidy yellow Border hen. Mr. Harris, Lochgelly, judged, and his awards gave general satisfaction.

NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Blyth; 2, 4, Crawford; 3, sp, Fullarton; 5, sp, Mooney. HEN: 1, Mooney; 2, Forrest; 3, sp, Fullarton. BUFF CK.: 1, Mooney; 2, Kerr. HEN: 1, Fullarton; 2, Kerr. UNFED: 1, sp, cup, Kerr; 2, Carstairs. HEN: 1, sp, 2, Carstairs. CK., ANY AGE: 1, Blyth; 2, 6, Forrest; 3, sp, Crawford; 4, 7, Mooney; 5, Kerr. HEN: 1, sp, Kerr; 2, Dunlop; 3, Forrest; 4, Borrie; 5, sp, Fullarton; 6, Birk. CREST: 1, sp, cup, 2, Blyth. HEN: 1, Blyth. C.B.: 1, sp, cup, Blyth; 2, 3, sp, Bruce. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Blyth; 4, sp, Bruce. OLD CREST: 1, sp, 4, Duncan; 2, 3, sp, Cochrane. HEN 1, 2, Duncan. C.B.: 1, 3, Blyth; 2, Bruce. HEN 1, 4, Blyth; 2, 5, sp, Cochrane; 3, 6, Duncan. BORD. CK. 1912: 1, Munro; 2, sp, 5, Borrie; 3, Bruce; 4, Kerr; 6, sp, Duncan. HEN: 1, two sps, Kerr; 2, sp, Bruce; 3, sp, Munro; 4, 5, Borrie; 6, Kerr; 7, Duncan. OLD CK.: 1, Munro; 2, Borrie; 3, sp, Kerr. HEN: 1, sp, Munro; 2, Borrie. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, sp, 2, Smith. SELL.: 1, sp, Kerr; 2, 4, 5, Carstairs; 3, Blyth. HEN: 1, 2, 3, sp, Carstairs. GOLDFINCH: 1, sp, 4, Cranna; 2, 3, Mooney; 5, Dunlop. BULLFINCH: 1, 2, Cranna; 3, Dunlop. HEN A.O.V.: 1, sp, 3, Cranna; 2, Roy; 4, Dunlop. LINNET: 1, Mooney; 2, Kerr; 3, sp, Dunlop; 4, 5, Brown. SISKIN: 1, sp, Kerr; 2, Cranna; 3, sp, Brown; 4, Mooney. REDPOLL: 1, Dunlop; 2, Cranna. GREENFINCH: 1, sp, Roy; 2, Cranna; 3, sp, Mooney; 4, Duncan. A.O.V.: 1, Dunlop. MULE, BRED 1912: 1, sp, 2, Roy; 3, Brown.—J. Kerr, Sec.

Despite the large number of pages devoted to Show Reports, and the remarkable number of fixtures dealt with therein, we have been regretfully compelled to hold several over until next week. Among these are accounts of the City and Suburban, Glasgow and West of Scotland, Runcorn, Aberdeen (Bon Accord), Belfast, Edinburgh Norwich, M. and B.B.S., Blyth, Kilmarnock, and Camborne Shows.

AVONBRIDGE.

Ninth annual show held Nov. 16. The entries exceeded 470. Norwich filled poorly, two classes being cancelled. Borders excellent in numbers and quality, the cream of the Fancy being here on exhibition. Border Fancy medal was won by R. Lambie, Whitburn, with his yellow green cock; novice Border medal, Mr. Campbell, Biggar. British classes were also good, some real champions being on view. Bullie hens were superb. Challenge cup for most points over show was again won by Mr. R. Gentleman (Avonbridge) who put down a grand team. The society is blessed with a splendid patronage, likewise a hard-working committee, not forgetting the show managers, Messrs. Gentleman and Binnie, who did their best to please all. Norwich and Borders were judged by Mr. P. McKenzie (Kelso); Mules, Brit., and For., by Mr. Alex. McGillivray (Bo'ness), who kindly took over the duties at the last minute, Mr. Duncan (Kilsyth) being unable to attend. The judges got through their work in nice time, and seemed to have pleased everyone.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. or TK. YELL.: 1, Lawson, grand qual., nice stamp, good wing carr., nice level col., wins; 2, Sharp, another good one, fails in size to winner. N.FED CK.: 1, Gentleman, grand bodied, nice head, very steady, easy win; 2, Clordon, smaller in size, nice condition, neatly staged. HEN: 1, Reid, good head, nice chest, beautiful carr., good win; 2, Clordon, nice one for shape, good wings and tail, neat bend; 3, Gentleman, grand body, best of wings, presses hard; 4, Shields. CREST: 1, Lambie, nice frontal, good top-piece, neatly spread all-round, in grand order, wins; 2, Binnie, good one, heavier build all over, beaten here in qual. of feather; 3, Sharp, great length, abundance of leafy feather, not so good in frontal as winner, well placed; 4, Dunsmore. C.B.: 1, no name, large green, rare skull, good body, plenty of feather, in fine trim; 2, Binnie, variegs., fine size, all there for qual. of feather. BORD., CL. or TKD. YELL. (10): 1, Patterson, sweet bird, nice round head, rare body, well carried wings and tail, put down in the pink; 2, Smith, good one, nice typical bird, faultless cond.; 3, Murray, nice head, neat compact body, well tapered, close up; 4, Baxter, good exhibit, fails in cond.; 5, Arnott; 6, Gentleman; 7, Johnston. HEN (11): 1, Hamilton, grand bird, fine shape, nice qual. of feather, neat wings and tail, well staged; 2, Arnott, real good exhibit, nice level col., grand qual., close up; 3, Bennet, one of the right kind, beautiful feather, staged in faultless cond.; 4, Gentleman; 5, Dunsmore; 6, Stevenson; 7, Laidlaw. BUFF (5): 1, Arnott, head mkd., lovely qual., neat shape, full of life, staged to win; 2, Bennet, cl., grand bird, full of qual., grand wing carr., close up; 3, Patterson, larger than winners, but all there for qual., well placed; 4, Connor; 5, Stevenson. HEN (14): 1, Bennet, head and wing mkd., lovely qual. of feather, shapely, neatly tapered body, perfect little gem; 2, Arnott, grand exhibit, beautiful shape, lovely qual., neat carr.; 3, Hamilton, nice one for qual. and condition, well placed; 4, Patterson, grand Bord., sweet jaunty shape, neat fitting wings, must have pressed winners; 5, Murray; 6, Laidlaw; 7, Stevenson. SELF YELL. GREEN (9): 1, Lambie, one of the best for type and qual., nicely laced, wins well; 2, Campbell, nice type, but just a bit leggy, might perhaps have given way to 3, Bennet, in lovely order, good type and full of qual.; 4, Wilson, nice one for col., only a little rough in feather; 5, 6, Gentleman; 7, Boag. HEN (9): 1, Campbell, yell. green, nice order, good shape, well staged; 2, Bennet, good one, fult of type and qual., close on winner; 3, Lambie, grand type, nice wing carr., teeming with qual.; 4, 6, A. and W. Thomson, leader nice jaunty exhibit, rare col., neat wings and tail, must have pressed winners; 5, Gentleman; 7, Boag. SELF BUFF GREEN (8): 1, Fisher, nice jaunty exhibit, good wings and tail, lovely cond., well put down; 2, A. and W. Thomson, good bird, nicely moulded, shade slimmer than winner; 3, Lambie, all there for type and qual., real good one; 4, Gentleman, fine size and shape, barely finished; 5, Boag; 6, Campbell; 7, Wilson. HEN (7): 1, Wilson, fine type, nice jaunty style, good wing carr., good win; 2, Fisher, nice shape, in capital cond., neat wings, very steady; 3, 6, A. and W. Thomson, rich col., fine shape, good qual., nice round head, close up; 4, Dick, fine cond., a bit unsteady when we saw it; 5, 7, Gentleman. FOUL GR. OR CINN. HEN (10): 1, Campbell, nice green, grand order, neatly got up, wins; 2, Wilson, good cinn. for col. and qual., nice carr., well placed; 3, Bennet, green, grand type, nice glossy feather, staged to perfection; 4, no name, Green Bord., good cond.; 5, 7, Gentleman; 6, Whitelaw. YELL. CINN. (8): 1, Bennet, real good one put down in the height of fashion; 2, Patterson, another grand bird, in good order, full of type and qual.; 3, Arnott, close up, neat and compact in feather; 4, Gentleman, slimmer in build, good cond.; 5, 7, Wilson; 6, Johnston. BUFF (8): 1, 4, Gentleman, leader grand Bord., true to type, full of qual., capital cond.; 4, shade duller in col. than winner; 2, no name, lovely cond., fine wing carr., nice head and body; 3, Wilson, neat tapered body, in grand order; 5, Calder; 6, Arnott; 7, Lambie. EVEN MKD. (6): 1, 2, Arnott, Buff and yell., grand type, neat carr., good heads, hard to separate; 3, Docherty, Buff, fine qual., neat head and body, nicely staged; 4, 5, 6, Gentleman. A.O.V. (6): 1, Bennet, wing mkd., nice model, fine qual. of feather, spotless cond.; 2, Smith, eye and wing mkd., good body, nice head, well put down; 3, Murray, grizzle back, grand stamp, fine head and neck, very stylish; 4, Boag, eye marked, nice qual.; 5, Dunsmore; 6, Gentleman. A.O.V. HEN (8): 1, Patterson, eye and wing mkd., stylish, grand size, nice head and body; 2, Hamilton, eye and wing mkd., good one, rare order, fine head and wings, nice front; 3, Arnott, cinn. mkd., good type and qual., neat head, nice wing carr.; 4, Dick, buff, nice type, in good order; 5, Lambie; 6, Smith; 7, Gentleman. MULE. LIGHT or VAR. CAN. (1).—1, Martin, nice variegs., in good order. DK. (4): 1, 2, Steven, two nice sized mules, Goldfinch and Linnet, well up in col., nicely staged; 3, Sneddon, Linnet Mule, in good order; 4, Mrs. Livingston. GOLDFINCH (6): 1, sp, Sharp, fine size, rare tannings, nice square blaze, good wings, well staged; 2, Nicol, good blaze, well mkd. wings, fine cond.; 3, Gentleman, nice Finch, not so well finished as winners; 4, Bell; 5, Smith; 6, Steel. BULLFINCH (4): 1, Gentleman, good size, rich clean breast col., deep cap, lovely back and wing bars; 2, Shields, fails in size to winner, nice col., steady; 3, Miller, nice col. all over, unsteady when we saw it; 4, Nicolson, best conditioned in class, but fails in breast col. BULLFINCH HEN (11): 1, Stewart and Dalling, grand class, nice one, grand tone of col., good head and chest, nicely staged; 2, 5, 6, 7, Gentleman, leader fine shaped Bullie, sound rich col., must have pressed winner; 3, Steel, another good shaped finch, grand cond., well placed; 4, McGregor and Boyd, trifle smaller than winners, but real nice one. SISKIN (5): 1, McGregor and Boyd, nice tone of col., [illegible] in fine trim; 2, spl., 5, Gentleman, non fed. extra steady, grand markings, lovely order; 3, Morton, very high in col.; 4, Bald, nice shape, tight as wax, lovely mks., might have gone up here. LINNET, H.M. (5): 1, Nicolson, staged to perfection, real beauty, needs no comment; 2, McKinley, nice one for size and cond., but beaten her; 3, no name, small size, fine feather; 4, Smith, good size, grand cond., well penciled, many thought could have gone up one; 5, Steven. F.M. (7): 1, Robertson, grand size nice breast work, grand col., steady, well staged; 2, Dougall, good one, fair size, nicely pencilled, not so rich in col.; 3, Liddle, nice one, open in breast, bit unsteady yet; 4, 6, Gentleman, in good condition, falls in col to winners; 5, no name; 7, Bell. LARGER REDPOLL OR TWITE (5): 1, Scotland, mealy, real good one, great size, nice type, good lacing, nicely staged; 2, Gentleman, Twite, Bo'ness winner, nice size, good cond., well pencilled; 3, Quinn, mealy, grand size, pure col., very distinct mks.; 4, Calder; 5, Steel. LESSER H.M. (4): 1, Morton, nice mkd. Poll, high in col.; 2, Flood, clubby and shapely, rich col., grand mks., perfect cond.; 3, Gentleman, good size, grand mks., well placed; 4, Shields. F.M. (9): 1, Forrest, grand size, nicely mkd., rich col., very steady; 2, 3, 6, Gentleman, nice size, good tanning; 3, much the same in col. and mks. 4, Baird, nice one, smaller, well staged; 5, Morton; 7, Bell. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE (9): 1, Sharp, Challinch, grand level col., very distinct mks., clear win; 2, J. Sharp, large good col. Bramble, crosses wings a bit; 3, Stuart and Dalling, Challinch, rare size and shape, fails in breast col. to winner; 4, Nicholson, Bramble, grand col. and mks., nicely staged; 5, Gentleman; 6, Steven; 7, McKechnie. GREENFINCH FED (9): 1, Stuart and Dalling, Hamilton winner, grand shape and size, tip top cond., very uneven col., still a real Bathgate Greenfinch; 2, Miller, nice finch, scarcely the build of winner; 3, McGregor and Boyd, some preferred for 2nd, nice all round finch, grand cond.; 4, Archibald and McKinley, fine bird, close up; 5, Sharp; 6, Baird; 7, Richardson. NON-FED (7): 1, 2, Bald, two grand finches, in the pink of cond., well staged; 3, Steven, nice even colour, good lights, very steady; 4, Binnie, nice shape, beaten in size; 5, McGregor and Boyd; 6, Gentleman; 7, Dunsmore. F.M. (7): 1, Forrest, grand size and shape, nice col., steady; 2, Gentleman, Bouncer, some thought might have changed places; 3, Calder, in good feather, nice finch, well placed; 4, Flood, grand col. and cond.; 5, Bald; 6, Richardson; 7, Liddle. GREENFINCH HEN (2): 1, Morton, grand size, well up in col.; 2, Laing, good one, splendid cond. BUNTING (7): 1, Smith, large well mkd. Snow, in the best order, well placed; 2, Bald, grand big heavy pencilled Corn., nice bloom; 3, Miller, deep rich coloured Yellow, nice chest, rare mks.; 4, Steven, nice Blackcap, bit crouchy on perch; 5, no name; 6, Lawson; 7, Richardson. A.O.S. HEN (3): 1, Gentleman, large well conditioned Hawfinch, easy win; 2, Laing, nice Yell. Hammer, often described; 3, Steven, Bramble, very steady A.O.S. (2): 1, Gentleman, cock Hawfinch, in lovely order; 2, Showler, Blackbird, shining cond., well staged. FOR. GOLD. or BULLFINCH (9): 1, Robertson, Goldie, lovely condition, large deep crimson blaze, nice tan, grand wings, nice buttons, wins; 2, Stevenson, well-conditioned Bullfinch, in tip-top order; 3, Nicolson, Goldie, nice one, but smaller than winner, staged in the height of fashion; 4, Steven, Goldie, fails in cond. to winner; 5, no name; 6, McLean; 7, Waugh, said to be Hamilton winner.

COVENTRY O.S.

The Coventry O.S. held their 36th annual show at their headquarters, the Sydenham Palace. The room is acknowledged by the critics to be one of the best in the kingdom for a cage bird show. Mr. W. Vardy judged. The exhibition was opened by Alderman Drinkwater. Some of the best of the Canaries and British birds shown in this country were on view, and competition for the prizes offered was keen. Entries, though excellent, were not quite up to last year's total. Norwich were larger than usual not only in regard to Coventry, but to shows generally this season. In the hen class alone there were as many as 26 exhibits. In Crested and C.B., although the exhibits were somewhat fewer than usual, the quality of the birds was superior to what has been seen before. There was a fair entry of Cinnamons, and they were quite up to the standard. The Canary hybrids were, as a class, far in advance of anything which has been shown in Coventry before. Dark Canary hybrids included a number of capital specimens. The British were excellent, in the pink of condition and splendidly shown. In opening the show Ald. Drinkwater congratulated the committee on having got together so good an exhibition of birds, and upon the way they were staged. Apparently every care was given to the exhibits. He regretted that, owing to the show being held on licensed premises, it was not permissible for young people to visit the exhibition. He thought that such an exhibition would be as interesting and instructive to girls and boys, particularly boys, as the chrysanthemum show, which so many school children were visiting. He never knew anyone who was kind to animals and birds who was not kindly disposed and considerate to his fellows, and for that reason alone the hobby of bird-keeping was worthy of all the support that could be given to it.—On the proposition of Mr. Geo. Peters, seconded by Professor Eckersley, of Birmingham, and supported by Mr. Walton, of Leicester, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Ald. Drinkwater for his kindness in opening the show. The officers were: President, Mr. G. Peters; vice-presidents, Messrs. T. Gilbert and T. Judd; committee of management, Messrs. G. Lawrence, T. Chillingsworth, H. Mann, F. Swift, W. Davis, G. Coates, and H. Butler; hon. treasurer, Mr. J. Corrall; auditors, Messrs. G. Turrall and F. W. Harris; show stewards, Messrs. J. Tipping, W. J. Rowley, A. J. Lucas, F. Swift, J. Symonds, W. H. Raven, A. Orton, H. Pemberton, W. Staymaker, H. Spann, J. Shaddock, A. J. Smith, E. H. Jeacocks, and F. Laugharne; hon. sec., Mr. A. J. Barratt.

The Critique.

NOR., CL. YELL. (8): 1, Judd, nice size, grand col., good qual., nice head and neck, good wing carriage; 2, Harding, shade larger, thick-set bird, good head and neck, nice wings; 3, Eckersley, very similar bird to first, good head and neck, but hardly the col., nice qual.; vhc, Silver; hc, Walton and Noakes; c, Corrall. CL. BUFF (13): 1, Eckersley, large, thick-set bird, good col. and qual., nice head and neck, neat wings; 2, Judd, splendid type, nice wing carr., fails col. to winner; 3, Broadhurst, trifle shorter, nice thick-set bird, good head and neck, crosses wings at times; vhc, Peberdy; hc, Harding; c, Philpot. TKD. OR UNEVEN MKD. YELL. (12): 1, Sandiford's sp. Judd, variegs., a real hot 'un, good head and neck, nice even wings, good qual.; 2, Broadhurst, tkd. win, nice cobby bird, good head, neat wings; 3, Howe, heavily variegs., large bird, grand qual., well known, good old warrior; vhc, Eckersley; hc, Neal; c, Eckersley. Rowley wins Ramsden's special in this class; No. 2 bird, out of the tickets. TKD. BUFF (10): 1, Elliott, large bird, tkd. back of eye, good col. and qual., rather long in feather; 2, Harding, mkd. both eyes and one wing, good head and neck; 3, Willoughby, heavily variegs., grand shape, good col., nice qual., fails wing carr.; vhc, Broadhurst; hc, Walton and Noakes; c, Rowley. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Eckersley, tkd. eye, grand qual., good col., nice head and neck, pretty hen; 2, Walton and Noakes, tkd. eyes, trifle shorter, nice wing carr., very stylish hen; 3, vhc, Wright, cl., another very stylish lady of lovely qual., but hardly so large as leaders; hc, Harding; c, Brotherhood. BUFF (13): 1, Philpot, large cl., grand shape, nice feather, good head, neck and wings; 2, Bott, variegs., good type, nice even col., nice wing carr.; 3, c, Eckersley, shade smaller bird but of exquisite qual., and fine col., only loses in size; vhc, Nason; hc, Harding. UNFLIG. YELL (20): 1, Walton and Noakes, a gem for type, good head and neck, nice short flights and tail, wins, 2, Eckersley, lovely col. and qual., nice head and neck, good wings; 3, Hale, large bird, excellent col., hardly the qual. of leaders, a trifle longer; vhc, Elliott; hc, Harding; c, Judd. BUFF (20): 1, Hulse, grand col. and qual., good thick-set bird, good head and neck, nice wings; 2, Walton and Noakes, tkd. neck, good size and qual., fails col. to winner; 3, Dipple, lovely col and qual., fails wing carr.; vhc, Broadhurst; hc, c, Eckersley. HEN (26): Exceptionally strong class; 1, 2, Eckersley, tkd. buff and tkd. yell. respectively, two grand young hens, both of good type, lovely col. and qual., both stand out well; 3, Walton and Noakes, good col., qual. and wings not so typical as leaders; vhc, Judd; hc, Yates; c, Elliott. NAT. COL. (7): 1, Barratt, cl. yell., good type, nice qual., neat wings; 2, Bott, cl. buff, also of good type, nice wings; 3, Mason, cl. yell., fails qual. to winners; vhc, Blower; hc, Green; c, Lucas. CREST (4): 1, 2, Smith, leader cl. body D.C., good droop, nice veiny feather, neat centre, followed by nearly green, with very expansive crest, nice feather, good droop, well radiated, runs winner close; 3, Gilbert, cl., neat drooping crest, but not so massive as leaders; vhc, Mills. C.B. (4): 1, Smith, nearly green, good head feather, well laced; 2, Gilbert, variegs., large cushioned head, plenty of feather; 3, Groves, nearly green, good head, well clothed with nice veiny feather. CREST OR C.B., BRED 1912 (8): 1, Groves, crest very neat, good centre, nice body feather; 2, Smith, yell. green C.B., nice qual. of feather, good head; 3, Mills, variegs. C.B., massive head, well clothed, nicely browed; vhc, hc, c, Peters. CINN. (5): 1, Baker, Jonque, lovely col., nicely laced, good wing carr.; 2, vhc, Nason, larger bird, good col. and qual.; 3, Mills, large unflighted buff, good type, nice col. and qual.; hc, Baker. YORKS. CK. (5): 1, Dykes, cl. buff, nice qual., good col., finely drawn; 2, vhc, Buckingham, good lengthy bird, good col. and qual., close up; 3, Spann, variegs. yell., long, slim bird, but hardly ready; hc, Dicker. HEN (5): 1, Dicker, cl. buff, lovely col. and qual., neat wings and tail; 2, Symonds and Son, good col. and qual., nice wing carr., could do with a wash; 3, Dykes, nice qual., neat wings and tail, fails col. to winners; vhc, Buckingham; hc, Spann. UNFLIGHTED (5): 1, Buckingham, good lengthy buff, nice level back, neat tail; 2, Dykes, yell., good col. and qual., not so perfect in wings; 3, vhc, Dicker, nice col. and qual., but frills on breast; hc, Spann. A.O.V. (4): 1, 3, Symonds and Son, leader green Yorks., good col., very stylish bird, followed by Cinn. Yorks., good col.; 2, Smith. Bord., nice qual., good head, neat wings; vhc, Nason. LIGHT CAN. MULE (7): 1, 3, vhc, Lawrance, leader tkd. wings, nice qual.; 3rd, grizz. face, otherwise cl., both in good condition, well known; 2, Gilbert, tkd. wing, good face and in nice condition; hc, Raby; c, Tew. DK. CAN. MULE (9): 1, vhc, c, Lawrance, Siskin-Can., grand col., good size, nicely mkd.; 2, Goole, Goldfinch-Can., lovely col. and qual., in A1 condition; 3, Cayless, rich col., tight as wax, in splendid condition; hc, Jeacock. HYB. (7): 1, 2, 3, c, Lawrance, Can.-Bullie, grand col. and qual., Goldfinch-Bullie, fair size, good face, nice condition, Chaffinch-Bramblefinch, in order named; vhc, Gilbert; hc, Skepworth. BRIT. GOLD OR BULLFINCH (13): 1, Baseley, Bullfinch, good size and col., nice rich cap; 2, Gilbert, good col., neat cap, very steady; 3, Turner, Goldfinch, good face, nice size, well buttoned, good bars, rather wild; vhc, Allen; hc, Poole; c, Clarke. GREENFINCH (7): 1, 2, Lawrance, both large birds of good col. and qual.; 3, vhc, Gilbert, good col. and condition, but not so large; hc, Smith; c, Turner. LINNET (7): 1, vhc, hc, Lawrance, rich nutty-brown, beautiful condition, nicely pencilled, very steady; 2, 3, Gilbert, both larger, well mkd., in nice condition, but not the col. of winner; c, Jeacocks. SISKIN, REDPOLL, OR TWITE (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Gilbert, leader Siskin, nicely mkd., good col., very steady, followed by two Twites, good col., lovely markings, very steady; hc, Raby; c, White. A.O.S. SMALL (10): 1, 2, hc, Gilbert, 1st Corn Bunting, in grand condition, lovely mkd., good col., followed by Hawfinch, good size and bib, nice condition; 3, Baseley, Hawfinch, better col., but not so large; vhc, Brandish; c, Brotherhood. SEED-EATING HENS (9): 1, Lawrance, Bramble, lovely col. and condition; 2, 3, vhc, c, Gilbert, Yell. Bunting, nicely mkd., in splendid condition, followed by Hawfinch, well mkd., good bib; hc, Lucas. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (5): 1, Burrows, Blackbird, nice col. and condition, rather wild; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Tarrell, all Thrushes, 2nd and 3rd two well mkd. birds, but wants taming down a bit. INSECTIV., SMALL (4): 1, vhc, Coates, 1st Yellow Wagtail, in fine form, well shown; 2, Jeffreys, Nightingale, good col., in fine condition; 3, Gilbert, Lesser Whitethroat, pretty exhibit. A.O.S. (1): 1, Lawrance, Waxwing. FOR.: 1, 2, Buckingham, 1st Crimson Finch, nicely mkd., and in good condition, followed by Gouldian Finch, lovely col., in A1 condition; 3, Beet, Paradise Whydah, in good feather; vhc, Baseley; hc, Labraham; c, Hadley.

STOCKSBRIDGE.

Fourth annual members' show held in the National Schools, Nov. 9. About 70 birds faced the judge, Mr. J. Woolhouse, of Sheffield. Rather disappointing in numbers, but excellent in quality. Mr. J. Evans put down a team of Crests (not for competition), and Mr. W. J. Watts had some lovely foreign birds on view, which proved a source of attraction to the visitors, especially the ladies. The awards appeared to give every satisfaction. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, Sampson; 3, vhc, Elliott; c, Oates. BUFF: 1, 3, Sampson; 2, vhc, Elliott. BUFF HEN: 1 Sampson; 2, Oates. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, hc, Sampson; 2, 3, vhc, Elliott. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Sampson; vhc, Oates; hc, Elliott; c, Eyre. NAT. COL.: 1, Watts. YELL. NOR.: 1, vhc, Howe and Senior; 2 Hoyle; 3, Bainbridge. BUFF: 1, 3, vhc, Bainbridge; 2, Tattersall; hc, Hoyle; c, Howe and Senior. YELL. HEN: 1, Howe and Senior; 2, Bainbridge; 3, Tattersall. BUFF: 1, Moore; 2, Tattersall; 3, c, Bainbridge; vhc, hc, Hoyle. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, Hoyle; 2 Moore; 3, Howe and Senior; vhc, Tattersall. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Bainbridge; 3, Moore; hc, c, Howe and Senior. NAT. COL.: 1, 3, Watts; 2, Tattersall; vhc, Watter; hc, Howe and Senior. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, 2, Watts.

ASHINGTON & HIRST.

Ninth members' show, held in Mechanics' Hall, Nov. 9th. Over 300 exhibits were staged, and competition was keen all through, especially in the Norwich section and Borders. Sandiford's silver medal was won by Mr. T. Thompson. Silver medal for best Border in the show, Mr. J. Lock; silver cup for best bird in the show, by Mr. R. Hancox. Everything was nicely arranged by a hard working committee, and the secretary had everything in ample order; he had not a minute to spare. There was a grand turn out of Norwich pairs, a credit to their owners; also a fine lot of pairs of Borders. The attendance was very satisfactory. Mr. J. Stanger judged and seemed to please all round.

The Critique.

NOR., CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, c, Thompson, easy win, variegs., grand head, clean cut, set down in grand form; 2, vhc, Armstrong, cl., very nice feather, loses in size; 3, Richardson, variegs., not so fine in feather; hc, Lackey. BUFF: 1, vhc, Armstrong, cl., grand feather, full of qual., easy win; 2, hc, Richardson, another grand bird, eye saddle mkd.; 3, Thompson, head a bit long; c, Hall. CL., ETC., HEN: 1, Lackey, bad to separate from 2nd, grand hen; 2, vhc, Thompson, another good one, mkd. eyes and both wings; 3, Richardson, cl., a nice bird; hc, Hall; c, Dipple. BORD. CK., CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, Anderson, set down in grand form, grand tail and wings, like wax; 2, Lock, ran winner hard; 3, c, Ross, a little gem, in grand feather; vhc, hc, J. Graham; c, Dipple. BUFF: 1, Dear, grand feather, nice tail, good in wings; 2, Ross, ran winner hard, set down in show form; 3, Gardner, four mkd., in grand feather; vhc, Greener; hc, Dipple; c, Hall. CL., ETC., HEN: 1, Graham, buff, in grand feather, in the pink of condition; 2, c, Lock, yell., in lovely feather, grand wings and tail; 3, Hall, another little gem, cinn. mkd.; vhc, Anderson; hc, Armstrong. YKS., CL., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, Charlton, cl. yell., grand length, wins easy; 2, 3, Hancox, 2nd variegs., another really good bird; 3rd, bit wide in tail; vhc, Charlton; hc, King. BUFF: 1, 2, Charlton, wee bit small, like wax, in grand form; 2nd, not so good in feather as leader; 3, Hancox, saddle mkd., little heavy in tail; vhc, King. CL., ETC., HEN: 1, Anderson, cl., wins easy, lovely bird, well shown; 2, hc, Charlton, another nice bird, a bit wild; 3, vhc, Hancox, a bit coarse in feather compared with leaders. CINN. YELL. CK.: 1, c, Thompson, grand col. and good size, lovely feather; 2, hc, W. Hall, not so good in feather as leader; 3, Charlton, loses in feather; vhc, Anderson. BUFF: 1, 2, Thompson, 1st grand size, bad to part, wins; 2nd, a bit farther through moult; 3, Armstrong, another very nice bird; vhc, c, G. Hall; hc, W. Hall. CINN. HEN: 1, 2, G. Hall, 1st a grand yellow, in extra fine form; 2nd, buff, like a Bullfinch, grand chest; 3, hc, W. Hall, lovely yell., not the size of leaders; vhc, c, Thompson. A.O.V.: 1, hc, Thompson, Sandiford's medal, yell. green, a blaze of colour, wins easy, magnificent bird; 2, c, Graham, cinn. bird, like wax, shown in grand style, travels well; 3, vhc, Rowell, foul tail, cinn., nice size. NOR. PAIRS: 12 in class, not a bad pair in it; 1, sp, Lackey, grand buff cock and yell. hen, a fine pair, just wins; 2, Armstrong, yell., variegs. cock, a grand one, the buff hen was just a bit coarse or they might have won; 3, Thompson, another grand pair, not the size of leaders, ran 2nd hard; vhc, c, Richardson; hc, Rowell. BORD. PAIR: 1, 2, Rosebery, a nice level pair, should breed some champions; 3, vhc, Dear, very nice pair, also look like breeding winners; hc, Lawson; c, Graham. A.O.V. PAIRS: 1, Thompson, a pair of grand cinns., yell. cock and buff hen, good size; 2, 3, Rowell, Crests, hen bit small on head, and pair cinns., a bit larger than winner, the cock would not show when judged; vhc, Charlton; hc, Hall; c, Greener. NOV., CL., ETC., NOR. CK.: 1, vhc, Dunn, buff wins, good size, not the best of wings; 2, c, Baker, yell., runs winner hard; 3, hc, Greener, not the size of winners; c, Hall. HEN: 1, Greener, nice chubby hen, mkd. head, wins on size; 2, 3, vhc, J. Dunn, both grand feather, just a bit small; hc, c, Clark. BORD., CL., ETC.: 1, Dear, a little gem, like a bit of wax, grand feather; 2, Lock, another grand bird, runs winner hard, scarcely anything between them; 3, Dunn, a bit wild, but a nice bird; vhc, Greener; hc, c, Willis. HEN: 1, 3, Lock, medal for best bird in show, a real gem; 3rd, another of the same stamp; 2, vhc, Dear, runs winner hard, difficult to part them; hc, Barnfather; c, Greener. A.V. CAN. MULE OR HYB., NOV.: 1, 3, Baker, 1st green, a fine bird, wins; 3rd, cinn., wee bit soft; 2, Barnfather, runs winner hard; vhc, E. Clark. MULE OR HYB.: 1, cup, Hancox, wins cup for best bird in show, Goldie-Bullfinch, grand blaze, easy win; 2, Lakey, nice bird, but not in it with winner; 3, Hall, Gold.-Can. Mule; vhc, Gardner. LINNET: 1, Hancox, very nice markings, very steady, wins; 2, hc, Rowell, nice bird, runs winner hard, bit light on breast, good size; 3, vhc, Kiug, very nice markings, not the size of winners; c, Willis. BRIT. HARDBILL, H.M.: 1, 2, Gardner, Bunting, easy win, as steady as a clock; 2nd, Chaffinch, grand colours, lovely condition; 3, Charlton, Greenie, grand colour, fine qual.; vhc, Dipple; hc, Clark; c, Anderson. SOFTBILLS: 1, 3, Lackey, 1st Redstart, in grand form, wins easy; 3rd, Blackcap, drops wing a bit; 2, vhc, Rowell, Treecreeper, in grand feather, a bit wild. CAN. OR MULE (for first time exhibitors): 1, vhc, Clennan, very nice bird, in good form for a new starter; 2, Dear, much about the same, runs winner hard; 3, Barnfather, not the size of winners; hc, Lawson; c, Eastham.

MIDDLESEX O.S.

Annual members' show held Nov. 7, at St. John's Hall, Southall. Entries came up very well, and a good future for the society seems evident. Mr. Jeffery Jefferis staged a good team of Yorks. and won the rose bowl outright, Mr. Burrows being runner-up, and winning the silver medal. Other winners of specials were: Messrs. Bamber, Banyard, Crockett, Phipps and Hoxley, and Taylor. Mr. Burrows won special for best bird in show, presented by Mr. F. Easterling, with a very fine Greenfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid, bred by himself, a credit. Mr. F. Easterling judged to the satisfaction of all. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, sp, 2, Phipps and Huxley; 3, J. Smith. HEN: 1, J. Smith; 2, 3, Phipps and Huxley. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, 3, Phipps and Huxley. HEN: 1, 2, Phipps and Huxley; 3, J. Smith. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, Fletcher; 2, Jefferis; 3, Bamber; vhc, Bamber; hc, sp, Crockett; c, Wright. BUFF: 1, 3, Crockett; 2, Jefferis; vhc, Phipps and Huxley; hc, Banyard. YELL. HEN: 1, sp, Bamber; 2, Jefferis; 3, Crockett; vhc, Fletcher; hc, Phipps and Huxley; c, Banyard. BUFF: 1, 3, Taylor; 2, Jefferis; vhc, Wright; hc, Bamber; c, Banyard. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, 2 sps, Jefferis; 2, sp, c, Banyard; 3, hc, Wright; vhc, sp, Taylor. BUFF: 1, 3, Crockett; 2, Jefferis; vhc, Higgins; hc, Fletcher; c, Phipps and Huxley. GOLDFINCH: 1, sp, 2, Burrows; 3, vhc, c, Cambers; hc, J. Smith. LINNET: 1, Burrows; 2, J. Smith; 3, Cambers. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, sp, 2, Burrows; 3, Bamber; vhc, c, Cumber; hc, J. Smith. HYB.: 1, sp, Burrows. FOR.: 1, 3, Bamber; 2, hc, J. Smith; vhc, Higgins.

COWDENBEATH (Fife).

Grand Show; 750 Entries, and the Cream of the Fancy.

Second annual exhibition held Nov. 16, and the entry all over was a great advance on previous year. Scotch fancies were a choice selection, and, although a shade small in numbers, many of the classes were very keenly contested, and the judge, Mr. Rodgers, was very happy in his selection of the buff cock, well put down by Mr. Maxwell, as the best in section. Borders were a good all round lot, some real hot ones being out, the Fife breeders making themselves keenly felt in the prize list. The sp. for best and B. and C. medal winner was a grand buff hen, a real "wee gem," well shown by Mr. J. Anderson, and the win was a very popular one. Mr. J. Craig, of Brechin, judged (in the unavoidable absence of Mr. J. Patterson, who is, we were sorry to hear, still confined to his room through illness). Yorks. were a classic lot, and the numbers fairly good, and the judge's award for sp. in section, to a yell. cock well shown by Mr. R. Heggie, was well maintained, as it proved to be runner-up for sp. for best in show. Mr. Heggie had quite a large turn-out, and captured sp. for points in section. Mr. J. W. Bruce judged, and his awards were well received. Crests and Crestbreds were one of the features of the show, and the sp. for best went to Mr. Howie's old champion, often commented upon, but never looking better. Mr. Geo. Arnott judged these, and left nothing to be desired. Plainheads were a good lot, some real hot ones being out. The sp. for best was secured by a grand unflighted yell. cock, well put down by Mr. Watt. Mr. C. Campbell judged these, and his awards met with universal approval. Mules, British, etc., were an outstanding feature, such an array being seldom drawn together, and must have cost the judge a few anxious moments. Sp. for best and also best in show, was won by Mr. Jamieson's cl. buff Goldie, a good one, and well put down, a popular win. These classes were judged by Mr. L. J. Arrighi, and his awards were well received. Mr. Sykes, Scotland's foremost exhibitor at the present time, had a marvellous team out, and captured the sp. challenge cup for most points in the show, and he well deserved the honour. The management could not well be beaten, obliging stewards in galore attending the judges, all working like clockwork. Catalogues and slips to hand in good time. Birds returned first possible train. The secretary and treasurer, who were specialists in their line, had everything in apple-pie order. A grand hall, well lighted and free from draughts, and the staging well arranged. We must note the ideal staging erected at this show for the judging. The show was well patronised, and we hope to hear of a financial success.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY, CL. OR FL. YELL. (4): 1, 3, Stenhouse, leader the best in length, grand size, and plenty top end and droop, in rare order, 3rd shade slimmer, but good style and action; 2, 4, Cook, hard up on top end, good depth across, fine free action, beaten in length. HEN (3): 1, Cook, good all round, nice shape and fine qual., well filled on back, and prominent on top; 2, Maxwell, stylish, but lacks the substance of winner; 3, Anderson, shade smaller, good action. BUFF (7): 1, sp for best in section, Maxwell, good one all round, well up in size and grand top end, sweet droop, plenty of action, fine depth throughout, rare pos., well put down; 2, Strathern, also good, plenty sub., good action, shade plainer in side; 3, Nairn, sweet shape, beaten in size, good qual. of feather; vhc, Keill; hc, Anderson; c, Cook. HEN (4): 1, Maxwell, leads, a good one, plenty size and rare style, fine depth across, hard up on top; 2, Keill, good all round, shade slimmer, but sweet style, nice qual.; 3, Cook, plenty go, fails a little in weight, sweet action; vhc, Laing. PIE. OR GREEN YELL. (5): 1, Cook, fine top end and grand depth across, could be larger, but all there for action; 2, Fotheringham, hot one, plenty action, but scarcely so large, good side and droop; 3, Stewart, sweet shape and good style, loses here in size; vhc, Sutherland; hc, Strathern. HEN (3): 1, Maxwell, hard up on top, fine droop and grand length, good qual.; 2, 3, Stenhouse, very stylish pair. PIED OR GR. BUFF (4): 1, Maxwell, again to the front, sweet exhibit, good depth across, A1 length and reach, nice trim; 2, no name, rare trim, and hard up, not so well filled on back, but sweet style; 3, Cook, good shape, stylish, fails in substance; vhc, Anderson. HEN (5): 1, Nairn, good one, fine depth and grand action, nice top end and good length of side, in full bloom; 2, Menzies, good stamp, plenty top end and reach, well filled up, shade slower to work; 3, Stewart, nice one, good all round, a shade slimmer in build; vhc, Cook; hc, Stenhouse. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (14): 1, L. Anderson, a good one, fine weight, nicely rounded, sweet head and front, and grand wing carr., extra good form; 2, hc, Irons, sweet body and lovely wing carr., grand qual. of feather, fails a little in head to winner; 3, Myles, shade slim in body, and longer in side, nicely balanced, and in A1 order, well placed; vhc, J. Anderson; c, Cunningham. HEN (8): 1, Crabb and Finlayson, hot one, fine weight, grandly rounded, sweet taper, extra good in wing carr. and finish; 2, J. Anderson, shade plainer in body, but good front, well drawn, and lovely order; 3, Kitchen, close up, a sweet one, lovely cut, grand head and neck, inclined to cross wings at times; vhc, Jule; hc, Kennoway; c, Hutchison. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (12): 1, J. Anderson, nice all round, good head and front, and well balanced, in good trim; 2, Halliday, close up, grand front and taper, not so good in head or neck as winner, but lovely bloom, well placed; 3, Irons, sweet shape and good wing carr., lacks the bloom and finish of winners; vhc, Watson; hc, Cunningham; c, Philips. HEN (13): 1, B. and C. medal, J. Anderson, a sweet one and no mistake, correct size and weight, gem for qual., lovely head, grand neck, sweet rounded body, rare level wing carr., lovely pipe tail, put down in masterly order, wins well; 2, Irons, fine stamp, good head, nice wing carr., inclined to be a shade thin in front; 3, Halliday, good all round, must have pressed, in full bloom, an extra good lot all round; vhc, Jule; hc, Hutchison; c, Beveridge. EVEN MARK (4): 1, Neilson, sweet yell., grand shape, lovely feather, good eye markings, grand wings, well staged; 2, Aitchison, sweet shape, fails in eye markings; 3, Kitchen, nice stamp, good body, slightly broken in markings, good feather and finish; vhc, Watson. UNEVEN YELL. (6): 1, Philips, good stamp, fine head and front, and grand wing carr., well finished off, in full bloom; 2, Henderson, close up, not quite so good in front, loses a bit in finish; 3, Davidson, well drawn, beaten here in qual. of feather; vhc, Allan; hc, Hutchison; c, Bryson. BUFF (8): 1, Hutchison, grand stamp, rare weight and well rounded, sweet head, and grand front and taper, put down in rare trim; 2, Henderson, good shape, sweet head and front, inclined to cross wings at times, in tip-top bloom; 3, Crabb and Finlayson, stylish, but a shade plainer, good all round exhibit, grand bloom; vhc, Baird; hc, Davidson; c, Hutchison. GREEN OR CINN (6): 1, Halliday, very pure, sound coloured green, rare depth throughout, well spangled, inclined to be high on legs, and a shade long in side, grand finish; 2, Neilson, lovely type, extra good in back lacing, sweet shade throughout, in nice order; 3, A. and W. Thomson, close up, sweet all round, green, in full bloom, 3 hot ones, hard to separate; vhc, Davidson; hc, Holms; c, Campbell. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (9): 1, gold medal, and runner-up for best in show, Heggie, a hot one, grand length, sweet head and rare position, lovely bloom, good quality throughout, inclined to cross wings at times; 2, Reilly, rare position, fine balanced wings, and sweet col., splendid style, a shade open in neck and scarcely tightened up yet, will be heard of again; 3, McLellan, good shape, lengthy, and hard up on leg, fails in front to winners; vhc, hc, Girvan; hc, Martin; c, Rizzie. HEN (6): 1, Heggie, clear win, sweet all-round hen, good head and body, fine weight, well shown; 2, Gray, sweet shape, a shade slimmer in front, but grand style and feather; 3, McLellan, good length, well drawn, beaten here in finish and taper; vhc, Crighton; hc, Clayton; c, Cargill. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (11): 1, Rizzie, sweetly moulded, round head and body, and well balanced wings, grand front and fine length, very well drawn, inclined to lie over perch at times, in nice order, looks like Carlisle winner; 2, Reilly, hot one for qual., lovely feather and finish, grand wing carr., as straight as a die, beaten in head; 3, Anderson, good length, and fine form, fails a little in wings and col. to winners; vhc, Clayton; hc, Heggie; c, McRobbie. HEN (9): 1, Anderson, wins, in fine trim, sweet size and shape, well drawn, nicely balanced all over, good qual.; 2, Heggie, another well drawn bird, plenty side, fails a little in wing carr.; 3, Girvan, good shape and well up, plainer in front, grand finish; vhc, Erskine; hc, McRobbie; c, Park. VARIEG. (8): 1, Heggie, real good yell., splendid shape, plenty length, extra good head and wing carr., very sweetly drawn, put down in rare order; 2, vhc, Heggie, buff, well drawn, plenty size, A1 qual. throughout, pair of good ones; 3, Park, lengthy, grand head and wing carr., not so well finished, shade loose in front well placed; hc, Reid; c, McLellan. HEN (6): 1, Clayton, boxy feathered one, fine position, good front and wing carr., shade weak in head, and somewhat on the small side; 2, McRobbie, sweet cinnamon mark, fine shape and head, beaten in finish; 3, Anderson, yell., a shade stronger than winner, good qual. and finish; vhc, hc, c, Reid. UNFLIG. (12): 1, Heggie, a good yell., grand size, sweetly drawn, extra good head and wing carr., tight feathered one, well shown; 2, Gray, boxy feathered buff, lovely shape, good head and front, fails a shade in length, well placed; 3, Martin, a yell., good, all round, beaten in length by winner; vhc, Patterson; hc, Crighton; c, Jeffrey. HEN (12): 1, Crighton, sweet yell., grand shape, lovely head and wing carr., well moulded, good all round; 2, Jeffrey, neat buff, well drawn, fine length, good head and wings; 3, McRobbie, yell., hard up, longer than winner, but fails in front and head, a shade open in neck; vhc, Anderson; hc, Martin; c, Stewart. CREST (6): 1, sp best in section, Howie, his old champion, now about full bloom, great headpiece, dense leafy feather, grand centre and back, well down at side, a gem, well staged; 2, Craw, good back, a shade thin on side, nice frontal; 3, Sneddon, good all round, a shade shorter in feather, well burnished up; vhc, Paul; hc, William and McAdam; c, Stewart. HEN (8): 1, Summers, good one, sweet head, nice leafy feather, grandly brought down on side and front, well groomed; 2, vhc, Paul, long feather, but slightly broken on side, good centre and well drooped in front; 3, Sneddon, a shade shorter, but dense, well finished bird; vhc, Cram; c, Veitch. C.B. (16): 1, vhc, Cram, good one, grand skull, broad, and noble across, fine length of feather, and grand entrance, sweet body and type, lovely order; 2, Whitton, close up, bold headed one, plenty skull, just beaten a shade in entrance, grand length of feather; 3, Paul, sweet head, plenty feather, a shade narrow across, a grand class, well judged; vhc, Veitch; c, Buchanan. HEN (6): 1, Sharp, good, nice skull, grand width, well forward in lashing, good entrance, grand size; 2, McCael and Henderson, sweet shape, good head, not so prominent at entrance, but nice length of feather; 3, Lindsay, close up, shade smaller in head, good length of feather; vhc, Fox; hc, McMaster; c, McLaren. GRIZZLE CREST (6): 1, Paul, good fine length, sweet centre and droop, well up in size, grandly put down; 2, Burt, taking exhibit, fine centre and droop, a shade thinner, grandly shown; 2, Fox, beaten in frontal, but good side and centre, all well staged; vhc, Bruce; hc, McCall and Henderson; c, no name. CREST, 1912 (10): 1, Howie, good one, very fine top piece, good lengthy leafy feather, fine front and side, and nice centre, well groomed and staged; 2, Whitton, good shape, sweet eye, grand qual. of feather, lengthy and well forward, scarcely so dense as winner; 3, Brown, not so large in head gear, but grandly feathered, sweet body and shape, a good class, carefully handled; vhc, Lindsay; hc, c, Veitch. C.B., 1912 (10): 1, Summers, good stamp, grand weight, fine bold head, well up in lashing, good entrance, A1 qual. throughout; 2, McLaren, grand skull, a shade narrower across, but all there for feather, well up in size; 3, Brown, nice entrance, and feathery, not so prominent in head property, well conditioned bird, fine front and feather; vhc, Paul; hc, Paul; c, Veitch. CL. OR TKD. YELL. NOR. (9): 1, Murray, in full bloom, sweet head and front, A1 qual. of feather, well up in size, in good order; 2, Rodger, close up, for qual., a shade smaller in front, but rare wing carr., good head and neck; 3, Dickson, chubby body, not so well packed on neck, but extra good finish, well placed; vhc, Mathieson; hc, Grewar; c, Wilson. HEN (7): 1, Harris, rare size, grand bold head, and lovely rounded front, in full bloom; 2, Thomson, well up in size, good shape, fails a little in shortness of feather; 3, Thomson, good stamp, nice head and wings, fails a little in front; vhc, Spence; hc, Grewar; c, Fleming. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (4): 1, Grewar, in full bloom, grand size, splendid shape, noble head and front, finely moulded; 2, Murray, sweet shape, not so massive as winner, plainer in front; 3, McLeod, good feather and finish, shade smaller, fine wing carr.; vhc, Moffat. HEN (10): 1, Fleming, good one, sweet size, grandly rounded, bold front, nice taper, good wings, fine col.; 2, Pratt, again all there for finish, but beaten in head, good front; 3, Watt, stylish, very clean and full in front, well balanced wings; vhc, Ramsay; hc, Adams; c, McConville. VAR., YELL. NOR. CK. (9): 1, Fleming, good stamp, fine weight, bold front, A1 wing carr., in lovely feather; 2, Gardiner, close up, grand shapely bird, sweet head and front, very nicely cut, extra good in wing carr.; 3, Ramsay, shade slimmer in front, but good head and nicely balanced wings, well placed; vhc, Grewar; hc, McLeod; c, Campbell. HEN (9): 1, Harris, sweet one, rare feather, lovely head and front and extra well burnished up, neat, taking exhibit; 2, Dickson, bold front and nice wings, neat head and neck, scarcely so good below as winner; 3, Harper, sweet quality, but not so bold or shapely as winners; vhc, Gardiner; hc, Barclay; c, Moffat. VAR. BUFF CK. (10): 1, Duff, very neat, good qual., grand col., well rounded on front and taking shape; 2, Thomson, sweet all round bird, just a shade smaller, good front and head; 3, Rodger, neat front and shape, good taper, scarcely the bloom of winners; vhc, Langan; hc, Spence; c, Kirk. HEN (8): 1, Webster, neat, grand chubby shape, fine front, well filled on neck, nicely rounded head, Albloom, wins; 2, Dickson, close up, bold exhibit, good head and front, not quite so well balanced on wings; 3, Burnett, splendid size, very nice shape, just beaten in finish; vhc, Grewar; hc, Ramsay; c, Logan. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (14): 1, Watt, hot one, demon for col., bold chubby shape, grand head and short thick neck, neat wings and short pipe tail, all over a real good one, wins sp. for best in section; 2, Langan, sweet shape and good in colour, fails a shade in size to winner; 3, Grewar, nice quality, thinner in front and scarcely so warm in colour; a good class; vhc, hc, Harris; c, McConville. HEN (13): 1, Thomson, good size, very neat head and nicely rounded, well cut, in good trim; 2, Gardiner, close up, sweetly drawn, grand front and head, very good wing carr.; 3, Harris, fails a shade in head and not so bold in front, good feather and finish; vhc, Grewar; hc, Dempster; c, Mitchell. UNFLIG. BUFF CK. (8): 1, Fleming, all there for size and qual., very good fronted one, nice cut, good wings; 2, Mitchell, good stamp, not so fine in feather as winner, but grand head; 3, Burns, fails in size, but good qual., sweet shade, nicely staged; vhc, Barclay; hc, Harper; c, Dempster. HEN (11): 1, Grewar, good one, rare size, grand shape, very bold Bullie type, staged to win; 2, McLeod, good head and front, nicely cut, inclined to cross wings at times, fails in finish, well up in size; 3, Dempster, fails a little in head, but good front, short in feather, again in lovely order; vhc, Fleming; hc, Harris; c, Murray. NON-FED CK. (9): 1, Fleming, var. buff, nice shape, good head, well filled up, sweet wings and back; 2, vhc, Grewar, clinking yell.-green, round as possible, lovely feather and size, well put down, must have pressed; 3, hc, c, Laurie, nice yell. var., plenty size, fails a bit in type and finish. HEN (11): 1, Grewar, buff green, good stamp, fine weight, good front and head, grand order; 2, Harris, buff, good all round, scarcely so short and chubby as winner; 3, Duff, romping yell., blowing hard when taking notes; vhc, Ewenson; hc, Rodger; c, Lawrie. A.O.V. (9): 1, Fotheringham, good all round buff, Belgian, grand top piece, free action; 2, Wilson, romping yell. Cinn., plenty size, A1 lacing and col., well put down; 3, Sneddon, Lancs. Coppy, lengthy and well shown, good top piece; vhc, Thomson; hc, Bell; c, Russell. COM. CAN. (19): 1, vhc, Bell; 2, Paterson; 3, Sandilands; hc, Anderson; c, McGregor. LIGHT or VAR. CAN. MULE (11): 1, 2, hc, and sp. best in section and best bird in show, Jamieson, good all-round cl. Goldie, a buff, nice flush face, good wing bars, well up in eye, extra good qual. of feather, well shown; 3, var. Goldie, nicely mkd., good col. and qual.; 3, Gilmour, sweet var. Greenie, good size, nice shade of col., very lightly marked, fine bloom; vhc, Bruce; c, Reid. DARK (11): 1, 3, Jamieson, leader romping yell. Goldie, well up in size, nice flush face, good back lacing, extra good form; 3rd, a nice yell. Greenie, A1 col. and size; 2, Turner, good yell. Linnet, rare shape, grand col., nicely marked, plenty size, well shown; vhc, Reid; hc, Nicholson; c, Taylor. HYB. EXCEPT BULLFINCH (10): 1, Rankine, sweet Redpoll-Greenie, fine col., well up in size, well shown; 2, Bell, Redpoll-Siskin, good size and shape, in fine trim; 3, c, Williams, very nice Linnet-Greenie, shade dull in col., but good size and condition; vhc, Muir and Keenan; hc, Turner. BULLFINCH HYB. (4): 1, 3, Bell, two nice Greenie-Bullies, leader the larger and better in col., well staged; 2, Jamieson, Linnet-Bullie, warm shade of col., very nice qual. of feather, shade on the small side; 4, no name. GOLDFINCH (18): 1, Anderson, good one, dense face, lovely underblaze, great size, square and well cut, good cheeks and nap, fine breast col., grand size, in full bloom, a topper and no mistake; 2, Rankine, shade duller in col., but good face, nice eye, well buttoned, extra good form; 3, McRobbie, sweet Finch, fine body col. and markings, fails in face and size, a grand class; vhc, Barclay; hc, Mackie; c, Nicholson. BULLFINCH (13): 1, Bell, wins, lovely bloom, dense cap, good bib, grand breast col., rare back and bars, tight as wax, fine size, very stylish; 2, Thomson, close up for size, shade slimmer, but good col. and nice back, not so bold in head; 3, Sykes, beaten in finish and body col.; well up in size, good shape, very typical; vhc, Jamieson; hc, Anderson; c, Turner. GREENFINCH (12): 1, Hodge and Haxton, dense coloured one, grand qual., fine shape, extra good in wing bars, sweet all round; 2, Logan, larger, bold head, but duller in feather and well up in col.; 3, Aitken, good shade of col., slimmer in build, but nice head, well put down; vhc, Sykes; hc, no name; c, Russell. GREENFINCH (NON-FED) (16): 1, Sykes, good shape, fine bold head, strong in front, grand wing carr., in lovely order; 2, A. Bell, good one, not so good in feather or flights, but bold front and head; 3, Brown, good one, grand shape, lovely wing flights, bold head and front, rather unsteady, should improve; vhc, Thomson; hc, Adamson; c, Thomson. LINNET (11): 1, Nicholson, good shape, very nicely pencilled, bold front and head, grand flights, in grand order; 2nd, no name, shade lighter in tone, but very well pencilled; 3, hc, Barclay, good one for markings, slightly broken in front, but lovely tone of colour, grand size, in full bloom; vhc, Sykes; c, Bell. LINNET, F.M. (18): 1, Watson, good one, steady as a rock, rare size, dense colour, lovely nut-brown, very well laced, good flights, bold front, well staged; 2, Bell, close up, equal in size, grand col., not so well laced in front as winner; 3, Lister, good shape and col., trifle unsteady, wins on breast work, a strong class; vhc, Hodge and Haxton; hc, Anderson; c, Nairn, jnn. SISKIN (11): 1, Sykes, good, in full bloom, nice dense cap, sweet bib, well laced on side, shade small, grand qual., Nicolson, warmer tone of col., better bib, good cap, plenty of size, fails in flank in evidence, and needed to be a shade soft; 3, Coutts, good clean cap, nice cap and bib, good ground col.; vhc, Smith, jun.; Watt; c, Jamieson. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (12): 1, Sykes, grand Twite, in full bloom, extra good markings, fine shape, rare flights, in grand order, well staged; 2, Campbell, good all-round Mealy, nicely laced, in fine order, shade smaller than some in class, good cap and bib; 3, Leitch, Twite, smaller than winner and not so well laced, still good for the majority of company, fine order; vhc, Messrs. Muir and Heenau; c, Aitken. LESSER REDPOLL (12): 1, Bruce, good all round, best in size, grand back lacing, grand shade of col., well up in cap and bib, well known; 2, Poulter, sweet shape, good cap and bib, well laced on flanks, fails in polish; 3, Smith, sweet one, rare cap, very neat bib, fails a little in size, good ground col.; vhc, Crisp; hc, Anderson; c, Craft. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFINCH (9): 1, 2, 3, Sykes, noted Bramble leading, some distance ahead of class, still in full bloom; 2nd, equally well known Chaffie, extra good; 3rd, romping Bramble, well laced, plenty of col., had lost a few feathers on cheeks; vhc, Allan; hc, Simpson; c, Lister. BUNTING (10): 1, 3, Watson, good Yellow leading, grand size and well marked, sweet head and V-markings, warm shade, well put down; 3rd, nice Meadow, in good form; 2, Nicholson, nice Corn, plenty size, shade heavy in markings, steady, in full bloom; vhc, Livingston; hc, McCall and Henderson; c, Sykes. A.O.S. HARDBILL (3): 1, 2, 3, Sykes, all Hawfinches, leader well known winner, in grand order; 2nd, a shade smaller; 3rd, a romper, grand size, enormods bib and cap, scarcely up in col., yet a good one. HEN, SMALL (15): 1, o, Taylor, sweet Black Redstart, in grand feather, well shown; 2, Mackie, clinking hen Bullie, good cap and bib, well up in size, extra good form; 3, Sykes, larger Corn, steady, and very nicely marked, well put down; vhc, Waddington; hc, Jamieson. SOFTBILLS, SMALL (4): 1, Gilmour, rattling good Yell. Wagtail, in rare order, grand col., good crescent, well up in size, nicely staged; 2, vhc, Taylor, Dartford Warbler, rare, but too sombre in col., grand feather, nice size; 3, Cordery, good sized Grey Wagtail, shade dull in col. yet. LARGE (4): 1, 2, Anderson, leader good Missel, plenty size, very nicely marked on breast, good shade, well put down; 2nd, Waxwing, grand size, all there for quality, good one; 3, Blaset, good shapely Blackbird, scarcely up in col. yet; vhc, Lister. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH, FOR. (10): 1, nice Bullie, well up in size, good cap and bib, and lovely breast col., in full bloom; 2, grand Goldie, lovely face and nap, A1 quality of feather, nice tannings, plenty of size, rare order; 3, dense faced bird, good nap and cheeks, rare buttons, not so shapely or good in finish as winner. (Exhibitors' names omitted by reporter, and no catalogue to hand.—Ed.) FOR., SMALL (3): 1, Webster, Black-faced Lovebird, in good order; 2, Baxter, sweet Singing Finch, well put down; 3, Robb, Green Budgerigar. LARGE (3): 1, Reggi, Senegal Parrot, in full bloom, nicely staged; 2, Allan, Indian Long-tail, in good form.

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Members' show, at "Blue Boar" Hotel, Nov. 6 and 7. There was a very promising display of birds in all sections, and amongst them were some real good ones, Mr. Pattrick winning the champion challenge cup and Mr. Cundy the novice cup and teapot. Mr. Pattrick had the best champion Yorkshire Canary, and Mr. Cundy the best novice Yorkshire; best unflighted hen, Mr. A. Tapper; best Clin. mkd. Yorks., Mr. Cundy. Specials Brit. bird, Mr. Jeffries, with a very nice Goldfinch; Mr. Cundy with a nice Redpoll. The show was well managed, and everything ready in good time for the judges. Mr. Jeffries rendered much appreciated assistance to Messrs. Tapper and Cundy, the hon. secs., in the managing details. Judges were: Mr. Rorke, London, Yorks., and Mr. J. Dewhurst, London, other sections.

CHAMP. YORKS., CL., ETC., BUFF CK.: 1, Nicholls. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. AND CINN. MKD. HEN, and UNFLIG. BUFF CK.: All awards to A. E. Pattrick. NOV. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. CKS.: 1, 3, 4, Cundy; 2, Askew; 5, Bates; hc, c, Kennedy. BUFF: 1, Askew; 2, Cundy; 3, Tapper; 4, 5, Kennedy. UNEVEN, ETC., CK. YELL.: 1, Askew; 2, 4, Cundy; 3, 5, hc, c, Kennedy. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, 4, 5, hc, Kennedy; 3, Tapper; c, Deer. YELL HEN, A.V.: 1, 4, Kennedy; 2, Tapper; 3, Cundy; 5, Askew. BUFF: 1, 4, hc, Kennedy; 2, Cundy; 3, Tapper; 5, Askew; c, Cundy. CINN. MKD. CK.: 1, Cundy; 2, Kennedy; 3, 4, 5, Deer. HENS: 1, Kennedy. UNFLIG. BUFF CK.: 1, Cundy; 2, Deer; 3, Tapper; 4, Kennedy. CL., ETC., CK., NOR. CHAMP.: 1, Askew; 2, Cundy. BUFF: 1, 2, Askew; 3, Cundy. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, Askew; 2, Kennedy. UNEVEN MKD. OR VARIEG. CK.: 1, 2, 4, 5, hc, Askew; 3, Cundy; c, Askew. YELL. HENS: 1, 5, hc, Askew; 2, Deer; 3, Bates; 4, Cundy. BUFF: 1, 5, Cundy; 2, 3, c, Askew; 4, Deer; hc, Kennedy. UNFLIG. BUFF: 1, Askew; 2, Bates; 3, Kennedy; 4, Deer; 5, hc, Cundy. YORKS., NON-FED CK., A.V.: 1, 2, 3, Hume. HEN: 1, Tapper; 2, 3, Kume. NOR. CK., A.V.: 1, 2, Hunt. A.O. CAN.: 1, Askew; 2, Nichols. MULES, DK., A.V.: 1, 2, Cundy; 3, 4, Bates. GOLDFINCH: 1, 2, 5, Jeffries; 3, Cundy; 4, Kennedy; hc, Tapper. LINNET: 1, 5, Cundy; 2, Hume; 3, hc, c, Kennedy; 4, Tapper. GREENFINCH: 1, Cundy; 2, Tapper; 3, Askew. REDPOLLS, ETC.: 1, Cundy; 2, Kennedy; 3, Askew; 4, Tapper. A.O.V. FINCH: 1, Askew; 2, Tapper. FOR., SMALLER: 1, 2, 3, 4, Dempsey; 5, hc, c, Hunt.

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PRESTON.

A Grand Display of Norwich.

Annual open show, held Nov. 15 and 16, in St. Wilfrid's Rooms, Corporation Street. This fixture again proved a success. In the 43 classes the entries totalled 550, a similar number to last year. The show was opened by Major Stanley, M.P. Messrs. Leeming Bros. make ideal secretaries and show managers. They carried out the work in a first class style, everything being in perfect working order. They were well backed up by a hard working and obliging committee of stewards: Messrs. Pyke, Anderton, Nickson, Barton, Watling, Marsh, Isaott, Metcalfe and Burrows. Norwich were the feature of the show, some splendid specimens being staged. In the amateur Nor. the six classes provided totalled 140 entries, some grand specimens being exhibited- quite a credit to their owners. Yorks. and Borders were not so well patronised, and we think if the committee would give this section better classification they would do much better. Greens came up fairly well, and some grand specimens were on view. British and Foreign classes were a failure. Goldfinch, Greenfinch and Saltbill classes, and all Foreign were cancelled. We cannot understand this, as Preston used to be quite a show in itself with British and Foreign. The Stanley Cup was won by T. Barton; the N.P.C. gold medal, J. E. Davies; N.P.C. novice gold medal, W. Lee; medal for best Nor. hen, W. Vardy; medal for best unflig. Nor. hen, L. Granger; Sandiford's special, J. E. Davies.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. YELL. (15): 1, vhc, Davies, grand size and sub., rich level col., looks bit browy to-day and carries one wing a little; 2, Vardy, fair size, nice shape, neat head, well carried wings, rich level col., hardly the substance; 3, 4, Lingard Bros., leader nice size, grand shape, nice head, well carried wings, rich level col., hardly so fine in qual.; 4th nice size, shape, head, neck, hardly so level in col.; hc, McConaghey; c, Trengove. BUFF (13): 1, Davies, grand size and substance, nice head, well carried wings and tail, rich col., nicely mealed; 2, Thomas, good size and shape, nice head and neck, rich level col., grand qual.; 3, 4, Vardy, leader fair size, nice head, rich level col., just a trifle long; 4th good size, nice head, neat wings, good col., hardly the substance of winner; vhc, Wrigley; hc, McConaghey; c, Marsh. TK. OR VAR. YELL. (8): 1, Davies, var., grand size and substance, nice head and neck, red hot col., grand qual.; 2, Thomas, var., good size, nice head and neck, neat wings, rich level col., not quite the substance of winner; 3, Bradley, wing mark, nice size and shape, good head, well carried wings, fails col. to winners; 4, Wrigley, nice size and shape, neat wings and tail, nice level col., fails trifle in head to winners; vhc, Cook; hc, Marsh; c, Fowler. BUFF (10): 1, vhc, Cook, leader mkd. eyes and wings, grand size and substance, good head and neck, nice well carried wings, rich level col.; 2, Vardy, mkd. eyes, nice size and shape, neat head and neck, good col., nicely mealed; 3, Wrigley, var., neat size and shape, nice head and neck, rich col., hardly so fine in qual.; 4, Anderton, good size, nice head, neat wings, rich level col., inclined to crouch; hc, Johnson; c, Scott. UNFLI. ETC. YELL (21), a grand class: 1, Wrigley, cl., nice size and substance, neat head and neck, well carried wings, rich level col., grand qual.; 2, Cook, tick neck, nice size and sub., nice shaped body, well carried wings, rich level col., grand qual.; 3, Dormer, var., nice size and sub., good head, rich level col., inclined to cross wings a little; 4, Vardy, fair size, nice cobby shape, nice short wings, rich level col., hardly so fine in qual.; vhc, Granger; hc, Seed; c, Barraclough. BUFF (19): 1, W. E. Seed, cl., grand size and sub., good head and neck, nice well carried wings, rich level col., nicely mealed, a good one; 2, Scott, cl., fair size, neat head and neck, rich level col., not quite the substance of winner; 3, Lingard Bros., cl., grand size, nice head, rich level col., rather long; 4, Johnson, cl., nice size and sub., nice head and wings, rich level col., splendid qual., very close up; vhc, Hirst; hc, McConaghey. HEN, CL. ETC. YELL. OR VAR. (14): 1, Hirst, var., nice size and sub., neat head, well carried wings, rich level col., grand qual.; 2, Hopkins, cl., nice size and shape, nice head, neat wings, hardly so level in col.; 3, Cook, cl., nice size and shape, well carried wings, nice level colour, hardly so good in head; 4, hc, Marsh, nice size, neat shape, rich level col., just a trifle long cast; vhc, Trengove; c, Barraclough. BUFF (16): 1, Vardy, var., grand size and sub., nice head and neck, well carried wings and tail, rich level col., lovely qual.; 2, Lingard Bros., cl., nice size and shape, neat head, rich level col., grand qual., fails a trifle in wing carriage; 3, Thomas, fair size, nice shape, good head, grand col. and qual.; 4, Barraclough, mark neck, grand size, nicely shaped body, rich level col., just a trifle long in wings; vhc, Hopkins; hc, Tweedle; c, Anderton. HEN UNFLIG. (28), grand class: 1, Granger, cl. yel., grand size and shape, nice head and neck, well carried wings, rich level col., splen. qual.; 2, Lingard Bros., cl. yell., nice size and shape, neat head and neck, nice wings, hardly so good in col.; 3, Johnson, wing mkd. buff, nice size, grand shape, good col., splendid qual., inclined to cross wings a little; ex 3, Sutton, cl. yell., good size, nice head and body, well carried wings, good col.; 4, Wrigley, cl. yell., nice head and body, well carried wings, rich level col., hardly so big as winners; vhc, Fowler; hc, Whittaker; c, Cook. COCK NAT. COL. (14): 1, Wrigley, cl. yell., good size and shape, neat head and neck, nice col., grand qual., very neat; 2, Taylor, cl. yell., good size and shape, neat head, nice wings, good qual.; 3, Hayhurst, cl. buff, grand size and shape, neat head and neck, nice col. and qual.; 4, Thomas, yell., mark eyes and wings, nice head, rich level col., good qual., hardly the substance of winner; vhc, Lane; hc, Trengove; c, Anderton. HEN (13): 1, Cook, var. yell., grand size and shape, nice head and neck, neat wings, rich col., good qual.; 2, Lingard Bros., cl. buff, good size and shape, nice head and neck, nice col., not quite so fine in qual.; 3, Venables, var. buff, nice size and sub., grand shape body, neat wings and tail, fails trifle in head; 4, Dormer, var. buff, nice size, good body, neat wings, inclined to crouch a little; vhc, McConaghey; hc, Leeming Bros.; c, Marsh. AMAT. NOV. NOR. CL. ETC. YELL (19): 1, vhc, Taylor, leader yell., grand size and sub., nice head and neck, neat wings, rich level col., nice qual.; 2, Fielding, cl., nice size and shape, neat head, well carried wings, rich col.; 3, Hillman, cl. yell., fair size, nice head, neat wings, a rich col., falls trifle substance to winners; 4, Grey, cl., nice size and shape, neat head, good wings, nice col., hardly so clean behind; hc, Metcalfe; c, Crawshaw. BUFF (28), a grand class: 1, Barton, griz. neck, grand size and sub., neat head and neck, nice shaped body, good wings, rich level col.; 2, Nickson, cl., nice size, neat head and neck, good wings, rich level col., grand qual.; 3, Taylor, cl., nice size and shape, good head and neck, neat well carried wings, hardly so good in col. as winners; ex 3, Stafford, cl., good size and sub., nice wings, rich level col., just trifle weak in head; 4, Fawcett, var., grand size and sub., good head and neck, nice wings, good qual., very close up; vhc, Hitchen; hc, McKnie; c, Worthington. UNFLIG. CL. ETC. YELL. (21): 1, Lee, cl., good size and shape, neat head, well carried wings, rich level col., grand qual.; 2, vhc, Huggins, leader griz. head, grand size and shape, nice head, neat body, good wings, rich level col., splendid qual.; 3, Nickson, mark head, grand size and shape, neat head, rich col., carries tail badly; 4, Fulton, var., good size, nice shape, neat head, well carried wings, rich level col., splendid qual.; hc, c, Ainsworth Bros. BUFF (31), another wonderful class: 1, Grey, cl., grand size and substance, nice head and neck, neat wings, rich level col., beautifully mealed; 2, vhc, Cooper, leader cl., nice size and shape, neat head and neck, nice well carried wings, rich col., nice qual.; 3, Ainsworth Bros., cl. buff, neat size and shape, good head, nice wings, nice level col., hardly so fine in qual.; ex 3, Fielding, mark eye, nice size and shape, good head, nice wings, fair col.; 4, Sutton, neat size, nice shaped body, well carried wings, nice level col., fails trifle in head; hc, Irving; c, Nickson. YELL. HENS (17): 1, Fielding, marked eye, nice size and substance, neat head, nice wings and tail, rich col., grand qual.; 2, Metcalfe, cl., grand size and shape, nice head, good body, hardly so hot in col.; 3, Ainsworth Bros., mkd. head and tail, nice size and shape, neat head, grand qual., fair col.; 4, Stonier, cl. yell., neat size, nice head, good wings, nice col. and qual.; vhc, Stafford; hc, McKaie; c, Worthington. BUFF (21): 1, Crawshaw, var., grand size and sub., nice shape, neat head and wings, nice level col., grand qual.; 2, Hillman, cl., nice size and shape, neat head and neck, rich col., very neat; 3, c, Barton, cl., neat size, nice head, nice shape, well carried wings, hardly so good in col.; 4, Fielding, var., nice size, nice shaped body, neat wings, nice level col.; vhc, Cottou; hc, Grey. YORKS YELL. (6): 1, Wilkinson Bros., cl. yell., neat and shapely, nice wedgy body, well up on legs, nice style and finish; 2, Coulson, nice length and shape, beautifully drawn, well carried wings, nice col.; 3, Brooks, wing mark, nice length, well up on legs, grand style and finish; 4, Durston, var. Cin., nice length, neat head, well carried wings and tail; vhc, Gregory; hc, Tootill. BUFF (8): 1, Metcalfe, eye and wing mark, nice length and shape, beautifully drawn, well up on legs, straight as a rush; 2, Brooks, cl., good length, hardly so finely drawn, nice level col., well carried wings; 3, Wilkinson Bros., griz. head, nice length, neat shape, well carried wings and tail, rich col., very neat; 4, Coulson, neat shape, well carried wings; vhc, Gregory; hc, Durston; c, Tootill. BORD. YELL. (7): 1, Hudson, cl., neat head, nice round body, well carried wings and tail, free action, nice level colour; 2, vhc, Gilleade, mkd. head, eye and wings, nice head, well carried wings and tail, well rounded back, hardly so good in col.; 3, Rea, cl., nice body, neat head, well carried wings and tail, inclined to be wild; 4, Short and Backhouse, mkd. eyes and wings, nice head, neat body, well carried wings; hc, Hannah; c, Green. BUFF (15): 1, Hannah, mark head, nice round body, neat wings and tail, well rounded back, nice level col., free action, very neat; 2, Jackson, cl., neat head, well carried wings and tail, nice level colour, free action, very neat; 3, Green, cl., nice body, well carried wings, nice rounded back, rich level col., hardly so round in head.; 4, Hancocks, mk. eyes and wings, neat head, nice back, well carried wings, very neat; vhc, Short and Backhouse; hc, c, Rea. YORKS GREEN YELL: (11): 1, 4, Rowlands, leader nice length, straight and shapely, nice round head, well up on legs, well carried wings and tail, rich sound col., grand qual.; 4th neat length and shape, nice round head, hardly so sound in col.; 2, McDermott, good length, nice wedgy body, well carried wings and tail, nice col., grand qual.; 3, Robinson, neat length, very shapely, neat round head; vhc, c, McNulty; hc, Moreraent. BNFF (11): 1, Rowlands, nice length, very straight and shapely, neat, well carried wings and tail, rich sound col., grand qual.; 2, McNulty, good length and shape, well up on legs, nice sound col., a bit inclined to frill on breast; 3, Robinson, neat and shapely, nice round head, rich sound col., not as long as winners; 4, McDermott, nice length, nice round head, well up on legs; vhc, hc, Handley; c, Walker. HENS YELL. (9): 1, Moreraent, self, nice length, very straight, well up on legs, well carried wings and tail, rich sound col., good qual.; 2, Robinson, fair length, straight and shapely, neat head, good wings and tail, sound col.; 3, Metcalfe, foul, nice length, very shapely, neat head, good wings, nice qual.; 4, McDermott, self, good length, neat head, nice round back, rich col.; vhc, Rowland; hc, Mockridge; c, Handley. BUFF (7): 1, Rowlands, foul, nice length, very straight and shapely, neat head, grand wings and tail, rich sound col., grand qual.; 2, hc, Handley, neat length, good shape, well up on legs, nice wings, grand col. and qual.; 3, vhc, Mockridge, self, nice length and shape, neat head, nice wings, paler in col. than winners; 4, McNulty, fair length, neat shape, well up on legs; c, McDermott. NOR. GREEN YELL. (12): 1, 4, Harding, leader grand size, shape and substance, good head and neck, rich sound col., splendid qual.; 4th foul, nice size and shape, nice body, well carried wings, sound col., fails trifle in head to winner; 2, Bloor, foul, nice size, nice head, well carried wings, rich sound col., fails substance to winners; 3, Walker, neat size and shape, good head and neck, well carried wings, rich sound col.; vhc, hc, Handley; c, Lawson. BUFF (18), a fine class: 1, Handley, self, grand size and shape, neat head and neck, well carried wings, rich sound col., grand qual.; 2, Walker, foul, another good one, grand size and shape, nice head and wings, rich sound col.; 3, 4, Harding, both foul, leader grand size and shape, good wings, rich sound col., very neat; 4th nice size, grand body, rich sound col., inclined to be a bit lashy; vhc, hc, Lawson; c, Malone. HEN YELL. (7): 1, 4, Barker, both fouls, leader grand size and shape, nice head and neck, rich sound col., splendid qual.; 4, neat size and shape, grand col.; 2, hc, Pyke, self, neat size and shape, neat head and neck, neat wings, rich sound col., grand qual.; 3, Lawson, foul, nice size and shape, neat head and neck, rich sound col., crosses wings a little; vhc, Abbott; c, Handley. BUFF (12): 1, Cunliffe, foul, nice size, neat shape, good head, sound col., grand qual.; 2, Harding, self, neat size and shape, nice head, well carried wings, good col. and qual.; 3, Lawson, foul, nice size, neat shape, good head, rich col., fine qual.; 4, Jenkins, foul, neat shape, well carried wings, falls col. to winners; vhc, c, Walker; A.O.V. CAN. (6): 1, Dormer, yell. Cinn., grand size and shape, neat head, rich sound col., splendid quality, a grand exhibit; 2, 3, vhc, Kirkwood, leader wing mark D.C., grand feather, well-formed crest; 3rd wing mark C.B., grand size, plenty of feather; 4, hc, Salisbury, leader el. buff Lancashire, grand size, good length, grand qual. DARK CAN. MULE (8): 1, 3, Bertrim and Baines, leader Redpoll-Can., grand size, neat shape, good col., crosses wings, some thought lucky; 3rd Goldfinch-Can., nice face, grand wings, good col., very nice exhibit; 2, Pickles, yell. Linnet Mule, grand size and shape, splendid col. and qual., we liked this for first; 4, Durston, buff Siskin Mule, nice size and shape, well marked, nice level col., good exhibit; vhc, hc, c, Kirkham.

HAVERFORDWEST.

Sixteenth annual show, held 12th Nov., in the Market Hall, a good place. We were informed this would be the last time a show would be held here, as it is being taken over as a picture hall. The entries all over were very good. Being a fair day, we expected to see a good gate, but far from it. We are inclined to think a Thursday or any other day besides Fair day, would be more suitable, as there would be less attractions outside. The weather, unfortunately, was of the worst we have experienced, being very wet, cold, and stormy. The hon. secretary was Mr. W. Rees, and he had everything in apple pie order. The judge for our section was Mr. J. M. Lewis, the old time well-known Yorks. exhibitor.

YORKS. CL.: 1, Smith, clicking fine yell.,' wins, grand type and quality, neat head and neck, stands well; 2, Shears, cl. yell., grand col. and qual., good full neck, well balanced wings and tail, close up; 3, Owen, neat exhibit, good head, straight back; vhc, hc, Harris; hc, Davies. TKD., ETC.: 1, vhc, Griffiths, topping good exhibit, shown in faultless condition; 2, Edwards, grand type and qual., nice pipe tail; 3, Francis, grand long bird, very clean run, neat; hc, Morse. NORWICH: 1, spl, Mu cott, splendid size, col., and qual., very cobby, neat wings and tail; 2, Edwards, nice yell., good head and neck, very shapely; 3, vhc, fine qual., Davies, good size, col., and condition, lovely head; hc, Evans. MULE, LIGHT OR HYB.: 1, Slee, grand size, shape, and col.; 2, Davies, well mkd. Goldie, in nice feather; 3, Bulton, very rich col., nice condition; vhc, Edwards. DARK: 1, Edwards, splendid size., col., and con.; 2, Davies, good qual., close up; 3, hc, Jones, fairly good one; vhc, John. GOLDFINCH: 1, 2, Richards, two lovely exhibits, well staged, grand polish, good square blazes, neat bars and buttons; 3, Slee, fair blaze, nice bars and colour; vhc, Jenkins; unnoticed, Ray, sweet exhibit, should have been in. A.O.V. FINCH: 2, 3, Ray, two grand Hawfinches, in nice condition. A.O.V. SMALL: 2, Jenkins, good quality Yellowhammer. BLACKBIRD, ETC.: 2, John, lovely Blackbird, fine col. and size.

S.W. LONDON C.B.S.

Sixteenth annual show held in the New Guildhall, Wandsworth Road, Oct. 26th, and was a decided improvement in every respect upon the last three years, numbers and quality being far in advance of previous years. The new hall is beautifully light by day, and was brilliantly lighted by electricity at night. The new staging was a vast improvement, and was nicely decorated by the chairman, Mr. Slade, and others of the committee. The proprietors of the hall very kindly lent palms and ferns for decorations, which added greatly to the appearance of the show. The Norwich and Yorks. Champion classes might have been larger, but what was lacking in quantity was made up in quality. Crest and C.B. were much above the average, and some first-class birds were to be seen. Mr. Freeman, the secretary, very affable and courteous; the right man in the right place. No doubt the Society will increase its membership as the new headquarters get known. Ladies are specially invited as members. It was unfortunately a very wet and miserable night, which, no doubt, accounted for the attendance not being large. The committee were delighted to have the pleasure of seeing members from other societies, and the South West desire to thank them for putting in an appearance, it helps to create good feeling and fellowship in the Fancy. Mr. Robson judged.

The Critique.

NOR. CHAM.: 1, two sp, 3, hc, Thomas, winner, cl. yell., good shape, nice wings and short tail, fit to win in better company; 3, good chubby mkd., but lacks bloom to the winner; 2, 4, vhc, c, Miles, shown in his usual faultless style, all well coloured, good fitting jackets. HEN: 1, sp, Thomas, tkd. yell., good one; 2, Miles, another good exhibit; 3, 4, Lilley, both varig, pale buff, natural and frosty feather. UNFLIG.: 1, sp, Smiles, buff eye tkd. rich close feather; 2, 3, 4, Thomas, all good ones; vhc, Lilley. & YORKS. CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, Slade, all in good trim, shape, and qual. combined; vhc, Cullum. UNEV. OR VARIEG.: 1, Slade, capped and marked, two in wrong class, cleare. CL., ETC. Buff: 1, 2, 4, Slade; 3, McLaughlin, nice, but not the length of others. UNEV., ETC.: 1, sp, Hobbrook, mkd., good shape and stylish; 2, McLaughlin, mkd., rather rough in breast, good stock bird if paired right; 3, 4, vhc, Slade, all good useful birds. HENS: 1, two sp, 2, Hobbrook, winner, stylish, tight in feather, claimed at full price; 2, saddle mkd. yell., full of qual.; 3, Cullum, good, but fails in length to winners; 4, vhc, Lilley, nat. col. buff Cinn., mkd. wings, requires more length of tail; hc, c, Slade. UNFLIG.: 1, sp, 3, hc, c, Slade, will improve; 2, Cullum, good qual. and style; 4, vhc, McLaughlin, rather on small side. CRESTS: 1, 2, Lilley, 1, perfect fitting, nice dome, well balanced; 2, nearly green, good all round crest; 3, 4, Slade, nearly cl.; 4, more oblong, but more solid, not so large in body. HEN: 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, Slade, winner, fine cl. Crest, very broad and leafy feather, takes special for best bird in show, others smaller, with nice veiny feather in crest. C.B.: 1, sp, 3, 4, Slade, winner, nearly green, massive body, broad skull, might be more dense; 2, Lilley, well lashed, not the width of skull of winner, but more dense and solid. HEN: 1, 2, 3, hc, Slade, all varig.; 4, vhc, Lilley, 4, leafy, but fails in width of skull. NOV. NOR.: 1, sp, Hawkins, best Nor.: 2, sp, second best, both buffs; 3, Gomer, nice yell., not quite size of others; 4, Broughton, varig., not so close in feather. UNFLIGH.: 1, 2, 3, Broughton, first good yell.; 4,

PRESTON—Continued.

GOLDFINCH cancelled. LINNET (8): 1, Johnson, grand size, good Nor. type, good col., nicely staged, fails a little in breast markings; 2, Kilner, slimmer built, nice markings on back, well laced, rather open in front; 3, 4, Davies, two grand birds, rich nutty col., beautifully marked back, nicely marked breasts and thighs; vhc, Brade, grand F.M. specimen, beautifully marked, faultless condition, deserved to have been in the money; hc, Walsh; c, Jones. GREENFINCH cancelled. SISKIN (8): 1, Pickles, Twite, grand size and col., beautifully marked, staged in perfect condition; 2, Brade, Siskin, nice size, grand cap, good wings, neat bib, nicely laced thighs, another nice exhibit; 3, Owen, Twite, grand col., beautifully marked, nicely laced, fails only in size to winner; 4, hc, Walsh, Mealy Redpoll, house-moulted, a real giant, splendid bib, beautifully laced, some preferred for 3rd; vhc, Davies; c, Jones. A.O.S. HARDBILL (10): 1, Jones, Hawfinch, grand size, beautiful col., nice clear cut bib, neat wings, staged in perfect condition; 2, 3, Johnson, leader Yellow Bunting, grand size, beautifully marked head, grand back, steady as a rock; 3rd, large well marked Corn Bunting, both beautifully staged in perfect condition; 4, Duralon, nice Bullfinch, good size, well-cut cap, good bars, rich breast col.; vhc, Bostock; hc, c, Kirkham. INSECTIV. cancelled. GIFT CLASS: 1, Metcalfe; 2, Seed; 3, Marsh; 4, Nickson.

Hawkins. NOR. YORKS.: 1, sp., Mager, well shown; 2, sp, Hawkins; 3, 4, Freeman, both good specimens; hc, Peters; c, Hankin. HEN: 1, 2, sp, Mager, taking specimen and good type; 3, Freeman, equally good, lacks length of tail; 4, Peters; vhc, Hawkins. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, c, Freeman, winner better style; 3, Mager, yell. mkd., not so bright in col., could be made to win in expert hands; 4, vhc, c, Hawkins, will improve. BORD. (5): 1, sp, silver medal; 2, sp, 4, vhc, c, Burgess, nice lean, tight in feather, and of good qual., some slightly soiled, if washed could win in good classes; 3, hc, Coymer. MULES or HYB.: 1, sp, Arkill, Siskin and Can., shown in good condition; 2, Broughton, Darth Gold. Can. GOLD. or BULLFINCH: 1, two sp, Lilley, Goldfinch, a bright blaze and beautiful dark tan, bright as mahogany; 2, McLaughlin, will improve with age, not out in full col.; 3, 4, Broughton, will improve; 4, rather wild; vhc, hc, Peters. A.O.S. SEED EATING: 1, two sps, McLaughlin, good Lesser Redpoll; 2, sp, 3, 4, Broughton, second nice Linnet, third good Bramble, fourth Hawfinch.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

Seventh annual show, held at headquarters, "Earl Cathcart," Osnaburgh Street, N.W. Entries were rather small, but quality was well maintained. Special prizes were gained as follows: Cathcart Cup for most points, R. J. Pretty, 16, Messrs. A. Ransly and E. Pretty being for second place, 14; best bird other than cup winner, E. Pretty; Yorks., E. Pretty; Nor., Harrison; best vhc Buff, Harrison, best Canary in Novice, Harrison; most points in Novice, Stubbs; best Linnet-Canary, E. Pretty; best British, R. J. Pretty.

CHAMP. NOR. BUFF: 1, A. Ransley. HEN: 1, 2, A. Ransly. NOV.: 1, Harrison; 2, W. C. Cullen. CHAMP. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, E. Pretty. NOV. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Stubbs. BUFF HEN: 1, 2, Stubbs. CHAMP. CREST: 1, 2, E. Pretty. CINN.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, R. J. Pretty. NOV. CREST CK.: 1, Harrison. LIN.-CAN.: 1, E. Pretty; 2, G. Ayris; 3, E. Pretty. HYBRID: 1, G. Ayris. GOLD or BULLfinch: 1, E. Ayris, Bullfinch; 2, W. Cullen, Goldfinch; 3, Harrison, Bullfinch. LINNET: 1, Cullen. GREENFINCH: 1, R. J. Pretty. REDPOLL: 1, Harrison; 2, E. Pretty. A.O.S. FINCH or BUNTING: 1, Yell. Bunting, R. J. Pretty; 2, Chaffinch, E. Pretty; 3, Yellow Bunting, E. Pretty; vhc, Harrison. Messrs. Dodswell, Crawford, and others were nominated as new members. The gate was very good, many ladies favouring the show with their presence. Mr. Shakespeare judged, and everybody seemed quite satisfied.—G. G. Stubbs.

WALKLEY AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Annual show held November 16. The St. Phillip's Mission Room, very cosy and well lighted, was the venue. The society is favoured with the patronage of the local M.P., the Right Hon. C. B. Stuart Wortley, K.C. The Chairman, Mr. T. Ridal, is the right man in the right place, while Messrs. J. G. Cowley and G. Butler act ably as understudies, and the Hon. Treas., Mr. J. B. Kelsey, is a most excellent official. The Sec. is Mr. C. Tomlinson, and Mr. A. Lawton acts as his assistant. Both are practical, courteous, and obliging, and counted as capital assets by the society. The exertions they put forth are worthy of high commendations. Dr. T. C. Jones officiated at the opening ceremony, complimenting the society in a very hearty manner. Mrs. Jones accompanied her husband and enjoyed the function immensely. The entry was a record, upwards of 240. Yorks were the feature, providing very keen competition, while Nor. were a fine collection, and the British capital. Staging neatness itself; management throughout excellent. There was a capital attendance of visitors; showroom crowded at night. The stewards were: Messrs. A. Hobson (Sec. S.C.B.S.) and J. Carr, also Master Hobson, and all three worked with a will and with promptitude. Special winners: Best in show and best Nor., A. Hobson. Novice Yorks, J. Smith. Ramsden's Hottest Fed., F. Jones. Most Points, W. T. Furniss. Nov., R. Smith. Nov. Nor., G. H. Abbott. Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) judged, his awards were well received.

YOUNG BIRDS—YELL. YORK (9): 1, S. Ridal; 2, Jones, vhc, Daniels; c, Whitaker. BUFF (10): 1, 2, 3, Furniss; vhc, Ridal; hc, Thorpe; c, Butler. MKD. (9): 1, Butler; 2, Thorpe; 3, Ridal; vhc, Furniss; hc, Marshall. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Jones; 2, Ridal; 3, vhc, Thorpe. BUFF (9): 1, Furnise; 2, Marshall; 3, Thorpe; vhc, c, Ridal; hc, Jones. MKD. (6): 1, vhc, Furniss; 2, H. Jones; 3, Butler; c, Thorpe. YELL. NOR. (3): 1, Lawton; 2, Cowley; 3, J. and C. Scott. BUFF (7): 1, 3, Lawton; 2, vhc, Hobson; hc, Cowley. MKD. (4): 1, 2, 3, Cowley; 4, Woolhouse. YELL. HEN (7): 1, vhc, Lawton; 2, Hobson; 3, Woolhouse; hc, Scott; c, Cowley. MKD. (3): 1, 3, Cowley; 2, Hobson. NOV. YELL. YORK. (7): 1, spl Smith; 2 3 Carr; vhc Hadfield; hc Chadwick; c, Kelsey. BUFF (17): 1, Shimeld; 2, Thompson; 3, Carr; vhc, Smith; hc, Pickerlug; c, Hogan. MKD. (7): 1, Kelsey; 2, Abbott; 3, Thompson; vhc, Hadfield; hc, Smith; c, Chadwick. TKD. YELL. (6): 1, Hadfield; 2, Abbott; 3, Carr; vhc, Cowley; hc, Wardley; c, Shimeld. BUFF HEN (10): 1, Smith; 2, Hogan; 3, Shimeld; vhc, Chadwick; hc, Hogan; c, Carr. MKD (7): 1, c, Hogan; 2, Abbott; 3, Wingfield; vhc, Wardley; hc, Pickering. YELL. NOR. (4): 1, vhc, Curley; 2, 3, Smith. BUFF (7): 1, 2, c, Smith; 3, Abbott; vhc, Curley; hc, Sisson. HEN (6): 1 Bailey; 2, c, Abbott; 3, vhc, hc, Curley. OLD BIRDS.—YELL YORK. (10): 1, Daniels; 2, Thorpe; 3, Marshall; vhc, spl, Jones; hc, Lawton; c, Tomlinson. BUFF (11): 1, vhc, Tomlinson; 2, Lawton; 3, Daniels; hc, Ridal; c, Furniss; No. 2, Biddle; wrong class, cl. yell. MKD. (6): 1, Furniss; 2, Lawton; 3, Gordon; vhc, Thompson; hc, Tomlinson; c, Shimelds. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Furniss; 2, 3, Pickering; vhc, Buller; hc, Lawton; c, Biddle. BUFF (7): 1, Marshall; 2, Lawton; 3, Kelsey; vhc, Thorpe; hc, Whitaker; c, Gordon. MKD. (6): 1, Furniss; 2, Butler; 3, Tomlinson; vhc, Gordon; hc, Kelsey; c, Lawton. YELL. NOR. (4): 1, Cowley; 2, Woolhouse; 3, Hobson; No. 2, Gordon, absent. BUFF (5): 1, 2, 3, spl, Hobson; vhc, Lawton; hc, Simpson. MKD. (3): 1, Cowley; 2, Woolhouse; 3, Simpson. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Hobson; 2, Scott; 3, Lawton; vhc, Simpson. BUFF (5): 1, Scott; 2, Hobson; 3, Simpson; vhc, Woolhouse; hc, Cowley. MKD. (2): 1, Scott; 2, Cowley. BRIT. LIN., etc. (7): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Scott; 4, Bailey; c, Gordon; No. 6, Chadwick, absent. HARD (5): 1, 2, vhc, Scolt; 3, hc, Bailey. A.O.S. (2): 1 Hobson; 2, Woolhouse.

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Gradually and surely has the Brighton and Hove C.B.A. made good its claim to be included amongst the best of the South. At its third show, held in the North Road Lecture Hall, Nov. 14th and 15th, the entry totalled 650, about 150 in excess of last year, and the quality of the exhibits was of the very best. Norwich had an average of sixteen per class, and a grand lot they were. About the pick of the basket was Mr. W. Ellis' lovely yellow, a magnificently shaped tkd. and very silky in feather. The leading trio of buffs shown by Messrs. Bodder, Miles, and Saunders, were remarkably good and level, and had either of these three held top place no one could have grumbled. Some very smart birds were shown by the novices, whilst the non-feds were far and away above the average. Crests, whilst good, were hardly up to the Brighton standard. Borders were quite the best for quality and numbers that we have ever seen at a south-coast show. Mr. Bennet, all the way from Ke'so, won in both classes. As we looked at Mr. Ellis's handsome four-pointed Norwich they could not but regret that these handsome birds are no longer so popular as they once were.

Yorkshires had the nice entry of 150 in the ten classes, and a beautiful lot they were. Quite the best that have been staged at either of the association's three shows. The pick of the bunch was Mr. Atkin's lovely feathered buff, but we cannot say how it would have fared had Mr. Dyke's team been in proper form. Two of the Bradford birds were very bad, and those that did get in were far from being fit. The raw cold morning affected this section very much, and although Mr. House left the judging until after the British and Members', many of the birds even then were far from fit. Messrs. Hawes Bros. staged a couple of hens that were much admired; they were cleverly split by a little gem shown by Mr. Dandridge, which, in addition to securing spl for best member's bird, also took Ryde's spl. The unflighted birds of Messrs. Dykes and Pattrick were very smart. The novices came up strong, the quality being good, whilst the non-feds were just superb—no other word describes them. Britishers repeated their success of last year, and again gave Mr. House full scope for a display of his discriminating powers. They were indeed a very hot lot. Mr. Burr, who will be remembered so creating such a sensation at the last Palace Show, had a nice team on view. Mr. Marley captured a couple of firsts, but was hardly so successful as usual. One of the most admired birds was Mr. Roast's Greenfinch. Foreigners were just splendid, and Mr. Slade's handsome Blue-wing Tanager, which secured the CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE medal, held quite a levee. Dr. Thwaites' lovely Shama was also a living picture. A good members' section wound up a grand show.

Of the management we can speak in terms of the highest praise. We arrived in Brighton just after eleven the night before the show, and found a team of the members at the station to take the birds off the last train so that they could be attended to that night, and not left to the tender mercies of the railway company till the morning. By eight-thirty everything was ready for the judges, and as the work of judging went merrily on the cards were affixed to the cages. Everything was ready for the opening ceremony, which was performed in a few choice words by Major F. Johnson, who most heartily complimented the executive upon the good work they were doing in Brighton, expressed his satisfaction at the size of the show and the beauty of the exhibits, and wished the association the continuance of a success so richly deserved. The officials responsible for the working were Mr. C. Pearson (chairman), Mr. G. B. Absalom (vice-chairman), Mr. J. Roast, (treasurer), Messrs. A. Goble and H. James (auditors), and the following committee—Messrs. J. Boxall, E. Cadman, F. Dandridge, D. Dean, A. Flook, W. Miles, W. Wall, G. Pinyoun, R. Sharp, S. Sparke, W. Swaysland, W. Cadman, and W. Gravett, all of whom are most earnest and enthusiastic workers. The two secretaries (Messrs. W. H. Gibb and H. Akehurst) are worthy of much credit for the way in which they attended to all the details of management, and the courteous and tactful manner in which they dealt with exhibitors and visitors. In them our Brighton friends have two grand fellows, who did much to further the success of the show. The judges were Mr. J. Robson (Nor., Crests, Bord., Mules, For., etc.), and Mr. C. A. House (Yorks, Brit., etc.).

Mr. J. Rob on's Classes.

NOR. YELL. (12): 1, spl, and Saundiford's spl, Ellis, very hot level col., capital head, grand chest and back, very fine and silky in feather, rare style, stands well; 2, Frost, plenty of col., splendid carriage, good wings and tail, not quite so tight in front, and smaller in head; 3, A. E. Silk, smart, shapely, stylish bird, silky feather, good head, but looked as though he had been dried too quickly; vhc, C. W. Silk, very smart; hc, Richardson; c, Hodder. BUFF (15): 1, Hodder, fine big bold unfli. bird, grand chest and back, sound and even in col., nicely mealed, neat wings, good head, little open in tail; 2, Miles, rare stamp of bird, rich and even in col., nice head, not quite so well finished; 3, Saunders, lovely Bullfinch chest, not quite so hot, full of qual., splendidly mealed, we liked much; vhc, Ellis, grand shape and style; hc, Kilby; c, Bellamy. VARIEG. (11): 1, Hodder, very neat typical check and wing marked yell., lovely silky feather, level col., stylish, beautifully finished right through; 2, Saunders, smart shapely grizz. capped buff, rich undercol., beautifully frosted, nice head, capital wings and tail; 3, Kilby, nearly green yell., beautifully finished, brimful of col., rare style and type; vhc, hc, Ellis; c, Pennells. HENS (21): 1, Gunnell, grand bodied yell., capital head, neck, and shoulders, good deep chest, stands well, capital feather, rich even col., drops her tail at times; 2, Hodder, very smart, shapely, stylish neck tkd. yell., not quite so big, grand feather and col., nicely staged; 3, A. E. Silk, grand little eye tkd. yell., sound, rich, and level in col., smart carr., lovely feather; vhc, Matthes; hc, Miss Edwards; c, Miles. BRED 1912 (26): 1, spl, Saunders, wing and tail mkd. yell., very rich and bright in col., fine silky feather, neat wings and tail, full of merit and grandly shown; 2, 3, Hodder, charming cl. yell., must have pressed, short and neat in body, wings, and tail, rare col. and feather; 3, really bonnie buff, sound rich col., delicately frosted, neat head, rare style, capital wings and tail; vhc, Matthes; hc, Terry; c, Richardson. NOV. (15): 1, Gale, very smart, typical neck tkd. buff, good head, neck, and shoulders, stands well over perch, beautifully feathered, sound and level in col.; 2, Miss Edwards, very nice bodied buff, level col., well mealed, good wings and tail, not so stout in head; 3, Cramp, beautifully feathered and nicely shown buff; good carr., nice wings and tail, not so stoutly built; vhc, Askew, the best shaped bird in the class, an eye tkd. buff, but open in front; hc, Smith; c, Perkins. NON-FED (14): 1, vhc, c, Miller, bonnie eye and saddle mkd. yell., magnificent shape, rare wings and tail, grand head and chest, feathered like a Java; 2, Leach, grand shaped buff, nicely feathered, good flights and tail; 3, Wade, high qual. yell., beautiful style, rather finer drawn, neat wings and tail; hc, spl, Terry. CREST CL. BODY amalg. with A.O.V. (13): 1, Stubbs, wing mkd., grand centre, capital radiation, neatly drooped, nice qual. feather of good width, shapely body; 2, hc, Gale, even mkd., grand shape and centre, very fine quality, well spread, but lacks the length and droop of tail; 3, two spls, Mrs. Thynne, wing mkd, grand body shape, large crest, not so well arranged; vhc, Gollan, good bodied Green, nice front, rather rough at sides; c, Dol. C.B. (9): 1, Hayward, variegs., nice domed shaped skull, covered with broad, silky, yet wide feather, capital body shape and feather; 2, c, Gale, very heavy browed cl., nice width and shape of skull, but does not turn back so well; 3, Mrs. Thynne, very nice qual. green, not so massive or full of skull feather; vhc, Stubbs; hc, Fellows. BORD CL. (22): 1, hc, spl, Bennet, sweet little buff, very fine head and neck, grand shoulders, nice level back, tightly braced wings and tail, lovely silky feather, rare style; 2, Rogers, smart stylish, finely drawn buff, rare shoulders, wings, and tail, fine head, nice quality of feather, not so well staged; 3, Wood, grand shaped buff, full of style, rare shoulders, wings, and tail, not quite so smoothly polished; vhc, Bacon; hc, c, Saunders. A.O.V. (16): 1, sp, Bennet, fine four-pointed buff, beautifully balanced markings, lovely silky feather, full of style and nerve, stands well up on a good pair of legs; 2, Weaver, four-pointed yell., typical, neat feather, lovely style, hardly so neat in markings; 3, Wood, eye and wing mkd buff, beautiful shape, grand wings and tail, full of style and action; vhc, Mrs. Thynne; hc, Bacon; c, Burton Bros. A.O.V. (9): 1, Ellis, very typical four-pointed yell. Nor., lovely col. and feather, splendid quality and style, shown in the pink of perfection; 2, c, Dunford, grand shaped yell. Cinn., sound rich col., very fine silky feather, good head, wings, and tail; 3, Andrews Bros., stylish, stout bodied buff Cinn., grand qual., full of col., very smart in wings and tail; vhc, Baker; hc, Gibb. PAIRS (8): 1, spl, hc, Dandridge, neatly feathered, finely drawn pair of Yorkies, stood well ahead; 2, Ellis, good stout bodied Nor., capital feather, wings and tails, nice form; 3, Clark, pair matched for breeding Cinn.-mkd. Yorks. would have been improved with a wash; vhc, Bullen; c, Pearson. MULES, DK. CAN. (12): 1, spl, Lamb, one of the richest, superb, and brightest hued Jonque Can.-Go'dies we have seen for a long time, a real gem of the highest quality, and shown to perfection; 2, Pope, very handsome Jonque Lin.-Can., full of col., feathered like a Robin, beautifully mkd., coat shining like satin; 3, Gibb, smart, shapely, stylish Siskin-Can., grandly mkd., beautifully feathered, and plenty of col.; vhc, Juby; hc, Weekes; c, Luckley. CL. EVENLY-MKD. CAN.-BULLIE. and HYD. CANCELLED. VARIEG. (12): 1, Weekes, very handsome variegs. yell., capital shape, plenty of size, rich level col., grand face and bars, very neatly feathered and full of style; 2, Lees, nice shaped variegs. Lin.-Can., full of qual., in grand form; 3, Lamb, variegs. Greenie-Can., beautiful col., tight and silky in feather, in rare form; vhc, Gunnell; hc, Cramp; c, Goulden. FOR. SMALL (12): 1, and CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE spl, Slade, very handsome Blue-winged Tanager, beautifully mkd., very brilliant in col., and feathered to perfection; 2, 3, vhc, Thwaites, large handsome Indian Shama, very rich deep col., feather in grand form; 3rd grand little tri-coloured Tanager, most vivid colouring, but hardly so perfect in feather; vhc, perfectly feathered Diamond Finch; hc, Wade; c, Miss Backhouse. SMALL PAIRS (10): 1, Andrew Bros., grandly marked, rich coloured, well shown Ruficaudas, but are they a proper pair; 2, vhc, Thwaites, very prettily mkd. pair of Cuban Finches, beautiful in col. and feather; vhc, sweet little pair of Cordon Bleus; 3, Swaysland, shapely, good coloured, well feathered pair of Saffron Finches; hc, Miss Backhouse; c, Miss Mantell. LARGE cancelled.

Mr. House's Classes.

YORKS., YELL. (12): 1, Atkins, grand length of side, rare legs, full of style and nerve, fine head, neat shoulders, lovely level back, full of qual., well shown; 2, Williams, carries more col., but not so silky in feather, very neat and stylish, grand shoulders, wings and tail, nice level back; 3, Morris and Son, long raking bird, stands well up on a good pair of legs, splendid style and nerve, grand length of side; vhc, Veness; hc, Dykes; c, Wraight. BUFF (15): 1, sp., Atkins, grand length of leg and side, very neat head, closely braced wings and tail, rare shoulders and back, nice level col., feather of the finest and silkiest, well shown; 2, Green, not quite so oval in head, rare shoulders, back, wings and tail, capital feather and style, stands well up on a good pair of legs; 3, Yates, rare shape and style, plenty of length, nice head, shoulders and back, splendid wings and tail; vhc, Dandridge; hc, Rogers; c, Pattrick. VARIEG. (14): 1, Pilcher, very smart neck tkd., rare shape and style, capital carriage of wings and tail, neat head and shoulders, good level back, well finished right through; 2, Green, warmer in col., not quite so much length of side and tail, very nicely finished right through, in good form; 3, Dandridge, very sweet, stands like a soldier, rather pale in col., but as sleek and silky as a mole, not so long, but lovely shape; vhc, Pattrick, head, eye, and wing tkd., grand shape and style; hc, Howes Bros.; c, Rogers; No. 14, Dykes, was soft. HENS (20): 1, 3, Howes Bros., very sweet, stylish cl. yell., neat, well moulded head, grand shoulders, back and tail, beautiful shape and position, grandly feathered and well finished, 3, very close, silky feathered buff, rare shape and position, grand head, neck and back, full of nerve and style, rather stout, but splendidly shown; 2, sp., and Hyde's sp., Dandridge, gem of a buff, magnificent feathering, rare head, grand shoulders, wings and tail; vhc, Bullen, lovely buff; hc, Wraight; c, Cooper; No. 20, Dykes, was soft. BRED 1912 (23): 1, Dykes, wing tkd. yell., long, stylish, nervy bird, beautiful silky feather, nice level col., neat head, fine in shoulders, well braced wings and tail, plenty of leg and stands like a guardsman; 2, 3, Pattrick, sweet buff, neat head, grandly feathered, well tapered body, clean level run over back, rare wings and tail, 3, fine shapely stylish yell., not quite oval in head, very neat shape, full of nerve and style, and grandly finished feather; vhc, Williams; hc, Yates; c, Hawes Bros. NOV. CL. (22): 1, Truelove, yell., grand length and shape, stands well up on a good pair of legs, fine head, splendid shoulders, wings and tail, nice col., lovely silky feather, beautifully finished; 2, Askew, sweet buff, quality from end to end, neat head, fine shoulders, well braced wings and tail, nice col., full of nerve and style, well shown; 3, Fleet, grandly feathered, good upstanding buff, not quite so slim, capital head, grand shoulders, wings and tail, splendid position; vhc, c, Smith, clunking good buff; hc, Cooper. VARIETY (15): 1, Truelove, very smart and shapely tkd. buff, neat head, fine shoulders, splendid back, very compact in wings and tail, stands up to his work like a soldier, in nice form; 2, Olding, good, shapely tkd. buff, lovely feather, carries more col., not quite so slim, grand carriage of wings and tail, well shown; 3, Tapper, lengthy cap and wing mkd. yell., splendid head, shoulders and back, shapely, but needs handling; vhc, Cundy, neat and stylish Cinn.-marked buff; hc, Askew; c, Lord. NON-FED (27): 1, sp., Dandridge, grizzle shouldered buff, gem of a Yorkie, feathered like a Java, and polished like glass, grand head and neck, rare shoulders and back, lovely wings and tail carriage; 2, 3, Brooks, variegs. yell., Cinn.-marked, rare qual., full of style, handles well, rare head and neck, lovely back, stands well on grand legs, 3, smart, stylish, nervy cl. yell., grand carriage of wings and tail, silky in feather, rare head, wings and tail, beautifully finished right through; vhc, Tapper, very long, raey yell.; hc, Jeans; c, French; quite the best class of non-feds we ever remember seeing. GOLDFINCH (21): 1, and two sps., Burr, very large, square cut blaze, clean cheeks, distinct and bright collar, splendid back, buttons, and bars, rich flush, sound body col., and feathered like silk; 2, Harris, sound rich deep coloured blaze, beautiful collar, grandly cut buttons, splendid rich clear bars, lovely body col., feathered to perfection; 3, Plummer, beautifully marked right through, grand rich face and clean collar, splendid bars and buttons, not quite so steady; vhc, Horne, very bright rich col., both of face and body, nice bars and button, trifle nervous; hc, Cadman Bros.; c, Soffner. BULLFINCH (24): 1, sp., best F.M., Burr, one of the richest coloured and most highly finished birds seen for a long time, deep, clean cut glossy cap, wonderful richness of breast, very soft, luminous back, splendid bars, rare shape and style; 2, sp., best H.M., Hinds, fine big bird, grand shape, magnificent feather, deeply cut cap of rich glossy col., splendid breast and back, grand bars, full of style; 3, Garner, larger, magnificent cap, rare coloured breast, beautiful back and bars, grand wings and tail, spoilt in shape by being too fat; vhc, hc, Wren, very rich and brilliant in colouring right through, lovely feather and style; c, Francis. LINNET (24): 1, Gunnell, real beauty, magnificent shape, nice col., wonderful profuseness and distinctness of markings, rare head, beautiful pinions, very neat tail, rare style and very steady; 2, 3, sp., Burr, wonderfully cl. in pinions, rich rutty col., neat head, grand back and tail, beautifully feathered, very steady and stylish, not quite so distinct in markings, 3, grandly mkd., capital col., rare shape and style, beautifully feathered, neat head, good back and tail, not so cl. in pinions; vhc, G. A. Hall, splendid shape and size; hc, James; c, E. H. Hall. GREENFINCH (16): 1, sp., Roast, one of the largest, finest, and best shaped Jonques we have ever seen, rich, deep, brilliant col., of a true green shade, grand feather, wings and tail; 2, Harris, beautiful buff, splendid wings and tail, grandly feathered, very steady, sound, rich coloured buff, well finished; 3, Burr, good buff, full of style and quality, beautiful col., lovely qual., distinct in marking of flights and tail; vhc, Francis, grand shape, size and col., splendid wings and tail, but not so steady; hc, Goble; c, Marley. BRAMBLE, ETC. (25): 1, 2, Marley, Bramble, wonderfully rich in col., very tight and silky in feather, splendid head, beautifully spangled back, rare wings and tail, very steady, 2, immense Chaffie, grand head and breast, beautifully clear and crisp in his marking, rare wings and tail, grandly feathered; 3, Hull, grand, shapely Bramble, not so rich in col. as the winner, but larger, beautifully spangled, rare feather; vhc, Cadman Bros., magnificently mkd. Chaffie, very rich col.; hc, Botting; c, Francis. REDPOLL, ETC. (17): 1, hc, Francis, very smart and stylish Redpoll, rare shape and size, very rich in col., beautifully mkd. right through, grandly feathered, a gem; 2, sp., Burr, bonnie feathered Siskin, beautifully laced cap, grand cl. body markings, rare shape and size, and as steady as a rock; 3, Prior, very smart and shapely Twite, grandly mkd., rich bright col., grandly feathered, in rare form; vhc, Wall, another very fine, shapely Redpoll, not so rich in col., well mkd.; c, Hobden. RUNTING (12): 1, Marley, one of the finest mkd. Yellows we have seen, very cl. and distinct right through, beautiful tone of col., grandly feathered, and shows like a soldier; 2, 3, Francis, very fine and large Corn Bunting, grand shape, rich col., very distinctly mkd., beautiful feather, 3, shapely Lapland, grand feather and markings, nice size, in capital condition; vhc, Harris, good coloured yell.; hc, Hobden; c, Botting. A.O.S. SMALL (11): 1, 3, Evans, very sweet little Dartford Warbler, wonderful col., and feather, very steady and showy, staged in nice form, 3, bonny Willow Wren, beautiful feather and col., very steady, in grand form, some preferred; 2, Tout, one of the finest Wheateare ever seen, wonderful shape, size, col. and marking, and as steady as a judge; vhc, Thwaites, nicely mkd., Redstart; hc, Andrew Bros.; c, Miss Hopwood, a very hot class for quality. LARGE (10): 1, Andrew Bros., very fine Starling, wonderfully lustrous, and beautifully spangled, grand shape and size, shown in the pink of condition; 2, Farncombe, beautifully spangled Thrush, lovely col. and feather, nice shape and size, shown in a bad cage; 3, Burr, magnificent Hawfinch, grand head, beautifully feathered, splendid wings, deep clean bib; vhc, Cadman Bros., in grand form, finely mkd. Hawfinch; hc, Francis; c, Swaysland. MEMBERS', NOR. (10): 1, hc, Miller; 2, Wall; 3, Gibb; vhc, Ellis. BRED 1912 (7): 1, hc, Ellis; 2, Small; 3, Gibb; vhc, Mrs. Eyles; c, Dean. YORS (11): 1, 3, Dandridge; 2, hc, Gibb; vhc, Pearson; c, Eyles. BRED 1912 (11): 1, 2, hc, Miller; 3, Wells; vhc, Pilling; c, Pearson. VARIETY (6): 1, 2, 3, hc, Gibb; vhc, Dean, wrong class, No. 1, Mrs. Eyles. NOV., CL. (4): 1, Small; 2, Frook; 3, Pinyon; vhc, Mrs. Clegg. VARIEG. (8) 1, vhc, Holley; 2, hc, Flook; 3, Pinyon; c, Boxall. BRIT. GOLD (7): 1, 2, Cadman Bros.; 3, Miles; vhc, Roast; hc, Wall; c, Mrs. Clegg. VARIETY, H.B. (14): 1, sp., Gibb; 2, 3, vhc, Cadman Bros.; hc, Wall; c, Plummer. STOCK (2): 1, Barber; 2, Pearson.

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NORWICH UNITED B.B.S.

Annual show, held Nov. 9, and a grand display of birds was staged. Judging was carried out by Mr. A. Woollard to the satisfaction of the members. The society has as president Mr. F. Cullington, who takes a keen interest in the welfare of the club. Awards: CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Silom; 2, Browne; 3, 4, Butler. BUFF: 1, Steward; 2, Harvey; 3, Browne; 4, Woodcock. EVENLY MKD.: 1, Shearing; 2, Baker; 3, Woodcock. VARIEG. YELL. CK.: 1, Harvey; 2, Wright; 3, Mallett; 4, Elliott. BUFF: 1, Wright; 2, Mallett; 3, 4, Browne. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, Harvey; 2, Silom; 3, Nash; 4, Butler. BUFF: 1, Shearing; 2, Browne; 3, 4, Wright. VARIEG. YELL. HEN: 1, Silom; 2, Browne; 3, Steward; 4, Butler. BUFF: 1, Betts; 2, Harvey; 3, Wright; 4, Butler. PAIRS: 1, Nash; 2, Harvey; 3, Silom; 4, Miller. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Nash; 2, Miller; 3, Baker; 4, Elliott. BUFF: 1, Elliott; 2, Butler; 3, Silom; 4, Shearing. YELL. CREST: 1, 3, Goulder; 2, Miller. CL. BODY CREST: 1, 2, Goulder. CREST BUFF: 1, Miller; 2, Shearing; 3, Goulder. HEN: 1, Goulder; 2, Steward; 3, Miller. C.B. YELL.: 1, 3, Miller; 2, Goulder. BUFF: 1, Miller; 2, Goulder; 3, Steward. HEN: Shearing. PAIR: 1, Miller; 2, 3, Goulder. NOV., YELL.: 1, Wright; 2, 3, Paul; 4, Gilmore. BUFF: 1, 3, Gilmore; 2, 4, Paul. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Steward; 3, Wright; 4, Shearing. SP. BEST P.H.: Harvey. BEST NOV. P.H.: Wright. BEST CREST: Goulder. Saundford's medal: Nash. Ramsden's special: Harvey.

BANKFOOT AND DIST. C.B.S.

Fourth members' show, held Red Lion Hotel, Nov. 2. 55 entries faced the judge, Mr. W. A. Cowpill, whose awards gave every satisfaction. Special for best bird, also special for best cock bird were won by Mr. C. Hardaker with a fine ticked buff. Special for best hen, Mr. S. Smith, with smart uneven marked buff. Winners of 1st and 2nd most points at this show were Messrs. C. Hardaker and S. Smith. The prizes for this season's competitions were allotted at a special meeting on Oct. 25th, when other business of great importance to the society's welfare was also discussed, and no doubt by the end of the present season steps will have been taken to again place the society in a sound condition. Will members not present at the special meeting kindly make an effort to attend the next meeting, and thereby help forward the work? The first three prizes for the members' competition this season are: 1, electro rose bowl (large); 2nd, 15/-; 3rd, 10/-; the other prizes including three cash specials for most points with commended birds; 10/- special for most points in selling classes; and a further 5/- and several others will be competed for. Any member who has not yet shown may do so, and still have a fair chance of being in the running.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Hardaker; 2, S. Smith; 3, Crowther; 4, Hudson; vhc, Mitchell; hc, Lawson; c, Wilman. BUFF: 1, 2, Hardaker; 3, S. Smith; 4, c, Mitchell; vhc, Myers and Lightowler; hc, Smith and Carter. EVEN, ETC., MKD. YELL.: 1, S. Smith. BUFF: 1, 3, Hudson; 2, Lawson. FOUL MKD.: 1, Hardaker; 2, Smith and Carter. CINN. MKD.: 1, Lawson; 2, Wilman. CL. OR TKD. YELL HEN: 1, 4, S. Smith; 2, Myers and Lightowler; 3, Crowther. BUFF: 1, S. Smith; 2, Hudson; 3, Myers and Lightowler; 4, vhc, Mitchell. EVEN, ETC. YELL.: 1, Wilman; 2, Hardaker; 3, Hudson; 4, vhc, Lawson; hc, Crowther. BUFF: 1, S. Smith; 2, 3, Hudson; 4, vhc, Lawson. CINN. MKD.: 1, Hardaker; 2, 3, Mitchell; 4, Smith and Carter. STOCK BIRD: 1, 3, 4, Hudson; 2, Gelder.—F. Gelder, Sec.

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CODNOR PARK AND EASTWOOD.

3rd annual exhibition, held November 15 and 16. The large and nicely lighted Assembly Room, attached to the "Three Tuns" Inn, Eastwood, provided comfort for the capital entry obtained, exceeding last year's total, with several classes less. Staging was very neatly carried out, 5 tier high, and all specimens were easily observed. The committee are a very fine band of workers, and worthy of compliments being bestowed. Stewards who rendered capital assistance promptly and efficiently were Messrs. B. Simpson and C. Martin, both proving themselves the "right metal" for this important office. Mr. J. H. Mitchell, the worthy sec., is truly a great asset, most courteous and obliging, always doing the right thing at the right time; the "Colliers" are happily blessed in having amongst them such a practical controller. Norwich P.H. were really a grand lot. What a field day for Messrs. Adnitt and Driver, with 34 entries in various sections, claiming no less than 9 firsts, 7 seconds, 4 thirds, one 4th, and other mentions, truly a magnificent team to put down. Yorkshires contained one or two real "eye openers." Mr. L. Dykes' yellow and ticked buff cocks were envied by all present, a brace of beauties without doubt. The winner in the novice Norwich, owned by Mr. J. Smedley, found many friends, and was voted a gem. Mules and British gave a pleasing tone to the function, the former containing "mixtures of rarity," and the latter creatures of a delightful nature. Messrs. T. H. Y. Hayter, W. G. Poole, J. Martin, J. Weeks, and W. R. Hexter gaining the largest plums with charmers. Special winners are as follows: Members: Taylor's challenge cup (most points), Messrs. Adnitt and Driver; second (gold medal), Messrs. Lees and Smith; third (Wardle's), Mr. W. Holmes. Best Yorks.: Messrs. Adnitt and Driver. Nor. ditto; British, Mr. J. Martin; NOV., Mr. J. Smedley; Self Green, Mr. W. Holmes; Hottest Fed (Sandiford's), Messrs. Martin and Faux. Judging was completed in good time, and the show opened by one o'clock. Management throughout superb. Good attendance of visitors, and everything pointed to a very successful issue. Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) adjudicated, and the following, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (10): 1, 2, Adnitt and Driver, brace of "clinkers," bader a bouncer, of lovely shape and feather, full of fire, delightful carriage, clean cut away, 2, very shapely, capital tone of col., silky texture, jaunty, very close up indeed, both cl.; 3, hc, Holmes, tkd. eye, ablaze with colour, A1 feather, sweet expression of head, good neck and chest, wee bit longer barrel, wings and tail; 4, Wilcox and Son, cobby Cl., of grand feather, well up in col., full of action, not the substance; vhc, Prince; c, Martin and Faux; No. 8, Kirk, wrong class, mkd, buff. BUFF (8): 1, 2, hc, Adnitt and Driver, trio of "right 'uns," cl., short and thick set, smooth as wax, round as a ball, lovely col. and carriage 2, mkd. head, even hotter in col., very shapely and of good substance, not so close in texture, yet one we liked immensely; 3, 4, Wilson, well fed and well feathered cl., good substance, nice head and neck, bold chest, bit longer in build, 4, grand substance, shapely, nice col. and qual., crosses wings, which holds it back; vhc, Martin and Faux; c, Hickling. YELL. HEN (8): 1, 3, hc, Adnitt and Driver, cl., of rare size and shape, superb feather and col., dainty carriage, most bewitching, 3, shapely, capital qual. and col., moves gracefully, neatness itself, not the size; 2, Wilson, cl., rich in qual. and col., good head and body properties, capital wing carriage, not quite so full up in neck as winner; 4, Holmes, very promising unflighted, tkd. eye, sweetly moulded, A1 col. and feather, charming movement, quite a "forward miss"; vhc, Earnshaw; c, Martin and Faux. No. 1, Holmes, passed as blind. BUFF (9): 1, vhc, Adnitt and Driver, cl., short and thick set, magnificently feathered, rich col., neatly frosted, good size and dainty carriage, gem; 2, Holmes, mkd. wings and head, shade more substance, A1 qual., not so decided in outline as former, yet of wonderful merit and close up; 3, Hickling, cl., well up in size, full of col. and qual., beaten slightly in symmetry, yet a good one; 4, Simpson and Vertigan, cl., fine substance, grand col. and qual., fine head, neck and chest, square behind; hc, Earnshaw; c, Martin and Faux. GREEN, ETC. (11): 1, Smith, Buff Green, clubby, good feather, well up in size, rare head and neck, grand as a breeder for col.; 2, hc, Adnitt and Driver, yell. variegs., rattling feather and col., neat head and neck, good chest, little longer Otherwise; 3, Ball Bros., buff green, pied tail, beautiful body shape, short wings and tail, well clothed, wanting in head and neck; 4, Holmes, yell green, soft, silky feather, capital col., nice type, not one of the biggest, but one of the best; vhc, Winterbottam; c, Hunt and Brentnall; Nos. 2, Holmes, 4, Smith, buff and yellow respectively, both too lightly mkd. for this class, should have been in classes 2 and 1. YELL. UNFLIG. (8): 1, 3, c, Adnitt and Driver, superior quality and richly fed cl., delightful shape and carriage, exceedingly promising, well shown, 3, mkd. wings and eyes, ablaze with col., teeming with quality, lovely shape, not quite enough of it, yet awfully neat; 2, vhc, Simpson and Vertigan, fine sized variegs., A1 qual. and col., pleasing head, neck chest and carriage, not far away; 4, Prince, cl., well up in col., nicely feathered, grand body, weak in head and neck character; hc, Martin and Faux; No. 1, wrong class, Wilcox and Son, very fine cl., but an old bird. BUFF (10): 1, 2, Adnitt and Driver, magnificently shaped cl., marvellous substance, teeming with quality, rich col. and frosting, fine carriage, topper, 2, mkd. wings and head, plenty of col., superior feather, cobby, not the size of stable companion, yet one of the best; 3, Wilson, cl., delightful contour, smooth as a Java, capital col., not the substance, still very choice; 4, Holmes, variegs., rattling col. and feather, grand head and neck, deep fronted, longer barrel, wings and tail; vhc, Ratcliffe, good one, but down in condition, soft; hc, Prince; c, Hunt and Brentnall. NAT. (11): 1, Simpson and Vertigan, cobby cl., buff, good subs. and feather, clean cut away, looks capable of producing up-to-date progeny; 2, Prince, cl., yell., short and thick set, well clothed, capital col. and carriage, clean under, pressed hard; 3, Springhall, cl. yell., sweet shape, col. and feather, jaunty, smaller; 4, vhc, Winterbottam, again on the small side, but very taking and richly feathered, cl. yell., in the pink; hc, Adnitt and Driver; c, Hickling; No. 6, Adnitt and Driver, best bird in the class; wrong class for alleged high col.; No. 2, Holmes, absent. NOV., buff. (10): Largest class in the show, proving once again the advantage gained by catering for the novices. 1, vhc, Smedley, yell. mkd. wings and head, full of fire, grand shape and feather, nice size and carriage, clean cut away, capable of operating well in the "upper circles"; 2, Earnshaw, buff mkd. head, very promising, unflighted, sweet shape, nice col., qual., and frosting, good size; 3, White, red bot cl. yell., well up in substance, nice feather, falls in shape a bit, hardly cobby enough; 4, Parson Bros., very shapely cl. buff, not bad feather, a little patchy in col., and rather too lengthy; hc, Earnshaw; c, Hoyle. YORKS., YELL. (7): 1, 3, Dykes, couple of charmers, wonderfully lengthy cl., delightfully feathered, slashing position, lovely back and flights, clever legs, 3, cl., straight as a rush, nice col. and clothing, hardly the length, full of style, and well put down; 2, Norton, mkd. neck, rare length, excellent position, grand back, neat wings and tail, beaten a little in quality; 4, Wood, cl., wonderful length, capital col. and qual., stands well, gets wings across sometimes, tells against it; vhc, Mountain; hc, Holmes; c, Dickens. BUFF (8): 1, Dykes, mkd. cheek, feathered to perfection, lovely position, grand back and wing car., not a feather misplaced, stnged to the moment, gem, and greatly admired; 2, 4, Harriman, grizzled wing, superb feather, lengthy, nice position, well on leg, appearing a bit chilly, 4, cl., full of style, grand feather, stands beautifully, but shorter; 3, Norton, very lengthy cl., straight as a pencil, capital qual., in pen around cheeks, will look immense shortly; vhc, Wood; hc, Mountain; c, Holmes. GREEN, ETC. (2): 1, Adnitt and Driver, mkd. wings and head, magnificent quality, rich col., upstanding, delightful length, gem of gems; 2, Dykes, mkd. wings, breast and head, A1 feather, good length and position. UNFLIG. (8): 1, Mountain, cl. yell., marvellous length, standing like a Guardsman, superb col. and feather, stylish and well on leg, should make a name; 2, 4, Norton, cl. buff and buff mkd. wing, both lovely qual. and col., former very close on the heels of winner, latter bit thick waisted; 3, Dykes, cl. yell., wonderful length, good in feather, stands all right, not quite so good in expression of head; vhc, Holmes; hc, Wood; c, Dickens. NAT. COL. (6): 1, Kew, yell. mkd. head, straight up, rare length, capital feather, full of nerve, good on leg, would look well fed; 2, Holmes, buff, cinn. mkd. wings and head, smooth as a bottle, grand position, not of the longest, but of the smartest; 3, 4, Gooding, buff, variegs., and cl. buff, both nice position, former rather short, latter capital length, but open in feather; vhc, Hubbard; hc, Lees and Smith. NOV. (10): 1, Hibbitt, jun., cl. buff, exquisite quality and col., rare position and length, best of backs and wing carriage, easy win; 2, 4, Kew, cl. yell., grand stand and feather, lengthy and slim, well on leg, good one, 4, yell. mkd. neck, red hot, well clothed, capital position, full of style, shorter; 3, Dickens, buff neck, tkd., good position, capital feather, wanting more length for present day requirements; vhc, Wilmot; hc, Green; c, Hubbard. CREST (4): 1, Memmott, buff varieg. D.C., wealth of rich qual. feather, shapely, and nice sub., crest of good size and radiation, neat droop and centre; 2, Adnitt and Driver, buff variegs. D.C., capital size, crest large and of good shape, wee bit hairy, yet of nice droop and neat centre, close up; 3, Barker, buff green D.C., shapely, and of capital feather, neat veiny crest, as round as a hoop, fine droop, smaller; 4, Sharpe, buff varieg. D.C., rich clothing, crest of pretty formation, but again on the small side, yet neat specimen. C.B. (5): 1, Memmott, cl. buff, heaps of feather, fine substance, marvellous width and rise of skull, lashed to perfection, extremely choice; 2, Adnitt and Driver, buff varieg., plenty of clothing, good size body, dense head feather, not the width or rise as 1st, yet beauty; 3, March, buff varieg., shapely, and of good quality, nice width of skull, but lacking the length of feather, neat brow; 4, Miss Hodgkinson, buff, almost green, pied wing and tail, full of character, nice feather, not so massive in frame; vhc, Sharpe. A.O.V. (7): 1, Adnitt and Driver, Cinn. mkd., 4-pointed Yorkie, lovely feather and col., rare length and stand, well balanced markings, real gem; 2, March, yell. Scotch Fancy, mkd., neck, capital feather, good shoulders, nice circle, shown in fine fettle; 3, 4, vhc, Holmes, yell. green Bord., pied tail, sweet shape, slashing feather, grand action, a picture, 4, yell. Border, mkd. neck, nice feather, good shape, full of nerve, worth its place. GIFT (7): 1, 2, 4, Holmes; 3, Adnitt and Driver; vhc, Martin and Faux; hc Smedley. HYB., ETC. (6): 1, vhc, Hayter, Lin.-Bullie, exquisite, feather and col., grand shape, nice size, lovely condition, beauty; 2, Adnitt and Driver, yell. Gold.-Can., bordering on four-pointed, rich col. and qual., good size, shape and car., a gem; 3, Watson, prettily mkd. Sis.-Redpoll, nice shape and size, capital col., in the pink; 4, hc, Lees and Smith, Redpoll-Bullie, very shapely, and of nice colour feather and markings, well put down. DARK MULE (8): 1, 2, Hayter, leading with a very fine Can.-Bullie of magnificent col. and qual., grand shape, nice size, captivated many present, 2, yell. Greenie-Can., delightful quality and col., nice shape and size, bit weak in hind claws, yet extremely bonny; 3, Bradley, Lin.-Can., well up in size, A1 colour and feather, choice pencilling, good 3rd; 4, Smith, capital Sis.-Can., very shapely, good feather and col., nice size, put down in fine style; vhc, Lees and Smith; hc, Holmes; c, Hexter; No. 4, Lees and Smith, absent. GOLDIE (8): 1, Poole, fine shape and size, large, well cut blaze of rich tone of col., grand body col., bold neat bars and buttons, gem; 2, Williams, shapely, rich texture of feather, lovely face, not quite so large, A1 col., nice bars and well buttoned, close up; 3, hc, Holmes, good shape, nice size, good col., not so brilliant in blaze, still pleasing specimen; 4, Smith, similar to 3rd, little separates them; vhc, Hexter; c, Lees and Smith. BULLIE (8): 1, Martin, beautiful shape, delightful breast col., large and splendidly polished cap, in absolutely best possible trim; 2, Flavell, shapely, rich qual., good size and car., neat cap, not quite so rich in breast col, staged grandly; 3, hc, Lees and Smith, nice shape and feather, good cap and breast colour, not the substance; 4, Poole, fine shape and size, A1 qual., hold cap, nice col.; vhc, Curzon and Hill; c, Turner; No. 6, Caunt, wrong class, alleged foreigner. LINNET (5): 1, Weeks, for shape col., qual. and pencilling all one need desire, not one of the largest, but one of the sweetest, steady as a top, easy win; 2, 3, 4, Lees and Smith, former, fine shape and size, grand col. and markings, down in condition somewhat, no doubt when right, a beauty, 3 and 4, both nice shape and feather, prettily pencilled, requires more col. and size; vhc, Cook. GREENIE (7): 1, Poole, rattling shape and substance, lovely col., not a feather misplaced, shown in faultless trim, topper; 2, Caunt, another "right 'un," delightful shape, col. and feather, grand carriage, pressed hard; 3, Lees and Smith, good shape and size, nice qual., hardly so rich in col., well worth its place; 4, Flavell, shapely and of nice feather, good substance, again hardly the col., still very honny; vhc, he, Lees and Smith; c, Argyle. BRAMBLE, ETC. (8): 1, Hexter, magnificent Bramble, rare size and shape, lovely col., delightful ticking, living picture; 2, 4, Lees and Smith, both Chaffs, former good size and shape, capital col. and markings, very choice specimen, latter hardly col. or size, grand shape and carriage, put down in style; 3, Smith, Bramble, full of quality, very shapely, not quite the col. or sub.; vhc, Watson; hc, Williams;

CITY OF DERRY (Ireland)

Annual Show held November 14th in the Union Hall. This hall is a real good one for a Show, having good top and side lights and plenty of floor space. The entry was a record one, and some really first-class birds were on view, Yorks. especially were a fine lot, type and quality combined, making one wish the Irish fanciers could see their way to put them in competition with their English brethren. A very special and novel feature was a speech making Cockatoo. Oh, the language! For quite an hour at a stretch it kept the very large audience in roars of laughter, neither was the true oratorical gesture lacking, at times wheedling, then passionate, at others the "Trend on the tail of me coat" style was introduced, but no matter what its particular humour at the moment it was always "marvellous" and must have given its owner an infinity of trouble to train, and no doubt much pleasure. Messrs. Kerr, Platt, and Kincaird, the secretaries and treasurer respectively, were gluttons for work, and everything was in apple pie order in good time. Mr. S. Hadwin, Liverpool, judged, and no doubt is still blushing at the nice things said about him.

The Critique.

SCOTCH (9): 1, Hargin, good top reach and drive, plenty of depth, gets well under; 2, Dunlop, good depth and drive, well under, not quite the reach; 3, Bell, good shoulders, fair drive, well under, fails reach; 4, Dunlop, good reach and drive; vhc, Bell; hc, Dunlop; c, Younge. HEN (5): 1, Dunlop, grand top, reach, and drive, gets well under, good depth; 2, Dunlop, very similar; 3, Bell, gets well under, not the reach of leaders; 4, Bell, fair reach and drive, fails under; vhc, Bell. CREST (15): 1, 2, Kincaird, good leafy head, well centred and radiated; 2nd, not so good at sides, fair feather and centre; 3, McClelland, nice droop and centre, fails a bit at sides; 4, Kincaird, shade thin in feather, nice droop, loses sides; vhc, hc, Moore; c, McNaughton. HEN (14): 1, 2, vhc, Kincaird, good centre and droop, nice feather, fell radiated; 2nd, not far behind, just loses sides and density; 3, Moore, good leafy feather, fails droop; 4, McClelland, nice feather and droop, bit narrow at sides; hc, Gilfillan; c, Moore. C.B. (12): 1, hc, Gilfillan, good skull, plenty of feather and substance; 2, 3, 4, Moore, good skull and feather, fine substance, close up; 3, not quite the skull, fair feather and substance; 4, very fair feather, not the front of leaders; vhc, Kincaird; c, McClelland. HEN (10): 1, c, Gilfillan, rather weak in skull, plenty of feather; 2, 3, Moore, fair skull, short of feather; 3, not very far behind; 4, Mooney, narrow sides, fair feather; vhc, Kincaird; hc, Moore. NOR. CL. CK. (8): 1, c, Kincaird, good head, substance and qual., well moulded; 2, Mulligan, good substance and qual., fails head to leader; 3, Devins, good head and substance, not quite the qual.; 4, hc, Mrs. Taylor, nice head and substance, not so well moulded; vhc Gilfillan. HEN (5): 1, 2, Kincaird, grand col., shape, and qual., a good one; 2, good qual., not quite the substance of winner; 3, Mulligan, not the col. or qual. of those above it; 4, Gilfillan, nice shape on the small side; vhc, Mrs. Taylor, No. 2, wrong class. MKD. ETC. (11): 1, 2, c, Kincaird, good qual. col. and shape, nice substance; 2, similar in shape and col, not the quality; 3, 4, hc, Mrs. Taylor, good head and substance, loses to others in feather; 4, good qual., not so good in head properties; vhc, Doherty. HEN (9): 1, Kincaird, good qual. and col., nice shape and substance; 2, Mrs. Taylor, very similar, not quite so good in head; 3, Gilfillan nice shape and substance, rather too feathery; 4, hc, Mrs. Taylor, good qual. and shape, not so neat in head; vhc, c, Falconer. YORKS. CL. (12): 1, no name, good leg, pos., and qual., rare style, very racy; 2, Fraser, plenty of leg, good qual. and pos., not so stylish; 3, hc, Neill, good pos., leg, and qual., close up; 4, Rutherford, good qual., shape, leg, and pos., fails a bit in length; vhc, Fleming; c, Devins. HEN (7): 1, 2, Neill, good length, style, qual., and pos., good one; 2, nicely filled, good qual. and pos.; 3, Hunt, good leg and pos., not so neat as the others; 4, Devins, good qual., fails leg and pos. to those above it; vhc, Dunwoody; hc, Fleming, jun.; c, Nevin. TICK. ETC. (11): 1, Dunwoody, well filled, good qual. leg and pos., very smart; 2, Hunt, good qual. leg and pos., not so well filled in neck; 3, Neill, nice leg and pos., well drawn; 4, Fleming, jun., good leg, pos., and qual., fails a little in front; vhc, Nevin; hc, c, Rutherford. HEN (6): 1, Fraser, good qual. and pos., plenty of leg and style, good one; 2, Devins, well filled, good qual., bit soft to-day; 3, Fleming, jun., good leg pos. and style, fails bit in neck; 4, Dunwoody, good leg and pos., not so stylish; vhc, hc, Nevin. NON. FED. (17): a grand class, some of them extra: 1, Devins, well filled, rare qual., good leg and pos. a good one; 2, Nevin, very stylish qual. and pos., shade smaller; 3, Mulligan, good leg and pos., rather soft; 4, Fraser, fine qual., good leg and pos., fails a bit in wings; vhc, hc, c, Fraser. HEN (13): 1, 3, 4, Fraser, rare qual., good leg and pos., very smart; 3, qual. leg and pos., all there, not quite so racy; 4, very similar, only smaller; 2, vhc, Bogue, good qual. leg and pos., not quite the mould; hc, Nevin; c, Mulligan. A.O.V. (7): 1, Hargin, real good Belgian, grand depth, rare carr.; 2, 3, Mrs. Taylor, Nor. Green, good col. and shape; 3, do., far behind; 4, Lindsay, fair Border; vhc, hc, Miss Caldwell; c, Lindsay. MULE, DARK: 1, Osborne, very smart Siskin Canary, in rare condition; 2, Devins, Linnet Can., good size, well mkd., good one; 3, vhc, hc Mrs. Taylor, Goldie, fair size, first class condition; 4, Menamin, Greenfinch Can., rare condition, grand col.; hc, Porter. LIGHT (4): 1, Osborne, well mkd. buff Goldie Can., in fine condition; 2, Falconer, varieg yell Goldie Can., well staged; 3, Kincaird, buff Goldie Can., varieg., in good feather; 4, McGeady, do., not far behind.

CODNOR PARK—Continued.

c, Holmes. TWITE, ETC. (7): 1, Hexter, Lesser Redpoll, delightful qual. and shape, rich col., nice size, grandly marked, perfect bloom; 2, 4, vhc, Lees and Smith, Siskin, good size and of beautiful col., tight as wax, rare cap, prettily marked, very charming; 4, Lesser Redpoll, shapely, and of capital qual., pink of condition; 3, Poole, Mealy Redpoll, sweet shape, nice size, col. and markings, bit rough in feather, around thighs and rump; hc, Argyle; c, Mrs. M. Kirk. A.O.S. HARD. (8): 1, Poole, Hawfinch, marvellous col., rattling shape and size, grand hib, could not have been staged better, a treat; 2, Caunt, yell. Bunting, lovely shape, size and qual., exquisite col., grand head markings, gem; 3, ditto, Hawfinch, not quite so smooth in head feather as winner, otherwise equal, found many friends; 4, hc, Lees and Smith, yell. Bunting, good shape and size, nice col., neat head points, worth its place; vhc, Turner; c, Martin.

GOLDFINCH (9): 1, Algeo, good blaze, nicely mooned, lovely condition; 2, Porter, not so good in blaze, good condition; 3, Williamson, loses blaze, not so well staged; 4, Goligher, similar, close up; vhc, Dunlop; hc, Kincaird, McGeady. A.O.S. SMALL (4): 1, Devins, Bullfinch, good head, nice col; 2, Kerr, Yell. Bunting, in good condition, tails head; 3, Menamin, Greenfinch, tight as wax, nice col.; 4, Goligher, Linnet, not in the best of trim, nice markings. LARGE: 1, Goligher, capital Thrush, in fine conditiou; 2, Mrs. Taylor, Crow, a novelty, well staged; 3, McGeady, Thrush, not so well mkd. as winner; 4, Gallagher, Thrush, similar, close up; vhc, Bryson, Lark, very wild. FOR. (3): 1, 2, W. Macmillan, both lemon-crested Cockatoos, well staged; 2, not quite so large; 3, McClintock, the speech-maker, already referred to, out of feather.

MERTHYR.

Held Nov. 14, Olympia Rink, Merthyr Tydvil. The hall was well adapted for a show, being very roomy and well lighted. Entries in our section did not come up as well as expected, owing undoubtedly to clashing with Swansea and Abertillery. Our section was well looked after by Messrs. W. Evans, Wm. Davies, M. Evans, B. Lewis, J. Evans, M. Browning, and G. Butler. The Secretary, Mr. J. Thomas, was a very able and energetic official. The feature of the show was the Finches, some really good specimens being staged. Cup for best bird in the show was awarded to Mr. D. Ray's Waxwing, a lovely exhibit. Mr. J. H. Jones judged, and his awards met with general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. CK. (6): 1, sp, G. Edwards, tkd., good head and neck, very cobby, well braced wings and tail, grand col. and qual.; 2, Hill, cl., nice type and qual., neat wings and tail, not quite the subs.; 3, Capt. Collier, tkd., grand col. and qual., very cobby, neat wings and tail; 4, Tedstone, nice col. and qual., good head and neck; vhc, G. T. Jones; absent, Capt. Collier. BUFF (3): 1, sp, Hill, cl., good size, shape and qual., nicely balanced wings and tail; 2, Jones, tkd., close up, very cobby, nice col. and qual.; 3, Hotilkis, cl., good size, shape and qual., neat wings. HEN (4): 1, sp, Muscott, tkd. buff, lovely bird, neat wings and tail, good head, neck and wing carriage; 2, Jones, var. buff, good head and neck, very cobby, neat carriage; 3, Hotilkis, cl., close up, good type and qual., nice col.; 4, Hill, neat hen, nice col. and qual., good type. NOV. (5): 1, Evans, cl. buff, good col. and qual., well balanced; 2, Hotilkis, tkd. yell., nice size, shape and col., neat wings and tail; 3, Williams, var. buff, good type and qual.; 4, Shearer, nice size, col. and qual.; absent, Hayword. YORKS. YELL. CK. (6): 1, 4, James and Wells, both cl., nice length, good col. and qual., neat wings, well up on leg; 2, Cook, cl., close up, good length, nice head and neck, good pos.; 3, Cross, another cl., nice col. and qual., very stylish, neat wings and tail; absent, Hayward, Watkins. BUFF (6): 1, Bevan, cl., grand length, nice col. and qual., well braced wings, good leg; 2, James and Wells, close up, lovely feather, neat wings and tail, stands well; 3, Cook, cl., good type and col., well up on leg, shows well; 4, Holmes, cl., nice pos., neat wings and tail, good length; vhc, Cross; absent, W. B. Watkins. HEN (3): 1, 3, Cross, cl. buff leading, nice length, well up on leg, good col. and qual., latter cl. yell., very neat, nice pos., good wings and tail; 2, Holmes, yell., nice col. and qual., well braced wings neat tail. UNFLIG. A.V. (6): 1, Hill, var. Nor., good size and shape, neat head and neck; 2, Jones, cl. Nor., good type and qual., close up; 3, Ley, Yorks, nice length, good col. and qual.; 4, Bevan; vhc, Capt. Collier. NOV. A.V.: 1, sp, Geo. Davies, Crest, good size, shape and col., well shown; 2, Holmes, Yorks, good length, nice col. and qual.; 3, Farrow, Scots Fancy, good pos., nice drive; 4, Lewis; vhc, Evans; hc, Davies; c, Morgan. A.O.V. CAN. (4): 1, Farrow, Scots Fancy, nice size, good drive, gets into pos. quickly; 2, Edwards, dk. Crest, nice subs. and qual., neatly shown; 3, var. Crest, good size, nice col. and qual.; 4, no name. A.V. HYBRID (7): 1, 3, G. Edwards, two beauties, grandly staged, nice col. and qual.; 2, Edwards, Goldie-Bully, nice size, col. and qual.; 4, Muscott; vhc, Poole; hc, Cartwright; absent, H. S. Davies. GOLDFINCH (13): a grand class; 1, sp, Edwards, well known, splendid face, nice bars and buttons, neat tans, wins; 2, Baker, another good one, nice blaze, good col. and qual., nice bars and buttons; 3, D. Edwards, good size and blaze, neat tans, bars and buttons, good col. and qual.; 4, Ray, nice col. and qual., not quite blaze of leaders; vhc, Harrison; hc, Baker; c, Reynolds. BULLFINCH (4): 1, Poole, good size, col. and qual., nice shape; 2, Davies, good type and qual., nice size; 3, Thomas, close up, good col. and qual., neat exhibit; 4, Jarvis. LINNET, ETC. (2): 1, Oliver, Siskin, nice size, good cap, neat eye markings, lovely qual.; 2, Harris, Linnet, nice col. and qual., neatly marked. A.V. SOFTBILL (3): 1, sp, cup best bird in show, Ray, Waxwing in lovely order, a beauty, well known; 2, Williams, Thrush, nice size and col., well spangled; 3, Lewis, Jay, good size neat exhibit. FOR. (3): 1, 2, H. S. Davies, a pair of beauties, well shown; 3, McLoughlin, neat exhibit, lovely col. and qual.

WIBSEY C.B.S.

Fourth members' show held Nov. 2, 93 birds were staged. Mr. A. Cooper placed the cards, and his awards were received with entire satisfaction. Most points in clear and ticked section, C. Pickup and Son, 20; A. Holden, 18; D. Sutcliffe, 16; Bairstow and Chapman, 16; W. Mann, 11. Green Marked: D. Sutcliffe, 18; C. Bastow, 10; J. Nicholls, 9; C. Pickup and Son, 11; L. Hudson, 8. Cinn. Marked: W. Mann, 13; W. Jowett, 9; W. Hillas, 7. Cup: C. Pickup and Son, 16; W. Mann, 12; A. Holden, 10.

YORKS. CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (14): 1, Bairstow and Chapman; 2, Mann; 3, vhc, Pickup and Son; 4, Holden; he, Jowett; c, Hillas. BUFF (13): 1, Bairstow and Chapman; 2, Sutcliffe; 3, Pickup and Son; 4, Ackroyd; vhc, Illey; hc, Holden; c, Crossley. EVEN, ETC. YELL. (5): 1, 2, 3, Sutcliffe; 3, Bastow; vhc, J. Nicholls. BUFF (10): 1, W. Crowther; 2, c, Hudson; 3, 4, hc, Sutcliffe; vhc, Mann. CINN. MKD. YELL. (3): 1, Pickup and Son; 2, Jowett; 3, Crossley. BUFF (3): 1, 2, Mann; 3, Pickup and Son. FOUL MKD. (2): 1, Jowett; 2, Hillas. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (10): 1, Pickup and Son; 2, W. Crowther; 3, c, Holden; 4, Sutcliffe; vhc, Hudson; c, Crowther. BUFF (9): 1, Holden; 2, Sutcliffe; 3, Mann; 4, Ackroyd; vhc, Jowett; hc, Bairstow and Chapman; c, Hillas. EVEN, ETC., YELL. (7): 1, Crowther; 2, Thornton; 3, Bastow; 4, Nicholls; vhc, Sutcliffe; hc, Illey; c, Hudson. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Pickup and Son; 3, Nicholls; 4, Ackroyd; vhc, Bastow; hc, Hudson. CINN. MKD. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Jowett; 2, vhc, Hillas; 3, 4, Mann. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Mann; 3, Bairstow and Chapman; 4, Hillas. FOUL MKD. HEN (1): 1, Bairstow and Chapman. A.O.V. (1): 1, Crossley. Members please note that next show is to be held on Nov. 30th, and not Dec. 7th, as stated on syllabus.—H. Crossley, Sec

STOKE-ON-TRENT.

Record Entry for North Staffs: A Grand Show Splendidly Managed.

Held in the Sutherland Assembly Room, Nov. 14, a fine spacious room for such an exhibition, with plenty of top light and well lighted at night; a better place for the purpose would be very difficult to find; the exhibits were splendidly arranged, plenty of space being left in the aisles for the crowds of visitors which poured into the room after tea. This was the society's second open venture and the result was a magnificent entry of nearly 500, well in advance of last year, and a record for any show ever held in North Staffs. This is certainly an achievement for this progressive society to feel proud of. Our representative was informed that they attribute this grand entry in a very large measure to the splendid circulation of CAGE BIRDS, which was the only journal in which the fixture was advertised; Norwich were a capital lot, numbering over 150, many well-known winners turning up. In the seven classes in the Champion section, no less than five firsts were captured by Mr. P. V. Williams, a remarkably good performance. Yorks. were under the patronage of the Midland Counties Y.C.C., their splendid trophies being competed for in both Champion and Novice sections, and no doubt these competitions helped in a great measure to contribute towards the excellent entry of over 200. It is our pleasure to record that of the seven classes provided in the Champion section, four were accounted for by the members of the Midland Counties Y.C.C., a truly meritorious performance, one which speaks volumes for the remarkable strides made with this variety in the Midlands since the formation of the club some three or four years back. Of the management we cannot speak too highly; the arrangements were simply splendid; with such a grand room they had ample scope to display the birds where they could be viewed in comfort, and right well did they make use of this advantage. The exhibits received every possible attention at the hands of the committee, an enthusiastic body of workers, every one a fancier to the backbone. Mr. J. Pitchford made an ideal hon. secretary, having every little detail at his finger tips, his long experience in the Fancy standing him in good stead. He received valuable assistance from the Chairman, Mr. H. George, the vice-chairman, Mr. G. Lea; the treasurer, Mr. W. Roberts; and Committee, Messrs. F. W. Alcock, J. Bowers, J. Bagshaw, T. Butters, C. Beckett, C. Clay, J. Davis, T. Hawley, J. B. McMurtrie, R. Parker, A. Peake, J. Peake, S. Piggott, G. Salt, R. Ratcliff, T. Turnock, T. Walker, R. Smith, and W. H. Walton. Mr. P. Victor Williams, who achieved a most remarkable performance by staging no less than 24 exhibits, only one of which failed to score, won the water-colour painting for most points in Champion section. Another water-colour painting was offered for most points in the open Novice section, and this was secured by Mr. H. Hudson. Owing to the large entry, and in view of getting the judging over early, the committee decided to call in another judge to assist Mr. Battye; Mr. A. C. Brotherhood was engaged to take the open British (except Softhills) and members' classes, Mr. H. W. Battye taking the remainder.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. ETC. YELL (11): 1, c, Williams, rare size and type, fine col. and qual., good head, slightly open in feather; 2, vhc, Bowyer, rattling size and shape, grand head, nice substance, well cut away, must have pressed hard; 3, Parlett, very nice col. and type, rare qual., good condition, good wing carriage, loses a little in head; 4, Roberts, nice col. and qual.; hc, Bowers. BUFF (7): 1, Barnes, good size and shape, grand col. and qual., nice head, grand condition; 2, vhc, Williams, very fine shape and substance, short thick neck, nice head, short wings and tail, bit loose at waist; 3, Hall, topper for size, lovely qual., good head and chest, loses wing carr.; 4, Smith, neck ticked, hot. col., nice qual.; hc, Bowyer; c, Smith. MKD., ETC. (9): 1, Williams, well known uneven mark yell., grand col. and shape, rare good head, in very nice order; 2, Bell, uneven buff, fair size, not so chubby, appeared to be defective in sight of one eye, if so, a mistake; 3, vhc, Rathbone, yell., mkd. head and wings, grand type and qual., nice full head, good size; 4, Yates, uneven buff, good size and shape, rare quality, nicely mealed, good head, might have gone up; hc, Barnes; c, Hall. DITTO, HEN, YELL. (11): 1, hc, Williams, cl. of grand type and qual., rattling size, rare full head, nicely cleaned out, fine col. and condition; 2, Bell, cl., good size, nice type, grand head, seemed to have something wrong with left eye; 3, Bowyer, cl., lovely qual., bit paler in col., nice size and type, well cut away; 4, Roberts, not so chubby; vhc, Brotherhood; c, Yates. BUFF (6): 1, Rathbone, cl., good size, nice shape, short wings and tail, good carr., lovely qual.; 2, Brotherhood, uneven marked, grand shape, short and stout, rare full bead, fine col., qual. and bloom; 3, Hall, good size, mkd. head and wings, fine qual., not so compact; 4, Bennison, good size and shape, cl., bit weak in head; vhc, Williams; hc, Smith. UNFLIG. YELL. (6): 1, Williams, well known cl., Stamford, Wolverhampton winner, walks in here; 2, Barnes, grand var., very nice type, col. and qual., nicely cleaned out, in fine con.; 3, Parlett, good size cl., rare head, nice shape, good col. and qual., gets well across perch; 4, Bell, good size, short and chubby; vhc, Rathbone; hc, Bagshaw. BUFF (7): 1, Williams, very fine cl., grand size and shape, lovely col. and qual., well braced wings, rare bloom; 2, Parlett, good size, shape and col., nice chest, fine bloom, not so full in head; 3, Barnes, uneven mkd., short and compact, grand shape, well carried wings and tail, worth his place; 4, c, Rathbone, head tick, fine col. and qual.; vhc, Hall; hc, Smith. YORKS, CL. or TICK YELL. (13): 1, 4, Lane, wing tick, fine length and shape, neat head, nicely cut away, fine upstanding bird; 2, Wills and Clempson, cl., very warm in col., shade longer, well filled back, well up on leg; 3, Williams, cl., very nice shape and style, nicely cut away, neat head, good position, fine qual.; vhc, Andrews; hc, Wilcock; c, Dooley. BUFF (14): 1, 3, Williams, well-known head tick, looking grand to-day, wins; 3rd, wing tick, fine shape and feather, nice head and waist, beaten a little in length; 2, Wilkinson Bros., head tick, bit longer than winner, not so well filled in back, nice length of side, hardly so boxy in feather; 4, Wilcock, head tick, nice length and shape; vhc, Hirst; hc, Lane; c, Lawton. MKD., ETC. (7): 1, Wills and Clempson, var. yell., grand length and style, nice length of side, well braced wings, good shape and qual.; 2, Williams, yell., mkd. eyes and wings, well drawn, nice wedge shape, gets well up, fails a bit in wing carriage; 3, hc, Lane, uneven mkd. yell., rattling length, well filled back, nicely cut away, stands well on good legs, shade strong; 4, Thomas, Cinn. mkd. yell., rare length, shape and style; vhc, Lawton; c, Hawley. MKD. HEN YELL. (11): 1, Wills and Clempson, thigh tick, beautiful length, shape and qual., nice head, well carried wings and tail, very stylish; 2, Thomas, mkd. head and wing, nice length, hardly so finely built as winner, well cut away, rare qual. and bloom; 3, Williams, cl., nicely drawn, grand shape and feather, neat head, good back; 4, hc, Lane, eye tick, fine length, shape and qual.; vhc, Brotherhood; c, Andrews. No. 8, w.c. BUFF (12): 1, Dooley, head tick, fine length, lovely qual., long sided, well filled back, neat waist, nice style and position; 2, Hirst, cl., just a shade smaller, lovely qual. and shape, very neat head, stylish, rare pose, in grand condition, must have pressed; 3, Williams, ticked cheek and neck, very nice length and shape, good qual., not so neat in waist; 4, Wills and Clempson, nice cl., good qual., bit open on front; vhc, Wilcock; hc, Lane; c, Hawley. UNFLIG. YELL. (10): 1, Thomas, very fine cl., grand length and shape, well filled back, beautifully tapered, neat head, gets well up, grand col. and qual.; 2, Wills and Clempson, similar length, not so well filled in neck, nice shape and style, good qual. and bloom; 3, Hirst, bot. col. cl., rare long-sided bird, neat waist and shoulders, well up on leg, nice qual.; 4, Wilcock, fine length, col. and qual., bit open on front; vhc, Lane; hc, Pygott; c, Williams. BUFF (7): 1, Thomas, mkd. breast and wing, grand length, beautifully tapered, nice back and shoulders, well carried wings, nice pipe tail, straight as a dart; 2, Wilcock, saddle mkd., warm col., grand head, well filled back, nice length and style, rare qual. and bloom; 3, Williams, splendid length and shape, uneven mkd., fine col. and qual., not so breedy; 4, vhc, Lane, fine cl., rattling length; hc, Wilkinson and Woodhead; c, Hawley. A.O.V. cancelled. CAN. MULE, DK. (11): 1, Poole, Gold.-Can., good size for a yell., fine flush, well mkd. wings, rare quality and bloom; 2, 3, Tams and Son, yell. Siskin-Can., grand size, shows cross well, fine col. and condition; 3rd, buff Greenie-Can., good size for a baby, nice quality and condition; 4, Walsh, good yell. Goldie-Can.; vhc, Hingley; hc, Chadwick; c, Pitchford and Stocker. A.O.V. MULE or HYB. (5): 1, 3, Walsh, Can.-Bull., nice size, red hot in col., nice shape and bloom; 3rd, uneven buff Goldie-Can., fine size, nice flush, lovely col., good polish; 2, Tams and Son, buff Greenie-Can., mkd. neck, grand size and shape, nice qual., in tip-top fettle; 4, Tams and Son, buff Goldie-Can., beaten size, in good order; vhc, Rowley. GOLDFINCH (11): 1, 3, Pitchford and Stocker, great size and shape, rich in tanning, very expansive and brilliantly coloured blaze, squarely cut, carries a wealth of bloom, topper without any doubt; 3rd, good size, a picture for colouration, nice depth of blaze, shade narrower on top, rare condition, close up; 2, Jones, loses size and width of face, rich blaze, coming well back, nice tan and cheeks, grand condition and wing bars; 4, Hingley, good one, just beaten depth of blaze; vhc, Davies; hc, Peake; c, Harrison and Rogers, very fine lot. BULLFINCH (7): 1, Mays, grand size and shape, fine breast and back col., dense, well cut cap coming well down under beak, good bars, in tip-top condition, a good one; 2, Poole, equal in size and shape, cap hardly extends so far under bill as winner, very good colour and polish; 3, Lawton, shade smaller, hardly so rich in colour, well cut cap, in nice order; 4, Lovatt and Mason; vhc, Miller; hc, Jones; c, Madeley. LINNET (15): 1, Lawton, well up in size and shape, pencilling very distinct and carried well down, good wings, shows well, in grand trim; 2, Davis, better colour than winner, loses size, profusely pencilled, in fine order; 3, Lovatt and Mason, excellent shape and col., steady, well marked, carries a nice sheen; 4, Jones, very good quality, marking well distributed, really good; vbc, Peake; hc, Davis; c, Tams and Son, a very even lot, which required a deal of separating. SISKIN, ETC. (9): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, lovely Twite, topper for size and shape, great depth of colour, well mkd. head and body, superb condition, easy win; 2, Davis, bonny Siskin, sweet shape, dense cap, good wings and flanks, in good order; 3, Davis, lesser 'Poll, of grand size, rare depth of colour, carries immense amount of polish, very showy; 4, Tams and Son, very good Twite, not the size of winner; vhc, Taylor Bros.; hc, Mays; c, Jones. A.O.S. HARDBILL (13): 1, Poole, very fine Hawfinch, grand size and shape, rich col., large shapely well-cut bib, splendid head, in the best possible condition; 2, Parlett, charming Bramble, rare size, very bright in colour, breast colour coming well down, nice spangling, in good order, shows well; 3, Lawton, very good Yell. Bunting, well up in size and colour, good head and cheek marking, not the best of wing carriage, in lovely condition; 4, Mays, excellent Bramble, nice depth of colour, minus a toe-nail; vhc, c, Chadwick; hc, Jones. SOFTBILL (5): 1, 2, 3, Williams, Chough. Waxwing and Magpie, leader the well-known Palace winner, looking better than ever; 2nd, a marvel for size, colour and condition, wing tipping very large and distinct, a perfect picture, followed by the well-known Mag., cheeky as ever; 4, vbc, Mays, Yell. Wagtail, and Willow Warbler, former of grand size and colour, latter a delightful exhibit, not a feather out of place, both shown in most excellent condition, hard lines to meet three such champions. FOR. (4): 1, 2, Williams, Green-billed Toucan and Columbian Parrakeet; former lovely colours, delightfully tame, much admired, latter a fine specimen, excellent combination of colours, in splendid fettle; 3, Pitchford and Stocker, Blue Tanager, very nice exhibit, and well shown; 4, Hartley and Berry, grand pair of Golden-breasted Waxbills. NOV. NOR. YELL. (12): 1, Butters, grand size and shape, good head, short wings and tail; 2, Hudson, grand col., hardly so chubby, nicely cut away; 3, Smith, nice size and shape, good head and carriage, bit flat in col.; 4, Butler and Barlow, mkd., of nice size, shape and substance; vhc, Childs; hc, c, Clay; c, Day. BUFF (18): 1, Kirk, grand qual. cl., good head and shape, short thick neck, in nice order; 2, Wilkinson, tick hack of head, good type, rare col. and qual., loses little in head; 3, Martin, cl., rattling shape, col. and qual., nice substance, we liked for 2nd; 4, Greenwell, romping var., good head and qual., nice stock bird; vhc, Day; hc, Butler and Barlow; c, Wild. HEN, YELL. (10): 1, Hudson, cl., bonny type and size, good head and chest, nice col. and qual., good one; 2, Garhutt, not far behind for size and shape, hardly so warm; 3, Hudson, big var., grand shape, nice head and condition; 4, Wilkinson, cl., good in shape, col. and qual., loses head; four nice birds; vhc, Parker; hc, Ford; c, Dalzell. BUFF (14): good class; 1, Butters, head and neck mkd., bonny size and shape, rare good head, nice qual. and bloom; 2, c, Clay, cl., hardly so massive, good in shape and qual., nice full head; 3, Hudson, nice size, shape and con., drops tail a bit; 4, Harrison and Rogers, very close up; vhc, Windsor; hc, Fox; c, Newman. UNFLIG. YELL. (7): 1, Kirk, nice size and shape, grand col. and qual., close compact feather; 2, Martin, good size, nice shape, loses wing carriage; 3, Ford, nice shape and size, good head, qual. and col., we liked for 2nd; 4, c, Clay, full of qual., true to type; 3, Millward, close up, good head, short and cobby, full of qual., mkd. head; vhc, Lane; hc, Granger; c, Carnelliffe. UNFLI. (5): 1, 2, Millward; 3, vhc, Fox. NOV (11): 1, hc, Dallman, 1, buff, good head, rich col., nice flights, and tail; 2, Else, nice head full of qual., rich col.; 3, Dean, yell. tick, bit long, full of qual.; vhc, Dean; c Furulss. GIFT CLASS (4): 1, Flint; 2, W. R. Flint; c, Lomas; vhc, Allen. MULE OR HYB. (6): 1 2, Tams and Son, 1st Greenie Can., nice type, full of qual.; 2, Goldie Bullie, good blaze, nice con; 3, Cooper, dark Goldie Can.; vhc, Furniss; hc, Poole; c, Gentle. GOLDIE or BULLFINCH (8): 1, Lomas, Bullie, good cap, rich col., nice bars, in the pink of condition; 2, Cooper, Goldie, rich square blaze, nice bars and buttons, bit flat in col.; 3, Poole, Bullie, good size, large cap, good bars, fine condition; vhc, Williams; hc, Pitchford and Stocker; c, Tams and Sons. A.O.S. SEEDEATER (6): 1, Poole, Hawfinch, grand bit, rich col., good head, in the pink of condition; 2, c, Fallding; 2 Yellow-hammer, lovely head, rich col., grand condition, very steady, beautifully staged; 3, Williams, massive Greenie, wonderful head, rare feather, good condition; hc, Lomas; c Fallding. MEMBERS' YORKS YELL. (6): 1, 3, Lomas; 2, vhc, Vernon; hc, Hudson; c Flint. BUFF (8): 1, Lomas; 2, Vernon; 3, Robinson; vhc, c, Flint; hc, Robinson. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Vernon; 2, Hudson; 3, c, Flint; vhc, Lomas; hc, Robinson. BUFF (5): 1, 3, Lomas; 2, Flint; vhc, Robinson; hc, Hudson. NOR. YELL. (8): 1, vhc, Fox; 2, Millward; 3, Flint; hc Longstone; c, W. S. Flint. BUFF (8): 1, Fox; 2, 3, Millward; vhc, c, Longstone; c, W. S. Flint. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Fox; 2, Longstone; 3, Millward; vhc, Longstone; hc, W. S. Flint; c, A. Flint. BUFF (9): 1, Fox; 2, hc, Millward; 3, Longstone; vhc, c, W. S. Flint. BRIT (8): 1, Swarbrick; 2, c, Lomas; 3, vhc, Swarbrick; hc, Oven. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, 3, Swarbrick; 2, vhc, Oven. NOV. MEMBERS: 1, bc, c, Burton; 3, vhc, Allen; 2, Taylor. YORKS.: 1, 2, Allen; 3, Burton; vhc, Oven; hc Townsend; c, Taylor.

ENFIELD.

Fourteenth annual show held Nov. 16 in Drill Hall, a splendid place for a show, possessing, as it does, grand top light. Entries were above the average, 28 being staged in the Norwich class, and quality was well represented. Competition was very keen in the majority of classes. Every attention was given to the exhibits from a genuine body of fanciers. The Hon. Sec. (Mr. H. Jackson) had everything in order and was most affable and courteous to all. He received valuable assistance from his assistant, Mr. R. J. Dartnall. Mr. A. E. Enfield judged.

YORKS (10): 1, spl, 2, Hawkes, winner grand col., long, well drawn clear, neat head, good flights and tail, 2nd very stylish, clun. mkd. head and wings; 3, Clay, heavily mkd. yell., grand head, wings and tail; res, Monteith; vhc, Hawkes, Clay. NOR. (28): 1, spl, Kerr, very bold, sturdy bird, nice style and col., mkd. eyes and wiugs; 2, Pedder, plenty of size and col., good head and wings, claimed at price £3; 3, Titchner, nice type and col., fine silky feather, not so stout in head; res, Titchner; vhc, Clark, Hedgetts, Clay, Titchner, Jauncey, Hawkes, Keer, Hayes. CREST or C.B. (11): 1, spl, Pettitt, good qual., nice droop and radiation; 2, 3, Shepherd, 2nd heavily feathered, variegated, plenty of browing, 3rd even mkd. dark crest, good droop; res, Pettitt; vhc, Shepherd, Hawkes, Irving. HYBRID (5): 1st withheld; 2, Hawkes, lightly variegated, Goldie-Can., nice size; 3, Clark, lovely Siskin-Canary; res, Pedder. BRIT. (15): 1, Hawkes, nice size, clean-cut blaze, splendid colour; 2, Stephens, another Goldie, not so good in blaze, otherwise equal; 3, Briars, well laced Siski.; vbc, Briars, Hawkes, Hailstone. FOR. (6): 1, withheld; 2, 3, res, Briars, nice trio, a capital Orauge Bishop leading.

TIDESWELL.

Annual show held in the Oddfellows' Hall, Nov. 16. The hall is well lighted and free from draught, and is an ideal room for cage birds. Mr. W. F. Swarbrick had the birds nicely staged, and he was backed up by a hard-working committee, who looked after the wants of the exhibits. In Yorks some fine birds were benched by Messrs. Dykes, Ellis, Thomas, Kearns, and Hirst. In the Norwich Messrs. Fox, Rathbone, Dipple and Millward were the chief winners. Mr. W. Mundell, Bradford, judged, and dissatisfaction was conspicuously absent.

The Critique.

YORKS.: 1, Ellis, buff, very typical, feather like glass, position A1, good head, nice wings and piped tail, pale colour; 2, Huddleston, eye and wings mkd. yell., lovely qual., rich col., good head and neck, clean on breast, piped tail, position A1; 3, Dykes, eyes and wing mkd. buff, boxy feather, rich col., well on leg, good head, piped tail, very stylish; vhc, Kearns; hc, Thomas. UNFLIG.: 1, Thomas, cheek tkd. buff, rich col., long flights, well placed, position A1, piped tail, good head; 2, Hirst, grand rich col., yell., good flights and tail, well on leg, position, was washing when we saw it; 3, Dykes, head and wing mkd. buff, lovely col., boxy feather, well on leg, good head, nice position; vhc, Thomas; hc, Hall; c, Kearns. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Dykes, wing tkd., rich col., boxy feather nice type, good long flights, piped tail, position A1; 2, Thomas, neck tkd., rich col., very stylish, good head, piped tail: 3, Kearns, grizzled on back, neat head, nice wings and tail; vhc, Hall. BUFF (4): 1, Ellis, wing tick a gem, lovely qual., well on leg, position A1, neat head, grand wings, and piped tail; 2, Thomas, eye tick rich col., boxy feather, well on leg, position, well braced wings, piped tail; 3, Hirst, very slim and stylish, pale col., good head and neck, nice wing and tail; vhc, Hall. UNFLI. HEN: 1, Dykes, yell., lovely qual., neat head, nice wings and tail position; 2, Thomas, buff, full of qual., compact wings, perfect tail, rich col., close up; 3, Huddleston, yell. boxy feather position, nice wings and tail well on leg; vhc, Hirst. NOV. YORKS. YELL. (11): 1, Farnish, rare length, position A1, long flights, piped tail, bit flat on head, full of qual. well on leg; 2 Lomas head and wing mkd., well on leg, long flights, and tail, full of qual.; 3, Fowles, eye and wings mkd., lovely feather, neat head position, piped tail; vhc, Huddleston; hc, Hall; c, Radford. UNFLI. BUFF (7): 1, Farnish, well up on leg, long flights, and piped tail, rich col., boxy feather, shade weak on head; 2, Holmes, rare length, rich col., good head, nice flights, and piped tail, well put down; 3, Huddleston, rich col., good head, long flights and tail, well on leg position; vbc, Fowles; hc, c, Jones. NOR. (7): 1, Ratbbone, cap, eyes, and wiug mkd., blaze of col., feather like glass, yell., lovely position, good head, neck, breast, beautiful type, well staged; 2, Granger, yell. blaze of col., good head, full of qual., nice wing carr.; 3, Dipple, yell., rich col., full of qual., good head, nice type; vhc, Lane; hc, Carnelise; c, Lane. UNFLI. YELL. (5): 1, Dipple, head blaze of col., full of qual., short wings and tail, very cobby; 2, Rathbone, good head and chest, short flights and tail, rich col., full of qual.; 3, Granger, boxy feather, good head and neck, short and chubby, rather wild; vhc, Lane; hc, Millward. BUFF (8): 1, Dipple, cap mkd. blaze of col., good head, neck and breast, boxy feather, a gem; 2, Rathbone, mkd. back of head rich col., very chubby, well up in size, good head; vhc, Williamson; hc, Bunting; c, Greatbach. BUFF (14): 1, Ford, wing tick, good size and type, nice head and qual.; 2, Childs, ticked head, not far behind in size and shape, nice qual.; 3, Barhutt, wing mkd., well up in size and shape, good head, gone a bit in neck; 4, Wood, nice cobby good headed bird; vhc, c, Clay; hc, Martin; c, Fox. YORKS YELL. (20): 1, Hamlyn, cl., fine length, neat head and shoulders, beautifully tapered, gets well up, nice col. and condition; 2, J. Clay, cl., good length and shape, nice carriage and style, hardly at his best yet; 3, Salt, var., very nice length and shape, bit thin in neck, good feather and style; 4, Jones, wing tick, nice long-sided bird, close up; vhc, McMurtrie; hc, Salt; c, Day. BUFF (16): 1, Taylor, head tick, rattling length and shape, nice shoulders, well braced wings, good qual.; 2, Harrison and Rogers, stylish cl., very nice shape, neat head and waist, rare position and qual.; 3, Gibbons, lengthy cl., bit stronger in build, well up on leg, loses wings; 4, Walton, tick hack of head, not so well-drawn, nice position; vhc, Hearnshaw; hc, Ratcliffe; c, McMurtrie. HEN, YELL (12): 1, Ireland, splendid length, shape, fine head, well braced wings and tail, shooty; 2, Jones, grand length, bit stronger in build; 3, Gibbons, cl., nice length, gets well up, good head and qual.; 4, Salt, shapely cl., well drawn, good carriage and style; vhc, Foster; hc, Hearnshaw; c, McMurtrie. BUFF (21): 1, Foster, wing and neck tick, good length, nice wedge shape, nice style and qual.; 2, Ireland, wing mkd., fine length, well cut away, good carr., bit open on front; 3, J. Clay, neck and wing mkd., grand length, good back, hardly the qual.; 4, c, Greenwell, nice length and style, hardly so shapely; vhc, Ratcliffe; hc, Harrison and Rogers. UNFLIG. YELL. (18): 1, 2 Shaw, var., fine length and shape, good head and wing carr., well cut away, nice length of leg; 2nd wing mkd., good length, nice qual., crosses wings at times; 3, Sutton, uneven mkd., grand length, well packed wings and tail, nice feather; 4, Mrs Turley, wing mkd., loses a little in length, fine qual.; vhc, Ratcliffe. BUFF (17): 1, Sutton, cl., fine length, very shapely, nice round head, good position and qual.; 2, Lealman, cl., bit longer, nice shape and qual., not so stylish; 3, Hamlyn, good length, not so well filled in back; 4, J. Clay, rattling length, bit open on front; vhc, Weeks Bros.; hc, Walker; c, Salt. MEMBERS, NOR. (9): 1, c, Roberts, head tick yell., grand shape, col. and qual.; 2, 4, Pitchford and Stocker, nice cl. huff, good head, col. and qual.; 4th, neat yell., good qual., well cut away; 3, Butters, very shapely huff, we liked for 2nd; vhc, Bagshaw; hc, Bowers. HEN (10): 1, Bagshaw, bouncing cl. huff; 2, Butters, mkd. yell., very neat, good qual.; 3, hc, Roberts, very nice shapely cl. huff; 4, Pitchford and Stocker, bad good size and qual.; vhc, Bowers; c, Smith. YORK (8): 1, 3, Pitchford and Stocker, yell., lengthy cl nice shape, col. and qual.; 3rd, good qual. buff 2, 4, Pygott, cl. yell., nice length and col.; 4th yell., good col. and length, fails wings; vhc, Walton; hc, Hawley; c, Alcock. HEN (9): 1, Hawley very nice buff, well drawn; 2, Pygott, yell., rare length and sbape; 3, Walton, head mkd. buff, good length; 4, Turnock, nice uneven yell.; vhc, hc, c, Alcock. BRIT. (10): 1, 3, 4, c, Davies, leader very nice coloured Goldie, followed by a good Greenie and Linnet; 2, Davis, good coloured and shapely Bullie; vhc, Peake; hc, Walton.

EAST BOWLING B.F.A.

2nd Old Bird show took place in St. John's School, Paley Road, Saturday last, when 67 birds were staged. Mr. W. Wharton judged, and gave complete satisfaction.—OPEN.—CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, 4, Padgett; 2, Varley; 3, Casey; vhc, Bleazard; hc, Hudson; c, Helliwell. BUFF: 1, Helliwell; 2, 3, hc, Varley; 4, Casey; vhc, c, Padgett. YELL. HEN: 1, Varley; 2, Clark; 3, Casey; 4 hc, c, Helliwell; vhc, Bleazard. BUFF: 1, Bleazard; 2, Casey; 3, vhc, Helliwell; 4, Varley; hc, c, Padgett. NOR., A.V. YELL. CK.: 1, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 2, hc, Wilkinson and Son; 3, 4, Hinton; vhc, c, Cheshire. BUFF: 1, 4, Cheshire; 2, Hinton; 3, Wilkinson and Son. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 3, Hinton; 4, vhc, c, Cheshire; hc, Wilkinson and Son. BUFF: 1, 3, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 2, 4, Hinton; vhc, hc, c, Wilkinson and Sons —L. Booth, Sec.

NEW CROSS.

2nd annual show held Nov. 7, in The People's Hall Deptford. The entry was a good one, and far in excess of last year's. Some very typical Norwich of good size and quality were shown by Messrs. Hall, Gunnell, Pope, Gillard, Weston, Fuller, etc., and in Yorks. Messrs. Rouson, Barton, and Gillard were the principal winners. Yellows were much superior to the buff, one or two charming birds of good length and type being on view. Messrs. Burton Bros. were the principal winners in the Borders. The feature of the show was the excellent classes of British and Hybrids, many of which being quite fit for open competition. Special for best bird was won by Mr. Gunnell with a charming Linnet. Point spls. were numerous and good. The Society is making rapid progress, is well managed, and gets a good attendance of members to its meetings. Many visitors put in an appearance during the day, and several new members were added. The show was capitally managed, and although Mr. Barton, the secretary, was unable to be present, Mr. Burton proved completely efficient with the clerical work. Mr. H. Norman placed the awards.

NOR. YELL. 1, Gnuncll. BUFF: 1, vhc, Gunnell; 2, Hill; 3, hc, Pope. HENS: 1, Gunnell; 2, 3, vhc, Pope. NOV. NOR. YELL.: 1, Gillard; 2, vhc, c, Jones; 3, Deane; hc, Fuller. BUFF: 1, Gillard; 2, Weston. HEN: 1, Hall; 2, Gillard; 3, Fuller. UNFLIG.: 1, Gillard; 2, 3, Hall; vhc, hc, Fuller. YORK. YELL.: 1, 2, Rouson; 3, Barton; vhc, Gillard; hc, G. Barton. BUFF: 1, Barton; 2, Rouson. HEN: 1, Ronson; 2, 3, Barton; vhc, hc, G. Barton. UNFLIG.: 1, vhc, G. Barton; 2, hc, Rouson; 3, Gillard; c, J. Barton. BORD., YELL.: 1, 2, Burton Bros. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Burton Bros. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Burton Bros. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, c, Burton Bros.; 3, vhc, hc, Gunnell. A.O.V.: 1, Gillard. HYB.: 1, 2, Pope; 3, Gunnell; vhc, hc, Baker. LINNET, ETC.: 1, c Gunnell; 2, hc, Pope; 3, Barton; vhc, Weston. GOLD or BULLFINCH: 1, Jones; 2, hc, Pope; 3, Barton; vhc, Weston; c, Gunnell. A.O.S.: 1, 2, Gunnell; 3 Pope; vhc, Barton. FOR.: 1, 2, Pope. NOV. BORD. YELL.: 1, Williams; 2, Sutton. BUFF: 1 Culham; 2, Williams; 3, Joplin. HEN: 1, 2, vhc, Williams; 3, Joplin; c, Culham; hc, Sutton. 1912: 1, 3, Culham; 2, vhc, hc, Williams; c, Sutton.

STOKE-ON-TRENT—Continued.

BRADFORD EAST O.S.

This society held their grand annual exhibition, Nov. 16th, in the Park Chapel Schools, West Bowling, Bradford, under the very able guidance of Mr. H. Hill, the courteous and enthusiastic secretary, Mr. Wm. Cruise the hardworking assistant sec., Mr. E. Suddards, pres., Mr. J. Farrar, Treas., and Messrs. Wilkinson Bros., Walker, Hudsworth, Stubbes, C. Cowgill, G. Riley, Rhodes, Roe, and others, as show and general stewards. Everything passed off with the utmost precision. The show was under the rules of the Yorks. Union, and the patronage of the Yorks. C.C., the National Green Marked Y.C.C., and the Yorks. County B.B. and M.C. Mr. H. W. Battye was the official judge of the Y.U., and took all the open classes, Mr. R. Halliday assisting by taking all the novice cost on and the existing classes, the awards of both giving full satisfaction. The society are fortunate in having such a splendid room at their disposal, quite easy of access by car from the centre of the city and the outlying districts. Entries came up well in all sections except British, for which five classes were provided; three had, however, to be cancelled, and the remaining two had only a dozen birds between them. Yorks were splendid throughout, both in number and quality, nearly 500 being staged, an average of 17 per class, the novices as usual providing a "lion's share" towards this total. As is generally the case at this fixture, the two unlighted classes in which the Bradford East rose bowl is competed for, were the chief items of interest, the two drawing 50 birds, the winner turning up in Mr. Fred Allen's yellow, a bid of great promise, which was closely followed by Messrs. Sutcliffe's buff.

Mr. Battye's Classes.

YORKS., CL. YELL. (12): 1, Cruise, grand length and shape, straight, leggy, well braced wings and tail, nice qual., moderate position; 2, Bailey, grand shape and style, nice head, lengthy and leggy, rattling qual.; 3, Ogden Bros., extra good type and pos., lovely wings, smart feature; 1, Radley, slim, nice length, typical, nice qual.; vhc, Hirst; hc, Crawhall; c, Midgley. BUFF (10): 1, Radley, good size, nice shape and pos., rich col. and grand qual.; 2, Thomas, extra col., wins Ramsden's special, beautifully frosted, slim, grand shape and style, rattling qual.; 3, Crawhall, stronger, good shape, nice head, neck, and back, good feather; 4, Bailey, not quite the length, good type and very stylish, nice qual.; vhc, Simonett; he, Stobart; c, Farrar. TKD. YELL. (14): 1, Bailey, grand length and slim, typical, rattling wings and tail, perfect feather; 2, Bennett, tkd. cheek, leggy, nice length, good shape, lovely qual.; 3, Walker, tkd. wing and cheek, nice long-sided bird, good shape, splendid wings, rare qual.; 4, Dyson, very slim, leggy, nice pos., fine qual.; vhc, Grayshon; he, Hellhwell; c, Towers. BUFF (15): 1, Morrison, neat type and very showy, compact as possible, lovely feather; 2, Dyson, tkd. head, good shape, extra well up in pos., full of col., nice qual.; 3, Charlesworth, tkd. wing, pretty, neat type, nice round head, leggy, gem for qual.; 4, Shaw Bros., tkd. head, good shape, well filled all through, nice feather; vhc, Myers and Lumb; he, Crawhall; c, Brown and Son. UNFLIG. YELL. (22): 1, Allen, rose bowl winner, grand length, very slim, leggy, very rich qual. and col., neat wings and tail; 2, Bennett, good shape and pos., leggy, rattling qual. and col.; 3, Walsh, marvellous qual. and col., grand shape, rattling wings and tail, shows well; 4, c, Hirst, lengthy and leggy, slim, nice shape, neatly feathered; vhc, Walker; he, Dewhirst. BUFF (28): 1, Sutcliffe and Son, rare type and style, leggy, lovely col. and qual., all in one piece; 2, Stables, fine length and shape, well up, nice wing carriage, nice qual.; 3, Bennett, lengthy and good shape, well drawn out, neat feather, bit wild; 4, Jebson, good shape, straight as a rush, clean made, leggy; vhc, Townsend; he, Charlesworth; c, Radley. UNFLIG. HEN (16): 1, Peel, buff, bonny type, nice pos., neat head, good round back, well braced wings and tail, feathered to perfection, gem; 2, Snead, tkd. yell., slim, lengthy, leggy, straight as a rush, good qual.; 3, Elsegood, tkd. wing yell., slim, fine length, nice head, good qual.; 4, he, Radley, buff, good size and shape, well filled in neck, nice feather; vhc, Briggs; c, Thornton and Bower. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Bailey, tkd. head, good shape and pos., nice head, round back, rattling feather; 2, Cruise, tkd. neck, grand length and shape, straight, nice qual.; 3, Stables, good type and very stylish, extra good head and back, lovely feather; 4, Casey, breedy, fine position, good back, bit open in front; vhc, Craven; he, Shackleton; c, Pearson. BUFF (17): 1, Ogden Bros., tkd. wing and head, grand shape, extra well up in pos., nice head, back, and wings, perfect feather; 2, Thornton and Bower, all there for shape and style, leggy, good round back, extra qual.; 3, Stables, good shape, rare back and wings, neat feather; 4, Shackleton, plenty of size, good shape, full of qual.; vhc, Craven; he, Peel; c, Walker. GREEN, MKD. YELL. (16): 1, Dykes, wing and cheek mkd., rattling length and shape, well cut away, fine pos., full of qual.; 2, Denby, 4-pointed, great length, extra long flights, good shape, rattling pos., nice qual.; 3, Ogden Bros., 4-pointed, nice length, lovely type, extra col. and qual.; 4, Thornton and Bower, mkd. wing, eyes, head, good length, shapely, leggy, and nice pos., lovely col. and qual.; vhc, Farrar; he, Brown and Son; c, Morrison. BUFF (17): 1, 2, Bailey, leader, mkd. wings, eyes, and head, good shape and style, lengthy, nice qual., 2nd mkd. flights, eyes and head, splendid shape and pos., straight, lovely qual. and col.; 3, Dewhirst, mkd. eyes and neck, extra shape and style, leggy and rattling pos., splendid wings and tail, perfect feather; 4, Dykes, mkd. wings, cheeks, and breast, grand type and style, full of col. and feathered to perfection, gem; vhc, Ogden Bros.; he, Morrison; c, Shaw Bros. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Wilkinson Bros., mkd. wings, eyes, slim and nice length, leggy, neatly put together, good qual.; 2, Stobart, 3-pointed, grand shape and pos., round as a bottle, straight, lovely qual.; 3, Dykes, mkd. wings, eyes, neck, slim, leggy, stylish, rare feather; 4, Thomas, mkd. wings, eyes, and cheeks, fine type, well up, smart feather; vhc, Towers; he, Craven; c, Sutcliffe and Son. BUFF (12): 1, Ogden Bros., mkd. wings, eyes, and head, slim, neat type, leggy, lovely qual. and col., very clean made; 2, Morrison, mkd. wings, eyes, and cheek, neat type, showy, lovely qual., smart all through; 3, Chippendale, mkd. wings, eyes, extra type and style, good qual. and col.; 4, Mason, mkd. wings, extra good wedge shape, fine pos., perfect feather, gem; vhc, Stobart; he, Pearson; c, Smith. CINN. TKD., ETC. (6): 1, Bailey, noted yell., rare length and shape, marvellous col. and qual.; 2, Allen, buff, grand shape and pos., leggy, excellent quality; 3, Towers, yell., very lengthy and leggy, good shape, nice quality; 4, Grayshon, buff nice wedge shape, well up in position, rare qual.; vhc, Simonett; he, Thomas. HEN (11): 1, Wilson, buff, nice shape, extra well up in pos., bonny feather; 2, 3, Allen, yell. and buff respectively, yell., slim, neatly drawn out, rare qual., buff, great length, good shape, nice qual.; 4, Thomas, yell., good shape, fine pos., full of col. and qual.; vhc, Towers; he, Casey; c, Morrison. AMAT., YORKS. (10): 1, Smith, yell., nice length and shape, rattling pos., lovely qual.; 2, Tidswell, buff, good size, very compactly made, leggy, nice qual.; 3, Hurdekin Bros., yell., grand shape, straight as a rush, leggy, extra good qual.; 4, he, Lunn, bull, good shape, lengthy, clean made; vhc, Firth; c, Whitwham. HEN (9): 1, Pearson, yell., extra good length, fair shape, good wings, nice head, rare qual.; 2, 3, Tidswell, 2nd tkd. buff, good shape and pos., nice back and head, smart feather, 3rd mkd. yell., lengthy and good type, leggy, good qual.; 4, mid c, Whitham, buff, plenty of size, good shape and well up, compact feather; vhc, Hurdekin Bros.; he, Lunn.

Mr. Halliday's Classes.

GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (6): 1, Lunn, Goldie, good size, grand square blaze, rich wing bars, deep tanning; 2, vhc, Inman, Bullie, good shape and size, nice col.; 3, Isherwood, Goldie, fair size, nice col., deep col. blaze; 4, Martin and Archer, Bullie, good size, fair shape, splendid col., wild; he, Wilson. LINNET, SISKIN, ETC., and A.O.V.: Veil. MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, 2, 3, Martin and Archer, noted team, light Cromie Mule wedge, good size, nearly clear, 2nd Greenie Bullie, grand size, rattling col., 3rd light mkd. Goldie Canary, rattling col., good blaze, smart; 4, he, Inman, Goldie-Bullie, nice size, good col., bright; vhc, Watson. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. (20): 1, Brook and Gilfield, grand length, slim, fine type, straight, good pos., lovely qual., gem; 2, 4, Midgley, nice type, good shoulders and well cut away, nice head and back, rare qual., 4th good long-sided bird, well drawn out, good col. and qual.; 3, Cockcroft, fine col., good shape and pos., shows for all he is worth; vhc, Pell; he, Highley; c, Riley Bros. BUFF (33): 1, Lee, grizzled head, good shape, leggy, and good pos., extra col. and qual.; 2, Saville, grand type, nice head and back, beautiful qual.; 3, Nichols, grizzled wing, fine length, grand wings and tail, very compact in feather; 4, Fisher and Dyson, good type, well filled all through, nice qual.; vhc, Boulton; he, Lassey; c, W. and W. Marshall. MKD. (21): 1, 3, Binns, cinn. mkd. yell., good type and length, leggy, fine col. and feather, 3rd green mkd. yell., 4-pointed, neat shape and very stylish, rare qual.; 2, Highley, buff, good shape, shows plenty of thigh, nice position, extra good quality; 4, Wilkinson, buff, good shape, extra well up in position, leggy, neatly clothed; vhc, Long; he, Tasker; c, Riley Bros. HEN (19): 1, Bower, buff, gem for shape and style, leggy, splendid feather; 2, Greenwood, buff, grand shape, extra good qual., nice pos.; 3, Naylor, yell., neat type, upstanding, lovely qual.; 4, vhc, Moore, cinn. mkd. buff, rattling shape and style, full of col. and qual.; he, Child; c, Nichols. UNFLG. (33): 1, Wilkinson, buff, long, good type and stylish, feathered to perfection; 2, Saville, yell., lengthy, slim, leggy, grand wings and tail, full of qual. and col.; 3, Taylor, buff, good shape, nice shoulders, nicely fitted neck, nice qual.; 4, Binns, buff, showy, nice shape, rare feather; vhc, Smith; he, Fielding; c, Townley. HEN (30): 1, Greenwood, mkd. buff, grand type, fine pos., good head, rattling wings and tail, teems with qual.; 2, Smith, yell., splendid wedge shape, well up in pos., nice head, good qual.; 3, Midgley, buff, correct type, shows well, nice feather; 4, Hutchinson, yell., slim, extra type, good pos., clinking wings and tail, nice qual.; vhc, M. Radley; he, Bower; c, Seager. CL., OR TKD. YELL. HEN (14): 1, Morley, good type and leggy, neat head, well carried wings and tail, rattling feather; 2, Wilkinson, slim, nicely cut away, lovely pos., good qual.; 3, Naylor, neat narrow shoulders and well drawn out behind, fine style, smart feather; 4, Townley, neat and typical, good head, nice round back, nice qual.; vhc, Bennet; he, Firth; c, Crabtree. BUFF (16): 1, Crabtree, tkd. wing, grand wedge shape, leggy and good pos., brimful of qual.; 2, Sutcliffe, slim, neat shape, shows well, excellent qual. and col.; 3, Rhodes, neat, good round back, good head, smartly feathered; 4, Kilburn, leggy and stylish, nice shape, nice qual.; vhc, Mountain; he, Beaumont; c, Naylor. NOR. COCK (9): 1, he, Watson, yell., massive, marvellous head, nice shape, full of qual. and col.; 2, Kaberry, buff, good shape, plenty of size, rattling col. and qual.; 3, Ingham, buff, nice sub., good shape, clean feathered; 4, Lythell, yell., cobby build, nice sub., good head, good qual.; vhc, Birbeck; c, Feather. HEN (13): 1, vhc, Birbeck, yell., rattling size and sub., fine head, good chest, teems with qual. and col.; 2, 3, Lord, 2nd buff, nice shape, cobby, cheesy, fine qual., 3rd yell., good head, rare shape, rich qual.; 4, Rhodes, buff, massive and good shape, rare chest, good qual.; he, Clarke; c, Ingham.

YSTRADGYNLAIS.

Held Nov. 14th, in the Workmen's Hall. The day was beautifully fine. Four classes were provided, one being cancelled, the foreign class, so our section fared better than the two others (poultry, *etc.*). A 1s. 6d. entry fee is too much for an 8s. first prize. Give a good classification, appoint outside judges, and things, we think, will work much better all-round.

NORWICH (6): 1, Lewis, really nice yell., only catalogued at 15s.; 2, we missed; 3, Davies, good type and style; res, Watkins; vhc, Hopkins; unnoticed, Muscott, should have been in the money. YORKS. (10): 1, Edwards, nice shape and length, fine feather, wins; 2, vhc, Hopkins, shown in Norwich show cage—get a proper one Mr. H.—nice bird, lovely back; 3, Edwards, lengthy yell., good qual.; res, Holmes. BRITISH (7): 1, vhc, Grey and Watkins, Goldfinch, nice blaze, good tauning; 2, Lewis, another good Goldie, bright col.; 3, Hopkins, also Goldfinch, pressed 2nd hard; res, Jenkins, lovely Bullfinch, like paint, grand cap, we liked.

ROCHDALE (Good Intent).

16th annual back end members' show, held Nov. 2, at headquarters, Temperance Club, Toad Lane. Mr. H. W. Battye, Huddersfield, officiated. 95 birds were staged; not quite up to the average of previous years, but the quality was well maintained throughout. Most points winners were: Messrs. Dearden, E. Leach, Collinge, Barlow, Pleasance, Dewhirst. LANCS., COPPY: 1, Nevill; 2, Dearden; 3, 4, Collinge. LANCS., P.H.: 1, Collinge; 2, Dearden. HEN: 1, Newill; 2, Dearden; 3, 4, Collinge. 1912: 1, 3, Dearden; 2, Newill. LIZ.: 1, 2, 3, E. Leach. C.B.: 1, 2, Collinge. YORKS., CL. YELL.: 1, Lees; 2, Barlow. BUFF: 1, 3, Barlow; 2, Hartley. TK. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Butterworth; 2, Hartley; 3, Barlow. YELL. HEN: 1, W. Leach; 2, Barlow; 3, J. W. Howarth. BUFF: 1, Coupe; 2, Lees. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Coupe; 2, Butterworth; 3, Barlow; 4, Hollows. BUFF: 1, Butterworth; 2, J. W. Howarth; 3, Barlow; 4, W. Leach. CL. YELL. NOR.: 1, W. Leach; 2, 4, Lees; 3, Hollows. BUFF: 1, A. Howarth; 2, 3, Pleasance. TKD. YELL.: 1, Dewhirst; 2, A. Howarth; 3, W. Leach. YELL. HEN: 1, Lees; 2, Pleasance; 3, W. Leach; 4, Coupe. BUFF: 1, Ratcliffe; 2, Lees; 3, Hollows; 4, Leach. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 3, Pleasance; 2, W. Leach; 4, Dewhirst. BUFF: 1, Lees; 2, Pleasance; 3, W. Leach; 4, Dewhirst. A.O.V. CAN OR MULE: 1, 3, Dearden; 2, Hartley; 4, Lees. BRIT.: 1, Barlow; 2, Dearden. PAIRS: 1, Pleasance; 2, Ratcliffe; 3, W. Leach.

GALASHIELS.

Galashiels O.S. held its 52nd annual show in the Volunteer Drill Hall, Nov. 16th. The society could not be better served in the hall, it being everything that is required for size, air, and comfort, with a nice gallery for the visitors during judging. Quite an enthusiastic lot of fanciers (although some of them may not have had much experience in the Cage Bird line) were the officers, hard-working and very obliging. Pres., Mr. Archibald Tod; treas., Mr. John Hardie; secy., Mr. John Brown, to whom, as is usually the case, fell the lion's share of the work, and thanks to his courteous manner and great ability everything passed off smoothly. We were pleased to see, when we left, a wonderful gate. The only regrettable item (so often seen at some of the Scottish shows) was the absence of catalogues. It would surely be much better if societies got their catalogues from the printers in the morning, when it is a one-day show, and printed the awards on a separate sheet. After the award slips came from printers every previous purchaser of a catalogue could be presented with one. It is hard lines having to leave single day shows at 4 o'clock, and being unable even then to know the prize-winners. Scotch Fancies "opened the ball" under the supervision of Messrs. Fulton (Partick) and Brown (Oban), and here the judges had quality if not quantity. Mr. J. Dalgleish won the cup with an outstanding Buff piebald, while Mr. T. Park took the members' cup with a neat cl. Yell. Hen. Borders came next under Mr. A. Gilchrist (Coldstream), and again competition was keen. Mr. J. Patterson took the medal with a nice col. Yell Ck., rare head and well shaped body. Mr. A. Hay (Berwick) judged the remainder, his being well-filled sections. Mr. Cameron (Kelso) had quite a field day in the Norwich, he evidently having his eye on the two handsome silver cups. His ambition was realised, he taking the Cock Cup with a lovely eye and neck mkd. Buff, and the Hen Cup with a sweet cl. buff, and we heartily congratulate him on winning them outright.

The Critique.

SCOTS CL. or FOUL. CK. (4): 1, spl., Dalgleish, cl., rare top end, nice side, gets tail well under; 2, spl., Park, cl., wonderful reach, very nervy, nice action; 3, Thornton, foul, rare action, nice top end, stylish, just beaten in length of side; vhc, sp, Pringle. HEN (8): 1, Farrell, cl., great size, nice reach and side, well filled shoulders, wants washing badly; 2, Carson, cl., very nervy, quick to work, grand drive, rare substance; 3, spl, members' cup, Park, sweet cl., rare length of side, grand top end, back well filled; vhc, c, Crosbie; hc, Thornton. BUFF CK. (6): 1, Thornton, cl., topper for size, quick on perch, lovely filled top end, enormous length of side, wins well; 2, Dalgleish, cl., quick to work, rare reach, fails in size only; 3, spl., Brown, foul neck, best of workers, wonderful reach, shows a scarcity of feather in neck; vhc, Pringle; hc., Farrell; c, Park. HEN (6): 1, Hendry, cl., grand size, wonderful reach, free to work; 2, Dalgleish, cl., well filled top end, gets tail well under, fails side; 3, Park, stylish, very nervy, if anything on the small side; vhc, he, Crosbie; c, Brown. PIEB., ETC., YELL. (6): 1, Thornton, wonderful piebald, rare reach, nice snaky head, rare length of side, if anything seems not finished in neck feather; 2, spl., Dalgleish, hardly the size, but very nervy, gets tail well under; 3, spl., Crosbie, heavy piebald, rare mover, grand length of side, well filled top end, runner up for members' cup; vhc, Hendry; hc, Brown; c, Carson. HEN (6): 1, Howden, heavy piebald, grand size, well rounded shoulders, great reach; 2, Patterson, similar mkd., rare substance, nervy, quick to work; 3, spl., Brown, heavy mkd., topper for a young hen, wonderful reach, massive top end, runner up for cup; vhc, Pringle; he, Crosbie; c, Park. BUFF CK. (10): 1, sp., Dalgleish, piebald, great size, well packed shoulders, grand back and sides, gets tail well under; 2, Patterson, good top piece, hardly the length of side; 3, Craig, real good one, free worker, wonderful substance, we liked; vhc, Crosbie; hc, Farrell; c, Crosbie. HEN (6): 1, cup, Dalgleish, pichald, rare lady, enormous size, grand length of side, rare reach, always there, well placed; 2, Dalgleish, Green, neat top piece, grand reach, nice length of side; 3, Patterson, smaller, well filled in shoulders, stylish worker; vhc, spl., c, Crosbie; hc, Veitch. PAIRS (4): 1, Crosbie, foul. buff ck., and yell. hen, massive pair, well matched; 2, Thornton, buff ck. and yell. hen, good pair; 3, spl., Dalgleish, pieb. buff ck. and yell. hen, smart pair, wonderful reach, presses 2 hard; vhc, spl., Park. BELGIAN (7): 1, sp., West, cl. yell., grand size, nicely carried tail, gets head well forward; 2, spl., Lees, cl., smaller, rare top end, but shows Scot. F., gets tail better under than some of the fancies; 3, spl., Henderson, foul., neat shoulders, rare head and neck, shade small; vhc, Thornton; he, Weston; c Sugton. BORD. CL. YELL (8): 1, spl., B.F.C.C. medal, Patterson, wonderful shape, correct size, head well moulded, lovely wing and tail, beauty, well put down; 2, Linton, rare head and chest, very shapely, fails a wee bit behind; 3, Brockie, tight as a Java, nicely-rounded head, well carried wings, sweet tail; vhc, Smith; he, Halliday; c, Brunton. HEN (6): 1, Smart, good one, rich col., model head, tight as a bottle, well tapered away behind; 2, Patterson, grand col., tight as wax, shapely, close up; 3, Rutherford, lovely back and tail, sweet round hen, not so well cut away behind; vhc, Halliday; he, Young; c, Hislop. BUFF (6): 1, Halliday, first topper for shape and style, neat chest, wings and tail, tight as wax; 2, Patterson, rare shape, grand feather, well cut away behind; 3, Smart, rare col., best of head and wings, nicely drawn tail, close up; vhc, Fairgrieve; he, Smith; c, Reid. HEN (8): 1, spl., Brockie, sweet little lady, tight as a Java, nice round head, rare back, well rounded, well put down; 2, Patterson, good one, grand col., sweet wings, nice head, well rounded back; 3, Smart, well balanced wings, sweet head and chest, scarcely so fine in feather; vhc, Linton; he, Halliday; c, Young. EVEN MKD. (6): 1, Smart, buff, topper for col. and markings, tight as wax, third time out and unbeaten; 2, Patterson, nice one for type and feather, very well marked; 3, Watson, equal markings to second, shown in lovely condition, not so well round; vhc, c, Craig; he, McVittie. MKD. ETC. YELL (8): 1, spl., Dixon, cap and wing mkd., rare type, well rounded head, sweetly carried wings; 2, Brown, wing and eye mkd., rich col., tight as wax, hardly so well cut away behind; 3, Young, similar mkd., rare type, best of head and chest, not so sweet in wing carriage; vhc, spl., Bruce; he, Arnot; c, Lothian. BUFF (5): 1, Patterson, almost even, rare type, tight as a Java, well put down; 2, Thomson, neat type, boxy feather, grand wings and nice piped tail close up; 3, Arnot, wing mkd. rich col., grandly rounded head, hardly so sweetly tapered; vhc, Linton; he, Cockburn. GREEN, ETC. (3): 1, spl., J. Thomson, topper, rich grass col., sweet type, not a feather out of place, grand ground col., well staged, and placed; 2, Lambie, nice one for type, grandly penciilled, rich ground col.; 3, Thomson, rare penciilling, neat shape, nice shade of grass colouring; vhc, Dixon; he, Murray; c, Smart. FOUL (6): 1, Brown, cap foul., tight as wax, rare head and chest, well carried wings and tail; 2, Hislop, grand head and wings, rare col., hardly so smooth and well polished in feather; 3, Patterson, rare col., grand chest and wings, nice pipe tail, but soft during judging; vhc, Purvis; hc, Halliday; c, Cockburn. NOR. YELL (8): 1, spl., Mabon, head and wing mkd., hot col., sweetly moulded head, grand bullie chest, wins well; 2, Wilson, wing and head mkd., grand col., heavy body, rare wings well cut away behind; 3, spl., hc, Cameron, cl. as good as any, been badly washed before judging, also tail feathers gone; vhc, Sugton; c, Blackhall. HEN (7): 1, spl, 2, 3, Cameron, hot col., cl., grand broad head, shapely chest, wins, 2nd grand head, massive bullie body, rare wings and tails, falls a little in feather, 3rd, eye and wing mkd., rare hot col., nice skull, deep chest and shapely, leader in tail feather; vhc, Makins; hc, c, Wilson. BUFF CK. (13): 1, cup for best Nor. Ck. by a Scotch exhibitor, Cameron, eye and neck mkd., beaded, hot col., nice shapely head, rare chest, best of wings, not full, faulty tail; 2, Wilson, wing mkd., rare head, deep broad chest, grand rounded back; 3, nice, spl., c, Cameron, cl, rare type, grand head piece, shapely chest; hc, Mabon. HEN (15): 1, cup for best hen, by a Scottish exhibitor, 2, 3, vhc, Cameron, another of his wonderful team, good col., rare col. and nice round head, lovely chest, rare wings and tail, well staged; 2, hot col., cl. grand body, nice filled in back, beaten in feather; 3, cl., rare shape, grand skull, massive body; hc, Blackhall; c, spl., Lugton. LIGHT MULE OR HYB (7): 1, Bruce, the noted warrior looking better than ever, put down in spanking condition, almost even Goldie Can.; 2, McVittie, red hot fed Goldie Can., similar size to winner, good face; 3, Tait, nat. col. Goldie Can., wing and head mkd., well staged; vhc, spl., Seely Bros., similar bird, good; hc, Somerville, nice Siskin-Greenie, but small; c, Young. DARK (8): 1, Gilchrist, Goldie-Can., the old favourite, comment needless, just down in spanking order; 2, Lawson, rich, hot-fed Linnet-Can., beaten only in size; 3, Purvis, rare Greenie, real good one; vhc, McVittie; he, Frizzell. GOLDIE (11): 1, Pringle, English all the way and a good 'un, rich blaze, dense col., nice wings; 2, sp., Laidlaw, larger, rare blaze and mkgs., not so rich in chestnut; 3, spl., Hardie, nice little chap, hardly so rich in blaze, grand body and wings; vhc, Brown; he, Lloyd; c, Beattie. LINNET, ETC. (12): 1, Laird and Matthew, Twite, rare size, hot col., well laced, well put down; 2, Pringle, Linnet, nice size, well pencilled, steady; 3, Southern, sweet Poll, good bib and pencilling; vhc, Trotter; he, Whitesford; c, Tait. GREENFINCH, ETC. (17): Wonderful class: 1, Southern, Bramble, lovely col., grand size, rich spangling, wins well; 2, Bell, Greenie, tight as wax, grand size, nice head and body; 3, Leco Bros., Craffie, very steady, good size, nicely barred wings, rare cap; vhc, spl., Dunn, one of the largest Greenies we have seen, rich col., beauty; hc, Pringle; c, Laird and Matthew. A.O.V. HARD (5): 1, sp., Murray, Hawfinch, grand size, tight as a Java, rare col., grand bib, wins well; 2, Bruce, Yell. Hammer, nice size, rich col., rare V markings; 3, Laidlaw, grand Corn Bunting, rich col.; vhc, Tait; hc, Somerville. FOR. GOLDIE, ETC. (5): 1, sp., Wilson, Bullie, grand size, nice back col., rare dense cap, rich salmon chest, well put down; 2, Pringle, Goldie, grand size, nice rich blaze, rare body, col.; 3, Pringle, Goldie, nice size, pretty face; vhc, Somerville; hc, Mark. FOR. SMALL (7): 1, 2, 3, vhc, c, Ballantyne, nice team, Green Budgie leading, nice condition; 2, Yell., good one, but a feather or two out of place in wings, 3rd, sweet yell. Weaver, good feather and col.; hc, Miss Nichol.

ILFRACOMBE.

Ilfracombe (N. Devon) held its first local show for ten years on Nov. 7, and the committee are to be congratulated on their efforts. Next year it is their intention to run an open show. The birds were exhibited in a very fine hall, free from all draughts, and the attendance was all that could be desired. The quality of the birds was far above the usual standard of local shows. The yellow Yorkshire hen, which captured 2 specials and sp. for best in show, was a bird of exceptional merit, and Mr. T. Richards is to be congratulated on his win. Mr. Chas. F. Dart (Barnstaple) judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction.

YORKS. CK.: 1, Richards; 2, 3, Reynolds, all yells., close up, winner excels in length. HEN: 1, Richards, grand hen, feather like boxwood, wins special best in show; 2, Reynolds, good cl. buff; 3, Gay, good, but unsteady, wants training. BRED 1912: 1, Richards, another taking exhibit, well up on leg, wins; 2, Reynolds, fails only in colour to leader, close up; 3, 4, Webber, former nice buff. NOR., YELL.: 1, Richards, bouncing yell., full of qual., just beaten for section special, must have pressed; 2, Capt. Nicholson, will improve; 3, Gay. BUFF: 1, Reynolds, good head, nice mealing; 2, 3, Richards, larger, nice in feather; 4, Reynolds, jun. HEN: 1, sp., 2, Richards, lovely hen, grand head, stands well, across perch, wins section special; 3, Reynolds. BRED 1912: 1, 2, Richards, taking exhibits, very typical, wins; 3, Reynolds, nicely cut away. CRESTS: 1, sp., Reynolds, Green Crest, nice leafy feather, will improve; 2, 3, Gay, former good clear body D. Crest. CRESTBRED: 1, sp., 2, Gay, variegated, fine head, well hooded, wins; 3, 4, Reynolds, lightly marked, fine head. PAIRS: 1, medal, Richards, very fine pair Yorks., stand like soldiers, nicely shown; 2, 4, vhc, Reynolds, Green Crest and Crestbred; 3, Richards, Nor. hen, soft when taking notes; hc, Capt. Nicholson; c, Gay, fine class. GOLD OR BULL.: 1, sp., 2, 4, Southcombe, grand Bullie, looks like the Barnstaple winner, in fine condition and polish; 3, Goodman, Bullie, nice condition and bloom; vhc, hc, Moss. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, Capt. Nicholson, Starling. SELL., 21s.: 1, Gay; 2, Richards; 3, 4, Reynolds. DITTO, 10s. 6d.: 1, Guard; 2, 3, Richards; 4, Reynolds, jun.

LLANDUDNO C.B.S.

Members' show, held at Cobden Hotel, Nov. 16, about 70 birds facing the judge, Mr. H. W. Sheldon. Awards:—NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, G. W. Jones; 3, Davies. BUFF: 1, Noland; 2, G. W. Jones; 3, Wm. Jones. 1912 BUFF HEN: 1, Noland; 2, G.W. Jones; 3, Davies. YORK. YELL.: 1, G. W. Jones; 2, Thomas; 3, D. Jones. BUFF: 1, Thompson; 2, D. Jones; 3, Thomas. 1912 YEL.: 1, G. Jones; 2, Williams; 3, Davies. BUFF.: 1, D. Jones; 2, 3, Thomas. HEN: 1, Thomas; 2, D. Jones; 3, Thompson. A.O.V.: 1, Moss. MULE OR HYBR.: 1, Griffith; 2, T. and E. Roberts; 3, D. G. Jones. GOLDFINCH: 1 Overton; 2, Wm. Jones; 3, Hughes. BULLFINCH: 1, Hartle and Berry; 2, Moss; 3, Margetts. A.O.S.: 1, 2, Hartle and Berry; 3, Williams; 4, Wm. Jones. HEN: 1, Moss; 2, Williams; 3, Hartle and Berry. FOR.: 1, G. W. Jones; 2, Hartle and Berry; 3, Moss.

HULL.

Grand Management Rewarded by Magnificent Entry of Nearly 700.

Eighteenth annual exhibition, held Nov. 15 16, in the New Corn Exchange, North Church Side, a new and most up-to-date building, having plenty of roof and side lights, being lofty and free from draughts, and was kept at a very nice temperature, which made the room most comfortable for both exhibits and visitors. The birds were beautifully staged on the two-tier principle, and plenty of ferns, palms, etc., gave a most charming and pleasing effect. Mr. Ridley (secretary) is the right man in the right place, being enthusiastic, courteous and obliging; always having his duties well in hand, and a genuine fancier. The stewards are a hard-working, "never-say-die" band of men, of much practical experience, Messrs. Clayton, Firth, Harland, Hesseltine, Murray, Perkins, and Precious. Mr. W. T. Pepper (show manager) is a most genial official of the right type, and got through a great amount of work. Nor. Classes contained some exceptionally fine exhibits, competition being very keen, with quality playing a leading part. Yorks. brought together several noted winners of fine type and qual. Novice Yorks., though not great in numbers, produced some really good specimens, some that would give a good account of themselves in the upper circle. Novice Nor. were very few in number. In Bord, which are a welcome addition to the schedule, three classes were provided, and these were well filled, producing 46 entries, brimful of quality. There was a moderate entry in Mules and Hyb., but one or two of the Northern "cracks" putting in an appearance. Brit. turned up well, those prominent being Mr. Wood's winning Bullie; the third successive win this bird has secured at Hull, truly a fine performance. Mr. Hurst's winning Goldie is a regular stormer; we make to be the Palace winner. Special winners were: Silver cup (champion member), Mr. G. Harland; silver cup (nov. members), Mr. Chas. Ware; other sols., Messrs. F. F. Potter, J. Woolhouse, J. Thirsk, D. Hunter, G. Harland, T. Perkins, P. Potter, J. Precious, W. T. Pepper, F. Smith, Briggs, A. Young, F. S. Howe, and E. R. Ridley. Messrs. Robson and Battye judged, and their awards gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. or TKD. YELL (12): 1, Thomas, grand type and qual. fine, col. and carr.; 2, Potter, nice feather, not sub. of winner; 3, Harding, nice cobby bird, rattling qual., not far behind; 4, Heap; vhc, Waters; hc, Harland; c Parlett. BUFF (10): 1, Mason, wonderful type and col., nice thick neck and hold chest wins; 2, 3, Heap, nice size and qual., beaten a little in col.; 3, not the qual. of winner; 4, Harland; vhc, Doudee; hc, Brown; c, Thomas. VARIEG. YELL (8): 1, Harland, eye and wing mkd., wonderful subs., good wing carr., beautifully staged; 2, Johnson, rare qual. and col., not so cobby as winner, not much to choose; 3, Thomas, well up in size, grand qual., a shade smaller; 4, Hunter; vhc, c, Mason. CL./TKD. ETC. HEN (11): 1, Thomas, unevenly mkd., yell., fine, deep rich col. and cond.; 2, vhc, Heap, beautiful type and feather; 3, Mason, nice feather, fails a little in col. to winners; 4, Harding; hc, Ball; c, Hunter. CL. TKD. ETC., UNFLTD. YELL (17): A grand class: 1, Harland, a blaze of col., beautiful head, neck, and chest, teeming with quality like paint; 2, Waters, lovely youngster, very hard to separate; 3, Parlett, bonny, well worth its place; 4, vhc, c, Mason; hc, Parkes. BUFF (15): 1, Parlett, type and qual., A1, as smooth as glass; 2, 4, Harland, rare cobby, close up; 3, Johnson, nice size, and feather, beaten in col.; vhc, Mason; hc, Tose; c, Ball. CL. TKD. ETC. UNFLIG. YELL HEN (11): 1, 4, Harland, grand throughout; 2, c, Thomas, nice feather and beaten in size only; 3, Heap, bonny, feather, col. and qual., well placed; vhc, Ball; hc, Hunter. BUFF (18): 1, Thomas, beautiful shape, rare neck and chest; 2, Tose, neck mkd., rare style and cond.; 3, Heap, grizzled wing, rare size, splendid feather; 4, Waters; vhc, Johnson; hc, Watson; c Mason. YORKS. CL. or TKD. YELL. (16): 1, Crawhall, nice pos., wonderful carr.; 2, Precious, rare length, fine qual., beaten in wing carr.; 3, Middleton, good col., well up on leg, worth its place; 4, Stone; vhc, Walker; hc, Firth; c, Towers. BUFF (17): 1, Allen, neck mkd., lovely type, and well staged; 2, Crawhall, a bird of much merit, finely drawn, tight as wax, some thought might have won; 3, Cattell, trifle stonter, not qual. of winners; 4, c, Campling; vhc, Precious; hc, Taylor. VAR., ETC., YELL. OR BUFF (9): 1, Towers, var. yell., in grand feather; 2, Hedworth, very nice, beaten a little in wing carr.; 3, no name, cinn. mkd. yell., a close race; 4, Craig; vhc, Precious; hc, Stone, c, Brown and Son. CLEAR, TKD., ETC., YELL. OR BUFF HEN (11): 1, Craig, grand buff, nice feather and position; 2, Hedworth, a trifle thin in neck; 3, Crawhall, nice feathered buff, well staged; 4, Middleton; vhc, Stone; hc, Taylor; c, Precious. CL. TKD., ETC., UNFLTD. YELL (18): 1, hc, Mason, neck and wing mkd., fine col., excellent cond., wins well; 2, Walker, good length, beaten a little in type and wing carr.; 3, Stone, close up; 4, Allen; vhc, Clayton; c, Moss. BUFF (19): 1, Crawhall, fine compact, feather, lovely pos., well braced wings, a good one; 2, c, Farrar, excellent qual. and length, not pos. of winner; 3, Allen, wing mkd., great length, grand type and col.; 4, Clayton; vhc, Middleton; hc, Moffatt. CL. TKD., ETC., UNFLTD. YELL. HEN: 1, Mason, very stylish, in grand cond.; 2, Allen, qual. and col. A1; 3, Stone, nice type, rather rough on breast; 4, Clayton; vhc, Watts; hc, Baldwinson; c, Precious. BUFF (12): 1, Crawhall, splendidly feathered; 2, Towers, close race; 3, Allen, head and neck mkd., rare feather; 4, Moffatt; vhc, Precious; hc, Moss; c, Clayton. BORD. YELL (12): 1, vhc, Hay, lovely little gem, in grand cond.; 2, Hillary, another stylish bird, close up; 3, Smith, in grand order; 4, Montgomery; hc, Anderson; c, Briggs and Schooles. BUFF (17): A hot class: 1, Espie, a real picture, lovely shape, as tight as a bottle; 2, Smart, well worth its place, not quite the qual. of winner; 3, Hay, very stylish, a good one; 4, Peel; vhc, Bennett; hc, Smith; c, Pepper. YELL. OR BUFF HEN (17): 1, Smart, good throughout; 2, Bennett, well placed; 3, Espie, very similar to winner; 4, Beevor; vhc, Smith; hc, Gamble; c, Hay. A.O.V. (5): 1, 4, Risebrough, a very smart Lizard, leading; 2, Macpherson, a buff Lizard; 3, Dixon, a very nice Norwich Green, might have gone up one; vhc, East and Hutson. GIFT (15): 1, Howe; 2, Girling; 3, Clayton; 4, Harland; vhc, Stanford; hc, Parkes; c, Sowden. OPEN NOVICE.— NOR. CL. TKD., ETC. YELL (8): 1, Boody; 2, Hallett; 3, Briggs; 4, Hesseltine; vhc, Gray; hc, Cass; c, Longhorn. BUFF (9): 1, Boody; 2, Hesseltine; 3, Riley; 4, Pearson; vhc, Briggs; hc, Stanham; c, Cass. CL., TKD., ETC., YELL. OR BUFF HEN (6): 1, Hallett; 2, Gray; 3, Ware; 4, Cass; vhc, Mallinson. YORKS., CL., TKD., ETC., YELL. (10): 1, Gill; 2, 3, Trowle; 4, Harvey; vhc, Smith; hc, Spencer and Malden; c, Sayles. BUFF (13): 1, Sampson; 2, Smith Bros.; 3, Gill; 4, Sayles; vhc, Hall; hc, Trowle; c, Whitehead. HEN: 1, Smith Bros.; 2, Sampson; 3, Whitehead; 4, Girling; vhc, Baldwinson; hc, Howe. CL., TKD., ETC., MULE: Cancelled. UN. MKD., VARIEG. MULE (11): 1, c, Maddison, grand Goldie leading, in superb condition; 2, Medley, variег. buff, nice feather; 3, Pick, another nice Goldie, evenly mkd., nice qual.; 4, Hall; vhc, Lings; hc, Ward. DK. GOLD. OR LIN. MULE (13): 1, 3, Maddison, grand all over, and a clear win; 2, Walsh, a topping Goldie, nice qual., beautiful face, lacks col. of winner; 4, Jackson; vhc, Dixon; hc, Mason; c, Boody. A.O.V. MULE (6): 1, hc, Wilson, well known winner, in A1 condition; 2, 4, Maddison, very nice Greenie, hard lines; 3, Shorney, bonny Greenie, not the col. of 2nd winner; vhc, Perkins. HYB.: 1, Edward, slashing fine Bullie, in rare form, well staged; 2, Walsh, Greenie-Bullie, pressed winner hard; 3, Wilson, Goldie-Bullie, a bouncer very distinct, wonderful size; 4, Riley; vhc, Perkins, hc, Shorney; c, Dixon. BRIT. GOLDFINCH (13): 1, Hurst, an old warrior, in the pink, needs no further comment; 2, Blanchen, really fine finch, lovely qual. and condition, with a little more tanning, would take some stopping; 3, Waters, nice size, beaten in face; 4, Ward; vhc, Beckett; hc, Robinson; c, Wilson. BULLFINCH (11): 1, 2, Wood, a brace of stormers, the old war horse leading, grand breast col., lovely back and cap; 2nd, very nice bird, not quite quality and col. of winner; 3, Lee, smaller, but in fine feather, lovely cap, little too erect for liking of some; 4, Shorney; vhc, Clayton; hc, Lyons; c, Wilson. LINNET (9): 1, Parlett, col. and quality A1, shows plenty of white; 2, Fairhurst, beautifully pencilled, beaten in col. only; 3, Waters, nicely pencilled on head, great size, loses a little in col. and wing carr.; 4, Covey; vhc, Stamp; hc, Duxbury; c, Medley. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE (8): 1, 2, Parlett, big bouncing Bramble leading, grandly spangled, lovely breast col., steady as a rock; 2nd, Chaffinch, a close run; 3, Forster, good Bramble, great size, lacking breast col. of winner; 4, Riley; vhc, Wilson; hc, Fisher; c, Thirsk. GREENFINCH: 1, Lee, romping fine Greenie, wing bands down to size, shape, and quality, will be hard to beat; 2, Wilson, nice quality and condition, beaten in col. and sub. to winner; 3, Jepson, excellent type, beaten in condition to-day, still a good one; 4, Haigh; nice one; vhc, Hurst; hc, Drinkell; c, Brown. SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, Forster, nice feather and quality, staged in fine cond.; 2, Haigh, Lesser Redpoll, grandly laced, fine size and con.; 3, Stamp, very prettily mkd. Siskin, staged to perfection; 4, Jackson; vhc, Pick; hc, Wilson; c, Waters. A.O. FINCH OR BUNTING (7): 1, Stamp, Hawfinch, size, col. and marking a treat, a clear win; 2, Thirsk, Yell. Bunting, grand head markings, nice body col., would do with more sub.; 3, Hurst, Hawfinch, not size of or steady as winner; 4, Waters; vhc, Medley; hc, Walsh; c, Riley. HEN FINCH (8): 1, Macpherson, big bouncing Bullie, lovely breast, a good winner; 2, c, Owen, Linnet, in rattling form; 3, Forster, a slashing Redpoll, beautifully laced, well up in size, pressed hard; 4, Fisher; vhc, Clayton; hc, Riley. A.V. LARGE, Cancelled. SMALL (6): 1, Woodhouse, Dartford Warbler, in lovely condition, and well staged; 2, Booth, Grey Wagtail, grand shape and col.; 3, vhc, Wilson, very fine Woodlark, in superb condition, grandly mkd., a good 3rd; 4, Walsh; No. 5, Wryneck, nicely mkd. feet, very much clogged, which no doubt told against it. FOR., LARGE HARDBILL (16): 1, 2, 4, Simpson; 3, Grindell; vhc, Fisher; hc, Suddaby; c, Chadwick. SMALL (7): 1, 3, 4, vhc, hc, Suddaby; 2, c, Hollins. SOFTBILL (7): 1, 2, 3, Walsh; 4, Simpson; vhc, hc, c, Suddaby. MEMBERS', NOR., CL., TKD., ETC., YELL. (10): 1, Hope; 2, Ridley; 3, Cross; 4, Mackey; vhc, Beckett; hc, c, Sutton. BUFF (11): 1, Briggs; 2, Clarke; 3, Hope; 4, Ridley; vhc, Mackey; hc, c, Sutton. CL., TKD., ETC., HEN (11): 1, 3, Ridley; 2, Ware; 4, Hope; vhc, Potter; hc, c, Sutton. CL., TKD., ETC., UNFLIG. (22): 1, 2, Potter; 3, Hope; 4, Longhorn; vhc, c, Sutton; hc, Briggs. HEN (16): 1, Potter; 2, Ware; 3, Hope; 4, Calvard; vhc, Potter; hc, Ridley; c, Cross. YORKS., CL., TKD., ETC., YELL. (10): 1, Potter; 2, Sowden; 3, Gillson; 4, Sowden; vhc, Murray; hc, Girling; c, Oaks. BUFF (16): 1, 3, Ware; 2, Gillson; 4, Lambert; vhc, c, Sowden; hc, Potter. CL., TKD., ETC., HEN (15): 1, Sowden; 2, Ware; 3, Potter; 4, Smith; vhc, Girling; hc, Clayton; c, Fox. CL., TKD., ETC., UNFLIG. (17): 1, 2, c, Ware; 3, Gillson; 4, Smith; vhc, Murray; hc, Sowden. HEN (13): 1, Smith; 2, Sowden; 3, vhc, hc, Ware; 4, Murray; c, Kemp. A.O.V. (7): 1, hc, c, Potter; 2, Ridley; 3, Sowden. MEMBERS' NOV., NOR., CL., ETC.: Cancelled. YORKS., CL., ETC. (7): 1, 4, Young; 2, 3, Kemp; vhc, Oaks; c, Skelton.

MARYHILL.

Thirty-sixth annual show, held in the Burgh Hall, Nov. 2, when the entries came well up and constituted a record, while the quality was also a leading feature. A really satisfactory gathering of the birds o' circle, and worthy the appreciation of both officials and members. Many of the birds here had been doing battle for their owners at the recent City show, and had made their mark among the cream of the Fancy. Mr. A. McKissock, the worthy Secretary, had all the duties of such a post well within his grasp, and he was in his element when the business was in full swing, and the success of the venture was in no small measure due to his untiring efforts, coupled with those of an able committee. The judges, Messrs. J. Smith (Govan), and J. Ward (Parkhead), got through their work in good time, and their awards were well received.

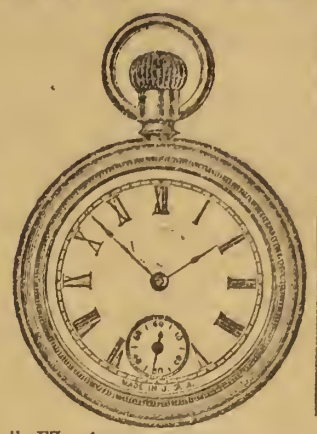
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PLUMSTEAD AND WOOLWICH.

Sixth annual show, held Nov. 9, in the Sussex Arms Concert Hall, a splendid room for the purpose, adequately lighted, free from draughtiness and spacious. The general arrangements were excellent. The birds were placed at convenient heights for view, and the whole nattily finished. Mr. Meades, the hon. secretary, we were sorry to learn, was not at all in good health, and had to return home before judging commenced, but his place was worthily filled by other members of the committee, and judging was over in good time, prize cards up, and catalogues ready for sale, with awards in the margin. There was a grand display of quality in the Norwich classes, and here the cup for best bird in the show found a winner in Mr. Hazell's bonny unflighted tkd. buff, a bird of rare merit, only lacking a little more colour to make it very, very hard to beat. There was a host of other specials. The show was eminently successful. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

CHAMP. NOR. CL., ETC.: 1, 3 sps., Taylor, beautiful bodied bird, rare qual., just a little short of col., but a grand fellow; 2, Hazell, plenty of col., but small in head. BUFF: 1, 3, Taylor, both full of quality, and rare shape; 2, Hazell, close up, nice all through; vhc, Shiers. TKD., ETC., BUFF: 1, Hazell, variег., rare qual. and type; 2, Peck, too feathery. HEN: 1, Peck, really nice and shapely; 2, Hazell, buff, good shape; 3, Taylor, variег. UNFLIG. CL., OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Taylor, grand qual., nice shape, good col. BUFF: 1, Hazell, again rare type and qual. wins; 2, Peck. TKD., ETC., BUFF CK.: 1, cup, diploma, 2 sps., Hazell, a rattler, already referred to. HEN: 1, Maclellan, var. yell., beautiful qual. and col.; 2, Taylor, moderate buff. YORKS., TKD., ETC., YELL.: 1, sp., Shiers. BUFF: 1, Peck. HEN: 1, Shiers. UNFLIG. HEN: 1, 2 sps., Shiers, length, col. and style. BORD. HEN: 1, sp., Shiers, neat and jaunty. NOV., NOR. CL., ETC.: 1, 2, sps. and Sandiford's sp., 2, Page, two good ones, particularly the former; 3, Wood, fails a trifle col. and head. BUFF: 1, sp., Harland, lovely type, qual. and col.; 2, Weston, trifle slack in feather, good shape; 3, vhc, sp., Williams, a nice trio; hc, Newham, jun.; c, Smith. TKD., ETC., YELL.: 1, Page, tkd., lovely feather; 2, Lane. BUFF: 1, sp., G. Smith, nice variег.; 2, J. Smith. HEN: 1, J. Smith, type and qual., neat head; 2, Newham, jun., also grand col., fails in chubbiness; 3, Juby, rare shape, bit flakey in feather; vhc, Wood; hc, c, Williams. UNFLIG. CL., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, Moore, good shape, but not so much colour as some; 2, J. Smith, good col., fails in head. BUFF: 1, Moore, plenty of quality; 2, Williams, lovely undercolour, fails a bit in stoutness. TKD., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, J. Smith, variег., grand quality and col. BUFF: 1, sp., vhc, J. Smith, a grand bird, full of quality and rare shape; 2, Newham, jun., variег., bit free in feather; 3, Perkins, UNFLIG. HEN: 1, vhc, sp., J. Smith, the leader, variegated yell., lovely qual., rather too fat, but good; 2, 3, Perkins, buff and yell. respectively, rare shape and quality; hc, c, Williams. YORKS., CL., ETC., BUFF: 1, Hartland. TKD., ETC., YELL.: 1, 2 sps., Hartland. HEN: 1, sp., Barton; 2, Newham; 3, Hartland. UNFLIG. CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, Perkins; 2, Barton. BUFF: 1, Barton. HEN: 1, 2, Hartland. BORD., BUFF: 1, Hartland, very neat and nice. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Hartland, a nice team of these natty little birds. A.O.V.: 1, Juby, a neat and nice quality Cinny, fails bit head. NAT. COL. A.V.: 1, sp., 3, Hartland, two real good ones; 2, Lane; 3, Newnham, a nice class. MULES. LIGHT: 1, sp., McLellam, Goldie Canary. DARK: 1, Juby; 2, Lane, Linnet Mule leading. MULES. 1912: 1, 3, Williams; 2, Juby. JUVENILE CAN.: 1, sp., Trewan. BRIT.: 1, sp., Trewan. GOLDIE 1, sp., Weston, nice flush, bars and buttons, well shown; 2, Peck, fails bit face, but very nice, hardly so well conditioned; 3, Lafbury, as good as any when up; vhc, Thorn; hc, Lane. BULLIE: 1, Lane; 2, Lafbury. LINNET OR TWITE: 1, sp., Peck, well mkd., steady, good condition; 2, Weston, scarcely so stout or nutty; 3, Peck, vhc, sp., c, Lafbury; hc, Hartland. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Barton, grand col. and feather; 2, vhc, Lafbury, close up; 3, Weston; hc, Hartland. GREENIE: 1, vhc, Peck, the leader a topper; 2, Lafbury; 3, c, Lane; hc Hartland. A.O.S. SEEDEATERS: 1, 2 sps., Hartland, a beautiful Brambling, rich in sheen, large, 2, Lafbury, a smart Chaffinch; 3, Moore; vhc, Lane. HEN: 1, Shiers; 2, Lafbury. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, Hartland.

OLDHAM C.B.S.

Annual show at Textile Dining Rooms, Shaw Rd., Nov. 2. Mr. Barras placed the awards. A splendid show; some of the birds exhibited are certain to be heard of again in higher company. Very good entry of 153 birds. Plenty of visitors, and best of all, some very hard workers. I must here express my thanks to Messrs. Steeple and Hardy in particular for the manner in which they assisted. Special prizes: Winner of cup, W. Hardy (26 points). Section Specials: 1, J. Hampshire; 2, W. Hardy; 3, J. Sharples; 4, A. Wagstaffe; 5, J. J. Chadderton. Most points in show: Jos. Hampshire, 68 (runner-up, Jos. Sharples, 67). Best Silver and young bird in show, Jos. Hampshire. Best Gold and young cock in show, A. Martin. Most points in Liz. and Lancs., Jos. Hampshire; ditto Nor. and Yorks., J. Sharples; remaining classes, J. J. Chadderton. Sandiford's medal, A. J. Wagstaff.—J. Cope, sec.

LIZ., CL. CAP GOLD: 1, spl, Taylor; 2, 3, Hampshire. SILVER: 1, spl, 3, Hampshire; 2, Taylor; 4, Martin. BROKEN CAP G.: 1, spl, Martin; 2, Fitton; 3, 4, Hampshire. SILVER: 1, spl, Martin 2, 3, Hampshire. GOLD HEN: 1, spl, Hampshire; 2, Steeple; 3, Taylor; 4, Martin. SILVER: 1, spl, Hampshire; 2, Fitton; 3, Taylor; 4, Steeple. LANCS YELL. COPPY: 1, spl, Fitton; 2, Hardy. BUFF: 1, spl, Fitton; 2, Lowe; 3, Doleman. YELL. PLAIN-HEAD: 1, spl, Doleman; 2, Hardy. BUFF: 1, Hardy; 2, Fitton; 3, Doleman. HEN COPPY: 1, spl, Hardy; 2, Lowe; 3, Cocker. PLAINHEAD: 1, spl, Hardy; 2, Fitton; 3, Cocker. UNFLIGH. LANCS.: 1 spl, Fitton; 2, Doleman. CREST OR C.B. HEN: 1, spl, Fitton. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, spl, 3, Young; 2, Wagstaffe; 4, Cope; vhc, Sharples. BUFF: 1, spl, Furniss; 2, 4, Young; 3, Cope; vhc, Sharples. VAR. ETC. YELL.: 1, spl, Steeple; 2, Sharples; 3, Whyatt; 4 Young. BUFF: 1, spl, 2, Young; 3, Sharples; 4, Hampshire; vhc, Furniss; hc, Whyatt. YELL. HEN: 1, spl, Furniss 2, 3, Young; 4, Sharples; vhc, Clough; hc, Sharples; c, Steeple. BUFF: 1, spl, Steeple; 2, Dalzell; 3, Sharples; 4, Furniss; vhc, Whyatt; hc, Young. UNFLIGH.: 1, spl, Clough; 2, 3, Sharples; 4, Stott; vhc, Steeple; hc, Wagstaff; c, Dalzell. YELL. YORKS.: 1, spl, Wagstaff; 2, Addison. BUFF: 1, spl, Sharples; 2, Winterbottom; 3, Wagstaff; 4, Addison; vhc, Stott; hc, Burke; c, Wilkinson. TK. YELL.: 1, spl, Addison; 2, Wagstaff. BUFF: 1, spl, Wagstaff; 2, Addison; 3, Wadsworth; 4, Burke; vhc, Sharples. VAR. YELL. HEN: 1, spl, Wadsworth; 2, Wagstaff; 3, Addison; 4, Winterbottom; vhc, Wilkinson; hc, Hulton. BUFF: 1, spl, Winterbottom; 2, Wagstaff; 3, Chadderton; 4, Stott; vhc, Addison. UNFLIGH.: 1, spl, Stott; 2, Wagstaff; 3, hc, Addison; 4, Wilkinson; vhc, Hulton. A.V. CAN.: 1, spl, J. Sharples. MULE: 1, Furniss; 2, Addison; 3, Stott; 4, Chadderton; vhc, Sharples; hc, Doleman; c, Fitton. BRITISH: 1, spl, Hulton; 2, Chadderton; 3, Burke; 4, Clough; vhc, Whyatt; hc, Sharples. YOUNG MULES: 1, spl, Hulton; 2, Chadderton; 3, Fitton; 4, Downes.

MORLEY AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Second old bird show held Nov. 16, at Sycamore Hotel; judge, Mr. Clegg, of Dewsbury, who gave satisfaction to all. Mr. J. E. Pryah wins special for most points. (OPEN) CL. or TK. YELL. CK.: 1, 3, c, Pyrah; 2, vhc, hc, Birdsall. UN. or VAR. CK.: 1, 2, Birdsall. CL. or TK. YELL. HEN: 1, Birdsall; 2 vhc, Pyrah; 3, hc, Rhodes. BUFF: 1, 2, Birdsall; 3, vhc, hc, c, Pyrah. EVEN ETC. HEN: 1, Birdsall; 2, Pyrah. CINN ETC. HEN: 1, 2, 3, hc, Pyrah; vhc Birdsall. NOV.: 1, Rayner. CL. or TK. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, 3, hc, c, Scholes; vhc, Rayner. EVEN. ETC. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Scholes. GREENFINCH: 1, Pyrah; 2, 3, vhc, Gomersall. REDPOLL ETC.: 1, 2, vhc, c, Gomersall; 3, Pyrah. A.O.S. HARDBILL: 1, 2, 3, hc, c, Gomersall; vhc, Pyrah.

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EXCHANGE Harmsworth's "Natural History," complete, cost 25/-; wanted good singing Canary or bird-room heater: Ingram, James-rd., Blaingarw, South Wales. (244)

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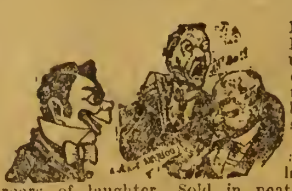
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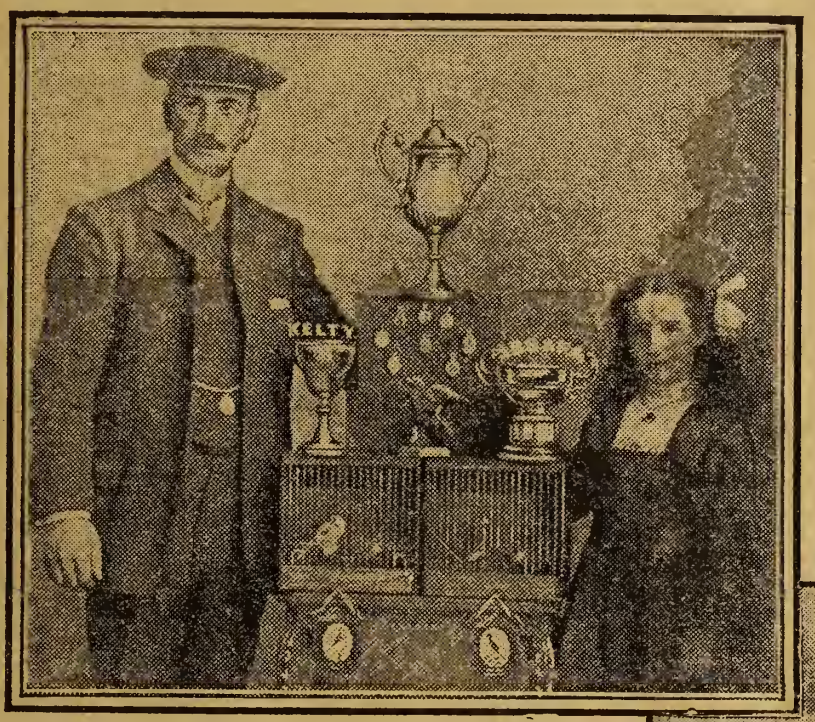
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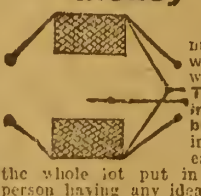
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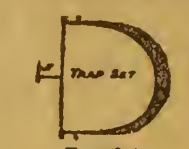
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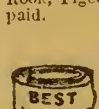
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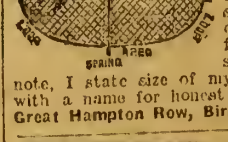
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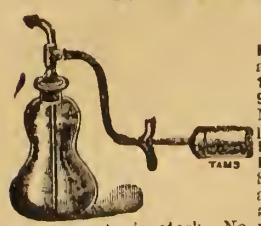
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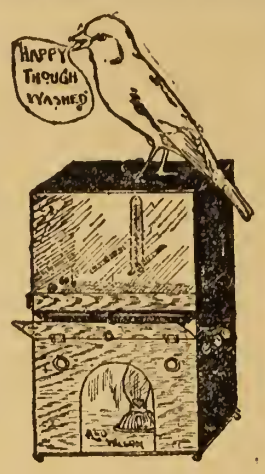
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FINE cock Goldfinch, sings in or out of cage, been used for catching, 4/6: Bellairs, Oundle, Northants. (252)

MONEY-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

MULING Linnet, twice house-moulted, in full song, father of Mules, 5/-: G. Ford, Bridgetown, Totnes. (260)

DEALERS, Linnets, Twites, warranted healthy, cocks 3/6 doz., hens 1/-: West, 30, Lamprell-st., Old Ford. (251)

TWITES, Linnets, few large, well coloured cocks, grand birds, 1/- each: West, Lamprell-st., Old Ford, Bow. (251)

NOTICE, genuine cock Linnets, in full song, 2/-, 3/- each; approval: A. Butler, 25, Compton Row, Leeds. (260)

WANTED cock Greenfinch, l.m., must be extra large and good in all points: Pickles, Stoneyhurst, Morecambe. (252)

FIVE exhibition British house-moulted, good condition, and show cages: Winterbone, Wisbech, St. Mary, Cambs. (260)

TWO cock Linnet Mules, 4/- each; cock Bullfinch, 1/6; cock Redpoll, muler, 1/-: Jos. Young, Copley, Butterknowle. (258)

HOUSE-MOULTED cock Bramblefinch, grand col., fit for exhibition, 3/-: Albert Ralph, 74, Cooper-road, Grimsby. (249)

COCK brown Linnets, 4/- dozen, plenty in stock: Tulloch, 33, Hylton-road, Sunderland. **Established** over 20 years. (248)

SUPERLATIVE Reed Bunting, cock, h.m., colour-fed, equalling my 1st Norwich, 1912, 7/6: Cooper, Judge, Norwich. (253)

CATCHERS, send prices cock Linnets doz.; wanted weekly supply: Thomas Scarratt, 8, Normacot-rd., Longton, Staffs. (256)

MR. COCKERILL has not yet disposed of birds advertised last week; birds first money after, to society members. (265)

GRAND selected Linnets for singing or Muling, 1/- each, three 2/6: G. Hyde, 37, Abbott-st., Rochdale-rd., Manchester. (253)

REDBREASTED cock Linnets, splendid birds, six 2/-, dozen 3/6; hens, 1/- dozen: Horace Coote, 16, Windmill-st., Luton. (266)

PLEASE observe, these are specials, not so-called; Bullfinches, cocks, beauties, 2/-; hens 1/3: Brown, Alma-rd., Weymouth. (264)

WANTED Linnet, good songster, must have good quality notes, state price; approval: G. McKean, 3, Killermont-st., Glasgow. (255)

BULLFINCHES, cocks 1/6 and 2/6, hens 9d. and 1/-; Linnets, Chaffinches, Greenfinches, 6d. and 9d.: Pargeter, Grimsbury, Banbury. (260)

LINNET, Twite, Bullfinch, warranted cocks, rare size and markings, 2/6 each or 6/- the lot: Harcombe, Eastgate, Inverness. (248)

SIBERIAN Linnets, Siberian Linnets, cocks, large birds, dozen 12/-, 1/6 each; address: Jessie May, 24, Hopwood Lane, Halifax. (262)

HOUSE-MOULTED cock Siskin, 2/6; Yellow Buntings, Reed Buntings, 1/- each; selected, 2/-: Woods, 125, Palgrave-rd., Yarmouth. (252)

EXHIBITORS, S. H. Mays, Kingscliffe, Wansford, is offering all his show birds, including recent winners; approval; state wants. (258)

NOTICE, I have a few exceptionally good young cock Goldfinches for show or muling, 3/6 each: Ellis, Boot Manufacturer, Welshpool. (259)

CHAMPION young cock Linnet, large bird, make good muler, singing stoutly, 2/-; approval: Miss Paterson, Rifleman, Dunstable. (264)

GRAND cock Snow Bunting, cage-moulted, in my possession, 12 months, accept 5/-; dirt cheap: Ward, Grocer, Deeping St. James, Lincs. (251)

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TRY my book of secrets of Linnets, 7 stamps. Reader writes: Many thanks for the right book: Imeson, Commercial House, Ossett.

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FED Siskin, breeder, winner, 15/-; two Greenfinches, one fed, winners, fed Yellowhammer, 7/6 each: Todd, Caldarvan, Balloch, Dumbartonshire. (258)

FIELD-MOULTED champion Siberian Mealy Redpoll, crimson head, large body, perfect plumage, 7/6, win cost first show: Cooper, Judge, Norwich. (253)

HOUSE-MOULTED cock Chaffinch, steady, 2/6; 3 cock brown Linnets, caged August, 1/6 each; approval, deposit: Carter, Saddler, Uttoxeter. (250)

BEAUTIFUL full-coloured cock Goldfinches, 3/- each; cock Linnets, 3d.; Chaffinches, 6d.; Greenies, 6d.: Henshaw, 24, Wesley-st. (Cotmanhay), Ilkeston. (252)

GOLDFINCHES, cocks, 1/9, 2/- each, three 4/6; cocks, for show, 3/-, 4/-; hens, 9d.: Harry Turner, Birdcatcher, Ivy-place, Selly Oak, Worcestersbire. (266)

WARRANTED cocks, Linnets, singing, 1/, three 2/-; wanted Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Chaffinches, green Linnets, 8d. pair: Brain, Aston, Birmingham. (258)

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EXHIBITORS! 2 giant unbeatable cock Chaffinches, field-moulted, perfect, 3/6 each; 2 cock Greenfinches, 1/- each; approval: Lardner, Osney, Oxford. (248)

LINNETS, grand stock of cocks, Brown Linnets 2/6 dozen, picked 3/-; p.c. before birds; no waiting: E. Hopkinson, Bird Catcher, 8, Canden-st., Nottingham. (264)

LINNETS! Linnets. Good healthy cock Brown Linnets, well on seed, 2/- dozen; selected 2/6 dozen: Walton, Catcher, 6, Kelks-yard, Count-st., Nottingham. (256)

LINNETS, Twites; Cambridge cocks, warranted straight from catcher, not second-handed, 3/- dozen; picked birds, 3/6 dozen: Rendle, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (250)

EXHIBITORS.—Greenfinch, 5/-; Lesser Redpoll, 5/-; Linnet, 5/-; Yellowhammer, 7/6; the above are all house-moulted and winners: Decoy, 23, George-st., Stranraer. (263)

EXHIBITION Britishers; two Goldfinches, 12/6 each; one Linnet, 10/-; winners at Ramsgate, Dover, Canterbury; approval: Cascmore, 37, St. Augustines-rd., Canterbury. (250)

TWO fine cock Goldies, splendid colour, full song, 7/6 each; clinking cock Bullie, 3/6; cock Yellowhammer, coming white wings, 7/6: Richards, 36, New-st., Exmouth. (257)

GUARANTED cocks, Goldfinches, 2/-, 2/6; hens, 8d.; Linnets, 1/-, three 2/6, Redpolls, 2/6 dozen; Bullfinches, 1/6; hens, 1/-: Charles McCann, 15, North-st., Lurgan. (262)

PRIVATE aviary; cocks, 2 Greenfinches, 2 Redpolls, Linnet; hens, Chaffinch, Redpoll, 1/- each, 5/- lot; aviary, 4 x 3, 5/-: Young, 76, Mitcham-lane, Streatham, London. (249)

SIBERIAN Goldfinches, magnificent size and colour, I am the direct importer, so get the best birds, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-: Hollins, Siberian Bird Importer, Hull. (258)

GRAND house-moulted cocks, Goldfinch, 5/-; Linnet, 2/6; Mealy Redpoll, 2/6; Greenfinches, 2/6, 2/-; wanted exhibition Bullfinch or Hawfinch; offers: Woodhouse, Aslinc-rd., Sheffield. (257)

TWO large full-coloured cock Goldfinches, 3/- each; 2 nice cock Linnets, 1/3 each; hen Bullfinch, 1/3; H.M. cock Goldfinch, breeder, 5/6; approval: K. Older, 64, Kingsland-rd., Bristol. (266)

THREE pair Bullfinches, for 6/6; 2 pair Chaffinches for 1/3; cock Linnet, 1/-; Greenfinch Mule, Goldfinch Mule, hens, 1/- each; 10/- lot; bargain; room wanted: Charles Lewis, Highbridge. (258)

HAND-REARED Bullfinches, Goldfinches, cocks 2/6, hens 1/-; Siskins 3/6 pair; Linnets, Greenfinches, Chaffinches, 1/- pair: list free: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (253)

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NOTICE to contest singers, if you want a good contest singing Linnet, time or quality singing, state wants, and I will endeavour to satisfy you; stamp reply: A. Butler, 25, Compton Row, Leeds. (260)

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BULLFINCHES, thirty large hens, 1/- each; three 2/6; selected, 1/6; cocks, 1/6; selected, 2/6; all birds well on seed before sent out; numerous testimonials: Barson, 41, Victoria-rd. East, Leicester. (257)

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WARRANTED cock Linnets, 3/6 dozen, six 2/-; cock Greenfinches, 1/- dozen, six 9d.; cock Chaffinches, 3/6 dozen; cock Larks 3/- dozen, three 1/-: Hohden, Ivy Cottage, Winchelsea-rd., Norway, Eastbourne. (264)

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EXHIBITORS; two Greenfinches, 10/- each; Goldie, 1912, third Chatham, Lesser Redpoll, 5/-; Twite, 5/-; F.M. Linnets, 5/- each; all the above are fit to win in keen competition: J. E. Jeffreys, 17, Norfolk-st., Swansea. (264)

EXHIBITORS, fieldmoulted classes: Cock Bullfinch, nice cap, hars, breast colour, 4/6; cock Linnet, good pencilling, 2/6; cock Chaffinch, 1/-; house-moulted Chaffinch, steady, nice colour, 3/6: Charles Lewis, Highbridge, Somerset. (253)

LINNETS, Redbreasted cocks, every bird well on seed, 3/6 dozen; Brown Linnets, 2/6 dozen; all orders receive prompt attention; once a trial always a customer: Garratt, Bird-catcher, 42, Goodhead-st., Meadows, Nottingham. (257)

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EXHIBITION grand cock Linnet, 10/-, first, special at Reading last week; another, second grand Linnet, 7/6; grand cock Goldfinch, third, 7/6; also grand Linnet, half white, good mule breeder, 7/6; see "Cage Birds" last week: W. Vince, Warennes Wood, Mortimer, Berks. (249)

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advertisements the intending purchaser is apt to be confused, and cannot make up his mind as to who to send to for his birds. This is just where my approval system comes in. Although I guarantee my stock to be exactly as represented in every way, I don't ask you to purchase anything until you have had it on approval and found it to be exactly what you require, then if you are fully satisfied you keep it, but if not, you simply return it, and I immediately refund you money in full. You cannot lose a penny in this way, as you either get exactly what you want or your money back. I have a splendid stock of genuine cock Worcestershire Goldfinches, in perfect health and condition, and full colour, at 2/- each, three 5/-, six 8/6, twelve 16/-. Few specially picked larger cocks, for muling and singing, and warranted now in free song, 3/- each, three 7/6, six 13/-. Specially selected exhibition birds, with full complement of show points, and fit to win immediately, 4/- and 5/- each. (Please note, real cock Goldfinches, cannot be sold at less than above prices; denial challenged.) Hen Goldfinches, 1/-each, three 2/6, six 4/-, twelve 7/-. Grand lot cock brown Linnets, all with nuthrown hack and rose red breasts, 8d. each, three 1/6, six 2/6, twelve 4/6. Specially selected cocks, for muling, or contest singing, 1/-, and 1/6 each, three 2/-, six 3/6. Real exhibition specimens, 2/6 each. Please note, these are same sort of Linnets as the scores of dozens I send weekly to contest singers and dealers of Lancashire, Yorkshire, Durham, Staffordshire, etc., etc., and I have sold more contest winners than any man alive. Cock Bullfinches, in superb condition, 2/- each, three 5/-, six 8/6. Exhibition specimens, 5/- each. Hen Bullfinches, 1/- each. Specially picked large rich coloured steady hens, for hybridising, 1/6 and 2/- each. Genuine German hand-reared hens, feed from fingers, 4/- each. Splendid lot cock Siskins, full song, 2/6 each, three 6/6. Few Yellows, with bib, 5/- each. Redpolls, cocks or hens, 6d. each, three 1/3, six 2/-. Cock Greenfinches, 6d. each, three 1/-; large yellows, for show or breeding, 1/- each; cock Chaffinches, 8d. each, three 1/6, six 2/6, twelve 4/-. (Please note, these Chaffinches have correct finish for London singing.) Exhibition Chaffinches, 2/6 each. Splendid lot cock Skylarks, in perfect condition, 8d. each, three 1/6, six 2/6, twelve 4/-; specially picked steady cocks, in song, 1/- and 1/6 each. These Larks are guaranteed Worcestershire caught, and must not be confused with the French flight birds sold so cheaply. Cock Goldfinch Mules, full song day and gaslight, 6/- each. Cock Hawfinches, to moult for show, 5/- and 7/6 each. Goldfinch Linnet, Bullfinch and Lark cages, 6d. each, 5/- dozen. Special travelling cages, to hold 3 birds, 3d. extra. See back numbers for hundreds of testimonials similar to following: "Gordon House, Shotton Colliery, Co. Durham, Nov. 18th. Sir,—Linnets and Goldfinches I had from you few weeks ago are in full song. I never saw better value from anyone than you give. They are like paint, and steady as rocks. I advised a patient to write you for a Goldfinch to-day, and next week two others are sending you orders. I have always found you to be an honourable man in all my transactions with you, and can trust you. I have also recommended lots of my patients to buy from you, and they have always got entire satisfaction.—Yours, Dr. J. W. Cross." Please note, I guarantee sex in every instance and sell genuine cocks at advertised prices. If you do not happen to be an expert in sexing birds, it will please me if you will have any of my birds examined by any expert you know, so that you will know you are not getting hens for your money, as what is worse than keeping hen birds for singing or trying to breed Mules off a hen Britisher and hen Canary. (Imitators, please copy as usual.) All birds are guaranteed thoroughly on hard seed before sent out, and postcard always sent before birds. If you want thoroughly reliable stock, send to the man who has a 21 years' reputation to uphold. No connection whatever with any other advertiser. (263)

W GORE. 131. GOOCH ST., BIRMINGHAM

Siberian Goldfinches

Just received **another large consignment** of genuine Siberian Goldfinches (not Russians), this making over 1,000 that I have imported this season. Prices: **Cocks,** guaranteed, **5/6; Selected** birds with a beautiful bright square-cut blaze, well buttoned and as big as Bullfinches, **7/6** and **10/6.** Dealers supplied Send for my wholesale price list; stamp for reply.

Walter Smith,
DIRECT IMPORTER,
98, Tib Street, Manchester

Cash with order, or deposit with "Cage Birds."

FOR ONE WEEK ONLY

Due to arrive on the 29th, another consignment of Siberian Goldfinches, also 200 Siskins, to be disposed of at the following prices, 5/-, 7/6; special picked birds, for showing, 10/6 each; Siskins, 2/6, 3/6; special picked birds, 5/6 each; with this consignment of birds I have also had arrive 100 cock Linnets, and 100 cock Greenfinches. I will make this special offer for one week only. With every purchase of 5s. or over I will send free of charge 1 cock Linnet, or a Greenfinch; I also guarantee every bird I send to be a cock; I also guarantee to be the largest dealer in London; all my birds I have direct: A. Brown, 69, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

Selected GOLDFINCHES

superb in size, shape, colour, and marking; Specially selected **to moult out winners, 5/-, 7/6,** and **10/-** each; approval.

WALSH, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (265)

SHOW SPECIMEN BRITISH.

Thousands coming in to pick at, and I have sold more first prize winners than any man alive, including winners at Crystal Palace, Scottish National, Manchester, etc.; cock Goldfinches or Bullfinches specially picked for moulting out winners, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; cock Linnets, 1/6, 2/-; cock Chaffinches, 1/6, 2/-; Redpolls, 1/-; cock Siskins, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; Greenfinches, 1/-, 1/6, 2/-; Larks, 1/-, 1/6, 2/-, large muling Sib.-bred Canary hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-, 5/ each. Latest new style British show cages, 2/-, 4 5/6. Mr. Hedges, Easthourne, writes, Sept. 13th.—"Send me special selected cock Goldfinch, Linnet, Greenfinch, and hen Bullfinch for enclosed 10/-; Goldfinch I got from you two years ago won six 1sts and specials; the one I had last year won 3rd, but I lost him." Mr. Veitch, Jedburgh, writes: "Send cock Goldfinch, 3/-, two hen Bullfinches, 3/-. Glad to say Goldfinch purchased from you won me two 1sts Hawick, 1st and special Kelso, 5th Edinburgh (class 33), 3rd Galashiels, twice 2nd at our show." W. Jones, Altrincham, December 6th. "Send two cock Linnets and two cock Siskins. Am pleased to say I won 2nd and 4th at Altrincham open class with birds purchased from you." Mr. Ewan, Kirn, writes: "Goldfinch arrived safe, and won 1st and special at our show." Mr. Weedall, Winsford, Jan. 30: "Send another good Bullfinch. Glad to say last two have won 1st and 2nd every time shown. Unfortunately best one just died; other won 4th large class at big Crystal Palace Show." Walter Dyke, Longridge: "Send cock Goldfinch and hen Bullfinch. Glad to say Hybrid which I bred from Goldfinch and Bullfinch purchased from you has won 1st Leeds (class 19), 2nd Halifax, 1st Leek, 2nd Hamilton, 2nd Hinckley, 1st Portsmouth." Scores like above every year. Est. 1879. Send for catalogue: Sandiford, Bird Specialist, and Judge, Preston. Also 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

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PAIR aviary-bred Pied Wagtails, 5/-; Sheldon (see Hardbills). (260)

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MARVELLOUS singing hand-reared cock Thrush, 3/6, worth 12/6; approval: Proprietress, Lamb Hotel, Dunstable. (255)

LOVELY pencilled cock Skylark, very large, singing splendidly, 1/6; approval: Mrs. Bartholomew, Dunstable. (264)

COCK Blackcaps, 5/-; Woodlarks, 2/6; Blue Tits, 2/6 pair; list free: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (258)

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SPLENDID young cock Thrush, hand-reared, sings incessantly day and gas light, 4/-; approval: Miss Paterson, Rifleman, Dunstable. (264)

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LARGE English cock Goldfinches in full colour, 2/-, three 4/6, six 8/-; large specially selected for showing, Muling, singing 2/6, 3/-, 4/-, three 5/-, six 9/-, hen, 1/-, three 2/6; 7/- doz.; large cock Bullfinches, 1/6, 2/-, three 4/-, six 7/-, 13/6 doz., hens 1/-, 1/6, three 2/6, six 6/6, large Lancashire cock Linnets, 9d., three 1/6, six 2/6, 4/6 doz.; special selected for showing, muling, same as supplied to G. Wilson, Frizington; Pride of Cumberland, 1st prize Crystal Palace, 1910, 2/-, 2/6 each; large cock Larks, 6d., three 1/-, 2/6 dozen; Redpolls, 6d., three 1/-, 2/6 doz., colour fed Norwich cocks, 6/6, 7/6, hen 4/-, 4/6; Muling hen Canaries, 1/9, 2/- each: Matt. Hopkins, Bird Specialist and Cagemaker, 11, Fylde-st., Preston, Lancashire; send stamp for catalogue. (251)

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Some real English 1912 cock Goldfinches, sex guaranteed, and healthy, and on seed, price 1/6, three 4/-, six 6/6; extra picked for singing, showing, muling, 2/-, 2/6, 3/-; three 5/-, six 8/-; hens, 8d. and 10d., three 1/6, twelve 5/-; cock Bullfinches, beauties, 1/6, 2/-, and 2/6, three 4/-; hens, 1/-, three 2/6. Sib-bred muling Canary hens, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6, 3/- each.

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EXHIBITION Borders 10/- pair; coldroom bred; approval; stamp particulars: Brain, Glastonbury. (229)

GREEN Border Fancies, yellow and buff hens, 3/-; cocks, 6/- each; good strain: Craik, Bourtree-place, Hawick, N.B. (261)

PRIZE strain Borders, clears, marks; cocks, 7/-; hens, 3/-; pairs, 9/- upwards: Stevens, 51, Nigel-rd., Forest Gate, E. (239)

PRIZE bred Borders, even marked strain, clears, marks, from 8/- pair upwards: Aitchison, Dewar-place-lane, Edinburgh. (249)

FEW good Cinnamon Borders, hens from 5/-, cocks from 8/-; approval, stamp: Whittaker, 17, Waterville-rd., North Shields. (252)

A FEW Border cocks for sale, clears, fouls, marks, from 4/6 upwards; hens from 2/6 up: James Howden, Ashybank, near Hawick. (256)

BORDERS, clears, marks, good type and quality, 7/6 pair; approval; wanted cash offer for six pairs: Bryce, Johnsfield, Lockerbie. (257)

CHAMPION winning Borders, clears, marks, greens, matched pairs, see show reports, reasonable, stamp: D. Irons, Viewbank, Brechin. (256)

CLEARING out Borders, few nice pair to part with, even mark strain, cheap to clear: Maxwell, 7, Rothesay Gardens, Partick, Glasgow. (261)

CHAMPION Borders for sale, see reports, including Brighton last week, state wants and price; stamp: George Bennet, Bowmont Villa, Kelso. (260)

WE have some grand Borders for disposal, same strain as our winners, cocks 7/6, hens 3/6, pairs 10/-: Burton Bros., 126, Lee-rd., Lee Green, S.E. (251)

PAIR Borders, cock won first Staveley and Eastwood open 1912, can win anywhere, 16/-; approval, deposit: Holmes, Bootmaker, Holmewood, Chesterfield. (247)

EXCHANGE "Canaries, Hybrids and British Birds," by Robson, complete, 18 parts, for three Border show cages, Scotch style: Hornby, Norster-st., Beeston, Leeds. (256)

MRS. L. M. THYNNE, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Borders; pairs and single birds for disposal cheap; write: "St. Leonard's," Summer-rd., Thames Ditton, Surrey. (Q)

PRIZE-BRED Borders. Bennet's and Patterson's strain direct, matched pairs from 10/-; single birds, 6/- upwards; approval: Hobden, "Aberlyn," Grosvenor Avenue, Wallington. (265)

ABOUT 30 yet to dispose of, including my winners at Broughty, Perth, Stirling, etc.; also some of my last year's winners, reasonable: Munro, Grocer, Strathyre, Perthshire. (231)

J. NICHOLSON, Westgate, Haltwhistle; typical Borders, related to my winners; see reports Chopwell, Newcastle, Carlisle, Whitehaven, Derwent Valley, Haltwhistle, etc.; approval. (262)

FIVE pairs typical Borders, including 1st and 2nd prize winners Windermere show, price only 15/- the pair; see report of show; or offers for the lot; approval: Dickinsonn, Hillside Villa, Kendal. (260)

WILLIAM DODS, 79, Restalrig-rd., Edinburgh, has all varieties Borders for sale, see reports Lochgelly, Haddington, Kelty, Kirkcaldy, Biggar, cup and B.F.C. medal Leith, also Edinburgh; approval, stamp. (256)

EXHIBITION Borders: I have some grand birds for sale, bred from my champions, see show reports this season; cocks from 5/-; hens from 3/-; matched pairs from 8/6; approval, deposit: Pratt, Jeweller, Teignmouth. (254)

I HAVE a few class birds for sale cheap, including Buff cock, 2nd Cheltenham, 4th Swansea, 1911, 12/6; Yellow cock, nearly even mark, 1st and spl. Yeovil, 1911, 12/6; Buff hen, 1st ditto, 10/-: Edwards, Cheap-st., Sherborne. (251)

WINNING Borders! For the chief show points of the Border Fancy Canary and how to develop them, see "Nutshell No. 23," 2½d. post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C., or 2d. from agents (list published frequently).

PRIZE-BRED Borders, about 30 for sale, yellows, buffs, and greens; Bayley's and other winning strains; must clear; prices from 7/6 pair; single birds, 5s. upwards; approval: Thos. Jackson, 26, Grosvenor Road, Birkdale, Southport. (265)

OWING to the death of my brother (we had over 70 Border Fancy Canaries, I find my business occupation prevents me from keeping so many) will sell pairs from 10/6; cocks, 7/6; hens, 3/-; from our winning strain, approval: Smith, Builder, Coldstream. (255)

BORDERS, one-clear buff cock, three variegated yellow cocks, one bronze green cock, one variegated buff cock, 6/0 each; six variegated buff hens, 2/6 each; two bronze green hens, 3/6 each; approval, deposit: J. Willson, 20, Beyer-st., Gorton, Manchester. (255)

ANOTHER EXHIBITOR'S

stock purchased, including many of his winners (proof, if required, given). The prices are merely that of ordinary Borders, yet the quality is in most cases supreme; cocks, 5/-, 6/6, 8/6 up; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 4/6; pairs, 6/6, 7/0, 8/6, 10/6, 15/-; do not be guided by the price, but see the quality; cages, 3d.; approval: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

Belgians.

ON sale; I have a few Belgian birds, fit for the show bench: Apply, Walmsley, Horse Shoe, Ormskirk. (192)

BELGIANS, a few yellow and buff hens, also buff cocks; cheap; approval: F. Butts, 7, Well-st., Barnstaple. (235)

FOR sale, 25 high-class Belgians, same strain as my cup winners: Lady Verhees, Grens, 56, Mortsel, Antwerpen. (241)

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

FEW 1st class Belgians, 1st crosses, and Scotch Fancies, half price to clear; stamp: Dix, Yeo Vale, Barnstaple. (252)

MASSIVE high-shouldered Belgian birds, yellow and buff cocks and hens, reasonable: Jos. Coenen, 11, Oudaen, Antwerp, Belgium. Stamp 2½d.

ALL my birds for sale, leaving for Canada next spring, winner at Palace, Barnstaple, etc.; approval willingly: R. Baker, Grove-rd., Chichester. (251)

Cinnamons.

CLEARING Cinnamons and Norwich Canaries, hens 3/- upwards; also fronts, nest pans: J. Abrams, 55, James-st., Camden Town. (262)

CINNAMONS, only six pair for sale, judge Dobson, good chance, stock pair, 15/-, worth double: Percival, 19, Pimlico Walk, Hoxton. (248)

ONE yellow Cinnamon cock 12/6, and one yellow Cinnamon cock, 20/-; these are good sound colour: J. Oldaker, 633, Lea Bridge-rd., Leyton. (267)

TWO buff Norwich Cinnamon cocks, 12/6 each; 1 yellow hen, 15/-; 2 buff hens, 12/6 each; approval; deposit: G. E. Bairstow, 4, Savile-parade, Halifax. (261)

CINNAMONS, Norwich type, cold-room bred, can spare several, winning strain, perfect health: stamp for reply: Brown, 15, Wembury Park-rd., Peverill, Plymouth. (266)

Crests and Crestbreds.

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ON sale Crested cock, Crestbred hen, £1 the pair; approval: Fielding, 15, Whitelees-rd., Littleborough. (256)

J. BROTHERTON, 17, Park-st., Bolton has 50 Crests and Crestbreds for sale, good healthy stock, 10/- to 100/-. (256)

FOR sale, three Crested cocks, 20/-, 30/-, and 40/-; bred 1912; approval: Richard Burns, Beltonford, Dunbar. (263)

TIME-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

CRESTS.—Three Crest cocks, three Crest-bred cocks, sell cheap to clear: C. Wayte, 29, Manchester-st., Nottingham. (262)

SHAW AND BOOTH have few Crest and Crestbreds for sale, cheap; state wants: Queen-st., Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts. (240)

60 SURPLUS Crest and Crestbred cheap to clear; approval: Barnett's blood; Richer, 29, Sweet Briar Walk, Edmonton. (240)

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

CRESTS and Crestbred for sale, from 12/6, reasons giving up breeding: Nicholson, 16, Warwick-st., Old Lenton, Nottingham. (250)

CRESTS and Crestbred, pairs or single, yellow or buff, prices reasonable; deposit: H. Mais, 63, Northumberland-st., Nottingham. (253)

F. W. BARNETT has some very useful stock Crest pairs, several could win: Address, Greenway House, Fakenham, Norfolk. (252)

REALLY good young Cinnamon and Green Crests and Crestbreds, cocks or hens, 8/6, 10/6: Smithson, "Sunnymede," Crossgates, Leeds. (247)

TURNER AND ROBERTS have three Crested cocks, yellow-green, yel.-var, clear-buff, 10/6 each, 20/- the lot: Havelock-st., Ripley, Derbys. (256)

ONE Crested hen, 3 Crest-bred hens, 2 Crest-bred cocks, 1912 birds; good stock birds; approval: McDougall, Carronvale-rd., Larbert. (261)

EVINS Brothers can supply a few pairs, or single birds cheap; pairs 40/-, single birds 20/- upwards; approval: 253, High-street, Exeter. (234)

HIGH-CLASS Crest and Crestbreds; few to dispose of on approval from 10/-; pure Barnett's blood: Alex. Onion, Sir Rowland Hill Hotel, Nottingham. (258)

JOS. W. GUY has a few pairs of Crests for disposal, bred from his winners £2 to £3 per pair; odd cocks, 25/- each: 9, Crosland-ter., Helsby, near Warrington. (256)

EXHIBITION Crests and Crestbreds, also good stock birds, from £1 to £7; approval: David Scott, 128, Atkinson-rd., Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (237)

NOTICE.—Several grand Crests and Crested Breds for show or stock, prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

GREEN Crested cock, buff Crest-bred hen, Barnett's strain direct; 20/- pair, or exchange good Cinnamons: Chisholm, 42, Shipston-rd., Stratford-on-Avon. (258)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, heavy feathered, from 7/6 each; matched pairs, 15/- and 20/-; all 1912, cold-room; approval, deposit: Purvis, 67, Cross Road, Coventry. (259)

SEVERAL good Crests and Crestbreds, cocks and hens, for sale from 6/6, related to winners, seen by appointment or on approval, deposit: Hawkes, 35, Park-rd., Battersea. (265)

WANTED 1912 Crested hen, must have plenty of feather, exchange a valuable three-quarter violin, case and bow, sell, 35/-; worth £5 5s.: S. Gay, Bird-breeder, Wymondham, Norfolk. (258)

TWENTY Crest and C.B. for sale, off my noted winning strain, winner of the Londonderry Crest and C.B. cup 1911 and 1912; see show report: John Moore, 15, Lower-rd., Londonderry. (246)

HAVING to reduce my stock of Crests, Crest-bred, I offer some good birds from 7/6, my own breeding cold room; approval; deposit: Tetin, 124, Chestnut-avenue, Forest Gate, Essex. (234)

1911 VARIEGATED yellow Crestbred hen, 15/- or exchange variegated buff Crestbred hen, 1911, even wing mark, dark crest cock, winner two 3rds, 15/-: approval: Kearl, Woodstock, Ringwood, Hants. (254)

LARGE Crested cock, 20/-, Robert's strain, ditto, 12/6; green Crestbred cock, 10/-; two Crested, two Crestbred hens, 8/6 each, Jim Taylor's strain; four Norwich hens, 10/-: Gillespie, 17, Allergate, Durham. (256)

BREEDER of Crests for 30 years, having bred scores of winners, and won hundreds of prizes, have some nice young birds for sale, prices to suit everybody; on approval: G. Williams, 50, Lower Union-st., Torquay. (258)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, best blood in the world; my birds are never overshown, so stamina kept up; a few pairs and single cocks to spare; state price prepared to give; enclose stamp: Rev. G. W. Joyce, Wellington, Somerset. (213)

WONDERFUL bargains in champion Crests, Crestbreds; massive matched pairs at 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-; single birds from 12/6; show birds cheap; state wants, approval, to the noted breeder, Charlie Roberts, Stannabey, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (252)

CHAMPION Crests, Crestbreds; few grand birds for sale, cocks or hens, fanciers wanting a good one reasonable should write, 30 years breeder of the best; I don't exhibit now; I breed for others to win; approval: T. Billington, Hambleton, Poulton-le-Fylde. (235)

A LISTER, 106, Rectory-rd., Gateshead, has a grand large stock of Crests and Crest-breds, cocks or hens, for disposal, at most reasonable prices; green, clear, and variegated, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 35/-, 40/-, 45/-, 50/-, 60/-, 70/-, 80/- each: approval. (260)

FOR sale one dark Crest, wing marked cock, 12/6; one yellow Crest, clear buff cock, 10/6; one buff Plainhead hen, 4/-; the three together, 24/-; all big heavy feathered birds and best blood in the fancy; must sell; approval, deposit: Taylor, 17, Stanley-st., Nelson, Lancs. (254)

Dr TWIGG, 13, Brunswick-st., Manchester, having to show in champion classes, has following winners for sale:—Clear body grey Crest cock, 2nd Nottingham, £4 10s.; green-crest-bred cock, 2nd Nottingham, £2 10.; even wings dark crest cock, 3rd Manchester, 30/-, good stock birds. (234)

ALEXANDER SMITH has the following birds for sale, variegated d.c. cock, 1912, vhc Inverness, £1; yellow green C.B. cock, £1; C.B. cock and Crest hen, good stock pair, £1 5s.; also even marked d.c. cock, 1st in selling class Inverness, £1; approval; see show report: Lochil Arms, Inverness. (257)

WING-MARKED dark Crest cock, £4; dark Crest hen, £2; big green Crest-bred cock, £3 10s.; variegated Crest-bred hen, £3; all honest and breeders; young variegated Crest-bred cocks and hens from 30/- to 40/- each; same strains as our winners last few years; approval: Walter Radley and Son, Paradise-square, Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (259)

HIGH-CLASS Crests and Crestbreds, big, strong, healthy birds, sell cheap for quick sale, 1911 and 1912 Crest and Crestbred cocks, 10/-, 15/-; Crest and Crestbred hens, 10/-, 15/-; three pairs, 25/- pair; the hens are worth more money; bred from birds that cost £10, approval: F. Jones, Arden Cottage, Castle Bromwich, near Birmingham. (254)

CHAMPION pair, correctly matched, high-class Crests, large and very heavily feathered, rare type and quality of feather, winners and certain to breed winners in champion classes, only 50/-, honestly worth £4; also another judiciously matched pair, champion stock birds, bred several winners last season, only 30/-, cost £3; also another grand pair, correctly matched, certain to breed winners in good company, only 21/-; bargain at £2: also few odd cocks and hens, large and very heavily feathered, including several winners, prices reasonable, all cold-room bred, Barnett's Palace winning strain; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (263)

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Greens.

GRAND Norwich Greens, show or stock birds; approval, inspection invited: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (213)

YORKSHIRE Greens, few good birds for sale, reasonable approval: Tabberner, 22, Greta-st., Dingle, Liverpool. (258)

CAN spare some grand birds, type and quality combined with size, stock, or show: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-road, Liverpool.

GREENS, Yorkshires, some good birds, selfs and fouls, breds from my winners, for sale: A. Mockridge, 16, June-rd., The Brook, Liverpool. (255)

TYPICAL Yorkshire Greens, for disposal, prize-bred, pairs 12/6 upwards; hens, 4/-; approval: Ramsthorne, 20, Beech Grove, Seaforth, Liverpool. (261)

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

FRED HANDLEY, breeder and exhibitor of Yorkshire and Norwich Greens, diploma winner Crystal Palace, 1912, and all leading shows this year; stock and show birds reasonable; seen Wednesday or Sunday: 23, Coventry-rd., Wavertree, Liverpool. (228)

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Lancashires.

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

STOCK of Lancashires, any variety, no big prices, see shows; early sale required: Beattie, 253, Newheyrd., Newhey. (264)

WANTED, two yellow Lancashire Plainhead hens, must be strong healthy birds: Ramsden, 11, Josephine-avenue, Brixton, London.

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Lizards.

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

SIX Lizard show cages and case, new, 10/-; another 5 and case, 5/-; what offers in Canaries: West, Tweedale-st., Rochdale. (257)

Norwich.

BREEDER'S CARD.

E. GODLEY, the well-known breeder and exhibitor, for Norwich and Cinnamons; write as to terms, stamped addressed envelope; approval.—29, Knowles-st., Rishton, Blackburn. (181)

J. HODDER, high-class Norwich breeder and exhibitor, winner of championships. Nice birds at low prices. Approval: 6, Banner-st., St. Luke's, London, E.C.

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TWO pairs Norwich, 10/6, 12/6 pair: Bickerton, Kiln Houses, Little Houghton, Lesbury, Northumberland. (228)

COCKS from 5/-; hens from 2/6: Dr. Allen, Ambleside. (255)

TWO buff hens (typical) (1 variegated), 10/- the two: Strachan, 7, Kenmure-st., Pollokshields, Glasgow. (256)

YELLOWS and buffs, cocks 6/6 and 7/6 each; hens, 2/6 and 3/- each: Llyesey, 214, Audley Range, Blackburn. (259)

A. WATSON can spare a few good typical birds, on approval; stamp reply: 5, Arbuckle-st., Kilmarnock.

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

TEN 1912 Norwich hens, correct type and quality, cheap to clear; stamp reply: W. Wallace, 27, Mill-st., Stafford. (253)

GRAND large stock Norwich, few hens from 5/ pairs from 15/- to 50/-: Tomsett, 54, Endwell-rd., Brockley. (255)

D. DEVOY has some good typical Norwich pairs, from 20/-; single birds from 10/-: 23, George-st., Stranraer. (263)

HAVE four hens left, bit small, 2/6 each; several singing cocks, 3/6 each: Johnson, 111, Heysham-rd., Southport. (261)

BARGAIN, 1 pair of Norwich 6/6; 1 hen 2/6; 1 Crestbred hen 3/6: Miss Lanchbury, Bristol-rd., Gloucester. (256)

NORWICH cocks, Yellow or Buff, 5/- to 10/-; approval; colour fed, good type: Bond, 88, Uxbridge-st., Burton. (251)

HIGH-class Norwich cocks, from 8/6; hens from 6/-; seen any time: Chamberlain, 12, Beyer-st., Gorton, Manchester. (257)

GREAT sacrifice to clear, six Norwich cocks, five buffs, one yellow, 10/- each; 55/- lot: Harland, Bagdale, Whitby. (233)

HEALTHY variegated Norwich cocks 5/- to 7/6; hens 2/6; non-fed, cold room: Norman, Rosemary, Leicester-rd., Lewes. (253)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich hens, 1911 and 1912, 5/- each; also several dark Mules in song, 6/6 each: Dowell, 4, Beer-st., Yeovil. (232)

FEW large, colour-fed Norwich, mostly unflighted, for disposal, 10/- pair; approval: Catlow, 9, Murray-st., Burnley. (249)

FOR sale short cobby 1912 buff hen, price 7/6; approval on deposit: William Brown, Montgomery-place, Stow, Midlothian. (257)

CLINKING 1911 Buff Norwich hen, can win members' shows, 6/-; bargain: 50, Clifton-st., Old Trafford, Manchester. (252)

1912 Norwich cocks, clear, 6/-; hens, variegated, 3/-; approval, cash, or deposit: Miss Fyson, Barton Mills, Mildenhall, Suffolk. (253)

FINE Norwich Canaries, 1912, good singers, chiefly clear yellow or buff, 6/6: Mrs. Grindle, Coldash Vicarage, Newbury. (213)

TWO variegated Norwich cocks, two buff cocks, unflighted, 5/6 each, £1 lot: Wright, 26, Churchill-rd., Gt. Yarmouth. (263)

GRAND Norwich, colour-fed, cocks, 5/-, hens, 3/-; approval, cash or deposit: J. Wilson, Greenside, Mauchline, Ayrshire. (263)

BIG buff cock, 10/-, a good bird, fed; two others, 7/- each; big buff hen, 5/6; approval: Sleep, 10, Oakfield-terr., Plymouth. (260)

1911 and 1912 Norwich, good birds cheap, one variegated crossbred hen, 10/6: Miss Edwards, 54, Reigate Hill, Reigate. (250)

NORWICH exhibitors please note that 22 classes are provided at the Bradford National show; send entries on immediately.

NORWICH, good healthy cocks, 6/-; hens, 3/-; pairs, 8/6; reduction to clear forty: Whitechurch, The Cottage, Fordham, Cambs. (236)

GIVING up; grand Norwich pairs, from 10/-, or single birds: Steele, 18, Audley-rd., Manor Estate, Levenshulme, Manchester. (251)

SOME good Norwich cocks and hens for sale from 7/-; approval; seen any evening: Donnan, Woodview, Industry-st., Kirkintilloch. (256)

SELECTED Norwich songsters 1912 cocks singing, 5/-, 6/-; own breeding; inspection invited: Gater, 6, Jones-sq., Troedyrhiw, Glam. (239)

UNFLIGHTED cock, h.c., ditto hen, third Bournemouth last week, 20/-; approval; h.c. pair 15/-: Clarke, Butcher, Baslugstoke. (263)

CHAMPION Norwich songsters, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; pairs, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; approval, deposit: Miles, St. Andrews, Norwich. (258)

SPECIAL bargain, grand typical 1911 Norwich cock, full song, cost 10/6 last February, take 5/6: Harrison, St. Mark's-st., Leeds. (251)

FORTY Norwich, mostly unflighted, cheap to clear. See Vale of Leven report last week: Todd, Caldarvan, Balloch, Dumbartonshire. (256)

NORWICH unflighted cocks and hens for sale, good birds: approval, stamp reply: James Mathieson, Whamond-st., Motherwell. (261)

NORWICH cocks, songsters, 5/-; hens, 2/-; matched pairs from 7/6 upwards: F. Carroll, 64, Priestsic-rd., Sutton-in-Ashfield. (257)

ARTHUR WAKE.—Champion Norwich, 1912, cocks 15/- and 20/- each; honestly worth double; approval: 128, Princes-rd., Middlesbrough. (254)

THREE fine variegated Norwich hens, 1911, sound, healthy, with breeding cage, sound condition; 8/6; genuine: Lanham, Ripley, Derby. (262)

VARIEGATED yellow or buff cocks, 10/- to 15/-, hens 7/6 to 10/-, good quality birds: Ramsden, 11, Josephine Avenue, Brixton, London.

FOR sale, good Norwich, reasonable prices, also pair Brambles; all correspondence answered: C. May, St. John's-rd., Mortimer, Berks. (248)

T. IRONS: for sale, 1911, 1912, guaranteed own breeding, single or pairs; state wants; prices reasonable; approval: Ivy-rd., Northampton. (233)

NINE classes for Norwich Plainheads at Birmingham Show, December 4th and 5th (including three for novices). Entries very very short. (250)

EXCHANGE two variegated yellow Norwich hens, for clear buff Norwich cock, good birds: John McCallum, Castlehill, Carluke, Lanarkshire. (261)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, all 1912 prize strain, cold room, clear from 6/- upwards; inspection invited: C. Harbour, Grocer, 263, Glyn-rd., Clapton. (249)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich cocks, 4/-, 4/9, 5/6, 7/-; hens, 1/9, 2/3, 3/-, 3/6; not suited money returned: Alfred Riley, Grocer, Lower Church-gate, Leicester. (234)

T. BENWICK, 98, High-st., Berwick, has all his club show winners for sale, yellow and buff cocks, 10/- each; stock pairs from 10/-; approval. (260)

HARRY HITCHEN; few good Norwich for sale; see show reports, Huddersfield, Burnley, Nottingham shows; approval: 17, Cedar-st., Burnley. (262)

MASSIVE Clear Buff cock, wonderful head and neck, lovely feather, bargain, 25/-: clear yellow cock 25/-; approval: Lees, 15, Oldham-rd., Rochdale. (256)

FRANK BENNETT, breeder and exhibitor of Norwich, has a few good birds for sale, single or pairs, from 15/-; approval: Bersham-rd., Wrexham. (261)

TWO big, slashing yellow hens, 25/- and 20/- each, wanted buff hen or yellow cock, must be of good size and quality: White, Moorville, Carlisle. (248)

FEW pairs Norwich, bred from my winners, seven and sixpence and ten shillings per pair; approval: Holmes, Bootmaker, Holmewood, Chesterfield. (247)

SOME fine Norwich for disposal, clears and variegated, fed and non-fed, about 30 to clear out from 5/- each up: J. Yeats, Linthorpe, Fraserburgh. (220)

NOTICE.- Grand lot Norwich for show or song, sure winners; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

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GEORGE THOMAS has some typical Norwich for sale, pairs from 17/6; also single birds reasonable; stamp; approval: 79, Larcom-st., Walworth, London. (215)

GOOD Norwich Plainheads for sale, yellows and buffs, cocks from 7/6, 10/-, 15/- each; hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-: Lowthian, 33, Foster-st., Penrith, Cumberland. (261)

CHAMPION large, typical Norwich, cocks 7/6, hens 5/6; sure winners 15/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (254)

CLEAR Yellow hen, good type and colour, fourth Blackwood (see report) sell 17/6; approval: Cuthbertson, 11, Townhead-st., Stonehouse, Lanarkshire. (251)

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TYPICAL Norwich for sale, related to winners, see North London report, from 6/6; now is the time to secure bargains: Burchell, 6, Durlston-road, Clapton. (263)

A FEW good Norwich for disposal cheap, owing to removal. See "C.B.'s" report to-day of City and Suburban Show: G. Thurley, Stanstead-rd., Hoddesdon. (256)

IRONS' strain direct; giving up through ill-health; pairs, 12/6 to clear; colour-fed; cold-room; cages, everything: Russell, Hampton-in-Arden, Warwickshire. (255)

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LARGE 1912 yellow cock, 10/6; extra large 1911 typical buff hen, 8/-; good 1911 yellow hen, 6/-; cobby 1912 buff hen, 5/-; approval: Butler, Rhosymedre, Ruabon. (253)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich Canaries; cocks, in full song, 4/-, 5/-, 6/- each; hens, same strain, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6 each; satisfaction guaranteed: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester. (235)

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CHRISTMAS shows.—Have yellow and buff cocks, hot colour, good quality, 12/- to 30/-; clear buff hen, winner 2nd, 10/-; approval: Bounds, 50, Melville-st., Northampton. (261)

SAME strain as my winners, Longton, Nottingham, Burnley, etc.; fine pairs from 15/6; also big yellow cock, grand stock birds, 20/-; approval: Senior, Hairdresser, Glossop. (259)

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CHAMPION Norwich, 30 years breeder of the best; several can win; large birds, good heads, silky feather, reasonable; approval: T. Billington, Hambleton, Poulton-le-Fylde. (235)

SOME really good bred Norwich, 10/6 and 12/6 pair; several good young songsters, 8/6 pair; double breeding and other cages cheap. Particulars: Fellows, 44, Hill-lane, Southampton. (254)

A FEW well-bred buff hens, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each; cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; also cheap pairs, grand value; approval; see card: J. Hodder, 6, Banner-st., St. Luke's, London, E.C.

ROBERTS, 30, Ossington-st., Bayswater. Norwich overstocked, half price, from winners, large thick set stock birds, good heads and feather; hens, 5/-; cocks, 7/6; inspection, approval. (237)

PURE Norwich, late D. Hope's, and two other noted strains; hens from 5/-, cocks from 8/-; state wants; stamp reply; inspection invited: Holden, 6, Hope-avenue, Cornwall-st., Hull. (247)

LARGE deep yellow Norwich cock 7/6, stout buff hen 5/6; pair 12/-; worth 25/-: also large buff Lancashire and Norwich cross cock, good stock bird, 10/-: Baker, Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (256)

UNFLIGHTED buff cock and two unflighted yellow hens, same nest as my hen 2nd at City of Glasgow Show, 30/- the three, or separately: Strachan, 7, Kenmure-st., Pollokshields, Glasgow. (256)

MISS A. SCOTT, Temperance Hotel, Lancaster, winner this year at Huddersfield, Leeds, Burnley, Manchester, Sheffield, Nottingham, Preston, has some grand birds for sale; moderate prices. (260)

CHRISTMAS presents; grand Norwich cock Canaries, 8/6, 10/6; good buff hens, grand stock birds, own breeding, cold room, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6: Long, Station Master, Hellesdon Station, Norwich. (259)

GREAT sacrifice; typical colour-fed, unflighted Norwich, full of quality and typical specimens, cocks 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens 5/-, 7/6 and 10/- each, the above are all selected stock and have mostly won honours during this month; approval; exchange entertained: Hawkes, 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (261)

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PROCTOR, 80, Oswald-st., Blackburn, winner this year at Huddersfield, Burnley, Nottingham, and Doncaster, see this week's "Cage Birds," has some good birds for sale; moderate prices to clear; stamp reply. (258)

MR. SKINNER has for sale, yellow green cock, buff variegated hen, buff variegated cock, one or two stock birds; also some Borders, Cray's strain: stamp; approval: 12, Monkstonhall-terr., Musselburgh. (261)

JAMES BUNTING, Moss-lane Cottage, Moss-lane, Macclesfield.—I can still spare several unflighted buff cocks, 12/6 each; also a few hens, 7/6 each, good quality birds; inspection invited; approval willingly. (254)

FINE quality yellow cock and very large, cobby, buff variegated hen, 30/-, a bargain; clear buff cock and yellow hen, 25/-, worth double; other pairs, 15/- and 20/-; approval, deposit: Leask, Church-square, Duncon. (263)

MAGNIFICENT pair, correctly matched, high-class Norwich Plainheads, rare type and quality, certain to breed winners, only 10/6; honestly worth 25/-; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (263)

MESSRS. ADNITT AND DRIVER having selected breeding stock have several pairs to part with from their noted winning strain, suitably paired to breed winners from 10/- to 25/- per pair; approval: Southpormanton, Alfreton. (252)

W. MILES, Aviaries, Chichester, has unflighted eye ticked Buff cock, 1st and sp., S.W. London, 25/-; several other winners and stock birds related to my winners S.W. London, Brighton, Bournemouth, etc.; reasonable approval. (252)

PAIR Splendid Norwich Plainheads, yellow cock, buff hen, Mrs. Roberts' Bristol winning strain, colour-fed, 15/-; can also spare few colour-fed Cinnamon cocks, 7/6; hens, 5/-; all 1912: Bingham, West-st., Long Sutton, Lincs. (260)

GRAND, typical Norwich, stock pairs, yellow mkd. cock, buff hen, 12/6; buff cock, yellow variegated hen, 10/6; 1911 bred, guaranteed breeders, Goldfinch mule, splendid songster, 6/6: H. Bingham, Bramley House, Long Sutton. (249)

CHARLIE ROBERTS, Stannahey, Newton-drive, Blackpool, the noted breeder champion large Bullfinch typed Norwich, as show birds, from 30/-; stock pairs from 15/6; single birds from 10/6; colour-fed or natural colours; state wants; approval. (252)

GRAND buff cock, winner, 30/-; yellow cock, 15/-; two variegated yellow hens, 7/6 each; buff variegated hen, 7/6; two buff hens, 7/6 each; 18 cages, 20 x 18 x 10, 2/6 each, £2 the lot; 8 N.P.C. show cages, 1/- each; exchange: Smith, 17, Cambridge-rd., Ellesmere Port, Chester. (259)

HARLAND'S noted Norwich, 1911, massive yellow cock, buff hen (unflighted) to match, 60/-; grand variegated yellow cock, clear buff hen to match, 50/-; certain to breed winners; few unflighted yellow cocks, win local shows, 25/-, 30/-, 35/- each; approval: 83, Welbeck-st., Hull. (258)

CHAMPION Norwich winners we sold won Palace, Scottish National, Preston, and all big shows; slashing yellow cock, fine head, £2 2/-; unflighted yellow hen, gem, £2 2/-, soon win cost; few real gems for sale; approval: Messrs. Amblers, Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresboro. (259)

CHAMPION pair, correctly matched exhibition Norwich Plainheads, rare type, quality, colour, and substance, certain to breed winners in keenest competition, only 30/-; honestly worth £3 for stock alone; rare chance for beginner; genuine bargain; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (263)

FOR Records of my wins, see reports of Birmingham (Young Stock), Wolverhampton, Coventry, and West Bromwich Shows (only times out). Birds from my renowned strain are winning all over England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland. Yellows and buffs of superb type and quality, from 10/-: J. Eckersley, 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (255)

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CHAMPION Norwich, monster stock, yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 21/-, 25/-, and 30/- each; monster stock yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, and 21/- each, all strong, healthy, and in tip-top condition, all cold room bred; give me a trial and I will guarantee satisfaction; state wants fully; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (263)

CHOICE exhibition 1911 yellow hen, perfect type and quality, short flights and tail, feathered like silk, sure winner in good company, only 25/-, cheap at 50/-; also grand exhibition buff hen, real model for type and quality, a perfect gem, sure winner anywhere, only 21/-, honestly worth treble; genuine bargains; approval: Warmminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (263)

R. P. HARPER, compelled to clear out through business pressure; five pairs left, 4 buff cocks, yellow hens, variegated yellow cock, buff hen, 15/- to 35/- pair; green Borders, 2 hens, 1 cock, and 1 yellow cock, 15/- lot; also Linnet Mule, cock, 15/-; Light Goldfinch Mule hen, 7/6; winners; no rubbish; all 1911-12; approval, deposit: 7, Douglas-terrace, Seven Kings. (263)

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SILK TILL UPREME.

Have sold many big winners again this year in keenest competition; have still some grand ones, the cream of the Fancy, see show reports, and all for sale; grand stock pairs, 20/- to 60/-; you cannot equal these at double the price elsewhere; show birds £1 upwards; have some real good hens from 8/6 each; approval every bird with pleasure; note the name the hall mark of champion Norwich: Judge Silk, Whitstable. (255)

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BARGAINS in high-class Norwich, an extra large stout clear buff cock, 1911 bred, plenty of size in him, 20/-; also big stout yellow variegated cock, blaze of colour, 1911 bred, make good stock bird to add colour, 20/-; also very large unflighted clear buff cock, 12/-; and large unflighted lightly marked yellow hen, 10/-; all grand condition; approval, deposit: J. Colling, 5, Mariners' Terrace, Filey, Yorkshire. (253)

MR. DEAN, "Holmewood," Cavendish-rd., Matlock, being overstocked, has the following high-class Norwich to spare (see reports at Matlock, Belper, Tideswell, Bonsall, Darley Dale, etc.):—Unflighted buff cock, 25/-; unflighted yellow, 15/-; ditto buff, 12/6; 1911 bred yellow cock, winner, 2nd, 3rd, 35/-; ditto, red hot, 30/-; grand buff cock, big winner, 40/-; approval, deposit, satisfaction guaranteed; correspondence invited. (265)

E. BARRON, GLASGOW

has some typical Norwich for sale, grand feather and quality, prices reasonable; see reports City of Glasgow, Glasgow and West of Scotland, Nov. 16: 119, Montrose-st. (230)

R. T. PARR

having bought up the stock of C. R. Carr, a well-known Norwich breeder, of Walthamstow, the lot must be sold quickly at great sacrifice; this is a chance novices should not miss to get birds from a winning strain; pairs, 15/- to 60/-; cocks, 10/6 to 40/-; hens, 7/6 to 30/-, cash or deposit; approval: 6, Norman-rd., Ilford, Essex. (262)

ENTIRELY CLEARING OUT

Norwich show birds and stock birds that have proved they are the right sort; see numerous winnings last season, no time to show this year; to clear quickly I will sell any bird I have for £2, none reserved; these include show specimens, yell. cocks, buff cocks, yell. hens, buff hens. Single birds for stock from 7/6 each; stock pairs, 12/6 to £2; Packer's and N.P. Club show cages, 2, 3, 4, 6,, very cheap; breeders, flights, utensils very cheap; open for offers for the entire stock in one lot; can be seen by appointment only any day except Friday and Saturday: R. Allen, 196, Blackburn-rd., Bolton. (266)

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Genuine Norwich, if so send your money to Editor and have any of following on approval; absolute satisfaction guaranteed or cash returned: Cocks for breeding or song, 5/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; smart hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6; correctly matched pairs 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- 20/-: State requirements and send for my list, R. Hanford, Derby. (252)

HIGH-CLASS NORWICH

Captain Collier, Barracks, Brecon, after a successful breeding season, has a number of high-class Norwich for disposal; see reports Swansea and Cardiff, holder of W.C.B.C. Norwich cup 1911-12; approval. (247)

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Winner 1910, Dulwich bowl winner 1910, shield winner 1910, City Cup and Metropolitan special winners 1912; few unflighted and coming second season cocks left, also dozen stock cages: F. J. Martin, 54, Battersea Park-rd., S.W. (262)

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at the price, buff cocks, grand heads, type, size, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-, some fit to win, 40/- per pair; yellow cocks, 15/-; bred from my winners Manchester, Liverpool show reports six 1sts, one 2nd, two 4ths, seven spls; few pairs, 10/-, 15/-; properly mated; approval, stamp.

REV. B. NUME, HARRINGTON, Cumberland (257)

Pure Norwich.

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COCKS 7/6, hens 3/6, 1912 Seifert: Dr. Allen, Ambleside. (255)

ROLLER cocks, full song, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6: A. Iles, 21, Colomb-st., East Greenwich. (259)

ROLLERS.—Giving up the Fancy; cocks 4/6 and 5/6, hens 1/9 each: Inskip, 27, North Walsall. (252)

1912 ROLLERS (Randall's), cold-room bred, cocks 5/6, hens 2/6: Close, 33, Chesterfield-rd., Blackpool. (252)

1912 cock Canaries in full song, 6/6 each; cold room bred: Child, 95, Arngask-rd., Catford, London. (250)

FOR immediate disposal—see Various Canaries column.

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, Gluck strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks from 10/-, hens 5/-: Best, 5, Alma-pl., Beckett-st., Leeds. (253)

GOOD Rollers for sale, 1912 bred, cocks 5/6, hens 1/6, 2/- each: Humphreys, 9, Victoria-terrace, Rye-croft, Walsall. (261)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert Rollers, cocks 7/6, hens 2/6; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: H. Nickless, 59, Mill-st., Crewe.

1912 COLD room bred Roller hens, Randall's strain Glucke, 2/6 each, 4/9 two; approval: Cawson, Alexandra-st., Goole. (258)

PURE Seifert Rollers, cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6: sent on one week's approval: E. Wilson, 38, Warwick-gdns., Harringay, London. (253)

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TIME-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

PAIR (Seifert) Rollers, also 3 young from same, with double breeder, 30/-; cold-room bred: J. Wager, Cain's-cross, Gloucestershire. (257)

FOR sale, Seifert Rollers, B.R.C.C., cocks from 7/6; hens, 3/-; deposit, approval: Chapman, Church-road, Northwood, Middlesex. (248)

HIGH-class Seifert Roller cocks, 7/- and 8/-; hens, 2/6; make good Christmas presents; 7 days' approval: E. Harris, Green-rd., Penistone. (255)

MAGNIFICENT Seifert Roller Canary, Schoolmaster, perfectly healthy, full song, cost 25/-, will accept 10/6: Ogden, Round-st., Bradford. (259)

1912 RUNG Rollers (Fould's) vhc c, Members' show P.R.C.C., Nov. 16th; cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; hens, same strain, 5/-: Evans, 45, Edward-st., Wrexham. (238)

GERMAN Seifert Rollers (green), 8/-, 12/-, 16/-, 20/-, splendid songsters, and for breeding; hens, 4/-, 5/-: F. Sauter, 21, South Lambeth-rd., London, S.W. (253)

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HIGH-CLASS Rollers (Tweed's, Fould's), B.R.C.C. rung, bargain, schoolmaster trained, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Laurie, Kirkby Stephen. (255)

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CHAMPION Water Glucke Rollers, Randall's strain, grand cocks from 12/6; send for full particulars; clinking hens from 7/6; cold-room bred: Chillcott, 151, South-ave., Southend. (253)

TWO champion Hartz Mountain Roller schoolmasters, just the sort for teaching others, honestly worth 25/- each; only 12/6 each: Brown, 27, Myatt-rd., North Brixton. (245)

THREE pure bred Hartz Roller cocks, cold room bred, June hatched, singing well, but not quite full song, 3/6 each, 6/- for two; postal order for a week's approval: Clews, Ada-rd., off Cape Hill, Birmingham. (259)

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CASH needed; grand 1912 Seifert Roller cock, won two contests, deep true hollow roll, with four turns, hollow knorre, moving schockel, full water roll, wonderful glucken, bell rolls, and flute notes, trained at Leipzig under champion Schoolmaster, 10/6; two hens, same strain, 3/6 each: Louis Scala, 30, Flordia-st., London, E. (265)

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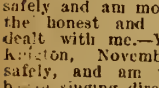
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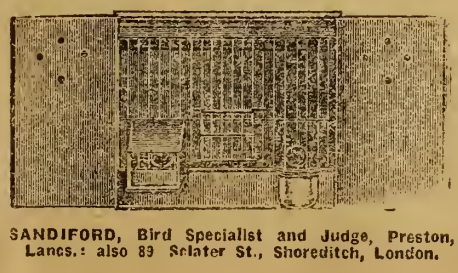
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FOR sale, beautiful Yorkshire Canaries, buff and yellow, marked, now in song: this year's birds: Mrs. Tritton, Littleridge, Sunningdale. (Q)

40 UNFLIGHTED Buffs, Yellows, Variegated, own breeding, from 10/ pair; approval willingly; no rubbish: H. Cave, Plumber, Sittingbourne. (250)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, rare quality, length, condition, cocks 6/-, hens 4/-; some actual winners cheap: James Thomas, Bude, Cornwall. (254)

R. E. HELLIWELL has few good birds left; greens, clears, ticks, marks; cheap; best blood obtainable: Claremont-rd., Boothtown, Halifax. (264)

TYPICAL Yorkshires, yellow cocks, 7/- to 15/-; also a few buff hens, 4/6 to 7/- each: approval: Ferguson, 129, Raplock-st., Larkhall, N.B. (249)

TEN pairs Yorks. at 10/- pair (C. A. O. Reilly strain, Dublin); also few odd hens, at 3/- each, carriage paid: J. Bradley, Dean-st., Kilkenny. (248)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, the same strain as the winners at all leading shows, cocks 5/6, 10/6; hens, 4/6, 7/6 each: ten days' approval: W. Powlek, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (254)



CHAMPION YORKSHIRES, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- Per Pair.

I am now offering marvellous value in Yorkshires, bred from winning strains, and every bird personally selected by me. Grand lengthy cocks, in full song, and feathered to perfection, at 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each upwards.

Grand racy hens, splendid type, and feathered like wax, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each upwards. Matched Pairs, correctly mated for breeding winners, and sex guaranteed, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- per pair. I can supply these in Clears, Ticks, Green Marked, Cinnamon Marked, or Self Greens.

If you are wanting a pair of thoroughly reliable birds for next season's breeding, or an odd bird to improve your stock, now is the time to get them.

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I have a few real gems, ready for immediate benching, sure winners at small shows, at 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 35/-, 40/-, 45/-, or 50/- each. Cocks or Hens. These can win their cost in prize money. I have also a few real toppers, able to hold their own in hottest open competition. Kindly state wants. The following testimonials taken from scores recently received, need no comment of mine. "4, Chale Road, Brixton Hill, Nov. 13, 1912.—You will be pleased to know that a hen bred from the Yorkshires I had from you, took **first and special at** Clapham Show." Another from: "Londonderry, Nov. 10, 1912.—I received the 2 hens quite safe, and have shown them both. You will be glad to know that I won 1st with the yellow and 2nd with the buff. I thank you very much for the way you have treated me." The originals are filed here for the inspection of all. For particulars as to my own winnings, see reports of all champion shows.

I have also some real good specimens in Crests, Border Fancies, Mules, Rollers, Lancashires, etc., etc. Also some grand thick-set cobby Norwich at same prices as Yorkshires.

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NOTICE, grand lot Yorkshires for show or song, many winners, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

YORKSHIRES for sale, show and stock birds, cages, etc.; excellent strain; no rubbish; giving up; seen after tea; 4, Collinge-st., Shaw, Lancs. (261)

YORKSHIRES, see North London report, 14 entries, 6 firsts, 4 seconds, 3 thirds, 2 cups, 8 specials, cocks 8/6, hens 4/6: Neighbour, 12, Arthur-rd., Holloway. (250)

UNFLIGHTED clear Yorkshires, buff cock, winner 3rd, 8/-; yellow cock, reserve, 8/-; buff cock, 7/-; approval anywhere: Coward, St. James, Shaftesbury. (254)

TO clear out the remainder of my exhibition Yorkshires will sacrifice at 10/- each; first come first served: Fred Johnson, 46, Bayswater-rd., Newcastle. (260)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for stock or show; satisfaction guaranteed; inspection invited: W. H. Tansey, 24, Westmoreland-st., Harpurhey, Manchester. (262)

GIVING up high-class Yorkshires; room wanted; flights, show and breeding cages to be sold cheap; seen by appointment: Davis, 2, New King-rd., Fulham. (258)

CHRISTMAS presents. Stylish young Yorkshire cocks, full song, 5/6, hens 2/6, cash with order or deposit system: Rhodes, 6, Cawood-place, Bradford, Yorkshire. (246)

EXHIBITION Yorkshires to be sold prior to removal; three yellows and two buff unflighted cocks, also ten hens: Midgley, 3, Macfarren-st., Longsight, Manchester. (252)

EXCHANGE two exceptionally good Yorkshire hens, Yellow and Buff, for extra long Buff or Yellow cock, for stock; mutual approval: Drew, 27, Oxford-st., Manchester. (252)

NINETEEN prize bred Yorkshires, including winners; lot or separate; eleven exhibits, nine cards this season; cocks from 10/-, hens from 7/6: Clayton, Postman, Southport. (258)

JUDSON'S high-class Yorkshires, splendid type and quality, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6 upwards; pairs 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; approval, carriage paid: Tobacconist, Market-st., Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (233)

LONG, upstanding yellow cock, unflighted; variegated cock and hen, breed nice marked songsters, all fed; lot 16/-; particulars, stamp: Moore, Ravensworth-aven., Bishop Auckland. (261)

YORKSHIRES. Three hens, 10/- each, lot 27/-, cheap; few hens, 3/- each; two Norwich cocks, 5/- each; one, 6/6; Yorkshire cock, 6/6: F. Eardley, 3, Nelson-st., Miles Plattiug, Manchester. (Q)

HAVING had a successful breeding season, have for disposal over sixty Yorkshires, related to my winners, at very reasonable prices; approval: G. Simeson, 63, Beaconsfield-st., Acomb, York. (237)

GOOD Yorkshires, own breeding, some fit to show, yellow and buff, clear and marked, cocks, 7/-, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-; hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/6, 7/6; approval: Whiting, Ravensbury, Morden-rd., Mitcham, Surrey. (255)

YORKSHIRES (Challenge Cup 1912), full of quality and type, 4/6, 5/6, 7/6, 9/6 upwards; pairs 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 15/- upwards; approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (254)

GREAT sacrifice; typical colour-fed Yorkshires, bred from and the same as all my noted winners; cocks, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6; hens 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; full of quality, with type and style; approval; exchange entertained: Hawkes, 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (264)

MORE WINNERS



LAST WEEK

WITH 21 ENTRIES,

six 1sts, six 2nds, three 3rds, three 4ths, four specials. 18 in the Money! and 12 birds sold by me were standing 1st for their owners.

Just read two following testimonials; others filed for inspection:—"Morgan Street, Cardigan. 25/11/12. Pleased to inform you the Yorkshire cock was 1st at Cardiff Show in a good class.—W. Portman to L. Dykes." "Woodbury, Inverleigh Road, Bournemouth. 24/11/12. I am writing to say that the bird I bought off you won 1st at Bournemouth the first time out.—G. Muldmont to L. Dykes." If you want to win, or require stock birds to breed certain winners, you cannot do better than place your orders with the **old reliable breeder,** who breeds his own winners and can give you the best satisfaction. And remember, **I hold** the record, having won **more first prizes** for several years than any other exhibitor, and have bred and **sold more winners than any other advertiser for years.**

Several winners at recent shows for sale at moderate prices. Also clinking **stock pairs at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-** per pair upwards. **Cocks** at 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each. **Hens** at 4/-, 5/-, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each in clears, ticked, green marked, and cinnamon marked. All guaranteed cold-room bred and kept, and in the best of health. Travelling cages 3d. extra and safe delivery guaranteed any distance. **All on seven days' approval** on receipt of cash or deposit with Editor. Inspection invited any time. Illustrated price list post free. **Easy payments arranged. Kindly state wants.**

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YORKSHIRES, high-class 1912, yellow cock, marked hen, buff cock, yellow hen, yellow cock, cinnamon marked hen, typical, good feather, healthy, related to my winners, 12/6 pair: Goldsmith, Queen-st., Maidenhead. (253)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, best blood procurable, splendid length, type and quality; cocks from, 5/-; hens from 3/-; matched pairs, 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colne-rd., Crosshills, Keighley. (239)

CHAMPION buff cock, yellow hen, 25/-; unflighted yellow cock, buff hen, 21/-; yellow Yorkshire cock, winner, 21/-; buff hen, 12/6; others, including toppers; approval; stamp reply: Andrews, Whitemoor, St. Austell, Cornwall. (256)

GRAND yellow Yorkshire cock, 7ins. long, prize-bred, only 7/6; hens to match, 4/-; grand singing cocks, 5/-, 5/6 each; hens, 3/-, 3/6 each; 7 days' approval, cash or deposit: Edwin North, Breeder, 477, Manchester-road, Bradford. (265)

FOR sale, twelve unflighted Yorkshires, as bred, 30/- the lot, or offers; also rack with twelve single breeders and sundries, 25/-, if carriage paid; changing hobby: George Holden, 85, Pickup-st., Claytonle-moors, Accrington, Lancashire. (252)

CHAMPION unflighted clear buff Yorkshire cock, 20/-; buff ticked cock, 16/-; 1911 yellow ticked cock breeder, 20/-; all fit for exhibition; also few good cocks, 7/6 each; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (265)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, bred from cup and medal winners, all fine stylish birds; cocks 5/6, 6/6, 8/6; hens 3/6, 4/6, 6/6 upwards; lovely pairs, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; approval, carriage paid; cash or deposit: Sydney B. King, Mytholm, Hebden Bridge. (254)

CHAMPION matched pair high-class Yorkshires, mark buff cock, unflighted, with yellow hen, 7 inches long, 20/-; also yellow cock, unflighted, 7½-inch, with buff hen, 20/-; bred from my winners; approval, cash or deposit: Wilbert Spencer, 17, Wood-end, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (254)

FINE pair exhibition buff Yorkshire Canaries, Dyke's strain, cock commended Dover, only time shown, well matched for breeding, 25/-; approval, deposit; also wanted exhibition Norwich and Crests, no rubbish: Smith, 43, Susan-rd., Eastbourne. (248)

WINNERS for sale, one ticked Yellow cock, 2nd Chester last week, one marked Buff cock, 2nd also; one lightly marked Buff cock, vbc, 15/- each; others both Yellows and Buffs, cocks from 6/-, hens from 4/-: Jones and Chester, 31, Princess-st., Chester. (252)

H. T. JONES, 21, Worcester-rd., Walthamstow, Yorkshires, 15/- pair upwards, bred from or related to my winners, Clapham, Cheltenham, Leyton, Cardiff, etc; own breeding, besides noted winners sold to other exhibitors; approval; stamp reply; inspection by appointment. (250)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, grand upstanding, leggy birds, full quality cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, to 20/-; hens, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 to 15/- each; pairs, properly matched for breeding winners, 12/6, 15/-, to 80/- pair; few exhibition specimens, can win keen competition, very reasonable; approval 4 days; particulars: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (254)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, 1/1½, by H. W. Battye (Past President of the Yorkshire Union); absolutely the best handbook dealing with the Yorkshire and its sub-varieties. Contains complete instruction upon pairing, breeding, moulting, and successful exhibiting, also how to treat in both health and disease: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

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STRAIN TELLS

I have some excellent Yorkshires for disposal, bred from the best strain in the country, prices reasonable; state wants and I will endeavour to satisfy you: Crawhall, Chemist, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

YORKSHIRES

I am offering **matchless value** in Yorkshires, bred from and related to winners. You should see my birds for standard length, tight feather, and full of quality. If you cannot come and inspect my stock, let me send you birds on approval,

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I am confident of giving you every satisfaction, with Cocks or Hens, or Matched Pairs. I do not keep all the best for my own showing, but offer every bird for sale at reasonable prices. **Cocks, in full song, champion Yorkshires, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** each, just the quality to breed your own winners. **Hens,** full of the quality that catches the eye of the judge, **3/6, 4/6, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each. Matched Breeding Pairs,** guaranteed Cock and Hen, matched, **8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-.**

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"7, Sandy Bank, Doxley, 22/11/12.—Received bird to-day, quite sound and well. I am delighted with him.—R. Sankey to Miss Storey."

"Houghton-le-Springs, 22/11/12.—Received bird this morning; he is fine specimen of superio quality; my friends are sending you their orders.—W. Moore to Miss Storey."

"2, Collingham Gardens, London, 22/11/12.—Birds arrived safe, and well. I am very pleased and well satisfied with them.—H. Lee to Miss Storey."

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P. RORKE'S WINNING YORKSHIRES

Have now ready some of the best from, 15/- pair upwards; my birds win in the keenest competition, see reports all S.Y.C.C. shows: Rorke, 50, Ringmer-av., Munster-rd., Fulham. (265)

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To make more room for Norwich, all my Yorkshires are for sale, bred from Bailey's champion strains, no other blood, including sister to his champion Cinnamon-mark at Palace, etc.; winners at Longton, Grimsby, Wolverhampton, etc; also stock birds, very reasonable; approval: Arthur Brotherhood, Newport, Salop. (264)

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Best and biggest stud of winning Yorkshires south; good show or stock birds from, 10/6 pair; inspection invited; can be seen any time during daylight; stamp reply: 20, Barnsdale-rd., Paddington, or Post Office, Oakley, Bucks. (241)

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Having selected breeding stock, have to spare unflighted yellow hen, 2nd Southport, 15/-; unflighted yellow cock, 3rd Southport, 15/-; unflighted buff cock, feathered like wax, 15/-; few others from 7/6, half value; see reports Manchester, Liverpool and Southport, only times out; approval: deposit: Linaker, 48, Devonshire-rd., Southport. (261)

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Various Canaries.

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TEN good healthy hen Canaries, 15/- the lot, or 1/9 each: A. Knighton, 144, Russell-st., Kettering. (250)

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TWO good feeders, yellow and cinnamon marked, bred mules, 2/6 each; cash or deposit: Pugh, Bettisfield, Whitchurch, Salop. (255)

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Well bred Norwich and Yorkshire cocks, parents winners, 5/- to 7/6 each; approval, cash or deposit: Foote, 8, Tanyard, Shaftesbury. (251)

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VARIOUS Canaries, six cocks, five hens, Yorkshires and Norwich cross, yellows and buffs, cocks 3/6, hens 1/6, healthy birds, sex guaranteed: D. Dow, Ellislie-place, Crieff. (260)

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Winning Yorkshires, Norwich, Crests, etc.

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Gran Canaries.

Las Palmas,
November 17th, 1912.

Dear Sir,—The birds arrived safely. I found them in good condition when I arrived, and am so far very pleased with them. Once more thanking you for your prompt attention to my modest order.

H. G. DRAPER.

Holland.

Gravenhage,
20th November, 1912.

Dear Sir,—I have much pleasure in informing you that the birds you sent me arrived here quite safe. Thanking you for same.

I remain, yours truly,

R. A.W.

58, Alfred Street, Gainsborough, England,
Nov. 18th, 1912.

Sir,—I am writing to thank you for the pair of Yorks which I received in first-class order. I don't think I could have picked a better pair if I had feathered them myself.

W. TACEY.

Canada.

Hamilton, Ontario,
10th Nov., 1912.

Dear Sir,—I am pleased to say the birds arrived quite safe on Monday, the 4th, and I must say they looked fine considering the journey they had come, and am well pleased with your selection.

F. HOARE.

France.

27, Av. Carnot.

Sir,—The bird reached here safely on Saturday, and we are very pleased with it.

Yours truly,
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Nov. 19th, 1912.

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MULES—HYBRIDS.

I WILL give good price for cock Mules: 117, West-st., Dunstable. (255)

COCK yellow Canary-Bullfinch Hybrid for sale; particulars of: E. J. Lamb, Alverstone, New Malden, Surrey. (266)

CHOICE Sibs., my old Palace light Linnet muling strain, in good condition: Sims, The Aviary, Warminster. (264)

SPLENDID singing cock Siskin Mule, fit for show, 7/6; and yellow cock Siskin, 4/6: Baker, Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (256)

GOLDFINCH Mules, wild note, real toppers, few left, 6/6, 7/6; light variegated, 12/6: Savage, Square, Abingdon. (262)

LARGE Sib-bred hens, light Mule breeders, 5/6; cocks 7/6, or exchange approval: Cheshire, 26, Crawford-st., Bradford. (259)

H.M. hen Greenie, proved Muler, 2/-; three tree Sparrows, field moulted, 2/- lot: F. Stowe, Cornwell, Chipping, Norton. (252)

FOUR cock Goldfinch Mules, 5/6 each, four hens, 4/6; parents 7/6; double breeder 3/-: Heiller, 62, Bramshott-rd., Southsea. (251)

BARGAIN, two cock Goldie Mules, full song and Finch notes, 6/- each, approval: West, 30, Lamprell-st., Old Ford, Bow. (251)

LARGE colour-fed buff Norwich cock; exchange good mule or muling Finch, value £1:. Jones, Vaynol House, Harlech. (256)

WANTED, cage-moulted Siberian cock Goldfinch, proved muler preferred: Ramsden, 11, Josephine-avenue, Brixton, London.

GRAND house moulted cock Goldfinch, this bird is a warranted light Mule breeder, 10/-: Ellis, Boot Manufacturer, Welshpool. (259)

FOUR large dark Goldfinch-Canary Mules, Finch notes, grand condition, 6/- each, 22/- the lot: Cockburn, Hairdresser, Innerleithen. (260)

SIB Canaries, parents bred light Mules, pairs 8/-; cock Goldfinch, sib hens, pair 5/-; stamp reply: Maryan Cooke, Wavendon, Bucks. (262)

BEAUTIFUL Goldfinch Mule in full song, strong, healthy bird, well marked, 10/6; great bargain: Lorna, Lavender Vale, Wallington. (250)

EXCHANGE two cock Linnet Mules, one can win small shows, for good unflighted buff Norwich hen; approval: Dalzell, Ormerod-st., Oldham. (262)

DARK yellow cock Linnet mule, third Avonbridge, first time shown, 15/-; parents of above, 6/-: Archd. Sneddon, 23, Eastshield-hill, By Falkirk. (257)

LINNET Mule cock, pure Linnet note, 15/-, worth double to Linnet catcher; approval, deposit: Edmonds, 79, Singlewell-rd., Gravesend. (263)

WANTED, light Mule or Hybrid; give cash, or exchange exhibition Norwich or Yorkshire; see respective column: Hawkes, Leytonstone. (264)

THREE variegated cock Goldfinch Mules; 8 Yorkshire cocks, all clears, 5/6 each, £2 10/- lot: Baguley, Bulmer Castle, Howard, Yorks. (249)

MUST clear cheap; 2 cocks 1 hen, healthy, 1912, dark Goldfinch mules, cock Bullie, grand colour, 14/- the four: Cave, 65, Eastleigh-rd., Leicester. (257)

TWO large Jonquo Siberian Goldfinch-Canary, do. Greenfinch-Canary mules, fed, fit show, 10/- each; approval: Kearl, Woodstock, Ringwood, Hants. (254)

SIB.-bred yellow cock (1912), from a reliable strain, 10/-; or exchange 2 large young Goldie cocks; approval: John Rankine, 30, Brucefield-st., Dunfermline. (256)

LARGE, pink-eyed, Sib.-bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, 5/6; cocks, 7/6 each; or exchange: ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (254)

COWDENBEATH show 1912, Jamieson's 1st prize yellow dark Mule, bred by me; Goldfinch and Norwich hen, parents above winner, 15/6: Cooper, Judge, Norwich. (253)

VERY smart pair f.m. cock Goldie, hen Bullie, 7/6; exhibition f.m. Lesser Redpoll, 3/6; exchange all for monster yellow Muling Siskin: Clifford, 24, Jenner-rd., Stoke Newington. (253)

SIBERIAN Goldfinches, large picked birds, 6/6 each; Siskins, a few only selected birds, good markings, 5/6 each; approval, deposit: Perring, 30, Goldsmith-rd., Leyton. (245)

FOUR singing cock Linnet mules, 6/6 each; 2 yellow cock Norwich Canaries, 6/- and 6/6 each; 1 ticked Norwich Roller cock, 5/6: T. Stevens, 4, Gloucester-st., Aberdare, Glam. (256)

CATCHERS, Goldfinch-Canary cock Mules, 1912, 6/6 each, two 12/6, six 35/-; real good calling hens, 2/- each, two 3/6: don't miss these, cash or deposit: C. Leventon, Melton Mowbray. (259)

BIG bouncing Greenfinch-Linnet cock Hybrid, winner, 12/6; giant cock Linnet Mule, good colour, pure notes, 6/6; both show condition; exchange: Robinson, Bird Specialist, Wiudermere. (260)

SISKIN-GREENFINCH, 12/6; also parents of same, 7/6; cock Greenfinch, Canary reared, 2/-; cock Redpoll, Greenfinch, H.M., 1/- each; Goldfinch Mules, 7/6: Sheldon, Hosier, Wanstead. (247)

BARGAIN; 2 cock Goldfinch Mules, 1 cock Goldfinch, 1 cock Linnet, all in song cages, included; £1 the lot, or separate, suit publican; callers by appointment: West, 30, Lamprell-st., Old Ford. (245)

JONQUE Goldfinch-Canary Mule, 1st Stratford, res. cup East Ham, etc., 15/-; dark Greenfinch-Canary Mules, 2nd East Ham, res. cup Leyton, 15/-, approval, deposit: Cooper, 1, Evesham-rd., West Ham. (260)

WINNING Goldie-Redpoll Hybrid, 20/-; Bullfinch, secured from Harris, London, 8/-; two f.m. Goldies, 10/- the two; h.m. Lesser Redpoll, grand bib, 4/-; approval: Roberts, Tap Room, Llanwrst, Denbighshire. (252)

NORWEGIAN hen Bullfinches are larger than Siberians. I am the only importer. Price 5/6 (a little rough in feather), 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; sure moulers, 500 in stock: Hollins, Importer, George-st., Hull. (258)

SIX-pointed buff Goldfinch-Canary, yellow Siskin-Canary mules, cocks, beautiful specimens, winners of many firsts England and Ireland, with show cages, bargain, £3 3/-: James Osborne, John-st., Sligo. (254)

IMPORTANT to bird catchers; champion singing cock Goldfinch mule, 10/-; champion singing cock Linnet mule, 10/-; pure song; approval; also pairs for breeding; cheap: Dutton, Mule Breeder, Dunstable. (255)

COCK Goldfinch-Canary Mules, dark yellow, 1st Wood Green Members' Show, 12/-: 2nd and 3rd, 10/- each; one yellow variegated, 10/-; also lovely birds, 6/-, 7/6 each; approval: Waldock, 18, Lakefield-rd., Wood Green. (265)

EXHIBITION Canary-Bullfinch Hybrid, Chaffinch-Bramble Hybrid, Hawfinch and Black-headed Siskin, all winners this season; offers for lot or part exchange Borders, must be winners; approval: Johnson, 33, Wigan-rd., Ormskirk. (253)

GRAND cock Goldfinch Mule, prize bred, splendid songster, sure winner, 15/-; two genuine cock Goldfinches, clean moulted, 5/- each; cock Linnet, clean moulted, Norwich hen Canary, 5/6, selected mulers, approval: Smith, 31, Upper North-st., Poplar, E. (266)

TO Exhibitors.—A very lightly variegated cock Goldfinch mule, rich blaze, also a large six-pointed mule, both cheap. Few large variegated canaries mules, 8/-; dark ones, 5/-. Some Canaries and mule; Finches cheap, all genuine: Taylor, Sunningdale terr., Bideford. (257)

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SIX-pointed Buff cock Goldfinch mule, winner five 1sts, specials, 50/-; buff cock, even four-pointed wings, ticked cheeks, eyes, otherwise clear, 50/-; lightly yell. variegated cock, 40/-; five lightly variegated cocks, 15/- each; Cheveril cock British Goldfinch, cage moulted, lovely breeder, 10/6; lovely 3 by 6, grand blaze, British cock, grand breeder, 10/6; Dale's noted Sib. hens, lovely feather, yellows, 12/6; buffs, 10/6; Cocks, 20/-: Barnard, 15, Back-lane, Barking. (257)

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Canary-reared cock Goldfinch and large yellow Norwich hen, 7/6; Canary reared cock Linnet with large Norwich hen, 5/-; offers; approval: Giddings Kitsbury-rd., Berkhamstead, Herts. (263)

COCK Linnet Mule, singing, Linnet song, 5/6, hen 1/-; cock Greenfinch Mule, 5/-; cock Bullfinches, lovely colour, 2/-; hens 1/-: Miss L. Morris, 24, High-st., Bridgwater. (258)

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Large collection of singing Mules (can be seen here), Goldfinch, also Linnet; many Muling hens at 2/6, 3/6; pink-eyed, 5/- each; giant Goldfinch, and large Muling hen, 10/6 pair. These lots are great bargains; cage 3d.: W. Rudd, the Bird Specialist, Norwich. (210)

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Grand Goldfinch-Canary or Linnet-Canary Mules, in full song, guaranteed, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 each; grand cages for same, from 1/-, 1/6, 2/-; Greenfinch-Canary cock Mules, 4/-; Siskin-Canary Mules, cocks, 5/-; Greenfinch-Linnet cock Hybrid, beauty, 6/-; approval Sandiford, Bird Specialist and Judge, Preston, Lancs

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MONEY-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

WANTED a ben Rosella and Pennant: M. B. Lancaster, 7, Victoria-ter., Walsall. (252)

PARROTS. I will give from £3 to £5 for good talking African Greys: Jones, Cranbourne-st., Brighton. (254)

NORWICH, 6/- pair, cocks 4/-; 20 Crested hens, 3/- each: Bolton, 2, Beamsley-place, Cardigan-rd., Leeds. (265)

FOR sale, 6 pair mixed foreign birds, and 1 odd, to clear 10/6: "G.," Penquite, Dawlish-rd., Teignmouth. (266)

ZEBRA Finches, one cock, four hens, bred in outdoor aviary in February, 9/- the lot: Henton, Attenboro, Notts. (256)

WANTED pair Cuban Finches, hen Cardinal, hen Pope, pair Virginian Nightingales: Walsh, Spitalcroft, Knaresborough. (254)

MAGNIFICENT African Grey Talking Parrot and cage, very plain and fluent talker, £6 10s.; approval: Dutton, Dunstable. (255)

SEVEN Budgerigars, two hens, one cock, four young, hardy, outdoor, 12/6 lot: S. Huckle, 53, Birkenhead-av., Kingston-on-Thames. (257)

BEAUTIFUL Piping Bullfinches, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- each, according to quality and number of melodies: Hollins, The Zoo. Hull. (258)

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PAIR Blue Tanagers, £2; wanted Blue Bonnets, Red-vented Blue Bonnets other Parrakeets: Clare, 194, Coombe-lane, Wimbledon. (253)

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NOTICE, grand pair each yellow and green Budgerigars, warranted winners, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

A FEW large Green Budgerigars left from open air aviaries, first-class condition; cocks, 2/6; hens, 3/-; Cockatiels, 12/6: Rev. James Smith, Baslow Vicarage, Derbyshire. (253)

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PARADISE Whydah, full colour, one Jacarini Finch; pair grey Javas; what offers; few pairs Budgerigars, 5/- pair: Miss Baldwin, 22, East-st., Grimsbury, Banbury. (251)

PAIR each of Budgerigars, Tri-coloured Nuns and Java Sparrows, winners, all in splendid show condition, £1 the lot, or exchange Rollers, also show cage, carrying case, hold four cages: Gray, "Central Cafe," Morpeth. (265)

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FOR sale, Green Rock Parrot and large cage, two years old, talks a little, imitates all kinds of poultry; first P.O. for 22/6 gets same: W. H. Green, 17, Kenlist., Blackburn, Lanc. (260)

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BEAUTIFUL Blue-fronted Amazon Parrot, two years old, very tame, plain talker, in splendid plumage and health, with cage, £2 5/-, on six days' approval: Wm. Shaw, 97, Essex-rd., Islington, London.

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SPLENDID 'Xmas presents, beautiful tame talking Amazon, 50/-; true pair large yellow-fronted, aave bred in England, sing and whistle duet together, tame, good talker, £6, cages included; exchange live stock: Pearson, Royal Menageries, Greenwich.

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EXHIBITION Blackbird, 2nd L.C.B.A., 1911, now in splendid show condition, sale or exchange; no live stock: M. Hawkesley, 20, Mount-st., Mansfield, Notts. (260)

COCK Thrush, ready for immediate exhibition, 5/-; exchange pair Budgerigars; cage moulted cock Bullfinch, 2/6, or exchange; offers: Heath, Bottisham, Cambs. (262)

WINNERS, Goldfinch, 1st, 7/6; Bullfinch, 3rd, 5/-; others nearly equal, 3/6, or exchange exhibition Yorkshire, Norwich; offers: Newman, Station Parade, Eastbourne. (255)

1912 GREENFINCH Canary Hybrid, cock, sell 10/-; exchange for Goldfinches, Siskins or Linnets; approval both ways: yours first: John Miller, 1, Vicarlands, Moffat, N.B. (257)

THREE Linnets (two years old), 4 Chaffinches, one Redpoll, all cocks, 2 of the Linnets are mulers; exchange Canaries or sell cheap; also pair of clapnets: Inkpen, Queen-st., Gravesend. (264)

SALE, or exchange for Canarics, any breed, Siberian cock Goldfinches, 5/-, 8/6; also cock brown Linnets, 1/6 to 2/6, for showing, muling, or singing; approval, deposit: Simpson, 36, Lancashire Hill, Stockport. (260)

COCK Chaffinch 1911, cock Chaffinch, hen Greenfinch, 1912 Canary reared, two Redpolls; exchange Siberian cock Goldfinch or house-moulted cock British Goldfinch; approval both ways: Ball, 60, Kimberley-st., Coppull. (250)

CARDIFF show, Bullfinch hen, 4th, 12/6: Greenfinch, vhc, can now win, 15/-; Chaffinch, vhc, 6/6; Redpoll, hc Swansea, 5/-; Linnet, vhc Newport, 7/6; show cages included; exhibition Greypate, Bullfinch, Linnet, 4/- each: Will Morgan, Moira-place, Cardiff. (260)

HANDREARED Blackbird, grand songster, 7/6; two Sib. hens, 3/6 each, 6/6 two; selected, cobby, Yellow Greenfinch, 2/6, Chaffinch, 1/6. Wanted out-door bred Budgerigars, exchange songster Canaries; approval, deposit: Lewis, Hallwood-rd, Kettering. (251)

WELL-KNOWN winning cock Goldfinch, 25/-, Palace winner; hen Bullfinch, 14/-, good condition; or exchange both for good light Mule or Hybrid; two 1912 cock Goldfinches, 10/- each; promising birds, or exchange both for dark Mule, yellow: Roberts, 91 South Penrallt, Carnarvon, Wales. (260)

EXCHANGE exhibition h.m. cock Linnet, in full song, for singing Norwich or Yorkshire cock or sell 7/6: J. R. 12, Percy-st., Jarrow-on-Tyne. (248)

LARGE selected cock Goldfinches, 4/- each; Corn Bunting, 10/-, with show cage; also other varieties; a few choice Selfert Rollers; state wants: Belcher, Wood Farm Dairy, Wellingborough. (259)

Mainly Canaries.

MONEY-SAVERS: See Norwich column.

LARGE Buff Norwich cock for large headed Norwich hen: Baker, Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (256)

TWO good Norwich hens, 1911, for two gold overlight Lizard hens, 1912, sell 6/6: Filby, Ealing Common. (260)

BUFF Lancashire P.H. (cock), sell £1; or exchange for three Hartz Roller cocks: Woodhead, Jerrold-st., Littleborough. (249)

TWO good pair Yorkshire Canaries, good strain, 10 - pair or useful exchange: Titley, 75, Queen-rd., Tipton, Staffs. (256)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, all varieties, 12/6 to 25/- pair; exchange anything useful: Berry, 99, Selborne Grove, Keighley. (261)

EXCHANGE, 1 green, 1 yell. variegated Yorkshire cocks, for hens to value; or sell 5/- each: L. Garside, Haworth, Yorks. (257)

CHAMPION large yonng Crest hen; exchange cock Goldfinch or Mule: Jones, Vine Cottage, Station-rd., Bagillt, Flintshire. (258)

TWO 1912 Norwich cocks, one York hen, one Maling hen, 12/6 lot; bargain: Corbett, Hill-rd., Dursley, Gloucester. (251)

ST. ANDREASBURG cock Roller, in full song, 7/6; Hartz Mountain cock, in full song day or gas light, sell 7/6, or exchange anything: Saunders, 2½, Clarence-st., Gravesend. (264)

FOUR Norwich hen Canaries; exchange two Goldfinches, on song; yours first: John Mowle, 25, Artillery-st., Canterbury. (262)

THREE 1912 Yorkshire cocks, 12/-; two cock Bullfinches, 4/-, lot 15/-; approval: Marsh, 27, Langley-st., Worksop, Notts. (251)

CRESTBRED cock, 2 Crested cocks, 4 Created hens; exchange gent's bicycle, sell £5: R. Davidson, Townhead, Kennoway, Fife. (261)

EXCHANGE, 4 Canaries, 2 Linnet Mules, hens, for good Norwich hen; yours first: Alderson, 27, Stratton-st., Spennymoor. (258)

WILL exchange good Norwich or Yorkshire cross, for doll's pram or anything useful: Sims, 252, Ashby-rd., Upper Parkstone. (260)

FOUR pure-bred Yorkshire Canaries, 8/6 each; 32/- lot; or exchange one for good cigars: Kilham, 11, Carwood-rd., Sheffield. (248)

TWO pairs of winning Yorkshires; exchange winning Norwich, for change of Fancy, sell £2 pair: Batten, Rosevean-rd., Penzance. (261)

SIX Lizard show cages and case, new, 10/-; another, 5 and case, 5/-; what offer in Canaries: West, Tweedale-st., Rochdale. (257)

EXCHANGE two pairs Norwich Canaries for Grey or Amazon Parrot, or cash 25/-: Martin, The Lodge, Covall Hall, Chelmsford. (249)

EXCHANGE Roller cock and two hens for clear buff unflighted Norwich cock, or sell 12/6: Bailey, 13, Junction-st., Barnsley. (257)

EXCHANGE pair high-class Borders for exhibition Goldfinch, and 3 hens for exhibition Linnet: Stenhouse, Sandbank, Argyll. (257)

WILL exchange 1911 Norwich cock, value 12/6, for good field-moulted cock Goldfinch; Goldfinch first: Porteous, Biggar, Scotland. (262)

FIVE Crestbred cocks, 1 Crest cock, 5 Crest hens, £2 10/-, cash or useful exchange: W. H. Wood, Joiner, Ormesby S.O., Yorks. (260)

COCK Goldfinch Mule, pure Finch notes, good call bird, cash 10/-; exchange, 12/-, Canaries, anything: Samuel Goodyear, Salcombe. (264)

TWELVE pairs Yorks. Canarics, singing, 7/- pair; or will sell separate; approval, deposit: Heald, Confectioner, Claypit-lane, Leeds. (249)

GOOD pair Canaries and double breeding cage; exchange sewing machine: H. Shepherd, 127, Bishop-st., Old Fletton, Peterborough. (248)

FOUR pair of good Yorkshires for sale or exchange anything, together or separate, 32/-; yours first: W. Dickerson, 59, York-st., Bingley. (256)

GOOD quality Norwich and Yorkshire for Rollers, full song; or Goldfinches, Bullfinches; approval: Watson, 68, Lord-st., Rotherham. (259)

BORDER Fancy (Hutchison), and 2 Roller hens (Dr. Read), in exchange gramophone records (flat): Yule, Chemist, Cowdenbeath, Fifeshire. (266)

EXCHANGE two Yellow and two Green Yorkshire cocks, for toy black Pom. bitch: L. Harrington, Ring Fence, Shepshed, Loughboro. (251)

EXCHANGE three Border hen Canaries for cock Goldfinch or British on approval: W. Huckle, 58, Birkenhead-avenue, Kingston-on-Thames. (258)

YORKSHIRES (winners), pair greens, pair yellow, champion large buff hen, cash 30/-, or exchange; offers: Ausell, 9, South Market, Leeds. (261)

EXCHANGE Borders, even marked, bred, for Goldie, yellow Siskin cocks, mulers, or yellow Norwich hens: James Aitkin, Grangemouth. (252)

CHANDELIER, 3 light brass, new, also handsome bookcase, glass doors; exchange, Canaries, offers: Golding, 19, Brunswick Close, Clerkenwell. (263)

SALE or exchange two good breeding hens, Rollers, and cock, with swing cage complete; yours first: Laing, 47, Recreation-place, Holbeck, Leeds. (250)

TWO pairs Yorkshires, 10/- pair; cock Linnet, 3/-; Norwich hen, 3/-; yellow Border cock, 6/-; buff hen, vhc, 2/6; lot 32/-: Williams, 163, Lee Green, S.E. (258)

SALE or exchange 3 Norwich hens and Greenfinch cock, sale 10/-, or 2 good Yorkshire hens or show cages: S. Eaton, Red Row, Raunds, Wellingboro. (262)

WHAT offers? Winning Borders for pair high-class Yorkshire stock birds, Dyke's; or sell 15/-, approval: Bigge, 26, Birchant-st., West Stanley, Durham. (253)

YELLOW variegated Norwich hen, buff cock, sell 12/-; or exchange for two cock Goldfinch Mules; yours first: Hicking, White-gates, Codnor, Derby. (248)

TWO 1912 St. Andreasburg Rollers, splendid songsters, day or gas light, 10/- each; exchange Norwich hens: Roper, 124, Chester, Seven Kings, Essex. (253)

FOR disposal, 24 Canaries, 3 Goldfinch mules, 1 Goldfinch, sure muler, cash; or exchange cycle in good condition: W. Johnson, 49, Garden City, Worksop, Notts. (253)

TWO cock Linnet mules, singing, also cock Goldfinch, good size and colour, h.-m., proved muler, 6/6 each; exchange good Norwich: 45, Woodbridge-rd., Ipswich. (254)

WHAT offers in Canaries, Foreign, or British birds for suit length good tweed, or sell 35/-, or lady's dress length or sell 12/6: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (168)

THREE muling hens, best in Europe, 8/- each: pair Yorkshires, 15/-; exchange entertained; silver watch, clock, provisions, household goods: Curtis, Summerleigh, Warminster. (248)

BUFF cock, 2 buff marked hens, Yorkshires, good birds, 2 double breeders, 1 single, sell 20/-, lot or exchange yellow Yorkshire hens to value: Dawson, Church-st., Coxhoe. (258)

TWO pedigree black Pom. dog puppies, 3 months, good coats and tail carriage, 20/- each; or exchange yellow Norwich or poultry: Bracey, 23, Oak rd., Horfield, Bristol. (257)

GRAND typical natural colour yellow Norwich hen, fit to show, 30/-; or exchange for 2 good unflighted buff Norwich hens; approval: Fredk. J. Harrison, 10, Stanley-st., Leicester. (255)

BUFF variegated Yorkshire cock, 2 yellow hens, 12/6; few spare hens, 3/6; exchange household goods, or Goldfinches, Linnets, Siskins, or Bullfies: Burnett, 423, Horton-lane, Bradford. (263)

BARGAINS, ten pairs Yorkshires, 8/6 upwards, or exchange go-cart, gent's silver watch, anything for home; approval; yours first: Edwards, Springfield-rd., Shepshed, Leicestershire. (278)

EXCHANGE, two good Yorkshire cocks, one buff, 1911, one Cinnamon, 1912, unfed, for Goldfinches, Mules, or sell 8/- each; offers: H. McCormack, 95, Gill-st., Blackley, Manchester. (259)

YORKSHIRE cock, 7/6; twice house-moulted Goldfinch, 7/6; eight hen Canaries, one hen Mule, sell cheap; exchange Rollers; offers; yours first: Walter, 1, Henrietta-st., Bulwell, Notts. (262)

TWO Yorkshire cocks, fit to show, few buff hens, 2 show cages with case; sell, or exchange any for large, healthy 1912 Norwich, cold room bred; yours first: J. Brewin, Heanor, Derbyshire. (252)

EXCHANGE five genuine singing cock Canaries, 1912 cold room bred, 25/-, for early pullets and cock; good strain; what offers: F. Weston, Newthorpe Villas, 191, Thorpe-rd., Melton Mowbray. (250)

GENUINE; three high-class Scifert Roller cocks, Randle's and Roehl's strain, perfectly healthy, cold-room bred, 10/6 each cash, or deposit with Editor: exchange: W. Blythe, Russell-st., Gardens, Bacup. (249)

WILL exchange Yorkshire cock yellow, C.F., winner of second prize Crystal Palace 1912, Class 87, and two equally good hens, buffs, value £8, for new English lever, bike, or offers: G. Stocks, F.R.H.S., 44, Bentley-rd., Doncaster. (249)

WANTED, two-quart copper tea urn, silver teapot, eiderdown, or anything useful for house, in exchange for high-class Norwich Plainheads, single or properly matched pairs; same as my winners; no rubbish wanted, none offered; mutual approval; stamp reply: J. H. Hickling, Fletcher-st., Heanor, Notts. (248)

YORKSHIRES, ticked yellow cock, first Ramsgate, first Bedington, first Croydon, etc., 40/-; clear yellow cock, second Folkestone, second Parkstone, third Ramsgate and Croydon, 40/-; ticked buff cock, first Croydon, second Parkstone and Bedington, 40/-; several other winners and fit to win, 7/6 to 30/- each; pairs from 12/6; or exchange boots, clothing, dress material, drapery, or offers: Soper, Vernon-rd., Sutton, Surrey. (257)

Mainly Foreign.

GREEN Parrot and cage, make good talker, 12/-, a bargain, exchange Canaries; offers: Layfield, 17, Freemantle-st., Walworth. (250)

ROSY-breasted Cockatoo, great pet, with new cage, 35/-; exchange good hand camera, or offers: Fletcher, 2, Fir Street, Ramsbottom. (257)

PARROT and cage, green colour, just commenced talking, make topper; bargain, 25/-; or exchange: Bliss, 782, Stratford-rd., Birmingham. (259)

WINNERS; grand pair Cockatiels, acclimatised, show condition, have bred, 12/6; exchange small foreign: George Douglas, Bridge-st., Brechin. (263)

PAIR green Budgerigars, in perfect health, 6/6; Siberian cock Goldfinch, 5/6, or exchange anything: Saunders, Greengrocer, Clarence-st., Gravesend. (264)

Miscellaneous.

CLAP-NETS, 27ft., cost 22/-; offers wanted, or sell 10/-: 53, Ivy-rd., Luton. (254)

ANYTHING alive bought or supplied: Pearson, Royal Menagerie, Greenwich.

EXCHANGE (see foreign birds for) cock Rollers: Gray, "Central Cafe," Morpeth. (265)

FOUR goats, sell cheap, or exchange live stock: Pearson, Royal Menagerie, Greenwich.

EXCHANGE, old Duke violin, for good strain, 1912 Crestbred hens: Hearsey, Bootmaker, Worthing. (259)

BANTAM cock and Min. Game, well bred; exchange singing Canary: Bliss, 782, Stratford-rd., Birmingham. (259)

SALE, new Lark net, 20 yards by 4 wide, 12/6; exchange offers: Nock, Overend-rd., Cradley Heath, Staffs. (253)

PAIR clapnets, 13 yards, and all utensils; what offers in cage birds: Lathury, 442, High-st., Manor Park, E. (257)

ALL kinds of livestock, etc., wanted in exchange for cutlery and plate: Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Sheffield. (250)

AIR gun, slugs and darts for 1912 York, or Norwich cock; yours first: F. Putner, Hairdresser, E. Greenwich. (234)

EXCHANGE two razors in case, value 10/6, for Buff Yorkshire cock: E. Kirton, 111, Alabama-st., Plumstead. (250)

WHIPPET pup, sell 10/-; exchange Canary, singing, or Mule, offers in birds: Brown, Watford-rd., Radlett, Herts. (256)

HOW to save time, trouble, and money: See Norwich column.

FULL size violin, good tone, offers in birds to value, 25/-; approval: Burkhill, The Cross, Buckley, near Chester. (265)

SPANIEL pups, good pedigree, what offers Canaries or Budgies or sell, 25/- each; 3, Eglesfield-rd., High Shields. (253)

GOOD Dutch black buck and grey doe, two Flemish does, 15/-; or exchange Yorkshires: Heseltine, Long Lee, Keighley. (241)

FOUR hanging cages, with glasses, good condition, or variegated Crested cock, exchange new compartment cage: J. Simonds, High-st. North, Dunstable. (265)

WHAT offers for St. Bernard dog (photo sent); would take part exchange: Tomlinson, Howdale, Downham Market.

EXCHANGE 4-plate guinea camera for pure Yorkshire or Border cock and breeding cage: Davies, 160, Glenroy-st., Cardiff. (263)

LARK net, hand made, 25 yards long, 12 feet deep, exchange Canaries, sell 12/6: Cutler, 4, Upper Rushall-st., Walsall. (253)

GENT'S bike, Rudge, perfect running order, cost £8 10/-, bargain, 25/-; or exchange: Bliss, 782, Stratford-rd., Birmingham. (259)

PATHE sound box, 2 Pathe disc records, 10 and 12in., lot 7/6; wanted Rena or Zono records: C. Frith, Crowle, Lincs. (265)

PARROT'S cage in good condition, 5/6, or exchange Green Border cock or offers; yours first: Rennie, 8, High-st., Prestonpans. (251)

EXCHANGE young hornless billy goat for pair Budgerigars, cock Canary, anything: C. Rower, Albert-walk, Holbeach. (266)

WILL exchange Fancy Pigeons and English rabbits for British birds, or sell cheap, Wm. Boyd, Byermoor, Burnopfield. (251)

SMALL Eureka gas oven, good condition, accept ... or useful exchange: J. Bean, 56, Pasture-lane, Chapel-Allerton, Leeds. (255)

BEAUTIFUL hornless gramophone, sell 25/; or exchange for Foreign birds to value: Miss Gregory, The View, Examby, Sheffield. (226)

MAYNARD'S Menagerie, Bethnal Green, sale, exchange, or purchase, birds, dogs, pigeons, poultry, rabbits, anything alive. (263)

LADY'S cycle 17/6, large pair oil paintings, gold gilt frames for birds, watch; offers: Robinson, Aldgate, Ketton, Stamford. (251)

BLACK Schipperke bitch, lady's toy, £2; three h.m. cages, 12/6; handsome tea urn, 15/6; offers: 18, Stephen-st., Warrington. (275)

FINE Sparrow Hawk, 3/; cycle cover, 5/-, as new, exchange pair Norwich; approval: William Pebody, North Kilworth, Rugby. (256)

PANSIES, plants, 36 best named varieties, all-in border Carnations, for British or Mule cage, moulted: Williams, Florist, Ruthin. (262)

PALACE aviary, good as new, sell 21/- or exchange for any fancy: Chaplin, Gainsborough-sq., Wick-rd., South Hackney. (251)

EXCELLENT pedigree Airedale Terrier bitch, £1, or exchange, best offer: George Tunnicliffe, Bank House, Silsden, Keighley. (255)

VIOLIN, with case, £1; 2 young yellow Badgerigars, 5/6; cock Linnets, 1/-; Chaffinch, 1/-; Prentice Hazeleigh, Maldon, Essex. (255)

PAIR antlers, mounted, 6/-; cock Goldfinch, new fancy cage, 4/-; cycle cover, 2/6: Turvey, Greyhound, Coldham-lane, Cambridge. (252)

PAIR Parrakeets, bred in aviary, also Dalmatian pup, three months; offers Rollers: 212, John Williamson-st., High Shields. (253)

EXCHANGE two air guns, good as new, for British or Canaries, value 20/-: Walls, 5, Dartmouth-rd. Selly Oak, Worcestershire. (266)

EXCHANGE good zither banjo, with case, cost 30/-, for good buff Norwich hen; no rubbish: Williams, 163, Lee Green, S.E. (258)

ROGER improved treadle fretwork machine, 12/-; cash or Canaries; no rubbish offered or wanted: Birkin, Queen's-rd., Buxton. (257)

PAIR Wyandotte Bantams, sell 8/6, exchange true pair yellow Budgerigars; yours first: Leitch, 3, Princess-st., Ballymena, Ireland. (263)

PAIR square gig lamps, silver plated, bevelled glass, equal new, 15/-; exchange birds: Bingham, Bramley House, Long Sutton. (249)

EXCELLENT pedigree bull bitch, price 45/-, or exchange best offer in Canaries: George Tunnicliffe, Bank House, Silsden, Keighley. (255)

EXCHANGE for good Norwich, two volumes of Natural History, very old, good condition: 10, St. Martin's-rd., Lower Edmonton. (245)

MAHOGANY and other show cages, show hamper, Blakeston's cage birds, lot 21/-, or sell separately: Dr. Dale, Scarborough. (251)

GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-, as new; exchange Canaries, Mules, or anything useful: Ellis, 78, Smith-st., Clerkenwell, London. (263)

EXCHANGE magic lantern, 24 slides, 1¾ by 7; 36, 2in. by 7¼; almost new; for good singing Canary: Sergt. Edge, Citadel, Plymouth. (248)

DRESS basket, also travelling case, exchange Canaries or British; approval both ways: H. Broadbent, 21, Carlton-rd., Dewsbury. (253)

GOOD tortoiseshell English doe, black buck, 7/- each, exchange good talking Parrot: G. F. Oldfield, Folly-rd., Wymondham, Norfolk. (266)

EXCHANGE all kinds of cutlery, silver-plated goods, razors, etc., for all kinds of Canaries; state wants: Parkin, 207, Arundel-st., Sheffield. (265)

EXCHANGE "Ideal" motor jack, Crystal Palace aviary, 2 golf clubs, for Yorkshires; offers: Shadbolt, 3, Cavendish-rd., Cambridge. (264)

VIOLIN, good, complete, value £2; boy's violin, £1; exchange Canaries, Budgerigars; sell cheap; offers: 65, Ewart-rd., Nottingham. (259)

EXCHANGE nine-compartment breeding cage for two pairs of Norwich and one pair Yorkshires: Dean, 15, Clews-st., Burslem, Stoke-on-Trent. (250)

PEDIGREE fox terrier bitch puppy, over distemper, nicely marked, £1; hockey stick, 3/-; exchange: Hodges, Hairdresser, High Wycombe. (264)

HANDSOME pure bred Minorca cockerel, same age: Miss Walker, Brynllithrig Hall, St. Asaph. (262)

BEAUTIFUL violin and case by Murdock, London, 25/-; exchange singing Rollers, exhibition H.M. British: Edwards, 59, London-st., Leek. (252)

FORTY secondhand 10in. gramophone records, some double-sided; what offers in cash or exchange?: Palfreeman, 9, Ash-st., Stockton-on-Tees. (259)

HAND lockstitch sewing machine, equal new, 30/-; exchange Canaries: Sampson, 31, Telford-rd., Ladbroke Grove, Westbourne Park, London, W. (262)

MAILCART, double seated, good condition, photo sent, sell 30/-; exchange Roller cocks, approval, deposit: Sanford, Kensington-rd., Morecambe. (254)

ALBUM containing 50 coloured plates "Cage Birds," 4/-; case and three Norwich club cages, unused, 6/-: Davidson, Bookseller, Montrose. (251)

EXCHANGE Edison Gem Phonograph, 15 records, and horn, for Yorkshires or Norwich, new three months ago: Hutchinson, Hopton, Mirfield. (251)

CYCLE, almost new, cost £6 10/- at beginning of season, free-wheel, two brakes, lamp, exchange Crests: Black, 56, Gladstone-st., Leven, Fife. (259)

CLAY pigeon trap, adjustable; smooth terrier bitch, broken ferrets, clean indoors; exchange cock Canaries, whippet: Lake, Hairdresser, Reigate. (257)

FOUR well-bred fox terrier puppies, six weeks old, nicely marked, dogs 7/6, bitches 5/-; exchange British: Fromont, 240, Woolwich-rd., Charlton. (264)

GRAMOPHONE, 10in records, new, 1/3 each; hand-sewing machine, £1, cost £4; exchange canaries or Mules: Sabine, 424, Portobello-rd., Kensington. (250)

TWENTY-KEY concertina by Lachenal 4 volt electric motor; induction coil; exchange birds; offers invited: Hayward, Foxcote, Steep, Petersfield. (249)

WILL exchange pair real Ayrshire blankets, 7 lbs. weight, value £1, for four singing cock Canaries, or offers: T. McGougan, 30, Duke-st., Kilmarnock. (246)

EXCHANGE flight or store cage, cost 50/-; splendid condition, for young buff Crested hen: Write particulars, W. Bale, 55, Newport-rd., Barnstaple. (264)

YORKSHIRE terrier dog, 8 months, 5lbs., affectionate, sharp, good follower; over distemper, 25s.; exchange Canaries or Mules: Rose, 152, Wornington-rd., North Kensington. (257)

TWO gent's double-cased English silver hunter watches, capped, jewelled, correct timekeepers, new condition, cost 6 guineas, £2; exchange birds: Rose, 152, Wornington-rd., North Kensington. (257)

TWO pairs hand-made clapnets, 2in. mesh, nearly new; mahogany travelling box, fitted 2 store cages, staffs, call cages to fit, all appliances, £2; exchange Bullfinches or Goldfinches: Rose, 152, Wornington-rd., North Kensington. (257)

LARGE Black Minorca cock, 2 hens, good value at 25/-; offers in large Cinnamons, Norwich, large Palace aviary, worth 70/-, sell cheap, or best offers good Norwich or Cinnamons, on approval; birds first: Hart, 52, Stevens-st., Lowestoft. (252)

ANGLO GERMAN concertina, 30 keys, £1; gent's free-wheel cycle, 24in. frame, £1; exchange pure-bred Canaries: Davies, 7, Bradford-st., Newton, Hyde. (247)

FOUR show homers, grand birds, 7 real good flyers, anyone wishing to breed flyers, these are quality, 30/; what exchange?: 4, Trelawney Square, Flint. (269)

EDISON Gem phonograph, perfect order, 15 good records, exchange Goldfinches, other birds, bicycle; offers: Particulars, W. Thomas, Saddler, Redruth. (256)

WHAT offers in Goldfinches, Linnets, Bullfinches, anything useful; for illustrated correspondence course on hypnotism: Bloodworth, Crosskeys, Mon. (252)

ENGLISH lever watch, 12/6; Hunter lever watch, 10/-; exchange h.m. winning Britishers, Siskins, Linnets, Goldies; birds first: Turnbull, Lochend, Dunbar. (252)

EXCHANGE Pom dog, 9 weeks, for Rollers and singing cages, 2 Goldfinch Mules, exchange for Borderers and show cages: Bell, 21, Beanfoy-rd., Tottenham. (250)

EXCHANGE, camera, and accessories, perfect, for blue serge suit, medium, 300 hobbies, designs for Pekin Nightingale: Alex. Robertson, 45, Lilybank-rd., Dundee. (261)

AIREDALE bitch puppy, 3 months old, high-class pedigree, exchange for good glazier's diamond, Norwich Canaries, or sell 20/: Francis, 6, Crescent-row, Llanelly. (255)

EXCHANGE for powerful opera or field-glasses, in new condition; approval for 2 singing cocks or 6 healthy hen Canaries: Parkin, 207, Arundel-st., Sheffield. (265)

SPLENDID pair of Pile Game Bantams, accept £1; pair of Black Tumblers, both winners, sell £1, or exchange: T. Weedall, 82, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (264)

YORKSHIRE, bitch, beauty, and her 8 puppies, 5½; offers invited, useful exchange, or cock Rollers (letters only): F. Chadwick, Tool Shop, Market, Wrexham. (261)

LARGE indoor aviary, as new, good Norwich cock and hens, Goldfinch and Linnet, h.m.; offers: sewing machine preferred: Riddington, Mafeking-terrace, Newmarket. (249)

PEN English Spangled Bantams, prize-winners, £1; or exchange blankets, cock Canaries, clapnets, anything; approval; yours first: Ward, 73, Klondyke, Featherstone. (262)

SELL or exchange four working Collie pups, eight weeks, for Houdan cockerel or cycle, show Goldfinches, or sell £1: Apply Wm. Johnston, Middleton Mill, Morpeth. (248)

THREE pens Old English Spangled Bantams, some winners amongst them; offers; exhibition British, offers, sell 15/ per pen: E. Weedall, John-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (254)

DRILLING machine, good condition, cost 25/-, sell 12/-; exchanges also M.L. gun, good killer, 12/6; exchange musical instrument, anything: Harry Palfrey, Dronfield. (251)

EXCHANGE Kodak panoram, takes photos 12 x 3½, good order, listed £3 10/-, new stand, 4/6; what offers good Norwich; no rubbish: Twaites, 9, North-terrace, Scarborough. (259)

WHAT offers in good Norwich Canaries, 1912 birds, for Edison Gem phonograph, large brass horn, 28 records and stand, worth £2 10/-: 35, Brownlow-st., Clitheroe, Lancashire. (264)

NEARLY new Tudor No. 2 ½-plate camera, telescope tripod, accessories, sell 25/-; exchange Canaries to 30/; approval both ways: Ilceley, Spring View, Luddendenfoot. (260)

BARGAIN, 2 pairs long distance homing pigeons, bred from cup winners, £1, exchange young yellow Norwich hens to value; no rubbish wanted: Cook, Carlton-st., Mansfield. (255)

PAIR clapnets, slight repair: cock Goldfinch Mule, finch note, 3 house-moulted Goldfinches, 1 Linnet, exchange donkey saddle harness, cash: Busbridge, Poundstock, Cornwall. (225)

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Singing Contests.

LEEDS.

Linnet contest held Nov. 23 at Skinner's Arms, Baslingthorpe. Twelve birds were hung: 1, Sellers; 2, Madden; 3, Clark; c, Biss and Grainger. Also Nov. 24 16 birds were hung; 1, Sellers; 2, Chadwick; 3, Sellers. Next sing Nov. 30.—E. W. Smith, hon. sec.

Weekly contest for quality held at the Old Bird House, King's Road, Shanuon Street, Nov. 23, when 13 birds sang for three good prizes given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson:—1, Chadwick; 2, Johnson; 3, Stead. Judges, J. Naylor, W. Naylor. Also Nov. 24, 17 birds sang for three good prizes:—1, Stead; 2, Chadwick; 3, Lacy. Judges, A. Jennings, W. Naylor, S. Hardcastle. Also a Canary contest for members only, when 11 birds sang for three good prizes:—1, Jennings; 2, Hardcastle; 3, Campling. Judges, T. Johnson, W. Naylor, A. Richardson. Open contest for Canaries will be held as above on Dec. 1, when Mr. Wm. Tillotson will give three good prizes; first pair to be hung at 8.—Walter Naylor, hon. sec.

Usual weekly Linnet singing contest held at the Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, Nov. 24th, when 24 birds competed for three good prizes: 1st and 2nd shared by Clark and Lorriman; 3, Clark. Judges, Messrs. A. Butler and T. Soloman. Also Canary contest, November 24, when 11 birds sang: 1, Smith; 2, Jinks; 3, Chippendale. Judges, Messrs. P. Madden and C. Lorriman.—J. Smith, Hon. Sec.

Club Reports.

EDINBURGH (Open) O.A.

A fully attended committee meeting was held in Buchanan's Hotel, Nov. 23. A large number of specials were reported, which promises a very attractive schedule. We hope the fanciers of our national bird will support us with entries and so complete our success.—Robert Lee, Sec.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Fortnightly meeting held Nov. 23, Mr. Farrer presiding over an interesting meeting. The question of advertising our open show on Jan. 17 and 18 was decided upon, both in the Fancy press and locally. Members will oblige by pushing sale of tickets, and also by giving their attention to securing subscriptions and special prizes.—J. Jeffrey, sec.

BANKFOOT AND DIST. C.B.S.

On Nov. 16th, at Messrs. Brayshaw's Assembly Rooms, Bankfoot, the above society held its second social and dance. The venture again turned out a great success, and over a hundred persons attended. The artistes responsible for the social part of the programme were Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith, Master Smith, and Mr. T. Mitchell, and their various selections were heartily appauded. The society is, indeed, fortunate in having such talent at its disposal, and at the next social and dance, announced for January 18th, we are already assured of some really fine talent. It only remains for the members to do their best in disposing of tickets to make this venture into the finest success the society has ever known. It is to be regretted that many members could not be present owing to unavoidable reasons. Already these gatherings are proving far more acceptable, both to the society and its supporters, than the older kind of assembly, and with far less risks as regards the financial side of the question. Certain events that have occurred during the present year are best forgotten, for more reasons than one, and by the new year the society will have to thank those of its members who by fearlessness of action and broad-mindedness, have steered the society to the sound financial position that it now enjoys. At our members' show, to be held on Saturday next, specials are to be given for best hen and selling classes; also three specials for most points with commended birds, thereby giving those members who are less fortunate in the money prizes, some recompense for their efforts. Several specials yet remain to be allotted, in addition to those set aside for the season's competition. —F. Gelder, Sec.

KELTY AND BLAIRADAM C.B.S.

Annual general meeting held Nov. 23, Mr. Jas. Stenhouse (President) in the chair. The balance sheet for the year was read, and showed a substantial balance in hand. The following were appointed as officials for the ensuing twelve months: President, Jas. Stenhouse; Vice-President, Alex. Anderson; Treasurer, D. McConville; Secretary, A. Dickson. It was agreed to alter the date of our annual open show to Saturday, Nov. 8, 1913. Also agreed to use guaranteed adv. in CAGE BIRDS. The chairman intimated that our association had this year again won the West of Fife Cage Bird League cup for most points over the various League shows by a handsome majority of points. This being all the business, the meeting closed.—A. Dickson, Sec.

NORTHERN YORKS. C.C.

Meeting and table show held Nov. 20th. Mr. Crawhall presided over a well attended meeting. It was unanimously decided to grant to Gateshead show, Dec. 13, 14. Ramsden's special for best young bird bred and exhibited by a member, and fed on Ramsden's pure peppers; judge, Mr. J. C. Barnes; the winner of challenge cup debarred. Our President, Mr. Crawhall, is organising a party to visit the Bradford National Show. Fanciers desirous of joining in the scheme can have further particulars by applying to the President or Secretary. The table show was fairly well supported, and some of the birds were of high merit. Mr. Mirley took sp. for best bird with a very fine cl. yell. cock. Awards:— OLD BIRD: 1, Mirley; 2, Deighton. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Deighton; 3, Hedley; 4, Smith; vhc, Mirley. HEN: 1, 3, Hedley; 2, hc, Mirley; 4, vhc, Smith.—R. Tindall.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

An exhibition of washing Canaries was held at headquarters, Nov. 20. Mr. C. Pearson led off, and explained as he went his method of washing, afterwards drying his birds by the fire. Mr. H. T. Gibb followed, using his drying cage, which contains a tank of hot water beneath the perforated zinc tray upon which the birds are laid wrapped in towelling, afterwards being place in another glass-fronted chamber above, where they thoroughly dry themselves, and become used to the outside temperature as the water cools in the tank below. This is a great advantage, as birds may be washed in the evening and left till morning in the drying cage without risk of catching cold. Messrs. James and Gravett afterwards expressed a desire to wash some birds, and were initiated by the first-named fancier into the mode of progression. Many of the club members and friends watched the proceedings, and an enjoyable evening was spent.—Will H. Gibb, hon. sec.

GATESHEAD & DISTRICT C.B.S

Meeting held Nov. 13, Mr. Tindale presiding. Several schemes for advertising our show were passed. Through the kindness of Mr. Morrison, of Gateshead Tramway Co., we are advertising our show on the cars which pass close to the show hall. This will be a great boon to visitors who are unable to find the show. Messrs. Holden, Lord, Hope, and Brown, were elected as paid stewards, Mr. G. Ellis, of the N.E.R., being previously elected. Decided to prohibit smoking in the hall. The allotting of specials was adjourned to Nov. 18. After class specials were allotted, the extra specials were gone over, which included a dinner set by Mr. J. Ford Maling, three diplomas by Mrs. Taylor, Messrs. Hindhaugh's special, and W. Gillespy and Co.'s special. Comment on Mr. Tyson's letter to the Fancy Press was very strong. The majority of the members thought that Mr. Tyson's tactics were anything but cricket, seeing that our schedule was made up six weeks previous to the Crested Canary Club patronage being offered to the Gateshead Society.—J. G. Greason, Sec.

PLUMSTEAD & WOOLWICH C.B.S

A grand evening concert and distribution of prizes won at the recent show was held Nov. 22 at Sussex Arms Concert Hall, Maxey Road, Plumstead, and the function was a great success, there being about a hundred members and friends present, all wearing smiling faces. The hall was brilliantly lighted and daintily decorated by the host, who kindly lent the hall for the occasion. A letter was read from W. J. Squires, Esq., L.C.C., stating how sorry he was to disappoint us by not being able to be present to distribute the prizes owing to his public duties being so heavy. Mr. Crutcher kindly came forward and filled the gap in a very able manner. The first half of the programme was gone through, and then the prizes were distributed to the successful competitors, Mr. Hazell taking spl for best bird and diploma for best champion Norwich, Mr. S. W. Taylor spl for second best and medal for most points in champion Nor. and Yorks, Mr. J. Shiers for best champ. Yorks, also diploma for best champion Border, Mr. J. H. Smith (who now goes up into champion section) taking cup for best unflighted Novice Nor., also diploma and two spls for best Novice Nor. and medal for most points in Novice Nor. and Yorks. Mr. E. I. Hartland won cup for most points in section throughout the year, diplomas for best Novice Yorks, best Border, and best Brit., also spl for best British and medal for most points in A.O.V. Canary, Mule or Foreign; G. H. Mackellan diploma for best Mule, and Mr. P. H. Lafbury medal most points in Brit. Mr. J. Inman diploma best in juvenile section, also special best Canary in same section; Mr. C. Page spl for hottest fed bird fed on Easterling Peppers. Mr. Sherman (Manor Park) won the Canary and cage presented by Mr. G. Peck, he being the holder of ticket numbered 154. Mr. S. Welbrake (Plum Lane, Plumstead) won the Canary and cage presented by Mr. J. Shiers for member selling the most tickets for admission to show, his total number of tickets being 74. Mr. Welbrake, on stepping up to receive his prize, was loudly cheered for his work and interest taken in selling so many tickets, which must have meant untiring effort. Mr. Crutcher then moved a very hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Meades, the hon. sec., for the way in which the show had been carried out, also for the able arrangements made for so pleasant an evening as they were spending together. Mr. Newnham support, and this, being put, was carried by acclamation. Mr. Meades, in thanking the members and friends for their appreciation of his work, stated that by the combined efforts of his committee and members and friends who had supported him, he thought that when the balance sheet was presented that they would not only have enough to wipe out the heavy deficit on their last year's working, but would be able to show a balance on the right side. This was received with a round of applause. The second part of the programme was listened to with great attention. The concert was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem and a vote of thanks to the artistes, who had rendered such splendid services in making the evening a great success, which will long be remembered by all present. Mr. E. I. Hartland was the musical conductor, and the following ladies and gentlemen took part:—Miss Somers, accompanist, who ably carried out her part; Mr. Hetherington, a tenor with a clear and ringing voice; Miss Mead, a young soprano with a powerful voice; Mrs. Rolton, contralto, who has a voice that is full and mellow and pleased the audience immensely; Mr. Auger, another tenor of no small merit, whose songs well suited him: Mr. French was the comic of the evening, his songs being well received. Mr. Wallis gave two violin selections with beautiful effect. Mr. Collett's selections on the concertina, of which he is a master, were received with loud applause. He is a player who is indeed worth hearing.—E. Meades, hon. sec.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

Meeting held Nov. 25, at Church Institute, 60, Paddington Street. Mr. W. A. Shepherd in the chair. Mr. Dickinson, hon. sec., and 23 members present. Before business had commenced, Mr. V. Wynn, the club sec., made his first attendance, after a long absence, and a very enthusiastic and hearty reception was accorded him, and all members hoped that after the next annual meeting he would resume his former position. The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed. Letters were read from the London Federation and the British Roller Canary Club, and it was resolved to loan the society's staging for the latter's show on February 7th and 8th, 1913. Seven new members were nominated for election at next meeting. A judging competition for Crests was the feature of the evening, but as only two members brought five birds, the competition was held over. Prize money was paid out for annual show, and it was announced that the cups and specials would be presented to the successful winners at the next meeting on Monday, Dec. 9, by Mrs. L. M. Thynne. Medals were presented to the winners of the Yorkshire judging competition, Mr. W. Knight taking first, Mr. A. Crockett second, and Mr. J. Herring third. The thanks of the members was voted to Mrs. Weston and Mr. F. Parrington for birds presented to the gift class, the sale of which realised a nice little sum for the funds. Votes of thanks to the stewards for their services, and to the chairman closed the meeting.—Fred. Thynne, Assist. Hon. Sec.

DARVEL AND DISTRICT C.B.C.

A meeting of cage bird fanciers was held in the Town Hall on Nov. 19, there being present: Messrs. G. Alston, N. Hopkins, D. Hopkins, A. Hopkins, W. McNair, A. Beaton, Jas. Morton, John Morton, W. Connell, H. Allan, J. Bennett, and J. Robertson. Mr. Alston was unanimously called to the chair, and after expressing his opinion as to the desirability of forming a Cage Bird Club in Darvel, he called on those present to give their views on the suggestion. They were unanimous that a C.B. Club was necessary to foster and increase interest in our hobby, and it was accordingly moved, seconded, and carried that we form a Cage Bird Club, to be known as "Darvel and District C.B.C.," and limited to a radius of six miles. The election of office-bearers was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—Hon. pres., Gavin Alston; pres., Nicol Hopkins; vice-pres., Wm. McNair, D. Hopkins, and T. H. Anderson; sec. and treas., Jas. Robertson, jun., Corra Linn. Agreed to write one or two local gentlemen to act as hon. presidents along with Mr. Alston. Membership fee was fixed at 2s. 6d. for adults, and 1s. 6d. for juveniles (under 16 years). Meetings to be held during the months from September to February inclusive, on the most suitable Tuesday or Thursday. Secretary instructed to write neighbouring clubs for copies of their rules, and submit same for inspection at next meeting. President was asked to submit a paper or give an address at next meeting on our Native Birds; and it was also decided to have a table show of Britishers as follows:—(1) Goldfinch or Bullfinch, (2) Linnet, Siskin, or Twite, (3) Redpoll. We hope the members will turn out in full force to this meeting, and bring new members.—Jas. Robertson, jun., Sec.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

The winners of specials at the open show reported in our issue of 23rd inst., were:—Most points in show: H. T. Gibb, 44. Members' British: W. Burr, 34. Yorks: F. Dandridge, 28; Nor.: W. Ellis, 25; Nov.: A. Hook, 12. Best For. Single, Dr. G. Thwaites. Best Pair, Dr. G. Thwaites; Canary, Mrs. L. M. Thynne; Unflig. Yorks, Rev. T. W. Miller; Brit., W. Burr; Mule or Hyb., H. T. Gibb; Yorks. Non-Fed: F. Dandridge; Nor. Non-Fed., Rev. T. W. Miller; Hydes' teapot, F. Dandridge; Trower's medal, G. W. Saunderjs; N.B.B. and M.C. medal, E. Lamb; Sandiford's, H. Frost. Cage Birds League medal, G. L. Slade.

GREAT HORTON O.S.

Members' show, held Nov. 23, at the meeting house; 77 birds were staged in 12 classes. Mr. P. Mason judged, and gave every satisfaction. YORKS., CL. YELL.: 1, Ogden Bros.; 2, Ormondroyd; 3, Shackleton; 4, G. Midgley; vhc, Lister; hc, S. Midgley; c, Gaunt. BUFF: 1, Ogden Bros.; 2, Shackleton; 3, Lister; 4, vhc, Fieldhouse; hc, E. Self; c, Gaunt. TKD. YELL: 1, S. Midgley; 2, F. Self; 3, Ormondroyd; 4, Ogden Bros. BUFF: 1, Lister; 2, F. Self; 3, Ogden Bros.; 4, vhc, Fieldhouse; hc, E. Self; c, G. Midgley. GEN. MKD. YELL.: 1, 4, Ogden Bros.; 2, 3, G. Midgley; vhc, Hainsworth and Son. BUFF: 1, Ogden Bros.; 2, E. Self. HEN: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Lister; 3, 4, Ogden Bros.; c, Gaunt. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, c, F. Self; 2, 4, S. Midgley; 3, Ogden Bros.; vhc, Shackleton. CINN. MKD. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Ormondroyd; 4, Shackleton. HEN: 1, 2, Shackleton; 3, 4, Ormondroyd. YELL. HEN: 1, Hainsworth and Son; 2, S. Midgley; 3, Lister; 4, Ogden Bros.; vhc, Shackleton; hc, Fieldhouse. BUFF: 1, Ogden Bros.; 2, F. Self; 3, G. Midgley; 4, Lister; vhc, Gaunt; hc, Fieldhouse; c, Ogden Bros.

JUDGES OF CAGE BIRDS

The attention of Show Secretaries is directed to the following list of gentlemen willing to act as Judges. Terms for insertion on application.

J. C. BARNES, 113, Northfield Road, Walkley, Sheffield. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Long, practical experience. Terms moderate.

T. BENNETT, 14, Cumberland Rd., Lidget Green, Bradford. Judge of Cage Birds. Long and practical experience.

J. W. BRUCE, Coldstream. Judge of all varieties of cage birds; Border and British Bird specialist. Terms moderate.

W. A. COWGILL, 115, Washington Street, Girlington, Bradford. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Practical experience. Terms moderate.

A. G. DAVIS, 110-112, Tib Street, Manchester. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Specialist Norwich judge.

GEO. GARDNER, 11, Haverstock Road, London, N.W. Judge of all kinds of Cage Birds.

J. R. HOUGHTON, 21, Hatfield Road, Gloucester; judge of Canaries and Cage Birds; specialist in Norwich; terms moderate.

C. A. HOUSE, Briardene, Idle, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and other Cage Birds.

W. MUNDELL, 6, Carlisle Place, Manningham, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds.

J. W. METCALFE, The Yorkshire Aviaries, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. Judge of Cage Birds; specialist, Yorkshire and Norwich.

H. NORMAN, The Lytle, Salisbury Road, Carshalton, Surrey. All varieties of Cage Birds. Specialties Hybrids and British Birds.

J. PATTERSON, Chirnside. Judge of Cage Birds; all varieties. Wide practical experience. Specialties Border Fancy Judge.

J. H. PAYNE, 17, Northgate Street, Gloucester Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Cage Birds.

C. E. SILK, The Aviaries, Emsworth, Hants. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience.

HENRY TAMS, Orchard Place, Longton, Staffs. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Birds. Twenty-five years Breeder and Exhibitor.

S. TICKELL, 22, Honey Street, Bodmin. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds; specialist Norwich, Cinn. & Lizz. Long practical experience. Terms moderate.

W. VARDY, The Aviaries, Hucknall Huthwaite, Notts. Judge of all varieties; specialist in Norwich Plainheads. Life experience. Terms moderate.

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Judge: Mr. O. Snart, Oakham. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Entries extended to Monday, Dec. 2nd. Please enter from the following: Class 44—Norwich; Class 45—Yorkshire; Class 46—A.V. British Bird; Class 47—A.V., 10s. Sell.—T. J. Walker, Sec., Oakham, Rutland

BROOMHILL and Dist. P.P. and C.B. show, Dec. 7th Judges: Pitry., J. Wilkinson; Pgns, J. Goodwin; Cage Birds, A. Brown. Entries close Nov. 30th.—Wm. Smalles, Sec., 28, Hartside Terrace, Chevington Drift, Northumberland. (216)

GALSTON (AYRSHIRE), Saturday Dec. 7th Judges: Scotch Fancy — J. A. Stewart (Mulrend), Norwich, Borders and British—Gavin Alston (Darvel). Alexander Frew, Secretary, 26, Duke Street.

CUPAR

(Fife) Open Show of Cage Birds.

Saturday, December 7.

In hall separate from other exhibits. 50 Classes. Judges: Scotch Fancies, J. Hogg (Oakley). Norwich, A. Dickson (Kelty); Borders, J. Hutchison (Dysart); Yorks, British, and Foreign, J. Goodfellow (Edinburgh). Send for schedule at once: Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar, Fife.

REMEMBER!

Whitburn

7th Annual Show of Cage Birds, Dec. 7th. 58 Classes, over 40 Specials. Judges: Norwich, R. Martin; Borders, Joe Thomson; British, J. Strachan. Schedules from Sec.: Robert Lambie, The Aviaries, Whitburn, Linlithgowshire. (241)

Glasgow Queen's Park

and Dis. C.B.S. Annual Show, DECEMBER 7th, Victoria Rooms, 476, Victoria Road, Crosshill (adjoining Queen's Park Station). Admission 3d. Robt. Heggie, Sec. (261)

Rotherham

Saturday, December 7th.

One day only. Prize money, 8/, 4/-, 2/-. Entry fee 1/-. Plenty of specials. Prize money day of show. Judge, J. C. Barnes (Sheffield). Enter from this (Open Section):—

Class.
1—Cl. Tkd. or Unevenly Mkd. Yell. Yorks.
2—Cl. Tkd. or Unevenly Mkd. Buff Yorks.
3—A.V. Yorks. Hen.
4.—A.V. Yorks Unflg., 1912.
5—Self or Foul Yell. Green Yorks.
6—Self or Foul, Buff Green Yorks.
7—A.V. Yell. Yorks, Novice.
8—A.V. Buff Yorks, Novice.
9—Cl. Tkd. or Unevenly Mkd. Yell. Nor.
10—Cl. Tkd. or Unevenly Mkd. Buff Nor.
11—A.V. Nor. Hen.
12—A.V. Nor. Unflg., 1912.
13—A.V. Yell. Nor., Novice.
14—A.V. Buff Nor., Novice.
15—Goldfinch or Bullfinch (British).
16—Linnet, Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite (British).
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Schedules ready from: **B. Bailey, 47, Craven Street, Parkgate, nr. Rotherham.**

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Open Show in the **Victoria Hall, December 7th.** Judges: Scoten Fancy and Norwich, Bishop (Stirling). Borders, Yorks, Cinnamons, T. Arnott (Kirkcaldy). British and Foreign J. W. Bruce (Coldstream).

Entries Close Nov. 30th.

T. Clelland, Sec., Coaltown of Wemyss, Wemyss, Fife.

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KEITH, N.B. 11th Dec.

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SWANAGE Dec. 11

15 Classes, Cage Birds. Judge: C. A. House; 7/6, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/6. **Entries close Dec. 1st, to: R. E. Cann, Hon. Sec., Swanage.** (207)

NARBERTH (PEM.)

25th Annual Show Dogs, Pltry, Pgs., C., R., **Cage Birds, DECEMBER 11th. Entries close December 4th. Cage Birds Judge, T. J. Owen** (Narberth). Schedules: **George T. Webb, Narberth.**

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ABERDEEN

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City of BIRMINGHAM

Cage Bird Society, Open Show, **DECEMBER 4th and 5th** (M.C.Y.O.C. Patronage). **J. Robson, Esq., Judge. 38 Open Classes (including 10 for Novices). 10/-, 5/-, 2/6,** for 1/6 entry, and **numerous specials.** Prize money within 7 days. **Will accept entries bearing Saturday's postmark. Entries very short: J. H. Jones, Hon. Sec., 109, Church Lane, Aston, Birmingham** (250)

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Schedules from: **H. McLaren, Church St., Broxburn.**

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DECEMBER 14th 48 CLASSES.

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Show of **Cage Birds, on Sat., Dec. 14th.** Judge: Wm. Bishop (St. Ninians, Stirling). **Grand Classification. Schedules now ready from: James Dow, jun., Hon. Sec., Gowanbrae, Auchterarder.**

BOWHILL

and Dist. Show, **Saturday, DECEMBER 14th, at Gothenberg Hall, Cardenden. Numerous Specials and Specialist judges.** Schedules from: **Andrew Spence, jun., 3, Alexander Place, Cardenden, Fife.** (262)

Cleator Moor

(Cumberland). **DECEMBER 14th. 28 Cage Bird Classes.** Judges: J. Stewart and G. Wilson. **Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6.** Entry fee 1/6. **Entries close Dec. 7th.** Schedules: **J. Skillicorn, 67, Trumpet Road.** (265)

KILSYTH

F.A. Open Show.

Saturday, 14th DEC.

Entries Close 9th December.

Norwich Section—Judge: Mr. John McLay (Kirkintilloch). Border Fancy Section—Mr. D. Hamilton (Hamilton). British birds—Mr. W. Sharp (Bathgate).

Entry, 1/6 per exhibit. **Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, and numerous Specials. Membership (2/6) open to all. Model cards free.—Andrew D. Duncan, Hon. Sec., Chronicle Office, Kilsyth.**

SELKIRK SHOW. December 14.

Borders, Norwich, British. Judge: H. Bennet. Schedules ready.—**R. Emond, jun., Sec., Dinsburn, Selkirk.**

THRUMS

C. & C.B.A. Annual Show, **DEC. 14th. 33 Classes,** over **40 specials.** Judges: J. Adams (Nor.), J. W. Bruce (Borders and Wild). Schedules from: **Joe Stevenson, 6, Muir Street, Kirriemuir.** 249

DENBIGH

Poultry, Pigeon, and Cage Bird Show, to be held **Tuesday, DECEMBER 17th. Entries finally close Dec. 7th.** For schedules, etc., apply: **J. Williams, Sec., Hall Square, Denbigh.** (261)

Loughborough

C.B.S. Show, **Saturday, January 4th, 1913. Fine Classification.** M.C.Y.C.C. patronage.—**V. A. Harris, Sec., Leicester Road.** (237)

Winsford

and Dis. Show, in the spacious **Co-operative Hall** (well-lighted and free from draughts), **Saturday, DECEMBER 14th.**

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DECEMBER 21st.

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Entries close Monday, December 16th.

Schedules may be had from: **W. Ayers, 23, York St., Jarrow-on-Tyne.** (261)

WAUNARLWYDD

and Dist. C.B.F. Annual Show, in the **Shepherds' Hall, on Thursday, Jan. 2nd, 1913.** Judge, J. H. Payne, Esq. **First prize given if only one in class, no matter about its merit.** The only show in Wales that's doing so. Schedules will be sent to all applying for same when ready. **Entries close Dec. 26th, 1912, to—Jack Walters, Sunny Bank, Westfield Road, Waunarlwydd, nr. Gowerton, S. Wales.**

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Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Dec. 2, Deansgate Hotel, 7.45. January show business and discussion re prize-money for same.—H. Boothman.

Middlesex O.S.—Dec. 5, St. John's Schools, Southall, 8. Judging competition. Members please bring a few birds.—Jeffery Jefferis.

Morley C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Sycamore Hotel, 7.30.—J. Rhodes.

Northern Border and S.F.C.C.—Dec. 2, Pillar's Cafe, 7.30. Table show, four classes for each section. Judges: Champions, Mr. T. Chapman; novices, Mr J. Craig.—Mr. S. Potts.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S.—Dec. 3, 65, Grainger Street, 7.30. Tickets for social of Dec. 13. Report on open show.—J. W. Reed.

Nelson C. and C.B.S.—Dec. 3, Mr. Fulton's, Railway Street, 7.30. Old show.—J. Spe[illegible].

New Cross.—Dec. 3, People's Hall, 8. Paying out prize money, cups and special; show and annual balance-sheet; special business.—Barton and Barton

Ormskirk C.B.S.—Dec. 2, Church House, 8. Show business and coupons.—Thos. H. Tiffen.

Partick and Dist. C.B.C.—Dec. 6, Trades Hall, Anderson Street, 8. Nomination of office-bearers for incoming year; paying out specials, etc.—Wm. Priest.

Pudsey, Stanningley C.B.S.—Nov. 29, Fleece Hotel, 8. Entries for show Sat., Nov. 30th. Judge, Mr. W. Ormanroyd. Birds staged 2.30. Entries taken 8 to 10.30. Meeting also Dec. 2nd, Fleece Hotel, 8 p.m. General business.—Hugh Ratstrick.

Paisley, Tannahill O.S.—Dec. 7, White's, 2, St. James Street, 7.30. Election of judges, etc.—John Stewart.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Nov. 30, Old Boar's Head, Corporation Street, Manchester, 6. Ordinary business. Some birds will be exhibited for [illegible] poses.—Andrew Percival.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Nov. 30, College Inn, 8. To receive members' entries, and all contributions must be paid up.—B. Bailey.

Reading and Dist. C.B.S.—Dec. 4, Palmer Hall, 8.—W. H. Pyke.

Stockton-on-Tees C.B.S.—Dec. 5, Leeds Hotel, 8. Business, open show.—J. W. Lowes.

Sheffield C.B.S.—Dec. 5, Wentworth Cafe, 8. Annual meeting. Election of officers; table show of young birds; open show business, etc.—A. Hobson.

Sandy Lane C.B.A.—Nov. 30, Victoria Hotel. Members' show; judge, Mr. L. Ogden (Bradford). Birds staged 2.—Ratcliffe and Shaw.

Stocksbridge C.B.S.—Nov. 30, headquarters, 8. Final arrangements for December show.—G. L. Sampson.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Dec. 7, Fawcett Street Cafe, 7.30. Open show business.—J. Jeffrey.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—Dec. 2, Liberal Club, 8. Important business.—James Hird.

Southend C.B.S.—Dec. 4, Blue Boar, 8.30. Balance-sheet of Nov. show, and the Mason trophy. Members please send ticket money along.—C. Tapper.

Thatto Heath O.S.—Dec. 2, The Railway Hotel, Thatto Heath, 8. Final arrangements for annual members' show, election of officers, etc.—H. R. Macdonald.

Tong C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill, 3. Members' show; judge, Mr. F. Bennett (Bradford).—W. Walker.

Tarbrax C.B.S. (Lanarkshire).—Dec. 5, Institute 7. Show business; committee only.—Alex. Dickson.

Ushaw Moor Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Nov. 30, club 7. Allotting specials, selecting stewards for show taking entries.—H. Briggs.

Vale of Levon C.B.C.—Dec. 4, Village Schoolroom Alexandria, 8. Annual meeting.—A. H. McLean.

Wimbledon C.B.S.—Dec. 2, 6, The Broadway, 8. Report of annual show; presentation of cups and specials; payment of members' prize-money.—H. Smith.

Walsall C.B.S.—Nov. 30, headquarters, White Harte Hotel, Caldmore. Annual members' show. 14 Classes. Mr. F. J. Weaver judge.—F. Price.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Horse and Groom Inn, 6 Members' show; judge, Mr. R. Halliday.—H. C. Crossley.

Watford C.B.S.—Dec. 6 and 7. Annual show.—M. Rackley.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Dec. 3, Dartmouth Hotel, 8. Receive prize-money; pay in specials and ticket money.—W. G. Andrews.

Walthamstow F.A.—Dec. 5, Trinity Schoolroom 8. Important business, re challenge cups and prize distribution.—Harry C. Cooper.

Windsor and Dist C.B.A.—Dec. 5, headquarters 8.15. To present balance-sheet.—E. A. Stickland.

Wirrhill C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Blue Bell Hotel, 3 Judging competition; all members to bring one cock and one hen. Entries taken up to 3 o'clock. Matt. Broadley judge. Six cash prizes.—J. Taylor.

Wakefield O.S.—Nov. 30, 7. Arrangements re purchase of cup; also members' show same date, 3 p.m. —J. Isherwood.

Wallasey and Dist. C.B.S.—Dec. 5, Fairhaven Institute, Seaview Road, Liscard, 8. Night show; judge, Mr. Burns.—Thomas Edwards.

West Stanley C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Co-op. Hall, 7.30. Specials to be paid out.—W. Elliott

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Twitterings.

We hear from Mr. Cottingham, sec., that Mr. T. Barker will judge at Nottingham show, Dec. 7.

Mr. T. Heath will judge at the annual show of the Watford C.B.S., Dec. 6-7 in the Conservative Hall.

R. A. Newley is "the" man for show cages. Order early. Address: 24, Stockwell Green, London, S.W. (Advt.)

We have engaged Mr. Kershaw to judge cage-birds again this year, writes Mr. J. Williams, sec., Denbigh show.

Kelty and Blairadam C.B.A. have altered their date and have fixed on Saturday, 8th Nov., 1913, for their next annual open show.

We have fixed November 1st and 3rd, 1913, for our next open show, writes Mr. A. Freestone, sec., Leicester Hand in Hand C.B.S.

Entries very short, writes Mr. H. Ware, hon. sec. Hayle F.A., not one per class. Will exhibitors please help us. Entries must close Dec. 1.

Mr. A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon St., Leicester, writes that No. 493 entitles holder to bird and cage, given away at Leicester Hand in Hand C.B.S. show.

We hear that Mr. W. J. Chedgey, the Cardiff Norwich enthusiast, won the Cardiff challenge cup at their late show, also Mr. Silk's cup at Swansea, staging a grand team.

Wombwell B.F.A. annual show takes place Dec. 14 in the Zion Chapel, George St., Wombwell, writes Mr. J. Hill, Wombwell, Mr. Brotherton of Rotherham will judge.

We hear from Mr. H. Hill, sec. Yorks Union of C.B.S. that a meeting of the Council will be held on Nov. 30 at 6 at the Market Tavern, Godwin St., Bradford. Agenda: Ballot for judges, closed rings, etc.

Will you please state, writes Mr. Bailey, 47, Craven St., Parkgate, Rotherham, that I have sent out 500 schedules for Rotherham show, and if anyone who has not received one will send a postcard, I will forward a schedule, or they can enter from this week's CAGE BIRDS, and I will class them.

Allow me to thank, through the medium of CAGE BIRDS, writes Mr. T. Lane, the officials of the Reading and District C.B.S. for the care and attention given to my birds while at the show, and on the return journey. Prize-money has been paid, and the ornamental prize cards are a treat.

Cage bird classes at Resolven, Nov. 21, writes Mr. Love, Neath, were all cancelled, owing to lack of support. This was caused by clashing with Cardiff, also poor advertising. The Resolven Society would be well advised to advertise a little more, as they have every facility for running a good show.

The winning numbers of the Alnwick Cage Bird Society draw are: -1st, 1518; 2nd, 473; 3rd, 1269; 4th, 496; 5th, 262; 6th, 959; 7th, 1130; 8th, 832; 9th, 1182; 10th, 986; 11th, 617; 12th, 1973; 13th, 1682; 14th, 1089; 15th, 1273; 16th, 1422. Will winning ticket-holders please send in their claim.—R. Forster, Hon. Sec. (Advt. 260.)

Owing to my leaving for Canada next spring, writes Mr. R. Baker, Chichester, I am compelled to part with the whole of my Belgian Canaries, and am offering them in this issue of your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS. Having been among the Belgian Fancy all my life, I shall feel the parting with them very much, but no doubt, when I get settled in my new home, I shall get some sent over to me, as no bird appeals to me more than the Belgian (the King of the Fancy. Wishing CAGE BIRDS every success.

I should like to mention to readers of CAGE BIRDS that the Norwegian hen Bullfinches that I import are very much larger than the ordinary Russians. I am the only importer of these kinds of birds, which are very difficult to procure. Several of my customers were very successful last year in breeding mules from them, and many of the principal winners last season and this were bred from birds supplied by me. I have now in stock 500 odd birds; consignments arriving weekly. —B Hollins The Zoo, Hull. (Advt. 0.)

Those visiting London this week-end and requiring good Norwich will find on view, Saturday and Sunday at Sandiford's, 89, Sclater Street, Bethnal Green, 40 of Mr. W. N. Midgley's (Winslow) Norwich cocks and hens. Prices 8s. to 30s. Now is your chance for this noted Palace winning strain.—(Advt.)

Will exhibitors who have received a Bradford National show schedule without an entry form, writes Mr. H. Hill, show sec., kindly make their entries on a piece of writing paper. It meant all packages containing same being surcharged for extra weight. The birds can be entered from the schedule, and this will meet all requirements.

Please allow me to correct a little error in Luton schedule, writes Mr. Bloomfield, hon. sec., classes 13-14 points special should read 2s. 6d. most points, classes 13-14, W. Smith, jun. This is done to give right donor credit. If exhibitors in these classes accept correct rendering write yes on entry form. If not schedule statement will be adhered to.

Many thanks, writes Mr. Montgomery, Staines, for showing my winning Yorkshire on your front page. I had a very pleasant surprise when I get my CAGE BIRDS this week to see my bird in the position of honour. The bird is unflighted, and I hope will do some more winning for me. I am a constant reader of your most valuable paper.

Any friends desirous of joining the L. and P.O.S. before the Palace show, should kindly let me have their names as soon as possible, writes Mr. C. W. Law, the hon. sec., Brimley House, Woodhouse Rd., N. Finchley. As a rule several are disappointed, on account of leaving it too late. The following friends have joined the Society: Mrs. Mabel Scholes, Mr. T. H. Milson, and Mr. T. G. Tapper.

The British softbill class for birds not larger than a Thrush is guaranteed; also Mr. Sandiford offers gold centre silver medal for hottest bird moulted on his food, entries to be marked Sandiford, writes Mr. J. H. Jones, hon. sec., Birmingham show. Entries are very short; we must extend closing date to Saturday, Nov. 30th (Saturday's post mark accepted).

At the Sheffield C.B.S. open show, Dec. 14th, we are giving a splendid classification and prize money, 10s., 6s., 4s., 2s., with specials in every section, writes Mr. J. Woolhouse, the assist. sec. Novices have ten classes (four Yorks., five Nor., and one Brit.), also we have added this year several unflighted hen classes. We trust exhibitors will send us a bumping entry, and beat last year's record.

As an old reader of CAGE BIRDS, in fact from the first day of its issue, writes Mr. Carr, Walthamstow, I must thank you for the splendid tips I have had from it. I must say it has been the means of my success in the Fancy, but I am sorry to inform you that through illness I have been compelled to part with all my birds to that well-known fancier, Mr. Parr, of Ilford. I shall always wish you success.

Many thanks for fine report of show in CAGE BIRDS last week, writes Mr. W. H. Gibb, hon. sec., Brighton and Hove C.B.A. Owing to business, the assistant sec. was unable to help much, and his place was taken by Mr. G. B. Absalon, a willing worker who gave the secretary much assistance during the show and afterwards. All exhibits left the showroom before 6.30 Saturday morning, and arrived home safely, there being no complaints.

We thank the ladies and gentlemen who have supported us by way of special prizes, writes Mr. J. R. Meikle, sec. Scottish National C.B.S., 51, Lothian Rd., Edinburgh. Any other friends of the National who would also wish to assist us in this respect, will be most heartily welcomed. Committee for allocation of specials meet Dec. 4, when all intimations re above must be to hand for insertion in schedule. Let all friends do their best.

On behalf of the committee and myself I beg to thank you for the report of Wimbledon Show: also please convey our best thanks to the exhibitors who gave us a record entry of over 900, writes Mr. H. Smith, hon. sec. Pleased to say we were able to get birds away early, and up to time of writing have not had a single complaint. All prize money has been dispatched. Members will be paid at meeting next Monday. Mr. Spillman's well-known light Mule was claimed at our show at catalogue price, £5 10s.

The railway companies are running excursions from all parts to Birmingham on our show dates, Dec. 4-5 (in connection with the cattle show) writes Mr. J. H. Jones (hon. sec.) The Midland Railway announce day trips on Dec. 4 from Barnsley, Rotherham, Sheffield and Chesterfield, Bristol, Gloucester, Cheltenham, Malvern and Worcester, Upton-on-Severn, Tewkesbury, Evesham, Alcester and Redditch, Dec. 5; day and half-day from Leicester, Hinckley and Nuneaton; day, Gloucester, Worcester and Bromsgrove, Evesham, Alcester and Redditch. L. and N.W. and G. W. Railway bills not yet to hand.

Exhibitors should not overlook Denbigh show; schedules from Mr. J. Williams, Sec., Hall Square, Denbigh.

In order to avoid clashing, writes Mr. J. H. Elwell, sec. Old Shildon Workmen's Club C.B.S., will secretaries please note that our show date is fixed for November 7-8, 1913.

Entries at Oakham show are very short, and exhibitors should rally round; closing date extended to Monday, December 2nd.

Mr. A. J. Barratt, sec. Coventry O.S., writes that the next annual open show will be held on Nov. 15, 1913. Will secretaries please note.

Pontypridd show (held Wednesday Dec. 4) has extended the date of entries closing until December 2 first post, and we hope to see this fixture given a first-rate entry.

We are asked to notify the following changes of address: Mr. R. T. Campbell, Sec. Dunfermline and Dis. C.B.S., from James Place to 19, Rolland Street, Dunfermline.

Schedules of Luton show have been sent out. The hon. sec., Mr. E. Bloomfield, 22, Hitchin Road, will be glad to send one to any one applying.

All exhibits, writes Mr. Bescoby, sec., were dispatched from our show on Saturday night by 8.30. The winning number of drawing for Canary and cage was 0634.

The Lurgan C.B.S. show held last week was a good success, writes Mr. S. McCollum, the hon sec. Date of next exhibition 21st and 22nd Nov., 1913. Would secretaries take note and avoid clashing?

Mr. H. Ridgway, hon. sec. Hinckley Show, writes that the second prize Linnet and the second prize Goldfinch were claimed at £2 2s., catalogue price, both by Mr. G. Lawrence, of Coventry. The winning gate prize numbers were 0574 and 0655. There was a record gate at the show.

We are informed that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Anyone who has been overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries: Enfield, Bournemouth, Hetton-le-Hole, Galashiels, Gt. Horton G.I., Windermere, Wimbledon, Nottingham and Notts.

The "Perfect" drying cage sold by Mr. A. Wilson, naturalist, Argyle Street, Glasgow (see advt. in this issue) has achieved a notable success, and fanciers needing such an appliance should send for the pamphlet which describes it and points out its undoubted merits. It is recommended by many notable fanciers.

How's That?

Twelve shows have been held by the Ilkeston and Dist. C.B.S., and out of these Mr. J. C. Barnes has judged at no less than eight and Mr. Charles Houlton seven, Mr. Barnes this year accomplishing the "hat trick"!

A Jollification at Highgate.

The social and prize distribution in connection with the Highgate, Hampstead and Dis. C.B. Society's annual show, will take place at Spencer Hall to-day, Saturday, Nov. 30, at 8 p.m. A very fine musical programme has been arranged; will members and friends please make an effort to be present. Mr. Geo. Gardner has promised to preside, supported by Mr. G. E. Weston, and others.

Northern Crest Club Show.

We are going to hold an open show of Crests and C.B. in the Bird Market, Newcastle, on New Year's Day, 1913, writes Mr. Hutchinson, hon. sec. N.C.C. We are providing 16 classes for Crests alone, paying £1 per class prize money, with an abundant supply of specials, including tea set, breakfast set, marble clocks, china clocks, and ornaments, etc., which are open to all exhibitors whether members of the N.C.C. or not.

A Christmas Present.

Our reviewers have already drawn attention to the excellence of that sound new specialist publication, "Canaries, Hybrids and British Birds," which covers every aspect of the mating, breeding and rearing of our songsters. Those who are on the look out for a charming present for anyone who keeps birds—whether for pleasure or profit or for exhibition—cannot do better than take advantage of the Waverley Book Company's special Christmas offer of "Canaries, Hybrids and British Birds" for free approval. All book buyers and book lovers already know of the convenient and popular terms on which this enterprising firm of publishers supplies its specialist books, allowing the buyer to pay by small monthly sums. This Christmas offer goes farther. It allows the probable buyer to have the book for seven days' free approval to test and examine it during that period, and to return it at the firm's expense if he decides not to order it. We advise all bird-lovers and all who are seeking a present for a bird-lover to ask the Waverley Book Company, Limited, 7-8, Old Bailey, London, E.C., to send "Canaries, Hybrids and British Birds," which is complete in one compact volume, to them for free approval and examination.

Wild-Bird Life.

Wild Birds' Winter Habits.

The weather during the past month has been very mild and at times when the sun shone it seemed more like summer than the beginning of winter; but although so mild, wild birds, in most cases, returned to their usual winter habits. There is a vast difference between the summer and winter habits of the majority of our resident birds. In Summer they are mostly in isolated pairs, seeking the seclusion of the hedgerows and woods, wherein to raise their young, or as in the case of the waders, to haunt the solitude of the marshes, hillsides, and moorlands where few save the shepherds intrude upon their



THE KINGFISHER.

privacy. In Winter, they congregate and band together in huge flocks, for protection from their many enemies, but even then some birds do not seek the company of their fellows, but love to roam free and unfettered quite by themselves. The tiny Wren is an example, and so is the gorgeous Kingfisher. These latter birds leave their fellows and make for open water, where, like the familiar Robin, they love to have a beat all to themselves. Year after year the pond in the centre of the village, where the writer of these notes resides, is favoured by the presence of one of these lovely birds. A cedar tree is growing on the bank, and juts out its branches over the water. On one of the lower ones, which is almost bare of foliage, the Kingfisher sits statue-like, watching keenly the surface of the water beneath him. Suddenly he moves, dropping like a stone into the smooth water, but before one hardly realises the occurrence and notes the splash, he has turned and is making his way back to the favourite perch. The flight of the Kingfisher is particularly rapid. The speed with which he flies from one perch to another is astonishing; similarly his manner of pulling up when he arrives at his destination.

New Society for Darvel, Ayrshire.

As will be seen from our Club Report column, a society has been started as above. The membership is restricted to a six miles radius. Further particulars will be found in our report of the meeting.

The Prolific Roller.

I had a very successful season this year, writes Mr. W. H. Blythe (Bacup) having bred from five hens nearly forty youngsters, which I think is not such a bad record, and incidentally, is a proof that so far as proficacy is concerned, the Roller Canary is not yet in danger of extinction, as seems to be the case with some of the other varieties. Your coloured plates are splendid.

Corrections in Show Reports.

At Cardiff, 3rd in Goldfinch class should be Richards, not Maidment; at Cowdenbeath, 2nd in each of the Greenfinch classes was won by Mr. J. Messer, not by Mr. Logan and Mr. A. Bell as reported; at Brighton, was 2nd in Nor. Yell., not H. Frost; at Blackwood the various wins in Borders credited to W. Sneddon should read W. Haddow; at Warrington the he awarded to Mr. S. P. Alexander's Goldfinch was omitted from our report; in Oldham report the awards in the Buff Nor. class should read 1, 3, spl., Sharples; 2, Young.

Sticking to the Old Love.

Although I'm almost out of the Fancy now, writes Mr. R. P. Harper, I still take a keen interest in the North London Society, and was very disappointed over the miserable entry until I visited the show and saw the quality. This was splendid. Mr. G. T. Green's Unflighted Yorkie took champion cup and special best in show and one or two minor specials. I hear it won 1st at Swansea in a class of 30, and again at Leyton and Bournemouth. I sent three Norwich, and one secured first and the special for best headed Nor. in the show. I have decided to retain three or four pairs, so hope to support them a little better next year.

FOUNDING A BUNTING AVIARY.

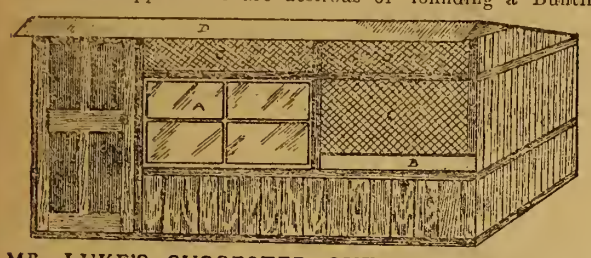
By L. P. LUKE (Brighouse).

An article of interest to all lovers of Buntings, and particularly those who keep the Yellow, Snow, or Corn, while most British-bird fanciers are almost sure to find a useful "tip" or two contained in it.

OF late the Bunting tribe have been receiving some measure of the attention they deserve in cage-bird circles; for though possessing no extraordinary vocal capabilities, yet, by reason of their charming colouration, quaint mannerisms, and distinctive habits, when thoroughly tame, they are extremely popular amongst that section of fanciers who have given them a trial as cage or aviary pets.

The species most frequently met with in captivity are the Yellow Bunting, the Snow Bunting, and the Corn Bunting, whilst in the rooms of some more experienced hands we occasionally stumble across the Cirl or Ortolan. All these species, however, are very similar in their requirements, so we can, in dealing with them, generalise on many points.

Let us suppose we are desirous of founding a Bunting



MR. LUKE'S SUGGESTED OUTDOOR BIRDROOM.

A: Glass lights. B: Shutter to cover netting in wet weather. C: Open netting (half-inch mesh). D: Rain slide. Length 12ft., height 7ft. at front, 5ft. back, width 7ft.

aviary. My method of procuring specimens is one I saw outlined some years ago. I select some large reliable catcher from the advertisement pages of CAGE BIRDS, and request him to forward me a dozen or so of his best birds, on condition that I may retain as many as I choose and return the remainder, paying something extra for the privilege of doing so. Thus I am able to obtain the pick of the pack at a minimum of expense, and am practically certain of receiving a bird which will make up into an exhibition specimen. Having obtained the bird, I run him into a steadying cage, for he will be fairly wild, although most likely "on seed."

A Useful Steadying Cage.

The smaller illustration depicts a cage designed especially for steadying newly bought specimens, which I consider to be the most important factor in the production of exhibition pets. Almost all the members of the Bunting family have a peculiar habit of crouching on the ground, which they must get rid of before they are fit for the show bench. Only a small portion of the front of my cage is wired, and the birds themselves naturally curious as to their novel surroundings, stand "a tip-toe," as it were, in order to see, thereby being "pulled into line." I might mention at this juncture that the correct attitude for the show bird is about midway between the vertical and horizontal, say at an angle of 50 degrees.

The top of this cage is covered with string netting, which prevents the birds from damaging themselves if they fly upwards. This open top, too, allows one to place one's hands directly over the birds, and I find this extremely useful in taming them. As the Buntings spend a great deal of time on the ground—some even roosting there when wild—I place no perches in this cage, but strew the floor with a thick carpet of sawdust; this needs frequent renewal, and the feet of the birds must be well looked to.

Tit-bits for Supper.

I visit the cages as often as I am able, and offer tit-bits to the birds, speaking soothingly to them all the while. The best time for this is when they have retired for the night, and are not disposed to bestir themselves again.

I place this cage in a room where people are constantly moving about, at a height of about six feet, so that the birds have to "stretch" to see. Its dimensions are: 6 inches high, 10 inches deep, and 15 inches long.

The Next Step.

From this cage I transfer my birds to a similar one, but higher, and having the top wired instead of netted. Here I place two stout perches, not far from the bottom, and provide a bath to admit of bathing whenever the birds will; for, as we have been told so very often, there is nothing like fresh water for bringing out the lustrous sheen which adds yet another charm to our pets.

In addition to other foods, of which I will treat when I deal with the birds separately, I supply to all my Buntings who will accept them, that luscious, juicy gentleman, Mr. Mealworm. When my birds will take a mealworm from my fingers, I consider them fit to turn into the aviary, for I find they readily become tame again when caged after the moult, preparatory to the shows.

Aviaries from Egg Boxes.

My "aviary" is really a kind of gorgeous flight in an out-door bird-room. The larger drawing shows one of my outdoor rooms in which I put several of such flights. These flight cages are about six feet long, and are capable of accommodating six or eight birds. As they simply have half-inch wire netting fronts, and are made from egg-cases, they are very cheaply constructed. I stack them one upon the other, with three wooden blocks between to allow the air to circulate freely.

With regard to the correct type of bird to select for show, my method is to visit some exhibition where I am likely to find the species I want. Once there, I study each particular feature of the birds, contrast different exhibits, and then *read the critique* in CAGE BIRDS. Thus I get a full grasp of the merits and demerits of the birds, and I maintain this is infinitely superior to reading a bare inexhaustive description.

When once I have a bird which I think worth the showing, I take great care of him, and moult him to the best of my ability; I consider the flight the best place for moulting, and I make the diet for the birds as natural as possible. Water, of course, I supply in plenty, on all except wet, damp, murky days, no matter how cold the weather. Colour-food used in moderation I consider improves both the Yellow Bunting and the Corn Bunting.

Mealworms and ant eggs are very stimulating, and these I provide whenever a pet is out of sorts. Buntings are not particularly fond of green food, but I let mine pick over a little dandelion if they will. Sometimes I strew my flight with chaff or peat moss, amongst which I scatter a little seed. This helps to give them exercise and to keep them employed.

Not Yet—But Why Not?

Buntings are by no means free breeders in captivity; hybrids have yet to be produced, but herein lies a problem worthy of our most strenuous efforts—a nut to crack—in very truth. Foreign Buntings have bred in captivity, and hybrids from our British Buntings are bound to come with a fuller knowledge. When they do, we shall all say "Well done!" to the lucky fanciers.

Perhaps it is time now to descend from the general to the particular, so I will deal in the first instance with the common Yellowhammer or Yoldring. Suppose for a few minutes we could peep into the "Autobiography of a 'Hammer," this is what we should most probably read:

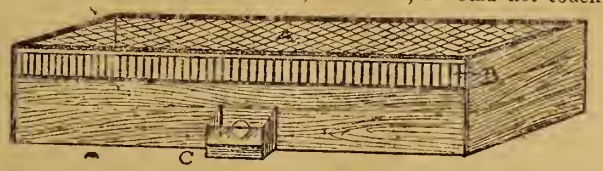
A Yellowhammer's Autobiography.

"On the very first of June with a jump I broke open my purple-streaked egg-shell, to find myself in a cosy little nest placed in a very small bush and made of grass, moss, and hair. Two of my brothers had arrived before me—the third was yet to come. My mother was a big yellow bird, but my daddy was even bigger still. They were so proud of us, and fed us every day on insects, caterpillars, and small seeds, until, having a new suit of nice feathers, and looking just like mother, at last I fluttered from my home and was taught to fly. All day long we stole from the farmer's cornfield, and I grew till I was even bigger than my dad. Other birds taught me to pull the stalks from the stacks in the farmyard, and steal the grain from the ear, when winter came along.

A Cloud with a Silver Lining.

"At last I lost my parents and joined a band of young Corn Buntings. Often we were sopping wet, always we were hungry, until one day we chanced to find a nice stackyard. Here was lots of chaff for us to hunt amongst, and we were almost happy. As I was hunting for breakfast in the early morning, I trod lightly on a green-looking twig, to find myself held fast. Before I could free myself, there came a man who carried me into his house, where I was put in a nice warm cage.

"I was very frightened at first, and dashed madly about in a vain attempt to regain my friends. When the man had gone away, I looked around, and saw seeds of every kind, with corn and grain in plenty. How glad I was, for I was very hungry! Making sure Mr. Man wasn't looking, I greedily devoured his food, and when my master came again he dropped all kinds of nice things to eat in my cage—earwigs, spiders, flies, seeds—but, of course, I would not touch



THE STEADYING CAGE FOR BUNTINGS.

A: String top. B: Front wires. C: Seed box. Length 16 inches, height 6 inches, width 10 inches.

them when he was present. You may be sure as soon as he had gone I gobbled them up

"Every day he came like this, and spoke so kindly to me that I soon began to look forward to his coming. I didn't fly madly about now, you may be sure, but sat on my perch, put my head on one side and winked—yes, winked—at him.

(To be continued.)



Drawing by [*E. W. Molyneux.*

A FAVOURITE WITH EXHIBITORS AND JUDGES

This drawing by a Manchester fancier, depicts the Hawfinch, which is a favourite exhibition bird and one which the judges generally place near the top of the class.

Breeding the Perfect NORWICH PLAINHEAD.

By C. DIXON (Norton, Malton).

An uncommon method is advocated by our contributor; as to its feasibility we cannot, of course, express any opinion—readers must use their own judgment.

AS a lover of Norwich Plainheads I am putting before you the way in which I think they can be improved and brought to a still higher state of perfection than has yet been attained. The beginner, of course, has not to go right back thirty years or more; he has to mate up the present-day bird to bring about a further improvement. I will assume that our beginners get their birds from good men—there are many who have a really good lot of stock birds, the right stamp for any one to commence with.

I hold that the first pair the novice selects should be as follows:—A buff cock, a large massive bird, with a big round head, a bold eye, small beak, full cheeks, plenty of feather, short flights and tail, and standing on short legs. He will not carry much meal on him; you never see this until the birds are brought down in the breeding to a finer state of feather. The hen should be a yellow Cinnamon; or, failing this, a big yellow Crestbred. Here you will also have plenty of feather. Her points should be like those of the cock bird, if you can get them. Let me here say that if the Crest-bred hen is used, the male bird must have a bit of Cinnamon blood in him; but the other hen should be pure Cinnamon.

The pair should at least have in combination all the points described above, what we may term in their rough state, because 90 per cent. of all large birds are coarse in feather—if you get a very large one with fine feather qualities I should call him a rara avis. You will breed from this pair Greens and marked birds, and you may even get clears or ticked birds. The young will be finer in feather, generally, than their parents. This is accounted for by the Cinnamon blood, which should be in both parents preferably. These young birds will be quite as large as their parents but far better in quality. These young birds you had better carefully enter in your bird-room stud-book, so that you will make no mistakes when pairing up the following season with the progeny of the second pair I am now going to describe. The young from this second pair, of course, should be carefully recorded in the stud-book, the same as the first lot of youngsters.

Not a Trace of Marking.

The cock for this second pair should be a clear yellow Norwich, and, of course, a pink-eyed bird, a little less in size than the first pair, so that he will be finer in feather, but be sure all the points enumerated in the first are present quite as strongly in this bird. The pink-eye will tell you there is a large amount of Cinnamon blood flowing through his veins. The hen to pair with this bird should be a really fine specimen—on the verge of being a good show bird—and so much the better if there is a wee drop of Cinnamon blood in her. But there must be no foul feathers, nor even underflue in either bird; both absolutely clear. From this pair you will breed your best birds so far as show points go, and you will have a great percentage of clears. If you breed a ticked one, either male or female, keep your eye on it, and don't part with it.

We will suppose that you have bred eight youngsters from each of the above two pairs; that is, sixteen birds in all. The second year you will pair up from these the young from the first pair to those from the second. Say a yellow-green cock to a good buff hen, then a good buff cock to a yellow hen, or yellow-green, and so on. Always, of course, try to build up the type, and any deficiencies try to improve by carefully pairing the birds together.

Up to now we have not bred the ideal exhibition specimen; it has not yet been staged. But it will come, as the Plainheads have attained great excellence, though not yet quite to perfection. Use your best judgment when you are mating up the third lot, for you will have been bringing the birds on to the goal you are aiming to reach—the ideal exhibition specimen—and I believe that out of the young resulting from the third year's breeding you will find that you are coming near to realising the fulfilment of your expectations.

In Love with Cinnamon Blood.

Cinnamon blood is the greatest factor in producing colour; it tells wherever used. In fact there is no other bird that is of such use and power as the Cinnamon. It is a feather refiner, it gives "bloom," and imparts that frost or meal which makes a good buff bird look so lovely. Now all the good properties of the Cinnamon are, by the method of breeding and mating outlined above, thoroughly blended together, and will produce lovely-coloured birds, which, for depth of natural colour, are remarkable. Don't try in-breeding too much or your birds will deteriorate; only go reasonably far.

There are many faults to be avoided, such as narrow heads, long necks, long legs, long flights and tail, etc. Don't in any case pair birds to birds which both possess the same fault; in fact keep away from faulty birds as far as possible. I have seen the Norwich and Lizard bred together. What colours this cross did produce! Some were "mousey marked" birds, and I saw none for which I would have found cage room. I claim to have acquired a little knowledge about the breeding of Canaries, having had thirty years' experience (of which, however, a good many were spent in breeding just the ordinary kind) and I feel full of enthusiasm for the future, because I have got a little way on the road that I have tried to describe in my essay, and I expect in another year or two to be heard of on the show bench.

BELFAST.

The Belfast, Nor., Cresl, and Y.C.C. held their elcventh annual exhibition in the Clarence Hall, Nov. 16th. This yearly show is the very keenest in Ireland, as all exhibits are to be unflighted and bred by exhibitor. The executive is very generous, providing gold medals for each section, with a massive silver cup thrown in. Crests opened the show, and a very nice lot were on view. The gold medal was won by Mr. Bowman's D.C., clear body exhibit. It had a narrow squeak of being beaten by the monster C.B., put down by Mr. Leacock. Norwich were a wonderful show. Hardly a bad one among them. The Irishmen are on the right track, good heads and neck, with hardly anything behind the perch. The winners in each class would hold their own in keen English competition. The winning cl. buff hen is a gem of the first water; the owner is to be congratulated on having such a topper. Mr. Raynes, of Manchester, placed the cards, and it is a long time since he had such a hard day's work, we are sure. Yorks. were a very even lot, but not up to the standard of the Nor. They are, however, being taken up more, and are a decided improvement on last year. Mr. Tansey put down a very nice team; his cup winning hen is a real good 'un, and should make a name. Messrs. Birse, Fleming and Dunwoody had quite a pitched battle with honours going to Dublin in the shape of three firsts, the Belfast men capturing five. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, of Liverpool, adjudicated in this section, and was happy in his selections. The officials are a hard-working body. It is ages since we came across a worker like the genial president, Mr. J. E. Adams, who is at the head of affairs. Mr. Bamford is an energetic secretary, and he had very willing stewards to help him. The attendance was very good. A few Yorks. changed hands, but the Nor. men were loath to part. The cups and specials were handed to the winners at close of show.

The Critique.

CRESTS: 1, 4, Bowman, D.C., enormous crest, well rndinted, shows grand qual., well staged; 2, 3, McCrea, self green smaller crest, not so neat in centre, rare body feather; 3, foul tail, rare size, fair feather, crest breaks a bit, kept it back. HEN: 1, 4, Leacock, rare thumping lady, neat crest, nice droop from centre; 2, McCrea, better qual., well centred crest, but very small; 3, Bowman, very penny in centre, nice droop and feather, well groomed. C.B CK.: 1, Leacock, rare skull and lashings, shows wealth of feather, very silky; 2, 3, Bowman, foul. tail, nice skull, fails lashings and feather, short and compact, 3, longer pinched head, fair feather and cond.; 4, Adams. HEN: 1, 2, Bowman, almost green, fine size and qual., nice skull; 2, good bird, but a pinch in skull, nice feather; 3, Adams, self green, plenty of good feather, slip heel or would be higher. NOR. C. YELL. CK.: 1, J. Stewart, bold round head and neck, capital cond., short wings and body; 2, McCagherty, again a good one, must have pressed, compact, cobby and polished; 3, Thompson, sweet chap, rare good front, took off feed too soon, shows spectacles; 4, Teasey. BUFF CK.: 1, Faith, rare size, grand col., round as an orange, capital wings, well staged and wins; 2, Thompson, cobby, rare front, very broad, capital back, well mealed; 3, Teasey, magnificent feather and cond., takes perches well, should make up; 4, Lavery. TKD. YELL. CK. (7): 1, 3, Thompson, tremendous size, monster head and neck, just a shade too much behind; 2, Stewart, neat exhibit, mag. type, fine texture, eye well centred; 3, fine shape, nice frontal, free movement, short wings and tail, dark beak, must have pressed; 4, Boyd. TK. BUFF CK.: 1, gold medal, Scott, grizzle cap, storming size and beautiful type, short legs, put down in rare form; 2, Stewart, very bonny, nice front, grand body and cond., short in wings and tail; 3, Wilson, wing mkd., great size, good broad front, splendid head and neck properties; 4, Gray. VARIEG. YELL. CK.: 1, Scott, like a ball of fire, compact chap, stormy qual., capital front, moves freely; 2, 3, Teasey, another neat chap, rare order, good wings and "propeller," could do with a bit more head; 3, all front, topping exhibit, clean cut as a cameo, bit small; 4, Boyd. BUFF: 1, Lavery, compact, round and broad front, head and neck, really great; 2, Teasey, another bouncer, rare head and neck, short and well filled in, just a little roach backed; 3, Boyd, nicely staged, bold head and eye, wings and tail packed to perfection; 4, Scott. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, Stewart, charming lady, exquisitely feathered, carries them like a queen, moves quite stately; 2, Connell, bit longer, fine texture of feather, well packed, wild; 3, Montgomery, smart girl, but fails size to above, short and rounded nicely; 4, Faith. BUFF: 1, 2, gold medal, Faith, an eye-opener, would make any English hen gallop, the acme of perfection, should make a great name; 2, Lavery, another of rare type and qual., nice front and head, wings and tail packed together well; 3, topper for size and cond., carries wonderful front all over; 4, McCagherty. TKD. YELL.: 1, Teasey, another queen of yell., leads her maids well, all that is required is here; 2, McCagherty, saddle mkd., we call a variey., capital type, short wings, rich even col.; 3, Connell, cap mkd., carries nice mantle, polished like marble; 4, Thompson. TKD. BUFF: 1, Stewart, grizzle cap, great size, round as an apple, shows wealth of meal, compact throughout; 2, Connell, wonderful shape, tight in feather, rare head and neck, has a cocky appearance; 3, Lavery, bit smaller, but splendid feather and shape, moves well; 4, Gilmore. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, runner up for medal, Faith, grizzle on nape, wonder for Nor. properties, clean cut; 2, Boyd, almost green, charming feather, well filled in neck, fine carriage and cond.; 3, Finley, sweet damsel, bit small in head, but rare type and feather; 4, Gray. VARIEG. BUFF: 1, Stewart, heavily variey., quite a becoming lady, shows all the true Nor. properties, wins; 2, Teasey, rump mkd., carries tail well, capital frosting and coud.; 3, McCagherty, saddle mkd. wonderful head and neck, moves freely; 4, Carleton. YORKS CL. YELL.: 1, sp, medal, Tansey, straight as a rush, magnificent feather, stylish, will want stopping next year; 2, 3, Dunwoody, longer, but not quality of feather, shows nice flights, nice feather and cond.; 3, long raky exhibit, sweet head and neck; 4, Montgomery. CL. BUFF: 1, Tansey, topper for style, grand pair legs, capital wings and pipe tail, well put down, straight as an arrow; 2, Dunwoody, rare good bird, grand round body, finely feathered, erect position, very ill at time of taking notes; 3, 4, Fleming, long raky bird, shows too much frill, good flights, and tail. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, Birse, long sid d, well filled in neck, stands like a guardsman, just a bit coarse in feather; 2, Sloan, charming hen, full of style, exquisite feather, would win with a bit more size; 3, S. Stewart, very racy, long-sided, full of go, very fine feather; 4, Dunwoody. CL. BUFF: 1, Birse, smart lady, glorious texture of feather, shows neat front, straight as a rush; 2, 4, Dunwoody, another neat exhibit, round as a bottle, good top ends, not legs of winner; 3, Fleming, charming qual., grand back, pipe, but shows a little frill. TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Fleming. A1 pos., straight as a gun barrel, fine tone of feather, good legs, knows how to use them; 2, Hunter, variey., grand back and erect and fearless, level col., well up on leg; 3, 4, Dunwoody, real good bird, but was taken ill at show. HEN: 1, Birse, real good hen, shows grand qual., plenty of leg, neat front, should make up; 2, 4, Dunwoody, another stylish lady, runs above very hard, grand wings and tail, bit limpy; 3, Fleming, heavily var., rare style of a stock hen, grand post. and col. TK. BUFF CK.: 1, Tansey, wing mkd. buff, long drawn, full of swank, nice feather; 2, 3, Dunwoody, round as a bottle, well up on leg, very erect, runs winner very close; 4, McKelly, great length and style, boxy feather, neat pair of legs. HEN: 1, cup winner, Tansey, rare lady, as neat a hen as we've seen for some time, full of York type, round as a pencil, easy winner; 2, Birse, another nice lady, full of swank, very close feather, line pos.; 3, Fleming, long drawn hen, shows wonderful sidne on feather, but weak at neck; 4, Dunwoody. MULE: 1, Carleton, real good Siskin Mule, grand col. and size, nice Nor. type; 2, McCagherty, good Goldie Mule, splendid blaze and col., runs very close up; 3, Beattie, lovely little Twite Can., shows splendid markings, in grand cond.; 4, Creighton.

CAMBRIDGE & COUNTY C.B.A.

Show confined to the town and county held in Mr. Catling's Auction Rooms, Nov. 14. About 170 birds were staged, and in the opinion of the judge, Mr. J. T. Palmer (Gamlingay) the show was an excellent one all round. Exhibits worthy of special mention were the foreign birds staged by Mrs. Rice, who showed a pair of Tonrazous (said to be about the only pair in the country) and a couple of Lorikeets. All Mrs. Rice's birds were remarkable for the beautiful condition in which they were shown. In the Goldfinch class Mr. T. Hinson won with the bird which won the open class at Norwich, and here it took special for best British. The clear buff Nor. shown by Mr. Allen, of Witchford, in the members' class was also a bird of exceptional merit. Mr. F. Papworth won first and special in the Border class with a clear yellow, which the judge described as a "perfect gem." Mr. Williams' clear yellow Nor. was judged the best bird in the show, taking first prize in its class and several specials. Yorks were very strong, Messrs. Bishop, Knights and Langley doing well here. The tradesmen of the town responded handsomely in the matter of providing special prizes, there being one in nearly every class. The show was under the guidance of the hon. sec., Mr. W. Ridgeon, who was assisted by the committee and several other workers, and their efforts were quite successful.

NOR. YELL: 1 Courts (Wisbech) 2, Bishop; 3, Nichols. BUFF: 1, Bishop; 2, Bidwell. HEN YELL.: 1, Bishop; 2, Allen. BUFF: 1, Bidwell; 2, Courts; 3, Papworth. NOR., A.O.V.: 1, Allen; 2, Bishop. YORKS YELL.: 1, Bishop; 2, 3, Knights. BUFF: 1, Bishop; 2, 3, Knights. HEN, BUFF; 1, Knights; 2, Morley. A.O.V. YORKS; 1, Knights; 2, Papworth; 3, Morley; CREST OR C.B.: Papworth. BORDER: 1, Papworth; 2, Stiles. A.O.V.: 1 Edwards; 2, Shadbolt. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 3, Ridgeon and Co.,; 2, Morgan. GOLDFINCH: 1, Hinson; 2, Starling; 3, Shadbolt. BULLFINCH: 1, Watson; 2, Manning; 3, Handscombe. LINNET: 1, Botwright; 2, Watson; 3, Mansfield. GREENFINCH: 1, Williams; 2, Miss Buttress; 3, Bye. TWITE: Bye. A.O.V. SMALL: 1, 3, Williams; 2, Handscombe. LARGE: 1, Papworth; 2, Hearn; 3, Mrs. Bainbridge. FOREIGN SMALL: 1, Mrs. Rice (Clayhithe); 2, 3, Mrs. Gardiner (Barton). LARGE: 1, 2, Mrs. Rice; 3, Mrs. Dew. MEMBERS—NOR. YELL.: 1, Williams; 2, Papworth; 3, Bishop. BUFF: 1, Allen; 2, Papworth; 3, Bishop. A.O.V.: 1, Williams; 2, Allen; 3, Bishop. YORKS YELL.: 1, Knights; 2, Bishop; 3, Ridgewell. BUFF: 1, 3, G. Langley; 2, Morley. A.O.V.: 1, Bishop; 2, Ridgewell; 3, Morley. BORD.: 1, 2, Papworth; 3, Linsey. HEN: Stiles. A.O.V. CAN.: Papworth. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Hinson; 2, Bryant; 3, Pope. NOR. NOV.: 1, Handscombe; 2, Bishop; 3, Bryant. YORKS NOV.: 1, 2, Bishop; 3, Ridgewell. GOLDFINCH: 1, 2, Hinson; 3, Bloy. BULLFINCH: 1, Bryant; 2, Manning; 3, Ridgeon and Co. GREENFINCH: 1, Handscombe; 2, Ridgewell; 3, Williams. LINNET: 1, Bryant; 2, Manning; 3, Watson. SISKIN ETC.: 1, Williams; 2, 3, Ridgewell.

BOLDON COLLIERY. F. & F.S.

Second annual show held in Workmen's Club, Quoit Shed, kindly lent for the occasion. The society has made rapid strides this last season, and I think with a good secretary such as we have in Mr. A. Widdowfield and a hard-working committee we ought to make a name for ourselves another year. The members and visitors were delighted with the turn-out, which was a credit to so young a society (only its second year). Mr. W. L. Smith (South Shields) judged.

NOR.: 1, Stephenson; 2, Tucker; 3, Stephenson; vhc, Ayres; hc, Tucker. BRED 1912: 1, 2, 3, Stephenson; vhc, Tracey; hc, Johnson. YORKS: 1, 2, 3, Smith; vbc, Wilkinson; hc, Nicbol. YORKS (bred 1912): 1, Wilkinson. BORD.: 1, Hirons; 2, Urwin; 3, Ayres; vhc, Wilkinson; he c, Ayres. BORD. (bred 1912): 1, hc, Urwin; 2, 3, vhc, Ayres. CREST OR C.B.: 1, 2, Widdowfield; 3, Boldon; vhc, Tracey; hc, Noble. C. OR C.B. (1912): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Widdowfield; c, Priestley. MULE: 1, Widdowfield; 2, vhc, Hirons; 3, Urwin; hc, Tucker; c, O'Kelly. LINNET: 1, Stephenson; 2, Hirons; 3, vhc, Wilkinson; hc, Hall; c, Tucker. GREEN: 1, Boldon; 2, Stephenson; 3, Tucker; vhc, Urwin; hc, Noble. GOLD: 1, 2, vhc, hc, c, Tucker; 3, Hirons. BULL: 1, Mason; 2, Hall; 3, Widdowfield. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Hirons, Siskin; 2, Stephenson, Redpoll; 3, Widdowfield, Redpoll. A.V. SEED-EATER: 1, Widdowfield; 2. Stephenson. SOFTBILL 1, Hirons; 2, Priestley. FOR.: 1, Widdowfield; 2, Mason; 3, Priestley. Hyde's special won by W. Boldon.

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KILMARNOCK.

Thirty-eighth annual exhibition held Nov. 2, in the Dunlop Street Hall. The total number of birds forward was 310, and while the entries were slightly under the average, the quality of the exhibits was up to the usual high standard. During the day the show was well patronised by fanciers. The secretarial arrangements were again in the capable hands of Mr. R. M'Caw, North Hamilton Street. The judges, whose awards gave entire satisfaction, were as follows:—Scotch Fancy and Border Fancy, Mr. D. Hamilton, Hamilton; Norwich and Crests, Mr. James Calderwood, Kilmarnock; Mules, British, and For., Mr. George Marlin, Hamilton.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY, CL. OR FOUL CK., A.C.: 1, spl, Allan; 2, Templeton. PIED. OR DK. CK., A.C.: 1, spl, Allan; 2, Templeton. CL. OR FOUL HEN, A.C.: 1, Allan; 2, Lyons. PIED. OR DK. HEN, A.C.: 1, 3, spl, Templeton; 2, spl, Allan. CREST CK.: 1, 2, Adamson; 3, spl, Allan; 4, Johnstone. CREST HEN: 1, 3, Adamson; 2, Johnstone. CREST-BRED CK.: 1, 2, spl, Adamson; 3, spl, 4, spl, 5, spl, Johnstone. CRESTBRED HEN: 1, 2, Adamson; 3, 4, Johnstone; 5, Allan. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Muir; 2, spl, Jones; 3, spl, M'Call; 4, Ramsay, Sandiford; 5, Brown. VARIEG. YELL. CK.: 1, Jones; 2, Muir; 3, Allan. CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK.: 1, 6, Muir; 2, 4, spl, M'Fadzean; 3, 5, Picken, junr. VARIEG. BUFF CK.: 1, spl, M'Call; 2, Jardine; 3, Muir; 4, M'Fadzean; 5, Ramsey, Sandiford; 6, Picken, junior. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 6, spl, Armour; 2, 4, Picken, junr.; 3, 5, spl, Muir. VARIEG. YELL. HEN: 1, Picken, junr.; 2, M'Fadzean; 3, Allan. CL. OR TKD. BUFF HEN: 1, 2, Picken, jun.; 3, Armour; 4, spl, Jones; 5, 6, Muir. VARIEG. BUFF HEN: 1, 6, Picken, jun.; 2, 4, 5, spl, Muir; 3, Jones. NON-FED CK.: 1, Brown; 2, Muir; 3, M'Bride. NON-FED HEN: 1, Armour; 2, Picken, junr.; 3, Stevenson; 4, spl, Muir; 5, M'Bride. CINN. OR GRN. CK. OR HEN: 1, Allan. BORD., CL., OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Robertson; 2, 6, Crosbie; 3, 5, spl, Willison; 4, Jones. VARIEG. YELL. CK.: 1, spl, Cree; 2, Crosbie; 3, 4, Robertson; 5, Willison; 6, Smillie. CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK.: 1, Boyd; 2, Crosbie; 3, 4, Gibson; 5, Smillie; 6, Stevenson. VARIEG. BUFF CK.: 1, Smillie; 2, spl, Jones; 3, Crosbie; 4, Cree; 5, Robertson; 6, Rae. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 6, Gibson; 2, 3, Crosbie; 4, Cree; 5, spl, Smillie. VARIEG. YELL. HEN: 1, spl, Robertson; 2, Smillie; 3, 5, Crosbie; 4, Cree; 6, Willison. CL. OR TKD. BUFF HEN: 1, Robertson; 2, 5, Jones; 3, 6, Willison; 4, Crosbie. VARIEG. BUFF HEN: 1, Crosbie; 2, Willison; 3, 4, Robertson; 5, Gibson; 6, Cree. CINN. OR GREEN CK.: 1, Rae; 2, 4, Smillie; 3, 5, Willison; 6, Crosbie. CINN. OR GRN. HEN: 1, 3, spl, Smillie; 2, spl, Cree; 4, Willison; 5, Robertson; 6, Hutchison. LIGHT MULE: 1, spl, Cunningham; 2, 4, Miller; 3, Cree. DARK GOLDFINCH MULE: 1, Hardy; 2, spl, Wm. Crosbie; 3, 4, 5, Dunsmuir, Sandiford; 6, Cree. DARK LINNET OR GREENFINCH MULE: 1, spl, Cree; 2, Miller; 3, Kerr. A.O.V. DARK CANARY MULE: Brown. GOLDFINCH: 1, spl, 2, spl, Jardine; 3, Crosbie; 4, Hardie; 5, Candlish; 6, Cunningham. BULLFINCH: 1, 4, spl, Dale; 2, Hardie; 3, Crosbie; 5, Hutchison; 6, Dunsmuir. LIN. CK.: 1, Ramsay; 2, 6, Dunsmuir; 3, M'Fadzean; 4, Parker; 5, Hardie. GREENFINCH CK., NON-FED: 1, Turnbull; 2, Kerr; 3, Parker; 4, Hardie; 5, spl, Rae. GREENFINCH CK., COL-FED: 1, 3, Dale; 2, Crosbie; 4, Dunsmuir, Sandiford. SISKIN MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE: 1, spl, Turnbull; 2, Kerr; 3, Dunsmuir; 4, Dale; 5, Parker; 6, Ireland. BRIT. HARD.: 1, Crosbie; 2, Turnbull; 3, Hardie; 4 M'Caw; 5, Rae. BRIT SOFTBILL: 1, Howat. BULLFINCH HEN: 1, Hardie; 2, spl, M'Fadzean; 3, Crosbie; 4, Dunsmuir; 5, Turnbull; 6, Brown. A.O.S. BRIT. HEN (not larger than a Bunting): 1, 5, Crosbie; 2, Jones; 3, Brown; 4, Rae; 6, Jardine. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Dale; 2, Hardie; 3, M'Caw; 4, Jardine; 5, Brown; 6, Crosbie. FOR. GOLDFINCH: 1, Miller. FOR. BIRD (any size, single or pair): 1, Crosbie. NOV. CLASS FOR NOR. PIDS. A.C.: 1, 2, 3, spl, Picken, junr. NOV. CLAS FOR BORD., A.C.: 1, 2, 5, Garven; 3, 6, Boyd; 4, Hutchison. GIFT CLASS, CK. CAN. OR MULES: 1, spl, M'Fadzean; 2, Jones; 3, 5, Smillie; 4, Ramsay; 6, M'Bride. Cup and Medal Winners:—Scotch Fancy: John Allan. Crest: Adamson. Nor.: Muir. Bord. Fancy: Crosbie. Mule or Hyb.: Dunsmuir. Brit. and For.: Crosbie. Mr. James Johnstone's cup for best young bird in hall: Wm. Robertson. Mr. Wm. Munro's medal for most points.—Wm. Crosbie.

CHESTER C.B.S.

Annual show held in Assembly Rooms, Newgate-street, Nov. 16th. Entries created a record for Chester, 200 birds being staged, making an increase of 121 birds against last year; not only has the number of entries increased, but also the number of members. The best class of bird shown was the Norwich section, although there were some good birds in the Yorkshire section, competition being very keen. Messrs. Hemmings and Brereton created quite a sensation with a beautiful Thrush. The bird was in good condition and splendidly marked. Four handsome cups were presented, one of which was given by Mrs. C. E. Way, president. The winners were as follows: Nor. cup, Mr. H. T. Gardner; Yorks., Mr. J. L. F. J. Pike; Brit., Mr. J. Crane; novice, Mr. A. G. Farrell. Special winners were: Nor., Jones and Chester, H. T. Gardner, T. Thompson, and W. Woodfine; Yorks., Jones and Chester, R. Parry, T. P. Baxter, and W. Huxley; Brit., J. Crane, Hemmings and Brereton, T. A. Redfern, and E. Richards; novice, A. G. Farrell, W. Thomas, and R. L. G. Simpson. Messrs. W. Thomas, W. Huxley, and T. Jones acted as stewards, and performed their duties well. Mr. A. G. Davies (Manchester) judged.

NOR., CL. YELL.: 1, Redfern; 2, Williams; 3, Lloyd, jun.; vhc, hc, Jones and Chester. CL. BUFF: 1, Woodfine; 2, E. Lloyd, jun.; 3, Baxter; vhc, Williams. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Baxter; 2, Jones and Chester; 3, Bracegirdle; vhc, J. Pike. TKD. OR VARIEG. BUFF: 1, Baxter; 2, Pike; 3, Gardner; vhc, Bracegirdle; hc, Baxter; c, Gardner. CL., TKD., OR VARIEG. YELL. HEN: 1, Williams; 2, 3, Gardner; vhc, hc, Jones and Chester; c, Lloyd, jun. CL., TKD., OR VARIEG. BUFF: 1, Gardner; 2, Redfern; 3, Woodfine; vhc, hc, Lloyd, jun.; c, Jones and Chester. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, Jones and Chester; 3, hc, Woodfine; vhc, Pike; c, Redfern. UNFLIG. BUFF: 1, 2, Jones and Chester; 3, Bracegirdle; vhc, Gardner; hc, Woodfine; wrong class, Pike. NON-FED, A.V.: 1, 3, vhc, hc, T. Thompson; 2, Bracegirdle; c, Cooper. CL., TKD., OR VARIEG. YELL., NOVICE: 1, 2, W. Thomas. CL., TKD., OR VARIEG. BUFF: 1, 2, W. Thomas; 3, Simpson. YORKS., CL. YELL.: 1, Jones and Chester; 2, Baxter; 3, hc, Parry; vhc, Pike; c, Richards. CL. BUFF: 1, Parker; 2, Huxley; 3, Parry; vhc, Richards; hc, Dutton; c, Jones and Chester. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Pike; 2, Jones and Chester; 3, Hemmings and Brereton; vhc, Bracegirdle; hc, Dutton; c, Redfern. TKD. OR VARIEG. BUFF: 1, Baxter; 2, vhc, Jones and Chester; 3, hc, Huxley; c, Bracegirdle. CL., TKD., OR VARIEG. YELL. HEN: 1, Pike; 2, c, Jones and Chester; 3, hc, Parry; vhc, Baxter. CL., TKD., OR VARIEG. BUFF: 1, Parry; 2, Hickson; 3, Williams; vhc, Pike; hc, Redfern; c, Jones and Chester. ENFLIG. YELL., A.V.: 1, Baxter; 2, Huxley; 3, Parry; vhc, Dutton; hc, c, Jones and Chester. BUFF: 1, R. N. Williams; 2, Richards; 3, Hickson; vhc, Pike; hc, c, Huxley. NON-FED, A.V.: 1, Richards; 2, Huxley; 3, Hickson; vhc, Cooper; hc, Richards. CINN. MKD. YELL.: 1, J. Dutton. BUFF: 1, Baxter; 2, Bracegirdle; 3, Richards. CL., TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL. (NOVICE): 1, 2, Farrell; 3, Wright; vhc, he, Helsby; c, Simpson. BUFF: 1, Simpson; 2, 3, Farrell; vhc, Wright; wrong class, Helsby. SELL. CLASS: 1, Hemming and Brereton. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Redfern; 2, Copoer; 3, Hemming and Brereton. BRIT. GOLDFINCH: 1, Hemmings and Brereton; 2, Redfern. BRIT. BULLFINCH: 1, Redfern; 2, 3, Crane; vhc, Huxley; hc, Williams. BRIT. LINNET: 1, Richards; 2, Crane; 3, Hemmings and Brereton; vhc, Redfern. A.O.V. HARDBILL: 1, Hemmings and Brereton; 2, Crane; 3, Redfern. SOFTBILL: 1, Hemmings and Brereton; 2, Huxley.—R. N. P. Simpson.

REDHILL C.B.S.

Second annual show held Nov. 13, at Lindsey's Temperance Hotel, in a large and spacious room; the exhibits were nicely staged, and amongst them were some very nice exhibits, fit to hold their own at any open show. The Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. W. Beacon, had everything well in hand, backed well by his hard-working committee, Mr. T. Baldock, chairman, and Messrs. J. Hooper, F. A. Marriott, J. Terry. The lady members of the committee, Mrs. Patten and Miss Edwards, rendered valuable help in seeing well to the birds' wants. Entries were not quite so strong as at some shows, but for a young society the venture was a very successful one. Four cups are for competition amongst members and the subscription is only 3s. annually. There is no raising limit, the society being open to all. Mr. A. T. Bellinger, Bromley, judged and his awards were very well received. The cup winners were: Best bird, Mr. F. W. Bacon; best nonfed Yorks., Miss Cameron; best Border, Mr. Bacon; best Brit., the winning Goldfinch (no name); runner-up, Mr. Bacon. Other special winners were: Miss Hatch, and Messrs. Wade, Britton, Harris and Whitmore.

From the catalogue sent we gather that the principal winners were: NOR., Miss Edwards, Mr. Wade. YORKS, Messrs. Britton, Roser, Harris, Miss Cameron, Mr. Bacon. BORD., Messrs. Bacon, Marriott, Baldock, Card. CREST, Miss Riddock and Mr. Bacon. LIZARD, Miss Hatch. MULE, Messrs. Bacon, Marriott. BRIT., Miss Hatch, Messrs. Bignall, Marriott, Card, Carter, Bacon, Tickner, Freeman. FOR.: Messrs. Whitmore, Woodhouse and Miss Hall.—(Ed.)

CAMBORNE.

The Camborne C.B.S. have started a society under new management, and their first members' show, held in the Queen's Hall, on Nov. 11, open to the Mining Division, was well patronised by fanciers and visitors. Entries came up well seeing that they have only started two months. Many of the birds staged could hold their own at any open show, and the quality was very fine. The Norwich section was small, but the birds were of good type and quality, and the medal for best in section was won by Mr. Uren with a good yell. ticked. We congratulate Mr. Uren on his success as a novice, this being his first show. Yorks were a very nice lot, typical, and shown in good condition. Medal for best fell to Mr. Peters with a grand clear buff. Crests were very good for quality, and the medal for best was won by Mr. Menadue with a lovely Crest hen, grand crest of good formation and feather. The cinn. class was good, the winner being very level in colour and size; takes medal for best in the section. Hybrid and British sections were good. Medal for best was wen by Mr. Collins with his champion six-pointed Mule. The Goldfinch class was excellent, the winner is a gem all over, and has not been beaten this year, takes medal for best Goldfinch, a grand specimen. In the hard and softbill classes Mr. Collins took premier honours with a Yellow Bunting of grand colour and markings, a very sweet Blackcap, nice colour and cap, and a grand Hawfinch, this bird taking medal for best bird in the section. Novice birds were good, Mr. Perkins winning with a yell. Yorks., a credit to the owner. Many fanciers looked in during the evening from different societies, and we were informed that the society made a very good profit. The arrangements were excellent, and the newly formed Camborne C.B.S. are to be congratulated on their success. The secretary (Mr. Cock, junr.) had everything well in hand, and was well supported by a good committee. As for the chairman (Mr. Scoble) we cannot say too much in praise of his work, as he attended and looked well after the interest of the birds and visitors. The gold medal for most points was won by F. Collins with 98 points. Mr. Mewton, St. Austell, judged the Canary section, and Mr. Rowe, Hayle, Hybrids and British, and their awards were well received.

AWARDS.—NOR. CL. YELL. (3): 1, spl., Collins; 2, Cock and Son; 3, Lee and Lowry. BUFF (4): 1, sp. 3, Lee and Lowry; 2, Collins; vhc, Cock and Son. TKD., ETC. (4): 1, sp, 4, Uren; 2, Lee and Lowry; 3, Collins; vhc, Hocking. HEN (6): 1, 2 spls, Uren; 2, vhc, c, Cock and Son; 3, Collins; hc, Lee and Lowry. NON-FLIGHTED (2): 1, spl, Cock and Son; 2, Collins. NON-FED (1): 1, spl, Hocking. YORKS. CL. YELL. (7): 1, spl, 2, Peters; 3, Lee and Lowry; vhc, hc, c, Cock and Son. BUFF 8): 1, 2 spls, Peters; 3, Lee and Lowry. TKD., ETC. (9): 1, spl, Collins; 2, Peters. NON-FED (10): 1, spl, Perkins; 2, Collins. HEN (11): 1, spl, vhc, Cock and Son; 2, Peters; 3, Lee and Lowry. NON-FLIG. (12): 1, spl, Lee and Lowry; 2, Peters; 3, Cock and Son. CREST, C.B. (13): 1, spl, 2, vhc, Lee and Lowry; 3, Menadue. HEN (14): 1, 2 spls, Menadue; 2, Cock and Son; 3, vhc, hc, Lee and Lowry. C.-B. CK. (15): 1, spl, 3, vhc, hc, Lee and Lowry; 2, Menadue. HEN (16): 1, spl, 3, vhc, Lee and Lowry; 2, Menadue. CINN. (17): 1, two spls, 2, vhc, Cock and Son; 3, Arthur; hc, Noye; c, Perkins. PAIR (18): 1, spl, Collins; 2, 3, Lee and Lowry. A.O.V. (19): 1, spl, 2, Collins. DK. MULES (20): 1, spl, 2, Collins; 3, vhc, Cock and Son. LIGHT (21): 1, 2 spls, 2, Collins. GOLDFINCH (22): 1, 2 spls, Coombe; 2, Collins; 3, c, Hocking; vhc, hc, Cock and Son. BUNTING, A.S. (23): 1, spl, 3, Collins; 2, Arthur. BRIT., LARGE (24): 1, two spls, Collins; 2, Trewin. HARDBILL, SMALL (25): 1, spl, vhc, Collins; 3, hc, c, Cock and Son; 3, Coombe. SOFTBILL, SMALL (26): 1, spl, 2, Collins. FOR. (27): 1, spl, Collins; 2, Strout. NOV. (28): 1, 2 spls, Perkins; 2, Uren; 3, Eddy; hc, Sawden. 15s. SELL. (29): 1, spl, Collins. 5s. SELL (31): 1, spl, Uren; 2, Boddilly; 3, Strout.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

My First Goldfinch.

How I found a Hobby for myself and, incidentally, the wife.

By JAS. HENDERSON.

IT was about the end of October two years ago. I was sitting by the fire one Saturday night half-asleep, and thinking about nothing in particular when I was disturbed by someone knocking at the door. On answering I was pleased and surprised to see my old friend McNab. Quoth he: "I was taking a walk round the market when I noticed something I thought you would like to buy." At the word "buy" I looked across the room at my wife (who was very busy with the darning needle) to see what effect it had on her. "Oh!" said she (at the same time dropping my old socks). "What have you got to sell to-night, McNab?" "I have nothing to sell, only I thought Jeames would like to buy a nice wee Goldfinch. There is a man in the market who has some real Siberian cocks, and he only wants half-a-dollar each for them."

The Wind in the East.

"Said I to the wife, 'What do you say to buying one? They are only 'half-a-dollar,' you know, and that won't 'break us' will it?'" I could see at once I was treading on dangerous ground, so I had to be very careful (although I had my mind made up as to what I was going to do). "No, Jeames," said the wife, "you are not going to bring a bird into my house. I know what birds are when kept in houses, scattering their seed all over the floor, and another thing—they only encourage mice. I will not have one here, so there you are. I should be sweeping up seed all day." "Enough," said I, "we had better change the subject." "Rough night," remarked McNab. "Yes," I replied, "I think the wind is in the East, don't you. We might go for a stroll." "A good idea," said the wife; "it will make you sleep."

On went my overcoat, and out went McNab and I. "Where shall we go, Jeames?" "Down the market to see the Goldfinches," said I. "Right," agreed McNab. So down to the market we wandered until we arrived at the stall, "Real Siberian Goldfinches," the dealer was shouting—"and guaranteed all cocks, dirt cheap, just listen to their song." Sure enough they were singing for all they were worth. "I am going to buy one, McNab. I don't care what the wife says." McNab grinned but said nothing. "Seed, sir," enquired the dealer. "Yes, please." "What about a cage, sir?" "That's all right," chimed McNab—"I'll lend you one of mine."

Away we marched to McNab's house for the cage, and after putting the Goldie in I felt well pleased with my purchase. It looked A.1 "Won't you come round and have a bit of supper, just to smoothe the way a bit," I asked McNab. "No, Jeames," said Mac. "I don't think I will. But he promised to call and see me soon. So home I went. The "missus" was out shopping. I soon had the cage unpacked, and placed on the table, when in came the wife. "Cold night," said I. "Very, indeed," said she, and added—"but what have you got there?" 'Oh, just a nice wee Goldie.' "Nice or not nice," she replied, tartly. "I don't want it here. I will let him go when you are out." I did not answer.

It Veers to the South!

After a week had passed I noticed the wife was inclined to smile whenever I spoke to the bird. He was getting tame, and settling down in his new home. And, lo, and behold, one day there he was eating hemp seed out of her fingers!

The following week McNab called, and brought a friend with him, who knew all about Goldies. Our bird had been christened "Michael," and, of course, he had to be presented to McNab's friend, who glanced at it for about half a second, and then and there pronounced "Michael" to be a hen. 'But," said I, "hens don't sing." He replied, "Just you wait and see." And sure enough the following summer "Michael" turned out to be a hen.

"Well, wife," said I. "What are we going to do with her?" "Keep her, of course," said she. "And we'll have a real Britisher next time." So a Britisher I bought from a friend. He was very playful and steady, and we both took a great fancy to him, and christened him "Peter."

When out for a walk one Friday evening I stopped to look at a bookstall, and the first thing that caught my eye was a paper called CAGE BIRDS. Now, said I to myself that's the very thing the doctor ordered. "I've got two birds, why shouldn't I have a weekly paper that tells me all about them?" So I bought my first copy, and home I went. The wife was surprised to see me so early, but when I produced CAGE BIRDS that did it. Said she, "What on earth have you got there?" I did not reply but held the paper up in front of her. "Hum!" said she, "I think some one has left you a fortune, and you have started to squander it already." "What about your 'Home Chat' and 'Chit-Chat,' etc.," I retorted: "They cost money, you know, and this only costs 1d."

After settling down I started to read all about the shows that were being held all over the country, and as luck would have it, I noticed there was going to be one in our own district. "Mistress," said I, "there is going to be a grand show at the Horticultural Hall next week, would you like to see it?" "I'll see," she answered, "when the time comes."

What a long week that was! But the time rolled on, and at last we entered the hall. It was a glorious sight. We went through the catalogue, class after class, until we came to the Goldies, and what a beauty the winner was. "They are just like our Peter," said the wife; "I think we ought to show him. "I think I will," I answered. We wandered round to CAGE BIRDS stall, and there I spent a little more of my fortune on the "Nut-shell" booklet on the Goldfinch.

After following the advice given therein, and the various articles published in CAGE BIRDS, our "Peter" secured six awards out of seven shows, which we were both highly delighted with. Now the wife says "every man ought to have a hobby."



KENTISH LOVERS OF THE CRESTED CANARY

Mr. and Mrs. W. Carter, of Wateringbury, photographed with some of their prize-winning Crests. Mrs. Carter is very interested in the birds, and renders her husband considerable assistance in their management.

The Struggles and Successes of a Hybrid Breeder.

Some Entertaining Reminiscences of An "Old Hand."

By NIMROD.

I STARTED to breed Mules just after I left school, with a hen Canary I had purchased as a cock. The same season I found a nest of Goldfinches and caged them in a pear tree for the old ones to feed, which they did. I kept two of the largest cocks, and the others I exchanged for another hen Canary. The next season I started to make a large double breeding cage for the two pairs. One of the pairs did well and bred me seven Mules, as dark as Sparrows, but I sold them all for 3s. 6d. each when they could feed themselves. The other pair, however, reared none.

Next season I got a large nearly white Canary hen of no particular breed, and paired it with the cock Goldfinch which had not paired with my first hen, intending to give him another trial. After getting two nests of clear eggs, I decided he was no good for breeding, so sold him and bought a cock Canary to mate with the hen. From these I got six good birds, two of which were clears (buffs) and cock and hen. I thought I would pair this couple together to see if I could not produce a clear strain.

I managed to raise two nests of Canaries, but all were marked. I once more mated brother and sister, but did not get the hens I needed to go with the cocks, so I started in this way. I was told that brother and sister would not breed, and if they did the progeny would all be cripples, but I stuck to my object, which was to obtain a clear strain of Canaries. I worked this strain up for nearly ten years, introducing now and then a yellow cock (cocks were easier to get than hens).

In the Early Days.

I had now become a keen fancier, and possessed quite a lot of Canaries and Goldfinches, for I generally got a nest each year, and I started to put the Goldfinches' eggs under the Canaries, in order to get them better used to each other for muling. At the time I was breeding the Canaries I ran over to Norwich and was able to get a good even wing-marked Norwich cock, which I was anxious to mate with one of my largest hens. The wing marks were light, but not exact. I had not at the time seen one with eye-markings. I got several fair birds (I called them good in those days).

I kept on with my strain of in-breeding so as to get the clear birds and even-marked ones. Besides putting up the Canaries, I had each year one or two Goldfinches up with them, but no luck had I as regards a light Mule, although they were a great improvement on my first venture. I saw an old shoemaker and explained that I wanted to get a good lightly marked Mule. He said, "You will be years in doing it," and advised me to try one of his hens, as he had not had a change of blood for several seasons. I did so, and they mated well and bred some good clear birds. I introduced fresh stock, the largest I could get, occasionally, so as to get substance in the offspring, for I now had learnt a good many secrets, as I began to mix with the old Fanciers when picking up an odd bird.

Many times have I been advised to stick to Canaries, and leaves Mules alone, but it was my one great ambition to get a good light or clear Mule, particularly with the Goldfinch. The other Finches then I thought but little of. At a certain large show I saw a good, almost clear, Goldfinch-Canary Mule, which increased my determination to go one better.

Now for the failures, etc. I thought that as I had the hens everything was now to be plain sailing, to produce the hoped-for youngster. Of the Goldfinches I tried, some would breed and others would not, in fact, good ones in this respect have from my experience been few and far between, for I have had as many as six and eight at a time, and all of them either hand-reared or "caged," the latter being much the better. I had great hopes, and watched them well, and saw them pair well. When they were hatched, I was very nervous and most anxious to see the results. One was nearly clear, but so small and weak, and when I looked again it was dead. The others were nearly all dark.

A Desire for Even-Marks.

I plodded on for years to get a clear Mule reared, but have failed to produce a really good one, my ambition being to procure a large four-pointed bird. Although I have failed they have been produced by others, and I much envy the successful breeders if they have managed it without all the trouble I have taken for years. It would be very interesting if those breeders of light and evenly marked Mules would give their experiences, and state if they tried to breed them, or only got them by chance. My own opinion, based on close study and knowledge which I have had to pay dearly for, is that the Goldfinch has not much to do with it. It rests solely with the hen Canary, and my experience is that she must be well in-bred for years. We do hear of the chance clear Mules, but where did the hen come from, and how was she bred?

The Cheveril, Peathroat, and Pear-Tree birds have nothing at all to do with the success attending the production of a light Mule. This fallacy I have exploded again and again, as I have tried with all three birds. Neither will a Pear Tree bird breed better than an Apple Tree bird, and so on. Goldfinches will breed well, I know, but some are very bad breeders, especially the large Siberians, at least it has been so in my case. I like the birds, but not as breeders. If, however, they will breed they are worth sticking to, for they have the size, and when you get Mules from them you can see them.

I have seen it stated several times in CAGE BIRDS that if you get a clear Mule it is a freak. That may be so in some instances, but if the breeders of all the Clears were to state their experiences then it would be the other way about, and we should find that they had been bred by first producing a strain of Sib Hens. To be more explicit, by continually inbreeding the Canaries, so as to get their blood set and poor, so that the offspring would most naturally take after the hen, which would cause them to be more light than dark.

Many a good Mule has been bred by chance, and I am quite aware of this, but many a good one has also been bred in the way I have stated, and will most probably be in the future, if my experience has been of any use to me, which I hope it may be to the young hands. As to getting the "Sib hen," why everyone has them when there is a demand, but only try them, then the sponge is thrown up at once, and the hobby given up in disgust.

Building up One's Own Strain.

I most strongly advise beginners to establish a strain of Sib hens of their own birds; then they know how they are bred. For the first few years you can go quite close, but always choose the largest and clearest birds for this purpose. Look at the matter in a serious way, how have our new breeds been established and made but from sports and these sports inbred until the blood has been well set.

These problems in Mule and Hybrid breeding want deep thought and well working up, and be most seriously studied and not trust to chance. The other way is much the safest, and would end in success, I feel sure.

Of late years I have not had the chance of getting a light Mule, or even of trying for one, as family troubles have prevented me carrying on my experiments in many ways in "Hybridizing." I have tried it in other ways besides birds, more so in plants, and what is good for one is also good for the other.

At the time I had my Sib strain I only tried the Goldfinch Bully, and Chaffinch. The two latter proved the worse males I could choose, but I had to find that out, for never a fertile egg could I get from them after nearly twenty years trying.

They say that the cock Bully has had young with the Canary in Germany, but I don't think there is any authentic statement or fact recorded. It has also been alleged that they have been bred in England, but I want proofs. I should not like to say that because I have failed everyone else will do the same. Let everyone try it, it may and may not come off. The honours would fall on them.

Why Won't the "Old Hands" Talk?

The Greenfinch I have tried on common hen Canaries, large ones, and got some good large dark Mules, also the Redpoll, but I have only dark ones to record; both these birds will readily cross with the Canary, but you must have the inbred one to get a light Mule. Good Siskin Canaries have been produced in Scotland.

If these notes should stir and fire some of our best breeders I should be thankful, but as a rule they like to sing little and keep in the background. Bonny Scotland has produced some good birds both in Mules and Hybrids, and she will again, for her sons are very persevering Fanciers, and don't take a licking at the first time of asking.

I have also tried the Cock Yellow Hammer with the Canary for several seasons, but considering the difference in the birds as regards food, no wonder that the experiments have ended in failure. I have seen it stated that Yellow-hammers have bred with the Canary, but I shall want more convincing on the matter before I can credit it.

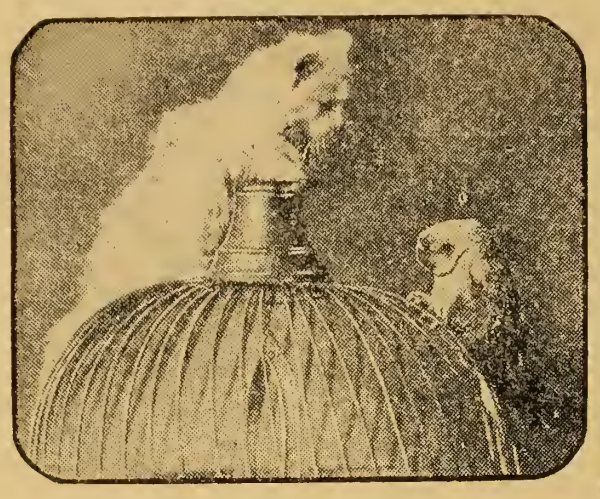
Through a Bird-room Window

This article on the Green Cardinal is No. 31 of the new series of personal birdy experiences related by that eminent aviculturist, the Rev. C. D. FARRAR.

No. 31. My Green Cardinals.

FOR many years I tried to get a true pair of Green Cardinals, but failed. Still, I was always consoled by the remark once made by Benjamin Jowett to a young fellow who through bad health and defective eyesight failed in getting a first in mods: "A man of your abilities must succeed in life, and you must not be disappointed if circumstances make you fail in any particular instance." I thought this was very nice, and just suited to my case. What though I had failed many times! I should one day succeed, and then all my past disappointments would be forgotten in the good present happiness. As my readers know by this time, I am always on the look out, when in London, for some of the many birds I want, and there are times when I find them in the most unlikely places. I never pass by a bird shop, no matter how mean and paltry it may look—one never knows what may be inside. Before now I have found a Turquoisine in a little back room, and a pair of Catbirds near the Elephant and Castle, while the nicest white Jackdaw I ever set eyes on was in Burton Crescent, near St. Pancras Station.

I had long possessed a lovely cock Green Cardinal, though I always thought the name a bit of a misnomer, as he is



"ASKING FOR TROUBLE."

Judging by Polly's attitude Pussy looks likely to soon have cause to repent trespassing on her preserves.

of a decided "yaller" tinge; but try as I could I never could hear of, much less light upon, a lady. Imagine, therefore, my delight when one morning, as I was taking a short cut through Seven Dials, as it then was; it has a grander name to-day, and, alas, has become respectable, and nearly all the dear, dirty old bird shops are gone, but in those days every other shop was birdy, with cages of rabbits, pet dogs, and mangy cats, displayed outside. I say, imagine my delight when my eyes caught in a corner cage, a silver green bird that I knew in a minute to be a hen Green Cardinal.

A Weakness of One's Friends.

Perhaps she wasn't all one could have wished in the way of perfection, but wasn't it Professor Jowett who once said that friends always think it necessary (except Boswell, the great genius) to tell lies about their deceased friends? They leave out all their faults, lest the public should exaggerate them. But we want to know their faults—that is positively the most interesting part of them. I am sure it is so in the case of birds. A real bird lover likes to know how a poor, half-starved, bedraggled bird may be bought, and by loving care and attention turned out into a lovely specimen that will reward its owner by building a nest and rearing a healthy brood of young.

Now, as I hope I am like "truthful James" of immortal memory, I will confess at once that my hen was not in the best of trim. She was all right as far as the shoulders, and had a nice bright eye and healthy, alert gait; but she had nothing in the way of flights, and as for her tail it was like a very scrubby paintbrush. But these I knew were merely temporary defects. A few weeks would set them right with good feeding and the use of a good flight. I, therefore, at once entered the shop, and, finding that the price demanded was only eight shilling and sixpence, I made her my own and carried her off in a little German Canary cage.

Too Much of a Good Thing.

On getting her home, my first task was to "feed her up" as the doctors say, and to this end I gave her mealworms without grudging, but I sometimes think you can overdo a thing. A friend of mine assured me he had heard a sermon of Goulbourne, in which he eloquently declared that even the most sumptuous banquet would at last become wearisome—and then added: "Heaven is a feast from which there is no rising up!!" I fancy my hen must have listened to that discourse; for after a time she evidently got a bit tired of mealworms, toujours mealworms, and went in for a course of soft food. She rapidly improved under my fostering care, and at the end of six weeks was in lovely condition.

I kept her in a big flight; and when things seemed ripe, I introduced the gentleman. I believe it was Bacon who said: "Assume an interest if you have it not." He certainly acted on this aphorism, and made himself positively charming to the lady, who, of course, as ladies always do under such circumstances, assumed a look of great coyness. In a few days they were the best of friends, and certainly never tired of each other's company; clearly they had never heard of the schoolboy who wrote with method in his folly "The Greeks started the customs of each man having only one wife, and they called it Monotony!" I am sure my pair never felt the least bit bored with each other.

I asked several of my bird friends where Green Cardinals nested and what the eggs were like. On talking the matter over I had the ignoble satisfaction of learning that they were quite as much in the dark as myself. I don't care how ignorant I am, provided the other fellow doesn't know.

I felt that I was about to enter a world where no one had been before me, and where I should have to learn everything. At the auspicious season, I turned the pair out into a large garden aviary, dense with what we call up here "botteries," but which the enlightened gardener speaks of as elders. In a big elder I fixed up an old Thrush's nest as a treat to my friends. They scorned to take it, and made not the slightest effort to reproduce their kind. They just hopped gaily about from branch to branch as if nest and young were things of no moment, and the weeks were going on.

Preferred to Build for Themselves.

One morning, in disgust, I pulled out the nest, tore it to bits, and threw the pieces about on the floor. I was astonished a few days later to find them rapidly disappearing, and being anxious to discover what had become of them, I went inside; and there, to my exceeding great joy, I found a beautiful new nest made in the fork of the elder, close up against the top netting of the aviary. Far too close, to my liking, for did not a "girt grey cat," sit there daily sunning himself? I felt sure that he would soon discover the nest and the sitting hen, and would make short work of the latter.

An Emergency Roof.

There was only one way of saving the situation; so I went and got a big box cover, nailed a sheet of felt over it to keep out the rain and then wired it securely over the place where the hen would sit. I was rather fearful whether she would face what must have seemed to her a terrible eyesore, but to my joy she did not seem to mind, and went on calmly and completed her building operations. A few mornings later she took to the nest, and then I had great hopes of eggs. How do you think I found out when they arrived? I watched till she came off to feed, then I got a pair of steps, mounted to the roof and looked through a little peep hole I had been careful to make, which looked right down on to the nest, and there, to my great joy, I spied three long eggs, something like those of our common Missel Thrush. I believe that morning I was one of the happiest people on the earth. It very fully reminded me of the solid joys and lasting pleasures which the hymn says—none but Zion's children know.

Wait and See.

The next ten days were, so far as I was concerned, days of masterly inactivity; but on the twelfth day I saw the hen occasionally lifting herself up carefully, and apparently raising up her breast feathers. I knew the sign well; it meant that my ship had come home and that their little Eminencies had arrived. How happy I felt. Some people's way always seems to lie along the primrosiest path.

A few days later, as I listened, careless as man in his first state, I detected the tiny chirrup of the little strangers. I felt that I must see them, come what might. I am naturally bold and impatient, and I felt that in this case I must risk something—or burst. Accordingly, I climbed up on the roof and took a long and loving look, and never did I feel so satisfied, for there immediately below me I saw three of the sweetest little balls of grey fluff as ever did my eyes behold. They lifted their little heads for a moment on their tiny weak necks, and then down they went, as though exhausted by the effort.

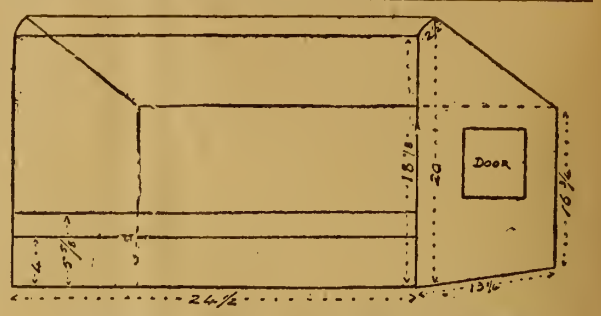


Diagram of Mr. Frostick's Chough Show Cage.

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The Necessity of Live-food.

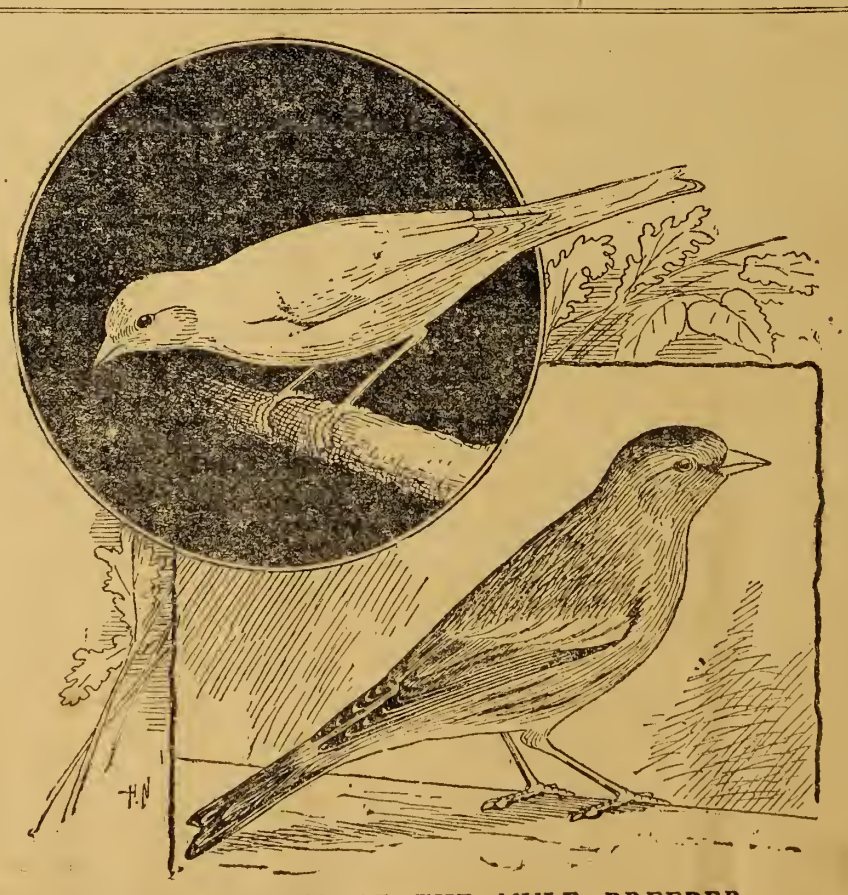
I knew that to rear these youngsters meant no end of live bait; and I saw before me a vista of very dark possibilities, should the stock run out. People may say what they like, but I know I am right when I say that the only sure way of rearing insectivorous birds is to give them a constant supply of gentles or mealworms. If you don't something will happen that will cause your tears to flow. Luckily, I can always get lovely gentles at Leeds, and I always keep a big stock of mealworms on hand. I sometimes see in CAGE BIRDS how to breed mealworms; but the process is too long for me, and life is too short. It is cheaper and more expeditious to buy them.

A Consummation.

Everything went well and happily, and about the twelfth day, when I went to look at the nest, I was horrified to find it empty. At first I feared the worst, my precious little charges were dead, and I looked under the bush expecting to find them blackening corpses. I could find nothing. Then I looked about for the parents. You can aways tell by the behaviour of the elders the fate of the youngsters. My old birds looked sulky and bored, and clearly they wished me far enough away, and by this I knew that the young were alive and hidden somewhere handy.

After a careful and prolonged search I found one sitting as still as death just under the nest, and the other two squatted on the floor with their heads in the air. They were the queerest little things you ever saw, with huge understandings, tiny, quill-like wings and tails like little stumpy paint brushes; but their bright, steady eyes spoke of life and vigour. I discreetly retired, pretending as well as I knew how that I had not seen them; filled up the dish with gentles and mealworms, and left the parents to do the bringing up. I know that they would perform their task all right, if left alone, that the only thing I had to fear was a heavy downpour.

Fortunately, the weather turned out lovely, and not a drop of rain fell for a fortnight; and by that time my babies were nearly as big as their parents, and were able to do a little feeding on their own. All through that anxious time I refrained from looking too curiously; but St. Anthony had no harder task with the ladies he was impolite enough to call demons than I, in resisting the temptation not to take another look at these little birds. I love novelty, and nature has no more intoxicating illusion than that of turning over a new leaf or beginning a new life.



TWO EXTREMES OF THE MULE BREEDER.

The Clear Goldfinch-Canary Hybrid and the Dark.

Justifiable Self-congratulation.

I am not a vain man, but I did feel proud of that achievement, and when one day a friend came to see me, I took him straight out to the birds, and when after a time, when his eyes became accustomed to see, he spied the young Cardinals, and asked what they were, I replied with the simplicity of "we are seven," these are a nest of Green Cardinals, and I am their unworthy breeder. And now I think I will end (I don't want to be burdensome to any) by saying to you what Dean Vaughan once said to the Harrow boy. After a severe administration of the birch, Vaughan was reported to have addressed the birchee in his blandest tones: "Thank you, my dear boy, I won't trouble you any more to day."

Magnificent Display at the Horticultural Hall.

Nearly 2,200 Exhibits on view this week-end: Full special descriptive report.

A feast of good things for bird-lovers. All sections filled with high-class exhibits. Splendid collection of rare and beautiful foreign birds.

THE twenty-fourth annual show of the London Cage Bird Association was held Nov. 28, 29, and 30, in the spacious Royal Horticultural Hall, Westminster. This lovely hall is one of the few ideal places which bird-lovers are able to procure for exhibition purposes. It has every feature that one could desire for the housing of a great show—space, warmth and light. So large is it that there can be no crowding of either birds or sightseers under average conditions, while the light at command is simply brilliant, both by day and night. Further, built as it was for horticultural exhibitions, the atmosphere can be maintained at practically any desired temperature.

The scene over-night was one with which many of our readers will be familiar; birds constantly arriving, some brought by hand, the majority by vans and motor lorries. As soon as they passed the barrier they were opened by the large and willing staff of helpers, checked in, and carried straight away to their respective classes. When our representative arrived the evening was young, and the long, baize-covered stands looked bare; but the whole aspect of the place underwent a marvellous transformation, while after they had had a feed and a good drink, many of the high-mettled birds began to "tune up," flooding the place with birdy music. Helpers in the good work were many, and among them we noticed Mr. H. Smith (Wimbledon) and Mr. H. W. Dickinson "checking," while Messrs. Dewhurst, Thynne, Pretty, Easterling, Shepherd, Knight, Wright, Dixon, Boxall, Trower, etc., were busy unpacking, watering and staging the exhibits.

Something to Interest Everybody.

The entries this year are once again well up to the average, we are pleased to be able to record, in spite of the unavoidable clashing with other events. They reach the magnificent total of close upon 2,200. As far as numbers are concerned, the graceful Yorkshires score an easy first, most of the classes being well filled. The Norwich and Borders run each other hard for second place. We are excluding the Roller Canaries from our calculations, for as regards average they put up remarkable figures— 45 per class! In all there were over 200 birds—a grand section. There were two nice classes of Cinnamons, half-a-dozen fair classes of Lizards, and one good class of Whites, with three exhibitors in it. Hybrids were of grand quality, and the British just splendid, the Softbill classes containing most of the rarer birds and nearly all the species that have figured on the show bench within the last few years. The Foreigners provide a feast for the lovers of these gems, some very rare and costly species competing with each other for pride of place. Among them are a Minivet, Red and Black and Blue and Black Tanagers.

On the opening morning the scene had changed, as though the fairies had been at work during the night. The long tiers were crowded with birds; packing cases and boxes cleared away; stalls erected. The aspect of the hall was just what one would expect in a well-arranged big bird show. The light was good and there was every promise of a fine day. Some of the "early bird" judges were at work in good time, and so well is the hall lighted that very little moving of the birds was necessary. Most of the overnight workers were in attendance, while the very able managers, Messrs. W. H. Mugford and F. Knight, had spent many long hours at their duties. In the capable hands of these gentlemen the management was all that one could desire. Mr. Mugford is "old hand" at this business now, and has an apt pupil in his colleague. Everything that care and foresight could do to make the big event a huge success was done, and both looked as bright and chirpy in the morning as the two thousand odd birds they had under their care. The chairman of the committee, Mr. R. L. Crisp, did a giant's work, and was at the show early and late. The committee, consisting of Messrs. J. Dewhurst, J. W. Wright, Boxall, Cook, Marley, Trower, Turner, Shepherd, H. Smith, F. Smith, C. H. Withers, etc., are all good fanciers and well versed in show matters.

Views of our Reviewers.

The Yorkshire section was quite up to the average in point of merit, some grand birds being staged in both Champion and Novice classes. Although the Southern men did well, some of the chief awards went North. Mr. Crawhall, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, did exceptionally well, staging some real gems of fine length and type. Messrs. Ogden Bros. also put down two or three real toppers. Of the Southern men, Messrs. Jones, Crisp and Hawes Bros. staged some of the best, and did fairly well with them, but hardly so good as usual. Another exhibitor who staged birds of wonderful merit was Mr. Binns, of Blackpool, some of his birds standing out for type and quality, and they were put down in the very pink of condition.

Norwich Plainheads made up a capital collection, symmetry, quality, colour, and substance being well in evidence. The team put down by that well-known and highly esteemed fancier, Mr. E. Baker (Cowes) was magnificent, his cl. yell., cl. buff, and cl. buff unflig. being a trio of real gems. Messrs. J. R. Houghton, J. Hodder, and J. Thomas also had on view some very meritorious specimens. In the novice section were many capable of gaining high honours in the "upper circles." Rattling specimens were benched by Messrs. G. Perry, R. G. Porter, G. W. Byne, G. F. Crawford, and J. W. Gillard.

Crests and C.B.'s contained many of the finest specimens living at the present time, such stables as Messrs. Jones and Crest, Greenwood and Burson, T. Gilbert, Dr. Twigg, R. S. Bewick, Evins Bros., and Mrs. E. Litchfield, being represented. In the yell. Crest class, Mr. King had to "wrong class" a couple belonging to Messrs. Jones and Crest and Dr. Twigg respectively, as buffs. Taking the section throughout, we thought it excellent.

Although the Greens were under the patronage of the G.C.A., they did not come up to expectations. Quality was well in front, and a special feature was the hen classes, which were far above anything seen in London before. The spoils were evenly divided. Norwich Greens were quite a set-back—only four yellow hens. This won't do if the variety is to go forward. Type is again well in advance. Border Greens were the pick of the lot, some of the very finest being on view. There was a battle royal between the Northern cracks, each taking a scalp home to Tyneside.

All the Lancashire men were down in force, and a hot time the judge had. Some of the cream of the Fancy were doing battle. The winners are not all in one stable either; it's a lucky man who can claim two firsts now-a-days. We noticed some of the old timers taking a back seat, while some of the younger generation are making great strides.

We regret that we cannot give the awards and scores in the Roller Canary classes, but when our last batch of "copy" left the hall the judging of these birds had not been completed.

Native Birds a great Attraction.

British birds accounted for close upon 350 of the grand total of entries obtained, and the quality generally was of such a high order that there could be but few runaway wins. On the contrary, the winners in many classes were hard pressed, not only by the immediate runners-up but by those at his heels in their turn also. This high level of quality is one of the features of present exhibitions; a very high standard of perfection is required to win in serious competition, as was indeed always the case, but where formerly the outstanding birds were few and far between, we now get classes in which a mere hairbreadth of difference separates the winners from those perforce left out in the cold. It was so in many of the British classes at this fine show. In Linnets, for example, and in Greenfinches, Siskins, Chaffinches, Bullfinches, and Bramblefinches, either of the first four might take premier place with credit, and without injustice; whilst in such a class as the mixed one of Buntings, containing, as it did, 23 first-rate specimens, many birds could not do themselves justice; there were not cards enough for all. Of the few outstanding winners that there were, mention may be made of Mr. P. McQuiston's Twite, the finest we have seen for many a day; Messrs. Pitchford and Stocker's Goldfinch, the easiest of easy winners; whilst Mr. F. Heal's exceedingly fine Linnet also found many admirers.

Extraordinarily Beautiful Section

In the Foreign section at this show one always expects to see some wonderful birds, and many which are making a first appearance, but it is doubtful if any show ever transcended this one in interest. To do bare justice to the many extraordinary and beautiful birds on view would require the whole of the current issue of forty-four pages, and we must content ourselves by advising everyone who can get to the Horticultural Hall this week not to miss the treat which is there set forth. A noticeable feature of the foreign bird section is the increasing number of lady exhibitors, and this seems a very fit happening. Among the ladies exhibiting here are Lady Pilkington, Lady Moor, the Hon. Mrs. Bourke, Mrs. Dolby, Clare, Knobel, Bousfield, Smyth, and Mesdames Tatten, Greene, Thynne, and from the report which follows it will be seen that at least a fair share of the spoils has been appropriated by the fairer sex.

Following are some of the special prize winners:—Best yell. Nor., E. Baker; buff, E. Baker; green, L. F. Harding; challenge cup best unflighted Nor., W. H. Howe; light Hyb., Martin and Archer; dark, Martin and Archer; insectiv. Brit, J. Frostick (Dartford Warbler); Brit. Seedeater, F. Heal; For. Seedeater, L. W. Hawkins (Blue-rumped Parrots); Insectiv., H. D. Astley (Blue Niltava); rarest For., ditto; rarest Hyb., Martin and Archer (Greenfinch-Chaffinch).

The judges were: Messrs. W. Booth (Hyde) Norwich, J. Bailey (Allerton) Yorkshires, T. J. King (Cheltenham) Crests, J. B. Hesling and G. Wareing, Rollers, J. Robson all other Canaries, E. J. Lamb Hybrids, D. A. S. Longden (Swansea) and A. Silver British, and D. Seth-Smith, Foreign.

THE YORKSHIRE CLASSES.

Judge, Mr. J. Bailey.

YORKS., CL., OR TKD. YELL. CK. (22): 1, Binns, wonderful length, grand upstanding spec., wings tightly braced, and nice stiff close tail, shows plenty of daylight, in fine form; 2, Crawhall, another beauty, hardly so hot in col., but grand shape, beautifully moulded and drawn, a real topper in very fine condition; 3, Green, a gem for length and style, hot col., tight as wax, hardly so good in wings, but a Yorkie all over; 4, hc, Hawes Bros., hardly the length of winners, but grand type, perfect wings, very fine position; vhc, Towers; c, Crisp. BUFF (22): 1, Binns, lovely spec., rare length and type, as smooth as glass, and brimming over with quality and condition, perfect, wing and tail, good win; 2, Kearns, neck mkd. spec., of fine length, wonderful position, and type, very neat and prim, hardly the wing car. of winner, still, a beauty; 3, vhc, Crawhall, a bonny bird, hardly the length of winners, but sweetly moulded, grand col., lovely head and shoulders, and well put down; 4, Tweedie, grand col. spec., lovely type, as smooth as possible, dancing with quality and condition, a grand bird, lovely head and wings; hc, Whitaker; c, Hawes Bros. CINN.-MKD. (12): 1, Ogden Bros., lovely four-pointed spec., nice typical Yorkie, beautifully rounded, good head, shoulders, and wings, nicely drawn, in grand condition; 2, Mason, wing and head tkd., of grand length and style, shade better than winner, quite as good condition, must have pressed; 3, Jones, rather heavily mkd. spec., of wonderful size and length, right up on legs, showing plenty of thigh, beautifully drawn; 4, Crisp, lightly mkd. bird, good length, neat racy spec., grand head and wings, good col., in fine condition; vhc, Brown and Son; hc, Tweedie; c, Crawhall. GREEN-MKD. (12): 1, Crisp, cheeks and wing mkd. bird, grand neat spec., beautifully drawn and moulded, very fine shoulders and wings, put down in A1 condition; 2, Jones, fine col. spec., nicely rounded, hardly so slim and racy as winner, but still a grand bird, with a good head; 3, c, Pattrick, well known, fairly heavily mkd. spec., in the best of condition, good head, very fine wings, A1 col. and quality; 4, Atkins, a bonny bird, slim type, good length and shoulders, hardly so tight as winners; vhc, Hawes Bros.; hc, Crawhall. CI. OR TKD. YELL HEN (14): 1, Crisp, beautiful lady, grand length, sweetly moulded, best of heads, good shoulders and wings, a beauty for style and quality; 2, Hawes Bros., neat racy spec., stands well, beautifully drawn, grand wings, neat tail, and put down in the pink of condition; 3, Lloyd, grand bird, very fine length and type, best of heads, well braced wings, nicely drawn, in fine condition; 4, Jefferies, hot col. bird, grand type, nicely rounded, perfect wings and tail, in bonny form; vhc, Mason; hc, Pattrick; c, Fulford. BUFF (19): 1, Ogden, a real gem for length and type, as round as a bottle, perfect wings, tight, boxy feather, shown in an absolutely perfect condition; 2, Brown and Son, another beauty for type, hardly so nicely drawn as winner, but beautifully rounded, grand head, stands on good legs; 3, Rorke, a rare lengthy spec., well filled and moulded, capital head and shoulders, rare wings and tail; 4, Atkins, very fine typical bird, of good length and style, grand head, capital wings; vhc, Crisp; hc, Brown; c, Crawhall. MKD. HEN (10): 1, 3, vhc, Hawes Bros., smart, neat, racy birds, on good legs, good col., nicely rounded, in very fine condition, and well shown, 3, a lovely, nearly clear, wonderful type and style, grand head and shoulders, smooth as glass, in fine condition; 2, Mason, a bonny buff, close up, grand length and type, full of life, yet smooth and tight, a real good one; 4, Ogden, four-pointed yell., good length, nice typical spec., stands well, grand form; hc, Towers; c, Brown.
UNFLIGHTED (25): 1, 2, Binns, perfect, grand position and type, rare length and style, lovely head, beautifully rounded, in very fine condition, 2, grand yell, another beauty, rare type, sweetly modelled, perfect fitting wings, A1 condition, good col.; 3, Crawhall, lovely buff, real gem for type and qual., grand bird, a wash would have improved it; 4, Rev. Miller, cheek and wing mkd., nice size and type, hot col. and qual.; vhc, Atkins; hc, Pattrick. OPEN NOVICE CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (18): 1, Miss Walker, rare length and type, grand hot col., good head, shoulders and wings, neat tail, stands well; 2, Willett, another beauty, neat type, hardly so hot in col., shade flat on back, but very racy and full of breed, fine quality; 3, Hall, rare length, nice long wings and tail, neat head, good bit of shoulder, fine fettle; 4, Reeks, smart, upstanding bird, nice type and style, grand shoulders and wings; vhc, Smith; hc, Clarke; c, Kirkham. BUFF (21): 1, Glanville, lovely quality bird, nice length and style, good shoulders, well braced wings, nice quality; 2, Fowle, smart upstanding bird, nice head, neck and shoulders, good length of wing, very tight; 3, Clarke, rare length and style, grand position, nicely moulded, tight as wax, must have pressed; 4, Kent, smart, hot col., good length and type, nicely drawn, grand qual., vhc, Shepherd; hc, Marshall; c, Bush. CINN.-MKD. (7): 1, Bamber, grand upstanding spec. of rare length, good shoulders and wings, neat head, hardly at its best; 2, Cundy, lovely smart buff, smooth as glass, nice type and style, good wings; 3, Kent, hot col., yell., of slim type, good head, nice qual., but beaten wings, good condition; 4, Harney, neat buff, lovely quality, nice head, very smart and racy; vhc, hc, Clarke; c, Carpenter. GREEN-MKD. (14): 1, Shepherd, head and wing mkd., rare length and type, neat head and neck, good shoulders, the best of wings, A1 condition; 2, Clarke, bonny back and wing mkd. yell., rare style and type, grand shoulders, hot col.; 3, Glanville, neat slim type, very racy and smart, grand length, well up on leg, 4 Fowle, smart, good positioned buff, grand head, nicely rounded, very hot col., well shown; vhc, Fawle; hc, Crockett; c, Harris. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (15): 1, Fairman, smart, long bird, of good type and quality, good shoulders, wings and tail, stands well; 2, Hall, another, beauty, well up, bit patchy in col., but still rare type and length, nice quality; 3, Bush, smart, good position, nice shoulders, good length of wing, fine quality; 4, Bennett, slim, good length, capital wings and position, in good fettle; vhc, Glanville; hc, Clarke; c, Percival. BUFF (12): 1, Hall, lovely, grand position and type, good shoulders and back, perfect wings, tight as wax, real good one; 2, Harris, another smart racy bird, rare style and nerve, grand head and shoulders, in the pink; 3, Clarke, slim, long and racy, full of nerve, stands well on good legs; 4, Chaisty, good type and quality, nicely rounded; vhc, Bamber; hc, Bush; c, Willett. MKD. HEN (9): 1, Fowle, topper, grand length and style, full of "swank," beautifully rounded, good wings, tight as wax; 2, Kent, grand long yell., rare length of wing, nicely balanced, smooth, and well filled, beauty for qual. and con.; 3, 4, Harney, wing and head tkd., very fine qual., slim type, racy bird, 4, another neat one, grand condition, good shoulders and wings, faultless condition, we liked better; vhc, Fawle; hc, Birch; c, Bullen. UNFLIGHTED (17): 1, Hall, smart, racy bird, fine length and type, well up on legs, grand style and qual., hot col.; 2, Kent, not so hot in col., but good length and type, grand head and wings; 3, Fowle, lovely quality, very typical and racy, we liked quite as well, grand condition; 4, Bush, wing and eye mkd., fine length and type, good quality; vhc, Crockett; hc, Montgomery; c, Clarke. LIMIT 30s. (21): 1, Green; 2, Mason; 3, Knight; 4, Ayres; vhc, Crisp; hc, Tebbs; c, Hawes. YORKS. GREEN YELL. (11): 1, 3, Rowlands, topper for style, rare legs and wings, straight as a rush, brilliant colour and pencilling; 2, Benson, smart fellow, glorious colour, grand back and flights, the very best of pencilling; 3rd, even better col., wonderful exhibit, correct type, stands like a guardsman; 4, Walker, foul tail, nice wings and back, extra pos., very dark on back, pencilling blurred; vhc, Morement; hc, c, McDermott. BUFF (11): 1, 2, vhc, Walker, long racy self, grand wings and tail, champion colour and markings, wee bit loopy; 2nd, rare length, shows plenty of leg, full of colour, perfect markings; 3, hc, Handley, foul tail, lovely quality, erect and fearless, good legs; 4, McNulty, foul tail, very wild, wonder for type and quality, nice tone of colour; c, Robinson. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Metcalfe, wonder for type, full of swank, great length, exquisite quality, a perfect lady; 2, Robinson, self, another of the right kind, perfect type, stouty and well up on leg; 3, Benson, self, rare good maid, full of go, good penciling and style, well staged; 4, Morement, long and racy, well filled in, wedge shape, good top end, bit dark; vhc, Handley; hc, Rowlands; c, Walker. BUFF (6): 1, Rowlands, foul tail, glorious girl, charming tone of colour, perfect wings and carriage; 2, Benson, feathered like a Java, well up on leg, round as a bottle, must have pressed; 3, Handley, longer, full of style, wedgy, plenty of leg, nice quality; 4, Robinson, again a big one, grand back, and long sweeping flights, bit loose; vhc, McDermott.

OUR THANKS.

While we take no little pride in being able to place before our readers to-day a report, complete in practically every detail, of the great Horticultural Hall show, we wish to gratefully acknowledge our indebtedness to the very excellent staff of reporters, comprising Messrs. J. C. Barnes, H. J. Fulljames, J. W. Metcalfe, S. J. Nicholas, H. Norman, and C. Prior, whose skilled and energetic help contributed so largely towards rendering the feat possible. We think we are in all modesty entitled to claim as a "feat" the reporting of a show of such magnitude and the publishing of the report on the same day as the birds were judged—never before, we believe, achieved in the history of the Fancy Press.—EDITOR.

THE OPEN NORWICH CLASSES.

Judge, Mr. W. Booth.

NOR. YELL. CL. OR TKD. (13): 1, Baker, cl., round as a ball, magnificent quality, grand symmetry and substance, delightful carriage; 2, Dr. McConaghey, cl., rich quality and col., lovely shape, fine carriage, certainly not the substance, but a true Norwich; 3, Thomas, slightly grizzled neck, feathered to perfection, nice tone of col., graceful movement, hardly so deep-fronted; 4, Irons, short and thick-set cl., full of col. and qual., jaunty carriage, not of the biggest but of the very best; vhc, Gill and Pethick; hc, Banbury; c, Cundiff. BUFF (12): 1, Baker, magnificent shaped cl., tight as a Java, superb tone of col., wonderful substance, clock-like action, real topper; 2, Thomas, beautifully shaped cl., smooth as a bottle, richly fed, capital substance and carriage, clean cut away, close up; 3, Gill and Pethick, cl., plenty of size, capital feather, nice head and neck, not quite so thick-set and little longer in wings and tail; 4, Houghton, cl., ablaze with col., superb feather and frosting, grand head, neck and chest, bit loose; vhc, Hodder; hc, Goodman; c, Ellis. LIGHTLY MKD. (15): 1, Baker, buff, mkd. wing and eye, ablaze with col., superb feather, rare size and shape, delightful carriage, found many friends, gem; 2, Baker, yell. mkd. head, short and thick-set, marvellous quality, A1 colour, well up in size, another of the right sort; 3, Taylor, yell. mkd. wings and eye, more substance, full of fire, lovely feather, bit longer wings and tail, yet grand; 4, Houghton, yell., mkd. wings and eye, superb feather and colour, capital substance, clean cut; vhc, Harding; hc, c, Thomas. HEAV. MKD. (5): 1, Houghton, yell., green, pied tail, well up in size, exquisite qual. and col., shone like a mirror, grand symmetry, very taking carriage; 2, Gill and Pethick, yell. var., cobby and of rattling feather, good tone of col. hardly so massive yet of wonderful merit; 3, Webster, buff, smooth as wax, short and thick set, capital colour and frosting, clean under, worth its place; 4, Baker, yell., abundance of substance, A1 feather and col., well shaped body, bit low on head, good neck; vhc, Law. HEN YELL. (14): 1, Hodder, mkd. head, delightful shape and feather, nice level colour, plenty of size, dainty movement, most fascinating damsel; 2, Keech, grandly clothed cl., clinking colour, cobby, and of splendid carriage, beaten in substance only; 3, Thomas, mkd. wings, tail and head, near on largest in class, nice colour and feather, neat head and neck, shade longer in build; 4, Baker, grizzled head and neck, smooth as a Java, short and thick-set, dainty carriage, not large, but a charmer; vhc, Taylor; hc, Gill and Pethick; c, Irons. BUFF (14): 1, Thomas, cl., round as a ball, superb feather and col., fine substance and carriage, most bewitching damsel, treat to observe; 2, Houghton cl. short and thick-set, A1 quality, good substance, not quite so rich in colour, very promising unflig.; 3, Houghton, cl., true type, lovely feather, nice size and col., jaunty, again 1912 bred and a good one; 4, Ellis, mkd. wings and head, teeming with quality and col., well up in substance, lovely wing and tail, bit heavy behind; vhc, Taylor; hc, Baker; c, Gill and Pethick. UNFLIG. (23): 1, Baker, beautifully shaped cl. buff, full of col., A1 quality, rattling substance, graceful movement, with luck a coming champion; 2, Baker, yell., mkd. wings and head, short and thick, ablaze with col., delightful feather, A1 carr., real gem; 3, Houghton, buff, mkd. wings and eye, smooth as a bottle, round as an apple, delightful substance and col., crosses wings at times, which tells against it; 4, Houghton, cl. yell., superb col. and feather, rare shape and carriage, all front, we liked much; vhc, Gill and Pethick; hc, Keech; c, Keech. OPEN NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL (16): 1, Perry, cl., of capital shape, size, and colour, jaunty carriage, could win many open shows, well staged, wins; 2, James, mkd. wing and neck, full of fire, delightful feather, well up in substance, little longer in barrel; 3, Beauland, cl., very shapely, nice col. and feather, clean cut, beaten in substance; 4, Williams, cl., clothed to perfection, rich level colour, not the depth of front, delightful carriage; vhc, Ward; hc, Morrison; c, Taylor. BUFF (13): 1, Porter, cl., teeming with qual. and col., fine substance and shape, smooth as wax, grand carriage, good enough for open; 2, Nolan, mkd. back, tight as a Java, short and thick-set, capital carriage, not quite the col.; 3, Harris mkd. head, cobby and of good size, moves well, not the best of col., A1 qual.; 4, Lewis, cl., all there for shape, colour and quality, jaunty movement built on smaller lines; vhc, Tomsett; hc, Elliott; c, Bown. LIGHTLY MKD. (9): 1, Byne, buff mkd. wings and head, well up in substance, capital symmetry, capital col. and feather, neatly frosted, very bonny; 2, Thurley, yell., mkd. wing and eyes, A1 col. and qual., well up in size, A1 carriage, must have pressed; 3, Perry, buff mkd. wings and head, rattling substance and shape, grand feather, plenty of front; 4, Bown, buff mkd. neck and eyes, superb feather, nice size and shape, patchy in col., which held it back; vhc, Bantam; hc, c, Broughton: good trio. HEAVILY MKD.: Cancelled. HEN. YELL. (19): 1, Crawford, cl., ablaze with colour, rich quality, well up in size, very shapely, most promising unflighted; 2, Bown, cl., lovely shape, feather, and colour, good size, but for broken tail would no doubt have won; 3, Bartram, cl., plenty of substance, superior feather, grand shaped body, bit weak in head and neck, yet choice; 4, Annison, cl. of nice colour and feather, very shapely, not of the biggest but one that commands attention; vhc, Ward; hc, Elliott; c, Cramp. BUFF (18): 1, Crawford, cl., lovely tone of colour, sweetly moulded, well up in size, jaunty, capital feather, neatly frosted, charming damsel; 2, Byne, cl., very cobby in build, excellent quality, colour, and mealing, just beaten in head points; 3, Mrs. Williams, cl., short and thick set, feathered to perfection, A1 colour and meal, not big, but a picture; 4, James, cl., grand type, A1 quality and colour, nice size, wee bit browy, still very smart; vhc, Elliott; hc, Harris; c, Lagden.

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HORTICULTURAL HALL SHOW, continued.

UNFLIG. (25): 1, Gillard, cl. yell., full of fire, round as a ball, not a feather misplaced, well up in edge, clock-like in action, gem; 2, Wade, buff, thigh tick, magnificent feather and colour, very chubby and of good substance, clean cut away, close up; 3, c, Hyne, yell., variegs., lovely colour and feather, sweet shape, beaten little in substance and head character; 4, Mrs. Williams, cl. buff, fine shape and feather, good size and carriage, looks very promising unflighted damsel; vhc, Crawford; hc, Cramp.

NOR. GREEN YELL. (7): 1, 2, Harding, self, the noted warrior, looking well to-day, enormous head and neck, correct colour, 2nd foul cap and neck, not a big one, but rare colour and type, neat head, capital carriage; 3, Lawson, self, wonder for col., great body and condition, fails in head only; 4, c, Walker, foul cheek, grand head and cheeks, fine tone of colour, bit long behind; vhc, Handley. BUFF (11): 1, 2, vhc, Harding, foul tail, topping order, monster head and neck, good lacing, wins, 2nd foul tail, rare head and cheeks, capital col., pencilled to perfection, bit long; 3, Walker, capital head, well moulded, more cobby than above, dull colour; 4, Handley, wonderful condition and colour, grand type, fails head and neck; hc, Walker; c, Lawson. HEN, YELL. (4): 1, Lawson, the old Queen, looks well, rare colour, grand head and neck, short cut; 2, 4, Godfrey, self, grand type and quality, fair tone of colour, weak in head; 3, Jenkins, rare big wench, capital colour and markings, bold head and eyes, 4th bold head and cheeks, fair wings, grand shade of colour and pencilling. BUFF: 1, Jenkins, wonderful lady, extra good head and neck, short thighs and tail, fails colour; 2, Walker, foul cheek, magnificent type, real good tone of colour, moves well; 3, 4, Lawson, practically variegs., great head and cheeks, ideal stock hen, in form; 4, longer, rare col., fair depth of chest, in capital form, lucky; vhc, c, Harding; hc, Handley. NOR., LIMIT 30s. (7): 1, 2, Gunnell; 3, Ellis; 4, hc, Terry; vhc, Richardson; c, Holder.

CRESTS AND CRESTBREDS.

Judge, Mr. T. J. King.

CREST, BUFF CK. (10): 1, Jones and Crest, mkd. wings D.C., magnificent feather, well up in subs., crest of large dimensions, beautiful radiation, lovely droop and centre, gem; 2, Smith, cl. body D.C., heaps of feather, rare subs., crest veiny and of delightful droop, thickly thatched, neat centre, pressed; 3, Bale, buff mkd. tail D.C., wealth of feather, rare subs., crest of capital size, good droop and centre, not far away; 4, Smith, mkd. wings D.C., plenty of feather, massive in build, crest wee bit hairy, yet of great size and excellent droop, well placed centre; vhc, Greenwood and Burson; hc, Evins Bros.; c, Gollan.

HEN (11): 1, Greenwood and Burson, buff variegs., D.C., wealth of rich qual. feather, crest of great size, thickly thatched, magnificent radiation and droop, grand centre, gem; 2, Smith, almost green pied tail, D.C., heaps of feather, crest, round as a rim, not so dense, yet of A1 droop and centre, close up; 3, Brotherton, buff mkd. wing, grey crest, plenty of feather, crest dense, and of lovely frontal droop, wee bit spare at sides, yet of wonderful merit; 4, Evins Bros., buff, cl. body, grizzled crest, magnificent feather, crest round as a hoop, neat droop and centre, well put down; vhc, J. Evans; hc, Pickard; c, Slade. C.B.BUFF CK., GREEN OR FOUL (11): 1, Dr. Twigg, buff, pied wings and tail, abundance of feather, wonderful substance, great width and rise of head, lashed to perfection, topper; 2, Coath, green pied tail, giant, heaps of A1 feather, rattling skull, not quite so dense, neat lash; 3, Evins Bros., green, pied tail, wealth of quality feather, shapely, not so massive in build; 4, Greenwood and Burson, green, pied tail, wealth of feather, capital quality, nice width of skull; vhc, Shepherd; hc, Hardy; c, Slade. A.O.V. CK. (4): 1, Gilbert, buff, mkd. wings and head, superb quality, nice size of body, capital head feather, wide skull, grand lash, gem, Nottingham winner; 2, Evins Bros., buff variegs., real giant, wealth of exquisite feather, rare width of skull, hardly so dense, lashed to perfection; 3, Bewick, buff variegs, A1 quality, nice size, not the width of skull, but possessing plenty of feather; 4, Harrison, buff mkd. wing and head, superb feather, very shapely. HEN (9): 1, Bewick, buff green, pied tail, marvellous substance, abundance of superb feather, one of the finest skulled specimens we have ever seen, truly a knock out, the noted "Duchess"; 2, Broad, buff green, pied tail, heaps of feather, lovely quality, capital width and rise of skull, grandly lashed; 3, White, buff green, very shapely, excellent feather, good width of skull, neat lash; 4, Evins Bros., buff, almost green, pied tail, heaps of A1 feather, well up in size, nice lash; vhc, Brotherton; hc, Pickard; c, Bale. YELL. CREST (6): 1, Evins Bros., mkd. wing and tail D.C., magnificent feather, crest of lovely radiation, and well up in size, beautiful droop and perfect centre, real charmer; 2, White, green pied tail, heaps of superb feather, crest of exquisite quality, leafy, round as a florin, fine droop, neat centre; 3, Litchfield, mkd. wing, grizzled crest, abundance of feather, superior quality, crest nice back, very choice exhibit; 4, J. Evans, cl. body, grizzled, very shapely, crest of capital formation, not large; No. 3, wrong class, buff; No. 2, wrong class, buff. YELL. C.B. (6): 1, Litchfield, grizzled wing, excellent quality and colour, plenty of feather, rattling width and rise of skull, grandly lashed, an eye opener; 2, Brotherton, variegs., of wonderful substance, superb feather, marvellous width of skull, not quite so dense, fine lash, close up; 3, Slade, lightly variegs., A1 quality, not quite the substance, but of excellent skull character, neatly browed; 4, Evins Bros., lightly variegs., superior feather, very shapely, beaten in substance; vhc, Watcham; No. 4, wrong class, buff. BUFF C.B. (1912) (5): 1, Evins Bros., almost green, pied wings and tail, very shapely, plenty of feather, capital cushioned skull, heaps of head feather, rare width, A1 lash; 2, Greenwood and Burson, variegs., abundance of feather, nice quality, hardly so dense in head feather, fine width and rise, neat brow; 3, Bewick, variegs., wealth of feather, shapely, fine head points, nice lash; 4, Turner, almost green, pied tail, A1 qual., not overdone with size; vhc, Harrison; small class, but grand birds. BUFF CREST (1912) (6): 1, Greenwood and Burson, buff var. D.C., abundance of feather, well up in substance, crest leafy and as round as a hoop, beautifully drooped, correct centre, topper; 2, Bewick, buff mkd. wing D.C., heaps of feather, crest thickly thatched, round as a shilling, fine droop and centre, pressed hard; 3, Greenwood and Burson, buff, cl. body, D.C., wealth of feather, plenty of size, crest of grand formation, not quit so dense, fine droop and centre; 4, Evins Bros., buff, lightly var. D.C., plenty of feather, crest of nice shape and size, bit weak in frontal; vhc, Turner; hc, Harrison, good. OPEN NOVICE CREST (10): 1, Miss V. Onslow, buff mkd. wing, D.C., grand shaped, wealth of feather, crest round as a rim, beautiful droop and centre, extremely bonny; 2, Mayhew, buff green, abundance of feather, crest of delightful shape and radiation, not overdone with size, sweet droop and centre; 3, Miss V. Onslow, buff, heavy mkd. D.C., heaps of rich quality feather, crest of nice veiny feather, beautiful shape, nice droop, well worth its place; 4, Hawkes, green, plenty of feather, nice size, crest of good shape, on the small side, neat throughout; vhc, Pettitt; hc, Jones; c, Taylor. DO. C.B. (12): 1, Miss Onslow, buff variegs., abundance of A1 quality feather, very shapely, capital rise and width of skull, dense and neatly lashed, capable of winning many open shows; 2, Page, buff, heavy mkd., heaps of feather, excellent quality, good width of skull, not quite so thick yet, neatly browed, close up; 3, Andrews, variegs., colour fell, nice quality, fair size, good amount of head, feather, runs narrow in entrance, nice lash; 4, Pettitt, variegs., abundance of feather, good shape, not over massive in skull; vhc, Fountain; hc, Mayhew; c, Bronghton. LINNET CREST, £3 (14): 1, Mrs. L. M. Thynne; 2, Slade; 3, Broad; 4, Evins Bros.; vhc, Watcham; hc, Dr. Twigg; c, Brotherton, No. 1, blind. C.B., £2 (15): 1, Howard; 2, Evins Bros.; 3, Greenwood and Barson; 4, Dr. Twigg; vhc, Mason; hc, Smith; c, Lilley. No. 10, w.c., Crest.

THE BORDER FANCIES.

Judge, Mr. J. Robson.

BORD., YELL. CL. OR TKD. (15): 1, J. S. Wilson, cl. charmer, extra type, boxy feather, takes perches well; 2, vhc, Sampson, another of the right kind, sweet head and neck, perfect carriage, pressed; 3, 1, Pratt, stouter, lovely type and qual., wing carr. of the best, bit soft, 4th grand for jaunty and free, exquisite feather, moves into pos, quick; hc, Jenkins; c, Smith. BUFF (13): 1, Cubby, cl., little wonder, a ball of meal, capital head and neck, grand carriage; 2, J. S. Wilson, cl., marble head, sweetly cut, fine wings, quite fearless, and stayed; 3, Jenkins, cl., rare qual., sweet head, topping carr., moves well; 4, Roberts, smaller, but just as good in type, grand wing and tail, lovely bloom; vhc, hc, Bennett; c, Madagan. YELL. HEN (12): 1, J. S. Wilson, cl., little queen, holds her court well, carries state dress, wins; 2, Sampson, cl., grand maid in waiting, boxy feather, perfect wings, marble head; 3, Bennett, capital type and qual., full of go, exquisite feather, just fails head; 4, Madagan, bonny bird, sweet head, lovely cut, perfect back and wings; vhc, Jenkins; hc, Cubby; c, Sayer. BUFF (13): 1, 2, Jenkins, cl., grand lady, lovely mantle, well frosted, bonny head and neck, very free, 2nd hardly so good in head, otherwise sweet maid, perfect wings and carr.; 3, hc, Bennett, cl., slimmer built, in capital form, polished like marble, well up; 4, c, J. S. Wilson, cap mkd., superior feather and condition, has a habit of crossing wings; vhc, Cubby. EVEN-MKD. (4): 1, Cubby, capital four-pointed, even markings throughout, very soft when taking notes; 2, Sayer, large markings, poor on eyes, otherwise real nice stamp; 3, Sampson, sweet chap, well mkd., in fair condition, but penny as yet, better markings on eyes; 4, Stovin, sweet little fellow, wants washing; moderate class. VARIEG., ETC. (8): 1, hc, Sayer, yell., eyes and wing mkd., splendid head and very hot col., grand wings and tail, free in movements; 2, J. S. Wilson, wing and eye mkd., buff, again strong col., a ball of meal, sweet type, well up; 3, Knight, variegs., yell., topping quality, grand front, very jaunty in carriage; 4, Jenkins, cinn. mkd. buff, a real topper, wonderful feather and type; vhc, Bennett; c, Roberts. CINN. (14): Grand class. 1, 3, 4, W. S. Wilson, yell., wonderful colour, like burnished copper, well pencilled, wins, 3rd, yell., bit brighter, but not correct shade, full of Border properties, marble head, 4th, buff, shows fair dense col., well pencilled, clean cut as a cameo; 2, Christer, yell., again a good one, but colour not quite so deep, sweet head and wing carr.; vhc, c, Hocking; hc, Roberts; c, absent, 14. GREEN YELL (13): 1, Campbell, bonny typical spec., real Border shape, neat head and wings, full of nerve, grand col. and quality, a good win; 2, Greenwell, rather full fronted spec., with good head, wings and tail, good sound, rich col. and nice quality; 3, Parker, grand type, must have pressed on this point, good position, very fine rich col., in the pink of condition; 4, vhc, Johnston, good typical spec., nice position, good head and wings, grand col., vhc, another beauty, we liked; hc, Christer; c, Rev. Soames. BUFF (14): 1, Montgomery, wonderful type, full of rich ground colour, rare sweet head and well cut away, takes perches well; 2, Campbell, rare back markings, rich tone of col., beautiful front and shape; 3, Johnston, grand head, neck, sweet car. of wings and tail, pencilling runs into ground colour; 4, Little, topping style and position, good markings and col, loses head to winners; vhc, Cubby; hc, W. S. Wilson; c, Mrs. McGregor. YELL HEN (11): 1, 3, 4, Johnston, marvel for col., pencilling of the best, charming head and wings, and wins; 2, Parker, again a flier, full of type, shows brilliant ground col., moves well; 3, bit longer pencilling, bit blurred, otherwise rare lady, should improve, 4, smart exhibit, glorious shape, marble head, looked a bit dicky when reporting; vhc, Greenwell; hc, Mrs. McGregor; c, Little; wrong class, No. 1. BUFF (12): 1, Little, lovely typical buff, nice style, neat head, good wings, very sound col., fine qual.; 2, hc, Parker, another good one, nicely rounded, fine style, capital, grand colour, in A1 order; 3, 4, vhc, Johnstone, three beauties, little to choose between them, quite the Border type, 3, a shade the better col., all good condition; c, Greenwell. OPEN NOVICE YELL. (5): 1, Stevens, smart, typical bird, nicely rounded and cut, smart, well braced wing, neat tail, hot col.; 2, Mrs. Salter, another good one, hardly so cleanly cut, but grand type, style and quality; 3, Ellwood, another smart bird, plenty big enough, nicely filled, good condition; 4, Hay, neat, typical spec., we liked quite as well, lovely qual. col., well shown; vhc, Jones. BUFF (6): 1, vhc, Stevens, smart typ. bird, lovely style beautifully rounded, grand col, quality, well put down; 2, hc, Marriott, another beauty, neat style, hardly so good in col., but quite so on other points, a good one; 3, Jones, nice type, hardly so well put down, still, a good bird; 4, Hay, another real typical one, lovely quality feather, good head and wings. VARIEG., ETC. (4): 1, Mrs. Salter, smart three-pointed buff, typical, nicely modelled, good head, nice quality; 2, Marriott, a good yell., we liked quite as well, very typical, better filled in front, grand colour; 3, Stevens, variegs. buff, rather wild, but not type and quality; 4, Mrs. Maber, good type, but hardly shown at its best.

THE OTHER CANARY CLASSES.

Judge, Mr. J. Robson.

LANCS. BUFF COPPY (4): 1, 2, Green, rare, close coppy, well centred, great length of side, deep through, 2nd abundance of feather, topping roppy, not quite so long in side; 3, Fitton, small, neat coppy, well placed, short in subs., grand feather; 4, Beattie, monster for subs. and feather, coppy, on small side; vhc, Kay; hc, Boxall. YELL. COPPY cancelled. YELL. PAL. (4): 1, Kay, great length of side, deep through shoulder, broad skull and lashing; 2, Green, grizzle neck, exquisite feather, good skull, not subs. of winner; 3, Fitton, lovely qual., grand shoulders, long flights and tail, bit squatty; 4, vhc, Beattie, magnificent length, rare skull and neck, fails qual.; hc, Green. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Fitton, enormous subs., extra width, long sided and abundance of clothes, 2nd shorter, rare feather and condition, grand lashings and skull; 3, Kay, very thick, silky feather, good napper, squatty; 4, vhc, Green, magnificent head and neck good lashings, broad shoulders; hc, Mason; c, Boxall

BELGIAN, YELL. (6): 1, 4, vhc, Reddihough, fine depth of shoulder, wedge, rare drive, not big but good wedge shape, head well out, takes too long to get into position; 2, Horrill, grand shoulders, and back, head well away, fails qual. to above; 3, Robertson, bigger, but a bit racy, head too erect, good form; hc, Walmsley. BUFF (6): 1, 3, Horrill, sweet head and neck, well out, thick shoulder, straight back; 2, 4, Reddihough, extra good stiffs, nice square shoulders, must have pressed, 4th smaller, rare type, full of nerve, all grand exhibits; 3rd rare reach, capital shoulders, straight and fearless; vhc, Robertson; hc, Walmsley. UNFLIG. (14): 1, 4, Reddihough, extra good type, wedgy, straight even wings and tail, 4th buff, stodgy, very thick through top end, good pair; 2, 3, Horrill, capital drive, thick shoulders, fair feather, open tail, 3rd bit racy, fine back and tail, nervy, plenty of swank, all yellows; vhc, Dart; hc, Baker; abs., 6 and 7. DUTCH FRILL (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Brook, a nice team, leader great size and subs., wonderful ruffle, snaky head, shown to advantage, 2nd almost green, grand circles, topping back feather, which splits well, 3rd smaller, self green, not enough ruffle, 4th grand length, plenty of good twist.

WHITE CAN. (8): 1, c, Kiessel, fine big bird of the Yorkshire type, absolutely pure in col., put down in very fine condition; 2, 4, vhc, hc, Goodman, a good team, all of the Border type, nice pure col., in grand feather, of nice quality; 3, Mrs. Gould, another neat Border, shown in box cage, a good bird, but hardly so tight in feather as winner. CINN. CK. (10): 1, 2, Mrs. F. E. Deacon, yell., wonder for col., like burnished gold, grand head and neck, fit as a fiddle, 2nd buff, monster, grand type, rare markings, bold head and eks., capital form, staged to perfection; 3, Cook, yell., longer and not subs. of above, fair even colour, wants a bit more polish; 4, hc, c, Andrew Bros., buff, pinched in head, grand col., and thigh markings, lovely qual. for a big one; vhc, Colton and Dawn; hc, Shellam; c, Gunnell. A.O.V. UNEVEN (4): 1, Martin and Archer, grizzle mkd. yell. Greenie hen, good size and shape, wonderful polish, wins; 2, Tams and Son, another grizzle mkd. Greenie, grand size, shape and col., crosses wings a trifle, which no doubt kept him back; 3, McQuiston, lightly mkd. buff Linnet-Can., rather loose when judged; 4, Pitchford and Stocker, var. Linnet, loses size to leader, trifle wild. GOLDF.-CAN. DK. (8): 1, Martin and Archer, the Guardsman, well mated, stands well, grand size and shape, lovely col., good blaze, in tip-top order; 2, Shellam, another good one, grand size, shape and col., wonderful blaze, must have pressed winner; 3, Miss Bousfield, buff, good size and shape, very neat blaze, well mealed; 4, Shellam, Jonque, good size, shape and col., had lost part tail when we saw him; vhc, F. and T. Bowler; hc, King; c, Thursby. LIN.-CAN. DK. (6): 1, Shellam, noted Jonque, wonderful col. and qual., grand size and shape, in A1 order; 2, McQuiston, buff, grand size, shape and col., loses polish to leader; 3, Shellam, another topper, grand size and shape, lovely col. and qual.; 4, Pickles, very neat, good shape and qual., loses trifle size to leader; vhc, King; No. 6 absent. A.O.V. DK. (17), a grand class: 1, Shellam, Siskin-Can., grand col. and qual., neat eye markings, in fine bloom; 2, McQuiston, wonderful col. Greenie, good size, shape, nice polish; 3, Miss Bousfield, Twite-Can., a bouncer, good col. and shape, grand qual. and condition; 4, Crabb, Siskin-Can., good col., lovely qual., loses substance to winner; vhc, Shellam; hc, Smyth; c, Webster; No. 6, wrong class. BULLF. HYB. (7): 1, Shellam, Can.-Bullie, noted winner, marvellous col. and qual., grand size and shape, romps home; 2, Mrs. Askham, another topper, grand qual and shape, loses col. and substance to leader; 3, Martin and Archer, Greenie, good size, shape, col. and qual., in grand bloom; 4, Mrs. Askham, Can.-Bullie, very neat, good qual., loses substance to leaders; vhc, Pickles; hc, Burrows; No. 6 absent. A.O.V. BRIT. HYB. (5): 1, Martin and Archer, well-known Chaffinch-Greenie, in grand order; 2, Webster, Goldie-Redpoll, very neat blaze, good col. and qual.; 3, Wren, Goldie-Greenie, nice col. and qual., trifle small; No. 2, wrong class; No. 3, absent. PAIRS FOR HYB. BREEDING (14): 1, Frostick, Linnet and Bullie, stated to be actual breeders, well matched, shown to perfection; 2, Miss Smith, Greenfinch and Chaffinch, very useful pair; 3, Francis, Mealy Poll and Siskin, neat pair; 4, Francis, Chaffinch and Bramble; vhc, Wren; hc, Francis; c, Offord.

THE BRITISH BIRDS

Judges, Messrs. A. Silver and D. A. S. Longden.

GOLDFINCH (10): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, excellent Finch, large square blaze, very richly and purely coloured all through, grandly tanned, and put down in the pink of condition; 2, Bowler, nice quality, good blaze, splendid buttons, very neat, will improve yet; 3, Williams, larger size, richer colour, hardly so well balanced; 4, Lonsdale, poverty of feather pegs him back, very nice bird in all other respects; vhc, Bignall; hc, Clark; c, Lowe. BULLFINCH (14): 1, McQuiston, extraordinary cap, bright level colour, wearing "trousers" when these notes were taken, grand bird with this exception; 2, Wren, full of quality, lovely back and bars, bright rich and level breast colour, excellent cap, well polished throughout, we liked well; 3, Woods, another grand one, close on heels of 2nd, a trifle more size, but a little less polish is all there is in it; 4, Woods, slimmer in build and weaker in head points, champion col. and bloom; vhc, Francis; hc, Wren; c, Marley. SISKIN (7): 1, Heal, good type and size, nice cap and flank lacing, first class feather and colour, no bib; 2, Casemore, better cap and bib, nice lacing and colour, not so solid in feather, close up; 3, Francis, extra good colour and feather, less distinct in characteristic markings; 4, Miss Bousfield, very nice indeed at all points, might have been higher we thought; vhc, Pope; hc, Lovatt and Mason; c, Marley. LINNET (13): 1, Heal, magnificent type, grand size, and rich bright colour, ideal breast and flank pencillings, lovely head and back, very steady and stylish, leads a good class well; 2, McQuiston, the Scotch type all over, tremendous size, big chest, splendid level colour, solid feather, but almost minus breast marking; 3, Gunnell, very similar type to winner, but trifle less size, nice colour, not so steady, still, a good one; 4, Nicholas, again very heavily pencilled, lovely bright colour, superb condition, just wants little more size; vhc, Tams; hc, c, Marley. TWITE OR MEALY REDPOLL (15): 1, McQuiston, Twite, extraordinary size, most profuse pencilling, both on back and breast, champion colour and condition, easy winner in a very strong class; 2, Heal, Mealy Redpoll, a large one, gets his place on flank markings and condition, rather ugly head; 3, Heal, excellent Twite, in A1 trim, though well beaten by winners; 4, Francis, nicely proportioned and large Mealy Redpoll, roughish in feather, which perhaps kept him down; vhc, Pickles, another good Twite; hc, Pitchford and Stocker, yet another; c, Miss A. Wishaw, Mealy Redpoll. LESSER REDPOLL (12): 1, Nicholas, lovely quality, superb feeing, grand shape, style, a gem all through; 2, McQuiston, bit larger, grand feather, not so bright in colour, although richer; 3, Marley, extra good in size and colour, profusely marked, faulty wing carriage; 4, Heal, gem for bib, colour, and lacing, field-moulted; vhc, Francis; hc, Marley; c, Francis, champion Poll, looking soft. GREENFINCH (17): 1, McMillan, finely modelled bird, grand head, great size, excellent colour, a good one; 2, Marley, rather less size, nice type and colour, grand feather and finish; 3, Lowe, beautiful quality of feather, lovely colour and type, fails condition; 4, Sharp, rather on small side, splendid flights, shows badly; vhc, Francis; hc, Frostick, grand bird, unlucky; c, Pickles. CHAFFINCH (14): 1, Francis, fine size, rich colour, nice head, tight feather, well polished and shown to perfection; 2, Nicholson and Son, nicely contrasted colours, fails little head colour, capital feather and condition; 3, 4, Marley, a brace of first-class Chaffies, close up to winners, we made the 4th an extra good one, but down a bit in condition to-day; vhc, Adams, good one, rather wild; hc, Maxwell; c, Raine. HAWFINCH (4): 1, Francis, largest in class, bold type of bird, splendid bib, and wing bars, good colour and condition; 2, Freeman, again a big one, very large bib, rather pale col., slacker feather; 3, Marley, less weight, much more quality, very rich colour, rather overdone in fact, A1 fettle; 4, Maxwell, good type of bird, apparently feeling the weight of years; moderate class. BRAMBLE (12): 1, McQuiston, grand size and shape, neat hood, well spangled, lovely col. and qual., wins; 2, 3, 4, Marley, grand team, leader good col. and qual., nice size and shape, neatly spangled, 2nd good size and shape, loses trifle col., latter neat shape, good size, and col., trifle inclined to show spectacle on eyes; vhc, Francis; hc, Bewick; c, Hull. BUNTING (23): A wonderful class: 1, McQuiston, well-known Corn Bunting, grand size and shape, lovely col., qual., and markings; 2, Marsley, Cirl Bunting, neat exhibit, good col. and qual., lovely cheek markings; 3, 4, Miss Bousfield, Snow Bunting, grand size, col., and qual., wonderfully steady, 4th Yellowhammer, good size, col., and qual., neat head markings; vhc, Sharpe, Ortolan Bunting, in lovely order; hc, Gilbert; c, Heal. SONG THRUSH (4): 1, Lott, good size and shape, nice col., well spangled, wins; 2, Askew, good col., lovely bloom, loses size; 3, Marley, good size and shape, nice col. and qual., loses spangling; 4, Lott, good size and shape, neat spangling, trifle wild. BLACKBIRD (7): 1, 2, Marley, a pair of beauties, leader wonderful size and col., trifle pale in vent, 2nd not quite subs., but grand depth, col., good beak and cere; 3, no name, trifle smaller, grand col. and qual., neat beak, good cere; 4, Ford, good size, shape, loses col. to leaders; vhc, Bisset; hc, Frostick; c, Lott. STARLING (9): 1, McVay, wonderful size, lovely col. and qual., well spangled, wins; 2, Lean and Son, neat exhibit, lovely qual. and col., well spangled, loses size; 3, Rathgan, good col. and qual., loses size to leaders, beautifully spangled; 4, Andrews Bros., another good one, not quite so neatly spangled as leaders; vhc, Maxwell; hc, Woodcock; c, Lott. NUTHATCH, ETC. (6): 1, Frostick, lovely pair, Bearded Tits, shown to perfection; 2, Miss Smith, pair Blue Tits, in A1 order, a wonder to see them so amiable together; 3,

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Morris and Adams, neat Bearded Tit, grand col., in perfect bloom; 4, Miss Smith, pair Bearded Tits, not the polish of leaders; vhc, Miss Smith; hc, Lott. LARK OR PIPIT (12): 1, Baseley, nicely feathered Skylark, very tame, well mkd.; 2, Bishop, good Tree Pipit, excellent feather, nice markings and size, very steady; 3, Fletcher, another Tree Pipit, lovely col. and markings, sunde smarter, well shown; 4, Lott, Shorelark, nicely mkd. specimen, creditably tame; vhc, Addison, excellent Skylark; hc, Lott; c, McVay. WAXWING, ETC. (4): 1, Miss Bousfield, Waxwing topper, wonderful size, col., and qual., in beautiful order; 2, Marley, Missel Thrush, good size and qual., well spangled; 3, Marley, Grey Shrike, well known, in good plumage; 4, Wagg, Ring Ouzel, grand size, lovely col. and qual., in fairness could, must have pressed. NIGHTINGALE OR BLACKCAP (12): 1, Puck, Blackcap, a perfect gem, lovely cap, grand size, in huntless condition; 2, Mortlock, another Blackcap, good order, handy size of leader; 3, Puck, Blackcap, neat cap, nice shape and qual., neatly shown; 4, Carr, Blackcap, loses posish to leaders; vhc, hc, Lund; c, Lady Moor; w.c., No. 1. CHOUGH, ETC. (3): 1, McQuiston, well-known Chough, in perfect order, wins, grand bird; 2, Lawrence, Magpie, lovely exhibit, shown to perfection; 3, Lund, very good Magpie, but loses posish and staging to leader; 4, F. and T. Bowler, Jay, good size, not in the best of order; vhc, Sharples. WAGTAIL (5): 1,-Maxwell, charming Grey, lovely feather, in grand condition, well staged; 2, Hose, nice yellow, very bright colour, steady; 3, Wagg, another yellow, perhaps of even higher show quality, but not quite perfect feather; 4, vhc, Lund. SMALL INSECTIV. (11): 1, Frostick, Dartford Warbler, looks more perfect each time we see it, truly a charming exhibit, tame as a pet dog; 2, Hon. Mrs. Bourke, very nice Dartford Warbler, pretty and in fine condition, but no chance against the winner; 3, Tout, extra good Wheatear, absolutely tip-top condition, lovely frosting, plumage like wax; 4, Wagg, sweet Willow Warbler, seems to be hard lines for such a lovely specimen to take 4th, but no other chance here; vhc, Puck, lovely Whitethroat; hc, Maxwell, Black Redstart; c, Miss Bousfield, Dartford warbler, grand class, all birds in lovely condition. HENS (except Thrush) (15): 1, Hon. Mrs. Bourke, sweetest imaginable Dartford Warbler, many cocks not so beautiful in col., very easy win; 2, Francis, massive Corn Bunting, beautifully marked, seemed a bit down when noted; 3, Miss Smyth, lovely Bearded Reedling; 4, Tout, very charming Gold Crest, a very rare exhibit; vhc, McQuiston, Twite; hc, Davies, Chaffinch; c, Lott, Starling, Whittaker, Bullie. ALBINO, ETC. (4): 1, Martin and Archer, well-known Albino Yellowhammer, most attractive bird, pure Canary yellow colour, pink eyes, very tame; 2, Langlands, pure White Blackbird, in good order; 3, Tupholme, good pied Blackbird, almost pure white head, good condition; 4, Palirey, pied Sparrow, curious bird, in good feather, although unsteady. HAWKS, ETC. (1) 1, Shepherd, fine Kestrel, in perfect feather and quite happy, regaling himself on rump steak; lucky chap! SIBERIAN GOLDF. (6): 1, Adams, good size and shape, wonderful deep square blaze, good bars, tans and buttons; 2, Williams, good size and shape, neat bars, buttons and tans, loses expanse blaze to leader; 3, Crabbe, very neat, good blaze, loses size and col. to leaders; 4, Puck, good size and shape, neat bars and buttons, loses col. blaze to leaders; 6, vhc, Cooper; w.c., No. 3. BULLF.: Cancelled. A.O.S. CONTINENTAL (5): 1, 3, Maxwell, lovely Azure Tit, believed to be the only specimen in England, and a Red-breasted Flycatcher; 2, Ezra, Bee-eater, in very perfect condition. NOVICE GOLD OR BULLF (21): 1, Stevens, Goldie, good rich blaze, neat bars, buttons, and tans, nice size and shape; 2, Hatter, another Goldie, good size and shape, nice blaze, bars, and buttons, not quite quality of feather of leader; 3, Dawson, Bullie, neat cap, bars, nice col. and quality, good type; 4, Walker, Goldie, good size and shape, neat blaze, very rough at throat; vhc, Stevens; hc, May; c, Plummer; abs., 8 and 19; No. 6, soft. LINNET, ETC. (11): 1, Woodcock, excellent Twite, size, colour, and markings all A1; 2, Dawson, capital Linnet, nice condition, trifle open breast; 3, Cooper, first-rate Siskin, nice cap and bib, perfect feather; 4, Walker, real good Linnet, plenty of colour and good lacing, rather unsteady; vhc, Broughton; hc, Miss Trundell; c, Master Cooper. A.O.S. FINCH (13): 1, Miss Whitlaw, nicely feathered and richly coloured Hawfinch; 2, Walker, excellent Yellowhammer, good head and cheek markings, rich colour, perfect feather; 3, Cogman, capital Chaffinch, good colour and feather; 4, Plummer, very good Hawfinch; vhc, Haynes, Corn Bunting; hc, Snow Bunting; c, Dawson, Bramble-finch. INSECTIV. (6): 1, Wade, nicely feathered Nightingale, steady and well staged; 2, Walker, fine Blackbird, dense colour, good eye cere, bill, not quite clear; 3, Hunter, rather small, but sweetly pretty Redstart; 4, Wade, Blackcap, nice cap and colour, rather small; vhc, Hose, Lesser Whitethroat; hc, Rattigan, Blue Tit.

THE FOREIGN BIRDS.

Judge, Mr. D. Seth-Smith.

BUDGERIGARS, ETC. (5): 1, A. Ezra, Abyssinian Love-bird, unique, shining self green of varying depth all over, considerably larger than Love-birds in general, and with no face markings; 2, Maxwell, nice pair Black-cheeked Love-birds when they become steady; 3, Miss Dolby, cock Red-faced, in lovely condition; 4, Edmunds, nice Budgerigars. PARRAKEETS, ETC. (18): 1, Maxwell, Porphyry-crowned Lorikeet whose grst acquaintance we made at Clapham. The only specimen ever exhibited, justly leads a class of wonderful birds. Perfection is the word; 2, 4, Miss Clare, lovely Queen Alexandra Parrakeet, real gem; and a very nice Turquoisine, latter not quite through moult; 3, Fletcher, Barraband Parrakeet in the most perfect plumage, literally shining like plush; vhc, Edmunds, fine Many-coloured; hc, Miss Bousfield, pair Red-rumps; c, Wade, Crimson-wing; an especially notable exhibit was Mr. Astley's pair of Queen Alexandras, in perfect colour, but very "soft." PARROTS, ETC. (8): 1, Hawkins, Blue-rumped Parrots, a beautiful pair we have seen before, but they are still unique on the bench, improved since their first appearance, interesting and beautiful; 2, Maxwell, "Black" Cockatoo, not the all-black, but spotted on the head, and barred with buff on the under surface of the tail feathers, in fine condition; 3, 4, vhc, Raynor, fine team, the veteran hen Meyer's Parrot leading, as beautiful as ever, though she must by now have attained her majority; it is quite fifteen years since her first public appearance; 4th, an Everett's Parrot, fine condition, other an Aubrey's, a first appearance we believe, not quite tight in plumage to-day; hc, Williams, Ducorp's Cockatoo, yet another novelty; c, Kenworthy. WEAVERS (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, Williams, four lovely birds, Cromson-crowned in very perfect plumage, Red-headed, very wild, lucky, we thought, Black-headed, absolutely perfect plumage, and a nice example of the rare Kaffir Weaver. AVADAVATS ETC. (25): 1, 3, vhc, hc, Wable, leaders, lovely pair Green Avadavats, perfect Indian Silverbills, equal in condition and more rare, exquisite pair Cordon Bleus, and pair Golden-breasted Waxbills, a nice lot, indeed; 2, Howe, Golden-breasted Waxbills, lovely pair, plumage absolutely perfect; 4, Dr. Thwaites, nice pair Cordon Bleus, beautifully shown; c, Maxwell. WAXBILLS, ETC. (9): 1, Miss Clare, Violet-eared, marvellous condition, rightly at top of a beautiful class; 2, 4, vhc, Maxwell, pair Violet-eared, lovely pair, but just fall short of the perfection of winner; 4, pair Blue-breasted, rare and beautiful; vhc, nice pair Melbas; 3, Beuty, very perfect Black-faced, marvellous feather, as lovely as rare; hc, Watts, nice pair Black-headed; c, Ezra, beautiful Vinaceous Finches. GRASSFINCHES, ETC. (14): 1, Beaty, Golden-backed Whydah, fine condition, first seen for some years; 2, Row, magnificent pair Fire-tailed Finches, not quite steady, or must have won on beauty; 3, 4, Maxwell, nice Tri-color Parrot Finch, fine condition; 4, Peel's Finch, unique as to purity, tail feathers badly frayed, which alone kept it down; vhc, Miss Bousfield, Black-headed Gouldian; hc, Miss Smyth, Long-tailed Grassfinches; c, Hawkins, Red-headed Gould's. GROSBEAKS, ETC. (14): 1, 3, Ezra, Chilian Siskin and Sepoy Finch, each, we believe, the only one of its kind exhibited, and both perfect in plumage; 2, Hawkins, Rainbow Bunting, in loveliest possible condition; 4, hc, Maxwell, Rainbow Bunting, not nearly the condition of the other, looks a new arrival; vhc, Mrs. Greene, nice pair Black-headed Sisikins; c, Frostick, very good Japanese Hawfinches. TANAGERS (named) (6): 1, Townsend, beautiful Tricolour in the "Townsend condition," nothing could be better, a gem; 2, Frostick, good pair Tricolours, but behind the winner in condition; 3, Mrs. Thynne, another Tricolour, in lovely condition, sprightly as beautiful, close up; 4, Andrews Bros., nice Superb; vhc, Dr. Thwaites. A.O. TANAGER (11): 1, 4, Maxwell, leader another new introduction, Red and Black Tanager. Its name describes it in respect of plumage, shining black and carmine red, but some were inclined to query the Tanager portion of its name, 4th lovely pair Necklace, perfect in every feather; 2, vhc, Lady Pilkington, magnificent Festive, in most lovely sheen, colours beautifully defined and a Black-backed, looking a bit soft at times; 3, Ezra, lovely pair Black-backed, perfect condition; hc, Mrs. Thynne; c, Townsend. SUGAR BIRDS, ETC. (9): 1, Ezra, Amethyst-rumped, truly a living gem, no amethyst could equal it, baffles description; 2, vhc, c, Maxwell, very nice pair Purple Sugar Birds, the cock just a wee bit down in condition to-day, lovely Banana Quit, and an Amethyst-rumped; 3, Townsend, Blue Sugar Bird, marvel for perfection and plumage, delightfully steady and at home in his cage; 4, Hon. Mrs. Bourke, Purple Sugar Bird, shown against a background of Roman hyacinths, a delightful exhibit; hc, Hawkins. PEKIN ROBIN, ETC. (9): 1, Frostick, very perfect hen Shama, sleek, steady, and beautifully shown; 2, Smyth, lovely pair Pekin Robins, perfect plumage, lively, though not at all wild; 3, c, Puck, now well-known Shama, not looking quite in such high condition as usual, and a Dhyal Bird, will do better later; 4, Everett, nice pair Greater Hill Mynahs; vhc, Miss Smyth; hc, Gellan. A.O.S. (10): 1, c, Astley, Blue Nuttava, another of the many unique specimens seen here to-day, perfection of plumage, very lovely exhibit, c, pair of Indian Brown-backed Wrens, yet another first appearance, very interesting indeed, not steady yet; 2, vhc, Hon. Mrs. Bourke, another addition, a Minivet with buff breast, beautiful as rare, and lovely Loo Choo Robin; 3, hc, Ezra, Japanese and Loo Choo Robins, both perfect; 4, Maxwell, Copper-smith Barbet, still the only one out, improving wonderfully in condition. PAIRS FOR FOR. HYB. (4): 1, Row, Fire-tailed cock and Ruficauda hen, very nice indeed; 2, 4, Maxwell, Sydney and Violet-eared Waxbills, and Tricolour and Pretres Tanagers, grand lot; 3, Wade, Russian Goldfinch and hen Rose Finch. FOR. SELL. (10): 1, Howe; 2, hc, Watts; 3, 4, Maxwell; vhc, Davies.

MEMBERS' SECTION.

MEMBERS' CHAMP. YORKS. YELL., CL., OR TKD. (11): 1, Bennett; 2, Easterling; 3, 4, c, Hawes; vhc, Crisp; hc, French. BUFF (5): 1, Knight; 2, 3, Crisp; 4, hc, Hawes; vhc, Ayres; c, Bennett. MKD. (5): 1, Tebbs; 2, Knight; 3, c, Dewhurst; 4, vhc, Hawes; hc, French. YELL. HEN (15): 1, 3, Penton; 2, Hawes; 4, Easterling; vhc, Lloyd; hc, Knight; c, Dewhurst. BUFF (11): 1, 3, Penton; 2, Tebbs; 4, Knight; vhc, Ayres; hc, c, Hawes. UNFLIG. (cup class) (23): 1, Ayres; 2, Crisp; 3, hc, Tebbs; 4, Easterling and Casson; vhc, French; c, Dewhurst. AMAT., A.V. CK. (3): 1, Neal; 2, 3, Smith. HEN (2): 1, 2, F. Smith. UNFLIG. (cup class) (3): 1, F. Smith; 2, Neale; 3, Neale.

MEMBERS' CHAMP. CREST (7): 1, vhc, Pickard; 2, Broad; 3, c, Mrs. Thynne; 4, hc, Shepherd. C.B. (5): 1, Mrs. Litchfield; 2, Pickard; 3, Sheppard; 4, vhc, Turner. UNFLIG. (7): 1, Broad; 2, Pickard; 3, hc, Shepherd; 4, vhc, Turner; c, Mrs. Litchfield. AMAT. CREST: 1, Dickinson. C.B.: 1, Dickinson. CHAMP. NOR. YELL. (9): 1, 2, Howe; 3, Hodder; 4, Withers; vhc, Richardson; hc, Baker; c, no name. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Howe; 3, Hazell; 4, Baker; vhc, Matthes; hc, Withers; c, Hodder. HENS (7): 1, Matthes; 2, Baker; 3, Richardson; 4, Hodder; vhc, Ellis; hc, Litchfield; c, Hazell. UNFLIG. (Cup Class (19): 1, 2, Howe; 3, 4, Baker; vhc, Hodder; hc, Hazell; c, Matthes. MEMBERS' AMAT. NOR. (7): 1, Matthes; 2, Hart; 3, hc, Thursby; 4, c, Hart; vhc, Teesdale. HEN (6): 1, Teesdale; 2, 3, 4, Hart; vhc, hc, Thursby. UNFLIG. (Cup Class) (5): 1, 2, Thursby; 3, vhc, Teesdale; 4, Hart. MEMBERS' NOV. NOR. (3): 1, 2, 3, Brumbridge. HEN (2): 1, 2, Brumbridge. UNFLIGHTED (Cup Class): 1, Brumbridge.

MEMBERS' HYB. (7): 1, Pope; 2, vhc, Dewhurst; 3, Easterling; 4, Marley; hc, Brumbridge; c, Dewhurst. GOLDFINCH (7): 1, Marley; 2, Pope; 3, Francis; 4, vhc, Offord; hc, Maxwell; c, Easterling. BULLFINCH (6): 1, vhc, Francis; 2, hc, Offord; 3, Pope; 4, Marley. LINNET (8): 1, 2, Marley; 3, Francis; 4, hc, c, Offord; vhc, Dewhurst. SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, 3, Marley; 2, c, Francis; 4, vhc, hc, Offord. A.O.S. FINCH (8): 1, 2, vhc, Marley; 3, Pope; 4, hc, Francis; c, Offord. INSECTIV. SMALL 1, 2, 3, Dewhurst. LARGE (2): 1, Shepherd; 2, Dewhurst. MEMBERS' SEED-EATING (3): 1, Mrs. Thynne; 2, 3, Maher. INSECTIV. (5): 1, Dewhurst; 2, 3, vhc, Shepherd; 4, Mrs. Thynne.

Some of the early hatched Robins are now almost in full song. Young Thrushes, too, are busily recording their music, generally from the branches of some big oak or elm, where, perched at a considerable height, they are out of harm's way, and can give themselves up to the delightful effort of imitating their elders. If we are blessed with a mild winter these songsters will from time to time delight us with their efforts until Spring comes round once more.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager.

England.

Nov. 28, 29 & 30.—**L.C.B.A.**—(W. H. Muglord, 4, Strathearn Rd., Wimbledon, S.W.).
Nov. 29, 30.—**Sale C.B.S.**—(A. Royle, 99, Harley Rd.) C.H., A.G.D.
Nov. 30.—**Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.**—(A. Walker, 47, Montrose St.). J.H.R.
Nov. 30.—**Coventry Godiva.**—(H. Saunders, 31, Vernon St.) H.W.B.
Nov. 30.—**Harrogate C.B.S.**—(G. H. Bamwell, 20, College-rd.). W.M.
Dec. 3, 4.—**Tonbridge.**—(Percy Stonestreet, 102, Hadlow Rd.).
Dec. 4, 5.—**Birmingham.**—(J. H. Jones, 169, Church Lane, Aston, Birmingham.)
Dec. 6, 7, & 9.—**Bradford National.**—(H. Hill, 15, Settle Terr., Thornton Lane.)
Dec. 7.—**Rotherham.**—(B. Bailey, 47, Craven Street, Parkgate, nr. Rotherham.) J.C.B.
Dec. 11.—**Luton.**—(E. Bloomfield, 22, Hitchin Rd.) J.R., J.F.
Dec. 12.—**Frome F.A.**—(C. I. Young, 8, Palmer St.) H.N.
Dec. 13 and 14.—**Gateshead.**—(J. G. Greason, 24, Newman Terrace). C.H., J.C.B., J.R., J.M., W.C.D.
Dec. 14.—**Sheffield C.B.S.**—(A. Hobson, 66, Langsett Avenue) J.R., H.W.B.
Dec. 14.—**Winsford.**—(S. S. Brooks, 157, Station Rd.) C.H.
Dec. 21.—**Jarrow.**—(W. Ayers, 28, York St.) H.W.B.
Dec. 26.—**Anfield, Everton.**—(R. B. Wright, 15, Worcester Drive; Clubmore, Liverpool.) A.W., G.B., W.M.

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Jan. 11.—**Yarm, Eaglescliffe.**—(T. W. Wilson, High-st.)
Feb. 7, 8, 10, 11.—**Great National (Crystal Palace).**—(J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Av., Brixton, S.W.).
Oct. 13.—**Burton-on-Trent.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.). J.R.
Nov. 7 & 8.—**Sheffield O.S.**—(T. Bishop, 69, Alexandra Rd., Hurley, Sheffield.) W.M., C.H., J.R.

Scotland.

Nov. 30.—**City of Dundee.** (A. Miller, 3, Park Ave.). J.S., R.T., R.W., W.M., J.H., G. McA.
Nov. 30.—**Musselburgh.**—(W. Nisbet, 101, High St.). J.McL., T.A., R.B.
Dec. 4.—**Forres and N.O.S.**—(W. Cumming, 28 North Rd.). J.L.
Dec. 7.—**Cupar.**—(Ritch and Westwood, Linley, Cupar.)
Dec. 14.—**Broxburn.**—(W. M'Laren, Church Street) J.McL., A.C., G.H., R.V.R., J.Gw.
Dec. 14.—**Kilsyth.**—(A. D. Duncan, "Chronicle" Office.)
Dec. 31 & Jan. 1, 1913.—**Scottish National.**—(J. R. Melkle, 51, Lothian Rd., Edinburgh.)
Jan. 1 & 2.—**Edinburgh Open.**—(R. Lile, 15, Argyll Terr.)
Jan. 1 & 2.—**Paisley O.A.**—(W. Lambie, 25, Caledonia Street.)
Nov. 8.—**Kelty and Blairadam.**—(A. Dickson, 37, Adams Terrace, Kelty.)

Wales.

Dec. 4.—**Pontypridd.**—(A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser-st., Maesycoed).
Dec. 11.—**Mid Rhondda.**—(A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwynelyn, Porth.)
Jan. 2.—**Waunarlwydd.**—(J. Walters, Sunny Bank, Westfield Road, Waunarlwydd, nr. Gowerton, S. Wales). J.H.P.

Ireland.

Nov. 28 & 29.—**South County Dublin (Kingstown).**—(D. Smyth, 21, Eden Terr., Kingstown.) W.M.
Dec. 6 & 7.—**Ulster O.A. (Belfast).**—(R. Trimble, 11, Waring St., Belfast.) J.F.D., W.V.
Dec. 12 & 13.—**Larne.**—(T. Mayne, 35, Barnhill.)

SWINDON.

Twenty-fourth annual show held November 27th and 28th in the Swimming Baths. Both entries and quality were well in advance of many previous years. The exhibits were nicely staged round the gallery, and, with a glass roof, the light was splendid. Norwich were good, and the competition keen. Yorks. also made a nice display, the winners being of much merit. Special for best bird in show went to Messrs. Greenwood and Burson, with a magnificent Crest that will take some knocking out in any company, and worth going a long way to see. The exhibits had every attention from a committee of real fanciers. The Hon. Sec., Mr. W. J. Moran, makes an ideal Secretary, having a firm grip on his work, and was most obliging to one and all. Mr. J. H. Payne made the awards.

NOR. CREST. (4): 1, spl., 3, vhc, Greenwood and Burson, a smasher, wonderful expanse of crest, wide frontal, coming well over beak, grand droop and radiation, lovely feather and rare sized body, good shape, 3 good length of frontal, not yet fit; 2, Allen, Green, nice shaped crest, good droop and radiation, neat, well filled centre. CREST OR C.B.: 1, Allen, good long head feather, nice width and qual., well lashed, nice entrance; 2, Greenwood and Burson, good shaped skull, nice entrance, dense head feather, not the length of 1st. BRED 1912 (4): 1, Greenwood and Burson, Crest, nice width and leafy, just a bit open in centre; 2, Allen, good droop, well filled centre. NOR. YELL. (10): 1, Halse, friz. on head, lovely col. and qual., nice head and neck, good shaped body, in nice order; 2, Collier, nice shape, well across perch, good col. and qual., nice head and neck; 3, Collings, hot col., good shape, nice flights and tail, good feather, looking a bit down; vhc, Taylor; hc, Redwood; c, Lees. BUFF (8): 1, Collier, short cobby body, feathered like wax, nice head, back and chest, short flights and tail, in the pink; 2, Hulse, lovely col. and qual., good head, neck and back, not quite so short in body; 3, Collings, lovely qual., nice shaped head and neck, good col., but slack left side; vhc, Allsopp; hc, Philpot; c, Thomas. HEN (10): 1, Collier, friz. tail buffs, lovely feather and col., good shape, nice back, well across perch, in nice bloom; 2, Folwell, yell., nice shape, beautiful col., well extended down flights and tail, grand qual.; 3, Allsopp, good shaped buffig, buff, short flights and tail, nice round front, well mealed, close up; vhc, Philpot; hc, Thomas; c, Collings. UNFLIG. (14): 1, Pope, mkd. eyes and wings, grand col. and qual. of feather, very tight, nice shape, good head and back; 2, Hulse, grand shaped buff, nice col. and qual., short full neck, good back and chest, just a shade heavy in head, close run; 3, Collings, clear yell., nice col. and shape, well across perch, well carried flights and short tail, nice feather; vhc, Redwood; hc, Collier; c, Lees. YORKS., YELL. (9): 1, Newell, gem for col. and qual., well on leg and stands well up, well braced wings and pipe tail, shines like satin; 2, J. Thomas, mkd. wings, eyes and breast, nice position, long flights and tail, well on leg, good length, not quite so slim; 3, Russell, grand position, nice feather and qual., good back, wings and tail, pale col.; vhc, Cripps; hc, Purnell; c, Parfitt. BUFF (11): 1, Harriman, cl., lovely feather, nice length, well braced wings and tail, nice legs and position; 2, Newell, variegated, straight as a rush, good feather, well braced wings and pipe tail, nice position; 3, Holliday, stands well, nice length, back, wings and tail, good feather; vhc, hc, Brett; c, Parfitt. HEN (8): 1, J. Thomas, yell., mkd. cheeks and wings, a gem, stands well up, grand feather, nice pipe tail, good length, 3 cl., buff, lovely feather, nice position, well packed wings and tail, shade short; 2, Parfitt, variegated, yell., slim built, good position and feather, nice pipe tail; vhc, hc, Newell; c, Brett. UNFLIG. (9): 1, 2, J. Thomas, buff, slim built, stands like a soldier, nice narrow shoulders, wings well braced and pipe tail, lovely feather and condition, 2 wing tkd. yell., slim built, well on leg, nice position and col.; 3, Holliday, cl. buff, lovely col., and feather, good stand, not quite so slim built; vhc, Parfitt; hc, Brett; c, Cripps. A.O.V. (6): 1, Allen, buff Belgian, good shoulders and drive, gets head well down, nice back; 2, Pope, yell. cinn., good size and shape, nice col. and qual.; 3, vhc, Madagan, nice shaped and grand feathered yell. Bord., nice carriage of wings and tail; hc, Gough. MULE. LIGHT (4): 1, Lamb, lightly wing mkd. buff Goldf.-Can., magnificent feather, nice size and shape, grand form; 2, Gough, lightly mkd. Linnet-Can., good col., shape and feather; 3, Prosser Thomas, fine-pointed buff Goldf.-Can., well up in col., good shape and feather; vhc, J. Thomas. DARK (4): 1, Lamb, Linnet-Bullie, a gem for shape, col. and feather, grand head, in fine form; 2, Prosser-Thomas, Redpoll-Goldie, nice feather and col., good bars; 3, Brooks, buff Goldie-Can., nice size, shape and feather; vhc, Page. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (7): 1, Poole, Bullie, grand cap, nice bars and back, good breast col., steady; 2, Elston, Goldie, nice blaze, good tanning, bars and buttons; 3, Fleetwood, Goldie, nice tanning, bars and buttons; vhc, Leavers; vhc, Edmunds and Smith, Copper-head Tanager, hc, Holton and Sons. FOR., SMALL (4): 1, spl., grand size and shape, nice feather and beautiful soft colouring; 2, 3, Leavers, grand pair of Orange-cheeks. LARGE (4): 1, 2, 3, Leavers, Penuant, good col. and feather, 2 nice coloured Senegal, 3 good Leadbeater Cockatoo; vhc, Mrs. Gibbs. MEMBERS, NOR. (7): 1, 2, Brooks, veries. yell., rare head, nice shape and feather, 2 good shaped buff, nice qual wings and tail; 3, Fleetwood, nice coloured cl. yell., fails a bit in head; vhc, hc, Ovens; c, Kilminster. YORKS (5): 1, 2, Edmunds and Smith, lovely feathered cl. yell., good stand, nice wings and tail, 2 close up; 3, Fleetwood, hot col. yell., not the length, good stand; vhc, Hotton and Son; hc, Legg. A.O.V. (4): 1, 2, Greenwood and Burson, two nice Crests, close together. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Edmunds and Smith, variegated and yell., Goldf.-Can., nice col.; 2, 3, hc, Leavers; vhc, Warburton. BRIT. (12): 1, spl., c, Edmunds and Smith, Blackcap, lovely feathers and condition, good shaped dense cap, nice body col.; 2, Hyde. Song Thrush, grandly spotted, good size and shape; 3, Dale, Goldfinch, nice blaze, bars and buttons, good size and shape; vhc, Robins; hc, Leavers. FOR. (4): 1, 3, Edmunds and Smith, Copper-headed Tanager, good col., 3 grand Bishop; 2, Leavers, nice Whydah, in good col. and feather; vhc, Hawkins and Ryder.

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UDDINGSTON.

Held their annual open show in the Royal Hotel Hall, Nov. 23. The hall is well adapted for show purposes, being roomy and well lighted. Hon. Pres. Parish, Councillor R. Thom, Pres. W. P. Campbell, vice-pres. G. Dunlop, and W. Nisbet, Sec. Cosgrove, and Treas. Mr. James Cosgrove. The show was held under distinguished patronage. Sec. Cosgrove, whose duties as secretary were new to him, ably supported by the vice-presidents and a strong committee of fanciers, had all their arrangements made to ensure success. There were 55 open classes, with members' classes, for each section, which brought out an entry of over 500 exhibits, a result which gave the management an agreeable surprise considering the fact of other shows in Glasgow being held on the same date. The British and Foreign classes were grand, some champions were staged. Norwich and Border also came well to the front. Scotch Fancies were a fair average class taken as a whole, and the quality was above the average. Silver cup and gold badge for most points over club show and annual show, confined to present members, was won by Mr. Campbell's yell. var. Nor., a very typical bird; the cup now becomes his own property, he having won it three times. Mr. Joseph Higgins also won special for best bird in the hall, with a yellow pied Scotch Fancy hen, Mr. Campbell being the runner up with his yell. var. Norwich. Spl. for the best vhc over all the classes, this club spl. was also won by Mr. Campbell. Mr. D. Holden, Muirkirk, judged the Scotch Fees. and Bor. sections; Mr. A. Cant, Hamilton, the Norwich and Crests; and Mr. Goodfellow the British and Foreign sections. The awards appeared to give all-round satisfaction. Due to the printer's failure to deliver in the time arranged, no catalogues were on sale, early, and this caused much disappointment to the officials, who, however, were in no wise to blame, but extremely regret the incident and inconvenience caused thereby. Catalogues were on sale at 5 p.m.

The Critique.

SCOTS. YELL. (6): 1, Stewart, fair depth of chest, good top and reach, looking well; 2, Trail, nice size and subs., good reach; 3, Vernall, grand size and top sub., nice depth through, fine reach and droop; 4, McCaskill, fine reach and top, scarcely so deep through as those in front. HEN (6): 1, Higgins, typical Scotch Fey.; 2, Stewart, nice size and top, nice long side; 3, Sharpe, nice even built bird, fine reach and droop; 4, Vernall, fails a shade in size to those in front, but a fair bird. BUFF CK. (9): 1, Smith, nice size and well filled, top end, good reach and length of side; 2, Higgins, neat head and reach, good droop, and depth through, shade small to first; 3, Sharp, better for size, fails a shade in style; 4, Wilson, shade plain to winners, but a good bird. HEN (8): 1, Higgins, fair size, good top end, nice depth through, good reach and droop, nice head; 2, Stewart, better size than winner, but fails a shade in reach, but a nicely set bird; 3, ——, nice thickness through, fair reach and top; 4, spl, Vernall, nice reach and top, fair size. BORDERS, CL. OR TIC. YELL. (4): 1, A. Walker, cl., nicely shaped Border, fine car. and feather; 2, Haston, very neat and jaunty, smart little bird; 3, Clark, shade short to winner, but a good Border. HEN (9): 1, Haston, cl., nicely shaped hen, of fair merit; 2, Buchanan, nice head and front; 3, Walker, cl., rare shape, very jaunty, nice feather. CL. OR TIC. BUFF CK. (12): 1, Harper, cl., good bird, fine shape, a little model; 2, Smith, another cl. Border, lovely shape and nice car.; 3, Shields, a cl. buff ck. of nice even merit; 4, Gordon, an all-round good bird; vhc, spl., W. A. Buchanan; hc, Morgan. HEN (13): 1, A. Walker, tkd. hen of grand qual. and type, nice head and pos.; 2, Gordon, nicely rounded head and shape, neat, compact feather; 3, Buchanan, tkd. bird of all-round good points, rare wing car.; 4, Smith, nice head and front, not so nicely shaped as others; vhc, McCaskill; hc, Clark. VAR. (9): 1, Harper, nice type and qual., nicely moulded, well rounded front and back; 2, Baxter, nicely moulded Border, fine wing and tail car., grand feather; 3, Walker, nice jaunty Border in rare feather, barely so neat as those in front; 4, Hamilton, very stylish Border, shade slack in feather; vhc, Buchanan; hc, Briggs. BOR. GRE. CK. OR HEN (4): 1, McIntyre, nice head, grand shape and body, nicely moulded; 2, 4, Wilson, 2, gem for shape, well packed wings and tail; unable to find 3rd bird; 4, nice head and neck, good front. CINN. (5): 1, Harper, gem for shape and col., fine feather; 2, 5, Wilson; 2, fine head and neck, good front, fine feather; 3, Congan, grand type and qual., nice shape; 4, spl, Baxter, a nicely moulded Border of fair merit. NOV. SEC., CREST (4): 1, McInnes, nice Crest of grand formation, wins; 2, McLaughton, nicely radiated chest of good feather; 3, Griffiths, neat crest and feather, nice chubby shape; 4, McFayden, grand head, nice moulded body, very neat. C. B. (5): 1, McInnes, rare skull, quality of feather, fine shape; 2, Sneddon, splendid back, nice breadth of skull; 3, Brown, grand head, nice width of skull and lash; 4, McFayden, fair skull, not quite so nice in lash; vhc, Griffiths. NOR. CL. OR TIC. YELL. (8): 1, Morrison, nice head and front, nice col. and qual.; 2, Edwards, nice size and col., nicely rounded back and front; 3, Mathieson, nice size and col., well rounded front and back; 4, Scott, not so good for size, but nice col.; vhc, Lyle; c, McAllister. HEN (9): 1, Hampton, rare head and front, nice col. and qual.; 2, Gray, grand size and subs., neatly moulded; 3, Morrison, grand size and subs., fine feather; 4, Scott, fails a shade in subs., nice bird; vhc, Muir; hc, c, Davidson. CL. OR TIC. BUFF CK. (10): 1, Mathieson, rare mould and bloom, nice feather; 2, McLagan, nice qual. and type, well staged; 3, Kennedy, nice head and neck, good front; 4, spl, Stewart, neat head; vhc, spl, Finlay; hc, Hampton. HEN (9): 1, Stewart, neat head and front, well moulded body and shape; 2, Muir, grand head and front, nice qual, well up; 3, King, nice size and well rounded front, nice chubby shape; 4, ——, a trifle small, but nice qual.; vhc, spl, Pirret. VARIEG. (6): 1, Campbell, nicely moulded shape, nice feather; 2, Stewart, nice and cobby, neatly moulded; 3, Morgan, a good one, in rare feather, well staged; 4, Griffiths, nice shape and mould; vhc, M. and W. Melville; hc, Cosgrove. HEN (8): 1, Gallacher, rare type and quality, plenty of subs.; 2, Easton, a bird full of qual., and staged in first-rate cond.; 3, M. and W. Melville, rare head and front, nice qual.; 4, Scobbie, nice shape, grand back and chest; vhc, Cartshore. UNFLIGHTED (12): 1, M. and W. Melville, yell., nice shapely head, good chest and col., wins; 2, Campbell, buff, grand shape, head, and chest, nice feather; 3, Morrison, yell. cock of rich bloom, grand feather, rare cond.; 4, 5, Pirret; 4, good shape and feather; hc, spl, Easton; c, Cairns. HEN (9): 1, Morgan, an all-round buff of excellent qual., good value for first place; 2, Hampton, nice shape and size, in lovely cond.; 3, Cairns, buff, good shape and size; 4, Melville, a nice buff hen, grand feather; vhc, Curly; hc, Hardie; c, Stewart. NON-FED (6): 1, McAllester, grand head and front, nicely moulded, lovely feather and col.; 2, McFayden, good head and wing car.; 3, Martin, nice head, lovely feather, good shape, clean cut bird; 4, Ritchie, barely so nicely moulded as those in front; vhc, Pirret; hc, Gray. GRE. OR CIN. (9): 1, Pirret, dk. green cin. of excellent shape, and staged in prime cond.; 2, Dempster, another of the same stamp for col., but fails a shade for shape, close up; 3, Campbell, a nice col. and shape, good wing car.; 4, Grey, not quite the shape or style of those in front; vhc, Martin; hc, Clark; c, Aitken. LT. MULE OR HY., A.V. (9): 1, Edwards, Linnet mule, lovely tone of col., shows the Linnet crossing well; 2, Bell, Goldie-Bullie, in fine bloom and cond.; 3, Whiteford, Goldie-Can., rare size, nice face, lovely shape and qual.; 4, Hevon, Goldie-Bull., nicely mkd., in splendid bloom; vhc, c, spl, Davidson; hc, Crawford. DK. MULE (8): 1, J. and R. Pirrie, dk. Greenie mule, nicely mkd. greenie mule of excellent shape; 2, Dunlop, Bully mule, in rare feather, and capital cond. and feather; 3, T. Bell, Linnet mule, good shape, shows the pencilling well; 4, spl, Davidson, Linnet mule, fine shape and mkgs; vhc, Steel; hc, Proudfoot; c, Crawford. GOLDFINCH (11): 1, Livingstone; 2, Clark; 3, Hillier; 4, Anderson; 5, Dunlop; vhc, Nelson; hc, Raine. BULL. CK. (14): 1, Christie, grand eye, nice large cap and bib, nice breast col. and clear bars, wins; 2, 3, Dunlop, 2 grand col. and shape, a really nice Finch; 3, nice breast col. and shape; 4, Bell, good all-round Finch, nice breast col. and feather; vhc, Calder; hc, McGregor. F.-M. LINNET (15): 1, Watson, good size and markings, nice col., well pencilled in front, in fine trim; 2, 5, Dunlop; 2, not quite so full in front, neat shape, steady, nicely pencilled, well up; 3, Davidson, good shape and col., nicely mkd., rare condition; 4, Anderson, close up fails a shade in breast to others; hc, Livingstone; c, Leach. H.-M. (15): 1, Bell, grand cond., nice col, good all-round; 2, Craft, shade light in col., markings clear and distinct; 3, Livingstone, nice shape and markings, lovely tone of colour; 4, McGregor, nice nutty brown, nice col. throughout; vhc, Laird and Mathew; hc, Boag; c, Leach. GR. CK., FED (10): 1, McLean, nice rich, even col., grand shape; 2, Brown, not quite so good in col., nicely moulded; 3, Aitken, nice col., not quite the size or mould of those in front; 4, McGregor and Boyd, fails in size only; vhc, Crosbie. NON-FED (11): 1, 3, McLean, 1st grand size and lovely bloom; 3rd fails in col., good shape; 2, Dunlop, nice rich col., not quite the bloom as winner, good bird; 4, A. McLean (Bathgate), tone of col. a shade dark to others; vhc, Selfer; hc, Laird and Mathews. F.-M. LESSER REDPOLL (20): 1, Kerr, gem for col. and shape, grand type, perfect feather; 2, McGillivray Bros., grand size, rare cap and col., spleudid feather and bib, a good one, close on winner; 3, Lindsay, nice size and markings, good all round 'Poll; 4, Nelson, not so even in markings as those in front; vhc, Raine; hc, Pirrie. H.-M. (15): 1, McGillivray Bros., nice size and col., grand type all round; 2, Martin, neat shape and col., nicely pencilled, close up; 3, Davidson, nice type and shape, good all-round; 4, Brownlie and Sons, not so extra in markings as those in front; vhc, Anderson; hc, Leach; c, Pollock. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (12): 1, Watson; 2, Mackie; 3, Davidson; 4, McLean; vhc, Bell; hc, Boslem; c, Laird and Matthew. SISKIN (11): 1, McGregor and Boyd, grand size, good bib, nicely laced, in rare bloom; 2, Davidson, smaller, well laced; 3, Lindsay, grand shape and lacings, good bib and col.; 4, 5, Dunlop, 4 another fair bird, fails a shade in size; c, Reid. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE (10): 1, Henderson, Bramble, grand size and sweeping, lovely finish; 2, Divers, Chaffinch, well marked lovely bloom, very steady; 3, Allan, Bramble., well laced on head and back, nice breast col.; 4, Dunlop, Chaffinch, fine size and col., well marked; vhc, Taylor; hc, Allan; c, Ballantyne. YELLOWHAMMER (7): 1, Watson, champion all over, grand size, lovely markings, perfect in pencillings, none better; 2, Stevenson, fails in size, but a good bird all over for colour, pencilling perfect; 3, Livingstone, another good all-round bird; 4, Flood, fails a shade in size and col. to those in front; vhc, Leach; hc, spl, J. and R. Pirrie; c, Hunter. BUNTING (5): 1, Watson; 2, Raine; 3, Brown; 4, Allan; vhc, Miller. BULLFINCH HEN (17): 1, W. Orr, fine size, good car., and feather; 2, Gentleman, nice hen, not so good in feather as first; 3, McLean, shade small; 4, J. and R. Pirrie, good size, fails in type to winner; hc, Craft; c, spl, Dunlop. GREENFINCH HEN (12): 1, Thomson, grand body and nice even tone of colour; 2, c, Aitken, close on winner, not so good for col.; 3, Davidson, nice type and col.; 4, spl, McCraig, shade small, good col.; vhc, Crosbie. A.O. HEN BRIT. (12): 1, Gentleman, Hawfinch, nice order, neat bib and col., fine bloom; 2, Miller, WOODLARK, grand condition and col., a beauty; 3, J. and R. Pirrie, Sandpiper, nicely marked, rare condition; 4, Waddington, Yellowhammer, good shape and col.; vhc, Taylor; hc, Campbell. SOFT-BILL (6): 1, Anderson, Waxwing, fine size and shape, in lovely feather; 2, vhc, Bell, 2, Black Redstart, very neat exhibit, lovely feather; 3, Kerr and Sons, Hawfinch; 4, spl, J. and R. Pirrie, Nuthatch, in grand condition, lovely feather; hc, Lawrie and Welsh. A.O.S. BRIT. (2): 1, McCulloch; 2, Pirrie. GOLDF. OR BULL., FOR. (1): 1, Hunter; 2, Whiteford; 3, Ballantyne; 4, Davidson. A.O.S., FOR. (2): 1, Lea; 2, Laurie and Welsh.

PORTSMOUTH F.S.

Twenty-sixth annual show held Nov. 27 and 28 at the Connaught Drill Hall. The birds were staged along one side of the great hall, an airy and well-lighted building. Entries were disappointing in numbers in some of the classes, no doubt owing to the multitude of shows held on the same date, but quality was well to the front, and competition generally keen. The burden of secretarial responsibility sits easily on the shoulders of Mr. W. E. Tyrrell, and his management of the fixture left nothing to be desired. A special word of commendation for the energetic hon. assist. secretary, Mr. B. Coffin, must not be omitted. Full of enthusiasm, courteous, and obliging to a degree, he spared no pains, and least of all himself, in his efforts for the success of the venture, and his services are indeed a valuable asset to the Association. Yeoman assistance was also forthcoming from the popular Chairman, Mr. A. F. G. Foster, Mr. E. J. W. Matthews, Vice-Chairman, and Messrs. Carrier, Lean, A. Coffin, J. Coffin, Hawes, Lavis, Marshall, Squibb, Shott, and Tout, sterling fanciers all. The Canary section provided the winner of £25 Coffin Memorial Challenge Bowl, which valued trophy was won by Messrs. Coffin Bros.' cl. yell. Yorke, a lovely specimen. "No better Yorkshire seen this year" was the verdict of a well-known Yorkshire judge who was present. British were a good lot, the Bullfinches particularly fine and difficult to separate. The judges were: Canaries, Rev. G. W. Joyce; Brit. and For., Mr. C. Prior, and their awards were but little challenged. Close in the wake of the blustering Sou'wester, which raged diabolically all the day before, came that rare and precious treat—a fine day in November, and we trust that fine weather and a fine show together will secure for the Portsmouth fanciers that which they undoubtedly deserve—a fine gate.

The Critique.

BORD. CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, Bacon, cl. yell., nice shape, good size and col.; 2, Large, tkd., good col. and shape, nice size, neat head; 3, Large, yell., sweet head, nice col., in good trim; vhc, Burton; hc, Brain; c, Edwards. BUFF (7): 1, McGuffie, cl. buff, good col., nice shape and size; 2, Bacon, cl. buff, nice shape, not quite so good in col.; 3, Large, cl. buff, nice length, good col.; hc, Large; c, Burton. HEN, YELL.: 1, Large, a very pretty cl., nice col., good shape; 2, Bacon, cl., good col., sweet head and size, grand shape; 3, McGuffie, good cl., nice shape and carr., just fails in col.; vhc, Brain; hc, Edwards. BUFF: 1, Dr. Laurie, a very stout buff, nice col., good head and nice shape; 2, no name, Pretty cl. buff, nice col., good size and sweet head; 3, Bacon, also a cl., grand col. and in nice cond.; vhc, Edwards; hc, McGuffie; c, Large. VAR., ETC.: 1, Brain, a very pretty mkd. yell., good col. and in nice trim; 2, Large, a sweetly mkd. yell. good head, nice shape and good col.; 3, Large, very nice buff, prettily mkd.; vhc, Burton; hc, Dr. Laurie; c, Edwards. GREEN OR CINN.: 1, Ridley, a grand green, good size, nice col. and shape; 2, Large, cinn., graud size, rich col., with good head; 3, Dr. Laurie, a nice green, good col., not such good shape; vhc, Bacon; hc, Brain. NOR.: 1, sp, Silk, a grand yell., rare size, very stout head, very rich col., wins; 2, Baker, another good yell., not the size of winner but very nice col.; 3, Paul, very neat buff, nice size, good shape and col.; vhc, Paul; wrong class, Miles, Baker. YORKS, CL., ETC. (15): 1 and Bowl, Coffin Bros., a grand yell., rare length, nice carr. and stands well, excellent col.; 2, Coffin Bros., another good yell., beautiful col., nice carr., good tail; 3, Vencss, nice tkd. yell., not so nice in shape; vhc, Holliday; hc, Walker; c, Boyer. HEN: 1, sp, Coffin Bros., a nice tkd. yell., good size and length, stands well; 2, Wright, a nice yell., good col., grand length and carr.; 3, Coffin Bros., a very nice tkd., good col. and shape; vhc, Lewis; hc, Coffin Bros.; c, Matthews. BUFF, CL., TKD., ETC.: 1, Holliday, a grand cl., nice length and carries flights well, stands at the right angle; 2, Olding, also a good cl., nice shape, good carr., stands well; 3, Coffin Bros., very rich col., good length, not quite so slim as others above him; vhc, Veness; hc, Coffin Bros.; c, Cooper. HEN: 1, Coffin Bros., good shaped cl. buff, nice col., stands well; 2, Matthews, very pretty mkd., good col. and shape, rare length, very close up; 3, Lavis, nice cl., good col., nice length and shape; vhc, Cooper; hc, Hill; c, Holliday. YORK. A.O.V. (except Evenly Mkd.): 1, sp, Young, a very nice green, good col., nice length, stands well; 2, Young, also a green, good size and length, nice col.; 3, Matthews, a very good cinn., good col. and size, stands well; vhc, Young; hc, Hollings; c, Lavis. MEMBERS—YORK CL., YELL., TICK., ETC.: 1, sp, Matthews, grandly mkd., good length, nice carr.; 2, Coffin Bros., very rich col. nice length; 3, Matthews, a very sweet yell., good col., nice size and shape; vhc, Lavis; hc, Matthews; c, Lavis. BUFF: 1, sp, White, a very prettily mkd. buff, grand col., nice size and stands well; 2, Matthews, a good cl., grand col., nice length, good carr.; 3, Coffin Bros., very sweet, good col., grand tail and well carr. flights; vhc, hc, Coffin Bros.; c, Bradshaw. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Young, a very nice evenly mkd. York, wing and eye mkd., good col. and shape; 2, Knapp, a grand Crest, plenty of feather and nice col.; 3, Marshall, a good C.-B., rare head; vhc, Young; hc, c, Marshall. GOLDFINCH (7): 1, P. H. Harris, good Finch, nice blaze, large square cut, well polished, nicely shown; 2, Jupe, grand bird throughout, rather backward condition; 3, Lean, nice type, rather less blaze, first-rate order; vhc, Plummer; hc, Hinds; c, Long. BULLFINCH (11): 1, Hinds, fine size and type, splendid cap, level breast col., solid feather, excellent polish; 2, Carrier, again grand size, polish and col., beaten little cap, might be better shown; 3, P. H. Harris, excellent cap and back, duller breast col.; vhc, Jupe; hc, C. W. Silk; c, Bowerman, all good ones, very strong class, winners all house-moulted. GREENFINCH (6): 1, P. H. Harris, extraordinary combination of size, colour, and condition; 2, 3, hc, Long, feathered, fed and staged to perfection loses size only, 3rd full size, but duller col.; vhc, Tout; c, Chincher and White. LINNET (9): 1, P. H. Harris, profuse pencilling, nice condition, well shown; 2, 3, Long, nice type, perfect condition, plainer breast; vhc, Bowerman; hc, Lean; c, Shott. LINNET, F.-M. (11): 1, Long, grand head ideal col., good size and marking; 2, Smith Bros., trifle larger, well marked, good type; 3, Russell, equal all-round Linnet to either, shows badly as yet; vhc, Bowerman; hc, Alderslade; c, Lean. REDPOLL OR SISKIN (7): 1, 3, Long, Siskins, winner smart, well feathered exhibit, excellent flank markings, nice cap and bib, 3rd fails trifle to winner, col. and feather; 2, Tout, Lesser Redpoll, excellent marking, good shape, col., nice bib; vhc, Brain; hc, Bowerman; c, Chincher & White. A.O. FINCH OR BUNTING (6): 1, P. H. Harris, noted Hawfinch, looking well, well showu; 2, Tout, good Yellowhammer, excellent crown and eye marking, good feather; 3, no name, excellent Chaffinch, A1 col., shape and style; vhc, Tout; hc, Lean; c, Plummer. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (6): 1, 2, 3, Lean, winner a large, shapely, and well-spotted Song Thrush, 2nd fine Blackbird, rare size and dense col., nice bill and cere, 3rd another Song Thrush, best exhibit in class, tail slightly damaged; vhc, Mrs. Campbell; hc, Harper; c, Farncombe. A.O.S. SMALL: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Tout, charming Tree-creeper, Lesser Whitethroat, Willow Wren, and Wheatear; all in admirable order and well staged. MEMBERS' GOLD. (6): 1, Jupe, grand blaze and con.; 2, Bradshaw, nice Finch; 3, hc, Long; vhc, Burridge; c, Tout. A.O.V.: 1, Tout, Wryneck; 2, Lean, Nightingale; 3, Tout, Blackcap, three first-class exhibits; vhc, c, Tout; hc, Bowerman. FOR. SMALL: 1, Slade; 2, Heness; 3, vhc, hc, c, Young. LARGE: 1, Slade; 2, Newman; 3, Mrs. Mack; vhc, c, Young; hc, Felstead.

WALTHAMSTOW.

Annual show held Nov. 21st at the Trinity Lecture Hall, West Avenue. Entries did not come up quite so good as last year, but quality was in evidence all round. Canary Cup was won by Mr. S. A. Williams. Mr. C. W. Mead captured the Mule Cup, and Mr. W. F. Helleus won special for best British with a nice Twite. Mr. A. B. Forse judged, and the following were the awards:—YORKS. CHAMP: 1, 2, 3, cup, sp., S. A. Williams. HEN: 1, S. A. Williams. NOV.: 1, 3, r, C. W. Mead; 2, c, W. Smith; vhc, hc, W. Wilson. HEN: 1, C. W. Mead; 2, W. Wilson. NOR: 1, sp, 2, 3, c, C. W. Mead; r, vhc, hc, T. J. Marsh. HEN: 1, C. A. Sheldeu. MULES: 1, cup, C. W. Mead; 2, A. Godfrey; 3, C. A. Sheldeu. LINNET, ETC.: 1, sp., 2, W. F. Hellens; 3, r, H. C. Cooper; vhc, A. Godfrey. GREENFINCH: 1, A. Godfrey, 2, 3, vhc, W. F. Hellens; r, sp., H. C. Cooper. A.O.S. FINCH: 1, sp., H. C. Cooper; 2, C. A. Sheldeu. A.V. BUNTING: 1, A. Godfrey; 2, 3, H. C. Cooper.

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Three British Beauties

By JOHN FROSTICK (Balham).

An excellent article written by a well-known expert and judge around the lovely coloured plate by Mr. Goodchild which accompanies this issue.

AS I gaze with admiration at the really magnificent coloured plate presented to readers to-day I fancy I can hear some good British bird enthusiast exclaim with delight, "Champion!" and with good reason, for surely in all the history of birdy literature never has there been a more realistic, live, and beautiful work of art given away to the subscribers of any periodical, and I feel it my duty to express my appreciation of such enterprise, and my congratulations to the talented artist, Mr. Goodchild, on his efforts to portray birds as they are in nature.

What a glorious trio! And how they will make many a "fancier" long to possess living examples which shall be and look as beautiful as they. Try and count up the cups, medals, and prizes that would fall to your lot with three such lovely specimens. One almost expects to see Jack, Mag, and Joey speak and hop on to the table for a meal-work or other dainty.



ONE OF OUR FAMOUS JUDGES.

Mr. J. F. Dewar, of Edinburgh, has a high reputation all over the United Kingdom as a capable all-round judge, and his services are regularly in request at certain Continental fixtures.

The Crow Family (Corvidæ) to which the Chough, Jay, and Magpie, belong, and of which they are the most beautiful members, are par excellence, ideal cage birds, of a highly intelligent, knowing, inquisitive, and amusing nature; they quickly learn to imitate the human speech, and become so tame that they generally are looked upon in a very short as "one of the family," and even a cage is unnecessary. As aviary birds they are most attractive, kept with others of similar size and disposition, but it is as cage pets, pure and simple, that the bird lover finds out their characteristics, their good points, and their weaknesses. Lonely man—or woman—need never want for an entertaining companion if he or she possess either one of these birds.

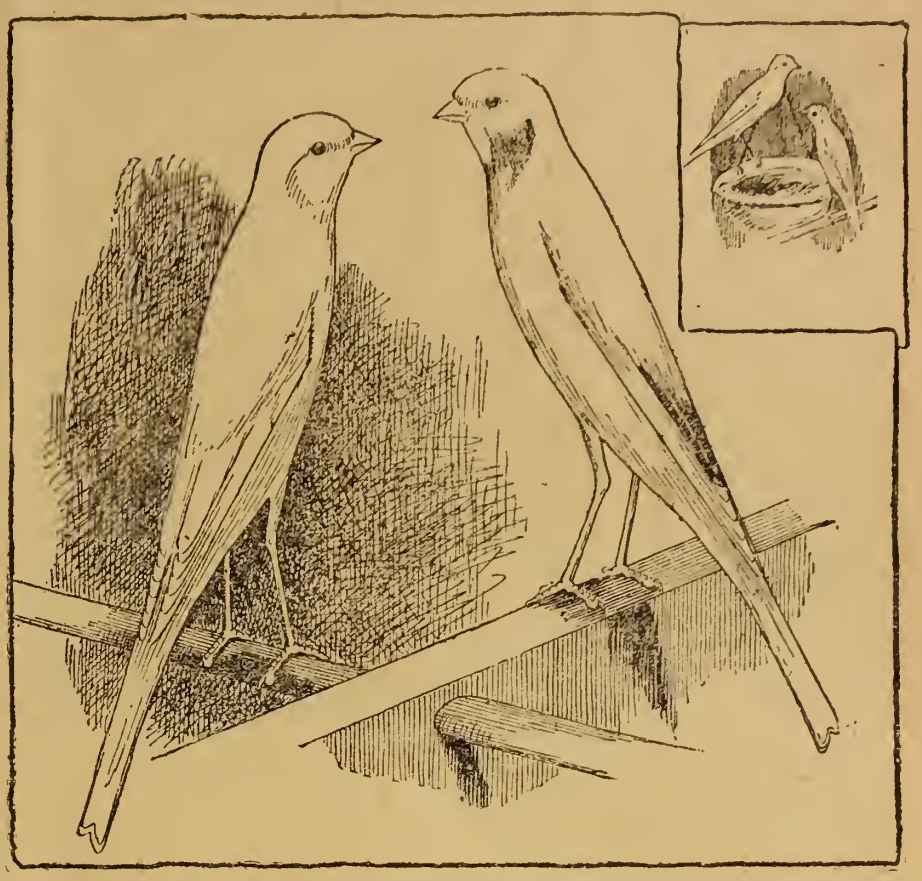
As an exhibitor of British birds, I long ago made up my mind to add the Cornish Chough to the list of birds I had kept—but it was not an easy matter, Choughs are unfortunately not common birds, although at one time plentiful around various of our coasts, particularly Cornwall and Devonshire; now the species is rare everywhere. Thanks chiefly to the egg collector, its total extermination would soon be an accomplished fact were it not for the habit it has of building its nest on almost inaccessible cliffs close to the sea shore, where it finds the chief portion of its food, consisting mostly of insects, worms, etc.

A Chough Provides Poor Childrens' Feast.

Twenty years ago the name of Clayton seemed almost synonymous with Chough, for a gentleman of that name was the owner of the "one and only" specimen then on exhibition, and in consequence, the firsts and specials that bird brought to its fortunate possessor must have been wonderful. Though I have never exhibited a Chough myself, I have owned many that have become famous on the show bench, notably one which I supplied to my friend, Mr. H. J. Fulljames fifteen years ago. This particular bird had a most famous career, winning all before it at the Palace, and elsewhere, and at the dispersal of Mr. Fulljames's fine collection this superb specimen, the finest that ever graced the show bench, before or since, passed into the hands of the late Mr. W. T. Plumbridge. It continued its successful prize winning under the care of our deceased friend to good purpose, the whole of its winnings going to provide a Christmas feast for the poor little children of Bromley, in Kent. What a splendid example! I hope it may be followed by other lucky exhibitors of to-day.

With Mr. Goodchild's beautiful picture before us it seems superfluous to describe the colours and shape of the Cornish Chough (Pyrrhocorax graculus); suffice it therefore to say that its general colour of black is made extremely beautiful with a brilliant sheen of purple and blue which shines like satin. Its long, slender, curved orange-red beak, and its legs of a similar colour form a striking and pleasing contrast.

In a state of freedom their long, slender beaks are no doubt intended for searching the nooks and crannies of the cliffs where they abide for their food; when caged the natural occupation for their beak is gone and the consequence is that it frequently overgrows and crosses at the point. When this occurs it must be carefully cut and trimmed to a proper shape with a sharp pair of scissors, care being taken not to cut into the "quick." To prevent its occurrence again a hard piece of virgin cork attached to the back of the cage will provide a natural means for the bird to grind its beak and keep it order.



ACHIEVING FAME AT AN EARLY AGE.

Two Yorkshires, bred 1912, which won First prizes at Clapham Show, the opening fixture of the South-country season. The Clear Buff is the property of Mr. F. Boyes (Southampton); the Cinnamon-marked of Mr. E. Johnson (Deal).

The ordinary every day stock cage should be as large as possible—at least 4ft. x 2ft. x 2ft., and provided with three stout perches. The food and water vessels should be of large size and firmly secured to the inside of the bottom rail, opening to the outside on doors made for the purpose; a stout zinc drawer bottom should be provided and always kept covered with coarse pitch-pine saw-dust or sea-sand. The food supplied should be a good insectivorous mixture, made crumbly moist with grated raw carrot; a hard-boiled egg, chopped fine may be given occasionally, as also a little shredded raw lean beef. Mealworms, cockroaches, or other insects should be liberally supplied. Treated in this manner the Chough is by no means difficult to keep, and will live to a ripe old age.

Where Colour Food is not Needed.

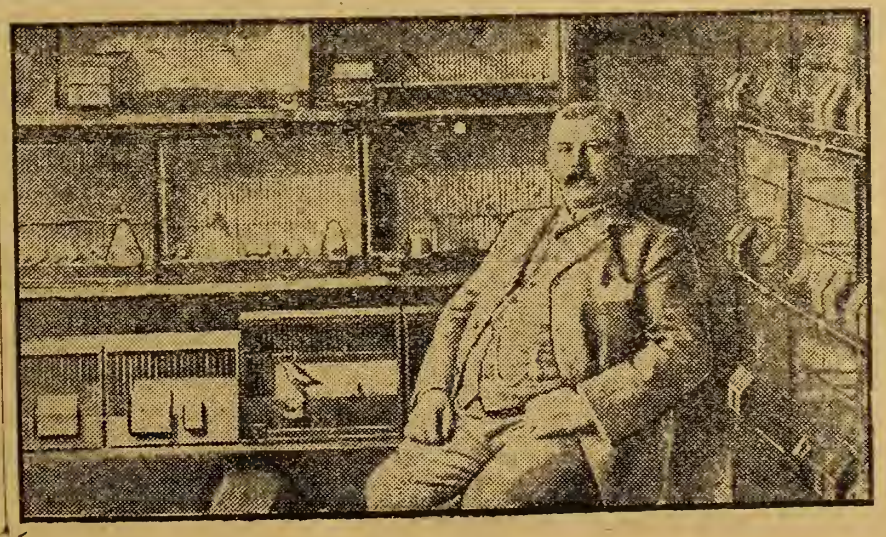
I was much amused once to read a report of a show in a club journal that Mr. Maxwell's well-known Chough, although a beautiful bird was "spoiled by being colour-fed." On my pointing out the error the reporter corrected the statement. This bird had never tasted a grain of colour-food, which is totally unnecessary, the brilliant red of its beak and legs being merely an indication of good health and high condition.

For show purposes we require a cage which shall be just big enough to display the bird to the best advantage, but not an inch larger. I give herewith a sketch of an up-to-date pattern which will be found to give every satisfaction, it has only one perch placed low down on the bottom rail, as the bird shows to better advantage with plenty of head room. The cage is, of course, box-shape, open only in front. The wires being wide apart, they must be of stout gauge with a bowed top. The whole must be as lightly made as possible but strong enough to stand rough handling, which it is sure to get in transit from one show to another. The inside and wires should be painted with three coats of Aspinall's No. 2 sky blue enamel, the outside stained black and French polished.

In spite of the ruthless persecution of the gamekeeper, our other two friends, the Magpie (Pica rustica) and the Jay (Garrulus glandarius) are as common to-day as the Chough is rare. Long may it remain so, for neither are one whit less beautiful than their more aristocratic cousin, and, furthermore, their abundance places them within reach of the humblest bird lover. All who are in want of a lovely feathered pet with every good quality to commend it may be recommended to keep one of these charming birds, so well known and so splendidly portrayed that it is quite needless to describe their plumage. Another point which is an advantage is that they are omnivorous in their appetite; of these birds it may be said, in the broadest sense of the word, that they will eat anything it is possible to obtain or vanquish; nothing, from a mouse to the smallest insect, escapes their voracity. During the autumn they often subsist for weeks together upon acorns and various kinds of nuts. The eggs and young of other wild birds, and occasionally the chicks of game go to swell their larder.

With this knowledge of their natural food it is easy to cater for them in captivity, nothing comes amiss from our own dinner table, while as a stable diet game or chicken meal mixed with a small proportion of Brand's meat meal, the whole made moist with boiling water makes a capital food. The stock cage advised for the Chough will do equally well for either of these, but the show cage will require to be rather larger for the Magpie owing to its long tail—30in. long x 15in. wide, will be a better length and width, while two perches on the middle rail will suit this bird better. The Chough show cage will do for the Jay, with the simple addition of two perches on the middle rail instead of one.

Whilst pages might easily be filled with anecdotes of these birds did space and time permit, I will in the present instance forbear, merely adding that it will be of special interest to London readers to know that wild Jays live and breed annually within half a mile of my home, surrounded, all unconcerned, with electric tramway cars and railway trains. The object of this article is more to induce amateurs to keep these birds, and the instructions given are at least practical and the result of long experience.



A RESPECTED GLASGOW FANCIER.

Mr. George G. Henderson seated in a corner of his excellent bird-room. He has also a "flying room," 9 ft. by 9 ft., which he finds very useful for moulting birds, etc

GLASGOW AND WEST OF SCOTLAND.

23rd annual show held November 16th. A splendid classification was given by the Society, and the members responded by a very fine entry, especially so in Nor. Many exceptional birds of this type were staged, and the competition was exceedingly keen. About 500 birds of all varieties were staged, and the judges had no mean task ere their labours terminated. Messrs. W. Watson (Kilmarnock), Nor.; R. Heggie (Glasgow), Yorks, Bord., and A.O.V.; R. Gilmour (Kirkcaldy), Mules, British, and Foreign, officiated, and their awards were well received.

The Critique.

YOUNG BIRDS.—NOR., CL. YELL. CK. (15): 1, 2, spl, Maxwell, two nice birds, leader richer in col., pressed hard, 2nd good bold head, nicely rounded chest; 3, Barron, nice size and shape, hot col., good head and neck, fine feather; vhc, Chalmers; he, Taylor; c, Donaghy. CL. BUFF CK. (20): 1, spl, Chalmers, topper, grand size, position and shape, lovely qual., winner of Jarvis cup for best young bird opposite sex to cup winner; 2, McLay, fine sub. and size, good col. and qual.; 3, spl, he, Barron, good head and neck, wonderful qual., fine wings and tail well balanced; vhc McLeod; c, Maxwell. YELL. VARIEG. OR GREEN (9): 1, Chalmers, good size, well braced wings, fine qual., splendid action, grand col.; 2, c, Maxwell, good col. and size, nice head and chest, well rounded; 3, he, Barron, heavily varieg., splendid shape and style, will be heard of later; vhc, Hannah. BUFF, VARIEG. OR GREEN (9): 1, Martin, lovely shape and size, good quality, well placed; 2, Barrie, grand head and neck, neat wings, good sub., nice exhibit; 3, Taylor, rare quality and type, nice size, lovely wings and tail, grand expression; vhc, Maxwell; he, Paterson; c, Barron. YELL. HEN (13), grand class of hens: 1, 2, Maxwell, two rare substance birds, leader outstanding, winner of Ferguson cup for best young Nor. and S.P.C. medal; 3, Chalmers, very stylish hen, scarcely the size of 1 and 2, but grand quality, typo and carriage; 4, Dowell another very stylish hen, will be heard of later on; he, Sloan; c, Taylor. BUFF (21): 1, Martin, City winner, often described, in grand bloom; 2 sp, Maxwell, bird bird good head, and neck; 3 spl, Barron, grand hen, lovely quality fine head and neck, a short thick one; vhc, Smith; he, McLay; c Graham. YELL. VARIEG. OR GREEN (11): 1, 2, Martin, leader heavily varieg., nice type and qual., but we preferred 2nd; 3, Taylor, grizzle cap, splendid action nice size, a sweet hen; vhc, Smith; he, Sloan; c, Brown. BUFF VARIEG. OR GREEN (12): 1, 2, 3, Henderson, leader nice size and type, grand qual.; 2nd very little behind, nice head and neck, 3rd nice hen, but we preferred vhc, Sloan; he, Barron; c, Braid. NON-FED CK. (6): 1, spl, Taylor, good size and sub., grand head and neck, wings and tail; 2, spl, Chalmers, grand qual. and type, nice action and style, well balanced; 3, M. Donaghy, lovely col., grand type and carriage, neat head and neck; vhc, Martin; he, A. K. Chalmers; c, Paterson. NON-FED HEN (4): 1, Martin, lovely qual., nice bold head and neck, grand type; 2, McMahon, good size and col., neat wings, nice exhibit; 3, spl, Donaghy, good size and quality, nice type; vhc, Graham. CINN. CK.: 1, McLay, grand col. and type. CREST. CK. OR HEN: 1, 2, McLay, two grand young birds, leader very dense crest, nice size and shape. CRESTBRED CK. OR HEN: 1, 2, McLay, leader big bird, heavily feathered, well clothed skull, a splendid bird. BORD. CL. BUFF, CK OR HEN (2): 1, Cunningham, grand body, well drawn, nice carriage; 2, Hughes, typical and neat, lovely qual. VARIEG. YELL. CK. OR HEN. (2): 1, Cunuingham, grand type and qual. of feather, well-filled throat, clean cut; 2, Hughes, another of the same, hard to separate. VARIEG. BUFF CK. OR HEN. (3): 1, spl, 2, spl, Cunningham, two niece exhibits, grand carriage and quality; 3, Donaghy, well drawn, good type. GREEN, CK. OR HEN; 1, Cunningham, very stylish. YORKS. YELL. CK. (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Dr. Syson, leader grand lengthy, well braced wings, good pos.; 2nd nice type, clean cut neat head; 3rd good head, nice shoulders and pos., well up on leg; he, Park; c, Penman. BUFF CK. (7): 1, spl, 2, he, Dr. Syson, leader grand qual. and length, good head, neck and shoulders, 2nd straight as a rush, good barrel, well up on leg; 3, Martin, lovely qual., neat wings and tail, well staged; vhc, Park; c, Penman. YELL. HEN (2): 1, Dr. Syson, nice bird, grand pos. and col., fine length; 2, Martin, very stylish, well up on leg, grand qual. and col., good pos. BUFF (5): 1, 3, he, Dr. Syson, leader lovely quality and type, good position, 3rd good qual., nice head, but might have given way to vhc, Park; 2, spl, Martiu, very little behind leader, grand type and qual. DARK GOLDFINCH OR LINNET MULE (3): 1, 2, McNicol; 3, McMahon. OLD BIRDS—NOR. CL. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Maxwell, City winner in grand bloom; 2, spl, Martin, grand type and lovely qual.; 3, McLeod, nice size and sub., good bold head and neck, splendid type; vhc, c, Barron; he, Sloan. BUFF CK. (7): 1, vhc, Sloan, grand size and qual., bold head and neck, very cobby; 2, M. Donaghy, lovely shape and style, nice wings and tail, well staged; 3, spl, McLaggan, neat head, well braced wings and tail, good col.; he, Graham; c, Dowell. YELL. VARIEG. OR GREEN COCK (2); 1, Jas. Graham, good type and qual., very rich col.; 2, Sloan, nice size and sub., well balanced bird, very typical. BUFF VARIEG. OR GREEN (4): 1, spl, Martin, special and President's prize for best old Nor., lovely exhibit, in the pink of condition, grand bold expression, very typical; 2, Dowell, grand style and sub., very typical; 3, Hannay, good front and wings, neat head; vhc, A. Smith. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Martin, Cowdenbeath winner, in grand order, very stylish, rare sub. and qual., a picture; 2, sp, Barron, another grand hen, rare type and qual., pressed hard; 3, McLeod, very stylish, rare bloom, grand head and neck; vhc, Sloan; he, J. Graham; c, Smith. BUFF (12): 1, sp, he, Barron, a splendid model, rare qual. and sub., an ideal ben; 2, Maxwell, larger than leader, but scarcely so stylish, nice head and neck, grand col; 3, spl, F. Taylor, another stylish hen, grand size and shape, rare qual and type, very nice head, wings and tail; vhc, Sloan; c, Smith. YELL. VARIEG. OR GREEN (6): 1, McLay, nice size and style rare bloom and carriage; 2, Taylor, grand head and neck, good subs lovely qual.; 3, Dowell, very stylish, rare size and sub., grand wing carriage; vhc, McMahon; he, Chalmers. BUFF VARIEG. OR GREEN (3): 1, Taylor, grand qual. and type, bold head and neck, fine sub.; 2, Barron, beautifully mealed, in rare bloom, good size, short and thick, perfect wings and tail; 3, McLeod, very bold head and neck, beautiful qual. and type, three grand hens; vhc, P. Braid; he, Barron; c, Dowell. NON-FED CK. (11): 1, McLeod, good size and shape, nicely moulded, grand expression and rare go; 2, P. Braid, another nice one, good type and qual.; 3, spl, Sloan, grand size and qual., very stylish; vhc, Chalmers; he, Brown; c, Taylor. NON-FED HEN (6): 1, spl, Martin, often described, looking as well as ever; 2, spl, Taylor, another grand one, very stylish, rare size and sub.; 3, Smith, very typical; vhc, Chalmers; he, Taylor; c, Sloan. CINN. CK.: 1, Sloan, nice shape, good level col, and qual. CINN. HEN: 1, McLay, very sweet bird, grand head and neck, good col. CREST (2): 1, 2, McLay, two fine Crests, grand head, feather and size of body. —CRESTBRED (2): 1, 2, McLay, leader grand Crestbred, great skull and lashing, gold medal for best old Canary; 2nd another good one, very little to choose between them. BORD. CL. YELL.: 1, Cunningham, very stylish, good qual. CL. BUFF (3): 1, spl, Cunningham, best Border in hall, grand size and carriage, lovely qual.; 2, spl, P. Braid, another pleasing one; 3, c, Hughes, very sweet, fine quality. VARIEG. YELL. (3): 1, Cunningham, grand col. and type, well balanced; 2, Clubb, lacks expression of leader, but otherwise a very typical Border; 3, Hughes, scarcely the sub. of 1 and 2, lovely qual., fine condition, grand head and neck. VARIEG. BUFF: 1, Cunningham, nice one, good style, grand wings and tail, feather like Waxwing. GREEN (2): 1, Cunningham, grand depth of col. and lacing, very stylish; 2, Braid, very level sound col., very little difference between. YORKS. YELL. CK. (2): 1, 2, Dr. Syson, two grand birds, good length and swagger, leader very typical and rare size. BUFF CK. (2): 1, Park, very typical, grand length of wings and tail, beautiful qual., stands like a guardsman; 2, Syson, another good one, both will be hard to beat. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, spl, Dr. Syson, winner of Barron cup for best Yorks., grand col. and type, very fine qual., well drawn; 2, Martin, another stylish bird, fine head and neck, grand size and pos. BUFF (3): 1, 3, Dr. Syson, nice qual., rare type, well upon leg; 2, Park, wonderful col. and length, stands like a major, a beauty. A.O.V. (6), all Scotch Fancies: 1, sp, 2, 4, vhc, he, c, Barron, leader good reach and action, fine thickness through, hard up; 2nd racy bird, very fine action, hard up; 3, spl, Chalmers, very large el. yell. cock, rare size and pos. LIGHT MULE OR HYBRID (5): 1, spl, Morrison, varieg. Mule, young bird, nice size; 2, spl, Taylor, Goldie-Bullic, very hard lines, as steady as a rock, rare bloom; 3, Craig, Goldie-Greenie, good size and substance, grand col. and type; vhc, Craig; he Taylor. DARK MULE (4): 1, vhc, Craig, Greenie Mule, nice size, in rare bloom; 2, Crome, Goldie Mule, grand col. and substance; 3, spl, Donaghy, Goldie Mule, scarcely size of leader, good col. and condition, sweet bird. BRIT. GOLDFINCH (6): 1, spl, Morrison, lovely Finch, rare bloom, clean cut blaze, well buttoned and tanned; 2, spl, Craig, another nice one, scarcely so large as leader, in grand order, pressed hard; 3, Crone, very shapely, nice square blaze; vhc, Raines; he, Clubb; c, Watson. BULLFINCH CK. (2): 1, Craig, grand col. and shape, very clean cut, decided markings; 2, Crone, yet very rich in col., splendid type. LINNET (9):: 1, Campbell, grand bird, beautifully laced, rare size, quickly claimed, will be heard of again; 2, McPhee, large one, nicely pencilled, shows whites well; 3, Crone, nice size, good solid Brown, scarcely the size of leaders; vhc, Campbell; he, Mahon; c, Sloan. FIELD-MOULTED LINNET (5): 1, Crone, very steady, good markings and whites, good shape, bold head; 2, Raines, another good one, bit racy, will develop into good bird; 3, Chalmers, nice size, we preferred for 1st; vhc, Chalmers; he, Watson. SISKIN (FED): 1, Craig, very smart Siskin, grand hot colour, marks all there. SISKIN (NON-FED) (5): 1, spl, Watson, gold medal for best Brit., City winner, in grand order; 2, Craig, Boness winner looking well; 3, McPhee, very nice bird, will do well later on; vhc, McPhee; he, Campbell. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (2): 1, Crone; 2, Craig. GREENFINCH (7): 1, spl, Braid, rare size and col, good bold head, very fine Finch; 2, Dowell, another good one, grand head and neck, good sound col.; 3, Craig, rare good col. and condition, put down like silk; vhc, Crone; he, McMahon; c, Morriane. GREENFINCH (FED) (3): 1, Braid, very hot col., grand condition, nice size; 2, Campbell, another nice bird, very fine head and neck, rare yellows; 3, McLaggan, rare size and sub. YELLOWHAMMER (4): 1, Craig, lovely size, very steady, all there for markings; fine substance; 2, Watson, another nice one, markings well defined, will progress with age; 3, Crone, grand shape, lovely bloom; vhc, Chalmers. A.O.V. BUNTING (5): 1, Clubbs, Cornbunting, grand condition, wins well; 2, Raines, Cirl Bunting, very fine specimen, in grand order; 3, Craig, Cirl Bunting, another good one: vhc, Craig; he, Clubb. CHAFFINCH (6): 1, Raines, good Chaffinch, steady as a statue, grand depth of col.; 2, Craig, not quite the finish of leader, rare size and markings; 3, Clubb, rich ground col. and markings, very steady; vhc, Craig; he, Crone; c, Chalmers. BRAMBLE-FINCH (2): 1, Craig; 2, Crone. BULLFINCH HEN (3): 1, spl, Watson, City winner, in grand order; 2, spl, Craig, grand size and shape, in rare bloom; 3, Watson, very typical hen, grand expression and markings, good deep col. A.O.V. HENS FOR HYBRID BREEDING (3): 1, Raines, very fine Greenie, splendid size and shape, good solid col.; 2, 3, Craig, leader Greenie, nice size; 3rd Bramble, fine bird, grand size. SMALL BRIT. (SOFT-BILLED): 1, spl, Craig, very fine Bearded Tit, in grand order; 2, spl, Crone, Stonechat in excellent condition; 3 Chalmers, a Robin, as steady as a judge, nice one. LARGE BRIT: 1, Craig, Hawfinch, a very fine one. GOLD OR BULLFINCH (FOREIGN): 1, Taylor, grand size and shape, very fine tanning and blaze; 2, Crone, in rare order, good col. SMALL FOREIGN (4): 1, Craig, Gouldian Fineb, in rare bloom, gold medal for best For.; 2, Park, pair Zebra Finches in splendid col., very taking exhibit; 3, Clubb, Bishop, in grand order; vbe, Park. LARGE FOREIGN: 1, Craig.

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ABERDEEN (Bon-accord.)

Annual show, held Nov. 16, in the Ball-room of the Music Hall Buildings, Aberdeen. The show was a great success, a good entry being forward from some of the leading fanciers in Scotland. The birds were beautifully arranged up and down the hall, and at a nice height. The judges were Mr. Alex. Duffus (Fintray), Norwich, and Mr. Wm. Allison (Aberdeen), Borders, British, etc., and their awards gave general satisfaction. Challenge cup for best bird in show went to Mr. Geo. Mitchell (Brechin) with a lovely clear young yellow cock of rare size and colour. Cup for best young hen was won by Mr. James Kerr (Aberdeen) with a sweet buff bird of good size and type. Border Cup for best bird was won by Mr. John Craig (Brechin) for the third time, and now becomes his own property. Special for most points in Cinnamon classes was gained by the President, Mr. Wm. Rae, while the challenge cup for best British bird in show was won by Mr. R. J. Robertson with a very fine Redstart of grand colour and markings, and staged to perfection, the runner-up being Messrs. Ewen and Anderson with a good Chough. The arrangements were admirably carried out by Mr. Wm. Rae, President, and Mr. Alex. Thomson, secretary and treas., and a hard-working committee consisting of Messrs. Mackercher, Forsyth, Allison, Davidson, Henderson, Craighead, Ewen, Steven, Anderson, Reid, Will, Cummings.

The Critique.

YELL. CK. (7): 1, Mitebell, great size and substance, A1 qual. and tip top col.; 2, Rae, not quite so large, typical, hot fed, and teeming with qual.; 3, 4, Sandison, 3rd excels in type and qual., nice level col., grand wings and tail; 5, Ewen and Anderson; 6, Steel. BUFF (8): 1, Mitchell, monster, largest bird we have seen for some time, grand body, good head, neck and wings, well placed; 2, Kerr, also a good one, best of type, nice col. and frosting; 3, Will, rare good type and qual, very rich col.; 4, Mouzon, good type and quality; 5, Steel; 6, Rae. VAR. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Shoolbraid, good one, grand front, nice and cobby, short wings and tail; 2, Will, much the same type, grand col. and qual., pressed winner; 3, Kerr, fails a little in wing carriage; 4, 5, Thomson; 6, Steel. BUFF VAR. CK. (5): 1, Mitchell, cap and wing mkd., nice size and col., good front and wing carr.; 2, Kerr, same markings, best of type and qual., a good one; 3, Martin, very sweet qual., just a trifle soft while taking notes; 4, Rae; 5, Steel. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Forsyth, a clear, lovely qual. and col., rare wings and tail; 2, Thomson, grand substance, good head and neck, A1 quality, well turned out; 3, Ewen and Anderson, very taking hen, nice even col. and best of qual.; 4, Fyfe; 5, Martin; 6, Steel. BUFF (8): 1, Sandison, a gem of the first water, fine boxy feather, teeming in qual. and condition, good col.; 2, 4, Steel, 2nd excels in type and qual.; 5, Reid; 6, Fyfe. VAR. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Mitchell, grand size and substance, best of col.; 2, Will, cap mkd., beautiful qual. and condition, rare col.; 3, Steel, grand col. and qual., fails a bit in head only; 4, Reid; 5, Davidson; 6, Forsyth. BUFF (8): 1, Taylor, very sweet exhibit, best of qual.; 2, Mitchell, eye and wing mark, extra col. and quality; 3, Sandison, well up; 4, Will; 5, Mitchell and Son; 6, Thomson. UNFLIG. YELL. COCK (15): a fine class; 1, Mitchell, good one for size and substance, great depth of col., wings carried to perfection, nice feather, wins; 2, Ewen and Anderson, good size and col., nice head and front; 3, Forsyth, cobby, fine substance and condition; 4, Strachan; 5, Kerr; 6, Will. BUFF (15): 1, Kerr, el., teeming with qual., a good one, grand front, good head and wings; 2, Strachan, cap mark, best of qual. and condition; 3, Rae, beautiful feather and col., 4, Sandison, some thought might have gone up a little; 5, Aiken; 6, Will. HEN (17): 1, Mitchell, tick on neck, rare substance and type; A1 qual.; 2, Forsytb, very sweet hen, marked on both wings and eye; 3, Will, good type and qual. a el.; 4, Sandison, hot col.; 5, Strachan; 6, Cumming. HEN BUFF UNF. (15): 1, cup, Kerr, short cobby hen of the Bullie type, nice col. and qual., wins; 2, 4, Will, 2nd excels in type and col.; 3, Forsyth, A1 type, wing mark, lovely col. and condition; 5, Kerr; 6, Cumming. VAR. CK. (8): 1, 2, Mitchell, 1st, a el., grand size and sub., good head and neck, well finished; 2nd, similar for shape and col., in nice order; 3, Henderson, a good one; 4, Steel; 5, Ewen and Anderson; 6, Dressel. BUFF CK., NAT. COL. (15): 1, Thomson, best of type and qual., closely followed by 2, Christie, cap mkd., rare size and best of qual. and condition; 3, Steven, nice shape and condition, well turned out; 4, Davidson; 5, Mackercher; 6, Steel. VAR. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Rae, marked eyes and wings, best of type, grand front and teeming with qual.; 2, Steel, good type and qual.; 3, Davidson, also sweet qual.; 4, Steven; 5, Reid. BUFF HEN (9): 1, Taylor, good one, grand front, good head and neck, best of wing carriage; 2, Dressel, el., beautiful feather, A1 conditiou, and well turned out; 3, Kerr, also a el., rare finish, grand head and well placed wings; 4, Cummings; 5, Dunn; 6, Steel. GREEN or FOUL (6): 1, Ewen and Anderson, great size and col.; 2, Mitchell, lovely col. and type; 3, Dressel, a yell., not by any means a bad one; 4, Rae; 5, Mouzon; 6, Steven. BORD. (4): 1, Crabb and Finlayson, el., tight as wax, beautiful head and tail, grand mover; 2, Craig, another good one, well carried wings and tail, shining like satin; 3, Johnston, beautiful qual., well put down; 4, Steven. YOUNG (8): 1, 3, Crabb and Finlayson, 1st, cap and wing marked, best of quality and wing carriage, in tip-top order; 3rd, fails a little in tail; 2, 4, 5, Craig, a good team; 2nd excels in qual., a beauty, nicely staged; 6, Johnston. BUFF (7): 1, 3, 4, Craig, 1st wins cup, grand exhibit, beautiful head and tail, perfect wing carr., gem; 2, Crabb and Finlayson, also a nice one, fails a little in tail, A1 qual. and condition; 5, 6, Johnston. CINN. YELL. or BUFF (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, Rae, a clean sweep, a grand team and no mistake, all yellows, grand size and quality; 5, Ewen and Anderson; 6, Henderson. HEN: 1, Rae. YOUNG BIRDS (5): 1, 2, Rae, 1st a yell., good substance and col.; 2nd, Buff, also well up in size; 3, 4, Henderson, similar; 5, Mouzon. HEN (3): 1, Ewen and Anderson, grand type, best of qual.; 2, Strachan, yell., nice exhibit; 3, Henderson. NOV. (2): 1, Reid, buff var., great size and col.; 2, Martin, el. yell. HEN (2): 1, Reid; 2, Martin. VARIETY (3): 1, Henderson, Cin. mark, rare col. and qual.; 2, 3, Ewen and Anderson, same variety, good size and qual. HYB. (7): 1, Fyfe, Greenie Mule, A1 col.; 2, Shoolbraid, Siskin Mule, fine order, good cap and col.; 3, Dunn; 4, Anderson; 5, Shoolbraid; 6, Mitchell and Son. GOLDFINCH (4): 1, Christie, grand size, good blaze of fine col, nicely tanned, well put down; 2, Anderson, smaller; 3, Steel, our choice for second, good face and tanning, lovely bloom; 4, Martin. LINNET (9): 1 and 3, Mackercher, 1 nice pencilling bit on the small side; 2, Mitchell and Son, we liked for first; 4, Anderson; 5, 6, Johnston. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, Johnston, nice Twite, rare col. and finish; 2, Ewen and Anderson, Siskin, nice cap and wing bars in A1 order; 3, 6, Steel, 3 good Poll; 4, Anderson; 5, Campbell. BULLFINCH CK. (2): 1, Steel, good size and col., rare cap and wing bars; 2, Christie, nice one, H.M., excellent bars, and good breast col. GREENIE (4): 1, Johnston, good col. and size; 2, Mitchell and Sons, very little behind; 3, 4, Mackercher. BRIT. LARGE (5): 1, 2, 3, 4, Ewen and Anderson, leader Chough in good trim and well staged, 2 blackbird looking well, hot fed, 3 Thrush. BRIT. SMALL (10): Grand class: 1, 2, 3, 4, Robertson, wins with a nice Redstart in the pink of condition; 2, Blackcap, in lovely feather; 3, Black Redstart; 5, 6, Ewen and Anderson.

KING'S LYNN.

Annual show held Nov. 16 in the Blackfriars Hall. The entries created a record for the club, being 270 (50 in excess of previous annual show). Mr. R. Edmunds won club's points challenge cup outright, this being his third successive win, with a total of 146 points. This fancier also won challenge cup given by Holcombe Ingleby, Esq., M.P., for best bird in show; same bird also won Ramsden's medal for hottest fed. In addition, he was also very fortunate in winning challenge cup for best unflighted in classes 1 to 13 with a nice quality ticked yellow hen. The British classes contained some very fine specimens. Mr. A. Harrod was successful in obtaining the points cup for these classes. The Goldfinch exhibited by him was one of the finest seen. Mr. R. Harrod exhibited a lovely Bullfinch in the pink of condition, and a large nut brown Linnet with good pencil marking; was staged by Mr. H. J. Cole. Mr. R. J. Mackley, of Norwich, judged, and his awards were as follows:—

CL. YELL. CK. (14): 1, R. Edmunds; 2, Greenfield; 3, Smith; 4, Hately; vhc, Bennell; he, Kent; c, Breeze. HEN (13): 1, Edmunds; 2, Harrod; 3, Cole; 4, Gordon; vhc, Smith; he, Hately; c, Breeze. CL. BUFF CK. (17): 1, Edmunds; 2, Smith; 3, Harrod; 4, Bennell; vhc, Breeze; he, Cole; c, Bird. HEN (17): 1, Edmunds; 2, Cole; 3, Gosling; 4, Hately vhc, Kent; he, Smith; c, Harrod. TKD. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Edmunds; 2, Ricketts; 3, Breeze; 4, Kent; vhc, Harrod; he, Smith; c, Bennell. HEN (9): 1, cup for best unflighted in show, Edmunds; 2, Bennell; 3, Smith; 4, Bird; vhc, Hately; he, Kent; c, Greenfield. TKD. BUFF CK. (11): 1, Harrod; 2, Smith; 3, Edmunds; 4, Bennell; vhc, Gordon; he, Horn; c, Breeze. HEN (10): 1, Bennell; 2, Edmunds; 3, Harrod; 4, Smith; vbc, Breeze; he, Thurston; c, Greenfield. VARIEG. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Bennell; 2, Kent; 3, Smith; 4, Edmunds; vhc, Cole; he, Harrod; c, Breeze. HEN (9): 1, Edmunds; 2, Hately; 3, Harrod; 4, Cole; vhc, Smith; he, Greenfield; c, Bennell. VARIEG. BUFF CK. (10): 1, Edmunds; 2, Gosling; 3, Ricketts; 4, Bennell; vhc, Breeze; he, Kent; c, Cole. HEN (15): 1, Bennell; 2, Kent; 3, Breeze; 4, Gosling; vhc, Harrod; he, Smith; c, Greenfield. UNEVENLY MKD. CK. (14): 1, Edmunds; 2, Greenfield; 3, Ricketts; 4, Cole; vhc, Gordon. HENS (8): 1, Edmunds; 2, Bennell; 3, Breeze; 4, Greaves; vhc, Bird; he, Hately. GREEN OR NEARLY GREEN (13): 1, Harrod; 2, Greaves; 3, Breeze; 4, Williamson; vbc, Bird; he, Hately; c, Cole. CINN. (5): 1, Williamson; 2, Kent; 3, Mrs. Williamson; 4, Greaves; vhc, Gosling. MATCHED PAIRS, A.V.: 1, Harrod; 2, Edmunds; 3, Bennell; 4, Smith; vhc, Breeze; he, Kent; c, Cole. A.O.V. (3): 1, Smith, nice Crest hen; 2, Greenfield, grizzle Crest yell. cock; 3, Hateley, Gold el cap Lizard. COLOUR-FED COMPETITION (11): 1, Ramsden's spl, Edmunds. This bird also took cup for best bird in show. MULES OR HYB. (3): 1, Walker; 2, Greaves; 3, Gordon. BULLFINCH (5): 1, vhc, Harrod; 2, Kent; 3, Walker; 4, Gordon. GOLDFINCH (8): 1, Harrod; 2, Langford; 3, Kent; 4, Walker; vhc, Greaves; he, c, Gordon. A.O.V. FINCH (10): 1, 4, Cole; 2, vhc, Greaves; 3, c, Harrod; he, Gosling. GIFT (13): 1, Bennell; 2, Breeze; 3, Kent; 4, he, Harrod; vhc, Hately; c, Chapman.

PAISLEY AND DIST. NORWICH, M.B. AND F.B.C.

14th annual show held November 9th, in G. A. Clark Minor Hall. There was a good display of birds, and the show was well attended. Mr. P. Holden (Muirkirk) judged Canaries, and Mr. R. V. Raine (Cathcart) the remainder, both giving every satisfaction.

YOUNG CREST CK.: 1, 2, McLerie; 3, Potts. HEN: 1, Gemmell; 2, McLerie; 3, Bonnar. C.B. CK.: 1, cup winner, Gemmell; 2, Potts; 3, O'Hare. HEN: 1, McLerie; 2, Gemmell; 3, Barr. OLD CRESTS: 1, 2, Gemmell; 3, McLerie. C.B.: 1, Gemmell; 2, McLerie; 3, Potts. YOUNG NOR. YELL.: 1, Paling; 2, Omay; 3, Godbar. HEN: 1, Paling; 2, Potts; 3, McMillian. BUFF: 1, J. Laidlaw; 2, 3, Paling. HEN: 1, Paling, cup winner; 2, Paling; 3, Potts; 4, Omay; 5, Barr. YELL., VARIEG.: 1, Gemmell; 2, Barr; 3, McMillian. BUFF: 1, Paling; 2, McMillian; 3, Potts. HEN: 1, 2, Laidlaw; 3, Potts. UNFED HEN: 1, Laidlaw; 2, Gemmell; 3, Potts. OLD NOR. FED: 1, Barr; 2, Potts; 3, Laidlaw. HEN: 1, McMillian; 2, Paling; 3, Potts. UNFED: 1, Gemmell; 2, Laidlaw; 3, Buchanan. YOUNG YELL. BORD.: 1, 3, Cunningham; 2, Briggs. HEN: 1, Briggs; 2, Potts; 3, Cunningham. BUFF: 1, 2, Cunningham; 3, Gemmell. HEN: 1, 4, Potts; 2, Briggs; 3, Cunningham. YELL. VARIEG.: 1, Cunningham; 2, Potts; 3, Gemmell. HEN: 1, 2, Cuuningham; 3, Omay. BUFF VARIEG.: 1, cup winner, W. Briggs; 2, 3, Cunningham. HEN: 1, 2, Cunningham; 3, Potts. GREEN: 1, 2, Cunningham; 3, Graham. OLD BORD.: 1, 2, Cunningham; 3, 4, Service. YOUNG YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, McClean; 3, Barr. HEN: 1, McClean; 2, Barr; 3, McClean. OLD YORKS.: 1, 2, McClean; 3, Barr. MULES OR HYB.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Buchanan; 5, 6, H. Graham. CLASS 33: 1, McNair; 2, Livingstone; 3, Buchanan; 4, Omay; 5, McPherson; 6, Graham; 7, Cunningham. GOLDFINCH: 1, Livingstoue; 2, Graham; 3, McPherson; 4, Graham; 5, Cunningham; 6, McNair; 7, Buchanan. FOR. GOLDFINCH: 1, Graham; 2, Buchanan; 3, McPherson; 4, McMillian; 5, Pirrie; 6, 7, Potts. BULLFINCH: 1, Morrison; 2, Graham; 3, McPherson; 4, 5, Skouse. HEN: 1, Potts; 2, Pirrie; 3, McCerry; 4, Graham; 5, Morrison; 6, Cunningham; 7, Buchanan. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Omay; 2, Livingstone; 3, McNair; 4, Pirrie; 5, Graham. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Omay; 2, Livingstone; 3, McLerie; 4, McMillian; 5, McCreery; 6, McNair; 7, Graham. GREENFINCH: 1, Omay; 2, McNair; 3, Potts; 4, McPherson; 5, Morrison; 6, Barr; 7, Buchanan. SMALL BRIT.: 1, Livingstone; 2, 4, Morrison; 3, Pirrie; 5, Pirrie; 6, Graham; 7, McPherson. LARGE: 1, 2, Morrison; 3, Pirrie; 4, 5, P. Wylie. FOR.: 1, Morrison; 2, 3, P. Wylie. H. Graham won the wild bird cup most points.—R. McLerie.

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EDINBURGH NORWICH

Thirteenth annual show held Nov. 16 in Buccleuch Parish Church Halls. The entries numbered about 400, a considerable decrease from last year, the greatest falling off being in the British Section. The Norwich Section was also a shade down in numbers, and the quality, we think, was not up to the standard of former exhibitions, although several of the classes were headed by birds of great merit. The cup winning yellow hen, belonging to Mr. James Smeaton, was in every respect a model of what a Norwich should be, having plenty of size and substance, and staged to perfection. Borders were a more level lot, a few of the winners repeating their performances of the previous week at Leith. Mr. Dods again carried off premier honours, securing cup and H.F.C.C. medal with an uneven marked buff cock, a true Border all over. In the Mule Section Mr. Finnie was awarded cup for best with his Goldie-Greenie, which was looking even better than the previous week. The hall is an ideal place for such a purpose, being well lighted and free from draughts. The society is blessed with a hard-working set of officials, and Mr. John Welsh, the secretary, had everything well in hand. Judges were:—For Norwich, Mr. W. Grewar (Lochgelly); Borders, Mr. Dan Hamilton (Hamilton); Mules and British, Mr. J. F. Dewar (Edinburgh), and their awards gave every satisfaction. The prizes were presented to the successful winners at the close of the show by the President (Mr. James Cooper). The committee were Messrs. J. Holmes, J. Stormont, W. Watson, and W. R. Finnie.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Holmes, topper for size and shape, grand front and head, fine wings; 2, Brash, longer body, fails substance, nice quality feather and colour; 3, Smeaton, capital head, weak in chest, hot colour, A1 condition; 4, Craig, nice type and quality; 5, Holmes; 6, Carson; 7, 8, Stormont. BUFF: 1, spl, club medal, Finnie, massive head and substance, grand chest and wings, fine mealing; 2, 5, Brash, good head, shade thin in front, capital wings, rare colour; 3, Holmes, foul on neck, beauty for size and type, neat head and neck; 4, Wilson, beaten head and front, fine qual.; 6, Gray; 7, Stormont; 8, no name. GREEN ETC. YELL. CK.: 1, Smeatou, lovely var., fine head and neck, close feather, good qual.; 2, Finnie, beauty for size and type, good head, well braced wings; 3, Thomson, similar stamp as second, beaten only in feather; 4, Brash, fails substance, nice colour and quality; 5, 7, Holmes; 6, Thomson; 8, Charlton. BUFF: 1, Smeaton, very shapely, nice size, neat head, sound col. and qual.; 2, Carson, mkd. head and wings, fine full head and neck, nicely rounded front, good taper; 3, Finnie, fails substance to leaders, good feather and col.; 4, Holmes, good head properties, neat wings and tail; 5, Brash; 6, Charlton; 7, Wilson; 8, Napier. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, spl, cup, also cup for best bird in show, Smeaton, clinker and no mistake, beauty for shape, noble head and front, fine short body and wings; 2, spl, Smeaton, beaten in head, nicely rounded front and back, lovely qual. feather; 3, spl, Craig, thin in neck, otherwise good in qual. and col.; 4, spl, Holmes, grand qual. feather and condition; 5, Brash; 6, Hilsou; 7, Craig; 8, Thomson. BUFF: 1, 6, Holmes, nice ones for size and type, leader excels in head, good qual. feather; 2, Finnie, best of type, grand head and front, rare short wings and tail, must have pressed; 4, 7, Brash, thin in head, good body, nice qual.; 5, 8, Stormont; 6, Carson. GRN. ETC. YELL. HEN: 1, Smeaton, head and wings mkd., capital type and col., well braced wings; 2, 3, Finnie, second fails front to leader, all there for col. and qual, 3rd mkd. eyes and rump, fine shaped body, well placed; 4, Carson, fine stamp of a Norwich, good qual.; 5, Craig; 6, Stormont; 7, Wilson; 8, Holmes. BUFF: 1, Brash, eye and wing mkd. Cinn., good head and body, nice qual. feather; 2, 6, Holmes, neat head and front, sound col. and qual., good wings; 3, Finnie, shade narrow in head, well braced wings, fine colour feather; 4, Brash, mkd. neck and left wing, very shapely; 5, Thomson; 7, Carson; 8, Charlton. NON-FED CK.: 1, Holmes, nearly green, fine tone of col., good head and neck, capital wings; 2, 6, Stormont, longer in body, lovely qual. and well shown; 3, Finnie, built on same lines as second, rare qual.; 4, Craig, grizz. mkd., grand body, well rounded front and back, close up; 5, Wilson; 7, Thomson; 8, Napier. HEN: 1, Holmes, shapely, nice size and qual., clean cut; 2, 3, Smeaton, brace of good ones, all there for eye and qual., shown in the pink; 4, Wilson, head and wing mkd., nice front and wing; 5, 6, Craig. NOV. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Fairbairn, neat quartette, leader excels in head and neck, nice qual. throughout. BUFF: 1, spl, Fairbairn, good nice and shape, well rounded front, capital wings; 2, ditto, mkd. neck and wing, fails front, nice col. and qual. YELL. HEN: 1, Fairbairn, capital size and substance, sound col. and qual. BUFF: 1, Fairbairn, pinched in head, fine shaped body, nice col. CREST CK.: 1, spl, 2, Gilan, leader wing mkd., dark crest of good formation, neat leafy feather; 2, Smaller crest, but nicely rounded. C.B. CK.: 1, Gilan, grand skull, splendid body, abundance of feather; 2, 3, Grant, neck and wing mkd., fails head to winner, nice size, grand qual. feather, well lashed. HEN: 1, Gilan, grand entrance, plenty of body feather, A1 lashing. CINN. HEN: 1, 3, 4, Thomson, capital col. and qual., fails substance; 2, Charlton, nice tone of col., similar size and shape as leader. A.O.V.: 1, Thomson, foul on head, big bold bird, sound col. and qual.; 2, 3, Craig, second good head and neck, fine full front, well braced wings, third fails head to leaders, nice shaped body; 4, 5, 6, Rizzi, buff Yorkie leading, nicely rounded head and body, nice qual. OLD. CK.: 1, Smeaton, fine bold head and front, capital neck, fine cobby shape, good wing; 2, no name, same stamp, fails only in col.; 3, Stormont, fine full head, capital sub., nice qual. OLD HEN: 1, Stormont, head and wing mkd. buff, fine qual. feather, neat shape; 2, Hilson, cobby shape, good head and neck, fails wing carriage; 3, no name, good type and col., nice sub. PAIRS: 1, 2, Grant, first well matched pair Plainheads, second good Crest and Crest-bred. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Hyde's spl, Welsh, brace of beauties, leader excels in head, well rounded front and back, fine style and taper; 2nd beaten in head, well filled back, perfect wing carriage, very stylish; 3, Dods, grand type, capital head and front, close up; 4, spl, Napier, good one for type, nice jaunty carriage; 5, 7, Andrew; 6, Welsh; 8, Windrum. BUFF: 1, 3, Dods, leader well rounded head and front, A1 type and qual., well laid on wings, nice bloom, third fails only in colour to winner, very neat and typical; 2, Andrew, rare stamp, fine weight, fine tone of col., well placed; 4, 5, Windrum, 4th shade flat on back, neat front and tail; 6, 7, Watson; 8, Andrew. GRN. OR CINN. CK.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Dods, yell. green leading, grand shade of col., capital marking, only fault a little bronze on wing bars; 2nd yell. cinn., good one for type and col.; 3rd buff Green, nice shape and col., grandly laced; 4th good buff cinn.; 5, Andrew. A.O.C. CK.: 1, 2, cup for best Border and H.F.C.C. medal, Dods, mkd. eye and wings, rare type and qual., good head and front, wins; 2nd lovely yellow var., good type and qual., fine bloom; 3, Holmes, head and wing mkd. buff, capital style and finish; 4, no name, good one, for size and type, well staged; 5, 7, Watson; 6, 8, Welsh. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, spl, 2, 4, 6, Watson, lovely quartette, leader gem all over, right stamp, grand frontal, well packed wings, fine trim; 2nd follows closely, inclined to frill on front; 3rd capital wings and tail; 3, Andrews, good head and neck, fails back to winners, nice tone of col.; 5, Windrum; 7, Dods; 8, no name. BUFF: 1, Dods, good head and front, capital all-round Border, neat wings and tail; 2, Watson, fine stamp, lovely qual. feather, in rare order; 3, no name, shade flat in head, fine jaunty carriage; 4, 8, Andrew, well rounded body, nice bloom; 5, 7, Windrum; 6, Thomson. GRN. OR CINN. HEN: 1, 4, Dods, Buff Cinn. leading, typical specimen, fine shade of colour; 4th capital Buff Green, fine lacings; 2, 5, Windrum, Buff Green, fine type and col., grandly laced; 3, Holmes, nice yell. Green, rich grass green, rare type and qual.; 6, Windrum; 7, no name. A.O.C. HEN: 1, 2, Andrew, eyo and wing mkd., true to type, fine frontal, well laid on wings; 2nd, nice markings, capital shape and style; 3, 5, Windrum, eye and wing mkd. yell., long type and feather, well put down; 4, 7, Watson, good head and wings, nice qual. feather; 6, no name; 8, Welsh. NOV. YELL.: 1, 3, Hilson, eye and wing mkd. yell. leading, fine tone of col., stormer, rare bloom; 2, no name, similar to wiuner, well rounded front and body, neat and typical. BUFF: 1, no name, clinking buff, excels in type and qual., grandly staged; 2, 3, Hilson, 2nd wing mkd. buff, good qual. feather and type, well placed; 3rd good head and wings, capital qual. OLD CK.: 1, Windrum. OLD HEN: 1, Windrum. CL. ETC. MULE: 1, Finnie, variog. Goldie Mule, fine size and shape, capital bloom; 2, Holmes, fine big Linnet Mule in rattling order. DARK GOLDIE MULE: 1, 2, Grant, capital size and col., nice face; 2nd fails only in col. to winner. A.O.V. CAN. MULE: 1, Carson, good Linnet, nice col., rich quality; 2, Fraser, on the small side, nice order. HYB.: 1, 2, cup best Mule, Finnie, two Goldie-Greenie Hybrids, show cross well, leader excels in size and substance. OLD MULE: 1, 3, Craig, well known Greenie Mule, looking as fit as ever; 2nd variog. Goldie Mule, nice qual. of feather, well shown. GOLDFINCH: 1, no name, foreigner leading, fine square cut blaze, good wing bars; 2, Finnie, topping Britisher, fine breast tannings, hardly up in face yet. LINNET: 1, Finnie, rcat nutty brown colour, capital markings; 2, 4, Fraser, darker tone of colour, well marked; 3, 5, Grant, good size and col., nice whites. GREENFINCH: 1, spl. Craig, grandly fed Greenie, fine size and shape, nice wing bars; 2, spl, 4, Fraser, fine big buff Grecnie, fine bold head and front; 3, Palmer, real good one, good size and shape; 5, Hilson; 6, Finnie. SISKIN ETC.: 1, Palmer, capital Twite, good sound colour and markings; 2, 4, Cooper, nice Lesser 'Poll, capital lacings; 3, Palmer, Mealy 'Poll, fine bib and col.; 5, Finnie. BULLFINCH HEN: 1, no name, dense black cap, fine breast col., good wing bars; 2, no name, fails cap to leader, fine size and colour. CHAFFINCH ETC.: 1, 3, 4, 5, Hilson, Bullie ck., fine cap and breast col., rattling bloom; 2, Finnie, good breast tannings, nice spangliug; 3rd fails colour to 2nd; 4th fine big Chaffie, nice whites in wings; 6, no name; 7, 8, Palmer. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, Lee, Blackbird, dense col., capital order; 2, Hilson, Thrush, on the small side, nice moonings; 3, Fraser, grand size and markings, capital order; 4, Cooper, good Thrush, fine breast marking. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, Winter, lovely pair of Cordon Blues leading, splendidly staged; 2nd, Diamond Finch, fine feather and condition; 3rd, Fire Finch, shown in fine order.

WEST MALLING AND DIST. F.S.

Eighth annual show held Nov. 19th and 20th, in the Hollics Malt House, a large and well-fitted building. The display was an excellent one. Quality was conspicuous and competition keen. The hon. secs., Messrs. W. T. Robinson, J. Mitchell, and R. Marten, made excellent arrangements, and were well supported by an energetic body of committeemen. Jas. Brenuan, Esq., is the president, and the society is supported by an influential body of vice-presidents. A large number of the inhabitants visited the show, which proved a great success. Challenge cup for best bird in the show was won by Mr. F. K. Gooding with a really nice yellow Norwich; medal for the 2nd best bird was taken by Mr. E. Jenner with a really fine Russian Bullfinch; and Hyde's special fell to Mr. A. V. Lynn, also for a yellow Norwich. In addition, there was a long list of specials spread over the various classes. Mr. Geo. Gardner made the awards.

NOR., A.C., COL.-FED (10): 1, sp, 2, Gooding, with two bonny buffs, the leader best in body, nice head, undercolour and qual.; 3, Hyde's sp, c, Lynn, a good qual. yell., not quite so rich in col.; res, vhc, Holdstock. CL. BUFF, NON COL.-FED (4): 1, sp, Jenner, a bonny bird, rare body and silky feather; 2, Lynn, also grand shape, just a trifle more feather than should be; 3, Holdstock, loses in stoutness; res, Higgins. TKD., ETC. (9): 1, sp, Harvey, fine head and lovely feather; 2, Pointer, cap buff, charming qual., loses stoutness; 3, Tyhurst, variog. yell., silky feather, fails neck; res, Holdstock; vhc, Gooding; hc, Jenner; c, Holdstock. YORKS. (9): 1, sp, 2, Jenner, the leader an upstanding nervy tkd. buff, of good feather; 3, res, c, Patterson, neat, but not so well up on leg; vhc, hc, Harvey. MULES (4): 1, res, Bennett; 2, sp, Crauston; 3, Smithers. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Standing, a sweet little Finch, full of gloss, nice flush, good whites, clean cut; 2, Rhodes, deeper perhaps in flush, but not so clean cut; 3, sp, res, Cranston, two smart Finches; vhc, Jenner. A.O.S. BRIT., SMALL (10): 1, sp, 3, res, Jenner, a good team, a Snow Bunting leading; 2, Cranston, rich col. Bullie, well shown; vhc, Rhodes; hc, Day; c, Driver. PAIRS (6): 1, cup, 2, Gooding, grand pairs of Nor., full of quality; 3, hc, Wells, ditto; res, Holdstock; vhc, Jenner. FOR., LARGE (7): 1, Wickens, topping African Grey Parrot; 2, Gibbons; 3, res, hc, Miss Blackburne-Maze; vhc, c, Newman. SMALL (6): 1, sp, Jenner, romping rich coloured Russian Bullie, beautifully shown; 2, 3, res, vhc, hc, Miss A. T. Kelly, Weaver and Whydah respectively.

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BLYTH.

Sixth Annual Show held Nov. 9, in the St. John's Mission Hall, quite a suitable building for the occasion. Entries were better than ever, and quality everything that could be expected, especially the Border section, the best we have seen at Blyth, and evidently the wee things have caught on here too. Since last year the Society has had to find a new Secretary, the late and able one, Mr. Rowell, having entered the bonds of matrimony had to relinquish his post. Fortunately the Society has succeeded in securing in Mr. Marshall one quite capable of carrying out the duties; always obliging and a taking style throughout. In the Show during the day we came across quite a host of visitors, well known fanciers. They were having a grand gate when we left. Unfortunately one of the judges, Mr. J. Stanger, Pelton Fell, could not attend, and Mr. A. Hay, Berwick, had to take the lot—35 classes and over 300 entries—quite a stiff day along with specials.

The Critique.

NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (10): 1, Griffiths, hot, grand body and wings; 2, Richardson, grand head, nice chest; 3, Hodgetts, similar to 2; 4, c, Dixon; vhc, Richardson; hc, Gibb. MKD. ETC. (9): 1, sp, best Nor. and cup best in Show, Dixon, tkd. head and neck, nicely moulded, grand head, carried on a shapely compact body; 2, Scott, neck and left wing tkd., beaten here in type and col.; 3, Griffiths, varig., bit rough in feather; 4, vhc, Richardson; hc, Long; c, Dixon. CL., ETC. BUFF (13): 1, 2, Richardson, pair of good ones, grand shape throughout; 2, fails a little in head; 3, Scott, neat type, inclines to frill; 4, Dixon; vhc, Turnbull; hc, T. Marshall; c, Harkus; w.c., No. 10, Griffiths, a good one. MKD. ETC. (14): 1, Hodgetts, wing tkd., nice broad skull, well balanced body, neat wings and tail; 2, no name, head tkd., nice chest and wings beaten only in feather; 3, Griffiths, head tkd., good one in col. and shape; 4, vhc, Richardson; hc, Harkus; c, Dixon. BORD. CL. YELL. ETC. (22): 1, 3, Hudspeth, leading with a sweet cl., nice head, body well rounded; 3, beaten in wing carriage only; 2, Richardson, similar to winner, but scarcely ready yet; 4, and vhc, Young; hc, Younger; c, Soulsby; wc., 14: Elliott, a buff. MKD., ETC. (12): 1, 3, Hudspeth, leader, neck tkd., grand head, well carried wings, nice tail, well put down; 3, very shapely, but looks like a cl.; 2, c, Soulsby, head tkd., nice body, well tapered away behind, beaten in head; 4, hc, T. Marshall; vhc, Wheatley. CL. ETC., BUFF (19): 1, 2, Hudspeth, lovely couple, little to choose, grand type and put down in the pink; 3, Soulsby scarcely same good condition as winners; 4, hc, Younger; vhc, c, T. Marshall. MKD., ETC. BUFF (21): 1, sp, best Bord. and silver teapot for 2nd best bird in Show, Hudspeth, wing tkd., a perfect model, nice round head, best of body, and wings shining like marble; 2, Dixon, grizzle back, lacks condition and typo of winner to-day, will improve; 3, 4, Soulsby, sweet couple, wing tkd., leading, scarcely ready yet; vhc, c, Younger; hc, T. Marshall; wc., 17, Hudspeth, as good as winner, almost a clear. YORKS. CL. YELL. (9): 1, Younger, grand length, neat head, well carried wings and tail; 2, 3, no name, pair of good ones, close up; 4, Richardson; vhc, Kakenshaw; hc, T. Marshall; c, Dixon. MKD. YELL. (9): 1, sp, best Yorks., sp, 3rd best in show; Richardson, rare qual., grand head, well filled neck, sweet body, close feather; 2, Richardson, very similar, lacks the polish of winner; 3, Turnbull, beaten in condition; 4, Dixon; vhc, T. Marshall; hc, Wakenshaw; c, Long. CL. BUFF (10): 1, 4, Wakenshaw, nice pair, leader, better chest and wing carr.; 2, Richardson, grand top end, but not so steady; 3, Turnbull, stands well up, wings well carried, nice boxy feather; vhc, T. Marshall; hc, Long; c, Younger. MKD. (9): 1, 2, Richardson, grand pair, well put down, hot col., boxy feather, winner carries wings better, neck and wing mkd., 2, right wing tkd.; 3, Long, grizzle cap, beaten in chest feather; 4, c, Wakenshaw; vhc, hc, Younger. CREST (2): 1, 2 spls, T. Marshall, wing tkd., buff D.C., nicely rounded; 2, W. Marshall, green, beaten in crest. C.B. (3): 1, Dixon, var., grand skull, well lashed; 2, 3, W. Marshall, green and varig., little between them. CINN. YELL. (5): 1, 4, Griffiths, Nor., nice pair, looking a little soft to-day; 2, Hudspeth, Bord., a nice exhibit; 3, vhc, Richardson. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Griffiths, grand pair Nor., hot col.; 3, Younger, Border, well staged; 4, hc, Richardson; vhc, Hodgetts. A.O.V. (5): 1, Dixon, nice evenly mkd. Nor.; 2, Hodgetts, Foul Cinnamon Nor.; 3, W. Marshall, nice even mkd. Border; 4, Younger; vhc, No name. MULES (5): 1, 3, Hodgetts, Goldie-Can., leader, hot col., shade small; 2, 4, W. Marshall, Linnet-Can., best in class, but very soft to-day; vhc, Turnbull. LINNET (9): 1, sp, Richardson, grand size, well pencilled, dense col. throughout, steady as a rock; 2, Dixon, fails in size and breast col.; 3, Soulsby, not so rich in the nut colour; 4, vhc, Long; hc, Wakenshaw; c, Younger. A.O.S. BRIT. (9): 1, 2, Young, Bramble, well fed, nicely spangled, in rare condition, and Goldie, lovely blaze, chest and back; 3, vhc, Wakenshaw, Yellowhammer, might be better across skull; 4, hc, W. Marshall; c, Allinson. GIFT (11): 1, sp, Richardson; 2, Dixon; 3, T. Marshall; 4, W. Marshall; vhc, Turnbull; hc, Elliott; c, Young. FOR. (7): 1, 2, Allinson, nice pair Cardinals and White Javas, well staged; 3, vhc, Henderson; 4, Fawcett; hc, Young. NOV. NOR. (9): 1, sp, Harkus, grizzle cap, nice one; 2, c, Henderson, neck mkd., fails in condition; 3, Fawcett; cl. buff, close up; 4, vhc, Gibb; hc, Elliott. YORK (6): 1, 2, Wakenshaw, grand pair of hot coloured ones, well staged for a novice; 3, vhc, Fawcett; 4, hc, Gibb. BORD. (13): 1, 3, Harkus, grand pair, even mkd and cl., leader might be better mkd.; 2, Elliott, cl. yell., nice type, hardly ready yet; 4, c, Gibb; vhc, hc, Henderson. A.O.V. (4): 1, Harkus, almost Green Nor.; 2, Elliott, varig. Nor.; 3, Hutchinson, Foul Green Bord.; 4, Wakenshaw. OLD BIRDS, NOR. CK. (7): 1, Long, cl. buff, hot one, finely shaped head, rare bpody, grand wings and tail; 2, Scott, varig. buff, nice size, fails a little in feather; 3, Richardson, cl. yell., hot col., grand wing carriage, hardly so well filled in neck; 4, T. Marshall; vhc, Dixon; hc, W. Marshall. HEN (6): 1, Richardson, cl. buff, a real good one, but looks a little soft to-day; 2, Scott, varieg. buff, grand head and chest, a little rough in feather; 3, Allinson; neat col. varig. buff, in grand condition, not so shapely in body; 4, W. Marshall; vhc, T. Marshall. CREST or C.B. (4): 1, sp, 2, 4, W. Marshall, a grand team, buff mkd. body, D.C. leading; 3, T. Marshall. BORD. (7): 1, Wheatley, cl. Buff, rare type, nice round head, feather like wax; 2, Wakenshaw, cl. buff, beaten only in feather; 3, W. Marshall, even mk. yell., nice marking, not so clean and close in feather as winners; 4, hc, Young; vhc, Soulsby; c, T. Marshall. HEN (7): 1, 2, Hudspeth, sweet pair of damsels, both cl., put down like wax, little to choose between them; 3, W. Marshall, not so well staged; 4, W. Marshall; vhc, T. Marshall; hc, No name; c, Younger. YORKS. (4): 1, Long, cl. buff, hot col., stands well up on leg, head and neck well filled in; 2, Younger, cl. yell., grand wings and tail, falls in chest; 3, T. Marshall, cl. yell., neat head, fails in body; 4, W. Marshall. HEN (5): 1, W. Marshall, cl. yell., sweet hen, grand col., rare wing carr., nice pipe tail, neck well filled in; 2, Dixon, cl. buff, heavier, and not so stylish; 3, Gibb, cl. yell., falls in chest feather; 4, T. Marshall; vhc, Younger.

RUNCORN.

Annual show held November 16, in a well lighted schoolroom, when nearly 120 birds turned up. Yorks all through were of very high merit, and the amateur and novices exhibited many quite equal to the champions. Norwich were also very good for type and colour. There were also a few nice Linnets and Mules on view. The novice Norwich were very good all through. It was a members' show of high quality. Mr. Chas. Houlton judged and gave every satisfaction.

The Critique.

CHAMP. YORKS YELL.: 1, Boote, tick wing, very slim and stylish, grand position and carr.; 2, Rone, clear, larger, beaten wing carriage. BUFF: 1, Rone, tick wing, fine length and well rounded, grand quality, position and bloom; 2, Boote, very fine type, neat carriage, etc. YELL. HENS: 1, Boote, very fine big raking bird, rare length and position and carr.; 2, Rone, smaller, fine type, clear, rare col. and good position. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, Boote, 1st, a cinn. mkd., well rounded stylish position bird; 2, vhc, Rone, big cl., shows more feather through, good style. UNFLG. BUFFS: 1, Rone, variog., A1 type, col. and position. NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, 4 Guy. BUFFS: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc, Jno. Guy. YELL. HENS: 1 2, 3, Jno. Guy. BUFFS: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc Jno. Guy. A grand lot of cobby Norwich all through many deep colour variegs. in them. CRESTS: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Joseph Guy, grand team, excellent clear body D.C. leading, lovely size and droop, grandly centred beak covered to tip; 4 Jno. Guy, W.M.D.C., shorter frontal. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Joseph Guy, leader cl., immense feather all over, fine head, a good quartette. AMAT.—YORKS YELL: 1, Joues, grand cl., A1 right through; 2, Sutton, shade smaller, A1 all else. BUFFS: 1, Sutton, lovely clear, bit small. YELL. HENS: 1, Jones, typical, slim, cl., A1 condition; 2, Capper, cinn. variog., fine type, bit soiled plumage. BUFFS: 1, 2, Sutton cinn. tick left wing, A1 style, position and condition. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Sutton, variog. yell., very hot colour. BUFFS: 1, Sutton, clear buff, very fine. NOR. YELL.: 1, Ramsden's colour special, Heyes, fine, well-set, typical variog. bird, blazing with colour; 2, Capper, small neat cl., also very hot colour. BUFF: 1, Heyes, variog., A1 type, etc., all over. YELL. HENS: 1, Hayes, very thick-set body, bold bird, pale colour, rare carriage, etc.; 2, Jones, fine col., good head, smaller in body, A1 condition. BUFFS: 1 Heyes. BUFF UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Jones, smart pair cleare, 1st finest and neatest feathered body; 3, Heyes, tick eye and wing, more feather. A.O.V.: 1, 3, Jones, pair of nice foul Green, Nor. type; 2, 4, Capper. Yorks Green and fine Yorks Cinn. NOV. YELL. YORKS: 1, White, cl., grand type and carriage; 2, Poole, larger, beaten wing carriage. BUFF: 1, Abrahams, typical clear buff, grand. YELL. HENS: 1, White, large, long, A1 stand; 2, Abrahams, tick nape, small very fine and good. BUFF: 1 Poole, 5-point buff, fine type. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Inglesfield, very clean clear. BUFF: 1, 3, White; 2, Inglesfield, all three lovely neat level birds. NOR. YELL.: 1, Abrahams, grand clear, A1; 2, Rogerson, variog., beaten in head, fine colour; 3, Fearnett, clear, chubby, beaten condition. BUFF: 1 Faulkner, variog., grand back and chest, rare condition; 2, Fearnett, clear, fine head, beaten in body; 3, Abrahams, clear, bit heavy. YELL. HENS: 1, Fearnett, varieg. dark, saddle, thick-set all over, a good one; 2, Faulkner, clear, smaller, grand colour. BUFF: 1, 3, Rogerson, grand clear leading; 2, Fearnett, smart big varieg. bird; 4, Faulkner; vhc, Abrahams. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Faulkner, thick-set clear, grand head and body, fine condition; 2, Bate, longer, flatter head, fi beaten condition. BUFF. 1, 2, Rogerson, smart pair clears; 3, Fearnett, paler, nice type and condition; 4 vhc, Bate, big heavy feathered. A.O.V.: 1 2, Bate, pair buff Green Norwich. LINNET (7): 1, Norton, good bird for size, shape, colour, and markings; 2, 4, vhc, hc Jones, leader fine shape and colour, bit clouded in markings; 3 Poole, small, fine markings; c, Sutton. GOLDFINCH, Etc.: 1, Boote, pretty Goldfinch. MULE: 1, Norton, 6-point buff Gold.-Can. leading, A1 order; 2, 4, Capper, yell. Linnet-Can., good bird.

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Correspondence.

To Save Time in the Morning.

Sir,—Many bird men, like myself, have to go to work early in the morning. These very cold, dark mornings which we are having at present encourage the bird fancier to have an extra half-hour or so in bed, hence the birds may not be looked after as they should be, so why not do as I do? When I come home from work at night, I spend my evenings in cleaning and feeding, and attending to my family of about 100 birds, so they are all right in the morning for food, etc.

H. Moore.

Should We Make More Use of the Hen Britisher?

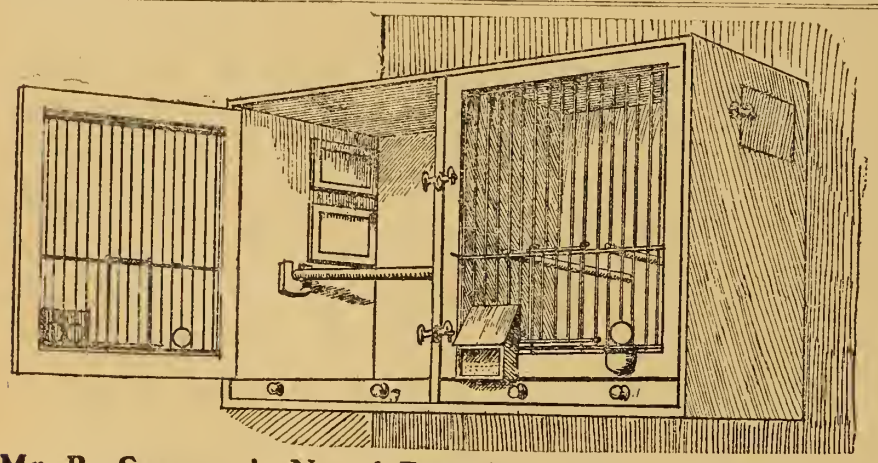
Sir,—I am glad to see that my previous letter under the above title has brought forth a reply from Mr. Rawson, who has tried the hen Britisher for Hybrid breeding with some success. I hope Hybrid breeders will give her a good trial another year. In fact, now is the time to be on the look out for good large hens, as the catching is in full swing. Fanciers have a chance to pick up some good young birds, and get them used to cage life. I advise future "triers" to select young birds of the species they intend to use, and to go in for several of each kind, as some may die, or prove unsuitable for cage life. In my time I have had birds you could not tame at all, try how you might. Nothing would steady them, and after weeks of patience I have had to give them their freedom. If I find that they will not "come to hand" I don't bother with them, but free them and try others. When you get them from the catchers, it is best, at least I have proved it so, to give them plenty of room; put them in a large cage all together for a time, as they help one another to take to the seed. Always be sure and put both food and water inside the cages, and give them as many wild seeds and their natural food as you can. Some six years ago now, when many young men were netting about here, after seeing my mating stock, the craze set in, and many started to try their hands. I advised them to use the hen Greenfinch for a start, as I have always found this bird to be one of the best to take to nesting in a cage. But nearly all kinds of hen Britishers can at this season of the year be bought for only a few pence, and there are still some good crosses to be got which would well repay the breeder for trying. For young Goldfinches all the seeds should be soaked until they are able to crack them. I find that thistle seeds and corn flower seeds are both really good for all Greypates, particularly the late hatched ones. I have saved many a bird by these seeds until I could get them well on to hard seeds.

One of the Old Brigade.

A Failure at Linnet Catching Explained.

Sir,—I am in sympathy with "Old Subscriber" over his failure to lure the Linnets within reach of his nets, as I have had similar experience on several occasions, although, like "Old Subsriber," I can set the nets thoroughly well. It is not in the latter point the catching of scared birds lies, and I am convinced that the Linnets alluded to by your correspondent must have been scared. "Old Subscriber" had altogether too many call birds. One good one is quite sufficient together with one brace bird; and more will act as a deterrent, and render his nets far too conspicuous. "Old Subscriber" is quite right in setting in midfield, but does he place his nets in such a position so as to be secreted in the ditch or fence himself? These birds are very perspicacious, and will detect the slightest irregularity and fly from the sight of any unceremonious visitor. Regarding the using of bait, I scarcely ever resort to this practice, as it is not essential when you set your nets where the birds are feeding. Another point which requires careful attention is the working of the brace bird. When the Linnets come in view, raise the latter and be sure he or she is on the stick; when the birds are within a few yards of the nets, let the line suddenly slack; this will cause the bird to descend with open wings and appear as if alighting spontaneously. The above few hints may be of service, as I am writing from experience, and like your correspondent, I have never caught birds for a pecuniary motive.

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Mr. R. Spencer's Novel Breeding Cage. (*See Letter Below.*)

A Reader's Novel Breeding Cage for 1913.

Sir,—The enclosed sketch shows you my ideal double breeding cage, for 1913 use. It is so made that the front of each compartment opens entirely "on its own" by just lifting the catches on the partition. This enables the breeder to clean and get ready one compartment if the hen happens to be nesting in the other. I find it comes in very handy if both hens do not nest at the same time. My perches fit into slots at the side of the cage, so that they can easily be removed and cleaned. I use the ordinary seed hoppers and white china water-pots, which I think very sanitary. I hope that readers of Cage Birds will think my idea is an improvement on the single-fronted double breeding cage.

R. Spencer.

Singing Birds Banned at Sea.

Sir,—I understand that the crew of passenger vessels are not now allowed to bring pet birds on board. This is because the trade between the stewards and the passengers was an infringement of the rules that forbid trading by servants on ocean liners, and it had assumed somewhat formidable proportions, and was in direct competition with retailers on shore. At the present time no member of the crew of a passenger vessel is allowed to bring even one bird on board without direct permission from the head of the section to which he belongs. On some of the Cape liners, passengers homeward bound after twenty years' exile, with more or less shaky nerves, often objected to the singing of the birds, and this also no doubt actuated this special line to follow in the footsteps of other passenger companies. Besides the crew, the passengers also, in many liners, come under the ban. Steerage passengers, and in some case second cabin passengers, are prohibited from bringing singing birds on board. The residents in the saloon are not dictated to quite so forcibly, but they are charged high rate; in the case of one service, £5 for the passage of a "singing bird." The qualification, "singing bird," has before this led to difference of opinion between the passengers and the company's officials. Is a Parrot a singing bird? passengers have been known to enquire. The natives of Madeira, the majority of whom live by selling goods to the passing steamers, are hard hit by this new rule. Passengers from the Cape often purchased birds from the stewards in small cages and bought larger and more comfortable houses for their pets at Madeira. The making of the special wicker cages, for which Madeira is noted, was at one time in the hands of one family who employed a number of assistants. Of late, however, the trade has been cut up, and many small shopkeepers make their own cages. The natives will have to fall back on the other specialties they manufacture, such as wicker chairs, work-boxes, etc., to make up the loss.

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The Capture of Birds Wearing Marking Rings.

Sir,—I am sending you another ring which I took from the leg of a Blue Tit to-day, Nov. 22, caught in a "Cert" mouse-trap. It is a Witherby ring, number B.747. Some weeks ago I sent you a ring which I took from the leg of a Starling, and thought to have heard something further about it, but up to the present have seen nothing.

R. M. Presland.

(We have brought these occurrences to the notice of Messrs. Witherby.—Editor.)

Sir,—It may interest some of your readers to know that the Song Thrush found at Bridgewater, in Somersetshire, and reported in your paper on November 9th, was marked as a nestling at Saltern's Hill Farm, a few miles from this village (Beaulieu) on April 12 of this year.

—— Philip Gosse.

Sir,—Your correspondent, Mr. Dyment, will be interested to hear that the ringed Thrush he reported from Bridgewater was marked in the nest at Beaulieu, Hampshire, on 12th April, 1912. Mr. McGillivray's Greenfinch was marked at Kelty on 19th May, also as a nestling. Our best thanks to both gentlemen.

A. Landsborough Thomson.

Aberdeen University.

The Sportive Sparrow.

A Credit to his Tribe.

Sir,—A rather startling piece of information reached me as I entered my back garden on Sunday forenoon just recently. "Oh, father, we've caught a bird. It's in the greenhouse." The bearer of the news was my overjoyed son, aged nine years, who long ago despaired of ever being able to catch a real live bird. The riddle, the four bricks, had all in their turn failed him. But success evidently came at last! It appeared that a bird (a really beautiful bird, and such a big one, so I was told at the time) in search of food had ventured too far into the greenhouse, and was trapped by my son closing the outer door. Acting upon the advice of his equally interested and excited mother, he had refrained from attempting to lay hands on the bird—father would *soon* catch it when he came home.

Now, gentle reader, may I enquire whether you have ever tried to catch a wild bird at liberty in an amateur's greenhouse (I use the term amateur in this connection to indicate the enthusiastically overstocked greenhouse)? I have——and the contest lasted full thirty minutes! Ever since that memorable day I have sustained the warmest admiration for the common or garden Sparrow. For indomitable pluck, craftiness, speed, and stamina it wants some beating.

The way that bird had me dancing round that greenhouse was a sight for the neighbours! Over the staging, under the staging, along the shelves, in every corner— he *did* hustle around. Several times I concluded that the poor little creature was dead behind some flower pot or other. Dead, eh! not likely. Crash he would go against the roof, and then out of sight again for a few seconds. Catch him I would, I vowed, even at the cost of a hundred flower-pots. I should imagine that Mr. Sparrow was tiring somewhat—(I know I was)—for finally he hopped in between a small pot inside a large one. Captured! He was undoubtedly a horny cock bird. Holding him loosely, though securely in my hand, he frequently nipped my flesh with his strong beak. Smoothing his feathers and otherwise removing the stains of battle (whitewash and cobwebs) I proudly carried him indoors. He was soon inside a spare cage; and supplied with food—a stranger in my Canary bird-room. His newly-found companions were singing lustily, and he seemed nothing daunted.

Returning in about an hour's time I found him flying furiously from side to side, and causing considerable excitement amongst my stock. The situation was rather serious. To get rid of the Sparrow as quickly as possible was my next concern. To catch the bird again was out of the question, as I had neither the time nor the inclination. So I pushed up the sky-light and removed the safety netting. But instead of the Sparrow flying bang through, as he had repeatedly attempted to do before it was opened, he took a sudden liking for a lot of boxes, etc., piled up on the floor at the far end of the room where the roof was too low for me to stand upright. In and about these packages he sported himself like a squirrel. I let him sport. The sky-light being open I had to attend to my Canaries very carefully, lest any should slip through the cage door and vanish into the outer world. What a fool I had been to bother with the Sparrow at all. Some of my birds would be catching cold! I searched in vain for the little nuisance. At last there was a flutter, and behold him perched boldly on the ledge of the sky-light framing. Glancing down into the room he gave a joyful "chink," "chink," and away he flew. And if ever a bird deserved its liberty it was that plucky little warrior. Whether I shall be able to distinguish him among the ruck of Sparrows which regularly breakfast in my garden, I don't know. Anyway he was a credit to his tribe.

E. Battersby.

Bird-keepers and Cruelty to Birds.

Sir,—If some people had their way there would not be a bird kept in a cage in this country. Even if there are some men who don't do the right thing by their birds, that's no reason why we should be attacked as we have been. Women are the greatest torturers of birds on this earth, because they clamour for feathers to adorn their hats and heads, and these feathers can only be obtained by severely punishing the birds. Every Egret plume worn by woman means not only the death of the bird, but the death of her little ones, so says Mr. Buckland, who is exposing these atrocities. I know that 99 bird men out of every hundred are splendid specimens of humanity, who, rather than punish their birds, would go without the necessaries of life themselves. I love my birds, and they help me along the rugged path of life. They are fed and watered every day before I touch food myself; being a pit-sinker, I often come home very tired, but it's "birds first," and I am glad to know there are thousands of others who pay the same attention to their pets. If women like Mrs. Lemon will only pause and think, they will see that womankind by wearing feathers and skins are the greatest torturers of birds and animals.

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Unprolificacy in Canaries.

Sir, I have read Mr. Steel's articles in CAGE BIRDS on the above subject with great interest. Might I ask if he would be kind enough to give his views of the cause of so many unfertile eggs from cock Canaries and hen Bullfinch pairings? I am sure his views would be much appreciated by many of your numerous readers besides

CANARY BULLFINCH.

The Forthcoming Coaltown of Wemyss Show.

Sir,—If the gentleman who wrote to Mr. Clelland, hon. sec. of Coaltown of Wemyss show, cancelling my judging engagement, will kindly communicate with me, he will hear of something to his "advantage." I may say I am still engaged to judge the British section, and hope to get a good entry, as the committee have been put to considerable disadvantage by the above letter, being unable to get schedules out as early as desired.

J. W. BRUCE.

The Northern Crest Club and Gateshead Show.

Sir,—What you inserted in last week's issue from Mr. Greason, sec. of Gateshead Show, is likely to give a wrong impression, as it is untrue. The N.C.C. has not withdrawn its prizes or specials from their show this year, as we decided not to grant our patronage to any show. Having decided to run one of our own we were not sure how it might "pan out," so thought it wise to withhold some of our funds. To be plain, before you can withdraw anything, something must have been either promised or given. In this instance neither was the case.

J. G. HUTCHINSON, hon. sec., N.C.C.

The Origin of the White Canary?

Sir,—I have followed with interest the controversy about who was the first to breed White Canaries. Well, I have in my possession two volumes of a book on Natural History, written by Henry Augustus Chambers, LL.D., and published in 1834, in which it is stated that Canaries came originally from the Canary Island, that they were first introduced into England about a century and half ago (previous to 1834) and that with domestication they had got variety of colouring, some *white*, some mottled, and some beautifully shaded with *green*. If this book is to be relied on does not this prove that both your correspondents are somewhat behind the times?

W. R. S.

(At the early period referred to the term "white" was used to indicate Canaries which were quite free from dark plumage (i.e., clears). It does not indicate the tone of colour found in the White Canary of today.—Editor.)

The Lizard Classes at Rochdale Show.

Sir,—I am writing you re several of the awards given by the judge in the Lizard classes at Rochdale on Nov. 22. Though I shall use my own name at the end of this complaint, to prevent the much used term of a "disappointed exhibitor" being applied to me, I will own to writing as such, but qualify it by saying that the chief reason of my disappointment lay in the inconsistency and incompetency shown by the judge of the above classes. We can expect little from judges who profess no especial acquaintance with our breeds, but Mr. House proudly boards of some twenty years' engagement as judge of these classes at Rochdale. Now, Mr. Editor, I should like Mr. House to give me his reason through CAGE BIRDS for throwing my winning clear cap gold cock, "Ray of Gold," out at above show, ostensibly for defective tail, as so prominently displayed on class ticket. I had the doubtful pleasure of having a clear gold treated for defective head-gear at the same show two years ago. This is getting too monotonous to suit me, as I seem to be getting made the scapegoat for Mr. C. A. Honse's special attention. Will Mr. House kindly state number of tail feathers short in above bird, and why defective tail feather should be considered a sufficient cause for what amounts practically to a disqualification, as this bird was either first or nothing, and no one knows that better than Mr. House. I am quite as justified in claiming that if loss of feather constitutes a bird being ineligible for competition, it should apply all round. This is one of the inconsistencies of which I complain, as my 3rd clear gold hen (please write hen large) was short of three tail feathers at least, which I unfortunately knocked out in my hurry in caging her on Thursday night. My clear cap silver cock was also one feather short in tail, but still it stood third in its class. I see Mr. House has a controversy with Mr. Riseborough re wrong classing a bird of his at Blaydon show; as to whether Mr. House was right or wrong I cannot say, but after last Friday's performance, I am quite certain C.A.H. is seeing things which don't exist, and compiling a standard of points of his own. In clear cap silver cocks at Rochdale, Mr. House wrong classed three exhibits on the ground of being broken in cap, this in spite of two of them having passed muster under Messrs. Compston and Naden, both specialist judges of Lizards; of course they have also done so under Messrs. Barnes and Vardy, but I am confining myself to specialist judges. These birds were critically examined on Saturday by a large number of Lizard fanciers, myself amongst the number, and I unhesitatingly say that they were eligible for the classes they were entered in, viz., clear cap. I note Mr. House in answering Mr. Riseborough, quotes Mr. Blakston as the guide of his youth re discriminating the Lizard's cap. Now, as everyone knows, we most of us got ideas in our youth which, to put it mildly, are found erroneous in our mature days. As far as Blaydon is concerned, Mr. House may have anyone as guide who suits him, but as far as I am concerned, when he judges Lizards coming under the patronage of the L. and L.F.A., he will either judge to our standard, or as far as my own birds are concerned, he won't judge at all. Our standard says: A broken or mis-capped Lizard is one that has dark feathers on the head, other than the fine lines over the eye forming the eye-lash, also there should be no dark feathers over the top of the beak. For this same eyelash our standard allows five points, and it is a point that should be encouraged, instead of which two birds which showed this feature were "wrong classed" under our above-mentioned judge. Another feature of the show was the number of cocks winning in the hen classes; there were at least three birds in these classes—a first and two seconds—which were singing in a quite workmanlike manner, and if it had not been for causing ill-feeling with the fanciers owning the birds, I should have objected to them, as I was requested to do by several people present. The placing of these cocks means a big thing to me, at least 10s. prize-money, and a 5s. special as well; to say nothing of an improvement in points towards our competition. I see Mr. Wellings has made good a mistake he made. I suggest Mr. House makes good all his blunders at Rochdale show (I don't think.) Now Mr. House, will you kindly answer the following questions:—(1) Why did you give a bird with a break over beak, and ticked over eye, 1st prize in clear cap silver hen class? (2) Why did you give the clear cap gold cock first in clear gold hen class? (3) Why did you give broken cap silver cock 2nd in broken silver hen class? (4) Why did you give broken cap gold cock 2nd in broken cap gold hen class? In conclusion, Mr. Editor, we Lancashire fanciers are generally accused of hitting hard in return for injuries received. I claim the right to exercise it in this case, and trust Mr. House will reply.

JOHN RUKIN
(Hon. Sec. L. and L.F.A.),
a disappointed exhibitor.

Mules at East Perthshire O.A

Sir,—I would like Mr. Dewar, of Edinburgh, to explain through your paper why at the East Perthshire Ornithological Association show he put "wrong class" on my dark yellow Goldie Mule, and three other Mules in the same class, a dark yellow and a buff Goldie Mules and a Greenie Mule.

A STRACHAN.

A Cage Bird Section for Longton Show, Lancs.

Sir,—During the past few years the Longton Poultry and Pigeon Society held a very successful show at Longton, and after persistent requests have secured a Cage Bird section, open to all. We are offering good money prizes, and cash specials for most points in each class. The show will be held in the National Schools on Dec. 28, and I am sure that in this district there is a real opening for a cage bird section. I hope that we may in time establish a cage bird society in this district. The show will be advertised in CAGE BIRDS later on, and thus brought to the notice of all exhibitors.

ROBT. JOHNSON.

How Did the Lizard Acquire Its Spangling?

Sir,—I wish to thank Mr. J. Naden for his kind remarks concerning my lecture on pedigree breeding and heredity, which he expressed in a letter in CAGE BIRDS of Nov. 16. I very much regret that I cannot answer his interesting query or give an opinion as to how the Lizard Canary came to be spangled? I have never had a Lizard Canary in my room; I have often thought of trying some experiments with them. I am sure Mr. Naden could give us some very interesting information from his experiences with them, i.e., the result of crossing in other varieties, etc., etc. Again thanking Mr. Naden for his letter.

J. W. CUTMORE.

Can Irish Champions & Novices Exhibit from the Same Address.

Sir, In answer to Mr. Verner's letter, it is the opinion of the fancy all over, and has been for years, that two parties living at the same address (and exhibiting the same breed of birds) must exhibit in the champion section, unless both are eligible to compete in the novice section. At the show Mr. Verner refers to, it was this champion exhibitor's brother who was competing in the novice section (from same address), and not his father.

JOHN GRAY.

The Judging at Small Cornish Shows.

Sir,—A word to our small Cornish shows having local judges, who cannot tell unflighted birds from old birds, and yellows from buffs. The bird which Mr. Toy wrong classed at St. Columb is a Cinnamon-marked yellow hen, and not a buff. You cannot get colour in Cinnamons like you can in Greens. She has won at Exeter, Plymouth, and St. Austell in the Yellow Hen class. If you ask some of these men what the points of a bird are, they will say you want to know too much. But I contend that a man who can pair up and breed and stage on the show-bench birds that win in good company is as good a judge as many of these so-called judges. I thank Mr. Toy for his actions at Wadebridge and St. Columb to my birds, which he will not have the pleasure to judge again. I suggest to keep judges' names a secret until after the show, providing they have men capable of giving our pets fair play.

J. P. ANDREW.

Lizards at Blaydon Show.

Sir,—I thank Mr. House for his remarks re my clear gold capped Lizard. Mr. House speaks of Mr. Blakston as his tutor. I would like to ask Mr. House if Mr. Blackston remarks on Lizards that they must have the pencil marks over each eye, which this bird has. If you want to make a broken cap of clears, when you handle them all you have to do is to brush those feathers the other way, which Mr. House did at Blaydon (this was the report I got from other judges that saw him do it). Not only that, but he was turning the cap over with a dirty lead pencil, and I think if a judge wants to turn the cap over he should keep a piece of bone or ivory for such work. I would like to ask other Lizard fanciers if they have had a Lizard wrong classed, for its cap being the slightest bit over-run? This bird of mine has not only been examined by Mr. House, but by several other judges who all say it is a clear cap Lizard, and your reporters at other shows have said the same.

J. RISEBOROUGH.

The Future of the Sheffield O.S.

Sir,—Being interested in the welfare of the Sheffield O.S., I thoroughly agree with what "Old Sheffielder" has to say on the subject. The "wind-bags" have driven more than one member away from the society's meetings. I, for one, have long been tired of their methods and bombastic airs. I will go a step further than "Old Sheffielder" and say that the society is no longer governed by a selected committee, but by a small "clique." I also notice the rumour to the effect that we are to have a new secretary. This is before the present secretary has handed in his resignation, which is nothing less than adding insult to injury, and is exceedingly "dirty." Mr. Dawn in his letter remarks that under the management which is to be, we "shall have financial success." Now, have we not already had financial success, considering that the first two years' working has realised something like £40? This sum I shall have the greatest of pleasure to hand over to the new treasurer, whom I trust will find heart for better attendance than myself.

JAS. W. DRABBLE, Present Hon. Treas.

Sir,—I had to raise a smile on reading "Old Sheffielder's" letter. Fancy a secretary getting credit for success! I was under the impression the committee was responsible for such, and a secretary for failures and insults.

I had made up my mind not to enter into this controversy, but on reading the letter signed by Mr. T. Dawn, in which he says he gave me well over £20 (which I take to mean donations towards the 1911 open show), I am, in fairness to myself as secretary, and to other gentlemen who kindly contributed, compelled to deny receiving such a sum. The donations totalled (printed balance sheet enclosed), £24 13s. 6d., of which Mr. T. Dawn kindly contributed £15 2s. This year the donations reach the sum of £27 13s., of which Mr. T. Dawn and his friends contribute £13 4s., a sum which will be appreciated by all well-wishers of the S.O.S. Members of the society will be pleased to know that after an expenditure of over £140 there is a profit on the show of £10 to date, and that the end of the year will see a cash balance of £45 standing to their credit. Mr. Dawn carries us forward to 1913, and states that under the new management we shall have greater success than this, which I am pleased to hear, and I shall be the first to congratulate Mr. Job. He also remarks that Mr. Colton ran shows before I was in the Fancy. Certainly correct; he has run none since. Why did not Mr. Dawn use the advice he has on many occasions given me, "Take no notice?" I should like to thank Mr. F. Jones for his good wishes respecting my wife's illness. Had Mr. Dawn got his friend to write the letter the members of the S.O.S. were desirous of being sent on October 8th, it would have been more in harmony with the times.

T. BISHOP.

(Several letters on this subject unavoidably held over.—Editor.)

Are Judges Bribed?

Sir,—There is a rumour afloat that it is being done. A man seems to follow the shows of a certain judge. At one show, in the South-West of England, a man asked the judge on what conditions he awarded the prizes. He was told, he went through the classes, but failed to be convinced of it. A fortnight later there was another show in the same county, and with the same judge. But before the judging someone took the ticket off the cage of the winner at the previous show, and tied up another one which was on another cage. After the judging the man went in to see the result, and found his bird had first and special, and the winner at the other show was third. The judge was asked then what he thought of the winner, and he told them he could not get away from that bird. Asked why he did at the previous show, he said he did not know it was there. When told of the trap set for him, he, the judge, acknowledged he looked for a certain number. If this rumour is true it is time to put a stop to it.

PRO BONO PUBLICO.

Cheap Excursions to the Bradford National Show.

Sir,—I would like to inform intending visitors that cheap tickets are issued by Midland Railway to Bradford by any train from the Ilkley line, and from Leeds, Holbeck, Armley, Kirkstall, Newlay, Calverley, and Apperley Bridge after 12 o'clock noon on Sat., December 7th, and day excursion tickets, available to return by any ordinary train, are issued from the Furness Co.'s stations, Horton, Settle, Giggleswick, Morecambe, Lancaster, Kendal, Windermere, Sedburgh, Barbon, Kirby Lonsdale, Carnforth, and stations to Skipton (inclusive), Colne Branch Stations, Grassington Branch, Cononley, Kildwick Steeton, and Worth Valley Stations, also Bingley. From Normanton and stations to Barnsley, and from Hull, Willerby, Howden and Hensworth, cheap excursion tickets will be issued by all lines running into Bradford for the show, and Saturday to Monday tickets are issued from all Midland stations and other company's lines as follows:—Return tickets at about a single fare and a third will be issued between all stations on the Midland Railway and between Midland Stations and stations on the following railways:—Barry, Brecon and Merthyr, Cambrian, Cardiff, Cheshire Lines, Cleator and Workington Junction, Cockermouth, Keswick, and Penrith, Furness, Great Central, Great Eastern, Great Northern, Great Western, Hull and Barnsley Knott End, Lancashire and Yorkshire, London and North Western, London and South Western (with a few exceptions), Maryport and Carlisle, Mersey, Midland and Great Northern Joint, Midland and South Western Junction, Neath and Brecon, Norfolk and Suffolk Joint, North Eastern, North London, Rhymney, Severn and Wye, Somerset and Dorset, South Yorkshire Joint, Stratford-on-Avon and Midland Junction, Taff Vale, Wirral, and other railways. The tickets will be available by any ordinary train outward on Saturdays only. Return on following Sunday (after 6.0 a.m.) or Monday. Minimum fare, 4s. first class; 2s 6d. third class.

H. HILL, Hon. Sec.

(One or two letters unavoidably held over.)

A Legend of the Cuckoo.

Concerning the Cuckoo there are many strange legends. One has a Danish origin. When in the early spring the Cuckoo's note is first heard, every village girl kisses her hand and asks anxiously, "Cuckoo, Cuckoo, when shall I be married?" And the old people, borne down with years and infirmity, also inquire, "Cuckoo, Cuckoo, when shall I be released from this world's cares?" In reply, the bird continues to exclaim "Cuckoo!" and as many times as there are replies the listeners count one year to the fulfilment of their desires. It is said that the poor bird has so many questions to answer that, before the task is completed, the opportunity for nest building has gone, and the Cuckoo is forced to lay her eggs in the nest of some other bird!

Questions and Answers.

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Queries will be answered under the following conditions:—

(1)—*All questions must be clearly written in ink (or typewritten) on one side of paper, and must conclude with either the correct name of querist or a pseudonym, or initials.*

(2)—*The proper name and address in full of querist must always be written on a separate sheet of paper, and enclosed with the query. In no case must the address appear on the query.*

(3)—*Queries intended for different specialists must not be written on the same sheet of paper.*

(4)—**Queries must not include** *or be included in orders for books, instructions re advertisements, or any other matter for publication.*

(5)—*The department to which the queries refer must be stated in bold letters on the left-hand corner of the query.*

(6)—*If an answer in the same week's issue is desired, queries must be posted to reach us by* **Monday's first post** *at latest. Queries will be dealt with in the order in which they are received, and only as space permits. The earlier queries are received the better attention they are likely to have.*

(7)—*Queries relating to illnesses of birds, except enquiries as to cause of death (for which see Post Mortems will be answered by return of post on receipt of a postal order for sixpence and an addressed stamped envelope. Queries of an ordinary nature will be answered by post, if desired, on receipt of a postal order for one shilling and a stamped addressed envelope.*

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(9)—*All queries must be addressed to the* **Editor,** *"Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C. Only queries so sent will be answered. Postcards are not admissible.*

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Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mule and Hybrids—**G. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.H.S., &c., Wild Bird Life—**H. Norman**

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

BREEDING IN OUTDOOR AVIARY (H. W. A.).—As usual, you omit to say whether birds are intended to be caged or fly loose, but judging from your general remarks, I take it you mean to adopt the latter course. In this case it certainly would not "be all right," as you say, to keep a few Britishers cocks only, not to breed, in addition to the Canaries, which you wish to breed. How are you going to avoid the Britishers qualifying as co-respondents? You can't do it, and must be prepared to find at least strong circumstantial evidence of illicit unions in some of the youngsters. If you wish to avoid this you must confine yourself to Canaries only. If the birds have been bred and kept under quite normal conditions of temperature, Rollers will suit your purpose as well as any other breed, and they will also give you the best singers. Three cocks and eight or nine hens will be sufficient stock for you to start with.

AN ALARMING ATTACK (W. W.).—The condition in which you found the bird on cage floor is quite typical of the after effects of an attack of epilepsy, so you doubtless were spared wituessing a distressing sight. Very little can be done in such cases, and upon the whole they are much better left to nature, or if the fits become frequent even merciful destruction may be commendable. To prevent recurrence, give the bird a plain, wholesome diet, keep the bowels free, but not unduly relaxed, by a variety of green food, and keep bird generally under the best possible condition for health. If another attack occurs, give as much sulphurate of soda as will cover a sixpence in the drinking water for one day, and afterwards half this quantity of bromide of potassium for two consecutive days, and then every second day for the remainder of a week. If an attack should be recognised coming on, at once give a dose of potassium as above, or dissolve the quantity named in two teaspoonfuls of water, and give two drops in the beak every hour for three hours. This may avert the onset, and you can, of course, go on with the above treatment.

"WOULD IT BE ALL RIGHT" (Clogs).—It might, and it mightn't be all right, as you put it, to pair the father with two daughters. Even supposing every feature such as shape, colour, markings, etc., match, such close in-breeding should never be lightly adopted. It should only be tolerated when some definite object is in view, such as fixing some particular feature which the breeder has been striving to obtain, or help to eradicate some previously inherent fault. In either case the breeder usually knows the pedigree of his birds for several generations back, and understands their peculiarities to a nicety, which knowledge is of immense value in close in-breeding. But to commence in-breeding without such knowledge is very much like groping in the dark, and may easily land one in a slough of despair. The birds would breed without a doubt, but on the whole you would be wise to get a more distantly related cock of the same strain to mate with the hens.

TWO HENS (Beginner).—(1) Treat this hen, that is, so long over the moult, the same as advised to querist, under heading a "Protracted Moult." But for the first fortnight slightly dust the soft food with flower of sulphur three times a week before sprinkling with maw, and on the intervening days add as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny piece to the drinking water. Slightly anoint bare places twice a week with Lanocyllin. At the end of the fortnight give the tonic named in reply referred to. (2) This bird is doubtless a buff possessing an exceptional amount of "meal," which gives it the whitish appearance in patches. The difference between a buff and a yellow is that a yellow has a solid sound colour right to the tips of the web of the feather, whilst a buff has yellow feathers with a great or less margin of white at the tips of the webs. The margins are greater or less according to the amount of "meal," as these white margins are termed, possessed by the bird. The tone of colour may vary in depth in both varieties, but in yellows, whether it be rich or pale, it will go right to the tips of the web.

HEN PANTING (Crest).—Sorry your letter reached me too late for reply last week. See that the hen is in a cosy position free from draughts and damp and impure air, but do not overheat it, and see the place where it is kept is well ventilated. Feed on a plain diet with a liberal supply of green food for a fortnight, and during this time also give the aperient and tonic medicines advised in reply last week for the cocks. If this does not put them right, then commence the treatment for cold given in other reply.

MOPING AND MOULTING (John Fryer).—See reply to another correspondent this week under heading, "A Protracted Moult," and treat the bird as therein advised, giving also the the quinine tonic mentioned in that reply. I note you say the bird hangs well below the gas, but see that it is not near to it, as this would subject it to extreme fluctuations, notwithstanding being below its level. As regards the moping on cage floor, it would be as well to examine the condition of its eyes. If the sight is all right it will doubtless become more active on the treatment suggested.

A YELLOW BLISTER (L.W.W.).—What you take to be a yellow blister on the breast is most likely an accumulation of fat. Cage the birds separately, and strictly limit both the quantity and quality of its diet for a few weeks. Mix together equal parts of Canary, summer and black rape. Give a small teaspoonful of this mixture daily. Twice a week drop out the summer rape and substitute an equal quantity of white millet. In addition to this give a liberal supply of green food—watercress, lettuces, chickweed, or flower-heads of groundsel, as may be available—each day. Let this simple regimen form its sole diet for three or four weeks. During the first week add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn to its drinking water every second day. Give it plenty of opportunities for exercise and bathing. Report result in a month.

CAGE ACCOMMODATION (F. E. N., U.S.A.).—No, you certainly could not expect success in breeding with a cock and two hens in a cage only 30in. long. You might try and by some exceptional stroke of luck succeed, but the chances are tremendously on the side of signal failure. A better plan and really the only one of utilising it for two hens is to put in a partition and keep only the hens there, running the cock with them alternately in the breeding season when his services were needed, and caging him separately at other times. But even this would give the hens a space of rather less than 15ins. by 12ins., which is not after American ideas of space. Eh? The cage will do very nicely for one pair, either Rollers or one of the larger breeds, but do not attempt to make more of it.

BIRDROOM AND VENTILATION (Novice).—You can certainly move your birds now if you wish with the utmost confidence, considering the condition under which they are now being kept, and those they are to be moved to. I have not the least doubt you will find the birds absolutely unaffected, as the conditions are practically similar in both places. The slight difference in temperature is wholly due to the more elevated position of the attic. You mention no ingress for fresh air near the floor of your room. If you have overlooked this I would advise you to remedy the oversight, so as not to have to depend upon window or door at all times to admit fresh air. If you have an ingress about 12in. long and six inches high, your scheme will be practically perfect. As regards accommodation, you do not say whether birds are to be kept in cages or fly loose. If the former, you will soon gauge its capacity when you move birds in; if the later, from sixty to seventy birds all told. To allow for breeding, 15 to 20 would be ample to start with—say, four cocks and 12 to 14 hens.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); *Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages"* (2/3); *Ramsden's "Colour-feeding"* (3½d.); *"Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds"* (1/2); *or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.*

PROTRACTED MOULT (H.A.J.).—See remarks about suitable environment in reply to "Mrs. Hey," and see if you cannot discover therein some clue to the cause of your bird's very protracted moult. I fancy the condition is wholly due to unsuitable environment. Having attended to this part of the matter, treat as follows: Staple diet, plain Canary only; every second day give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake, and twice a week mix in it four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion, and sprinkle with maw seed. On the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts black and summer rape, hemp, millet and teazle, and a morsel of banana. Dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in one ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this mixture in the drinking water every second day. Continue this treatment for a month if necessary.

GOING THICK AND DYING (Puzzled).—The loss of young in the way you describe is almost invariably the result of injudicious feeding. After leaving the parents the staple diet should consist of good plain Canary seed, with just a pinch of summer rape per bird daily, and a little crushed hemp and mixed seed two or three times a week. The soft food must not be discontinued too suddenly, and it is not wise totally to withdraw it too early. A fair amount should be given daily at first, and gradually reduced until only a heaped teaspoonful is given daily for every four birds. Finally the latter quantity may be given twice or three times a week until it is necessary to commence feeding for the moult. This dietary, combined with scrupulous cleanliness and freshness in all foods, vessels, and a regular supply of pure fresh water, should enable you to quite escape these losses. For fuller details of treatment get "Canary Breeding for Beginners," and digest the contents before next season.

INJURED EYES (H.T.J.).—I can only account for such a condition as you describe by external injury of some kind, accidental or otherwise, which is probably of a very local nature, so that only one actually on the spot is likely to discover the real cause. Keep birds under close observation for a time to ascertain if there is a spiteful individual among them addicted to distributing vicious pecks at odd moments; also see if there are any sharp, jagged points about the cages or perches which might cause injury in this way; or if mice are likely to be the culprits. Have the cages been done inside recently with fresh limewash? Look well into these points, and any others of a similar nature which may occur to you, and if you fail to discover any apparent cause, write again and give the fullest particulars about the eyes as soon as you notice anything going wrong with them. Meantime bathe these birds' eyes once daily with a decoction as already advised.

VENTILATION, Etc. (W. Walker).—(1) You say nothing at all about the size, structure, and aspect of room or window, which makes it difficult to advise you. In the absence of other means of ventilation, however, I see no reason why you should not arrange a very tolerable method by fixing a venetian frame in place of one or two of the panes of glass in window. If the panes are small replace one in bottom row and another in top row with ventilators. (2) Get a hen of a Water Glucke strain by all means. It is not essential to get it from the same breeder as the cock, if you are satisfied it is bred from a strain with a similar song. At the same time if the strain to which the cock belongs is a highly trained one of good standing, it would be wise to get a hen of the same strain, if you can obtain one not very closely related to the cock.

A FRILLED YORKSHIRE (Learner).—This defect is not infrequently a result of breeding from two birds of too profuse plumage. But in your case, if it is not due to the bird being poor in condition, which you can easily ascertain, I think it is the result of unskilled toilet operations. If the bird is very poor in condition, feed it up until looking nice and plump in breast, when the frills may disappear. If it is already plump then wash it very carefully six days before the next show you wish to send it to, and in washing the breast work the brush down the sides parallel with the breast-bone, and avoid working them over the centre line as much as possible. Be careful in drying not to place the bird in too much heat, and do not try to dry off in the least possible time. Next day give a light spraying, but do not in any sense saturate the plumage. Just bedew it. Each day afterwards offer the bird a bath, and if it does not bathe spray it a little once each day. If any frills remain on the third day, catch the bird and dip just the frilled tips of the feathers in quite warm water for a few moments, and then brush gently with a camel-hair brush in the direction they should lie, and continue the brushing until feathers are dry. If carefully done, this will remove the frills, and the daily bath or spray will put the plumage O.K. for some time, often for a long time. If you are not expert at washing, you should get a friend to do the washing and drying for you.

IS IT LUNG TROUBLE? (Crest).—I am still inclined to think the hen is in too fat condition. Try the following and then report result. Give a plain and spare diet for a fortnight, as advised for the cocks last week, and during the first week give the rhubarb and soda aperient, and the gentian tonic in the second week, also as advised in last reply. At the end of the fortnight get a chemist to mix you two drachms each of glycerine and oxymel of squills, and one drachm each of ipecacuanha wine and chlorodyne, and eight grains of iodide of potassium, and give 20 drops of this mixture in the bird's drinking water every second day for a week or fortnight as may seem necessary. Keep bird in a comfortable and equable place, not overheated, nor yet very cold, well ventilated, but free from cold cutting draughts.

OUT OF CONDITION. (Mrs. Hey).—I suspect it is a change of environment that is most needed in this case. Keep the birds in healthy, comfortable surroundings, quite free from extreme rapid fluctuations of temperature, cold draughts, or impure heated air, such as they may be exposed to by hanging near the ceiling, or near or over burning lights in the evenings. It is not necessary to keep them very warm if the above conditions are complied with. Give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape mixed together. Every second day for a month give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake, and in the first fortnight mix in it each time two drops of cod liver oil emulsion, and four of sherry, and sprinkle with maw seed. Twice a week, on the alternating days, give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, millet, and teazle, and on each of the remaining days a morsel of banana. In the water give six drops of tincture of gentian and three of tinc. of steel every second day for a week, then miss a week, and give it again for another week.

CRACKLING NOISE (H.B.W.).—The bird appears to be troubled with cold and catarrh. See that it is not exposed to damp, nor overheated, but keep it under conditions similar to those advised to "Mrs. Hey." In the drinking water add 20 drops of whisky, five each of oxymel of squills and ipecac. wine, and two of eucalyptus oil well shaken together in the water two days in every three for a week, and every second day for another week afterwards. Half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a week would also help it to throw off the trouble.

STIFF HIND TOES (J. H. H.).—If the 1909 hen has raised a good average number of young, and the two cases you mention are the only instances of the stiff toes being perpetuated, I should not attach very great importance to it until I had bred with these young birds and seen whether the defect was inherited by as large or a larger proportion of their progeny. In this case then I should weed it out rigorously. The hen (1909) I would also now discard for breeding. Mate the 1911 and 1912 cocks with hens having good strong and perfect feet, and carefully note result of these matings with a view to future weeding out if necessary. You might try treating the toes by giving a variety of thickness in the perches ranging from a fair average normal size to about the thickness of a lead pencil. Also get a saucerful of tolerably hot water—it must not be hotter than can be comfortably borne by the tenderest part of your little finger—place beside it a saucer of cold water in which you have dissolved a small teaspoonful of salt. Then catch bird and hold its feet immersed in the hot water for a minute or two; then transfer them at once to the cold water for a similar length of time. Repeat the change to and fro half a dozen times, but be careful to finish in the cold water. Dry feet, and paint them with a small feather dipped in Friar's balsam. Repeat the process three times with an interval of three or four days between each time.

A TRIPLET (Gadfly).—(1) No, there is not necessarily anything wrong with a hen which solicits a male whilst moulting. It simply shows that the reproductive organs are not dormant, as is usually the case whilst the moult is in progress. The desire, however, may be quite evanescent, such desires occurring occasionally with some hens all through the winter. (2) I am not quite clear of your meaning in this query. If you mean could fertility have resulted from the mating of a cock so young as the one in question would be—about eight weeks, I take it—the answer is that the chances are very considerably against it. At the same time I would not dispute the possibility in the case of a very precocious youngster. If you mean could the union have been fertile had it occurred in the breeding season when, of course, the youngster must be more mature, the answer is: most decidedly, yes. (2) The jerky movements you refer to are due to constipation. Give a good sized spray of watercress daily until trouble has disappeared. Also add six drops of syrup of buckthorn to the drinking water for one or two days as may seem necessary.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

A BERRY (Fruit).—The specimens sent I cannot identify accurately until you forward a small portion of the shrub—just a tiny branch with two or three leaves. The berries are safe, but only large birds, such as Thrushes, would be likely to eat them.

WILD SEED MIXTURE (J. C. Waterton).—I consider the sample of wild seed mixture you send is splendid, containing a minimum of waste, while it has been improved by the addition of sesame, teazle, gold of pleasure and thistle (I could not locate any dandelion). Of the wild seeds, pure and simple, I notice plantain, dock, persicaria, knot-grass, charlock and various other rapes and grasses.

A BALD BLACKBIRD (R.T.B.).—Follow the advice given "William" in last week's issue. Are you keeping the bird out of draughts and in an equable temperature? For instance, hanging a bird out of doors in the daytime during cold weather (now, for instance), and bringing it indoors at night into a warmed room, will very quickly send it into a cross moult, or bring on "asthma" or some other bronchial affection.

SHOWING AN OWL (H. W.).—Owls are not admitted into the great majority of cage bird shows—practically all, indeed. The schedule generally states: "Hawks, Owls and Ravens excluded." The reason is that their presence terrifies the other species of birds in the show. Owls are not "desirable cage birds" in the strict sense of the term, and if admitted to a show should be kept right away from the Canary and other sections. This is done at the L.C.B.A. show, the only exhibition that I know of where the Owl is encouraged to disport its beauties.

A BLACKBIRD'S BEAK (Edward Green).—It is true that the cock Blackbird has a yellow beak, but this only applies to an adult bird. A young cock has a dark (black) beak until towards the spring of the year after the one in which he was born; it begins to turn yellow as the bird comes into breeding condition. Your young bird is evidently a cock, or its plumage would not have moulted out jet black. The yellow beak (and eye ceres) will come later on.

A BLIND LINNET (Muler).—I do not hold out any hope of the blind Linnet ever siring Mules. Are you quite sure it was "fresh caught"? I very strongly doubt it. It seems to me that you have been imposed upon. You will find full information on "conditioning" Linnets in the "Nutshell" booklet dealing with this species (post free, 2½d.).

LOSING A GOLDFINCH (Perplexed).—I don't think you need be exactly surprised at losing a Goldfinch which you had kept for over eight years. Birds can't be preserved alive for ever—that goes without saying—and yours had had a fairly lengthy existence. Try the other bird mentioned with the following treatment. Get one ounce of taraxacum from a chemist, and stir a small teaspoonful into its drinking water (two tablespoonfuls) fresh daily for six days. Afterwards for ten days stir half-a-teaspoonful of tincture of gentian into the same quantity of water.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); *Norman's "British Bird Manual"* (2/3); *or Part 1 "Hardbills"* (1/1), *Part 2 "Softbills"* (1/1); *"Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages"* (2/3); *"Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants"* (1/2); *"Secrets of Hybrid Breeding"* (1/2); *Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping"* (1/1); *Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever"* (7d.); *"Colour-feeding"* (3½d.); *or the "Nutshell" booklets* (2½d. *each*): *No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.*

A TRIO (M.A.P.).—(1) It is quite useless to hope for hybrids if you keep a cock Canary along with the hens. You could put in the hen Bullfinch, the hen Greenfinch, the hen Redpoll, and three or four hen Canaries, with two or three cock Linnets, two cock Goldfinches, and one cock Siskin. You could also try, as an experiment, the cock Chaffinch. But you must guard against overcrowding, or you will get no young birds. (2) The above quantity is just about the limit of its holding capacity. (3) Paint is not really safe, but if it has dried quite hard no ill may result—why did you not use washable distemper?

A WILD CHAFFINCH (Rend).—It does sometimes happen that a bird proves absolutely intractable, and it would seem that you have been unlucky enough to get hold of such a one. If he has been in a box pattern cage for 18 months in a room where people are constantly present, and "still dashes about in a frenzied state," as you put it, whenever anyone ventures to look at him, then the best advice I can give you is to open the cage door out in the garden, and let Master Chaffie "hop it." You have been very patient; I must confess that he would have gone long ago, had he been in my own room. Chaffinches, are cheap enough, and your next one may prove more appreciative and "kind"; I hope so.

A LINNET MULE'S FEET (W.I.).—You should steep the feet for a minute or so twice daily in comfortably hot water, into which a little strong disinfectant (Kerol or Jeyes', or Izal, etc.) has been stirred. Afterwards dry and anoint with a little healing ointment (such as Kerol). This treatment would quickly reduce the inflammation and take out the soreness. The glycerine you have been using is of no earthly use in such a case, and would probably only aggravate matters by causing dirt to stick round the feet. Use blotting paper on the cage floor until matters mend. The trouble cannot be laid at the door of the Linnet, in my opinion.

AN UNUSUAL MATCH (Novice).—It is unusual to use crested hens for Mule breeding, but there is no reason why you should not do so if you wish. Some of the Mules may come with a crest, but they will be of no particular value by reason of being so decorated. Crested hens are usually very feathery (untidy and loose), and this looseness of feather may also be transmitted to the Mules—very much to their detriment. As I have already remarked, there is no reason why you should not use the Crested hen for mulling, but the fact remains that a big, close-feathered, good coloured hen of Norwich type would be very much more suitable.

TWO PAIRS (Novice, Barry Dock).—I don't think the place is big enough to hold two hen Bullies; they would fight when the spring comes round. Why not divide the place in the centre, and put the Linnet and Bullie in one half and the Greenie and Bullie in the other half? It is by far the best plan to give each couple a house "on their own"; you will stand a much greater chance of success if you do so. There will be no need to turn the couples out until about the middle of March; hen Bullfinches are late breeders. You might contrive to let the birds make the acquaintance of each other, however, before they take up their outside quarters.

THE CASE OF A SKYLARK (H.W.R.).—How do you know that the bird is a cock? The absence of song seems to point to the opposite being the case. You do not give any particulars which would enable me to help you—i.e., whether newly-caught or otherwise, what kind of cage it is in, and how it is being fed. I recommend you to consult the "Nutshell" booklet on the Skylark (only 2½d. post free), and what you read therein may throw some light upon any points concerning which you may be in doubt. It tells you how to feed to get birds on song.

A LINNET BARE (W. Walker).—No doubt the result of the irritation set up by the bird lice. You must anoint with Kerol ointment, as advised in this column last week. For seven or eight days stir half-a-teaspoonful of tincture of gentian into the bird's drinking water (two tablespoonfuls). It is a safe and excellent tonic, especially so for birds "off their feed," as it stimulates the appetite. Feed the bird well. Give a teaspoonful of cracked hemp daily for a time, in addition to the usual stock mixture of Canary, teazle, rape, and linseed. Also mix one ounce each of maw, dandelion, thistle, gold of pleasure, white lettuce, plantain, cornflower, and sesame. This makes a very fine "wild seed" tit-bit; give a small teaspoonful daily until the bird pulls himself together—afterwards, twice or thrice a week. It is difficult to beat a yellow hen of Norwich type as a mate for a cock Linnet.

WHICH CROSS TO TRY (Scholastic).—(1) Probably the Goldfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid is the "most showy" in appearance; if, that is, the particular specimen is a first-class one in respect of colour. Some are poor in colour; others are exceptionally rich. The Canary, Greenfinch, Linnet and Redpoll-Bullie crosses are all attractive, however, from the colour point of view. The Goldfinch-Redpoll, Goldfinch-Siskin and Goldfinch-Greenfinch are also very pleasingly attired. (2) The value of any specimen (or cross) depends largely upon its excellence from the exhibition point of view. A Goldie-Bullie, for instance, of just ordinary size and colour, can be bought for from 30s. to 40s. An extra big and rich-coloured example of the cross would, however, command quite £8 to £10 when in show form. Thus, if one wants to breed valuable Hybrids, one should always try with the large, rich-coloured parents. (3) Queries relating to foreign birds must be sent to the F.B. dept. (Note rules.)

RESPECTING MEALWORMS (M. W. Q.).—(1) So far as I know it is called the mealworm beetle; the scientific name I cannot remember at the moment of writing. (2) I cannot say definitely, but at least for 12 months. The young mealworms take a considerable time (months) to grow to any size. (3) I keep mine in a large tin (a flat, not a tall tin), about two-thirds full of a mixture of bran and barley meal, with some pieces of coarse sacking amongst it. From time to time I put in pieces of sugar paper (the coarse kind), soaked in sweetened beer—some put in hung rags, and I have known leather soaked in beer to be used. The meal, of course, needs replenishing from time to time. The box must be kept in a warm place; this is essential. You should read "Nutshell" booklet No. 26. (4) Three or four a day; there is no hard and fast quantity. You could give 6 a day if you chose; or you need only give them on alternate days. They should be varied in the summer with other kinds of live food.

SEVERAL ITEMS (E.E.M., Wimbledon).—When birds "hesitate" in the way you describe before leaving the perch, it is generally because their nails need cutting—they are so long and curved as to render it a difficult matter for the bird to unclasp them, as it were, from the perch. The beak must also be trimmed whenever necessary; after you have cut it to a normal size, just smooth the tip, etc, with a nail file. By the way, no enclosure (seed) reached me with your letter. You should feed the bird on the lines I recommended "Mayrick" last week; see that he has the two tit-bit mixtures described in that reply. Just a little hard-boiled egg can do no harm, seeing that he is so fond of it. Put a little quassia into the water you give the Canaries for bathing; and you might lightly spray the Goldie with the same twice or thrice a week, according to the weather conditions—don't make him very wet. You cannot do more to the cages, though it would be well to occasionally touch the corners (and other crevices) with a small brush dipped in petrol (the latter runs easily through every crack and cranny and destroys all the mites it meets). Give the Goldie a small half-teaspoonful of compound syrup of hypophosphites B.P. in his drinking water (two tablespoonfuls) for ten days. Any good-class chemist will supply it.

A LINNET'S SILENCE (Pat).—If the bird is in good health (I presume you could tell if it were ailing) its silence is not easy to understand. I assume, of course, that you know it to be a cock. A change of cage and change of quarters are enough to send a bird off song for a time—but six weeks is an awful long time! What kind of cage is it in—a proper box-pattern Finch cage, or an all wire one? The latter would be unsuitable. Is the bird quite tame? Try him for a time with the two "tit-bit" seed mixtures recommended to "Mayrick" in last week's issue. You might also read the "Nutshell" booklet on the Linnet, as you will find the method of sexing given in this, and much useful information on feeding and general management.

TWO ITEMS (Bullfinch).—Very few shows in England provide classes for Siberian Bullfinches and Goldfinches. I can only call to mind the Crystal Palace and the L.C.B.A. It is certainly curious, seeing that practically every show in Scotland specially caters for them. Of course, they are always eligible in the ordinary foreign bird classes, in which, however, they stand little chance of winning against the rarities nowadays found therein. I have never found cock Bullfinches of the slightest use as mule-breeders. It is unusual for a Bullfinch to act in the way you describe after being caged for such a length of time, and moulted in the house. Cage him by himself in a smaller cage, and try patiently to get him to take hemp seeds (or dock seeds), off the tips of your fingers. Pleased to hear that his plumage has recovered its pristine brilliance under the treatment I advised.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

PARROT BETTER (Mrs. Bradburn).—Pleased to note this result, as I feared the worst, but the bird is certainly not "out of the wood" yet! Continue the treatment; while there is plenty of seed on bottom of cage, I should not trouble to refill tin, let it go and pick up what it has scattered, providing it is not fouled. Do not give ordinary sopped bread, but moisten, not saturate, it with a mixture of two parts water to one of hyno-phosphates. Continue the treatment already advised, and get it on to the regulation diet as soon as possible. In case of any relapse, write again at once, giving full details, as I do not retain queries.

WHAT CARDINAL (W.J.H.).—It is an ordinary Red-crested or Grey Cardinal, and its requirements are: a roomy cage and a diet of seed mixture, ripe fruit ad lib, and several mealworms or other insects per diem. As regards insects, you can offer smooth caterpillars, wasp grubs, live ants' eggs, beetles, spiders, flies, etc., according to season. Green food (lettuce at this season), cuttlebone, and grit, must be regularly supplied. It can have any kind of fruit it will eat. Canary and millet seed will form its staple seed dietary, during the winter a pinch of maw, or a few hemp and sunflower seeds, may be given occasionally. The difficulty with caged birds is to avoid overfeeding, and give sufficient exercise. You must aim for the "happy medium" good condition, but avoid over fatness.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet St., London, E.C.

BOURKE'S PARRAKEETS (J.C.).—The logs are very empty made. You can get, say 2 or 2½ft. of any stem of a tree not less than12ins. in diameter. Have a hole bored or cut right through it, about 6ins. in diameter, block up one end by nailing a piece of board over it; the other end or front must only be two-thirds covered. A small barrel would also answer the purpose. If you send me a stamped addressed envelope per the Editor, I will send you rough diagrams for the preparation of the log. No nesting material is required, but if you are near a wood where you can get rotten wood, rotten enough to crush up readily in the hand, a little of this, say one inch deep, in log or barrel, forms an excellent base for the eggs to lie upon.

WAXBILL (Avaton).—The main essentials are: a roomy cage with twiggy branches for perching accommodation, grit and cuttle, and a daily bath (chilled water), and an abundance of light and air, with immunity from draught. Diet: The main seed mixture to be one part canary (not giant) and two parts white millet, with a millet spray continually in the cage, not fixed to a perch, but suspended so that the bird must cling to it to take the seed; the enforced exercise will be very benficial. Get small quantities of the following: Teazle, clover, plantain, charlock, lettuce, cabbage, cornflower, maw, mustard, cress and grass seeds, in about equal proportions, well mix and give a little twice weekly. A small leaf of fresh lettuce several times a week. Also canary, rape, and millet seeding, grown in thumb pots in any sunny window, will supply wholesome green food, and if they are returned to the window again after being pecked over by the birds, will soon recover. Get the Nutshell Waxbills, 2½d., post free from our Manager.

PLAN (H. R. Watson).—The stamped addressed envelope has not reached me, neither has the information I asked for in my previous reply, or I would have sent you the plan now I have your address, but you do not supply this information in your last application. It would appear a letter of yours has gone astray; at any rate, it has not reached me, and you must give me the details asked for before I can send you a rough plan.

GREY PARROT (C. H.).—Put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water daily till the bowels have been thoroughly relieved, and then only give it every fourth day. On the days you are not giving the magnesia, put half a teaspoonful of byno-phosphates in the drinking water and continue the treatment for some time. A pinch of grit (not sand) should be added to the daily supply of seed mixture, and a piece of clean cuttlebone should continually be in the cage. In addition to seed it should get ripe fruit and nuts, with a little plain biscuit, or stale crust of household bread if it cares for such.

DIAMOND SPARROWS (Jacky).—These birds require canary and white millet seed, a millet spray, greenfood, grit, cuttlebone, and water for drinking and bathing. A roomy cage is necessary for their well being. An odd bird would agree and be chummy with a Canary in a suitable cage, but their pairing with any result I consider very improbable. Make the drinking water just saline with Epsom Salts for one day, and repeat the dose after an interval of seven days. Every other day put half a teaspoonful of byno-phosphates into its drinking water; you will have to leave the rest to nature, but treated as above the feathers should be renewed in due course. The bath should be of the type to hang outside, over the open door of cage, and should be removed as soon as the bird has had a thorough bath..

GREY PARROT (B.C.).—This bird must be kept below the level of any gas lights, and should enjoy a light and airy position, with immunity from draught, in some warm room, having a temperature of not less than 60 degrees F. Get the following mixture from your chemist—ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills, and glycerine in equal parts, add half a teaspoonful of the mixture to two tablespoonfuls of water, and give this in lieu of the drinking water till relief is given. The bowels should be kept moving freely by an occasional dose of Dinneford's Magnesia, 5 drops soaked into a small piece of sponge cake, biscuit, or stale crust, according to the bird's taste. As soon as the cold yields, put the bird on to a course of byno-phosphates for say a month to tone it up again. Diet the bird as per our Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot."

COCKATOO IN POOR PLUMAGE (Magrath).—You must persevere with the prescribed treatment; such cases are a work of time, and sadly try one's patience. Most Cockatoos appreciate plain biscuit, or a stale crust now and again, or even a piece of plain cake; if yours will take either, let half-a-dozen drops of cod liver oil soak into it before offering to the bird. Offer it fruit and greenfood, also nuts in variety. If the bird will take the potato dusted with flowers of sulphur, that will also be a help to the desired end. It will be best to humour the bird, but do not be tempted to give it fats, meat, tea, coffee, or milk when it is at table with you. Otherwise treat as per our previous reply.

ROUGH PLUMAGE (E.A.B.N.).—(1) I should keep this bird amused as much as possible, and if you have it in a cage, put in a good sized piece of a branch about 3 inches in diameter, letting its base rest on one corner of cage tray, and the other end at the top of the cage at the opposite angle. The bird will climb about this and cut it up. Keep its bowels moving freely with occasional doses of Dinneford's Magnesia, and put it on a course of byno-phosphates. Lightly touch the hard lumps daily with tincture of iodine so long as the skin remains unbroken. (2) It is excellence of condition (health) that will induce renewal of plumage. Spraying is merely to keep skin pliant and possible parasites at bay. A dilute solution of quassia (chilled) is as good as any. Grow canary, rape, and millet seedlings in thumb pots in your window; if you have half-a-dozen put one in the cage daily, they will keep you going some time, they soon grow again, even after being picked close. (3) Only the late Dr. Green's books, which in some points are a wee bit out of date. Send me an addressed postcard per Editor, and I will send you a list.

GREY PARROT (A. V. L.).—I am pleased to note the improvement, and you must continue the treatment, and persevere with the use of the glycothymoline to relieve the nostrils. When repeating a query it is necessary to repeat details, as I do not keep queries by me, but return them to office with my reply, and I cannot call to mind the full details concerning your bird. I should also put a little honey and borax (most chemists stock this ready mixed) inside its mouth once or twice daily—it will help to keep the mouth and throat clear. It will also be important to keep the bowels moving freely (not watery loose) while the trouble lasts. You must leave the eye to take its course for the present, of course keeping up the treatment already advised for it.

ORANGE BISHOP (B. K. C.).—If this bird has access to canary, millet, spray millet, and a few oats, with greenfood, grit, and an occasional insect, this should suffice to keep it fit; you might try it with a few crushed oats. If the aviary is roomy, give it some hay, it will probably get rid of some of its ennui by weaving nests. I should also catch the bird and note its condition; if it is thin, then cage it separately. Give it the diet as above, and every other day put half a teaspoonful of byno-phosphates in the drinking water, and once a week put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water in lieu of the phosphates. Continue this treatment till it is in condition again, when you can return it to the mixed cage or aviary.

AILING AMAZON (Mead).—I really expect the bird will be dead when you get the reply; you certainly must adopt some means to give it a little nourishment. Slightly prise open the beak at intervals during the day, and at one time put a little honey and borax inside the beak, and at another a drop or two of cod liver oil, and at others the remedies advised. I should also bathe the nostrils with dilute glyco-thymoline once or twice daily. Of course, unless the bird can be induced to take some nourishment it will get gradually weaker and die. A few drops of weak brandy and water forced between the beak will act as a stimulant, and be helpful. When giving a bird liquid by force, you must only give a drop or two at a time, or you will produce a choking sensation and greatly exhaust the bird. You must continue the arrowroot till it is able to take other nourishment. If the bird should die, as I fear it will, you must thoroughly sterilise your cage before using it for another bird.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

F. E. Nash.—Niger and inga are one and the same seed, the former being the correct name. The scientific name, we believe, is Verbesina sativa. Gold of pleasure is scientifically termed Camelina sativa. Your other questions will be found answered by Mr. St. John.

W. R. S.—Thanks for your offer, but we have seen copies of the book you mention.

L. D. Stevens.—We think the device you describe is fairly well known over here; it has been illustrated in our pages two or three times.

F. J. W. S.—We do not think that you are quite on solid ground, as it were. The word "Siberian" is only a trade term, and is applied to all Goldfinches coming from Russia, etc. As a matter of fact, even amongst the very large "Siberians" small birds are found in plenty—in just the same way, in fact, that there are small birds and large birds amongst English Goldfinches.

Owing to pressure on space several answers are unavoidably held over.—Editor.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Anfield, Everton and Dis. C.B.S.—Dec. 2, Headquarters, 8. Distribution of balance of show specials. All members attend. Very important proposals.—R. B. Wright.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Dec. 3, Onward Hall, 8. Presentation of cup and medals; amalgamated show business; ticket money to be brought in. J. Spencer.

Bonnyrigg C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Forester's Arms, 7.30, Payment of prize money, etc., and appoint office-bearers.—James Hamilton.

Blaydon C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Co-operative Library, 7.30. Report of late show and other important business.—Geo. Harrer.

Bolton C.B.S.—Dec. 3, Joiner's Arms, 8.30. Annual show and election of officers.—J. Garrard.

Barrow C.B.A.—Dec. 2, headquarters, 7.30. Special meeting for close of entries and to elect specials.—Jas. S. Fleming.

Beamish C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Bird Inn, High Hold, 5. Prize money paid and other business.—Wm. Knowles.

Barnsley C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Clarence Hotel, 7.30. Important business; fanciers and friends invited.—F. C. Sims.

Bradford National C.B.S.—Dec. 4, Market Tavern, 8. Final arrangements for show. All members of Executive, Staging, and other Committees please attend. Business very important.—H. Hill.

Bradford East O.S.—Dec. 3, Park Chapel Schools, 8. Washing exhibition by Mr. W. A. Cowgill, Girlington. Balance-sheet for annual show and other important business. Allotting of special prizes for members' show.—H. Hill.

Burton-on-Trent.—Dec. 3, Staffordshire Knot, 8. Table show, yellow cocks, buff hens.—A. Wood.

Bursiem C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Barnfields Inn, 6. Classification, etc., of Boxing Day show.—Leonard James.

Border City (Carlisle) O.S.—Dec. 4, headquarters, 8.15. Final committee meeting for 1912. Auditors' report of balance sheet and arrangements for general meeting in January, etc.—John C. Bell.

Bermondsey and Rotherhithe F.A.—Dec. 2, Jolly Gardeners, 8. General and committee; closing of entries and final arrangements for show, Dec. 7. Judge, Mr. Geo. Gardiner—John Clark.

Bankfoot and Dis. C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Members' show; judge, Mr. F. Allen. Entries can be made Friday evening.—F. Gelder.

Barrington and Choppington C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Social Club, 7. Arrangements for shows.—Thos. Griffiths.

Coventry O.S.—Dec. 11, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Usual date put off until a week later. Final payments of open show made.—A. J. Barratt.

Crewe O.S.—Dec. 3, Brotherhood Institute, 8. Monthly meeting.—E. Jaycott.

City of Bradford O.S.—Nov. 30, Flying Dutchman Hotel. Members' show Yorkshires, Norwich, and British classes. Judges, Mr. A. Hartley, of Horton, Mr. W. Richmond, of Rodley. Birds staged 2.30.—F. Rhodes.

Choppington C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Railway Hotel, 7.30. Show business.—G. H. Scely.

City and County of Perth O.A.—Dec. 2, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, 8. Balance-sheet, etc.—James Kerr.

Cheltenham.—Dec. 4, Prince of Wales Hotel, 8. Important business.—A. S. Treasurer.

Clapham C.B.A.—Dec. 2, Landor Hotel, 8.30. Presentation of cups and medals.—A. R. Coe.

East Ham F.A.—Dec. 2, Earl of Wakefield. Wakefield Street, East Ham, 8 p.m. Annual show Dec. 12. Allocation of specials. All concert tickets to be settled up for or considered as sold.—H. Rutter.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Nov. 30, Fountain Inn. Members' show. Birds to be staged by 2.30 p.m. Mr. H. Sutcliffe, judge. All entries to be made on Friday night.—W. Nettleton.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Dec. 4, Lockhart's, 7.30. Final show arrangements.—J. G. Greason.

Edinburgh Western O.S.—Dec. 5, Rugo Street Hall, 8. New members invited to join. Arrangements for social; important business.—Charles Grant.

Edinburgh N. C. and Mule Breeders.—Dec. 5, Hall's, High Street, 8. Annual balance-sheet. Members are requested to send in their money and unsold tickets.—John Welsh.

Edinburgh North Eastern Dist. O.S.—Dec. 2, Free Gardeners' Hall, Abbeymont, 8. Paying of prize money and enrolment of new members.—R. S. Spence.

Gainsboro' C.B.S.—Nov. 30, No. 1 Mess Room, 6.30. Allotting of specials for show and other important business.—J. E. Conway.

Glossop Hadfield C.B.S.—Dec. 3, Mr. J. H. Senior's, High Street E., Glossop, 8. Allotting specials to classes and other show business.—E. Thompson.

Greenock, Port Glasgow, and Gourock O.S.—Dec. 4, Co-operative Hall, Port Glasgow. Annual subscription now due.—M. Service.

Hartlepool C.B.S.—St. George's Hall, Dec. 4, 8. Procuring staging for open show, etc.—Woodhead and Pynon.

Halifax O.S.—Nov. 30, Plummet Line Hotel. Members' show. All hens. See syllabus for classification. Birds staged 2.30. Judge, Mr. S. Wilcock. Also meeting at night, 8 p.m.—Harry Clegg.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—Dec. 1, Crown Inn, 6.30. Show business; important.—A. J. Notley.

Hyson Green, Nottingham, C.B.S.—Dec. 3, Cricket Players' Hotel, 8. Entry night. Subscriptions now due.—Wm. Cottingham.

Jarrow, Hebburn C.B.S.—Dec. 4, Lockhart's Cafe, 7.30. Election of show stewards.—W. Ayers.

Leigh C.B.S.—Dec. 4, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Electing auditors for 1912. All ticket money to be brought in to get the balance-sheet out.—R. Charleson.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Dec. 4, Railway Hotel, 8. Important business and December show steward.—J. E. Hudson.

London and Counties A.C.B.—Dec. 7, Earl Cathcart, Osnaburgh Street, N.W., 8. General meeting.—G. G. Stubbs.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Dec. 3, White Swan, 8.30. Table show; 6 classes.—A. Freestone.

Leadgate C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Bainbridge's Cycle Rooms, 7. To fix show date and decide judge.—Robert Jones.

London and Provincial O.S.—Dec. 5, The Raglan, St. Martins-le-Grand, 8. Annual general meeting; members are requested to attend this meeting, very important business.—C. W. Law.

Leyton and Dist. C.B.A.—Dec. 2, Grange Park Hall, 7.30. Grand Bohemian concert and distribution of challenge cups and special prizes. Will all members please bring friends? Admission 3d. Members please pay up for show tickets.—Perse and Son.

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REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Bradford National.—Dec. 6, 7, and 9, Central Baths' Hall, Morley St. Judges: Messrs. Battye, House, J. C. Barnes, Hirst, Macsey, Cowgill, Mundell, Robson, Finn, and Maddison. 119 open classes: Yorks. 44 (Nov. 5, Y.U. Nov. 8, Sell 4), Nor. 24 (Amateur 6, Y.U. Nov. 2, Sell 2), Bord. 9, Cinn. 6 (Nov. 2), Liz. 4, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 13, Hyb. 6, For. 8 (Local 2), Roller 3, Sell 1. Prizes, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/- (For., 12/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-). Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Dec. 2, to H. Hill, 15, Settle Terrace, Thornton-lane, Little Horton, Bradford.

Broomhill and Dis.—Dec. 7, Central Hall. Judge: Mr. Anthony Brown. 9 open classes: Nor. 4, Bord. 2, Yorks. 1, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 1. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-; fee, 1/-. Ent. close Nov. 30, to Mr. Wm. Smalley, 28, Hartside Terrace, Chevington Drift, Acklington, Northumberland.

Cupar and Dis.—Dec. 7, Balmerino Place Hall. Judges: Messrs. Hogg, Dickson, Hutchinson, and Goodfellow. 49 open classes: Scots 10, Nor. 12, Bord. 10, Yorks. 2, Brit 11 (sell 1), Mules 2, For. 2. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Dec. 2, to Messrs. Rich and Westwood (joint secs.), Linley, Cupar.

Romford.—Dec. 12, Corn Exchange, High-st., Romford. Judge: Mr. E. Skinner. 7 open classes: Yorks. 3, Nor. 2, Finch, A.V., 1, A.O.V. Can. 1, Prizes, 3/-, 2/- 1/-. Fee, 9d. Ent. close Nov. 30, to Mr. C. Ives, "Westwood," Upper Mawneys, Romford.

Ulster (open to Ireland only).—Dec. 6 and 7, Clarence Place Hall, Belfast. Judges: Messrs. F. J. Dewar and W. Vardy. 55 open classes: Belgians 1, Scots, 11 (Sell. 1), Nor. 21, Sell. 3, Yorks. 9 (Sell. 1), Var. 2, Brit. 7, For. 1. Prizes, 9/-, 3/-, 6/-, 2/-. Ent. fee, 2/-. Ent. close Dec. 2 to Mr. Rbt. Trimble, Sec., 11, Waring St., Belfast.

Stranraer.—Dec. 13, Queen's Hall, Stranraer. Judge: Mr. J. Martin. 18 open classes: Nor. 3, Yorks. 1, Bord. 2, Mules 2, For. 1, Brit. 5, Nov. 1, Sell. 2, Gift 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Dec. 6, to Mr. W. McMeekan, Hon. Sec., 8, Cenoch St., Stranraer.

Cardigan.—Dec. 12, Market Place. Judge: Mr. R. Bowker. 6 open classes: Nor. 1, Yorks. 1, Mules, 1, Brit. 3. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/-. Ent. close Dec. 7, to Mr. Morgan Jones, Sec., Cardigan.

Swanage.—Dec. 11, Drill Hall. Judge: Mr. C. A. House. 14 open classes: Nor. 2, Yorks. 2, A.O.V. Can (non-fed) 1, A.O.V. Can. 1, Mule 1, Hybrid 1, Brit. 3, For. 2, Sell 1. Prizes, 7/6, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Dec. 1, to Mr. R. E. Cann, High-st.

Narberth.—Dec. 11, Victoria Hall. Judge: Mr. T. J. Owen. 7 open classes: Nor. 1, Yorks. 1, Mule 1, Brit. 2, Sell. 1, A.V. Can (Local) 1. Prizes, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Fee, 9d. Ent. close Dec. 4th, to Mr. Geo. T. Webb. Sec., Jesse Road.

Watford (West Herts F.O.).—Dec. 10, Clarendon Hall, Watford. Judge: Mr. C. A. House. 13 open classes: Nor. 1, Yorks. 1, Hen (Can.) 1, A.O.V. 1, Mule 1, Brit. 4 Sell. 1, For. 3. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/-. Ent. close Nov. 30, to Mr. Chas. A. Edwards, "Flowerdene," Field Road, Oxhey.

Mid Rhondda and Dist.—Dec. 11, White Hart Hotel, Tonypandy.—Judge, Mr. J. H. Payne. 25 open classes: Nor. 4, Yorks. 4, Bord. 4, A.O.V. 2, Hyb. 3, Brit. 5, For. 2, Local 1. Prizes on sliding scale. Fee, 1/6. Entries close Dec. 8 to Mr. A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwynypia, Porth.

Cleator Moor (Cumb.).—Dec. 14, Market Hall.—Judges, Messrs. Jas. Stewart and Geo. Wilson. 28 open classes. Yorks. 7 (Sell. 1), Bord. 5, Nor. 5, Hyb. 2, Brit. 9. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Entries close Dec. 7th to Mr. J. Skillicorn, 57, Trumpet Rd., Wath Brow.

Froma.—Dec. 12 Temperance Hall.—Judge, Mr. H. Norman. 25 open classes: Crest 1, Nor. 6, Yorks. 8, Lancs. 2, Bord. 4, Roller 2, A.O.V. Can. 1, Sell. —, Mule 4, Brit. 6, For. 2. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Entries close Dec. 6 to Mr. C. J. Young, 8, Palmer Street.

Auchterarder.—Dec. 14, Aytoun Hall.—Judge, Mr. Wm. Bishop. 25 open classes: Nor. 8, Bord. 6, Sell. 4, Sell. 1, Brit. 13 (Sell. 1), Hyb. 2, For. 1, Gift 1. Prizes, 9/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Entries close Dec. 7 to Mr James Dow, jun. sec., Auchterarder.

WANDSWORTH.

Fifth Open Show in the Baths, Wandsworth, very fine, well-lighted hall, just suitable for a big show. The birds were staged in the gallery, and attracted quite their share of attention. There was a nice entry, Yorks. predominating, and some very typical birds were on view. Some extra fine Norwich were seen in the amateur classes, a few good Borders and some very high-class hybrids. For the members' cup, several good birds were brought out, Mr. W. J. Heath staging the winner, a lovely yell. Yorks. of grand type. The management was all that could be desired, Mr. Lightfoot again holding the reins. Messrs. Owen and Son once more gave valuable assistance, as did Messrs. Heath and Wright. Mr. H. Norman judged.

The Critique.

YORKS. YELL. (7): 1, Mrs. Ballard, grand length, fine position, nicely rounded, good shoulders and back, well braced wings, wins; 2, Rogers and Frost, beautifully moulded, nice head, good shoulders and back; 3, Buckingham, smart bird, good length, although wee bit small, hot col., grand wings and tail; 4, vhc, Mole, grand length and style; hc, Mrs. Owen; c, Whittmore. BUFF (9): 1, Mrs. Ballard, grand length and style, beautifully rounded in front, neat head, wee bit weak in back, but good wings and tail; 2, Buckingham, fine qual. and col., neat head, back, and wings, wee bit rough at thighs; 3, Mole, smart, long bird, grand head and shoulders, well braced wings, neat tail; 4, vhc, c, Mrs. Owen, grand length and type, good shoulders, perfect wings. MKD. (5): 1, Mrs. Ballard, smart bird, fine length, beautifully moulded all round, grand head and neck, good wings, neat tail; 2, Mole, wing mkd. yell., of good length and col., stands well on good legs, capital wings; 3, 4, vhc, Mrs. Owen, smart, upstanding buff, nice length and good wings; 4, grand size and length. HEN, YELL. (10): 1, vhc, Mole, grand neck mkd., fine length and qual., clean cut, good tail, fine qual.; 2, 3, 4, Mrs. Owen, a fine team, all beautiful length and style, the leader shade larger and better condition; hc, c, Whittmore. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Buckingham, beautiful, grand length and type, good heads and shoulders, leader shade larger in body and wings, grand qual.; 3, hc, c, Mrs. Owen, fine smart bird, grand length and type, beautiful wings, hardly at its best; 4, Mole, wing and eyes mkd., fine type, very smart and neat, in the pink. UNFLIG. (7): 1, Buckingham, wonderful length and type, good shaped head, nicely rounded, grand col.; 2, Mole, beauty for type and qual., beautifully moulded, perfect condition; 3, 4, vhc, hc, c, a grand team, leader very smart and fine length, neat head, good shoulders and wings; 4, a good yell., hardly so long. NOR. BUFF: 1, Hall, fine size and type, grand substance, good head and wings, fine col.; 2, Cox, grand qual., hardly the substance of winner, nicely rounded and good wings; 3, Bevington, neat, hardly so clubby, nice qual. and col.; 4, Mrs. Inglis, smart, good type. VARIEG.: 1, Kerr, wing and eye mkd., grand size, nice head and neck, well filled body, short wings, hot col.; 2, McLaughlin, head mkd., nice size and col., good col. and qual.; 3, Beavington, good size, wee bit small in head, but good type; 4, Lingley, grand qual. and col.; vhc, Springett. HENS (4): 1, Cox, lyneal, very short all over, neat head, well rounded body, short wings, in the pink; 2, Prestland, similar, grand qual. and type, nice short wings and tail; 3, Page, var., good size and type, grand substance, very short wings and tail; 4, Mrs. Inglis. UNFLIG.: 1, 4, Jay, short, clubby, neat head, good wings and tail, grand qual.; 2, Kerr, big yell., fine substance, well filled neat head; 3, Beavington, good size, nice type; vhc, Springett. YORKS. (NOV.) YELL. (10): 1, hc, Heath, leader, beauty for size and type, neat head, well moulded front, clean cut to a good tail; 2, Mrs. Wilson, similar, hot col., hardly so clean in front, still a real good one; 3, Harris, grand size and type, good length of wing, neat tail; 4, Whiting, nice lengthy bird, fine type; vhc, Hall; c, Simms. BUFF: 1, Miss Hall, lovely lengthy bird, grand type and qual., good head, best of wings, neat tail; 2, 4, Heath, two rattling good ones, grand position and type, lovely qual., shown in the pink; 3, Whiting, smart, taking one, good position and style, grand qual.; vhc, Miss Hall; hc, McLaughlin; c, Cornish. HENS (5): 1, Whiting, head and wing marked, grand type, nicely drawn and moulded, good wings; 2, 4, Heath, two good ladies, fine type and qual., capital position, very smart; 3, Mrs. Fairman, var., grand size, typical, stands well, nice col.; vhc, Smith. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Heath, real good ones, leader a beauty, grand length and type, good wings, fine qual., 3, a tt., good merit, hot col.; 2, Short, smart, typical, nicely drawn, good length of wings, capital condition; 4, Lindley, good length and type, nice qual.; vhc, Mrs. Wilson. BORD. YELL. (4): 1, sp., 4, Owen, two beauties, leader a good mkd. bird, capital type and style, nicely moulded, neat wings; 2, Saunders, grand ch., fine type and size, smart, in fine form; 3, Lathbury, smart, nice quality feather. BUFF (4): 1, Saunders, smart, typical bird, moves and shows himself well, fine feather; 2, Lathbury, another good one, capital type, A1 qual. and condition; 3, 4, Owen, two good ones. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Buckingham, grand bird, fine size and shape, full of work, good wings, in grand order; 2, 3, 4, Prior, fine team, good Redpoll leading, lovely house-moulted bird, in grand condition, 3, lovely Twite, full of work and col., a beauty, 4, good Linnet. GREENFINCH, ETC. (6): 1, 2, 3, hc, Buckingham, good team, very fine Chaffinch leading, grand size, wonderful col., quite springlike, grand condition; 2, good Bramble, nicely spangled, 3, bold Chaffinch; 4, vhc, Prior, fine bold Chaffic, very shapely, in fine order. INSECTIV.: 2, 4, Hall, lovely Wryneck, not over large, grand col. and marking, good condition, 4, nice Redstart, good size and col.; 3, Buckingham, capital Blackcap, fine size and col., in perfect condition; 4, Wright, good Blackcap, grand condition, beaten col. HYBRIDS: 1, 2, Lamb, very fine pair, lightly mkd. leading, 3, cl. Goldie cock, in the pink of condition; 2, vhc, Buckingham, grand four-pointed, good size and type, lovely condition. DARK: 1, Howick, grand Canary-Bullie, fine size and shape, lovely col.; 2, 3, Lamb, fine Goldie and a Canary Bullie, lovely trim, both fine birds; vhc, Lingley; hc, Howick. A.O.S.: 1, 2, 3, Lamb, grand team, well-known Redpoll-Bullie leading, in good order.

BRISTOL.

22nd annual show held at the Coliseum, Park-Road, Nov. 27 and 28. Our section was staged in the gallery, and once again made a grand display. Yorkshires were not only numerically strong, but quality was also of high order. Indeed, they outclassed all other varieties. Norwich were just a nice level lot. There were two good classes of Borders, a variety not generally seen in this part of the country, and good Crests. There was also an exceptionally good collection of British birds and Mules, with two classes of foreign birds making a very pleasing and attractive sight to the show. Mr. C. A. House was down to judge half the classes, but was unable at the last moment to attend, so that Mr. J. H. Roe took the whole of the classes, and had a rather stiff morning's work. His awards, however, met with general approval. The section was in the capable hands of Mr. J. A. Greenslade (supt.), Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Roberts assisting him greatly in the duties, amongst others being Messrs. Lovell, Ind, Buckland, and Mrs. Garland. Everything passed off in first-class style, great credit being due to Hon. Sec., Mr. Maggs.

The Critique.

NOR. P.H. COCK (8): 1, Banbury, good Bullfinch, tight, nice head and carriage, capital col., well staged; 2, Noyes, fair shape, head, and neck, hardly so good carriage, nice condition; 3, Banbury, very neat, creditable exhibit, nice colour and bloom of feather; 4, Symons Bros.; hc, Redwood; c, Tristem. HEN, A.V. (11): 1, Symons Bros., capital cl. yell., nice bold front, good head, full neck and fair carr.; 2, Matthews, capital type and feather, excellent headpiece, good feather; 3, Scholes, neat, well shown, bonny type, excellent head and carr.; 4, Wren; hc, Tristem; c, Wren. BRED 1912 (12): 1, Sees, capital shape, nice head and carr., good col., shown to perfection; 2, Mitchell, exceptionally good buff, nicely frosted, capital head and neck, little rough in feather; 3, Tristem, we preferred, a neat little yell., bonny shape, capital head and col., shown fit; 4, Scholes; vhc, Redwood; hc, Muscott; c, Matthews. NOVICE (11): 1, West, nice type of buff, capital body and front, nice head and qual. of feather; 2, Viney, variegated buff, hardly so good shape, capital head and carr.; 3, Lewis, very nice yell., we rather liked, nice body, shape, and head, capital feather; 4, Scholes; vhc, Cowling; hc, Wyndham; c, Viney. NORWICH, C.B., 1912 (9): 1, 3, Colledge, winner variegated, a bit buff, D.C., neat centre and droop, good length and qual. of feather, well selected; 2, Bewick, wing mkd. buff, D.C., runs very close, excellent size and shape, good qual. headpiece; 3rd nice grizzle crest, well shown; 4, Joyce; vhc, Bale. CRESTBRED, 1912 (14): 1, 2, 4, Bale, massive green, grand skull and frontal, nice back and carr., in good feather, 2nd good var. buff, we much admired; 3, Mills, var. buff, capital body and carr., nice length and qual. of feather, in good bloom; vhc, Mills; hc, Bewick; c, Joyce. BORD. FCY. YELL. (8): 1, Pratt, el., capital style and carr., good body, headpiece, and condition; 2, Wall, cl., hardly so good body shape, nice head and carr.; 3, Barton Bros., nice qual., and very taking even mkd., in good feather; 4, Bobbett; vhc, hc, c, Wines and Co. BUFF (8): 1, Pratt, el., nice style and qual., good carr., excellent headpiece and condition; 2, Barton Bros., cl., very little to choose between, little wild and rough in feather; 3, Bolsworth, nice qual., even mkd., good body, shape, and carr., well shown; 4, Bobbett; vhc, Wall; hc, Wines and Co. FOR., LARGE (7): 1, 4, Sage; 2, 3, Edmunds; vhc, Lanham. SMALL: 1, No. 116, no name; 2, Scott; 3, c, Sage; 4, Mrs. Wyndham; vhc, Sulley; hc, Edmunds. YORKS., CL. TKD., MKD., OR VAR YELL. CK (18): 1, Pritchard, var. yell., nice position and style, well up on leg, excellent carr., fair col. and trim; 2, Boundy, cl., neat carr., excellent head and col., nice position, very steady; 3, Smith, smart, stylish cl., grand nerve and action, good carr.; 4, Sutcliffe and Son, very good; vhc, Hillman and Brown; hc, Purlitt; c, York. BUFF (15): 1, Sutcliffe and Son, nice qual. cl., good length of body, well up on leg, capital carr.; 2, Smith, var., hardly the body, nice head, style, and carr.; 3, Dykes, var., we rather liked for 2nd, good body, head, and carr., nice feather; 4, Pritchard, nice qual. cl. buff; vhc, Pool, very smart and stylish; hc, Ogden Bros.; c, Stonelake. YELL. HEN (13): 1, Dykes, good qual., very stylish var. yell., nice head and carr., shown fit; 2, Purlitt, cl., perhaps hardly the length of body, but excellent head and carr., shown to perfection; 3, Ogden Bros., good qual., yell., nice position and style, very steady, A1 qual. feather; 4, Mock; vhc, Murton; hc, Thompson; c, Greenslade. BUFF HEN (16): 1, Sutcliffe and Son, grand bodied cl., capital head, nice carr., in good bloom; 2, Ogden Bros., nice cl., beautifully frosted, good position and style, stands like a soldier, shown fit; 3, Lovell, var. buff, of good qual., nice length of body, capital style and action; 4, Hillman and Broome, also good and worthy of note; vhc, Greenslade; hc, Yorke; c, Lovell.. NAT. COL. (12): 1, 3, Lovell, var. buff and yell., respectively, very nice qual., capital position and style, good length of body, nice qual. feather, shown fit; 2, Yorke, yell. green, very creditable exhibit, nice type and col., very steady, well shown; 4, Benefield; vhc, Keigan; hc, Buckland; c, Greenslade. BRED 1912 (32): 1, sp, Bristol bowl, Stonelake, sweet yell., grand Yorkie, possessing good length of body, capital head, neck, and carr., and rare good qual. feather; 2, Pritchard, wing mkd. buff, grand style and carr., tails length of body and position of winner; 3, Stonelake, wing and cheek mkd. yell., we greatly admired; 4, Ogden Bros., very creditable yell., runs close; vhc, Sutcliffe and Son; hc, Weeks; c, Mock. NOVICE (27): 1, Adams, nice quality yell., capital position, good length, and straight, nice qual. feather; 2, Gardner, capital yell., nice straight body, rather open tail, capital headpiece; 3, Adams, good qual. buff, hardly the length, but nice position and carriage; 4, Bryant, capital yell.; vhc, Bishop; c, Stocks. SELL., 10s. 6d. (12): 1, Benefield; 2, Mrs. Davis; 3, Beal; 4, Greenslade; vhc, Lovell; hc, Ewing. MULE, LIGHT (9): Dr. Peterson Weeks, even mkd. yell. Goldie, showing parentage to perfection, nice qual. feather, well staged; 2, 3, Collins, even mkd., buff Goldie, nice size and shape, good markings, very steady, 3rd variegated, little larger, nice qual.; 4, Lees; vhc, Locke; hc, Ball. DARK MULE (15): 1, 3, Lawrence, capital type, nice col. Greenfinch-Canary; 2, Harding, good sized, nice condition Goldie-Can., pretty headpiece, nice feather and bloom; vhc, Bull. GOLDFINCH, BRIT. (16): 1, Pool, neat, attractive exhibit, good square blaze, nice collar and buttons, very good body col.; 2, Tidey, nice qual. Goldie, very good blaze and collar, nice size and steady; 3, Lawrence, good size, not so square in blaze, bit rough in head feather; 4, Hayward; vhc, Wiretone; hc, Mrs. Woodward; c, Watts.. BULLFINCH (8): 1, Lawrence, large, good type and col., excellent breast, cap, and condition; 2, Tilley, runs close, hardly so rich in breast, good head and very steady; 3, Wren, nice Bullie, very little to choose between, excellent breast, and shown fit; vhc, Lanham. LINNET (9): 1, Parlett, good size, shape, nice body, col., and beautifully pencilled; 2, Bird, good Linnet, hardly the pencilling and fettle of winner; 3, Bull, nice qual., good col. Linnet, densely pencilled; 4, Sealey; hc, Bull. SISKIN, REDPOLL, OR TWITE (10): 1, No. 350, no name, nice condition Twite, excellent col. and markings, good bloom; 2, Bull, very taking Siskin, nice size and col., staged fit; 3, Hudd, Redpoll, we rather liked, nice co.., capital headpiece, good bloom of feather; vhc, Jones; hc, Lewis. A.O.V. BRIT. (13): 1, 2, Williams, grand con. Waxwing and Chough, staged in spotless condition, and very hard to beat; 3, Lawrence, good Hawfinch, nice size, col., and bib, very steady; 4, hc, Tilley; vhc, Bond Bros. SELLING PAIRS (11): 1, Symons Bros., Norwich Crests; 2, Bryant, buff Norfi P.H.; 3, Stone; 4, Mitchell; vhc, Manley; hc, Bousfield; c, Swarbrick. MEMBERS' CLASSES: YORKS. YELL. (15): 1, 2, Greenslade, var. a bit, nice qual., very straight, good length of body; 3, 4, Hook; hc, Lovell; c, Yorke. BUFF (13): 1, Yorke, capital position and style, nice range of body; 2, Mrs. Garland, very creditable exhibit, well staged; 3, Lovell, buff, little to choose between; hc, Keyan. MULE (3): 1, 3, Silcox, light Goldies, largest and best coloured bird winning; 2, Caines, dark, very nice and attractive exhibit.

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COCKERMOUTH.

A Grand Entry.

A most successful show held Nov. 23, the cage bird section being well represented. Borders were the chief feature, and some grand classes were brought together, especially among the clears. Mr. J. S. Wilson secured the B.C. medal with a real good all-round yell. cock, while Mr. Ellwood "did the trick" for the novice medal with a good buff uneven Norwich. Yorkshires were fair classes, while Mules and British, as a whole, were good, some of the classes being well contested. In the Linnets we noticed a few birds of rather doubtful colour, but owing to rules in schedule not covering all liabilities, the judge refrained from testing them, and simply passed them. Mr. J. W. Brnce (Coldstream) judged, and his awards were well received. The genial and hard-working committee had everything in good order, but owing to the fine entry they were rather pinched for room, but managed things splendidly. The hall is well adapted for a show, being free from draughts, and nicely lighted from the top. The society are fortunate in having secured the services of an ideal secretary, Mr. Jackson, who, in his quiet, business-like manner, had everything working smoothly, while the worthy president, Mr. Oglethorpe, rendered valuable assistance, being here, there, and everywhere, trying to, and succeeding, in obliging visitors and exhibitors alike. The show was well patronised, and we hope to hear of a financial success.

BORD., YELL. CK. (20): 1, B.C. medal, 2, Wilson, a good pair, hard to separate, grand head, nice balanced wings and finely rounded body, very sweetly drawn, in tip-top form, well staged; 2nd, a shade stronger, but good body and finish; 3, Dixon, very stylish one, fine pos., nice front and well balanced wings, longer in feather and scarcely so neat in head as winner; 4, Hutchison, good shape, rare body and weight, finely rounded, beaten in feather; vhc, Rea; hc, Walker; c, Moor and Son. BUFF (22): 1, Smith, good head tick, well known winner, in fine form, grand wing carr., and A1 shape and pos., fine weight, well staged; 2, Cubby, good one; a shade stronger and bolder in head, but sweetly moulded; 3, Smart, cheek mark, grand qual. of feather, and splendid pos., fails in roundness of body; 4, G. Bennet, good shape and grand style, fails in col. and finish, well placed; vhc, Wilson; hc, Waugh; c, Rea. UNEVEN, ETC., YELL. (7): 1, Dixon, good shape, fine free style, sweet head and front, and rare wings, grand bloom; 2, Meston, splendid body, well rounded, good head and wings, bit inclined to lie over perch; 3, Ellwood, sweet cinn. mark, splendid style and shape, a shade thin in front, and loose in feather; 4, Herring, good body and finish, fails in head; vhc, Coulthard; hc, Walker; c, Rea. BUFF (6): 1, B. Nov. medal, Ellwood, wins, in extra good form, feathered like wax, grand pos., very sweetly drawn, A1 front and wing carr., a shade flat on head; 2, Wilson, good body and head, fails in pos. and taper, well finished in feather; 3, Meston, good stamp and extra well rounded, fails in bloom, could do with a wash; 4, Knight, beaten in body, nice head and wing carr.; vhc, Gilchrist; hc, Hutchison, good bird, a shade soft. HEN, CL., ETC., YELL. (15): 1, G. Bennett, grand shape, good head, nice front, and wing carr., grandly balanced all over, a real good one, wins; 2, Gilchrist, lovely body and wing carr., sweet shape, not so neat in head and neck, well up; 3, vhc, Wilson, good body, very neat in front and wing carr., fails in head; 4, Meston, good one, a shade stronger in body, but all there for roundness, fails a trifle in finish, grand stamp; hc, Ellwood; c, Smart. BUFF (19): 1, Smart, grand stamp, extra good body, lovely wing carr., fine weight, boxy feathered one, could be improved with a wash; 2, Gilchrist, lovely waxy wings, good front and wing carr., a shade small in head, good otherwise; 3, Egerton, a grand body and lovely wing carr., sweet head, fails in finish to winners; 4, vhc, Wilson, good body and head, not so well drawn as winners, sweet qual. of feather; hc, J. Bennett; c, Hutchison. EVEN-MARK (8): 1, Smart, wins on markings, grand eye and wing markings, and lovely shape, inclined to cross wings at times, Berwick winner, in new hands; 2, Cubby, sweetly mkd. yell., not so well drawn in eyes, but equally good in wings and type, put down in spanking order; 3, Dixon, a buff, good stamp and feather, beaten in mkgs.; 4, Docherty, also a buff, good type, again beaten in mkgs.; vhc, Moor and Son; hc, Walker; c, no name. GREEN OR CINN. (15): 1, 2, Lambie, leader a good grassy green, very pure in col. and nicely laced, a shade slim and high on legs, wins for col.; 2nd, grand type, rare head and front, and good col. and mkgs., had lost a few small feathers in wing, must have pressed; 3, 4, Cubby, a yell., cinn., and green, both good type and lovely feather, nicely laced, but inclined to be a shade bronzy in ground col.; vhc, Hay; hc, Millington; c, Coulthard. YORKS., CL. YELL. CK.: Cancelled. BUFF: Cancelled. TICK. OR VARIEG. YELL. CK. (7): 1, 2, Douglas and Glaister, leader the best in pos., nice length and well drawn, good head and wings; 2nd, a shade thin in front, good taper and side, both in full bloom; 3, Stewart, good stamp, finely drawn, beaten in length and finish; 4, Park, good all round, fails in feather; vhc, Lyall; hc, Coalson; c, Brunskill. BUFF: Cancelled. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (7): 1, vhc, Stewart, sweet all round, grand length and very well drawn, nice head and front, and well balanced wing carr., in fine bloom; 2, Lyall, good stamp, well up on leg and good length, a shade thinner in front, and not so long in side as winner; 3, 4, Douglas and Glaister, 3rd fails a little in head, but good qual. of feather; 4th, beaten in front, again nice length and pos.; hc, Park; c, Hetherington. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Stewart, good all round, let fine length and rare quality of feather, sweet cinn. tick; 2nd, clear, nice length, good head and wing carr., scarcely so well rounded in front; 3, Coulson, good stamp, not so long as winners, but grand finish; 4, Lyall, good head and front, well drawn, fails in wing carr. and length; vhc, Park. UNFLIG.: Cancelled. NOR. CK. (9): 1, hc, Sumpton Bros., a good head tick yell., bold front and lovely wing carr., very nice taper and sweet head and neck, in good form; 2, Hay, a red-hot fed, unflig. varieg., lovely head and wing carr., and grand size, fails in front to winner, in rare bloom; 3, vhc, Bell, good all-round buff, well up in size, and grand feather, not so neat in head as winners; 4, Reid Bros., good buff, lovely order, fails in head to winner and size of body; c, Younghusband. HEN, NOR. (6): 1, Hyde's sp, Hay, a monster for size, grand head and front, and rare shape, slightly broken in col., a real topper, some doubted its sex; 2, Bell, a buff, good one, nice size and lovely head, good front, and A1 wing carr., staged in good form; 3, Younghusband, sweet buff, plenty size, plainer in appearance than winner; 4, Johnstone, nice shape and qual., beaten in size; vhc, Steele; hc, Oglethorpe. A.O.V. CK. (5): 1, 3, Robertson, leader a good yell. Belgian, hard up on top end, fine droop and length of side, shows leg well, sweet sunky head, a real good one, in fine form; 3rd, a buff Belgian, scarcely so nervy as winner and beaten in size; 2, 4, Ellwood, a good buff S. Fancy, nice top end, and good action, showing signs of age; 4th, a yell. S.F., beaten in size and sub.; vhc, Duncan and McPherson. HEN: Cancelled. MATCHED PAIRS (6): 1, Dixon, Siberian Goldie, and a large yell. Nor. hen, good dense col. Finch, well matched, a likely pair; 2, Davies, a grand pair of Nor., rare bouncing yell. cock and buff hen, plenty of size and grand shape, both well matched, close up; 3, Robertson, a nice pair of Belgian, good shoulder and nervy, could be a shade larger; 4, Ellwood, nice balanced pair of Borders, good yell. cock and buff hen; vhc, Bradley; hc, Stephenson. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: Cancelled. DK. MULE (11): 1, Gilchrist (Border King), well known Dk. Goldie, great face and lovely size and col., extra good bloom, exceedingly well shown; 2, c, Bertram and Baines, a grand Redpoll, lovely pink head and grand size of body, rare shape and col., a hard nut to crack in its own class; 3, Sumpton Bros., a Linnet Jonque, good col. and markings, and well up in size, well put down; 4, no name, a nice yell. Goldie, fails in size and density of face to winner; vhc, Davies; hc, Deacon. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (11): 1, vhc, Laidlaw, a good Bullie, not a large one, but a demon for col., sweet cap and bib, and grand bars, in extra good form; 2, Bertram and Baines, a lovely Goldie, grand size, splendid dense face, grand square cut blaze, good nap and buttons and in full bloom, close up; 3, 4, Wilson and Godfrey, both Goldies, leader the best in face, both fails slightly to winner in size and density of col.; hc, Bradley; c, Reay. LINNET (12): 1, 2, Wilson and Godfrey, two hot ones, leader rare size, lovely pencilling on front, good shape and nice tone of colour, sweet all round, in fine trim; 2nd, lovely pencilling, larger than winner, but not polished on the feather, again in full bloom, two gems; 3, Douglas and Glaister, nice size and shape, and well mkd., beaten in finish by winner; 4, Dixon, good stamp, a shade small, but nice breast work, inclined to be dk. in ground col.; vhc, Bell and Nelson; hc, Reay; c, Lyall. SISKIN, REDPOLL OR TWITE (7): 1, c, Wilson and Godfrey, a good Siskin, well up in size, nice dense cap, and finely pencilled, plenty of col., and in good form; 2, 4, J. Wilson, a nice Mealy, plenty of lacing and good cap and bib, could be larger in size; 4th, we missed when taking notes; 3, Norman, a sweet natural col. Siskin, good cap and well mkd., a shade dull in feather, but will improve; vhc, Reay; hc, Graham; c, Wilson and Godfrey. GREENFINCH, CHAFFIE, OR BRAMBLE (6): 1, Hutchison, good well fed Greenie, well up in size and a gem for col., lovely wing bars, bold head and in rare order, well staged; 2, Bradley, a nice Bramble, well laced and pure in whites, good size and qual.; 3, vhc, Bell and Wilson, good Bramble, A1 size and spangle, but very sunnty in whites below; 4, Hetherington, also a Bramble, fails a little in size and spangle, nice order; hc, Douglas and Glaister. BUNTING, A.S. (6): 1, vhc, J. Wilson, leader an ideal yell., grand size, nice spangle and sweetly shaped head, good col. and well staged; 2, 3, 4, Oglethorpe, a nice Ortolan, in good trim, and a sweet Corn Bunting hen, grand size and very sweetly mkd., nice shape and steady, would do well in a hen class; 4th, a Yellow Bunting, plenty size, fails in head mkgs. to winner; hc, Douglas and Glaister. A.O.S. BRIT. (6): 1, 2, vhc, Lewis, leader a Blackcap, splendidly staged, very artistic and natural, plenty of size, good cap and col., and in fine bloom; 2nd, Clough, a noted winner, well staged, a trifle small in size, good bill and legs, and rarer tint; 3, Moncrieff, a sweet Thrush, well spangled and well up in size, could be improved with a smaller show cage; 4, McNae, also a Thrush, slightly beaten in size and markings here; vhc, Laidlaw. A.V. FOR., SMALL (7): 1, Hay, a sweet Black-headed Gouldian, in grand trim, well put down; 2, vhc, Maughan, a nice Whydah, in full bloom; 3, 4, Robertson, a sweet pair of Cordon Bleus, and a pair Waxbills, both in very nice order; hc, Williamson; c, Hetherington.

BINGLEY AND DISTRICT. O.S.

Members' show held in the Co-operative Assembly Rooms, Nov. 23rd. Mr. James Hartley, Bingley, judged to the satisfaction of every one. Points scored were as follows:—S. Denby 21, Livesey and Son 19, H. Shaw 16, R. Wade 14, S. H. Bailey 14, W. Dean 10, G. H. Lee 9, T. Smith 7, H. Hardacre 6, G. H. Sunderland 4, Butterworth and Hardy 2, A. Blakey 1. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 3, Denby; 2, Dean; 4, Wade. BUFF: 1, 4, Denby; 2, Bailey; 3, Wade. YELL. HEN: 1, Smith; 2, 4, Denby; 3, Wade. BUFF: 1 Denby; 2, Livesey and Son; 3, Shaw; 4, Wade. EVEN, ETC.: 1, Shaw; 2, Denby; 3, Bailey; 4, Lee. HEN: 1, 2, Shaw; 3, Sunderland; 4, Wade. SELF, ETC., GREEN: 1, 2, 3, Hardacre. HEN: 1, Hardacre. ROLLER: 1, 2, 3, 4 Livesey and Son. We have to thank all members who gave a helping hand in the decorations. Ass Livesey, Secs.

BRADFORD WEST.

Members' show, Nov. 20, at Club Rooms, Shoulder of Mutton, Girlington. Mr. L. Varley, Keighley, judged, and his awards were received with satisfaction throughout. 66 birds were staged. CHAMP., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Clegg; 2, Wallbank; 3, Whitley. BUFF: 1, Wallbank; 2, Whitley; 3, 4, Clegg. CL. OR TKD. YELL HEN: 1, 2, 3, Clegg. BUFF: 1, 2, Clegg. UNEVEN.: 1, Clegg; 2, Whitley. NOV., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Western; 2, Bennett; 3, Craven; 4, Mountain. BUFF: 1, Craven; 2, Mountain; 3, 4, Bennett. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Western; 2, Smith; 3, 4, Bennett. BUFF: 1, 4, Western; 2, 3, Bennett. UNEVEN CK.: 1, Western; 2, Bennett; 3, Craven; 4, Smith. HEN: 1, 2, Western; 3, Bennett; 4, McEwen. Mr. F. Western won sp. for best bird in show. All members are invited to attend next meeting, December 14, at 7 p.m.; nomination of officers for next year; also pie supper, 1s. per head. Will members desirous of attending kindly send in their names.—Kilburn and Western, Secs.

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CONSETT. BLACKHILL.

Sixteenth annual show held in the Skating Rink, Consett, Nov. 23rd. The birds were nicely staged in a well-lighted room, free from draughts, and apart from the other live exhibits. Yorkshires came up well, numbering forty-nine in the four open classes. Messrs. Huddlestone, Coomber and Johnson taking the "cream." Bullfinches were a grand class. Mr. Curry's winner is a gem. Many good Bullies were out of the cards. Crests (open) and several other classes had to be cancelled owing to clashing of dates of Stockton-on-Tees, Haltwhistle, and Cramlington. Mr. Coupland, the secretary, had everything ready, Mr. A. Nichols taking charge of the section. Messrs. Thorpe, Forster, Thompson, Davidson, and Cunningham acted as stewards, and exhibits were well attended to. Mr. T. Robson judged, and his awards were well received. YORKS YELL. TKD., ETC. (11): 1, 2, Coomber, cl., good col. and quality, nice size, grand wings, 2nd saddle-back, not so long as 1st, sweet shape and lovely feather; 3, Johnson, cl., close up, nice racy bird, showing slight frill; 4, Huddlestone, mkd. wings and cap, smaller than leaders, grand qual. BUFF (11): 1, sp, for best Yorks, Johnson, cl., grand size, feathered like wax, well braced wings, stands well up, lovely shape; 2, R. Huller, tkd. head and neck, not the sub. of 1st, fine col., grand car.; 3, Coomber, mkd. checks and wings, grand feather and size, line pos.; 4, Wearmouth, slight kick on neck, not quite so good in col., nice shape. UNFLIG. (12): 1, Huddlestone, charming cl. yell., wonderful size, grand col., stands well up; 2, Elliott, buff, gem for size, well braced wings; 3, Forster, cl. yell., nice size, good col.; 4, Goodchild. HEN (38): 1, Huddlestone, cl. yell., grand size and shape, good col. and qual.; 2, Robinson, cl. buff, sweet shape, close fitting jacket, good pos.; 3, sp, Forster, cl. buff, close up, grand qual.; 4, Forster. NOR. BUFF (10): 1, sp, Callaway and Williams, good type, large, nice qual. feather, cl. under; 2, Robson and March, close up, grand sub., cobby shape, good head and neck; 3, Burkas, good shape, nice qual. feather, smaller; 4, Dodds; 7, 8, and 10, absent. BORD. (14): 1, sp, Dickinson Bros., nearly even mkd. buff, sweet shape, fine qual. feather; 2, Christen, close up, nicely mkd. bird, not quite the col., very taking; 3, Rochester, nice cl. yell; 4, Craig. BULLFINCH (13): 1, W. Curry, a gem, grand col., breast and back, good wing bars, shining; 2, Nixon, typical, larger, good cap, not quite the col. or gloss; 3, Davison, better col. than 2nd, nice size and shape, wing bars hardly so good; 4, Dickinson Bros., grand bird, expansive cap, not quite the col. MEMBERS—NOR. (5): 1, 2, 3, Barkas; 4, Robinson. CREST (10): 1, 2, 4, Dickinson Bros., 1st silver cup for best members' and two spls, a really good Crest, fine size and droop, 2nd very neat crest, not so large; 4th variog. Crest; 3, Thorpe, good C.-B., grand size and skull and good feather. YORKS., Any Age (10): 1, sp, best members' Yorks, Forster, cl. yell, good size, col. and shape; 2, Robinson, mkd. eyes and wing, boxy feather, good length; 3, Thompson, cl. yell., not the size; 4, Owens. BORD. (12): 1, Spraggon, even mkd., eyes and wings, nice size; 2, Dickinson Bros., very little difference, smaller, nice feather; 3, Davison, good cl. yell., nice col. and style; 4, Dickinson Bros., nice qual., mkd. eyes. A.S. BRIT. (7): 1, spl, Rowell, Greenfinch, good size and qual, nice head, shapely; 2, Thompson, Goldfinch, good blaze and tanning; 3, Rafferty, Skylark; 4, Finigan, Linnet.

LAUNCESTON.

Held Nov. 26 in the Market Hall. The entries were an improvement on last year, although several classes were cancelled, many sending in their entries too late. The winners in the Yorkshire classes were birds of much merit, the winning yellow capturing special for best bird in the show. Britishers were a nice lot, the winning Goldfinch being a gem. The local classes had some nice exhibits in them, the winning yellow Norwich, which captured the special, being a nice typical bird. The birds were nicely staged at one end of the hall, and were well cared for by genuine fanciers. Mr. N. H. Reed, the genial hon. sec., had everything working smoothly, and was as courteous as always. Mr. J. H. Payne judged. NOR. CL. BUFF (5): 1, no name, nice shape and size, good feather and qual., nice head, neck, wings and tail, good back and chest; 2, 3, Stephens and Gaved, nice type, short flights and tail, good feather; 3, good col. and qual., nice head and neck, bit longer in barrel; 4, Andrew; he, Rowley. YORKS., CL. YELL. (7): 1, sp, 2, Dykes, good length and pos., long flights and pipe tail, good size and shape, grand feather, and well drawn out; 2, nice col., good stand, well on leg, not so good in wing car.; 3, Renolds and Son, hot col., nice pos., neat tail and flights; vhc, Andrews; No. 7, wrong class, a buff. BUFF (7): 1, Thomas, straight as a rush, good feather and col., neat head, good flights and pipe tail; 2, Julian, nice pos., good wings and tail, not quite the quality; 3, Thomas, nice pos., col., and feather, shade slack at thighs; vhc, Andrew; wrong class No. 6, a yell. TKD., ETC. (11): 1, Dykes, thigh tkd., yell., lovely col., feather and qual., grand back and pipe tail, stands well, nice round head, wins well; 2, he, Julian, head tkd. buff, nice pos., feather, and col., well braced wings and tail; 3, Thomas, head, neck and wing mkd. yell., slim built, well drawn out, stands well, good flights and tail; vhc, Bowden; c, Wills. HEN (11): 1, Dykes, mkd. eyes and wings yell., good back, flights, and tail, nicely drawn, close feather and nice pos.; 2, he, Richards, wing mkd. yell., well on leg, straight as a rush and well up, good flights and pipe tail; 3, Renolds and Son, cl. buff, lovely feather, good pos., nice back, wings and tail, shade pale; vhc, Hodge; c, Wills, Andrews. HYB. (6): 1, 3, Edwards, Linnet-Bullie, good shape, col., and feather; 3, Linnet-Bullie, grand col. and feather, but not the size and shape; 2, he, Lee, Goldie-Bullie, grand feather, nice shape and col., good wing bars; vhc, Sladden. GOLDFINCH (13): 1, sp, Cheney, rich scarlet blaze, of good shape, grand feather, and tanning, good bars and buttons, in the pink; 2, Collins, grand chest tanning, good col. blaze, but not quite the size, nice back bars, and buttons; 3, Webber, nice col. blaze, good tanning, bars and buttons; vhc, Polkinghorn; he, c, Baker. A.O.S. HORNBILL (17), Good class: 1, Collins, Hawfinch, lovely feather, well up in col. and markings, bib of good size and well defined, in good trim; 2, Cheney, clinking Bullfinch, lovely breast col., good cap, bars and back, in grand feather; 3, vhc, Large, well marked and good feathered Corn Bunting, could do with a larger cage; vhc, he, Poole; c, Webber, Stephens and Gaved. FOR. (7): 1, no name, grand feathered and col. Red Rump Parrakeet; 2, Stephens and Gaved, grand pair Love Birds; 3, he, Lee, Black-headed Gouldian, lovely feather and col.; vhc, Wag. LOCAL, YELL. (8): 1, sp, 3, he, Hoblyn, good shape, nice head and neck, good feather, level col.; 3, nice col., beaten in feather and shape; 2, Rattenbury, good shaped, unfighted, nice feather and quality, bit down in col.; vhc, Dew; c, Avery and Son; all Norwich. BUFF (8): 1, Avery and Son, unfit., good shape, capital col. and quality, nice head and back; 2, 3, Hoblyn, nice shape and feather, good head and neck, not quite the qual.; 3, good shape, nice wings and tail, shade too fat; vhc, Avery and Son; he, Rattenburg; c, Edmonds; all Norwich. UNFLT. (7): 1, 2, 3, he, Hoblyn, good shaped buff, nice col., head, and neck; 2, yell., mkd. eyes and wings, nice col. and qual.; 3, good shaped buff, nice col.; vhc, c, Rattenburg. MULE (GOLDIE-CAN.) (10): 1, sp, Higman, vg. and buff, lovely feather and cond., nice shape; 2, Cottle Bros., dark Jonque, good col. and feather; 3, vhc, Jasper, Jonque, nice feather; he, Routley; c, Creeber, Wag. Mule (6): 1, he, Wag, nice buff Twite-Can., good shape and markings; 2, vhc, c, Cottle Bros., Goldfinch-Greenfinch, nice feather and wing bars; 3, Hicks, good feathered Linnet-Can. GOLDFINCH (10): 1, Baker, nice bars and chest tanning; 2, Gloyn, good bars and buttons; 3, Gimblett, nice feather and tanning; vhc, Stapleton; he, Wag; c, Edwards. A.O.S. BRIT. (7): 1, vhc, Wag, Mealy Redpole, good feather, shape, and flank marks; 2, Avery and Son, Greenfinch, nice feather and bars; 3, Wag, Bullfinch, good col. breast, nice cap; he, Hoskin; c, Cottle Bros. FOR. (7): 1, sp, 2, vhc, he, c, Wag, a good team, nice Amazon Parrot leading; 2, nice green Budgerigar well marked; 3, good col. Rosella.

ST. COLUMB.

Annual show held Nov. 20th, was a great success both in quality and numbers—148 entries in 12 classes. Norwich section was grand, undoubtedly the best staged in Cornwall for a long time, the winning Nonfighted being a gem of the first water, a pattern in every way. The Yorkshires were two good classes, but several good ones had to stand down owing to being out of condition, as condition tells in a Yorkic. Goldfinches as usual in Cornwall were good, the winner being a gem. In the A.O.V. British class a grand Yellow Wagtail won looking well, closely pressed by a grand Bramblefinch. The exhibits were well staged, and looked after by a good committee, whilst Mr. W. L. Salmon makes an ideal secretary, obliging and considerate to all. The Silver Cup for most points was won by Mr. F. Pascoe. The judge, Mr. C. H. Loy, got through in good time, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL (14): 1, sp., vhc, Spillman, cl., good size, a lovely qual., inclined to be a little flat on head; 2, 3, r, Pascoe, a grand team, leader variegated, good type and qual; 3rd, cl., good head and neck grand col.; he, Pope, good one. BUFF (12): 1, sp, r, Spillman, leader a topper, staged to perfection, clean win; 2, Thomas, neat head and neck, good wings and tail nice col.; 3, Pascoe, cl. good qual. and con., falls little in head; vhc, Andrew; he, Stephens and Gaved. HEN (14): 1, sp., 2, Spillman, two lovely hens, yell., leading nice type, good qual.; 2nd, good buff, very pretty hen; 3, Pascoe, buff good qual., nice wings and tail little smaller; r, Stephens and Gaved, a good hird, nice shape; vhc, Ferrill; he, Gregor. NONFLIG. (10): 1, sp., 2, Spillman, winner best Nor. in show, lovely shape and feather and pattern; 2, grand Buff, good flight and tail, lovely cond.; 3, ex 3, Pascoe, two good ones, good type and qual.; ex 3, Ferrill, nice wings and tail, good col.; r, Smith; vhc, Pope; he, Andrew; a grand class. YORK YELL (12): 1, S. Julian, finely drawn, good back and wings, nice tail, good feather; 2, ex 3, r, Boundy, good wings and shoulders, not best of feather, little rough; 3, Thomas, nice bird, good pos.; vhc, Roach; he, Peal. BUFF (11): 1, sp, 3, he, Thomas, a good team, leader fine braced wings, nice tail, good pos.; 3rd smaller, shown in good form; 2, Julian, good back and wings, well drawn; ex 3, Boundy, good type, nice wings and tail, showing frill to-day; r, Andrew; vhc, Julian. CREST OR C.B. (5): 1, sp., 2, 3, r, vhc, Rabey Bros., a good team, the winner excels in head properties, grand centre and radiation, good droop and leafy feather. GOLDFINCH (12) (good class): 1, sp., Roscoria, good one, lovely underblaze, square and well cut, good cheeks and breast col., in full bloom, a topper; 2, Lobb, sweet Finch, fine body col. and markings, though hardly ready; 3, Chappel, nice tannings and buttons, good cheeks; r, Pascoe; he, Stephens and Gaved; vhc, Kessell. BRIT SMALL (9): 1, sp., Boundy, rattling good Yell. Wagtail, good col. and size; 2, Ferrill, large good col. Bramble, well mkd., very steady; 3, Roberts and Trenery, Mealy Redpoll, bonny bird, good size and col., nice bib; vhc, Pascoe; he, Rabey Bros. FOR. SMALL (9): 1, sp., Phelp, Cowbird, grand sheen and fettle, lovely cond.; 2, 3, r, Stephens and Gaved, Grassfinches and Lorikeets, nice col. and well staged; vhc, Thomas; he, Commons.

NEWARK AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Annual show held Nov. 23, at Headquarters, Boar's Head Hotel. The show was a pronounced success, and there is no reason to doubt that the cage bird fancy in Newark has taken a firm hold. There were over 80 exhibits on view; the large club room was admirably arranged; and there was a crowded attendance of interested spectators. The officers of the society are Ald. W. E. Knight (president); Ald. F. H. Appley, Messrs. E. F. Nicholson, J. McNaught, Davis, J. T. Parnham, and A. Botsford, vice-presidents, and a strong committee, who worked hard and willingly under their able chairman, Mr. A. Wells, with Mr. W. Lidgett, the hon. sec, who had the arranging of the show. Quality was shown all round, but a few may be specially mentioned. In Nor. cks. Mr. J. H. Lamb gained premier honours with two good colour-feds. Nor. hens found the best bird in the show, a fine yell., belonging to Mr. W. Fitchett, which won for him the society's silver cup. In non-fed hens Mr. W. Lidgett stood first with a capped buff, last year's winner in the same class. Mr. W. Staniland (Collingham) won in non-fed cocks with a big bouncing yell., and in Yorks. Mr. W. Fitchett took all honours. In the A.O.V. class Mr. Simpson won well with a neat Border. The committee wish to tender their thanks to the proprietor of the club's headquarters, Mr. H. Hopper, and also to the following gentlemen, who very kindly supplied the special prizes. Messrs. Brunnin, Burbridge, Hill, E. Randall, Mason, Ellis, Clutterbuck, Cupit, Fitchett, Freeman, Hardy, and Willis, and Councillor Pratt, while Messrs. Warwick and Richardson's donation to the funds helped to assist financial matters. Mr. W. Vardy judged, and his awards were well received.

NOR. CK., CL.: 1, spl, etc., Lamb; 2, Smith; 3, he, Fitchett; vhc, Toynbee. TKD., ETC.: 1, spl, Lamb; 2, vhc, Toynbee; 3, c, Fitchett; he, Smith. HEN: 1 spl, cup, 2, Fitchett; 3, Toynbee; vhc, Smith. HEN (not fed): 1 spl, 3, Lidgett; 2, Toynbee; vhc, he, Smith; c, Simpson. COCK (not fed): 1, spl, Staniland; 2, Lidgett; 3, Measham; vhc, Coe; he, c, Smith. YORKS.: 1, spl, 2, 3, vhc, Fitchett; he c, Spinks. A.O.V.: 1, spl, 3, Simpson; 2, Martin; vhc, Staniland. BRIT.: 1, spl, Fitchett; 2, c, Lamb; 3, Martin; vhc, he, Toynbee. MULES: 1, spl, 3, Townbee; 2, Lamb; vhc, Fitchett; he, c, Martin. FOR.: 1 spl, 2, 3, c, Lidgett; vhc, Staniland; he, Fitchett. A.O.V. CAGE BIRD: 1 Fitchett.—W. Lidgett, Hon. Sec.

HALTWHISTLE.

Record Entry, Splendid Show.

Second annual show held Nov. 22 in the Mechanics' Hall, a fine spacious building for the occasion, with plenty of top light, and well lighted at night, as well as being comfortably heated. The exhibits were nicely arranged in four long tiers down the hall, and the tasteful decorations of palms, etc., had a very pleasing effect. Entries came in very well, being a long way ahead of last year, and it was very gratifying to the committee. Border and Norwich sections were the feature of the show, many noted winners being staged. Yorks. were a great improvement on last year, and contained many lovely birds. British were strong, Mr. W. Davidson staging a nice team, claiming three 1sts and one 3rd. Foreign classes only filled moderately, but they were a source of great attraction. The clear mule and hybrid class had to be cancelled. The sectarial reins were in the hands of Messrs. S. Nicholson and W. Tallantyre, who were ably assisted by Mr. J. W. Pattinson, and well backed up by an energetic committee. The winner of the B.F.C.C. medal was Mr. Harry Davidson, with a clear Buff cock. Special for most points in the Border section went to Mr. John Nicholson; 2nd most points to Mr. H. Davidson; most points in Norwich, Mr. Joe Thomas; 2nd, Mr. A. Hermeston. Yorks., most points, Mr. W. Mather; 2nd, Mr. R. Hutler. Brit., most points, Mr. W. Davidson; 2nd, Mr. W. Tomlinson. Mules, most points, Bowerbank Bros; 2nd, Mr. J. R. Cox. Best bird shown by a member, Mr. J. Nicholson, with his uneven marked Cinn. yellow Bord.; runner up, Bowerbank Bros.' Dark Goldfinch-Can. mule. Specials for best yell. and buff Bord. by a novice member were won by Mr. W. Pape. The judges were Mr. J. Dixon, Wigton, Bord., Brit., Mules, and For.; and Mr. A. Holden, Gateshead, Nor., Yorks., and selling.

The Critique.

BORD. CL. YELL. CK. (9): 1, 2, J. Pearson, good col., jaunty, thin in neck; 2, good qual., nice col. and position, beaten head; 3, Davidson, nice type, good qual., grand style, our choice for 2nd; 4, Nicholson, Bord. all over, good type, qual., col., and position, nice style, our choice; vhc, Purvis; he, Gilchrist; c, Smith. BUFF (15): 1, Davidson, B.F.C.C. medal winner, good type, grand qual. and splendid mover, rather strong in col.; 2, Smart, wee gem, shown in the pink of condition, some preferred; 3, Coulthard, jaunty, good qual. and col.; 4, Espie, nicely rounded, grand qual., feather like wax; vhc, he, Nicholson; c, Beevor. CL. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Smart, and smart indeed, splendid col., qual. and type grand, a little beauty; 2, Johnston, another nice hen, beaten style; 3, vhc, Pearson, nice jaunty little lady, in grand order; 4, Whittaker, good in body, fine feather; he, Coulthard; c, Nicholson. BUFF (17): 1, Espie, nice type, good qual., fine style, tight as a drum; 2, Davidson, good qual., feather, nice and jaunty; 3, Pennington, well rounded little lady, good feather and stylish, well placed; 4, Smart, a little beauty, type, qual., col., and style combined; vhc, Gilchrist; he, Gill; c, Nicholson. FOUL (10): 1, Gilchrist, tick on neck, nice type, good qual. and style, grand order; 2, Coulthard, saddle mark, good qual. of feather, just beaten type; 3, Watson, eye tick buff, nice type and quality of feather, a bit soiled; 4, Gill, typical, good feather, style and position, well put down; vhc, Purvis; he, Espie; c, Sewell. EVEN MKD. (3): 1, Gilchrist, well-known winner, often described, best of eye marks; 2, 3, Nicholson, two little gems, good type, qual., and style, well balanced in markings, little to choose. UNEVEN YELL. (10): 1, 2, he, Nicholson, well-known cin. mark yell., daudie all over, one of the best out this season; 2, another grand Border, close on the heels of the winner; 3, Davidson, rather finely got up, pleuty of style, good colour and feather, but gets wiugs across at times; 4, J. H. Pearson, nice and jaunty; vhc, Wray; c, Watson. BUFF (9): 1, Davidson, sweet exhibit, good type, qual. and style, well put down; 2, Smart, close up, hard to separate; 3, Espie, good one, just fails a little in back; 4, Tomlinson, nice jaunty bird, gets wings across at times; vhc, Gill; he, Watson; c, Sewell. GR. OR CINN. YELL. (13): 1, 2, Johnston, green and a cin., two nice exhibits, in grand form; 3, vhc, Affleck, greens, leading with a typical good, coloured, nicely mkd.; 4, Whittaker, cinn., nice type and qual., but fails a little in col.; he, Parker; c, Davidson. BUFF (8): 1, Affleck, green, good col. and markings, good type; 2, 3, Johnston, cin. and green, in the pink of condition, good col. and style; 4, Greenwell, good type, qual., col., and markings, shade light underneath; vhc, Davidson; he, Lambie; c, Robson. NOV., YELL. (29), a strong class, and some good birds out of the cards: 1, 3, Pape, leading with a nice even mark, good type and qual.; 8, a nice green; 2, Heslop, eye tick, nicely rounded, fine quality, grand style, well shown; 4, Browell, sweet little cl. hen, good type and best of qual. and style; vhc, Purvis; he, Pattinson; c, Wray. BUFF (27), some nice birds in this class: 1, 3, Pape, leader nice stylish bird, in grand order; 3, eye and wing mark., good feather, jaunty; 2, Smith, better type, grand quality of feather, nice free mover and well shown; 4, Shield, cap mark, typical, grand feather, but soiled; vhc, Howe; he, Heslop; c, Browell. NOR. CL. YELL (9): 1, Richardson, fine bold bird, good head and neck, wins easy; 2, W. M. Forbes, good bird, grand col., deserves his place; 3, Butler, trifle long in waist, fails in colour to leaders, moves well; 4, Davison, not the substance of leaders, good col.; vhc, Thomas; he, Crase; c, Donaldson. BUFF (4): 1, Davison, big bold bird, wonderful substance, grand head, well filled neck, well braced wings and tail; 2, Morrow, nat. col., might have been better shown; 3, Geggie, smaller, good col.; 4, Curry, Chopwell winner, out of condition here to-day. TKD., ETC. (8): 1, Thomas, fine bold head, yell. marked, good wings, stands well, fine qual.; 2, Cowling, buff mark, good, longer, not much to choose; 3, Bell, very fine type, nice wedge shape, good front, well put down; 4, Pearson, good col., nicely mealed, fails a little in wing carriage, or might have gone up; vhc, Richardson; he, McGinn; c, R. W. Smith. HEN, CL., ETC., YELL. (9): 1, 3, Hermeston, leader neck mkd., a bonny lady, grand substance and type, neat head and neck, quickly claimed at 35s.; 3rd, another nice hen, fails to leader in col.; 2, c, Richardson, larger than leader, trifle longer in waist, open in feather; 4, Cowling, smaller than leaders, nice exhibit and well put down; vhc, Pearson; he, Thomas. BUFF (15): 1, Hermeston, var. buff, fine bold bird, fine substance, easy win here; 2, Wellsbury, trifle longer, good head and neck; 3, he, Richardson, smaller, fails in head to leaders, or might have won; 4, c, Smith, leader good col., trifle too full in chest; vhc, Hope. YELL. UNFLIG. (13): a strong class; 1, Wellsbury, Blaydon winner, cl., fine exhibit, well put down, wins well; 2, F. Bell, var. yell., fine substance, fails little in feather to leader, moves nicely, will be heard of again; 3, Pelrson, another fine exhibit, good col., trifle longer, good head and neck; 4, Hermeston, saddle mark, smaller, fine feather; vhc, Cross; he, Butler; c, R. W. Smith. BUFF (13): 1, he, Cross, leader Chopwell winner, fine exhibit, good col., moves well; 2, McGinn, Newcastle winner, falls in feather to leader; 3, Seely Bros., good colour, smaller in head; 4, Dobinson, good colour, in fine bloom; vhc, Wellsbury; c, Makins. HEN, UNFLIG. (21): two sets of winners; 1, 3, Thomas, leader cl. buff, bonny lady, grand substance and type, neat head and neck, lovely qual., well put down; 3rd, another good buff, not far short; 2, Butler, cl. yell., lovely damsel, well put down, moves well, good head and neck, nice wings and tail; 4, Lumley, cl. yell., fine bold bird, good col., moves well, clean cut away behind; vhc, Wellsbury; he, Seely Bros.; c, McGinn. NOVICE: 1, Lawson, yell., good col., nice exhibit; 2, Wood, very fine yellow, not much to choose; 3, Davison, cl. buff, fine bloom; 4, Topping, clear yell., longer, nice style, good col.; vhc, White; he, Lawson; c, Hymers. YORKS. (11): 1, Hutler, yell., nice exhibit, well put down, nice length, easy win; 2, c, Thomas, another nice one, falls in length to leader, good feather, nice wings and tail; 3, Mather, not so well tapered, good col.; 4, Seely Bros.; vhc, he, Simeson. UNFLIG. YELL. (6): 1, Mather, very good one, nice position, wins to-day; 2, Thomas, grand qual., not much between them, some preferred for first; 3, Simeson, larger than winners, grizzle tail, open in feather when we saw him; 4, Hutler, largest bird in class, tkd. neck and wing, open in thigh, or might have won; vhc, Mosscrop; he, Graham. BUFF (6): 1, Hutler, N.Y.C.C. Cup winner, fine exhibit, easy win, needs no comment, a topper; 2, Simeson, good one all-round, nice position; 3, Mather, trifle shorter than leaders, but good; 4, Mather, nice exhibit, falls in colour; vhc, Thomas; he, Topping. NOVICE (12): 1, Tullet, nice exhibit, wins easy, good length and position; 2, Topping, another good one, nice position, trifle shorter than leader; 3, 4, Ridley Bros., leader does not take the perches too well, we thought; 4th, larger, not so neat or so nicely drawn; vhc, Mosscrop; he, Graham; c, Topping. SCOTCH FANCY (3): 1, 2, Thompson Bros., two nice exhibits, work well, nicely rounded, good qual.; 3, Jas. Craig, wants a wash and would improve. GOLDFINCH (16): 1, Davidson, wins well, nice rich tan, grand face and nicely staged; 2, Pennington, nice size; grand condition; 3, Tomlinson, good one in all respects, close up; 4, Bowerbank Bros., sweet little chap in the pink of condition, beaten wings; vhc, Browell; he, Fawcett; c, Keen. BULLFINCH (10): 1, Davison, splendid col., nice cap, good size, in good order; 2, Tomlinson, similar bird, just beaten a little in colour; 3, Heslop, smaller than leaders, and not quite the col.; 4, Fawcett, nice size and good col., and well capped, a bigger cage would improve it; vhc, Nixon; he, c, Bowerbank Bros. LINNET (11): 1, Davison, topper, and well known, needs no comment; 2, Traill, another nice bird, well up in size, col., and markings, nicely put down; 3, Bowerbank Bros., nice size, well staged, not quite the col. and markings of leaders; 4, vhc, Tomlinson, nice bird, well placed; he, Cranston; c, Graham. SISKIN, ETC. (9): 1, Aston, nice little Siskin, shown in grand order; 2, he, Dodd, Redpoll, small and fails markings; 3, Davison, Mealy, in best of form, but on the small side; 4, Mitchell, another Lesser, quite a conceited little chap, just beaten in col.; vhc, Bowerhank Bros.; c, Routledge. A.O.S. BRIT. (7): 1, 3, Macadam, leading with a big bouncing Magpie, in grand order, well put down; 3rd, a Bramble, not quite the biggest, but nice col. and markings; 2, Holden, nice coloured and well mkd. Redstart, a bit wild; 4, Miller, Greenfinch, nice size, fair col., and good condition; vhc, he, Tomlinson; c, Spark. FOR. LARGE (3): 1, Christer and Sons, Red-naped Lory, in full bloom, looking well; 2, Macadam, Cockatiels, well shown, and in beautiful condition. SMALL (8): 1, J. Davidson, Black-cheek Lovebirds, two sweet and loving-looking birds, in lovely condition; 2, 3, 4, vhc, he, Fawcett, strong team, a credit to the owner; c, H. Davidson. MULE, UNEV. or VAR. (9): 1, 3, 4, Cox, leading with a nice marked Goldie Mule, in grand condition; 3rd, Greenfinch Mule; 4th, Goldfinch Mule, both heavy marked, grand order; 2, Seely Bros., could not find; vhc, he, c, Bowerbank Bros. DARK. (10): 1, 3, he, Bowerbank Bros., trio of Goldie Mules, leader nice col., in grand order; 3rd, jonque, similar, well placed; 2, Ridley Bros., Linnet Mule, medium size, rather rough in plumage; 4, H. Davidson, small buff Linnet Mule; vhc, Johnston, well known Siskin Mule, Newcastle, etc. winner, in best of condition.

HETTON-LE-HOLE.

Second annual open show, held in the Workmen's Club Hall, Nov. 23rd. Eight classes were provided, but three were cancelled. Among the birds staged were several of very high quality, and there were some cheap ones in the selling class. Mr. Notley, secretary, had a very busy time. He was kept going all the time, but he had a hard working committee to assist him, and everything went smoothly. Mr. Stanger judged, and everyone seemed satisfied with his decisions.

NOR., BRED 1912: 1, 3, Bainbridge, grand chubby Buff Cock, set down in show form; 3rd, yell., a nice bird, well shown; 2, 6, Wilson, grand Yell. Cock, might have changed places if it had been washed; 4, Affleck; 5, Vipond. NOR. CK.; 1, 2, Wilson, his old champion yell., not looking so well, and a grand buff, hard to part them; 3, Vipond, variog. ck., soft bib, rough on head; 4, 5, G. Goldin. HEN: 1, Wilson, yell. cl., nice chubby hen, easy win; 2,4, Goldand, very nice variog. buff, leading; 3, Henderson, yell. a bit soft, or might have been higher; 5, Vipond. BRIT.: 1, Burt, Skylark, grand feather, very steady, beautifully mkd.; 2, Wilson, very nice Chaffinch, very steady, nice col., well defined wing bars.

ROSSENDALE C.B.S.

First annual show held at headquarters, Commercial Hotel, Stacksteads, Nov. 23rd. There was a splendid entry, and the exhibits were of excellent quality. Mr. W. Lloyd, Pendlebury, was the judge. GERMAN CK., C. OR TKD.: 1, sp., Wantling; 2, Bennett; 3, Blythe. HEN: 1, 2, Wantling; 3, Blythe. VARIEG. OR GR.: 1, Wantling; 2, Buckley; 3, Blythe. HEN: 1, 2, Blythe; 3, Johnson. LIZ. CK.: 1, 3, John Rukin; 2, Mr. Lord. HEN: 1, 2, 3, John Rukin. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, Heys; 3, Maden. HEN: 1, Heys; 2, 3, Haden. YORKS. CK.: 1, Kearns; and sp. for best bird in show; 2, 3, Humphries. HEN: 1, Kearns; 2, Maden; 3, Humphries. CINN. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Heys. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Heys. A.O.V.: 1, Rukin; 2, Wantling; 3, Bacon; BRIT.: 1, 2, Wantling; 3, Rukin.—H. Wantling, Sec.

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DARTFORD.

Held in the Assembly Rooms, Nov. 26. The two classes not cancelled were good in numbers and qual., and contained some well-known winners. It is a pity the committee do not extend the classification, for we feel certain it would be to the advantage of this old established society. The birds were nicely staged and in a good light. Mr. Enfield judged. NOR. BUFF (14): 1, 2, res, Shiers, winner bold, sturdy bird, rare col. and style, good wings and tail, 2nd plenty of size and col., good head, wings, and tail, not so tight as winner; 3, Gunnell, nice compact bird, full of qual., right type; vhc, Kerr, Hawkin; hc, Botell. YORKS. (13): 1, Shiers, long, well drawn cl., nice col. and feather, neat head, good back and lights; 2, 3, res, Hawkin, 2nd four-pointed cinn., nice col. and qual., good head, back, and wings, 3rd nice variegated, well, good length, right type; vhc, Crowhurst, Shiers.

INVERURIE.

Held in the reading room, Railway Hall, Nov. 23rd. The entry all over was an increase on last year. Mr. Wm. Allison (Aberdeen) won open challenge cup best young Nor. with a grand yell. hen. Mr. James Kerr was the runner-up with a very fine buff hen. The Local Cup (presented by the President) was won by Mr. John Shoolbraid, with a yell. var. cock of the right type, Mr. Wm. Reid being the runner-up. British and Foreign were a good all-round lot, some real hot ones being out. Mr. J. Lyon (Aberdeen) gained the points special in the Wild Bird section, Mr. Robertson being the runner-up. Norwich were judged by that well-known fancier, Mr. Jas. Sandison, Brit. and For. by Mr. Geo. Finnie, and their awards gave entire satisfaction. The members of committee worked hard to make the show a success, and were ably assisted by the President, Mr. John Shoolbraid, and a hard-working and capable secretary in the person of Mr. James Simpson, and a good Treas. in Mr. James Walker. The management of this society could not be beaten; all are real workers. The show was well patronised, and we trust it will turn out a financial success.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. CK. (3): 1, Wm. Rae, good one, rare size, col. and quality; 2, Craigen, splendid shape, grand head and neck, A1 col.; 3, Shoolbraid, very sweet quality, fails a little in col. only. HEN: 1, Shearer, rare substance, hot col., best of type and condition. BUFF CK. (5): 1, Kerr, hot one, clear win, teeming with quality, well turned out, nice chubby exhibit; 2, Shoolbraid, good size and col., lashed a little; 3, 5, Simpson, 3rd, lovely qual. and col., good wings and tail; 4, Will, nice level col., splendid wing carr. HEN (4): 1, Allison, good type, lovely bloom, grand qual. throughout, perfect wings and tail; 2, 3, Craigen, 2nd excels in qual., not quite so bold in front as winner; 3rd, wing mark, good feather and finish; 4, Shoolbraid, nice type, good col. and qual. VAR. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Allison, splendid shape, good size and col.; 2, Will, best of col., good all round; 3, Shoolbraid, rare type and qual.; 4, Kerr, another hot one; 5, Neaves; 6, Reid. HEN (5): 1, 2, Simpson, two beauties, fine shape, best of col., put down in rare order; 3, Watt, good type, pale in col. to winner; 4, Allison; 5, Shoolbraid. VAR. BUFF CK. (4): 1, Kerr, good size, type and qual., true Norwich; 2, Allison, good size, nice qual.; 3, Lyon, fails a trifle in size to winner, good type and qual., grand col.; 4, Reid. HEN: 1, Kerr, well balanced all over, in nice order; 2, Simpson, lovely feather and finish. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Kerr, wins, in fine trim, good head and front, nice level col., perfect wings; 2, Watt, very stylish, good col. and qual.; 3, Simpson, fine boxy feather, good col. and condition, nicely staged; 4, Watt; 5, Craigen. HEN (5): 1, cup, Allison, hot one, true Norwich type, best of col., teeming with qual.; 2, Reid, very good hen, nicely balanced all over, A1 col.; 3, Will, good shape, well up; 4, Kerr; 5, Shearer. BUFF CK. (7): 1, Rae, lovely type, well up in size, rare qual. and col.; 2, Kerr, another good one, not quite so large, A1 qual. and cond.; 3, Shearer, plenty substance, fails a little in qual., good col., grand head and wing carr.; 4, Silver; 5, Campbell; 6, Neaves. HEN (8): 1, Kerr, grand young hen, good front, Bullie type, in best of order; 2, Allison, very sweet, fails only in finish; 3, Simpson, also a very nice exhibit; 4, 6, Neaves; 5, Watt. NAT. COL. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Silver, best for type and qual., good size, wins well; 2, 5, Cormack, 2nd, best of qual., in perfect order; 3, Dressel, good size and qual.; 4, J. Walker; 6, S. Walker. HEN: 1, Shearer, well up in size, A1 type, faultless cond.; 2, Rae, good body and col., neatly staged. BUFF (6): 1, Lyon, cobby bird, best of qual., nice wing carr.; 2, Reid, good one, rather longer in feather, make a grand stock bird; 3, 5, Dressel, 3rd, fair qual., plenty size; 4, Silver. HEN (9): 1, 2, Kerr, two gems, rare subs. and quality, not much between them; 3, Geddes, neat body, in grand order; 4, Silver; 5, Campbell; 6, Dressel. BORDER (4): 1, 2, Neaves, both sweet birds, nice round heads, well carried wings and tails; 3, 4, Craigen, 3rd spreads tail a little, real good type, A1 qual. CREST (4): 1, 2, Craigen, wins with a nice green, grand frontal, good toppiece, neatly spread, grand order; 3, Neaves, great length of feather; 4, Ross. C.B. (3): 1, Neaves, rare skull, good body, grand length, well up in size, wins; 2, Craigen, another good one, well lashed, plenty substance; 3, McPherson, nice head. GREEN (6): 1, Ross, best of type, grand body, inclined to cross wings at times; 2, Will, real good exhibit, best of qual.; 3, Dressel, fine shape, nice qual., neat wings and tail; 4, 6, Shoolbraid; 5, Craigen. A.O.V. (5): 1, Rae, nice Cinn., turned out in faultless condition; 2, Craigen, Scotch fancy, good shape and style; 3, Walker, mark, best of qual. and col.; 4, 5, Gordon. NOVICE CK. (9): 1, Tough, good type, sweet qual., well turned out; 2, McLeod, thick set, grand col. and qual.; 3, 6, Walker, 3rd best of type; 4, Harper; 5, Bisset. HEN (3): 1, Mrs. Watt, one of the best for type and qual.; 2, Harper, very nice, falls in head to 1st; 3, Tough. DARK MULE (10): good class; 1, Lyon, Greenie-Can., great size and col., in the pink of condition; 2, 5, Shoolbraid, 2nd, nice Siskin Mule, good cap, col. and markings; 3, Cormack, Linnet-Can., fair size and col.; 4, Campbell; 6, Craigen. GOLDF. (5): 1, Lyon, good size, rare tanning, rich square-cut blaze, good wings, in fine trim; 2, Cormack, very good, not quite so large, rich col. and markings; 3, Allison, also a good one; 4, Shoolbraid; 5, Campbell. - BULLF. (10): 1, Philip, good size and col., nice and steady, well turned out; 2, Lyon, richer col., good cap and wing bars, must have pressed; 3, 6, Craigen, 3rd, best of col., nice and steady; 5, Stewart. HEN (4): 1, Craigen, extra steady, lovely cap, A1 condition; 2, Stewart, larger, but a little rough; 3, Lyon, smaller, good quality; 4, Tough. LINNET: 1, Simpson. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, Allison, fair size, nicely fed, in good trim; 2, 3, Stewart, nat. col., good cap and wings; 4, Donald; 5, Gray; 6, Craigen. A.V. BRIT. (5): 1, 3, Robertson, very pretty Redstart in lovely plumage, and a Blackcap, well staged, in rare feather; 2, Alnsan, Ortolan Bunting, looking well, taking exhnit; 4, Stewart; 5, Campbell. FOREIGN (3): 1, 3, Robertson, 1 t, Red-headed Gouldian Finch, wee gem, looking quite happy; 3rd, Cuban Finch; 2, Craigen, Whydah, in good order.

DUNDALK.

Show held in Skating Rink, Nov. 13th and 14th. Judging from the support received from exhibitors and the number of visitors on both days, the show will be a great financial success. The pres., Dr. J. P. Lavery, and vice-president, S. H. Moynagh, Esq., paid great attention both to visitors and exhibits. Mr. T. Walters, hon. sec., with the assistance of Mr. W. Keating, the hon. treas., had everything in apple-pie order for the judge, Mr. A. Wellings, Preston, who gave entire satisfaction.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY (3): 1, 2, 3, Lavery, lovely shoulders, well up, plenty subs., stylish; 2, 3, two good ones, not much between, both lack the subs. and style of leader. Hen (3): 1, 2, 3, Lavery, nice ones, leader lovely position, moves well, grand shoulders, and reach; 2, nice head and neck; 3, smaller, full of nerve, moves well. YORKS., CL. YELL. (17): 1, W. J. Birse, grand length, lovely col., good position; 2, hc, Neville, nice size, splendid wing carriage, good pipe tail; 3, c, Ryan, nice one, well rounded, failed a little in position; vhc, Keating. Hen (12): 1, O'Reilly, good one, plenty swagger, nice head, back, and wings; 2, Keogh, good size and col.; 3, Hawkins, nice and typical; vhc, Ryan; hc, Neville; c, O'Keefe. CL. BUFF CK. (14): 1, O'Reilly lovely col., and feather, straight as a dart; 2, Tansey, nice one, grand qual. and col., nice wings; 3, Keating, nice col., good quality; vhc, c, O'Keefe; hc, Hawkins. HEN (18): 1, Dunwoody, good size and col., well put down; 2, Tansey, smaller, lovely qual., nicely rounded, grand round head; 3, Keating, fine lengthy lady, well up on legs; vhc, Neville; hc, Woods; c, Hawkins. TKD., ETC., YELL. CK. (17): 1, Ryan, splendid, well rounded, lovely head and neck; 2, Fleming, good size and col., nice position, slightly frilled neck; 3, Keogh, nice one, good position, round as a pencil; vhc, Birse; hc, O'Keefe; c, Hawkins. HEN (8): 1, 2, Keating, two fine ladies, leader longer and better position; 3, McEnteggart, nice one, good feather; vhc, Dunwoody; hc, Hawkins; c, Fleming; No. 5, Woods; w.c. BUFF CK. (14): 1, Neville, fine lengthy, lovely col. and feather; 2, Buckley, good position, straight, nice back; 3, c, Ryan, small, lovely head neck and back; vhc, Dunwoody; hc, Lavery; No. 9, Lea, w.c. HEN (10): 1, 3, O'Keefe, two beauties, rowed and straight, leader the longer; 2, Dunwoody, nice position and body; vhc, Ryan; hc, Lavery; c, Hawkins. CINN. MKD. CK. (17): 1, Keogh, lovely yell., mkd. wings, wins; 2, Tansey, buff mkd. wings and eyes, fails position; 3, Hawkins, lovely feather, nice position; vhc, Ryan; hc, Keating; c, O'Keefe. CINN. MKD. HEN (13): 1, c, Cottrell, splendid hen, straight as a dart, nicely rounded; 2, Ryan, nice body feather, well staged; 3, Tansey, nice size, plenty swagger and good colour; vhc, Keeting; hc, Neville. NON-FED CL. CK. (2): 1, 2, Sholedice, two nice ones, good quality and position, leader better head and neck. HENS (6): 1, 2, 3, Sholedice, grand birds, first good head, neck, and nicely rounded shoulders; 2, fair length, lovely position; 3, similar though shorter; vhc, Mulligan; Nos. 1 and 5, W.C. NON-FED TKD., ETC., CK. (5): 1, S. O'Reilly, fine length, good col. and qual., nice position; 2, 3, hc, Sholedice good all-round, leader better position; vhc, Dowling. Hen (5): 1, 3, vhc, Sholedice, nice lady, small, but grand col. and quality; 2, Buckley, nice length well filled back long wings and tail; hc, Mulligan. NOV. CL. YELL. (2): 1, Morgan, stylish exhibit, No. 1 Whitty W.C. HEN (6): 1, Power, fine length, lovely wings and tail, nice level front; 2, Lawless, good size and col., nice position; 3, Lattimore, not so long, lovely head and nicely rounded shoulders; vhc, Briggs; hc, Morgan; No. 3, Lawless, N.C. CL. BUFF (6): 1, O'Byrne, nice size, grand position, straight as a dart; 2 and 3, Briggs, two good ones, leader better legs and position; vhc, Power; hc, Lattimore; c, McKeown. HEN (5): 1, Mills, nice length good position and colour; 2 Power, nicely rounded lady, smaller; 3, Hayes, good length and position, bit loose in front; vhc, Whitty; hc, McKeown. TKD., ETC. (7): 1, Lattimore, fine length, good position and col., in grand form; 2, Lawless, lovely qual., nice head and wings; 3, c, McKeown, short, but grand qual., nice position; vhc, Mills; hc, O'Byrne. HEN (6): 1, Lattimore, lovely hen, lengthy, round as a pencil, and straight; 2, Lawless, nice quality hen, fails position to winner; 3, Morgan, nice type and position, a little out in neck; vhc, McKeown; hc, Briggs; c, O'Byrne. NOR. CL., TKD. YELL. (6): 1, Faith, grand size, good round head, short flights and tail; 2, 3, O'Keefe, two good ones, plenty subs., leader better head and neck; vhc, Montgomery; hc, O'Neille; c, Lennon. HEN (3): 1, Faith, nice cobby lady, good feather, nicely cut away; 2, Webb, good size, nice head and col.; No. 1, Montgomery, W.C. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (3): 1, Faith, monster, extra col., fine exhibit; 2, Birse, good one, lacks the substance of winner; No. 1, Montgomery, w.c. HEN (5): 1, 3, vhc, O'Keefe, good size, grand qual. and col.; 3rd smaller in head; 2, Faith, fine hen, good col., short wings and tail; hc, Cottrell: VAR. CK. (4): 1, Faith, big one, plenty of col. and nice feather; 2, Hart, good neck and chest; 3, Cottrell, nice qual. and col., beaten size; vhc, Webb. HEN (4): 1, O'Keefe, good size and col., short flights and tail; 2, Montgomery, big one, grand head and neck, short flights and tail, do better if washed; 3, Faith, nice one, hardly the substance of leaders. GOLDF.-CAN. CL., TKD., ETC. (3): 1, 3, Lavery, two fine ones, grand col. and size; 2, Goodman, not so well coloured or staged. DARK (7): 1, Birse, fine size, grand blaze and col.; 2, vhc, Lavery, not much between, may reverse next time; 3, Furley, good col., fails size; hc, Hayes; c, McCourt. A.O.V. CAN. (5): 1, 3, Lavery, leader grand col. and size, rare form; 2, Birse, fine col., not so large; vhc, hc, McClenham. A.O.V. (3): 1, 3, Lavery, 1, Canary-Bullfie, grand col and size, nicely shown; 3, Linnet-Bullfie, good size and condition; 2, Webb, fine size, col., and condition. GOLDFINCH (6): 1, Mulcahy, good size, nice square blaze, richly tanned; 2, 3, Lavcy, two lovely ones, leader well tanned; 2, 3, mooned, good blaze, beaten size only; vhc, Furley; hc, Hayes; c, Webb. LINNET (5): 1, Mulcahy, fine large one, nicely pencilled, very steady; 2, 3, 4, Lavery, nice team, not much behind; hc, Dawson. LARK (6): 1, Mulcahy, in champion condition, very steady; 2, Birse, another nice one, steady, beaten condition; 3, Briggs, a little wild; vhc, McConnell; hc, McGuill; c, Shields BULLFINCH CK. (5): 1, 2, Lixe, two lovely ones, good size, leader's colours better defined; 3, Dawson, fair, nice good col., might be better staged; vhc, Rose; hc, Furley. HEN (6): 1, Furley, nice lady, good size and col., well shown; 2, Ross, another good one, beaten condition; 3, Mulcahy, fine size and col., unsteady; vhc, Birse; hc, Ramsey; c, Dawson. A.O.S., SMALL (7): 1, O'Neill, nice condition, well shown; 2, Lavery; 3, Birse; vhc, Hart; hc, Briggs; c, Parks. LARGE (4): 1, Birse, Hawfinch, faultless trim; 2, Mulcahy, similar, beaten condition only; Nos. 3, 4, Black, w.c.

LLANELLY.

Eighth annual show held at Market Hall, Nov. 26th. The society this year extended the classification, giving 56 classes, but unfortunately fanciers did not give the society the support it richly deserved. The Market Hall is an admirable place for a show, being very roomy, free from draughts, and capable of staging a couple of thousand exhibits. Tiers were arranged running the length of the hall, and good wide passages were allowed between, which allowed everyone to see the exhibits without inconvenience. This part of the arrangements was in the capable hands of our old friends, Mr. Tom Gregory and Mr. T. Jenkins, and everything was carried out without the slightest hitch occurring. The Chairman of the Society is Mr. D. R. Jones, who is a thorough fancier, and he is well supported by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Jos. Owens, and a hard working Committee—Messrs. Evans, W. J. Harry, T. J. Gregory, Junr., D. Davies, H. Gregory, Ben Evans, W. H. Reynolds, Sam Jones, D. J. Thomas, Sam Lewis T. Bennett, T. Jenkins, T. Williams, G. P. Morgans, H. Webster, R. Bowgett, D. H. Davies, R. W. Morgans, — Teague, and Tom Thomas. The Secretary, Mr. Daniel John, and his assistant, Mr. H. Webster, ares two very capable and energetic officials, and much of the success of the show was due to their efforts. Mr. W. Vardy judged Norwich, and Mr. John Frostick Mules, Brit. and For.

Mr. Vardy's Classes.

NOR. YELL. (6): 1, Jeremy, cl., good col. and qual., neat head and neck, good subs.; 2, 3, Hitchlings, a pair of clears, neat type and qual., good col., not quite the subs. of leader; 4, Griffiths, tkd., good col. and qual., rather slim; vhc, Howell and Bevan; res, Edwards. BUFF (5): 1, Crowley, Cardiff and Swansea winner, grand type and qual., neat head and neck, good wings and tail; 2, Hitchings, cl., neat head and neck, nice col. and qual., well braced wings; 3, Muscott, cl., neat shape, good size, loses trifle col.; 4, Howell and Bevan, cl., not the subs. of leaders; res, D. H. Davies. MARKED or VAR. cancelled. HEN (8): 1, D. Jenkins, cl. yell., grand col. and qual., nicely moulded, neat wings and tail, wins; 2, Jeremy, yell., very neat, good head and neck, loses polish to leader; 3, Crowley, cl. buff, grand head and neck, well balanced wings and tail; 4, Edwards, cl. yell., trifle slimmer than leaders, good qual.; vhc, Howell and Bevan; hc, Tom Williams; absent, Griffiths, Maggs. UNFLIG. cancelled. NON-FED cancelled. GREEN YELL. cancelled. BUFF cancelled. YORKS. YELL. (9): 1, Morgan, cl., grand length, good straight back, neat wings and tail, well up on leg; 2, Webster, close up, good col. and qual., well braced wings, neat piped tail; 3, Mock, grand col. and qual., nice head and neck, good length; res, Francis; vhc, Dugmore; hc, Gowing; c, Jenkins. BUFF cancelled. VAR. cancelled. HEN (6): 1, Webster, cl. yell., grand length, nice col. and qual., good wings and tail; 2, Morgan, var. yell., neat head and neck, good back, well up on leg; 3, Jenkins, grizzle mkd. buff, good straight back, neat wings and tail, nice pos. and qual.; 4, Morgan, wing tkd. buff, good type and qual., well up on leg; res, Williams. UNFLIG. (8): 1, Dugmore, eye and wing mkd. buff, nice length, good head and neck, neat wings and tail; 2, East, cl. yell., good col. and qual., grand length, nice piped tail, very nervy; 3, 4, Webster, cl. buff, grand type and qual., nicely balanced wings and tail, good leg; 4th, another cl., loses trifle length to leader; vhc, Williams; hc, Jenkins; res, no name. NON FED (12): 1, Owen, cl. buff, nice length, well braced wings, stands well; 2, 2, Wilcox, variegated buff, nice length, good straight back, well up on leg; 3, Davies, cl., yell., lovely col. and qual., nice length, loses trifle wing carr. to leaders; 4, Holmes, cl. buff, very neat, nice straight back, good wings and tail, nice leg; res, East; vhc, Gregory; hc, Williams; c, Wilcox. YORKS. YELL. GREEN cancelled. BUFF cancelled. BORD. YELL. CK. (11): 1, D. Jenkins, a topper, grand col. and qual., nice type, very jaunty; 2, 3, Harry, two neat exhibits, good col., nice type, not quite polish of leader; 4, res, Sampson, tkd., nice col. and qual., good head and neck, neat wings and tail; vhc, E. M. Evans; hc, Portman; c, Tregoning. HEN (9): 1, sp, c, Harry, a little gem, neat head and neck, lovely qual. and cond.; 2, D. Jenkins, another topper, grand col. and qual., lovely tight feather; 3, Mugford, grand feather, neat type, nice wings and tail; 4, Sampson, grand col. and qual., neat wings and tail; res, Wilkins; vhc, Eley; hc, Sampson. CL. or TKD. BUFF (10): 1, 2, vhc, Harry, a pair of beauties, grand col. and qual., neat heads and necks, nicely braced wings and tails; 3, D. Jenkins, close up, neat wings and tail, lovely col. and qual.; 4, sp, Eley, lovely type and qual., neat wings and tail; res, Mugford; hc, Evans; c, Allen. HEN (12): 1, Sampson, cl., grand type, lovely col. and qual., neat wings and tail, very jaunty; 2, 4, Jenkins, two toppers, grand type, lovely qual. and cond., neat wings and tails; 3, Harry, good type and qual., in lovely order; res, Eley; vhc, Evans; hc, Harry; c, Mugford. VAR. (6): 1, Harry, yell. var., nice type and qual., very jaunty, good feather; 2, Harry, buff var., nice qual. and cond., well braced wings and tail; 3, Smith, good col. and qual., neat wings and tail; 4, H. Jenkins, five-pointed, lovely col. and qual., very jaunty; res, D. Jenkins; vhc, E. M. Evans. GREEN, ETC. cancelled. EVEN MKD. (3): 1, 2, Harry, yell and buff, good col. and qual., neat exhibits; 3, Sampson, yell., lovely type and qual., neatly shown. LOCAL NOR. (10): 1, 3, Jones, cl. buff leading, nice type and qual., neat wings and tail, latter cl. yell., rather slim, nice col. and qual.; 2, Davis, cl. buff, nice size and shape, good wings and tail; 4, Davies, cl. buff, good col. and qual., trifle slim; res, D. J. Evans; vhc, Lewis; hc, Gregory; c, Davies. YORKS (10): 1, Morgan, cl. buff, good length, nice type and qual., well up on leg; 2, Webster, cl. yell., grand col., neat wings and tail, stands well; 3, Saunders, buff, good length, neat wings, bit inclined to show frill in front; 4, Harry, yell., good col. and qual., nice wings and tail; res, T. Bennett; vhc, S. Bennett; hc, c, Owens.

Mr. Frostick's Classes.

British were undoubtedly the great feature of the show, and made a magnificent display, notwithstanding the fact that the date clashing with several other important fixtures had naturally a deterrent effect on the number of entries; nevertheless a fairly satisfactory number, under the circumstances, put in an appearance. The classification was superb, and another year, given a more open date, the liberal management ought to reap the benefit of their past efforts. Prompt payment of prize money and efficient attention to the wants of exhibits and exhibitors will no doubt bring their reward. Mr. Marley's exhibits were all absent.

DK. GOLD-CAN. (4): 1, 3, Davies, rich col. yell., and nice buff; 2, Jeffreys, another yell., fails in col. to winner; 4, Roberts. A.V. BETWEEN TWO BRIT. and CAN.-BULLF. (4): 1, 4, Edwards, nice col. Can.-Bullf., rather on the small side, and Gold. Bullf., in nice cond., but not so good in col. as 2, Morgan, same cross; 3, Jeffreys, nice Siskin-Greenfinch, will improve with age. GOLDFINCH (12): 1, 2, vhc, c, Richards, wonderfully rich col. throughout, beautifully burnished, nice wing bars, most perfect cond.; 2nd, larger blaze, well cut, fails a little in high cond.; 3, Mays, good col. bird, but a trifle slack; 4, local sp, Evans, capital all round Finch, will improve; res, Jeffreys, show a trifle too much black on face. FIELD MOULTED (13): very fine class; 1, 2, 3, Lewis, leader a real topper, large square blaze, marvellous col., Cardiff winner; 2nd and 3rd not quite the richness, but close up, a grand trio; 4, Cole, nice type, well selected; vhc, Jones; hc, c, Gregory, Senr. BULLFINCH CK. (12): excellent class; 1, Mays, when judged as smooth as a billiard ball, lovely bird, fine col., rich cap, good wing bars, the Wimbledon winner we think; 2, Holbrow, another grand bird, close up; 3, Jones, very little to choose between; 4, Gregory, Senr., very nice, best lot of winners we've seen this season; res, c, Lucas; vhc, Jeffreys; hc, Ford; w.c., Nicholas, a fine hen. HEN (9): 1, Evans, good size, rich col., and steady; 2, Jones, slightly paler, but nice cond.; 3, res, Gregory, Senr., larger bird, better col., but fails cond.; latter trifle rough. HAWFINCH (3): 1, Miss Wishaw, well-known bird; c, Gregory, Senr.; absent, Marley. LINNET, C.M. (14): 1, sp, vhc, Nicholas, Leyton winner, a bird of rare qual., could do with a bit more chest to make an absolute champion, but quite the best of a good class; latter marked like a hen; 2, Gregory, Junr., a Nor. type, rich nutty brown, fine pencilling and markings generally; 3, Jones, rare size, bit paler; 4, Jeffrey, richer col., good mkgs., fails size; res, Richards, rather open in breastwork; absent, Marley. F.M. (15): 1, 3, Gregory, Senr., rare size, grand chest, stands out like a Guardsman, splendid col., full of work; 3rd, should moult out well; 2, Jones, grand specimen, but not the size of leader; 4, Poyer, nice bird, but runs trifle light in front; res, Nicholas; vhc, Bancroft, Cheltenham winner, beaten to-day; hc, Davies; c, Jenkins. GREENFINCH (7): 1, Wilkins, nice yell., best in class, but not a stormer; 2, Harry, a bull; 3, Ford; 4, Holbrow; res, Tarr; absent, Rogers and Marley. BRAMBLE, ETC. (10): 1, sp, 2, Jeffreys, a pair of real good Chaffinches; 3, Groom, another Chaffinch; 4, sp, Gregory, Senr., a fair Bramble, could do with a little more col.; res, Lucas; absent, Marley (2). Brotherhood; No. 3, Mays, best Bramblefinch in class if it had not unfortunately lost two claws, for which reason it was left out. YELLOW BUNTING (6): 1, Evans, a topper, nice col., cl. cap, well defined head marks; 2, Jones, not far behind; 3, Bancroft; 4, Ford; c, Gregory, Senr. LESSER REDPOLL (10): 1, Nicholas, well known winner, often described; 2, 3, Jeffreys, a brace of rich col. birds; 4, Ford; res, Miss Wishaw; vhc, Harry; hc, Leadbeater; c, Gregory, Senr. MEALY, ETC.: 1, sp, 2, Bancroft, grand, nicely fed Siskin, nice cap and bib, good flank marks, and well known Mealy, in rare form, a good one; 3, 4, Jones, a bonny Twite, and good Siskin; res, Nicholas, Twite; vhc, Gregory, Senr.; hc, Leadbeater; c, Evans. HENS, A.S. FINCHES (12): 1, Ford, well known winning Corn Bunting, a bonny bird, rich col.; 2, Mays, one of the best Brambles, grand col., in the pink of cond.; 3, Jones, nice Linnet; 4, Jeffreys, pretty little Siskin; res, Jeffreys, good col. Redpoll; vhc, Jenkins; hc, Daniel; c, Shepherd. SONG THRUSH, ETC. (4): 1, Mays, real good Blackbird, well staged; 2, Willis, Thrush; 3, same owner, Starling, rather wild. A.O.S. INSECTIV. (4). 1, sp, Harry, Cornish Chough, nice feather and condition, small size, probably a hen; 2, Mays, Grasshopper Warbler, which, but for a defect in left wing, would have won, beautifully shown; 3, Morgan, Bearded Tit; 4, Daniel Bros., Wheatear, would not show itself. PIED, ALBINOS, ETC. (3): 1, Mays, beautiful light variegated Meadow Pipit; 2, Teague, pure White Goldfinch, yellow wings, a very pretty exhibit; 3, Price, real albino Jackdaw, pink eyes, we have seen dozens of Continental White Jackdaws, but this is the first genuine albino we have seen. FOR. SMALL (4): 1, Ford, magnificent Superb Tanager, in glorious col. and cond., would be better in larger cage; 2, Jenkins, grand Tricolor Tanager, brilliant col., not staged to best advantage; 3, Muscott, fine pair Red-headed Gouldians; 4, Morgan, Sulphury Seed-eater, nice exhibit. A.O.S. (3): 1, sp, Mrs. Longden, very fine, well shown Red-collared Lorrikeet, in lovely feather; 2, Davies, Hybrid Mealy-Red Rosella, strictly if in keen competition should not be allowed to compete with true species, but as class was so small, and nothing else of much merit, judge allowed it to pass; 3, Phillips, nice Blue-fronted Amazon, busy chewing up odd feathers. LOCAL, A.V. MULE (12): 1, Jenkins, lightly var. Goldfinch, nice col. and shape; 2, Saunders, dk. Goldfinch, nice size; 3, Hoskin, fairly good Linnet; 4, Jones, nice dk. Goldfinch, bit on the small side; res, Rees; vhc, Bowen; hc, Evans. A.S. BRIT. (21): 1, sp, Reynolds, Goldfinch, fine large well cut blaze, rich tanning, nice wing bars; 2, Lewis, good Linnet, but fails in col.; 3, c, Jones, bonny Siskin, well defined cap and bib, nice thigh marks; 4, res, Evans, nice Goldfinch, fails in col. to winner, and grand col. Bullie, rather too fresh; vhc, Davies, fine Reed Bunting, grand black cap and white collar, would have been higher but for slightly frayed tail, wants bigger cage; hc, Harry, Chaffinch.

CHESHUNT.

Held Nov. 20th in Cheshunt Hall. Although it was the society's first attempt the show was a very creditable one, and the secretary, Mr. Goodwin, with a good staff of workers on the committee had everything in good order. Sir John Rolleston, M.P., is the president. Mr. Hoare, chairman of committee, made a nice display of cages, which were well made and cheap at the prices quoted, and all kinds of cage bird foods and appliances, which made a fine display. Mr. J. E. Woodford, Oxford, judged, and seemed to give every satisfaction. NOR. (7): 1, 3, r, Medley, winner very cobby buff, rare good chest, fine in feather; 3rd also very nice qual. buff; r, a good yell., all three very typical; 2, Hodgetts, good qual. yell., well shown; vhc, Elliott; c, Phipps. NON-FED. (4): 1, Barnard, very nice stamp of Nor., shown in fine condition, won easy; 2, Mrs. Elliott, a very good specimen; 3, r, Clark, two other good ones. YORKS (6): 1, 2, Mrs. Elliott, real good birds, nice and narrow in girth, shown in the pink of condition, a yell. and a buff; 3, r, vhc (2), Nichols, four nice Yorks., not quite so fit as the two placed over them. A.O.V. (2): 1, Hodgetts, very nice qual. Cinn.; vhc, Mrs. Elliott. MULE (4): 1, Nichols, fine qual. light Goldfinch Mule, in nice condition; 2, r, qual. light Goldfinch Mule and Goldfinch Mule; Clark, very pretty Siskin Mule and Goldfinch Mule; 3, Taylor, a very good dark Goldfinch Mule. BRIT. (8 in good class): 1, Hodgett, good Goldfinch, nice bright blaze, good wing bars, very steady; 2, r, vhc, hc, Elliott, very nice qual. Chaffinch, well shown; r, nice qual. Hen Bullfinch, shown in nice condition; 3, Medley, real good Greenfinch; hc, Barnard. FOR. (2): 1, 2, Hoare, winners a nice pair of Weavers, two pretty pair Avadavats.

GLASGOW & DIS. C.B.A.

Annual show held in the Glasgow Highlanders' Drill Hall, Greendyke Street, Glasgow, on Friday and Saturday, November 22nd and 23rd. This is one of the finest halls in the country for the housing and comfort of exhibits and exhibitors alike. The building, a large square one, of enormous size, with its elliptic arched roof, was well lighted from both sides, and the light which penetrated into every corner of the building must have been of great assistance to the judges in the execution of their duties. We were sorry to learn that the entries had dropped almost 300 this year, Crests, Borders, Mules, and British being responsible for the decrease. Norwich made a capital show, and many birds of really outstanding quality and merit were staged. Crests and Crestbreds were few, but up to the usual in quality. Yorks., we fancy, were rather better in quality than we have witnessed at many of our Scottish shows, and this variety is no doubt making headway in the land of the thistle. Borders on the whole were scarcely as good as we have seen, though doubtless many nice ones were staged. British, though down in numbers, were quite up to the standard. It must be disappointing to the management of this association to find their excellent work being so indifferently appreciated. From the president down, every man is a well-known fancier and exhibitor, worthy of the earnest sympathy and support of the entire Fancy. The reins were in the hands of the genial Wm. Hutchison, and could not be left to a more capable or devoted fancier, one who is ever ready to assist in his quiet and modest way. By another year they may be able to fill the hall, by receiving the support that they are so worthy of. The following were the judges, and their decisions on the whole were well received:—Norwich and Crests, J. Holmes, Edinburgh; Bord., R. Lambie, Whitburn; Yorks., Dr. Syson, Glasgow; Brit. and For., R. Bald, Baldgate, and S. Ward, Glasgow. Shield for most points was won by Glasgow and West of Scotland C.B.A. Rose bowl for 2nd most points by Partick C.B.C. Mr. McQuiston had a field day, winning two cups, the Jarvie cup for best bird, and the Motherwell cup for best Bord., Yorks., or British, with the same exhibit, his well-known Clough, truly a fine performance for a single bird.

The Canary Sections

CL. OR TKD. YELL. NOR. CK. (14): 1, sp, Aitchison, neat size and capital qual. feather, rare type and neat made, staged in good order, an exhibit of real merit; 2, Mitchell, grand size, broad, deep front, nice qual., not quite so neat at throat; 3, Bishop, fine size and col., plenty subs., just shade longer behind; 4, Murray, clinking hot col., splendid type and qual.; 5, sp, Martin, nice size and qual.; 6, Maxwell; 7, Cameron; 8, sp, Sinclair. BUFF (7): 1, Mitchell, capital size, full of subs., great body and very typical, spanking order; 2, Cameron, barely the subs. or size, but typical, A1 qual.; 3, sp, Grewar, fine size and subs., nice qual., sweetly built; 4, Aitchison, nice col. and qual., neat wings and tail; 5, Naismith; 6, sp, Sloan; 7, Barron. VAR. OR GREEN CK. (15): 1, Martin, buff, rare headed, neat and typical, fine subs., rare qual., best of wings and tail, in right winning form; 2, Harper, buff, capital, tight feather, of silky texture, grand type, and carr., neat front, not quite so full in head as leader; 3, Finnie, yell., nice size and subs., neat carr., nicely filled top end, just inclined to be a shade leggy; 4, Cameron, buff, grand size, fine type and qual., stylish, neat carr.; 5, Gardner; 6, Steven; 7, Aitchison; 8, Wood; res, Barron. HEN (7): 1, sp, medal, Bishop, lovely col., and A1 qual., short and cobby built, neat and sweetly filled in, representative; 2, Watson, fine hot even col., nice qual., rather less body subs. than leader, but good; 3, Gardner, grand fronted, cobby bodied; 4, Chalmers, sweet and typical specimen, behind only in subs. of front; 5, Melville; 6, Cameron; 7, Barron. CL. OR TKD. BUFF HEN (11): 1, Young, grand size and qual., A1 type, full head and neck, neat carr., in lovely order; 2, Maxwell, well up in size and qual., fine shape, neat wings and tail, might be trifle better in entrance; 3, sp, Gardner, shorter and more cobby in build, neat, shapely, clean cut, exhibit, well over the perch, must have pressed hard up; 4, Naismith, nice size, fine qual., typical, neat in carr.; 5, sp, Aitchison; 6, sp, Watson; 7, McNair; 8, sp, Taylor. VAR. OR GREEN HEN (15): 1, Hendry, yell. var., grand type and qual., shapely and well rounded, fine level col., and neat; 2, Webster, buff, fine size and substance, neat bold head and thick set neck,; 3, Bishop, fine shapely yell., full col., neat top, nice qual.; 4, Gardner, rather smaller, nice condition; 5, Sinclair; 6, Paterson; 7, Erskine; 8, Taylor. NON-FED COCK (15): 1, sp, 2, Mitchell, leader wings and eye mkd., rare subs., fine head and short beak, short thick neck, sweet typical bold fronted exhibit, lovely qual., in capital order, 2nd fine cl., well up to leader in all points except, maybe, a pinch behind in sweetness at front; 3, sp, Young, fine qual. and type, neat carr., trifle long in beak; 4, 6, sp, Martin, not quite so full in front as leader, but good qual. and carr.; 5, Naismith; 7, Hutchison; 8, Gemmell. HEN (11): 1, Naismith, buff, good size, massive, neat, well filled in, good qual., in grand order; 2, Taylor, cl., yell., large, shapely, good qual., fine type, just inclined to cross at times; 3, Bishop, buff green, good size and shape, grand qual., sweet front, well filled in, trifle unsteady; 4, Smith, grand feathered cl., fine qual. and type, neat carr., pressed hard; 5, sp, 6, Martin; 7, Blackley; 8, Roberts. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (15): 1, Simpson, tkd., medium size, lovely qual., short, neat, and typical, a little beauty, just on the small side for cock; 2, Mitchell, massive, capital subs. and qual., something to look at, just inclined to be faulty in chest; 3, 4, 7, Maxwell, leader capital subs. for a youngster, fine qual., fine head and neck, great body, neat carr., 4th shade smaller, but nice qual.; 5, Condie; 6, Steven; 8, sp, Roberts. BUFF (14): 1, McLintock, good size and qual. feather, neatly made, shapely, well filled exhibit, staged in lovely order; 2, Young, scarcely so massive as leader, but sweet feathered, typical specimen, staged in grand condition; 3, Simpson, clear cut, shapely, nice feathered, stylish; 4, Hirst, short and cobby bodied, typical and sweet in wing and tail carr.; 5, sp, Martin; 6, Naismith; 7, Barron; 8, Hunter. YELL. HEN (18): 1, 7, Martin, leader large shapely specimen, stylish and cobby built, clean cut away bebird, only fault just gripped a trifle at throat; 2, Gardner, hard in the hunt, typical, shapely, cobby built, capital feather and condition; 3, Maxwell, grand subs., capital qual., neat and well filled in, hard up on leaders; 4, Mitchell, short, cobby, well-made, fine head and neck, deep, broad, well rounded front, clean and short behind, many liked as well as anything in class; 5, Simpson, smaller built yell. green, not so massive in body, neat, shapely, and well got up, looks like one of the late City winners; 6, sp, Naismith; 8, Finnie. BUFF (12): 1, Maxwell, fine substance and rare qual. feather, neatly filled in at top end, finely braced wings and tail, in fine trim; 2, Wood, grand qual., neatly got up, shapely and typical, must have tried hard; 3, Grewar, nice size, good subs., nice top end; 4, Naismith, capital qual., lovely head and neck; 5, Martin; 6, Jeffrey; 7, Cairns; 8, Cameron. NOV. CK (20): 1, Munro, rare col., fine qual., neat and shapely yell. tkd., put down in the pink of condition; 2, Harper, fairly good buff, nice order, good feather and qual., but beaten here; 3, sp, Gilmour, shapely var. buff, laid down in nice order, running hard on 2nd; 4, Hadley, large var. yell., hot col. and fine qual., shapely; 5, Armour; 6, sp, Naismith; 7, Fulton; 8, Mason. HEN (20): 1, sp, Naismith, cl. yell., nice shape and subs., rare feather, clean cut, typical, finely staged; 2, Hannah, cl. yell., short, sweet, and cobby, well filled in, only wants pinch more size; 3, McLeod, rather larger in build, but scarcely so cobby or sweet in appearance, still good; 4, Munro, buff, nice feather, but beaten here; 5, Armour; 6, Bryson; 7, Hope; 8, Gilmour. CREST COCK (5): 1, sp, Howie, massive, even wing D.C., abundance, lovely qual. feather, capital top piece, lovely even droop and perfect radiation, wins well; 2, Crane, similarly mkd., fine qual., not quite the frontal or subs.; 3, sp, McClymont, light var., fine subs. and qual., nice top piece; 4, Mrs. Taylor, cl. body grizz., top nice substance; 5, McFadyean. HEN (2): 1, Tweedie, even wing D.C., fine condition, rare wealth head feather, lovely even droop, fine frontal; 2, McClement, less subs., but nice qual., finely radiated top, not quite so dense in feather. C.B., CK.: 1, Mrs. Taylor, large broken green, capital feather, fine head and broad entrance, nicely staged; 2, Moreland, nice light var., fine trim, well up in subs., fine lash, just loses a trifle in entrance; 3, sp, 5, Crane, leader nice broken green, in good condition, not quite the entrance or subs. of leaders; 4, McClement, lovely light mkd., capital order, fine subs., grand headgear, hard up. HEN (4): 1, Mrs. Taylor, green, fine subs., nice qual., feather, capital skull, short beak, and grand entrance, a topper; 2, Thomson, var., in nice condition, close feather, fine texture, rare dome shaped skull, nice lash, barely so wide across entrance as winner; 3, Tweedie, again fine body, subs., and feather, just behind in head; 4, McClement, light var., nice qual., neatly groomed, must have pressed. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Arnott, beautiful cl., lovely taper, wins well; 2, Bennett, beauty for shape and qual., stylish and symmetrical, hard up; 3, Hutchison, nice make, sweet, quality, feather, neatly folded wings, and tail, scarcely so nice at throat; 4, Munro, typical, fine qual. and build; 5, Irons; 6, Fraser; 7, Lawson. BUFF (9): 1, sp, Hutchison, fine boxy feather, shapely, neatly filled and stylish, wins B.F.C.C. medal; 2, Munro, clinker for type and feather, capital qual. and shape, well filled in, marked soft, winning easily when we made our notes; 3, Bennett, fine qual. and type, nice jaunty carr. and style; 4, Arnott, fine qual., tkd., in nice order, mkd. very soft, singing merrily when we saw it; 5, Irons; 6, sp, Aitken; 7, Auld; 8, Thomson. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Bennett, grand qual. cl., sweet type, neat head and neck, sweetly moulded, staged in fine condition; 2, Hutchison, nicely feathered exhibit, grand shape and carr., nice style; 3, Munro, fine qual., style, and carr., clean cut, jaunty, hard up on leaders; 4, Auld, lovely qual. feather, capital type, A1 condition, mkd. soft; 5, Gentleman; 6, Broadfoot; 7, Aitken; 8, Fraser. BUFF (10): 1, Hutchison, shapely, fine qual., neat head, grand body, clean, well carried wings, nicely laid down; 2, Gilchrist, grand cl., staged in lovely order, neat and sweetly made, must have pressed; 3, sp, Bennett, lovely, perfect order, best qual., fine waxy feather, shape, and type, all there; 4, Broadfoot, lovely qual. and type, feather like wax; 5, Lawson; 6, Irons; 7, Cunningham; 8, sp, Clark. VAR., ETC., YELL. (7): 1, Thomson, lovely 4-pt. cinn. mark, rare col. and fine feather, staged in the pink; 2, Bennett, clinking 4-pt. green mkd., capital type and qual., neatly moulded, a topper, must have pressed hard; 3, Irons, lightly mkd., lovely qual., sweet and taking appearance, staged to perfection; 4, Hutchison, seemed trifle soft; 5, Auld; 6, sp, Stewart; 7, Gilchrist. BUFF (7): 1, sp, Thomson, capital type and qual., rare tight waxy feather, lovely mkd., neatly balanced wings and close pipe tail, in full bloom; 2, Hutchison, similar in markings, nice type and qual., not quite so sweet in neck; 3, sp, Bennett, staged in fine feather and condition, nice qual., finely braced wings; 4, Gilchrist, capital feather, sweetly made, grand markings, fine style, close up; 5, Fraser; 6, Lawson; 7, McVittie. GREEN OR CINN. YELL. (15): 1, sp, 6, sp, Thomson, leading with lovely grassy green, tip-top qual., nicely pencilled, best of carr. and type, staged in lovely bloom; 2, Munro, fine qual. and type, shapely and neat carr., not quite so tight and clean cut underneath as leader; 3, sp, McIntyre, typical, good col. and qual., nice sweet head and neck, just inclined to cross at times; 4, Gilchrist, good col. and nice qual., nicely balanced wings and fine close tail; 5, Wilson; 7, Bennie; 8, Cunningham. BUFF (8): 1, Thomson, grand cinn., in fine bloom, neat, shapely, and well filled in; 2, Arnott, very neat green, fine style and type, grand col., well tapered away, fine carr., hard up for top place; 3, 4, no name, cinn. and green, in remarkably fine order, leader capital col., rare texture feather, nicely pencilled, sweet and typical, 4th shapely, good coloured green, rather heavier in build than those in front; 5, Young; 6, 8, Whitelaw; 7, Gentleman. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (19): 1, 2 sps, Heggie, capital, best order, straight as a rush, neat and shapely, well rounded and smooth as a bottle; 2, Ogden Bros., not quite so hot in col., but tip-top qual. feather, and neat wings and tail, clear fronted, sweetly made; 3, Macrobbie, leader fine length and qual., neat style, and well drawn, barely so perfect in wing carr. as leader; 4, 6, Binns, leader fine length and shape, grand qual.; 5, sp, Johnstone; 7, Fawcett; 8, Cochrane. BUFF (11): 1, Binns, lengthy, fine qual., capital shape, neat wings and tail, in rare trim; 2, Hirst, fine col. and qual., neat, clean, shapely, well rounded body, not quite so perfect in wing carr.; 3, sp, Macrobbie, good exhibit, nice length and qual., shapely and nice carr., well placed; 4, Anderson, capital shape, fine qual., neat and clean cut; 5, Ogden Bros.; 6, Pinnock; 7, Priest; 8, Macrobbie. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (12): 1, 5, sp, Heggie, leader, lovely qual., neatly rounded, smooth as glass, capital shape, and best carriage; 2, Binns, top col. and qual., neat and shapely, well drawn exhibit, not quite so tight as leader; 3, Fawcett, fine length and type, real waxy feather; 4, Cobb, lovely col. and sweet qual., slim, well rounded, and shapely; 6, Cochrane; 7, Crighton; 8, Gray. BUFF (17): 1, sp, Heggie, capital qual. feather, nice length, best of carr. and type, well rounded, sweetly tapered, in fine form; 2, Cochrane, griz. cap, lovely order, scarcely the length, but finely moulded and set down in the pink; 3, sp, Ellis, not quite so hot in col., but lovely shape and qual., clean, sweetly rounded front, and well put together, pressing hard; 4, Ogden Bros., nice size and sweet build, fine shape and good qual.; 5, Erskine; 6, Hirst; 7, McLellan; 8, Anderson. VARIEG. (17): 1, sp, Cochrane, capital yell. var., rare length and qual, very shapely and typical, one of the best; 2, sp, 6, sp, 7, Heggie, leader, similar yell., capital qual. and style, nice swagger, tight up on leader; 3, sp, 4, Ogden Bros., leader lengthy wing mkd. buff, rare order, sweet, well filled top end, shapely body, 4th lovely hot coloured cinn. mkd., in capital order; 5, Cobb; 8, Webster. UNFLIG. CK. (13): 1, McLellan, lovely col., cl. yell., in rare trim, nice length, neat, clean cut, and typical through, nicely laid down; 2, Cochrane, cl. buff, lovely texture feather, typical and well dressed, in fine waxy coat, neatly tucked up wings and fine tail, well up for top position; 3, sp, Hirst, capital length, nice qual.; 4, Ogden Bros., grand hot coloured yell., in lovely condition, all over, a good one, mkd. soft; 5, Jeffrey; 6, 7, Binns; 8, Martin. HEN (18): 1, sp, Ogden Bros., top qual. cl., rare bloom, neat and typical, something pleasing to look at, neatly filled and sweetly balanced, clean cut and finely finished behind; 2, Macrobbie, fine qual. buff, nice order, just pinched a trifle at throat; 3, Crighton, again cl. yell., well up in type and qual.; 5, sp, Martin; 6, Heggie; 7, McLellan; 8, Jeffrey. A.O.V. (6): 1, 4, Barron, 2 fine Scotch, grand condition, good exhibits; 2, Hope, fine buff cinn. Nor., good qual., nice thick set, good headed, might have been better in flights; 3, Whitelaw, grand cl. cap Silver Liz., nice order, fine spangle, some thought might have gone up a peg; 6, Fyfe.

Hybrid, British and Foreign Birds.

LT. MULES (5): 1, sp., McQuiston, charming high coloured Goldie, even mkd., fine size, rich qual., of feather, trifle narrow in head, otherwise grand Mule; 2, McVittie, fine big, upstanding Goldie; 3, 4, Heggie; 5, Fraser. DK. GOLDIE MULE (5): 1, Roy, fine size and substance, very rich col., grand face, rare condition, yell., wins; 2, McQuiston, rich col. buff, grand size, rich face, A1 bloom, splendid order; 3, Scobbie, fine col., not so rich as winners; 4, McVittie; 5, McClymont. LINNET OR GREENFINCH (11): 1, R. Craig, slashing big yell. Greenie, lovely col. and qual., grand shape, fine butts, splendid condition; 2, McQuiston, gem for col., yell., fine size, rich qual., well finished; 3, sp., McCraig, yell. Greenie, fine col. and qual., lighter got up than winner; 4, Buchanan, fine rich yell. Linnet; 5, Staines. A.O.V. DARK: 1, Whiteford, yell. Siskin, City of Glasgow winner, size and substance, rich col., fine qual., nice cap, shows cross well, good order; 2, McQuiston, fine big Twite, grand col. and sheen, well laced, steady, and well put down; 3, Frew, very nice yell. Siskin, fine size, good qual., lovely sheen, trifle unsteady; 4, Young; 5, sp., name omitted (Ed.); 6, Buchanan. BULLFINCH, HYB. (7): 1, sp., Bell, splendid specimen Goldie Bullie, great size, fine bold head, very rich face, lovely breast, excellent condition, fine upstanding position, wins well, some thought second best in hall; 2, Bishop, Greenie-Bullie, grand size, rich col., lovely qual., fine back, nice sheen, well staged; 3, sp., Heron, Goldie-Bullie, fine face, rich col., splendid qual., good bars, shows cross well, A1 order, well placed; 4, Taylor, fine Goldie-Bullie; 5, Mills; 6, Brown; 7, Buchanan. Fine class. A.O.V. HYB. (5): 1, Mitchell, fine Redpoll Goldie, nice shape, excellent condition, fine bloom, smart, taking exhibit, well put down; 2, McCraig, Goldie Redpoll, better size, not so good in shape, rich face, in fine order; 3, McQuiston, Goldie-Siskin, nice size, fails a bit in col. and condition; 4, Williams, Redpoll-Linnet; 5, Bell. GOLDFINCH (8): 1, Macrobbie, fine size, right shape, great face, square cut, of rich col., well tanned body, fine bars, well mounted, wins well; 2, Nicholson, right stamp, deep rich blaze, little broken, nicely tanned, clear beak, grand fettle; 3, Morrine, nice size, grand face, square cut, good col., finely tanned and buttoned; 4, Graham, fine bird, rich face, round shape; 5, Morrine; 6, sp., Cochrane; 7, Haddow; 8, Fulton. GOLDFINCH, F.M (8): 1, Wallace, right shape, grand rich blaze, well tanned and buttoned, good flights, clean cut collar; 2, Morrine, fine bird, much about the same stamp, not so steady; 3, Jeffrey, as good as any, grand face, fine col., steady, should moult a good one; 4, Lindsay, soft when taking notes; 5, Palmer; 6, Graham. BULLFINCH (7): 1, Palmer, well up in size, fine bold head, jet black, lovely rich col. breast, grand back and wing bars, shows himself to perfection; 2, Wallace, close up, grand cap, good breast, fine back, well defined bars, right shape, fine fettle; 3, sp., Laidlaw, fine stamp, scarcely so rich col., otherwise good, soon claimed at catalogue price; 4, Sykes, right shape, nice col., trifle rough at thighs; 5, McQuiston; 6, Bell; 8, McClymont. LINNET, H.M. (7): 1, sp., 2, McQuiston, 1, whopper for size, rich tone of col., wonderfully well laced on breast, high condition, shows whites well, fine back, wins, 2, another excellent well laced bird, richer tone of ground col., fine back, neat shape, close up, good one; 3, Pierce, fine shape and col., not so densely laced; 4, Cairney, fine make, good col., lighter on breast, otherwise good; 5, McPhee, wet when judged, or might have gone up; 6, Cochrane; 7, McMillan. F.M. (8): 1, McQuiston, great size, very high col., good shape, shows whites well, little rough; 2, Downie, good size, rich nutty brown col., fine distinct lacing, steady, should moult a good one, some preferred for 1st; 3, sp., Robertson, right shape and col., heavier, laced very steady; 4, Wallace, nice one for col. and lacing, broken tail; 5, sp., Henry, fine shape and col.; 6, Bell; 7, Munro; 8, Shields. SISKIN (6): 1, sp., Watson, City of Glasgow and Kirkcaldy winner, lovely qual. and col., grand shape, splendid broad cap, faint bib, well laced, wins; 2, McGregor and Boyd, another well-known winner beaten to-day, right shape, grand cap, faint bib, nicely laced flanks, good size, fails col. to leader; 3, Hope, nice stamp, fine cap, well laced; 4, O. May, fine col. and well laced; 5, Parker; 6, McPhee. MEALY 'POLL OR TWITE (8): 1, sp., McQuiston, well-known winner, stormer for size, wonderful rich tone of ground col., well laced on breast, rich back, grand condition, bit dull in whites, still wins; 2, Quinn, Mealy, another known winner, great size, fine shape, bold head, well mealed and bronzed, nicely laced flanks; 3, sp., Webster, real good Twite, fine size, nice col., not so rich as winner, neatly laced, good; 3, 4, Campbell, Mealy, bigger than 2, fine shape, not so densely laced, still good one; 5, col., Cochrane, Twite; 6, Scotland; 7, Bell. LESSER (16): 1, McQuiston, good size, fine cobby shape, lovely col., well bronzed, neat head and bib, good bars, good order; 2, Craig, great size, just beaten col., right shape, well laced flanks, fine polish; 3, Williams, fine upstanding 'Poll, lovely sheen, fine back and bars; 4, O. May, good size, well laced, might be richer in col.; 5, Fairweather, right shape, well polished, fine col., bonny bird, we liked for 3rd place; 6, Meiklem; 7, Hope; 8, Bruce. GREENFINCH, FED (7): 1, Nicholson, great size and substance for a yell., bold head and front, grand flights, fine qual., rich col., grand polish, wins; 2, R. Craig, fine shape, well built, better qual. than 1st, extra rich flights, shade smaller; 3, Parker, yell., finely made, good head and butts, close up; 4, M. Craig, buff, rich col. all over, good stamp; 5, Fyfe, yell., neat shape; 6, O. May; 7, McPhee. NON-FED (7): 1, Campbell, thumper for size, strongly and well built, rich col., fine butts, sweet qual., little hollow in neck, still, wins all the way; 2, Wason, yell., shapely, rich col., trille lighter built than winner, excellent order; 3, name omitted (Ed.), still, another fine one for shape and col., grand qual., fine sheen, well staged; 4, Livingstone, grand shape, good substance; 5, Shields, rich col., trille nervous; 6, Jellrey; 7, McBride. CHAFFINCH (10): 1, Adams, good size, rich col., fine head, lovely qual., well defined whites, steady, shows himself well, grand condition; 2, Sykes, grand stamp, excellent qual., good sound breast col., well defined bars, nice condition, presses hard; 3, sp., McQuiston, City winner, beaten to-day, fine shape, good col., pure in whites steady, grand bloom; 4, Chalmers, fine size, warm tone of col., good head, nice whites, not so good condition; 5, Raine, good stamp; 6, sp., Hopper Bros.; 7, Dunlop; 8, sp., Dunlop. Good class. BRAMBLE (4): 1, 3, Sykes, well-known winner leading, still adding to his laurels, well up in size, very rich col., well down, finely spangled, grand bold head, nice mantle, neat shape, first rate order, wins, 3, fine stamp, not so rich colour, nor so well spangled, grand mantle, fine bloom; 2, McQuiston, grand one, good size and col., fine rich tone, grand feather, put down in his usual fine style; 4, Sharp, fine make, nice depth of col., not in such good condition as leaders. A.O.S. FINCH OR BUNTING (6): 1, Sykes, Hawfinch, great size, fine, well built fellow, stands up well, grand head, fine warm tone, well shaped bib, fine bloom; 2, Nicholson, fine rich coloured Corn Bunting, well up in size, good second; 3, Dunlop, yell. Bunting, very rich col., fine head, neat V-shaped, good cheek markings, shapely and fine size; 4, McQuiston, City winner, beaten here, Corn Bunting, not the size of second, well marked, fine tone of colour, steady, needs a rest; 5, Burnett, Cirl Bunting, very rich colour, in fine order; 6, Henderson. SMALL BRIT.: 1, 3, Arnott, very fine Black Redstart, grand silky shining plumage, shapely, trifle unsteady, good condition, wins; 2, Erskine, Shore Lark, fine shape, well mkd., very steady, we rather preferred; 3, Arnott, charming little Jenny Wren, grand col., fine condition, well staged, in a very natural cage; 4, McCue, Skylark, good shape, well laced, fine order. LARGE (5): 1, 3, sp., McQuiston, well-known Cornish Clough, lovely shining silky plumage, good coloured beak and legs, faultless condition, wears well; 2, Henderson, Waxwing, wonderful plumage, tight as wax, lovely qual., fine crest, well staged; 3, sp., Bisset, Missel Thrush, great size, well spotted, fine col., grand condition, nicely staged; 4, Hamilton Mavis, well marked all over, well put down; 5, Robb. BULLFINCH HEN (10): 1, Macpherson, charming lady, beauty for shape and style, shows herself well, grand cap, fine full neck, lovely breast colour, well defined wing bars, staged to win; 2, McQuiston, City winner, fine stamp, lovely qual., fine col., good bars, shade smaller, close up; 3, sp., Laidlaw, we could not find, early lifted; 4, Downie, well made, darker tone, good wing bars, fine order; 5, McMillan; 6, Farish; 7, Watson; 8, McLintock. HEN SEEDEATER (3): 1, Heard, Corn Bunting, great size, fine shape, splendid condition, well shown; 2, Macpherson, Hawfinch, fine shapely bird, nice cut bib, good head, A1 bloom; 3, McQuiston, Linnet, rare col., good size, well laced breast, City winner, in better company. GOLD., FOR. (12): 1, sp., Howie, old warrior, and great winner, still ahead, enormous face, rare breadth, very rich colour, pure in whites, clean cut collar, finely tanned, rich flights, pleuty of buttons, grand shape and condition, well staged; 2, Nicholson, fine size, good face, not so expansive as winner, neat shape, lovely wings, rare order; 3, sp., Guthrie and Son, fine blaze, rich col., round shape; 4, Graham, grand square cut face, rich col., fine size, pure in whites, some preferred for second; 5, Adams; 6, Guthrie and Sons; 7, Robertson; 8, Marshall, fine class. FOR., SMALL (11): Best class in show. 1, sp., 3, Mrs. T. Taylor, magnificent yellow-winged Sugar Bird, happy blending of colours, shining like silk, nice bill, wonderfully well staged, greatly admired, many preferred for best in show; 2, 4, Arnott, beautiful Tri-coloured Tanager, fine blend of many colours, grand condition, good 2nd; 3, Mrs. Taylor, grand pair Black-headed Gouldians, brilliant colours, cock excels in richness, excellent qual., well shown and placed; 4, Arnott, very neat Painted Nonpareil, charming, lovely col., grand tail, well staged; 5, 6, Winter, Cordon Bleus, grand shade of colour, rare order; 7, 8, Webster, Black-faced Love Bird. LARGE (5): 1, 2, 3, Wilson, Red and Blue Macaw, great size, fine glossy feather, could do with a wider cage; 2, Wilson, very rare Toucan, great bill of fare, fine attraction; 3, Wilson, soft when reporting, feeling the cold; 4, Young, fine Grey Parrot; 5, Connell, Rock Parrot.

LAISTERDYKE B.F.A.

Members' show of Canaries, 90 birds were staged. Mr. J. Greaves (Manningham) judged. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Swaine; 2, Batesman; 3 Parker; 4, Bottomley. BUFF: 1, Swaine; 2, 3, Taylor; 4, Bateman. EVEN. VARIEG., ETC.: 1, Casey; 2, Bottomley; 3, Stebbings; 4, Bateman. HEN, YELL.: 1, Casey; 2, Stebbings; 3, Hodgson; 4, Wharton Bros. BUFF: 1, Wharton Bros.; 2, Padgett and Son; 3, Bateman; 4, Hodgson. VARIEG., ETC., YELL. or BUFF: 1, 3, Hogson; 2, Taylor. CINN. MKD. YELLOW OR BUFF: 1, Parker; 2, Swaine; 3, Hodgson; 4, Hudson. HEN: 1, Swaine; 2, 3, Parker; 4, Hudson. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Hudson Bros.; 2, 3, Bland; 4, Foster. CL. OR TKD. BUFF: 1, Bland; 2, Foster. VARIEG. ETC.: 1, Hudson Bros.; 2, Foster. HEN, YELL.: 1, Bland; 2, Patchett; 3, Hudson Bros.; BUFF: 1, 4, Bland; 2, Revill; 3, Foster. CINN: 1, Revill.

DARLEY DALE F.S

Seventh annual open show held Nov. 21 in the Whitworth Institute Pavilion, which was an ideal place for the occasion. The birds were well staged and cared for in the best possible manner by the stewards, Messrs. Norman and Morse. The hon. secs., Messrs. Dawson and Fearn, are capable officials, and were most courteous and obliging to everybody. The awards were made by Mr. C. Ward (Derby), and gave general satisfaction. Entries did not come up so well as anticipated, six classes having to be cancelled. NOR. CK. (8): 1, Fox, buff, rare size and type, fine front, good head and neck, delightful feather and col., full of action, wins easily; 2, Else, buff (Matlock winner), not the sub. of winner, round chest, nice carr., clean cut away, good condition; 3, Williams, buff, nice sub., well across perch, well shown; res, Dean; vhc, Bradley; hc, c, Dean. UNFLIGH. (9): 1, Bradley, buff, fine substance, bonny head and neck, capital col. of feather, promising youngster; 2, Dean, buff, sweetly moulded, lovely qual., dainty carr., not the sub.; 3, res, Lill (yellow), nice shape, good col. and feather; vhc, Dean; hc, c, Buxton. BRIT. (10): 1, Allwood, Hawfinch, beautifully feathered, grand shape, well shown, a gem; 2, Bull, Linnet, not large, nice qual., very steady; 3, Williams, Bullfinch, nice, col. and qual., splendid trim; res, c, Poole; vhc, Lomas; hc, Gentle. Special for best bird shown by member, C. Gentle.

IMPROVEMENT AT ROCHDALE.

The New Date Gives Better Entry.

Times change, and men change with them. After holding its show for more than twenty years in the famous Town Hall, the Rochdale O.C. last year removed to the Ambulance Hall. The result was a drop in the entry, and a smaller gate, but as the expenses were less, the club came out some £5 or £6 better than in previous years. For quite a generation the show has always been held the third week in October. This year a change was made to a month later, November 22-23, but really one cannot honestly say the move was a success. True, the entries were a few more, but then there was an extended schedule. The Lancs. shown were a good representative lot; in fact, they were a more evenly balanced collection than usual. Very few of the crouching slovenly type were on view. Those veterans of the breed, Messrs. Barrass, Hardy, Naden, and Garner staged some notable birds, as did Messrs. G. Fitton (a name we are pleased to see still associated with the breed), Beattie, and Hordern. Mr. Green, who has long held the best in the South of England, sent some most handsome birds, which held their own well with those of the local breeders. Lizards were magnificent. In every class excepting the clear capped Golds, the competition was very keen indeed. Several exhibits in the Clear Caps were passed. Mr. Ollerenshaw put down a very strong team, and did the greater part of the winning in the Broken Caps. Mr. Dewsnap did not meet with his usual success, but another of the veterans, John Rukin, the L.L.F.A. popular secretary, held a strong hand in the Broken-capped Silver hens. Mr. Millington headed a good novice class with a bird that would have given a good account of itself amongst the champions. We congratulate the Lizard breeders most heartily upon the splendid display they made at this the leading show of the year. Not many years ago Rochdale was looked upon by Yorkshire breeders as one of their best fighting grounds, but during recent years they have not given it so much support as they used to do, which is strange, seeing that the executive every year appoint a Yorkshire specialist. In Crestbreds, Mr. Brotherton's famous yellow was easily first, and thus notched his fifth successive win at Rochdale. Norwich were not great, Border Greens were grand, and Mr. Mundell handed them exceedingly well. The genial Bradfordian was strong on type, and the chubby chested ones had short shrift at his hands. Messrs. Parker and Little scored with birds that were full of grace and style, and of good colour. According to the Cinnamon-marked handbook, Mr. House should have judged that club's competition, but by an oversight they were allotted to Mr. Mundell, who, needless to say, handled them in rare style. If there is one variety more than another that "Pa" delights to judge, it is that in which he used to score so well in the days which are past. There is little need to talk of the management. At Rochdale, the committee, one and all, are true-hearted fanciers, and they look after the exhibits entrusted to their care with the greatest assiduity. The president, Mr. John Naden, has grown grey in the service of the club, as have those good fellows Levi Butterworth (vice-president), and Robert Barrass (treas.). What a trio they are! Others there are worthy of special mention, amongst them Messrs. J. Liddle, J. Butterworth, A. Beattie, F. Daniels, S. Entwistle, J. Fawcett, J. Heap, J. Lees, W. A. Mills, Geo. Naylor, W. Pratt, F. Rabbich, A. Sidebottom, J. Sutton, A. Waring, and C. Whitehead. These all worked hard and well to make things go with the usual Rochdale smoothness, and well they succeeded. Mr. R. Blincoe is proving himself to be a "gradely" successor to the many good men and true who have filled the secretarial post at Rochdale, and his tack, geniality, and energy are devoted to upholding the great tradition of this old-established fixture. The ladies' refreshment and tea stall was a much appreciated feature. The ladies responsible for its management were: Mesdames Liddle (pres.), Mills (vice-pres.), Naden (treas.), Bamford (sec.), Butterworth, Cowen, Entwisle, Leach, Mills and Beattie, and right well did they attend to the wants of the exhibitors and visitors. Mr. C. A. House, who officiated for the twentieth year in succession, judged Lancs., Liz., Crests, Norwich, and Mules, and the remainder were taken by Mr. W. Mundell. The awards were well received, and generally endorsed by visitors and exhibitors.

Mr. C. A. House's Classes.

LANCS. COPPY YELL. (7): 1, Hardy, grand shape and length, full of style, neat clean centre, grand spread and width of coppy, stout neck and shoulders, massive body, grand wings and tail, beautifully finished; 2, Hordern, very massive in body, broader in back and deeper and wider in chest, neat centre, nicely finished coppy, lacks the spread and front of winner; 3, he, Barrass, long sided bird, plenty of subs., grandly feathered, full of style, neat centre, well spread broad front; 4, Garner, not quite so much subs, of body, grand shape, length and style, beautiful finish; c, Beattie. BUFF (8): 1, Hardy, a giant indeed, tremendous length and subs. of body, great spread of coppy, rare front, well finished back, neat centre, broad stout shoulders, great depth through chest, splendid wings and tail, carries himself like a soldier; 2, c, Fitton, not quite so massive or long in body, splendid shape and style, clean and neat in centre, good spread, but not so wide in coppy, capital wings and tail; 3, 4, Green, very long sided bird, with grand wings and tail, splendid shape and carr., well spread, neatly centred coppy, a long, strong beak spoils his frontal appearance, 4th grand shape and style, capital length of body; vhc, Beattie; hc, Garner; No. 3, Newall, passed as "wrong class." P.H. YELL (8): 1, c, Fitton, great length, very stout shoulders, capital width of back, thick through chest, plenty of wing and tail, grand feather, wide skull, good scowling expression, and grand lash; 2, 4, Beattie, broad, stout front, grandly lashed, great length and substance of body, splendid wings and tail, very stylish, and gets well up, 4th immense bird, great length and substance; 3, Naden, plenty of subs. of body and skull, grand lash, heavily feathered body, not the length of the leaders, and does not show so well; vhc, Kay; hc, Green. BUFF (6): 1, Barrass, monster, one of the sort so long associated with the name of this Lancashire veteran, tremendous width and subs. of skull, magnificent lashing, tremendous length and subs., rare wings and tail, gets well up to his work, heavily feathered; 2, 4, Filton, fine, big, slashing bird, great length of flights and tail, splendid body feather, very stout well lashed skull, not so stout in neck, stands well up on a good pair of legs, 4th plenty of subs., of body and skull, but shorter; vhc, Swallwell; hc, J. Butterworth. COPPY TKD. YELL. (5): 1, Barrass, magnificent shape and spread, beautiful centre and front, long, stout, well carried body, abundance of body feather, carries himself like the gentleman he is; 2, Green, great length and sub., rare flights and tail, carries himself splendidly, coppy well spread, but not so neat in centre or wide in front; 3, 4, Fitton, tremendous length and subs., grand flights and tail, abundance of feather, well centred coppy, but inclined to lift it, 4th well carried body, not so well finished in coppy; vhc, J. Butterworth. BUFF (6): 1, Hordern, grand centre, great width of spread, nicely finished front, stout neck and shoulders, great length and subs., abundance of feather, rare wings and tail, gets well up; 2, Lowe, almost perfect formation of coppy, grand in centre, front, side, and back, very long, stylish body, capital wings and tail, good back and chest, not so stout in neck, a bird of qual.; 3, Garner, splendid length and subs., plenty of feather, splendid carr., neat centre, nicely shaped coppy, lacks the spread of front; 4, Hardy, nice length of body, but not so massive; vbc, Barrass; No. 5, Garner, shapely bird of nice feather, but appears defective in sight. TKD and HEN classes cancelled. This does not look as though the later date was appreciated by the Coppy men. BRED 1912, COPPY (7): 1, vhc, Beattie, grand, long stout bodied yell., beautiful centre and spread of coppy, grand neck and shoulders, good wide level back, capital length of wings and tail, splendid feather, stands well up; 2, Green, grandly centred and fronted tkd. buff, splendid style, great length and subs., abundance feather, good wings and tail, plenty of style, not so well finished at back of coppy; 3, Lowe, very heavily feathered buff tkd., splendid centre, spread, and front of coppy, stout long body, does not get up on his legs quite so well as leaders; 4, Fitton; hc, Kay; c, Minty. P.H. (8): 1, Hardy, very long sided yell., plenty of subs., great width of skull, grandly lashed, abundance of body feather, rare flights and tail, gets well up on his legs, a grand exhibit; 2, Beattie, another grand yell., tremendous width and subs. of skull, splendidly lashed, very stout neck and shoulders, great width of back and depth of chest, not so long in body and does not get up so well; 3, Barrass, massive, long sided buff, plenty of body, abundance of feather, hardy so massive in skull; 4, Lowe, grand lengthy tkd. yell.; vhc, Beattie; hc, Minty; c, Naden; absent, Hordern. NOV. (6): 1, vhc, Newell, rattling good buff coppy, nice length and substance, neat centre, good spread and wide front, carries a wealth of feather, very stylish, good lasbing, looks like a hen, if so, a good one, and absurdly cheap at catalogue price of 20s.; 2, Woodhead, long, stylish, good shaped yell. plhd., nice width and subs. of skull, well lashed, plenty of feather, well proportioned body; 3, 4, Kay, big, heavy bodied buff plhd., capital length and subs., splendid feather, good wings and tail, 4th tkd. buff coppy, nice length and style, nicely centred and well spread coppy, not so massive in body, but grandly feathered; hc, Siddle. LIZARDS, GOLD, CL. CAP (6): 1, Ramsden's sp, Barnes, grand shape and size, good broad back, covered with rich deep distinct spangling, very regularly rowed, nicely finished cap, mooned in right wing; 2, Hamer, grand shape, size, and style, nicely finished cap, grandly spangled on back, good shoulders, grand feather, not quite so rich in ground col.; 3, Hampshire, beautiful shape and style, nice size, very even and clear in spangling, not so rich in col.; 4, Ollerenshaw, not quite so large, but beautifully spangled; vhc, Steeple; No. 3, Rukin, about the best in the class, but was passed because it only had eleven feathers in its tail. SILVER (10): 1, Hamer, beautiful, bold distinct spangling, sound rich ground col, nicely frosted, splendid shape, good level back, deep chest, slendid feather and style, in grand form; 2, Ollerenshaw, very grandly rowed, good wide back, spangling very clear and distinct, splendid col., shape, and feather; 3, Rukin, grandly finished cap, of good shape, carries a lot of work on a nice level back, but a bit plain on shoulders, and mooned on one flight, grand col. and feather, very showy; 4, Hampshire, very neat cap, nice shape and style, not in quite such nice feather; vhc, Martin; hc, L. Butterworth; No. 3, Barnes, good bird with broken tail; No. 1, Ollerenshaw, passed as "wrong class," broken on right side; No. 7, Hampshire, broken on left side; No. 9, L. Butterworth, broken on left side. In the opinion of the judge there were birds in the Broken-capped classes that were not so badly broken as either of these three. BROKEN CAPPED GOLD. (8): 1, 2, Ollerenshaw, 1st a real beauty, wonderfully rich and bright in col., good broad back, very evenly rowed, with large bold spangling, grand shape and size, good shoulders and chest, 2nd very shapely, nice size, grandly feathered, not quite so rich in body spangling, splendid back, capital wings and tail, lovely col.; 3, Hamer, grand shape and size, very showy and stylish, capital back, wings, and tail, carries a wealth of spangle, but is not quite so rich in ground col., good legs and feet; 4, Rukin, better than either 1st or 2nd in col., magnificently spangled, hardly so large in body, and rather wild when handled, which spoils its rowing; vhc, c, Barnes; hc, Martin. SILVER (10): A really wonderful class: 1, 2, Ollerenshaw, fine, bold, bouncing bird, grand shape and size, full of style, grand back, legs, and feet, good broad back, very evenly covered, with large dark spangling, rich and sound in col., nicely silvered, 2nd gem, if anything even sharper and bolder in spangling than winner, certainly better on breast and sides of body, not quite so large, but full of col., qual., and style, only a couple of feathers make it a broken; 3, Hamer, grand shape and size, rare style and feather, nice broad level back, bold distinct spangling, hardly so rich in col., nearly a clear cap; 4, Barnes, grand shape, beautiful col., grandly spangled, nice body ereeling, tail not quite down or would have been higher; vhc, L. Butterworth; hc, c, Martin. HEN, CL. CAPPED GOLD (8): 1, 4, J. Dewsnap, wonderfully fine cl. cap, magnificent col., lovely feather, grand shape, size, and style, fine, bold, sharp spangling, on a broad level back, not quite level in finish of cap, 4th beauty for col., feather, style, and spangle, but rather narrow in body; 2, 3, Rukin, even better in cap than winner, but not quite so large in body, lovely shape and feather, rich sound col., full of spangle, rare shoulders and chest, 3rd charming no-cap, sweet shape, wonderful feather and style, profusely spangled, but the work is not quite so bold as that of the 2nd, lovely col., vhc, Barnes; hc, Hamer; c, Ollerenshaw, a most excellent class. SILVER CL. CAP (8): 1, Barnes, almost perfect thumb-nail cap, good level back, profusely and regularly spangled, the work being bold, sharp, and clean, lovely col., feather, and style, nice chest, good wings and tail, nicely silvered; 2, Hamer, beautiful shape, size, and style, hardly so well finished at base of cap, splendidly spangled, capital chest, lovely col., and well silvered; 3, c, Rukin, magnificent shape and style, close and silky in feather, rich deep col., grand back, profusely covered with spangle, pity it has two tail feathers mooned; 4, J. Dewsnap, beautiful spangled, lovely col., neat shape; vhc, L. Butterworth; hc, Ollerenshaw. BROKEN CAPPED GOLD (10): 1, Hamer, broken just enough to be styled a broken, but broken it was, large, full, well finished cap, grand shape and size, beautifully rich and sound in col., profusely spangled, and shown in the pink of condition; 2, 4, Ollerenshaw, magnificent col., and most beautiful spangling, hardly so cobby in shape, capital wings and tail, 4th very sweet in shape, feather, and col.; 3, J. Dewsnap, not quite so bold and shapely in body, beautifully feathered, lovely col., grandly rowed with bold distinct spangles; vhc, Ollerenshaw; hc, Barnes; c, Rukin. SILVER (10): 1, 3, vhc, hc, Rukin, fine big showy hen, grand shape and feather, full of work of bold rich pattern, put on very evenly, rich sound ground col., and lovely frosting, 3rd very shapely, rich bright col., grand feather, beautifully and regularly spangled, not quite so showy; 2, 4, Ollerenshaw, smart and stylish, a profusion of spangle, grand level back, beautiful col., grand feather, not quite so large, very nicely silvered, 4th very handsome no-cap; c, Fitton. NOVICE (11): 1, hc, Millington, one of the largest, best shaped, and most stylish Lizards in the show, a grand bird for a novice to stage, a broken capped silver, lovely col., beautifully spangled, grand shape and feather, well frosted; 2, 4, Bosworth, very rich, bright, sound coloured broken gold, large bold and profuse spangling, on a sound level back, capital wings and tail, grand form, must have pressed, 4th very distinct spangling, a nicely frosted silver; 3, Leach, graudly shaped and feathered silver, nice col., good cap, evenly and clearly spangled, showy, stylish bird; vhc, Lord; c, Naylor; No. 8, Bosworth, a wonderfully rich col., and profusely spangled gold, but curiously had half-a-dozen flights in one wing tipped white, not just mooned, but actually pied, and a white covert. CRESTS (8): 1, 2, Guy, almost a cl., body, just hkd. in tail coverts, very large, well radiated crest, neat clean centre, nice qual., length, and subs. of feather, good body, 2nd heavily variegated, almost perfection in shape of crest centre, radiation, and droop, lovely, very dense, but not so long in crest feather; 3, vhc, Radley and Son, nearly green, large wide crest, well centred, not quite so well drooped; 4, hc, Brotherton, marvellous hen, with one of the heaviest and most densely feathered fronts ever seen, if the crest feather could only be induced to "peck," as it should, this hen would be about the finest ever seen; c, Hesketh. C.B. (8): 1, hc, Brotherton, the famous variegated yell., a wonderful bird, has won here five years in succession, in splendid fettle; 2, 3, Radley and Son, wing mkd. buff, tremendously heavy feathered body, grand browing, 3rd nearly green, nice shape and width of skull; 4, Hesketh, nice shapely green pied; vhc, c, Guy. NOR. CL. YELL. AND BUFF both cancelled. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Heap, nice short chubby eye tkd., good head and neck, capital chest and back, beautifully feathered, very rich and level in col.; 2, 3, Thomas, neck tkd., grandly fed, nice qual. and style, good head, 3rd varieg., not quite so short, plenty of col., nice feather, wins Sandiford's sp; 4, Steeple, nice varieg.; vhc, Johnson; hc, Terrell. BUFF (7): 1, Johnson, big, bouncing, eye and wing tkd., rare shoulders and chest, nice short wings and tail, very compact and stylish, wins well; 2, 3, Wilson, grand depth of chest and width of back, capital col., not quite so tight in feather or chest, very showy; 3, wing tkd., beautiful col. and nice silky feather, not quite so smart in wing carr.; 4, Bell; vhc, Thomas; hc, McMillan; c, Clegg. BRED 1912 YELL. (8): 1, c, Thomas, cbeek and wing mkd., grand rich even col., smooth and sleek in feather, grand head and neck, stout shoulders, and well rounded chest, level col., beautifully sbown; 2, Heap, handsome cl., not so stout in chest or wide in shoulders, rich sound col., neatly feathered; 3, Pleasance, eye and wing mkd., wealth of col., but not so short and chubby; 4, Hirst; vbc, hc, Cook. BUFF (8): 1, Heap, eye tkd., compactly feathered, short wings and tail, lovely qual., very level in col., grandly shown, beautifully frosted; 2, Hirst, eye and neck tkd., nice shape, style, and feather, sound in col., not so much meal; 3, Johnson, wing mkd., nicely feathered, good shape; 4, Pleasance; vhc, Armistead; hc, c, Terrell; No. 8, Heap, had broken its tail, or would most probably have been in the money. HEN (16): 1, Clegg, short flighted yell., deep round chest, broad back, neat head, very compact in feather, and nice col.; 2, Thomas, grand bodied buff, plenty of col., good wings and tail, just a shade flat on head; 3, c, Heap, good headed buff, grand shoulders and chest; 4, Ball; vhc, Terrell; hc, Hirst. NOV. (13): 1, 4, c, Worthington, very cobby, compact buff, grand head, neck, and chest, very nicely feathered, and good col., 4th varieg. buff, good shape and feather; 2, Lord, grand shaped varieg. yell., splendid feather, neat wings and tail, would have been improved by a tubbing; 3, Armistead, stout, deep chested buff, good col., nice feather, not quite so neat in head; vhc, Gerrard; hc, Hollons; absent, No. 5, McMillan. MULES, LT., cancelled. DK. (8): 1, Tams and Son, beautifully mkd., grandly feathered, nice shaped, stylish buff Siskin-Can.; 2, H. Walsh, big buff Goldie-Can., nice blaze and bars, plenty of style; 3, McMurdo, nicely feathered, sound col., jonque Greenie-Can.; 4, Smitb and Chadwick; vhc, Dearden; hc Sutton; c, Naden; No. 7, Durston, was entered as a buff Siskin-Can., was passed as "wrong class," being in the opinion of the judge a jonque Siskin-Goldie. HYBRIDS (8): 1, 2, H. Walsh, very fine Greenie-Bullie, wonderful col., and feather, grandly mkd., rare shape and style, in splendid form, 2nd shapely, nice coloured, well mkd. Redpoll-Bullie, not in such nice fettle; 3, 4, Johnson, very handsome Linnet-Bullie, very rich and bright in col., grand mkd., lovely feather and style, 4th large well mkd. Goldie-Bullie; vhc, Lees; he, c, Smith and Chadwick.

Mr. W. Mundell's Classes.

YORKS. CL. YELL. (8): 1, Bailey, nice rich col., well on leg, nicely braced wings, piped tail, neat head, full of qual., sbown well; 2, Morrison, blaze of col., good head, clean on breast, teeming with qual., long flights, piped tail, very steady and nicely staged; 3, Ogden Bros., rich col., full of qual., very typical, good head, nice round chest, long flights and piped tail, very steady; 4, Wykes, level col., stylish, good head, full of qual.; vhc, Thomas; hc, Rigg; c, Lees. CL. BUFF and TKD YELL. cancelled. TKD. BUFF (6): 1, Dewbirst, rich col., full of qual., well on leg and very typical good head and chest, long flights and piped tail, nicely henched, a good one; 2, Dykes, rich col., neat round head, well filled in neck, clean on breast, long flights, well braced to side, piped tail, full of quality; 3, Allen, nice level col., very showy, boxy feather, good round head, clean on breast, nicely braced wings, piped tail, very typical; 4, Whitaker, rich col., good head and neck, full of quality; vhc, Rigg; hc, Bailey. CL. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Bailey, mkd. side of head, rich col., full of qual., grand wings and piped tail, well on leg, position A1; 2, Ogden Bros., neat round head, good wing carr., very stylish, piped tail, full of qual.; 3, Dykes, rich col., good head, pair of nice wings, piped tail, very typical; 4, vhc, Rigg, 4th, shade strong, very typical, good head, full of quality, rich col., piped tail; hc, Brooks. BUFF (8): 1, Bailey, gem, long flights, piped tail, rich col., full of qual., well on leg, wins; 2, Dykes, rich col., lovely qual., well braced wings, piped tail, neat head, well on leg, position A1; 3, Thornton and Bower, very typical, boxy feather, neat round bead, rich col., well on leg, nicely placed wings, piped tail; 4, Ogden Bros., eye and wing mkd., foxy feather, nice type; vhc, Cooper; hc, Marsden and Noonan; c, Coupe. LA-FLIG. YELL. (5): 1, Allen, thigh tick, rich col., long flights, piped tail, full of quality, position A1, neat bead; 2, Dykes, wing mkd., piped tail, long flights, well placed, position A1, pale col, good bead; 3, Dewhirst, pale col., full of qual., neat bead, wings well placed, piped tail, position A1; 4, Ogden Bros., rich col., full of quality, only wants a little more steadying; vhc, Thornton and Bower; hc, Brooks; c, Myers and Lumb. BUFF (7): 1, Ogden Bros., neat bead, rich col., full of qual., long flights, well placed, piped tail, position A1; 2, Thomas, neck tkd., rich col., full of qual., good head, well on leg, piped tail, position; 3, Bailey, well up on leg, long flights, piped tail, nice type; 4, Thornton and Bower, variegated, lovely-cheek mkd., rich col., sound head, full of qual., qual. of feather, position A1; vhc, Brooks; hc, Myers and Lumb; c, Dykes. NOVICE YORKS. (8): 1, Hartley, rich col., full of qual., nice type, well on leg, long flights, piped tail; 2, Pomfret, mkd. head, rich col., full of qual., piped tail, well on leg, very stylish; 3, Marsden and Noonan, typical, neat bead, rich col., full of qual., nice wing carr., piped tail; 4, vhc, Brierley, lovely quality, long flights, piped tail, rich col.; hc, Livesey; c, Dewhirst. FAIRS (8): 1, Lees, lovely Norwich; 2, vhc, Guy, Crest and C.B.; 3, Hampshire, Lizards; 4, Pleasance; hc, Wilson; c, Sellars. GREEN YORKS. SELF YELL. (7): 1, 3, c, Rowlands, 1st, grand sound col., well on leg, lovely qual., neat head, good wings and tail, very stylish; 3rd, nice type, full of qual., good head, not so long as winner; 2, 4, McDermott, 2nd, rare size, good position, long flights and piped tail, good head, sound colour; 4th, good head, rich col., long flights, piped tail; vhc, McNulty; hc, Handley. BUFF (7): 1, vhc, c, Rowlands, 1st, lovely qual., nice wings and tail, good head, position A1, sound colour; 2, hc, Handley, 2nd, good head, position, nice wings and piped tail, well on leg, rich colour; 3, McDermott, well in leg, good wings and tail, position, good colour; 4, McNulty, good head, well placed wings, rich colour. FOUL YELL. (3): 1, Rowlands, foul tail, rare lengtb, well on leg, good head, wings and tail, rich colour; 2, Robinson, nice type, good flights, neat bead, piped tail, rich col., full of qual.; 3, McNulty, nice type and qual., foul tail, good bead, well on leg; 4, Hickson, foul wings and tail, nice type and qual., piped tail, rich col.; vbc, Handley; hc, Helliwell; c, Pilling. BUFF (7): 1, McNulty, foul tail, lovely qual. of feather, well on leg, good bead, wings and tail, position A1; 2, McDermott, foul tail, position, good bead, nice wings and piped tail, rich colour; 3, Rowlands, foul tail, boxy feather, well on leg, good bead, rich colour; 4, vhc, Handley, 4th, foul tail, well braced wings, well on leg, piped tail; bc, Hickson. NOR. GR. SELF YELL. cancelled. BUFF (7): 1, Harding, good head and chest, rich col., nice short wings and tail, correct type; 2, Jenkins, good bead and neck, well filled in, full of qual., rich col., short and cobby; 3, 4, bc, Lawson, 3rd, good head and chest, short and cobby, full of quality; 4th, short and cobby, full of quality, good head, nice type; vbc, Handley; c, Walker. FOUL YELL. (7): 1, Harding, varieg., good bead and chest, lovely qual., short and cobby, good wings, rich col.; 2, 4, Handley, 2nd, foul tail, good bead, clean on chest, good neck, short and cobby, full of qual.; 4th, nice type, full of qual., good bead; 3, Jenkins, foul tail, boxy feather, good head, true to type; vhc, hc, Walker; c, Malone. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Harding, 1st, foul tail, good bead and neck, clean on chest, short and cobby, full of qual., rich col.; 2nd, good bead, short and cobby, rich col.; 3rd, rich colour, full of qual., true to type, good team; 4, Handley, foul tail, good bead, nice wings and tail, very short and cobby, full of quality, rich colour; vbc, c, Walker; hc, Malone. GREEN BORD. SELF or FOUL YELL. (6): 1, Parker, boxy feather, good wing carr., piped tail, rich col., neat bead; 2, Little, neat bead, nice wings and tail, full of qual., rich col.; 3, Greenwell, boxy feather, nice type; 4, vhc, bc, Christie. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Little, 1st, good bead, rich col., boxy featber, nice wings and tail; 2nd, rich col., good bead, wings and tail, boxy featber, nice type; 3, Walker, neat bead, full of qual., rich col., nice wings and tail; 4, Cbrister; vhc, c, Parker; bc, Greenwell. SELF or FOUL YELL. HEN cancelled. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Little, 1st gem, boxy feather, good bead, very sbowy, rich col.; 2nd, true to type, full of qual.; 3, vhc, Parker, 3rd, neat bead, boxy feather, rich col., good wings and tail; 4, Greenwell; hc, Walker; c, Malone. CINN. TKD. YELL. (8): 1, Bailey, blaze of col., eye and wings, lovely boxy featber, nicely placed wings, piped tail, good bead, position A1, wins; 2, Ogden Bros., eye and wings, pale col., long flights, nicely placed wings, good bead, boxy feather, piped tail, full of style, well on leg; 3, Towers, eye, wings and cap, pale col., very showy, boxy feather, piped tail, neat bead, clean on chest, nice wings; 4, Thoruton, cheek and wings mkd., very typical, boxy feather, pale col.; vbc, Simmonett; bc, Hall; c, Brown and Son. BUFF (8): 1, Allen, eye and wings, full of qual., rich col., good bead, well placed wings, piped tail, very typical, well on leg; 2, Cooper, eye and wings mkd., neat head, clean on breast, well braced flights, piped tail, stands well up on leg, boxy feather; 3, Morrison, eyo and wings, blaze of colour, very stylish, long flights and tail, good head and neck, boxy feather, nicely put down; 4, vhc, Grayson, eye and wings, rich col., nice type and full of qual.; bc, Casey; c, Ogden Bros. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Allen, cheek, eyo and wing mkd., rich col., good bead, raro lengtb, full of qual., long flights, piped tail, position A1; 2, Morrison, cheek and wings, rich colour, very typical, neat ben, good flights, piped tail, full of quality, well on leg, very nicely put-down; 3, Moss, blaze of col., cheek and wings, round head, well filled in neck, clean on breast, boxy feather, long flights, nicely carried, piped tail, position; 4, Myers and Lumb, wing mkd., very stylish, full of qual.; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Thomas; c, Hall. BUFF (12): 1, Towers, eye and wings, rare length, boxy feather, nice wings and piped tail, position A1, good head; 2, 3, Allen, 2nd, wing and eye, clean on breast, neat bead, full of qual., position; 3rd, eye, neck and wing marked, lovely qual., position, piped tail, good bead; 4, c, Morrison, eye and wings mkd., rich col., full of qual., position; vbc, Cooper; hc, Myers and Lumb. SOFTBILL (6): 1, 2, 3, Blincoe, 1st, fine Magpie; 2nd, Jay; 3rd, Thrush; 4, Sharples, Chough; vhc, hc, Barrass. LINNET (8): 1, Johnson, lovely quality, nicely pencilled; 2, Lovatt and Mason, nicely pencilled; 3, 4, Fairhurst; vbc, Barrass; hc, Buckley; c, Windle. GOLDIE or BULLF. (13): 1, Blincoe, Bullfinch, good cap, rich colour, grand condition; 2, 3, Brooks, 2nd, lovely Goldie, nice bars and buttons, rich blaze; 4, Horrocks; vbc, Spofforth; bc, Lovatt and Mason; c, Woodbead. A.O.S. HARDBILL (10): 1, 3, Johnson, 1st, Yellow Bunting, lovely condition; 3rd, Corn Bunting; 2, Fairhurst, Bramble; 4, McMurdo, Chaffinch; vhc, c, Blincoe; hc, Horrocks. TOR. (5): 1, 2, 3, 4, Beaty; vhc, Blincoe.

BUCKHAVEN.

A Very Gratifying Entry.

Fifth annual exhibition held in the Free Gardeners' Hall, Nov. 23rd. Although the Scotch Fancies and Crest Classes had to be cancelled through lack of support, an entry of 450 was forwarded, which was very gratifying, considering the number of shows held that day. Border Fancies numbered 180 of this total, and contained some real gems, many good birds having to take a back seat. The B.F.C.C. medal was captured by Mr. Thomas Halliday with his Buff Cock, staged to perfection, the runner up being the Buff Hen belonging to Mr. H. Bennet. The novice medal was won by a Yellow Cock, 2nd in its class, the property of Mr. James Service, of Duns. The cup for most points continued to members was secured for the second time by the President, Mr. D. Henderson, with a total of 29 points. A few of the birds seemed to have had a taste of the "forbidden fruit," but the judge, Mr. A. Walker (Lesmahagow) gave them their right place, although one or two escaped his notice, and got into the tickets. Mr. Walker had a hard day's work, but he got through in good time. The Norwich classes were fairly well filled, and contained some real champions. The principal honours fell to Mr. Harris, of Lochgelly, who won the president's gold medal for most points. Mr. James Smeaton, Musselburgh, judged this section with every satisfaction. The British classes were somewhat disappointing, despite the fact that the society had the full patronage of the L.B.B. and M.C. As every society that gets the full patronage has to pay a fee of ten shillings, the members ought to support them better, especially when they have to give an extended classification to secure same. Mr. Robert Bald, Bathgate, judged this section, and gave every satisfaction. The hall in which the show was held is very suitable for such a purpose. The staging was nicely arranged along two sides of the hall, and two rows running up the centre. The officials are a hard working lot, headed by the worthy president, Mr. D. Henderson. In having Mr. Richard Haygard as their secretary, the society is to be congratulated on having the right man.

The Critique.

BORDERS, CL. TKD. YELL. (19): 1, Smart, lovely head and back, grandly moulded, well drawn, resembles Kelty, etc., winner; two service novice medals, winner close up, rare body and wing, stronger in col.; 3, Richmond, correct type, fine head and neck, well-rounded front, good taper; 4, Peters; 5, Anderson; 6, Bennet. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (18): 1, G.F.C. medal, Halliday, "clinker," and no mistake, real topper for type and qual., feathered like wax; 2, Hamilton, fine head and front, well filled back, good wing and tail carr.; 3, Stevenson, fine size and shape, lovely qual., feathered, grand wings, well placed; 4, Smart; 5, T. Brown; 6, G. Brown. CL. TKD. YELL. HEN (16): 1, Spence, sweetly moulded lady, well rounded head and front, well braced wings; 2, Richmond, neat head and neck, clean cut behind, beaten only in wing car.; 3, Baxter, nice model, fine weight and size, good head set on rare neck, grand type; 4, Spence; 5, Kitchen; 6, Stevenson. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (17): 1, Bennet, one of his best, neat head and front, grand qual., not a feather out of place, wins; 2, Hamilton, good one for size and shape, but too hot in col. for our liking; 3, Henderson, follows close on leader, fine tone of col., extra good in wing and tail car.; 4, Spence; 5, Peters; 6, Yale. UNEVEN YELL. (11): 1, Young, nice markings, good qual., feather and col., fine taper; 2, Rintoul, capital type, neat head and front, nice wing and tail car.; 3, Spence, similar to first, all there for type and qual., might have gone up one; 4, Bennet; 5, Harper; 6, Johnstone. UNEVEN BUFF (9): 1, Henderson, wink mkd., lovely head and front, fine wing and tail car., stylish; 2, Baird, head and wing mkd., neat type and qual., well filled in back, hardly as good behind; 3, Young, mkd. eye, neck and wing, gem all over, sweet shape and qual., rare taper; 4, Henderson; 5, Bennet; 6, Peters. UNEVEN YELL. HENS (11): 1, Henderson, eye, neck and wink mkd., capital type and qual., nice balanced wings, good col.; 2, Richmond, mkd. eye and wing, fails type; 3, Baxter, Cinn. mkd., lovely shape and qual., neat head and front, well put down, might have been second; 4, Haggard; 5, Yale; 6, Henderson. UNEVEN BUFF (13): 1, Halliday, very neat and typical, well rounded head and front, grand wings and taper; 2, Johnstone, eye, head and wing mkd., nice model, well braced wings; 3, Spence, mkd. eye, head and left wing, grandly moulded body, tight as a drum, must have pressed hard; 4, Richmond; 5, Henderson; 6, Peters. EVEN-MKD. (6): 1, Rintoul, buff, faint eye marks, but well balanced on wings, neat type and qual.; 2, Aitchison, better balanced markings, fails only in feather to leader; 3, Briggs, good one for type and qual., bit weak in eye marks, nicely balanced wings; 4, Peters; 5, Henderson; 6, Kitchen. GRN. OR CINN. (13): 1, 3, Baxter, Cinn. leading, fine col., on the big side; 3rd, another Cinn., better size and type, fine qual. feather; 2, Halliday, capital green, nice depth of col., grand lacing; 4, Thomson; 5, R. Thompson; 6, Peter. HEN (13): 1, Baxter, Cinn., good col. and markings; 2, Peters, Buff Green, nice bird, rather light underneath; 3, Thomson, Yell. Green, excellent in type and col., fine lacing; 4, Bennet; 5, Wilson; 6, Henderson. NOV. BORDER (9): 1, Shanks, lovely cl. yell., leading, rare head and front, neat taper; 2, Rintoul, foul buff, nice body and wing, nicely staged; 3, Smith, mkd. eye and wings, capital feather; 4, Rintoul; 5, Duncan; 6, Coventry. HEN (7): 1, Symons, cl. yell. hen, leading, fine head and neck, grand wings; 2, Shanks, head, eye and wing mkd., model, rare qual. feather and cond.; 3, Smith, nice shaped yell., capital col. and cond.; 4, Rintoul; 5, Duncan; 6, Coventry. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL (4): 1, Kempster, foul on left wing, rare size and shape, grand head and front, wins; 2, Christie, not fed, good type and qual., rare polish; 3, Brown, mkd. left eye, finely rounded chest and head, good short wings; 4, Thomson. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (9): 1, Gibson, monster for size and sub., fine thick neck, well braced wings; 2, Christie, another "slasher" for col. and qual., grand head and wings; 3, Dempster, foul on right wing, fine sub., well filled neck and front, neat tail; 4, Moffat; 5, Thomson; 6, Hodge. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Harris, clinker for type and shape, rare qual., grand head, neck and front; 2, Scott, fine cobby shape, grand front and back, good wings and tail; 3, Dempster, nice full front, well up in size and sub., fine level col.; 4, McCabe; 5, Christie; 6, Grieve. CL. TKD. BUFF (5): 1, Harris, short and thick set, grand feather, nicely mealed; 2, Scott, rare cobby shape, grand front, wings and tail, must have pressed; 3, Thomson, shade weak in head, but otherwise good, capital condition; 4, Dryburgh; 5, Hodge. YELL. VARIEG (5): 1, Harris, mkd. eye and tail, noble head and front, grand sub.; 2, Thomson, eye, neck and wing mkd., fine full front and back, well braced wings, stylish; 3, Ross, fails head to leaders, fine tone of col. and qual.; 4, Gibson; 5, Peters. BUFF VARIEG (5): 1, Thomson, mkd. head, neck and left wing; capital sub., well laced back and front, fine level col.; 2, Moffat, mkd. right eye and wing, good shape and qual., shown in the pink; 3, Harris, very typical var., good size, rattling wing and tail car.; 4, 5, Thomson. UNEVEN. CK. (13): 1, 3, Harris, brace of "clinkers," leader foul on head, grand bird, fine chest and wings; 3rd, head and wing mkd., fine bold head and front, neat wings; 2, Moffat, lovely cl., fine type and qual., well rounded, well shown; 4, Henderson; 5, Dempster; 6, McCree. HEN (11): 1, Harris, eye and wing mkd. buff, capital front and neck, nice sub., grand wings and tail; 2, Dempster, cl., good one for size and shape, rare head and neck; 3, Moffat, cobby shape, well filled in front and neck, closely braced wings; 4, Thomson; 5, Harris; 6, Ross. NOV. NON-FED (15): 1 Skinner, grand Green, fine size and sub., "clinker" for col.; 2, Thomson, variegated, shade longer in body, nice qual. feather and cond.; 3, Stephen, buff var., capital head and front, well braced wings and tail; 4, Thomson; 5, Harris; 6, Peters. HEN (8): 1, L. Harris, rattling good cl., fine bold head and front, grand cobby shape wins; 2, Stephen, typical yell., nicely rounded, cl. cut, well shown; 3, Moffat, capital head, front and wing, rare shape and qual.; 5, 6, Thomson. YORKS. (6): 1, 3, Rielly, buff foul leading, fine head and shoulder, capital length and pos.; 3rd, grand fed yell., good shoulders and back, rare taper; 2, Christie, yell., good shape and style, well up on leg, neat head; 4, Lumsden; 5, Laird; 6, Low. HEN (2): 1, Christie, capital cl., fine length of body, straight as a Lancer, very merry; 2, Low, good one, full of qual. and style, fine swagger. A.O.V. CAN. (4): 1, 2, Thomson, pair of Lizards, showing plenty of spangling; 3, Bell, typical Cinn., fine col. and qual. COM. CAN. (15): 1, 2, 4, Duncan; 3, G. Duncan; 5, Brown; 6, Bell. GIFT (4): 1, Colville; 2, Thomson; 3, Haygard; 4, McKee. MULES, LIGHT (3): 1, 2, 3, Jamieson, cl. Goldie leading, in capital order; 2nd, 3rd, two variegs. Goldie Mules, shown in rare con. DK. (6): 1, 2, Jamieson, Goldie Mule leading, fine size and shape, in nice bloom; 2nd well fed Greenie, fine shape and cond.; 3, Bogie, fine Siskin Can., well shown; 4, Storrar; 5, Bogie. GOLDFINCH (7): 1, Rankin, fine big bird, good square-cut blaze, grand tannings, nice polish; 2, Brown, grand col. blaze of good dimensions, rich tannings on chest, good wing bars, very long in beak; 3, Barclay, fails size of blaze to winner's, well tanned cap, wings; 4, Mackie; 5, Black and Lumsden; 6, Kinnear. BULLFINCH (8): 1, Thomson, large dense black cap, rare crimson breast, fine shape; 2, Jamieson, close up, similar to winner; 3, Black and Lumsden, great size, grand shaped cap, fails in breast col.; 4, Mackie; 5, Laird Matthew; 6, Colville. GREENFINCH C. FED (4): 1, Stuart and Dalling, noble head and front, fine shape and sub., capital col.; 2, Messer, fails head to winner, but good in every other respect, rare bloom; 3, McKinley, good size and shape, fine wing bars; 4, Peters. N. FED (11): 1, Messer, massive head and body, "clinker" for col., best seen for a long time; 2, Sykes, another good one, fine size and sub., nice col.; 3, Palmer, lovely col. and shape, fails in size to leaders, grand polish; 4, Mrs. Thomson; 5, Brunton; 6, Bell. LINNET H.M. (6): 1, Barclay, grand nutty brown col., full of breast work, well put down; 2, McKinlay, darker tone of col., good pencilling, nice polish; 3, Peters, rattling size, neat marking, fine whites; 4, Stirling; 5, Thomson. P.M. (4): 1, Hodge, good in size, col., and lacing, capital whites; 2, Lister, small side, but good col. and markings; 3, Sykes, big bold bird, fails cond. to winners; 4, Lutch. SISKIN (5): 1, Nicholson, fine big col., Fed. Siskin, dense black cap, fine wing bars and thigh lacing, nice bib.; 2, Smart, capital nat. col., very shapely, good cond.; 3, Storrar, fails cap to winners, neat wing bars and col.; 4, Colville; 5, McCall and Henderson. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (5): 1, Sykes, lovely dense col. Twite, grand markings, rare sheen; 2, Lutch, big one, but fails in col. and lacings; 3, Colville, fine col. and cond., on the small side; 4, Laird and Matthew; 5, Coventry. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE (3): 1, 2, Sykes, capital Bramble leading, rich col., fine spangle; 2nd, fine big Chaffie, nice breast col., capital whites; 3, Mainland, well up in size, fails in col. BRIT. HEN (9): 1, Taylor, nice Black Redstart, shown in the pink; 2, no name, rattling Bullie Hen, fine big cap, of dense black col.; 3, Mackie, another splendid Bullie Hen, little to choose between; 4, McCall and Henderson; 5, Storrar; 6, Barclay. BRIT. CK. A.V. (7): 1, Taylor, we could not find; 2, Lister, rattling big Song Thrush, grand marking, shown in rare order; 3, Sykes, clinking Hawfinch, nice bib, well staged; 4, McCall and Henderson; 5, Storrar; 6, Thomson. GOLD OR BULLFINCH (FOR.) (7): 1, Lister, well-known Bullie, leading, grand cap and bars, rare breast col.; 2, Stuart and Dalling, grand Goldie, big square blaze, grand wing bars; 3, Wilson, good big Bullie, similar to winners, fails only in breast col.; 4, Barclay; 5, Stevenson; 6, Peters.

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INVERNESS.

An Entry that Beat all Records.

Thirty-second annual show held on Nov. 20th in the Drill Hall, Rose Street. The entries this year were far in excess of former years, notably in British section; the quality also being excellent. Mr. Thos. Sutherland, Sec., and Mr. W. Innes, Treas., backed up by the Committee of Management: Messrs. J. W. McKenzie, Alex. McKenzie, J. Duncan, James Hutchison, Alex. Sanderson, Thos. Murphy, Hugh McLean, D. Anderson, John Anderson, David Anderson, Frank Stanford, Alex. Junor, John McNaughton, Edward Todd, Alex. Smith, Ewd. Harcombe, and R. Duncan, with Mr. Alex. Smith, President, and Mr. E. Chisholm, Vice-Pres., being all keen and enthusiastic fanciers. Several new ideas were forward, notably the appointment of a show manager, and two judges instead of one, Mr. John Dewar (Edinburgh) Cnn., Mules and Hyb., and Mr. T. A. Watt (Banff) British birds. Everything was satisfactory, and we heard no grumbling. The Committee having now learned that it pays to get a British bird specialist, a large turnout of South birds were to be seen on our benches, notably Mr. Sykes' Hawfinch, which came in for a lot of attention, also Anderson Brothers' Yellow Wagtail, and a pied Blackbird shown by D. Fraser, Mackie, Aberdeen. Crests and Crestbreds were greatly admired; Linnet Mule by J. Duncan was also successful in securing medal for best dark Mule. The medal by the Association, for most points, was won by Mr. Stanford, for Canaries; medal by the Association for most points in British, Anderson Bros., Balloch; special for best Can. in show, Mackie, Aberdeen; medal for most points in Borders, J. Connochie; medal for best British bird, E. Harcombe; special for 2nd best British, Anderson Bros.; special for 2nd best Canary, J. Hutchison; medal for best Yorkshire, Junor.

The Critique.

SCOT. (3): 1, 2, 3, Gibb, 1st, yell., on small side, grand style and action; 2nd, green, a good Fancy, easily handled, presses hard; 3rd, another yell., will be heard of later. YORKS. YELL., TKD., ETC. (3): 1, McLean, yell. hen, nice length, good head, neck, and shoulders, very stylish; 2, Smith, another good Yorkie, stands well, hard pressed; 3, Junor (absent). BUFF (3): 1, McLean, grand length and style, inclined to cross wings; 2, Duncan, another good Yorkie, lacks length to winner; 3, Junor, good qual., but we think should have gone up a bit. VARIEG. YELL or BUFF (1): 1, Smith, a taking exhibit, all there for type and qual. YOUNG BIRD (12): 1, 2, Junor, splendid head and shoulders, good yell. wings and tail, grand pos.; 2nd, close up to winner, not much between them; 3, Smith, another yell., good exhibit, stands well, tight as wax, shown in good cond.; vhc, Wilkinson, yell., fails to winners in feather, but a good one; hc, c, Rhind. BORD., CL. or TKD. YELL. (12): 1, Munro, yell., nice feather, tight as wax, stands well; 2, Connochie, another bonny bird, carr. a grand sheen, must have pressed hard; 3, Blackie, nice head and carr., bit inclined to cross wings; vhc, Connochie, hardly ready for show, but a good one; hc, c, Harcombe. HEN (7): 1, Connochie, grand specimen, wins well, very typical, a taking Border; 2, Munro, similar to winner, nice feather and finish, in grand trim; 3, Craig, another good one, but not at its best to-day; vhc, McLeod, good head and body, trifle leggy; hc, Harcombe; c, Tresurer. CL or TKD. BUFF CK. (8): 1, Craig, leader a nice Border, all there for type and qual., nice exhibit; 2, Munro, another typical Border, shown in faultless cond., presses hard; 3, hc, Connochie, loses to-day in slackness of feather, hardly ready for Inverness, but a good one; vhc, Blackie; c, Harcombe. BUFF HEN (8): 1, Simpson, winner, a taking exhibit, put down in first class order, a wee lady; 2, Craig, another beauty, not much between them; 3, vhc, Connochie, the former another sweet Border, but fails in qual. and finish of feather; hc, Harcombe; c, Blackie. VARIEG. BUFF (2): 1, Craig, a variegated, grand type and qual., nice carr. wings and shown in tip-top order; 2, Shearer, another good one, but lacks finish to winner, otherwise smart bird. VARIEG. YELL. (5): 1, Blackie, medal for best Border in show, a model for type and qual., the best we have seen for a long time, wins well; 2, Craig, inclined to be soft when taking notes; 3, Connochie, wing and eye mkd., a nice bird; vhc, McLeod Bros.; hc, Harcombe. GR. or CINN (4): 1, Connochie, an easy win, a wee gem, a bonny exhibit, splendid shape; 2, Munro, another good one, lacks finish of winner, but a good one; 3, vhc, the former a nice Border, but could do with a shorter tail. EVEN MKD. (3): 1, Connochie, neat head, benutiful feather, well carr. wings; 2, McGregor, very jaunty, not quite finish of winner, but presses hard; 3, Shearer, another good Border, very shapely, would profit by a wash. NOR. (BRED 1912) (11): one of the largest classes, two sets of winners could be chosen here; 1, Allison, cl. buff, good size and qual., well balanced wings and nice tail; 2, Hird, yell., grand shape and finish, well put down; 3, Baxter, another good young bird, in splendid condition, presses hard; vhc, Ironside; hc, Stanford; c, Ironside. CREST CL. CK. (8): 1, 3, Mackie, the former a grand exhibit, a perfect monster, with grand centre and droop, much admired by all; 3rd, another good one, but fails in length of feather to winner; 2, Grant, same stamp as winner, with good skull and nice crest, wins well; vhc, c, Craigen, grand size, well put down, but lacks the length of feather of winners; c, Smith. HEN (3): 1, Grant, a nice green, with plenty feather and subs., showing well; 2, Todd, another good Crest, of fine size and qual. of feather; 3, Smith, another splendid Crest, loses to-day, but nothing to be ashamed of, looking well. C.B. CK. (6): 1, Grant, yell., grand head and splendid qual. of feather, grand specimen of Crestbred; 2, Smith, nice head, broad skull, good lashings; 3, Mackie, another of the same, but beaten to-day in feather and finish; vhc, Rose; hc, Craigen; c, Todd. HEN (4): 1, Grant, a monster for a hen, plenty feather and the right qual., wins well; 2, Smith, nice green, fine head, well hooded, put down in the pink of cond.; 3, Todd, var., not quite ready yet, enjoying a bath when taking notes; vhc, Smith. BRED 1912 (6): 1, vhc, c, Smith, 1st a regular topper, will be hard to beat, grand lashings and qual. of feather, lengthy, massive skull, a clinker, wins; vhc, another good one, but scarcely ready, will be heard of later on; 2, Mackie, a nice Crest, well balanced, with grand centre, a promising winner; 3, Todd, another nice bird, put down in first class order; hc, McGregor. UNFED, CL. or MKD. YELL. (5): 1, McDonald, nice yell., grand shape, lovely wing carr., nice Bullie type; 2, Fraser, ticked yell., another cobby boy, looks a promising specimen, pressing hard; 3, McDonald, bathing when taking notes; vhc, Garden; hc, George. HEN (3): 1, McDonald, splendid head, nice size, in grand trim, well shown; 2, 3, Stanford, the former not so large as winner, but all there for type and quality; 3rd, another good one, loses in size only. CL. or TKD. BUFF CK. (9): 1, Hendry, splendid type, carries wings to perfection, wins; 2, Hird, another beauty, plenty substance, lacks size of winner; 3, McDonald, grand shape, nice qual., well put down; vhc, sp. for best, Stanford, a nice exhibit, we think should have been further up; hc, Goodall; c, Duncan. HEN (3): 1, 2, Gardner, a bonny hen, in first class bloom, nice head, capital front, A1 order; 2nd, another topper, but loses to-day; 3, McKay, rather poor condition, requires a bathing. VARIEG. (7): 1, 3, Stanford, the former a nice variag. with plenty type and qual., an old winner; 3rd, another of the same, put down in first class order; 2, Goodall, a nice exhibit, hard to find fault with, a good Nor.; vhc, Shearer; hc, Fraser; c, Donaldson and Grant. COL. FED. YORKS. (4): 1, vhc, Junor, a bonny specimen of Yorkie, nice length, grand position, stands well, on good legs; 2, Rhind, a taking exhibit, mkd. on head and wings, of good shape, fails in front to winner; 3, Wilkinson, another good one, of nice shape and form, fails in length. HEN (4): 1, Rhind, Cinn. mkd., fine length and qual., in fine trim, well balanced, wins; 2, vhc, Junor, the former cl., a good one, tight as wax in feather, a nice exhibit; 3, Wilkinson, lacks size and finish to winners, but a good Yorkie. CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. NOR. (7): 1, Ironside, a nice yell., plenty col. and size, in good bloom, fine qual. all over; 2, Hutchison, another topper with plenty size, bonny head, and lovely shape, presses hard; 3, Baxter, yell. tkd., a shade smaller than winners, but all there for type and qual.; vhc, Craigen; hc, c, Stanford. HEN (3): 1, Allison, nice type and qual., a good one, plenty col., cl.; 2, Stanford, another good hen, a difficulty to choose from; w.c., No. 2. CL. or TKD. BUFF CK. (10): 1, Hutchison, grand buff, plenty size and qual., winner of 2nd best Can. in show, put down in faultless cond.; 2, Ironside, another buff, similar to winner, splendid cobby bird, rare qual., not much between winner; 3, Goodall, nice size, qual., crosses wings; vhc, Todd; hc, Hird; c, Garden. HEN (10): 1, Craigen, splendid type, fine col. and carr., staged to perfection; 2, Hird, a regular Bullie shape with round head and nice wings; 3, Allison, a wee bit puffy in feather when taking notes, but a good birdie; vhc, hc, Garden; c, Hutchison. YELL. or BUFF VARIEG. (8): 1, Ironside, wing mkd., wonderful subs., nice wing carr., a picture; 2, Allison, winner of best col.-fed Nor., a beauty for col., blazing hot exhibit, well shown; 3, Stanford, a good Nor., might have done better, but loses in col. to winners; vhc, Murray; hc, Hendry; c, Donaldson and Grant. A.V. CAN. (7): 1, Craigen, Cinn. Nor., good size and col., wins well; 2, Hendry, green Nor. of nice type and qual., well worthy of its place; 3, Todd, cl. Crest, with plenty feather and subs., at the "tuh" when taking notes; vhc, Murray; hc, Wathe; c, George. NOV. (10): 1, c, Mackie, a hot fed Nor., nice exhibit, a good first; 2, Grant, a Yorkie, fit for open competition; 3, McLean, a C.B., an old stager, but in soft condition; vhc, Bruce; hc, Fraser. MULE, DK. (16): 1, Duncan, Linnet-Can., far ahead of all others, looking well, shows parentage to advantage; 2, Todd, yell. Goldie, a bonny bird, teeming with col. and qual.; 3, vhc, Hird, Greenfinch, a monster for size, and staged to advantage; vhc, Goldfinch-Can., another beauty, but lacks sheen of winners; hc, Stanford; c, McDonald. MULE or HYB. (5): 1, Hird, lovely mkd. Goldie Mule, we hear a Northern winner, as good looking as ever, wins to-day; 2, Todd, Bramble-Chaffinch, good size, but lacks col., shows parentage, but a hen; 3, Fraser, var. Goldfinch, another well-known face with new owner; vhc, Junor, Linnet-Bullie, good size and col. for a hen; hc, Todd, Goldie-Bullfinch, another of the gentle sex, with leg broken. GOLDFINCH (13): 1, Harcombe, winner of medal for best Brit., a wee bit more size and it would take a lot of stopping; 2, Walker, a good bird, very badly stnged, perches too high; 3, Sykes, another sweet Goldie, nice square blaze, but lacks polish of winners; vhc, hc, McLean; c, Marganti; No. 3, Junor, a grand Goldie, unfortunately bathing when judged, or would have been up a bit. BRIT. BULLFINCH (14): 1, Anderson Bros., a stormer for size and col., nice cap and bars, we overheard the judge wanting to buy here; 2, Baxter, another grand Bullie, splendid size and col., not much between them; 3, Gentleman, loses in size only, but a "clinker" for col.; vhc, McLennan; hc, c, Craigen. HEN (10): 1, 2, Gentleman, the largest Bullfinch in class, in tip-top order, an easy first; 2nd, another of the same type and qual.; 3, Todd, another good hen, but lacks the size of winners; vhc, McLennan; hc, McLean; c, Duncan. SISKIN (UNFED.) (9): 1, McLean, a sweet yell. with jet cap, bird nicely laced, fit for the Palace; 2, Gentleman, another, wee bit soft, carr. the same markings as 1st; 3, McAdam, not quite the size of winners, but a good Siskin; vhc, McDonald; hc, J. Anderson; c, Harcombe. No. 6, Junor, one of the best Siskins we have seen for years in Inverness show, but unfortunately showing a few white feathers on side of head, which stopped him. FED (4): 1, Reid, a bonny col. fed, with dense cap and lovely bib, splendid flank markings; 2, Sykes, another beauty, shown to perfection, not much to choose from; 3, Connochie, looking rather thick, but a fair Siskin; vhc, Junor. LINNET (9): 1, Hird, a nice Linnet with good markings, splendid polish, and shows whites to advantage; 2, Duncan, a better Linnet, but badly staged, very steady for a F.M. one, lacks polish to winner; 3, Fraser, not quite the size of winners, but nicely marked; vhc, c, Junor. REDPOLL (8): 1, Gentleman, a nice bird, with fine poll and bib; splendid lacings, crest full of work; 2, Junor, another good one, not much to choose from; 3, McDonald, a shade smaller to winners, but a good one; vhc, Anderson Bros.; c, Goodall. GREENFINCH (9): 1, Reid, a grand yell., good size, splendid wing bars, a regular toff; 2, Sykes, another stormer, pressing hard; 3, vhc, c, Anderson Bros., a trio of good Greenfinches, all fit to win in good company. A.O.S. LARGE (3): 1, Sykes, well known Hawfinch, needs no comment here, greatly admired; 2, Simpson, another good Hawfinch, something similar to winner, presses hard; 3, Fraser, Albino Blackbird, shown in fine cond. SMALL (11): 1, Anderson Bros., splendid Yell. Wagtail, shown in faultless cond.; 2, Sykes, Reed Bunting, a bonny exhibit, shows well, a credit to its owner; 3, Allison, Ortolan Bunting, a splendid specimen, pressing hard; vhc, Donaldson and Grant; hc, Junor; c, Todd. BRIT. HEN (5): 1, Duncan, Chaffinch, very steady, good exhibit; 2, J. Anderson, Linnet, grand size and finish; 3, Junor, Siskin, a nice marked hen; vhc, McLean; hc, Anderson Bros., Hawfinch. NOV. BRIT (8): 1, Grant, Bullfinch, nice cap and col., well defined bars, wins well; 2, Grant, Goldie, well staged, credit to a novice; 3, P. Grant, Linnet, nice col., rather unsteady, a lucky win; vhc, J. McKie; hc Fraser; c, Miss C. Fraser. FOR. (3): 1, Drake, African Grey, in splendid cond., shown in good style; 2, Graham, a Ring-neck Parrakeet, a nice exhibit; 3, Fraser, a Red-breasted Cockatoo, another nice and taking exhibit. GIFT, CAN. (4): 1, Hutchison; 2, Smith; 3, Stanford; vhc, Junor. BRIT. (3): 1, Smith; 2, Junor; 3, Anderson.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES.

Eighth annual exhibition took place Nov. 23rd in the Temperance Hall, which is a very suitable hall for the purpose, having a good light, well ventilated, and centrally situated. The entry proved a record one, the total number being 567. Yorkshires and Norwich were a grand lot, also the entries good, and the quality of great merit in almost every open class, which gave the judge a stiff task in separating them, so keen was the competition. Borders, with three classes, made a better show than is usual in this district, and contained many smart exhibits. Crests and Crestbreds were also above the average, whilst the selling classes contained many cheap birds. Mules and Hybrids were very striking and attracted much attention. When will our best societies awake to the fact that Canary-Bullfinches should not be allowed to compete in the dark Canary Mule class? At every show in this district there has been a big grumble at the wording of the classification of this section, and both last year and this we have repeatedly drawn attention to it, but without any alteration appearing in our schedules. The British bird classes, as we expected up here, were well filled, and competition was very keen, whilst the Foreigners, although not large classes, were a great attraction to the visitors. The Hon. Sec., Mr. Lowes, quite a veteran at this work, is to be complimented on the manner in which he displayed his abilities, and also on his committee, who back him up most loyally. The Chairman, Mr. E. Freeman, we noticed wherever there was any work to do, and Mr. W. Saunders, vice-chairman, made a helpful assistant. The committee consists of Messrs. Nicholson, Yeates, Ducas, Acheson, Angell, Benn, Walker, Dawson, Broadbent, Shepherd, Briscoe, Chesworth, Pearson, Rounds, Clennett, Galloway, Carlisle, Pulfreman, Bryant, Sanderson, Gardner, Masters, Nicholson, and Briscoe. Mr. J. Robson judged Canaries and Mr. J. Maddison British and Mules, and their awards appeared to give general satisfaction. Might we suggest that at future shows the birds be staged a bit higher, as with the room full of visitors, as it was all day, the bottom rows of exhibits were only seen with difficulty.

The Critique.

YORKS. CL. YELL. (17): 1, Wilkinson Bros., lengthy, grand shape and col., good legs and head, well cut away, bit open on chest; 2, J. Stewart, grand qual. of feather, well drawn, neat head, good flights and tail, trifle unsteady; 3, T. W. Cuthbertson, paler col., grand back, neat head and pos., close car. wings, A1 qual.; 4, E. Clegg, slim and stylish, rare col. and qual., good back, wings and tail; vhc, T. C. Crawhall; hc, Woodhead and Son; c, E. E. Pyman. CL. BUFF (16): 1, G. W. Cuthbertson, A1 qual., plenty of length, rich col., long sided, well up on good legs; 2, E. Clegg, grand qual. and pos., well drawn, neat head, good wings and tail; 3, J. Stewart, nice shape and pos., rich qual. and col., well drawn; 4, E. E. Pyman, lovely qual., slim and stylish, nice col., bit pinched at waist; vhc, G. Simeson; hc, S. Campling; c, C. Cattell. TKD. (19): 1, 3, G. W. Cuthbertson, yell. tkd. back leading, A1 qual. and col., slim and shapely, showing bit of breed, nice pos.; 3rd, variegated buff, lovely qual., close fitting feather, good shape and pos.; 2, G. Simeson, variegated yell., rare length, rich col., well up on leg, good head and wings; 4, Cook and Hood, thigh tkd. yell., rare qual., nice style and pos., neat head and back; vhc, S. Campling; hc, J. McDade; c, J. H. Beaumont. HEN (22): 1, vhc, E. Clegg, yell., very slim and stylish, great length, lovely qual., well up on leg, rich col., good wing carriage; 2, 3, G. W. Cuthbertson, cl. yell. leading, great length, shapely, close feather of grand qual., good wings and tail, unsteady, or must have pressed hard; 3rd, lovely qual. buff, rich col., rare size and shape, grand wings, neat head and tail; 4, G. Simeson, yell., A1 qual., rare shape and style; hc, S. Campling; c, E. E. Pymm. UNFLIG. (27): 1, G. Simeson, buff, grand qual. and shape, rich col., neat head and back; 2, Cook and Hood, variegated yell., slim and shapely, good legs, close fitting wings, pipe tail, A1 qual.; 3, W. Rand, buff, rich qual., well up on leg, good wing carr.; 4, M. Wigglesworth, yell., good shape and qual., well drawn, good head and back; vhc, C. Cattell; hc, G. W. Cuthbertson; c, J. H. Beaumont. NOR. CL. YELL. (11): 1, W. Thompson, grand col. and qual. of feather, great subs., clean cut away; 2, E. Freeman, rich col., good size and A1 feather, nice head and neck; 3, vhc, A. Wake, shapely, good substance, nice level col., good head and chest, neat wings, grand qual.; 4, J. Riseborough, rich qual. of feather, nice shape, good head; hc, J. Carr; c, A. E. Jeffries. CL. BUFF (15): 1, A. E. Jeffries, full of col., rare shape and size, nice mover, good head; 2, E. Freeman, rare size and subs., good col., beaten head; 3, J. Carr, rich col., grand qual., shapely, good chest and head; 4, G. Higgins, A1 qual., good shape and size; vhc, A. Wake; hc, Cook and Hood; c, R. Ridley. TKD (14): 1, W. Pillar, tkd. buff, grand shape and type, plenty of subs., neat head, A1 qual., good chest; 2, G. Harland, variegated yell., rare cobby shape, grand qual. feather, rich col., short wings and tail; 3, W. Burdett, buff tkd. over beak, grand shape, rare chest and head, neat wings, A1 qual.; 4, E. Freeman, yell. mkd. head, short thick-set body, grand col. and qual.; vhc, Stanger and Herdman; hc, G. H. Dawson; c, H. J. Brennand. HEN (22): 1, J. Carr, buff, grand cobby shape, short and thick-set, grand qual., rare chest, neat head; 2, G. Harland, yell., again rare type, rich col., grand qual. feather; 3, Stanger and Herdman, big bold bird, hot col., good qual., too long in body, wings and tail, we think here Mr. Robson, who hitherto had stuck closely to typical birds, made a mistake; 4, Pickering and Wright, good shapely bird, rare qual., nice head; vbc, W. Furness; hc, W. Thompson; c, A. Wade. UNFLIG. (23): best class in the lot for type; 1, Pickering and Wright, yell., tkd. head, grand shape and subs., short and thick-set, A1 qual., neat head, good back; 2, Mays and Allison, big bracing youngster, good qual., shape, and mover, neat wings and head; 3, G. Harland, yell., grand qual., cobby shape, ablaze with col.; 4, A. Wake, buff, grand type, good subs., fine qual. feather; vhc, W. Thompson; hc, T. Wells; c, H. J. Mennard. BORD. YELL. (9): 1, A. Hay, well moulded, feathered like a Java, plenty of style, neat head; 2, G. Higgins, green, fine shape, lovely feather, well laced, in grand bloom; 3, G. Greenwell, another green, grand qual., rich col., neat head and front; 4, Stanger and Herdman, good shape, nice size, not such good trim; vhc, hc, J. Hillary; c, G. R. Henderson. BUFF (4): 1, Stanger and Herdman, nice feathered bird, good shape and style, rare qual.; 2, R. Watson, nice shape, fine qual.; 3, A. Hay, A1 feather, well drawn, neat head; 4, Lowes and Son, fine qual., nice size. HEN (11): 1, R. Watson, nice pos., shapely, grand qual. feather, neat head, fine con.; 2, A. Hay, close up, neat typical bird, grand qual., shape and size; 3, G. Greenwell, a green, good col. and size, rare qual.; 4, vhc, J. Hillary, nice order, neat and typical; hc, G. Higgins; c, M. Ogden. CREST (10): 1, 4, Dobson and Son, a real good one, grand veiny crest feather, good qual., fine droop, radiating nicely from a neat centre; 2, 3, G. Hugill, rare size crest, good qual. feather, neat centre, well staged, just beaten in shape of crest; 3rd, good size, fine qual. feather, good formation; 4th, bit open centre and crest not so shapely; vhc, T. Gibson; hc, Mrs. T. Taylor; c, J. M. Fletcher. C.B. (10): 1, G. H. Hugill, rare size, massive skull, wealth of head feather, well lashed; 2, J. M. Fletcher, good head feather of rare qual. and length, nice shape and size in skull; 3, T. Orton, good shaped head clothed with nice qual. feather of good length; 4, hc, W. Routledge, good shaped skull, nice feather; vhc, Mrs. T. Taylor; c, J. Tate. A.O.V. (8): 1, vhc, Seely Bros., yell. Clun., grand qual., shape and subs.; 2, 4, J. Riseborough, gold cl. cap Lizard, well laced, good pencilling, fine cap, regular and distinct, good col.; 4th very nice Silver Lizard, neat shape, good cap and col.; 3, W. Summers, nice even marked Nor., good shape and qual., well balanced markings; hc, J. H. Yeates; c, J. Sanderson. HYB., ETC. (11): 1, 3, Dr. M. A. Wilson, grand Linnet-Bullie, good size, lovely breast col., fine shape, in perfect order, a good one; 3rd, fine Goldie-Bullie, good size, grand order, good col.; 2, A. Wake, variegated Goldie-Can., good size, nice col.; 4, W. Currie, Greenie-Goldie, rare bloom and size, good col.; vhc, J. O'Reilly; hc, W. Furniss; c, H. Scaife. DK. MULE (13): 1, Dr. M. A. Wilson, well-known Canary-Bullie, fair size, grand col., in rare bloom; 2, J. Carr, fine yell. Greenfinch-Canary, grand size and shape, rich col. and bloom; 3, c, Wiggins and Harrison, Goldie-Can., good blaze, nice size and col.; 4, Nicholson and Son; vhc, R. Husband; hc, T. Wells. LINNET (18): 1, Woodhead, big chubby bird, good back col., bit light underneath; 2, J. P. Stamp, shapely bird, good size, nice nutty col., good breast, well pencilled, we like better than 1st; 3, Kaye and Cook, very rich nutty col., nice shape, grand distinct breast markings; 4, Millburn and Harrison, shapely bird, good col. and markings; vhc, Mays and Allison; hc, R. Todd and Son; c, H. Colley. GOLDFINCH (20): 1, Dr. M. A. Wilson, nice square cut blaze of grand col., good moons and buttons, shade small, wins on cond.; 2, 4, Mays and Allison, larger, good tannings, nice face, well cut cheeks, not so rich col.; 3, C. Waters, good size, blaze, well cut, good wings and body col.; vhc, W. Thompson; hc, Nicholson and Son; c, Millburn and Hanson. BULLFINCH (10): 1, Mays and Allison, lovely cap, grand breast col., good wings and back, nice size; 2, W. Curry, fine shape and size, rich breast col., good cap; 3, J. Todd, nice cap, good body col., nice shape; 4, Briscoe and Son, shapely, rich cap, nice size; vhc, hc, W. Barwick; c, R. W. Boyd. GREENFINCH (18): 1, C. Waters, grand size, rich tone of col., lovely feather, well barred wings, showing plenty of yell.; 2, Dr. M. A. Wilson, big shapely Finch, rich col.; 3, H. Robinson, good head, fine big shapely body; 4, W. Rutherford, good size, nice col.; vhc, no name; hc, J. McGuire; c, Woodhead and Son. CHAFFINCH, ETC. (10): 1, Dr. M. A. Wilson, Chaffinch, fine size, splendid shape and carr., good head, nice whites, in rare bloom; 2, Nicholson and Son, another grand Chaffinch, nice shape, grand col., good size; 3, J. Foster, Bramble, grand size and shape, fine qual., well mkd. and spangled; 4, R. W. Boyd, Chaffinch, good size, rich col., nice cond.; vhc, Warden and Weedy; hc, R. Todd and Son; c, T. Lazonby. SISKIN, ETC. (21): 1, J. Foster, Twite, sound col., fine build and shape, well mkd.; 2, J. Scott, Siskin, well laced cap, neat bib, good col. and flank mkgs.; 3, J. Foster, mealy Redpoll, plenty of size, good col., grand shape; 4, Millburn and Hanson, Twite, good sound col. and size; vhc, R. Todd and Son; hc, R. W. Boyd; c, Woodhead and Son. A.O.S. (7): 1, W. Gregory, grand Hawfinch, in rare form, clean cut bib, rich sound col., fine silky feather, good shape; 2, J. Foster, Corn Bunting, good size, well mkd., rich col.; 3, J. P. Stamp, Hawfinch, good size, nice bib and shape, not quite col. or bloom of 1st; 4, J. McGuire, Yellow Bunting, rare size, good col., nicely mkd. head; vhc, T. Parnaby; hc, C. Waters; c, C. Murray. HEN (13): 1, Dr. M. A. Wilson, wonderful Greenfinch, rich col., rare size and shape; 2, hc, J. Foster, Corn Bunting, grand size, shape, col. and mkgs.; 3, J. Scott, Hawfinch, real good one, fine shape and size; 4, J. Scott, rattling big Bullie, grand shape; vhc, C. J. Owen, a wonderful class of hens. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (8): 1, Wilkinson and Danby, Thrush, beauty for cond. and mkgs., bold head, fine size, rich col.; 2, T. Parnaby, large, shapely Redwing, rare col. and cond.; 3, H. Robinson, Starling, well spangled, good size; 4, M. Woodhouse, Blackbird, rich col., good beak and eye ceres; vhc, Briscoe and Son; hc, R. Swann; c, W. Sanders. SOFTBILL, SMALL (8): 1, Nicholson and Son, lovely Grey Wagtail, in perfect order, this bird was bred by exhibitor; 2, 4, hc, Wryneck, fine size, well mkd., grand cond., and good Wheatear, steady, rare size, good col.; 3, c, M. Woodhouse, a Dartford Warbler, in good condition, a rare exhibit; vhc, Dr. M. A. Wilson. LARGE (4): 1, J. Scott, Chough, in fine trim, good legs and beak, nice size; 2, T. Parnaby, clinking Missel Thrush, steady as a rock, good col., nice markings; 3, Dr. M. A. Wilson, nice Waxwing, good shape and size; 4, Wilkinson and Danby, good big Magpie in nice order; vhc, R. W. Boyd. FOR. SMALL. (9): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Nicholson and Son, grand team, in rare order, lovely Blue-winged Sugarbird leading, a pair of fine Parson Finches and rare sized Zebra Finches; 4, M. R. Broadbent; c, F. Pringle. LARGE (2): 1, Nicholson and Son, richly col. Scarlet Tanager, in good order; 2, G. D. Bleach, very nice Parrakeet. NOV. (CANARY) (23): 1, J. Sanderson; 2, 4, T. Carlisle; 3, Mrs. H. M. Turner; vhc, T. Acheson; hc, J. Ronald; c, R. Husband. HEN (13): 1, J. Ronald; 2, 4, T. Carlisle; 3, J. Sanderson; vhc, J. Shepherd; hc, T. Acheson; c, W. Gardner. BRIT (19): 1, Wiggins and Harrison; 2, E. Pearson; 3, Woodhead and Son; 4, E. Hall; vhc, J. Robinson; hc, J. Shepherd; c, Lowes and Son. MEMBERS' YORKS. UNFLIG. (15): 1, J. Palfreman; 2, 3, c, T. Carlisle; 4, C. Round; vhc, hc, J. F. Chesworth. A.O.V. (10): 1, W. Gardner; 2, c, T. Carlisle; 3, vhc, J. F. Chesworth; hc, T. Acheson. MULE (3): 1, 2, Briscoe and Son; 2, W. Sanders. BRIT. (8): 1, Briscoe and Son; 2, 3, 4, Lowes and Son; vhc, hc, c, W. Sanders.

WHERE ADVERTISING PAYS.

I had 80 replies to my advt. of Canaries a week ago, writes Mr. E. Rowson (Oxford).

Many thanks for the success of my advertisement, writes Mr. A. Hancox, Malvern Link. I could have disposed of something like 60 birds. I had applications by the heap daily.

"Schoolmaster," Swerford, Oxford, thanks the 40 applicants for Canaries advertised in last week's "Cage Birds," and begs to say they are all disposed of.

BEAMISH (Co. Durham).

Fourth annual show held Nov. 23, in the large room above the "Bird Inn." It proved to be the best ever held by the society. Entries provided a record, being eight or ten in excess of the previous best, while in the matter of specials, subscriptions, and gate money, the society easily surpassed all its previous efforts. The exhibits were delightfully arranged, and each section contained some very nice specimens. Special for best in show went to Mr. L. Foster, with a very neat typical buff Norwich. Silver cup for best young bird, Mr. W. Little, with a very nice Crest. The British classes contained some very choice exhibits, the two Linnet classes being about the pick. The courteous secretary, Mr. Wm. Knowles, again had everything in splendid working order, and got through his work in grand style. He was ably assisted by Mr. Wm. Elliot, and grand work was done by a good hard-working committee composed of the chairman, Mr. G. Davidson, and Messrs. W. Gowland, L. Foster, G. Bates, W Little, R. Coates, J. H. Elliot, M. Beacroft, T. Little, W. Thompsen, and R. Peart. Fine weather favoured the show, and during the afternoon and evening the room was well filled with visitors. Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland) judged.

The Critique.

NOR. (9): 1, sp, Foster, cl. buff, not a big one, but all there for type, col., and qual., sweet head, lovely carr., takes special for best bird; 2, 3, vhc, Gowland, cl. yell. leading, nice size and shape, good col., not so neat in build as winner, 3rd var. buff, longer than leader, good col., nice head and chest; hc, Elliot and Little; c, J. H. Elliot. HEN (4): 1, 2, vhc, Elliet and Little, head tkd., leading, nice size, good shape and col., nice head, neck, and chest, 2nd cl. yell., bit longer, nice shape, neat head and neck, good col. and qual.; 3, Knowles, hot col., nice shape, neat head, loses in subs. CK., 1912 (5): 1, 2, vhc, Elliot and Little, cl. yell., nice shape, good head, neck, and chest, nice col. and qual., 2nd cl. buff, medium size, nice col., shape, and carr.; 3, hc, Gowland, cl. buff, red hot, fine qual., nice head, neck and chest. HEN, 1912 (7): 1, c, Elliot and Little, wing mkd. buff, rare size and shape, nice col., good qual., neat head and chest, good wing and tail carr.; 2, Knowles, cl. yell., neat shape, hot col., nice head and neck, good carr.; 3, vhc, Foster, cl. buff, nice shape, neat head and chest, good carr., loses in subs.; hc, Davidson. NAT. COL. (7): 1, sp, Beacroft, cl. yell., fine size and shape, good col., nice head, good neck and chest, nice front, gets wings over a trifle at times; 2, Gowland, var. buff, rare size, nice col., neat head, not so cobby as leader, but beautifully finished; 3, T. Little, cl. buff, nice size and shape, good chest, bit open and rough in feather; vhc, Knowles; hc, Elliot; c, Davideon. YORKS. (2): 1, Thompson, cl. yell., medium length, nice pos., neat head and wings; 2, Foster, cl. buff, good pos., wings, and tail, lacks the grand finish of leader. HEN (2): 1, Foster, var., buff, medium length, nice style and pos., well braced wings and tail; 2, Thompson, slim and well drawn, nice length, wants steadying. CK. (1912) (5): 1, 2, Foster, leader, var. yell., grand length, nice pos., neat head and shoulders, well drawn, nicely braced wings and tail, 2nd cl. yell., nice length and pos., neat head, good wing and tail carr., nice col. and qual., lacks finish of leader; 3, vhc, Thompson, var. yell., nice length, slim and well drawn, neat head, good pos., a bit frilly. HEN (2): 1, Foster, var. yell., nice one all over, good length and pos., neat head, good carr.; 2, Thompson, cl. buff, nice length, neat head and wing carr., bit open in feather. NAT. COL. (5): 1, Thompson, cl. yell., nice one, good style and pos., nicely drawn, neat head and shoulders; 2, 3, Foster, cl. yell., scarcely so tight in feather, nice shape, well drawn, neat wings and tail, 3rd cl. buff, nice style, good qual., neat head, nice wing carr.; vhc, Davidson. BORD. YELL. (5): 1, sp, 3, J. H. Elliot, leader cl. yell., grand col. and qual., lovely shape, sweet head, beautifully rounded back, grand wing and tail carr., 3rd eye mkd., scarcely so rich in qual. as leader, but nice shape, good head and wing carr.; 2, hc, Bates, grand shape, beautifully rounded, sweet head, back and wings, nice qual., just loses to leader in depth of col.; vhc, Peart. BUFF (7): 1, sp, vhc, Bates, beautiful shape, grandly rounded, sweet head and neck, lovely back and wings, grand col. and qual.; 2, 3, J. H. Elliot, brace of beauties, leader shade heavier in build than winner, yet beautiful shape, grand col., well rounded, lovely back and wings, 3rd wing tkd., nice shape, neat head and wings, not so well rounded on back as leader; hc, Beacroft; c, Peart. HEN, YELL. (6): 1, 3, J. H. Elliot, leader grand shape, beautifully rounded, lovely back, grand head and neck, nice col. and qual., 3rd again grand shape, well rounded, nice wings and tail, just lacks the same grand finish of leader; 2, Bates, fine shape, grand col., nice back, wings, and tail, neat head, inclined to little weakness in neck; vhc, hc, Peart; c, Beacroft. BUFF (4): 1, Bates, magnificent shape, lovely back and wings, sweet head, close tight feather, nice col. and qual.; 2, 3, J. H. Elliot, woo trifle longer, yet nice shape, sweet head and neck, nice back, well braced wings and tail, 3rd scarcely the same grand feather of leaders, fine shape, nice col., well carr. wings and tail; vhc, Peart. MKD., ETC. (6): 1, 3, J. H. Elliot, leader mkd. buff, grand shape, well rounded back, nice head and neck, well braced wings and tail, nice col. and qual., 3rd buff, scarcely so neat in wing carr. as leader, well moulded, sweet head, nice head, good col. and qual.; 2, Peart, yell., nice shape, fine col., neat head, good back and wings, wee shade long on legs; vhc, Thompson; c, Beacroft. CREST (2): 1, 2, Knowles, leader, foul tail green, good crest, of fine radiation and droop, nice size, good centre and qual. of feather, 2nd foul tail green, scarcely so neat in centre as leader, yet a nice one for shape and droop, good size and qual. C.B. (4): 1, Knowles, var., grand size, good broad skull, nice size and entrance, any amount of grand feather; 2, 3, vhc, Coates, foul tail green, nice rise and width, hardly carries the same amount of feather as leader, yet not far behind, 3rd foul tail green, similar in shape and build to 2nd, nice feather, scarcely so dense on top. CREST (1912) (2): 1, 2, Elliot and Little, leader var., grand shape, lovely qual., crest, fine shape, nice droop, very neat centre, takes cup for best young bird, 2nd var., nice crest of good qual., neat centre and droop, scarcely the same grand shape of leader. C.B. (3): 1, 3, Knowles, cl., good size and shape, nice skull, good wide entrance, nice turnover, of grand qual. feather, 3rd nice size and shape, but beaten in density of feather; 2, Coates, foul tail green, nice size and shape, good rise and width, carries any amount of feather, beaten in density by leader. CREST OR C.B., HEN (5): 1, sp, 3, hc, Coates, cl. body, D.C., leading, grand shape, nice droop and radiation, good size, neat centre, good qual., 3rd var. D.C., very nice, good radiation and droop, neat centre; 2, Elliot and Little, cl. C.B., fine size, good entrance and width, well clothed with nice leafy feather; vhc, Knowles. MULE, ETC. (6): 1, 2, sp, Peart, lightly mkd. Goldie-Can. leading, fine size and shape, good col. and qual., nicely flushed face, good wings, first rate condy, 2nd Goldie-Greenie, medium size, nice shape, good col., feather, and condition; 3, Nesbit, non-fed, yell. Greenie, medium size, fine col., nice qual. and cond., smart shape; vhc, Davidson; hc, Gowland; c, Elliot and Little. LINNET, H.M. (5): 1, Foster, good one all over, grand size and shape, nice col., beautifully pencilled, clear and distinct all over, well laced flanks, nice whites; 2, Peart, scarcely the same size and shape as leader, grand bold pencilling, clear and distinct, nice feathers and cond.; 3, Elliot and Little, loses a bit in shape to leaders, yet a good one for pencilling, nice col., good wings and cond.; vhc, Thompson; hc, Gowland. F.M. (5): 1, Peart, beauty, fine shape and size, lovely pencilling, nice col., well laced flanks, good wings and cond.; 2, Beacroft, scarcely so shapely as leader, yet again all there for pencilling, very distinct, nice col.; 3, Gowland, nice size and shape, hardly so clearly defined in pencilling as winners, yet not far behind, nice col. and condition; vhc, Nesbit; hc, Bates. GOLDFINCH, ETC. (6): 1, Bates, sweet little Goldie, nice col., grand rich col. blaze, nicely tanned body, good moons and buttons; 2, Davidson, Bullie, medium size, lovely breast col., carr. well under, nice cl. cut cap, good back; 3, Peart, Goldie, nice col., well tanned, loses in density of blaze col. to leader, good condition; vhc, Little; hc, W. Elliet; wrong class, W. Elliot. GREENFINCH (4): 1, Beacroft, nice shape, lovely col., grand tight feather, nice cond.; 2, W. Elliot, better shape than leader, short and cobby, nice col., good head and chest, trifle unsteady, or would undoubtedly have won; 3, Davidson, good size, rare shape, thick head and neck, loses to leaders in col. and cond.; vhc, Gowland. REDPOLL, ETC. (4): 1, 3, W. Elliet, very nice Mealy leading, not a big one, but a beauty for col. and cond., nicely laced, beautiful tight feather, 3rd very neat Siskin, nice size, fair shape and cond., neat cap; 2, Beacroft, Lesser, grand col., nice size and shape, rare polish and cond., nicely laced; vhc, Davidson. A.O.S. HARDBILL (5): 1, Davidson, Yellowhammer, trifle dark in col., but a beauty for cond., nice size and shape, neat markings, steady as a rock; 2, 3, vhc, W. Elliot, leader Chaffie, medium size, good col., nice chest, lovely cond., 3rd Mountain Sparrow, nice col. and feather, but rather unsteady; hc, Peart. SOFTBILL (3): 1, W. Elliot, Bearded Tit, medium size, fine col., nice monstachios, good tail, shown in nice cond.; 2, Davidson, Blackbird, nice size and shape, good col., nice beak and eye ceres, grand cond.; 3, Little, Song Thrush, nice size and shape, well spotted, very steady. FOR. (5): 1, 3, vhc, hc, W. Elliot, very nice team, grand pair of Tricolours leading, both lovely feather and cond., 3rd Cutthroat, nice col., lovely feather and cond., vhc fine Budgerigar, hc Combassou; 2, Little, very nice Grey Parrot, nice feather and cond.

ARDWICK AND MANCHESTER CAGE BIRD ASSN.

Held their fourth annual members' show on Nov. 16th, at the Onward Hall, Ashton Old Road, Ardwick. The hall is an ideal place for a fixture of this kind, being lofty and a good top light, and can be kept at an even temperature. Fog prevailed over Manchester on this day, which made judging not an easy task; however, Mr. A. Hirst and Mr. J. Beswick did their work very well; the awards were well received. Entries came up to 232 (rather below last year's total). There were quite a host of special prizes offered, and the schedule should have induced an increased entry. Winner of the President's silver challenge cup and gold medal, also the society's medal for amateurs, Mr. J. Vint. Society's medal for novices, J. S. Brown. Society's medal for British, J. C. Harrison; Mr. Buckley's medal, won by A. Taylor; Sandiford's medal, J. Spencer; most points in show, J. O. Harrison; 2nd most points in show, J. Vint 3rd, most points, D. Buckley and Rev. J. W. Wragg divide. Other specials were won by Warburton, Fletcher, Long, Hunt, Appleton.

From the catalogue received the principal winners appear to be as follows: YORKS.: Messrs. Downing, Brook, Taylor, Slater, Snape. NOR.: Messrs. Booth, Harrison, Smith, Vint, Spencer, Henson, Robinson, Belton, Long, Dr. Twigg. NOV.: Warburton, Brown, Williamson, Gowenlock, Fletcher, Blinston, Rev. J. W. Wragg, Hunt, Chilton, Rev. C. E. Gaul, Holland, Chilton, Greaves, Salthouse. BORD.: Messrs. Long, Dr. Kindon. PAIRS: Dr. Twigg. SELL.: Dr. Twigg and Messrs. Buckley and Robinson. BRIT.: Messrs. Fletcher, Smith, Harrison, Hope, Greaves, Chilton, Schofield, Hunt, Appleton.—(Ed.)

SKIPTON.

The second show of the season held Nov. 16, in the Friendly Society's Hall. There was a record entry of 143 birds. Mr. R. Leonard, of Nelson, judged. The following were the winners of special prizes: Most points in show, J. Miller, 78 points; 2, J. Hudson and Son, 49 points; 3, J. Hodgson, 46 points. Silver cup for best young bird bred by a member, A. Bailey, Earby; 2, J. Wilson, Barnoldswick. Best Yorke. cock in show, W. Green, Earby. Best yell. hen, J. Hodgson. Best buff hen, W. Green, Earby. Best Nor. in show, J. Wilson, Barnoldswick. Best hen, W. H. Beck. Best bird in Brit., C. Bradley. Sandiford's medal for hottest fed bird in show, J. Hudson and Son.

YORKS., CL. OR GREEN TKD. YELL.: 1, Bailey; 2, hc, Miller; 3, Green; 4, c, Hodgson; vhc, Greenwood. BUFF: 1, 4, Hodgson; 2, hc, c, Miller; 3, Holgate and Aldridge; vhc, Greenwood. YELL. HEN: 1, Hodgson; 2, 4, Miller; 3, hc, Greenwood; vhc, Green; c, Hudson and Son. BUFF: 1, Green; 2, 4, Holgate and Aldridge; 3, Greenwood; vhc, Hodgson; hc, Bailey; c, Miller. VARIEG., ETC., YELL.: 1, 3, Miller; 2, Holgate and Aldridge; 4, Beck; vhc, Hudson and Son. BUFF: 1, Green; 2, 3, Miller; vhc, Hodgson; hc, Moorby. YELL. HEN: 1, Bailey; 2, Hodgson; 3, Holgate and Aldridge; 4, Beck; vhc, Linford. BUFF: 1, Green; 2, Whitehead; 3, Miller; 4, Beck. CINN., VARIEG., ETC., YELL.: 1, Hodgson; 2, Miller; 3, Linford; 4, Holgate and Aldridge. BUFF: 1, Hudson and Son; 2, 3, Miller; 4, Linford. YELL. HEN: 1, Holgate and Aldridge; 2, Bailey; 3, Miller; 4, Alderson; vhc, Hodgson. BUFF HEN: 1, Miller; 2, Linford; 3, Hudson and Son. SELF OR FOUL GREEN YELL.: 1, 4, Miller; 2, 3, Hodgson; vhc, Beck; hc, Greenwood. BUFF: 1, Beck; 2, Alderson. YELL. HEN: 1, Beck. BUFF: 1, Miller; 2, Beck. NOR., VARIEG., ETC., YELL.: 1, 2, Wilson; 3, 4, Gates; vhc, hc, c, Hudson and Son. BUFF: 1, c, Hudson and Son; 2, Wilson; 3, 4, vhc, hc, Gates. YELL. HEN: 1, Wilson; 2, 4, Hudson and Son; 3, vhc, Gates; hc, Beck; c, Linford. BUFF: 1, Beck; 2, 4, hc, Hudson and Son; 3, vhc, c, Gates. A.O.V.: 1, Miller; 2, 4, Hudson and Son; 3, Alderson; vhc, Beck. BRIT., GOLDFINCH: 1, c, Bradley; 2, Moorby; 3, Edwards. LINNET, SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 3, Bradley; 2, 4, Moorby. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Bradley. FOR.: 1, Moorby.—Gill and Hudson, Joint Secs.

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ILKESTON.

This well-known Midland fixture took place on Nov. 23-25, in the Victoria Hall, which is very centrally situated, of good light, spacious and cosy. The response to the capital schedule issued was not so good as might have been wished, although what was lacking numerically was counteracted by the very high quality of the exhibits generally. Perhaps a change of days would be of benefit. T. H. Richardson, Esq., is President, and along with the nobility of the neighbourhood, rendered generous assistance. The Committee of Management consists of well-known and practical fanciers, and credit is due to the following for exertions they put forth on behalf of their society: Messrs. Booth, Henshaw, Prince, Straw, Cliff, Eaton, Gregory, G. E. Shaw, Martin, Thompson, J. Martin, Smith, Keightley, and Beardsley. Mr. H. Hunt fills the chair admirably, and his understudy, Mr. C. H. Martin, presses closely his colleague with distinct ability. Treasurer Mr. M. Marriott is an admirable asset, and Mr. T. Smith, the worthy Secretary, is one that has always struck us as bordering on the ideal for this very important office. T. S. is always of the most courteous nature, ever on the move, controls capitally, and an excellent worker. He talks of resigning this year if allowed to do so. The vacancy will be difficult to fill so efficiently. The Norwich section contained many birds of an extraordinary character. That old stager, "Bill" Vardy, captured four 1sts, four 2nds, and other mentions, truly a very fine performance. The members put down some really fine stuff, the best as regards quality for years past. The staging of exhibits—3-tier principle generally—was neatness itself. Stewards worked quickly and effectively. Prize cards went up instantly. Judging was completed in excellent time. Show opened by 1 o'clock; management right bang through was superb, no hitch occurring whatever, and everything went as smooth as marriage bells. Judges were Messrs. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield), all Canaries; C. Houlton (St. Helens), British and Foreign. The following are their awards, which were well received. Sandiford's special for hottest fed went to Mr. S. Prince, his clear yellow Norwich like a ball of fire.

Mr. J. C. Barnes's Classes.

NOR. YEL. (9): 1, 2, Vardy, with a delightful brace, leader cl. of great sub., lovely shape and col., magnificently feathered, jaunty carr., 2nd well fed cl., silky texture of feather, rattling shaped body, perfect wing carr., hardly so full in head and neck; 3, Baker, mkd. head, wonderful size, superb feather, very shapely, not so level in col. or quite so rich, but good; 4, Fox, very shapely cl., full of col. and qual., not so large, yet a true Nor.; vhc, Briggs and Walker; hc, Prince; c, Wilcox and Son. BUFF (6): 1, 2, 3, Vardy, with a trio of eye-openers, winner of marvellous substance, exquisite qual., beautiful shape and carriage, 2nd cl., even better col., teeming with quality, model for type, 3rd mkd. head, round as a ball, superb feather and col., neatly frosted, good size, can beat more than beats it; 4, Fox, superior clothed cl., A1 col. and mealing, fine head and neck, not so deep in front, but of A1 car. and well tucked up behind; vhc, Wilcox and Son; hc, Briggs and Walker. UNEVEN (9): 1, Vardy, bulf, mkd. eyes, unbeatable for shape, delightful qual. and col., fine substance, rattling car. of wings and tail, stormer; 2, 3, Fox, var. buff and yell. mkd. wing and head respectively, former of fine size and shape, well feathered and of nice col. and frosting, latter plenty of col., silky texture of feather, well up in size, rather fat on front, otherwise one of the best; 4, vhc, Rathbone, yell., mkd. wings and head, cobby and of exquisite col. and feather, moves nicely, not overdone with size, yet pleasing to the extreme; hc, Thompson; c, Prince. HEN (10): 1, 2, vhc, Vardy, again with a team of most bewitching damsels, the "chro'ess" a buff mkd. wings and head, dressed in the most elaborate clothing of lovely tint, quite a giantess in stature, with the daintiness of a queen, 2nd very smart and shapely cl. buff, full of qual. and col., covered with rich mealing, not the size certainly, but a very fascinating lady, vhc grand cl. yell., would have been higher up, only for tail being deficient, not fully grown; 3, Wilcox and Son, cl. yell., superior col. and feather, nice size and car., grand shaped body, worthy of her position; 4, Eaton, well-grown cl. buff, A1 feather and col., good car. of wings and tail, beaten somewhat in outline, still very bonny damsel; hc, Baker; c, Smith. UNFLIG. YELL. (5): 1, Fox, grandly fed cl. of wonderful shape and sub., full of qual., not a feather misplaced, delightful car., points vividly towards making a "knock-out" another year; 2, Vardy, cl., fine sub. and shape, A1 col., free in action and of fine style, not so tightly clothed as above; 3, Simpson and Vertigan, variegated, of great frame, grand shape, not the col. or qual. quite, still very promising youngster; 4, Rathbone, very shapely cl., superb feather and col., delightful car., not a "big 'un," but a "good 'un"; vhc, Colledge. BUFF (4): 1, Rathbone, mkd. head, sweetly moulded, A1 feather and col., nice size, in the pink and well shown; 2, Colledge, mkd. head, plenty of col., superior feather, nice shape, bit loose behind to-day; 3, 4, Eaton, both var., silky texture of feather, fair size, good col. and meal, hardly so good in shape as might be, both have same fault. NAT. COL. (4): 1, Simpson and Vertigan, bouncing cl. buff, round as an apple, clean cut, jaunty car.; 2, 4, Wilcox and Son, cl. yell. and cl. buff in the order named, both very cobby and of A1 col., capital feather, not massive but exquisite, in nice bloom; 3, Twine, buff mkd. head, well up in sub., rattling qual. and col., longer in barrel, wings and tail, paired to a cobby hen, should produce good progeny. NOR. NOV. (22), rare class: 1, Hopcroft, buff, mkd. wings and head, smooth as wax, rich col. and feather, grand shape and car., pink of con.; 2, Briggs and Walker, yell., mkd. wings, head, root of tail, slashing col. and qual., very shapely, nice sub., close up; 3, Harrison, buff, mkd. head and neck, teeming with qual. and col., short and thick-set, very pleasing, unflighted; 4, Mrs. M. Kirk, buff, mkd. wings head and neck, wonderful sub., capital qual., nice level col., longer in build; vhc, Bonsall; hc, Sharman; c, Siddown. HEN (12): 1, Briggs and Walker, very sweetly moulded cl. buff, superb feather, col. and frosting, neat car., bonny damsel; 2, Earnshaw, cl. yell., rare size and shape, lovely col. and qual., bit too leggy or might have won; 3, Wardle, jun., cl. buff, short and thick-set, A1 qual. and col., moves well, bit heavy behind; 4, Ford, buff, mkd. wing, possessing rich qual. and col., grand shaped body, lacking a little in head and neck; vhc, Smedley; hc, Harrison; c, Buxton. CREST (7): 1, hc, Colledge, buff, mkd. wings D.C., lengthy and rich qual. feather, crest of an immense size, thickly thatched, fine radiation, delightful droop; 2, Barker, buff green, pied tail, D.C., heaps of exquisite feather, crest as round as a hoop, not quite so massive, yet of fascinating droop and centre, very close up; 3, c, Jacklin, buff var. D.C., wonderful substance, abundance of feather, crest of fine frontal and neat back, wee bit narrow, yet a beauty; 4, Stevens, buff, mkd. wings and tail, D.C., very shapely, crest of capital frontal droop, nice back, again runs rather narrow, still not far away; vhc, Twine. C.-B. (6): 1, 2, Woolley, with a brace of beauties, buff var., any amount of A1 qual. feather, rare sub., with skull of great width and dense in feather, lashed to perfection, 2nd very massive cl. buff, grand shape, fine turnover of head feather, good broad skull, neat brow; 3, Stevens, heavy mkd. buff, well up in size, rare qual., good width of skull, but not so dense, grand lash; 4, hc, Colledge, cl. bull, lovely qual., grand shaped body, rather narrow in head, yet of good turnover of feather, well browed; vhc, Barker. YORKS. YELL. (5): 1, Norton, mkd. neck, marvellous length, straight as a rush, beautiful back and wing car., lovely waist, real gem; 2, Dykes, cl., full of true character, feathered beautifully, beaten in length slightly, staged to the moment; 3, Wood, wonderfully lengthy cl., stands like a guardsman, well filled back, capital wings and tail, bit thicker waisted; 4, Blackburn and Mitchell, var., full of qual. and col., stands well, nice length, plenty of nerve, worth its place; vhc, Dr. W. Craig. BUFF (5): 1, Dykes, mkd. neck, nice length, tight as a bottle, brimful of style, showing little breed, one of the best; 2, Blackburn and Mitchell, var., wedge shaped, smooth as wax, delightful pos., not one of the longest but of the very smartest description; 3, Norton, lengthy cl. of grand pos., fine long-sided, capital car. of flights, neatly folded tail, not quite the qual.; 4, Mountain, lovely salmon tinged cl., rare length and pos., well on leg, not so stylish as those above; vhc, Wood. HEN (6): 1, Norton, most bewitching cl. yell., marvellous length, fine upstanding damsel, neat and narrow, good legs, wins; 2, Dykes, buff, mkd. wings and eyes, not a feather misplaced, straight as a pencil, nice length and style; 3, Dr. W. Craig, cl. buff, delightful pos., full of swagger, magnificently clothed, crosses wings at tips or might have gone up one; 4, Cockeram, very lengthy cl. yell., upstanding, of good col. and feather, draws a little thin in neck; vhc, Mountain; hc, Blackburn and Mitchell. UNFLIG. (6): 1, Dykes, cap. mkd. yell., wonderful length, straight as a gun barrel, tight as a Java, lovely back and wing car., neatly folded tail, exceedingly promising; 2, Blackburn and Mitchell, rich salmon tinged cl. buff, stands beautifully, smooth as polished marble, fine length, clever legs, will make up well; 3, Mountain, cl. yell., full of col and qual., good length of side, fine back and wings, not quite so close in feather as above, yet good one; 4, Norton, cl. buff, capital pos., superb col. and qual., rare length, plenty strong enough, should make good stock bird; vhc, Dr. W. Craig. NOV. YELL. (11): 1, Hibbert, jun., mkd. neck, rare length and pos., grand col. and qual., full of style, wins; 2, Cockeram, cl., hot in col., silky in feather, well up in pos., neat back and wing car., not so solid on front; 3, hc, Ackroyd, cl. yell., beautiful feather, capital pos., neat car. of flights and tail, shorter, 1912 bred and a very likely-looking youngster; 4, Eaton, well fed cl., A1 qual., stands well, not of the longest, but one of the most choice kind; vhc, Beers; c, Beavan. BUFF (12): 1, Hibbett, jun., cl., of lovely feather and colour, straight as a rush, grand back, A1 wing car., good legs, wins; 2, vhc, Cockeram, cl., teeming with qual., delightful pos., full of nerve and style, beaten in length only; 3, Dickens, mkd. neck, very lengthy and of grand pos., well clothed, rather thin in neck, yet a good one; 4, Beers, mkd. wings and head, straight up, neat and narrow, superb feather and col., requires more length; hc, Wilmot; c, Eaton. BORD. (11), fine array and hard to separate: 1, 2, 3, c, Naylor, with a grand quartette, leading with a gem of a cl. buff, delightful feather and shape, full of action and shown in faultless trim, 2nd yell. green, pied tail, shone like silk, grand shape and col., moves well, very close up, 3rd very smart cl. buff, not a feather misplaced, capital shape, dainty car., a picture; 4, hc, Barber, yell. green, lovely texture of feather, sweet col., fine head, grand body, weo bit longer in tail; vhc, Brown. A.O.V. (1): 1, Ball Bros., W.C., a heavy mkd. buff green Nor., should have been in Class 3 (uncvenly mkd. or var.). GIFT (6): 1, Martin and Faux; 2, Prince; 3, Smith; 4, Wbite; vhc, Hunt and Brentnall; No. 3, Beardsley, absent. MEMBERS—NAT. COL (7): 1, Prince, very nice cl. yell. Nor. 2, vhc, Smith, choice buff mkd. Nor.; 3, Siddown, cl. yell. Nor. of good merit; 4, Hunt and Brentnall, var. buff Nor. of nice properties; hc, Gregory; c, Keightley. NOR. UNFLIG. (7): 1, Fox, lovely shaped and well fed cl. yell.; 2, Prince; c, Martin and Faux; 4, hc, Briggs and Walker; vhc, Hunt and Brentnall. BUFF (10): 1, c, Martin and Faux; 2, 4, vhc, Prince; 3, Hunt and Brentnall; hc, Marriott. YORKS UNFLIG. (10): 1, Marriott; 2, 3, 4, vbc, hc, Eaton; Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, Eaton, absent.

Mr. C. Houlton's Classes.

Hybrids in two classes were really good and plentiful. To see 22 in a dark Canary-Mule class is something out of the common, and quite 2 sets of winners could have been found. Messrs. Lawrence, Somerfield, Hayter, Poole and Procter all put down good samples, in grand order. Britishers were very good indeed for quality, and if not quite so heavy classes as usual here, a fair good average resulted. Some well-known teams turned up, and did their share of winning. Mr. Saywell's Whitethroat was a gem for condition. Foreign were very good, but more ought to have turned up, seeing that full prize-money was guaranteed.

LIGHT MULE, ETC. (7): 1, 2, 3, Lawrence, tick wing, nearly cl. yell. Gold.-Can., in lovely order; 2, Can.-Bullie, hot col., not quite up in wings to win, 3rd, nearly cl., very pale buff, almost white, in nice trim; 4, Procter, nice 6-point yell. Gold.-Can.; vhc, Hayter; hc, Booth. DARK (22): Rattling good class. 1, Hayter, very stout, deep, level coloured yell. Greenfinch-Can., in splendid feather; 2, Poole, very good yell. Gold.-Can., grand head, blaze, size, shape and condition; 3, Somerfield, smart yell. Linnet-Can., good size, shape, colour, markings and condition; 4, vhc, hc, c, Lawrence, good quartet, led by a very pretty yell. Siskin-Can., grand markings, col. and feather. GOLD. (11): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, well-known grand bird, in splendid order; 2, Allen, grand deep colours all through, nice shape, good moons, etc., just beaten in cut of blaze below; 3, Cooper, fine clean cut blaze, good size, nice tan, beaten in moons a little; 4, Williams, very good face, nice tan, moons and bars; vhc, Booth; hc, Poole; c, Glasby. BULL. (9): 1, c, Woods, leader in grand level order; c, shade rough under to-day; 2, 3, P. Walsh, 2nd, grand cobby bird, good all round, 3rd, narrower body; A1 colour, etc.; 4, Poole, splendid cap and back, just beaten in sides a little; vhc, Lomas; hc, Hattersley. GREEN. (9): 1, c, P. Walsh, leader a gem, solid feather and condition; 2, Lawrence, paler, lovely size, shape, feather and condition; 3, Tams and Son, well up to others in all points; 4, Lomas, nice feather, shade smaller; vhc, Bestwick; hc, Bunn. LINNET (9): 1, Tams and Son, lovely size, shape, markings and A1 condition; 2, 4, P. Walsh, leader grand col. and markings, beaten in shape, 4th, grand shape and size, duller plumage; 3, vhc, Davies, good pair, nice shape, col. and markings; hc, Hattersley; c, Lawrence. SISKIN (3):

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Fifty-first annual show and competition, held Nov. 23rd, in Messrs. Greens' Pavilion, Fullarton Street. This is a most spacious hall, well lit and ventilated. Unfortunately we are unable to chronicle a pronounced success; the entries from a numerical point of view being very disheartening. Undoubtedly some sterling exhibits were on view, but after all, it is numbers that give the managers encouragement for their labours. Some really good Yorkshires were staged, and Mr. Paterson is to be congratulated on his debut in the Fancy. We predict a very successful season for him, as, when his birds are thoroughly finished, they will take some stopping. It was confidently expected that with Mr. McQuiston standing down on this occasion, there would have been a rush of entries in the British and Mule section, but here again we were doomed to disappointment. The office bearers and committee are all well-known fanciers, and we should like to see their efforts meet with a better reward. President, Mr. Alex. Andrew, and vice-president, Mr. Peter Mackie, are the right men in the right places, and Mr. Colin W. Paterson, the respected and hard-working secretary, could not be excelled by any that we know in a similar capacity. Possibly an assistant sec. for the cage bird section only would be appreciated, as Mr. Paterson must have had a large amount of work to cope with in the pigeon section of the show. The committee all worked hard to make the best of matters, and amongst others we noted Messrs. Geo. Kerr, Chas. Jackson, D. Wason, P. Mackie, W. Piper, W. Conkie, J. Milne, D. Thomson, A. Andrew, D. Mackie, Jas. Paterson, and Wm. Reid. Mr. Longden, of Swansea, judged the whole of the classes, and his awards left no room for adverse criticism. We overheard several exhibitors express the hope that it would not be long before he was back in Ayr on a similar mission.

The Critique.

SCOTCH, A.V. (5): 1, withheld; 2, 5, Robertson, leader clear yell., long side, good head and neck, stout shoulders, grips perches well, brings tail well under, 5th, yell. piebald, gets head down nicely, and drives well, smart in action; 3, Ralston, clear, a big, massive bird, rare shoulders and back, capital length of side, very deep through. HEN (5): Allison, cl. buff, heavy shoulders, grand head and neck, drives well, full of nerve; 2, Robertson, cl., grand shape, nice shoulders and back, uses tail nicely, plenty of nerve and action; 3, 4, McClure, buff piebald, grand head, neck and shoulders, shown in rare good trim; 5, Ralston. NOR. (4): 1, Candlish, cl. yell., plenty of substance, good head and neck, grand feather and qual.; 2, Anderson, cl. buff, thick set body, wide back, short flights and tail, level qual., good col.; 3, Watson, cl. yell., nice quality, good shaped body, neat head and good feather; 4, McKay. HEN (3): 1, McKay, cl. buff, rare good head, grand qual. and rich col., short, well carried flights; 2, Calderwood, cl. yell., grand feather and col., lovely back, neat head and wings; 3, Guthrie, good bead, nice quality. UNFLIGHTED (3): 1, Watson, cap marked yell., lovely shape and full of quality, rich col., short, well packed flights, in full bloom; 2, Calderwood, variegated buff, grand shaped body, full head and well shaped front; 3, McKay, cl. yell., stout body, full head and neck, short wings and tail, close up. HEN (5): 1, Candlish, cl. yell., lovely qual. flights and tail, well packed, nice shape, neat head, rich col., in tip-top order; 2, McKay, cl. yell., good shape, short flights and tail, gets well over perches, nice level col.; 3, Armour, grand feather, good shaped body, nice short tail; 4, Murray; 5, Guthrie. CREST: Cancelled. C.B.: Cancelled. YORKS. (6): 1, W. Telfer, cl., yell., sweet head and neck, well filled back, wings and tail, well braced, stands well on a pair of good legs; 2, A. Telfer, variegated yell., grand shape and style, beautiful feather, nice head and neck, tapered well away; 3, Cook, cl. buff, splendid shape and car., rare wings and tail, stands well up; 4, A. Paterson; 5, Hunter; 6, Hunter. HEN (6): 1, Jas. Paterson, a picture, not a feather out of place, tight as wax, sweet head, grand neck, well placed, close fitted shoulders, and plenty of style; 2, Cameron, cl. yell., good length and substance, grand head and neck, capital wings and tail, staged in nice form; 3, A. Telfer, cl. buff, grand qual. of feather, plenty of nerve, and stands well; 4, Lobie; 5, Hunter; 6, W. Telfer. UNFLIGTED (6): 1, 2,

ILKESTON.—Continued.

This class was guaranteed; plenty room for more Siskins to be kept to win. 1, Lees and Smith, fine all round bird, cap, col., lacings, shape and condition all there; 2, Davies, smaller, all else equal; 3, sp., best members' Siskin, T. Smith, smaller and paler, nice condition. REDPOLL OR TWITE (9): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, capital shaped Twite, nice size, colour, markings and condition; 2, Hexter, very large, massive Jonque Redpoll, rare shape, col., markings, bib, and condition; 3, Tams and Son, good Twite, smaller than winner; 4, Hayter, finely mkd. mealy Redpoll, in grand order; vhc, Turner; hc, Lawrence; c, Booth. BRAMBLE (9): 1, Hexter, very large, well laced Bramble, grand car. and condition; 2, P. Walsh, fine rich col. Chaffinch, A1 condition, steady; 3, Williams, good bodied Bramble, nice spangling, col. and condition; 4, Lees and Smith; vhc, Lawrence; hc, Bunn; c, T. Smith. A.O.S. (6): 1, Saywell, really fine conditioned Whitethroat, in tip-top order; 2, Lomas, very large and steady Magpie, in good feather; 3, Fletcher, very pretty Black Redstart, nice condition, well shown; 4, Lawrence, good big Hawfinch; vhc, Hattersley; No. 6, Poole, absent. NOV., BRIT (8): 1, Hattersley, very pretty Lesser Whitethroat, in the pink; 2, Darlew, lovely Magpie, lustrous sheen and polish; 3, 4, Flavell, good Greenfinch and Bullfinch; vhc, hc, Beers; c, Else. FOR., CAGE (3): 1, 3, Fletcher, good King leading, and a nice pair of Rosellas, in good feather and condition; 2, Baxby, pair of Alexs., looking a bit sleepy to-day, nice feather. SMALL (6): 1, 3, hc, Saywell, noted Tanagers leading, in grand order; 2, Fletcher, very good pair Diamond Sparrows, lovely condition; 4, Baxby, pretty pair Zebra Finches; vhc, Hattersley. MEMBERS' BRIT. (8): 1, 4, hc, T. Smith, grand cobby Bramble, well spangled, good col., fine glossy condition, 4, rich tanned Goldie, nice blaze; 2, c, Gregory, good Linnet, and a field-moulted nice Goldfinch; 3, Smith, Yellow Bunting, in good feather; vhc, Martin. The following are winners of specials: Society cup, Mr. T. Smith; Members' Points: Messrs. T. Smith, S. Prince, E. Fox, Martin, and Faux, Briggs and Walker, W. Eaton, and Hunt and Brentnall. Open, Nor., Messrs. Vardy, Fox, Rathbone, and Simpson and Vertigan. Nov., Briggs and Walker. C. and C.B., Messrs. H. Jacklin, G. Colledge, and B. Woolley. Yorks., Messrs. Dykes, Norton, Blackburn and Mitchell and Mountain. Nov., F. Cockeram; Bord., C. H. Naylor; Mules, G. Lawrence; Brit., Messrs. Walsh, Tams and Son, Pitchford and Stocker, G. Lawrence.

specials, and cup, Jas. Paterson, charming yell., very slim, sweet, fine head, grand neck, rare shoulders and wings, lovely feather, handles well; 2, same owner, a yell., of nice qual., and style, well braced, plenty of nerve, two good ones; 3, A. Telfer, rare col. and feather, sweet head, grand shoulders; 4, Cameron; 5, Hunter; 6, J. C. Paterson. BORDER, CL. OR TKD. (6): 1, 4, Rea, cl. yell., very jaunty and full of go, a nice model, beautiful feather, a sparkling little fellow; 2, 3, Mossie, Iormer cl. yell., a little gem, good style and car., rich col. and qual., staged in lovely bloom; 3, cl. buff, sweet head, a rare model, very jaunty car., rich qual., and clean at all points; 5, Gibson; 6, Aitken. HEN (5): 1, sp., 5, Aitken, 3-pointed yell., rare shape and car., well braced wings, staged in lovely form; 2, 4, Mossie, 2nd, cl. yell., very beautiful texture of feather; A1 style, lovely staging; 3, Rea, cl. yell, rich qual., good style and car., a neat little lady. VARIEG.: Cancelled. HEN: Cancelled. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: Cancelled. DK. MULE (6): 1, Doolan, Jonque Linnet Mule, grand sire, lovely type, very rich and sound in col.; 2, Crone, Jonque Goldie Mule, grand size, lovely type, beautiful blaze, well burnished; 3 and 5, Lyall, Buff Siskin Mule, grand size and markings, and in rare con.; 4, Alexander; 6, Morton. GOLDFINCH (11): 1, 3, spl., Conkie, grand Goldie for size and shape, beautifully tanned and buttoned, fine bars and blaze, 3rd a very taking finch, fine width of face, rich col. and polish, very nicely shown; 2, 4, J. Guthrie and Son, a grand stamp of a Goldie, lovely col. blaze, very richly tanned, not so chubbily built as leaders; 5, Jardine; 6, Davidson; 7, Wyper. BULLFINCH (9): 1, Conkie, house-moulted, deep, rich col. breast, grand shape, glossy cap, in shining condition; 2, McCloy, house-moulted, steady as a rock, chubby type of bird, rich col. and perfect markings 3, Wason, house moltd., fine size and col., rich and even breast, rare good cap and markings; 4, sp., Dale, a very fine bird, but looking a bit soft when taking notes; 5, Gentleman; 6, Irvine; 7, Mrs. Murphy. GREENFINCH (6): 1, Conkie, a big jonjue, col. fed., bold and shapely, stands well on perches, shown in lovely bloom; 2, Irvine, another good bird, grand head and shoulders, in excellent con., presses winner; 3, Dale, grand wings, showing plenty of yell., good head and stands well on legs; 4, Morton; 5, Cowan; 6, McCloy. LINNET (H.M.) (7): 1, Graham, col. and breast markings, very shapely and stylish, grand polish; 2, Wright, extra fine size and shape, tight as wax in feather, sound in col., lacks a little in pencilling but close up; 3, Boyd, grand chest and head, good whites, fine col., lacks pencilling a trifle on breast; 4, Bell; 5, Davies; 6, Doolan; 7, Wyper. F.M. (6): 1, Conkie, grand size, rare head, fine pencilling and rare ground col.; 2, Crone, lovely col. and pencilling, good body, fails in head and neck; 3, sp., Wright, grand size, extra steady, nice shade of col., lovely breast work; 4, Wason; 5, Wallace; No. 2 absent. SISKIN OR MEALY REDPOLL (5): 1, Conkie, Mealy Redpoll, grand size, lovely type, rare good head and beak, large sib., beautifully laced; 2, Crone, another Pole, grand type, lovely col. and markings, beaten in size; 3, McGavin, Siskin, nat. col., good size and lacings, well staged; 4, Davidson; 5, McCrorie. TWITE (9): 1, Caldwell, very rich in col. throughout, densely mkd., steady and well shown; 2, Gentleman, grand size and lovely type, nice markings, rich col., fails in head; 3, Crone, lovely sound col., well laced throughout, shows a nice splash of white in wings; 4, Wason; 5, Conkie; 6, McGavin; 7, McCloy. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Lyall, fine breast markings, a thick set well proportioned bird, splendid wing bars, staged in lovely bloom; 2, Wason, grand size, nicely pencilled, rare head and bib., very close up; 3, Robertson, beautiful size, good head and breast work, very steady; 4, Hopkins; 5, Irvine; 6, Graham; 7, Dale. A.O.S. HEN (7): 1, Wright, perfect Bullie, shapely and bold, grand cap and wings, splendid col.; 2, Jardine, grand size, good breast col., nice bars and back, fails bead and cap to winner; 3, Lyall, grand size, lovely col. and markings, steady and well staged; 4, Ross; 5, Gentleman; 6, Irvine; 7, Kelly. BRIT. SMALL (4): 1, Davidson, Chaffinch, fair size, deep rich body col., in lovely bloom, steady as a rock, not a feather out of place; 2, Conkie, Yellowhammer, fed., grand size, lovely markings, nice cl. crown, good car marks, steady and in lovely bloom; 3, McCloy, Yellowhammer, non fed., good size, lovely head, steady and well staged: No. 1 absent. LARGE (4): 1, Conkie, Hawfinch, grand size, lovely col. and markings, good head, steady and well staged; 2, Davis, Song Thrush, lovely shape, fair spangling, shapely bead, with a bold eye; 3, Mrs. Piper, Song Thrush, good col., well spangled, bold front, and beautiful col., staged in lovely bloom; 4, Miller, Starling. FOR.: Cancelled.

WIVELISCOMBE.

Held their first open show on Nov. 21st. Cage Birds made a fine display, and were a great attraction to the show. Messrs. Hill and Dashcombe made an excellent pair of secretaries, and no doubt feel well rewarded for their great efforts to produce a successful show; Mr. Hill was particularly attentive to our section. We hope next year will see the birds in a better lighted room. Mr. W. G. Elsmore judged Yorks and Norwich, Mr. E. Spankling Britishers:—

The Critique.

YORKS CL. YELL. (10): 1, sp., best Yorks, medal best Canary, Boundy, a gem of the first water, well shown; 2, Thomson, fine length and pos., not the clean cut of winner; 3, Greenslade, nice Yorkie, wants a little more handling; r, Gardner; vhc, c, C. Hill; hc, Edwards. CL. BUFF: Cancelled. TKD., ETC. (11): Hot class: 1, Boundy, thigh tkd., yell., grand length, wings well braced, neat tail; 2, Fawle, mkd. yell., not the length of winner, but beautiful qual., full of breed, ran winner close; 3, Thompson, eye, cheek and thigh mkd. buff, nice qual. of feather, bit thick; r, Edwards; vhc, Hill; hc, Edwards; c, Craven. WINS (10): 1, 2, Richards, grlz. capped yell., a gem for type and posi., wins easily; 2nd, wing mkd. yell., taking exhibit, on the small side; 3, Fawle, mkd. yell., good car., stands like a soldier, fails in head; r, Thompson; vhc, Brett; hc, c, Hill. NOR. YELL. (10): 1, r, Noyce, cl. nice head, well braced wings, deep in chest, well filled in back; 2, Mitchell, another fine yell., neat wings and tail, not quite so well cut up as winner; 3, Copp, smart bird, falls wing car.; vhc, Priddle; hc, Newcombe; c, Edwards. BUFF: Cancelled. HENS: 1, sp best Nor., Collins, grand neck tkd. buff, good head and neck, well filled back, deep chest, plenty of sub., compact wings and tail, well mealed; 2, West, nice cobby yell., neck and tail mkd., not the sub. of winner; 3, Mitchell, cl. buff, good bloom, not so tight as former; r, Luxton; vhc, Richards; hc, Lemon; c Munday. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (23): 1, medal Webber; 2, Gregory; 3, Lewis; 4, Hawkings; r, Collins; vhc, Webber; vhc, c, Edwards; hc, Luxton. BRIT. SMALL: 1, 3, Collins, leader, Wagtail, fine specimen well shown; 3rd, Hawfinch; 2, Webber, Hawfinch, very fine bird, grand size and shape, good bib, deep rich col. throughout, in fine feather; r, hc, Collins; vhc, Gregory; c, Lugg.

DONCASTER.

Superb Management—Keen Competition.

Third annual "Races" connected with the Doncaster O.B.S., held on Nov. 22 and 23. The "Town Moor" was not utilised on this occasion, the rendezvous being the Drill Hall, which is very centrally situated, spacious and lofty, nice light, and judiciously heated; truly a room of comfort, both alike for exhibits and visitors. Entries reached nearly 500 in the 61 classes provided, certainly not so good as it might have been, with such a splendid classification provided, only averaging practically 8 per class. We are sorry our Doncaster friends did not receive much better support, as they are a genuine band of fellows, and no fancier need fear in placing his most valued specimens under their care. Staging was on the three tier principle, and every exhibit could be observed at a glance. President, Mr. F. Barker, a most generous and enthusiastic official; chairman, Mr. G. Hunt, the right man in the right place, is quite an expert controller; treasurer, Mr. A. Rayners, is a great asset, and the "shekels" are safe in his keeping. The show manager, Mr. C. Presly, knows his duties to a nicety, is always in the thick of the fray, and is a worker, and not merely a figurehead. The functions under his guidance always run smoothly and well. Mr. G. Bescoby, the worthy secretary, has at his fingertips the proper working of an open venture, is always on the go, keeping well under control every detail, is a capital adviser, and worthy of the highest praise. Stewards of the "course," who practically and efficiently officiated, were Messrs. Blanchou, Flint, Tomkinson, Raynes and Carter. All gave of their best, and proved themselves worthy of the trust placed upon them. As each class was adjudicated upon, "winning numbers" were "hoisted," water tins filled up, and "fodder" supplied where necessary. Truly a band of willing hands. Many cases of birds were late in arriving, some getting in as late as 11.50 a.m., throwing back matters somewhat. Nevertheless, the management rose to the occasion, and by careful and judicious manipulation, no exhibit had to be labelled "too late" for judging. A plentiful supply of catalogues supplied the wants of all who wished to get into "the know," as soon as judging was completed. Specials were gained by the following: Best mem. Nor., Mr. T. Truman; Yorks., G. Hunt; cup. nat. col. Brit., W. Blanchon; best Brit, G. Bescoby; most entries, T. Truemian. Judges were Messrs. H. Battye (Yorks), W. Vardy (Nor. and Crests), J. Walsh (British), and their awards gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

YORKS., YELL. (10): 1, Bailey, beautifully feathered cl., straight as a rush, lovely back and wing car., pipe tail, topper, greatly admired; 2, Thomas, cl., good length and qual., stands like a Guardsman, well filled back, A1 wings and tail, beaten a little in size; 3, Dyson, very stylish, cl., better col. and more length, neat and narrow, capital position, must have pressed hard; vhc, Walker, mkd. wing and cheek, rare length, magnificent feather, straight up, very choice; hc, Lane; c, Crawhall. BUFF (12): 1, Jeffreys, lovely Salmon tinged cl., magnificent pos., capital length, lovely back and wing car., full of style, gem; 2, Dyson, mkd. head, not quite so lengthy, but of superb feather, delightful pos., grand back, neat wings and tail, must have pressed hard; 3, Radley, very lengthy cl., stands like a soldier, capital feather, well on leg, plenty strong enough for our liking; vhc, Bailey; hc, Crawhall; c, Towers. BUFF MKD. (10): 1, Wilson, yell., mkd. wings and about head, splendid feather and col., lengthy and possessing clever legs, best of backs, wings and tail, rather coarse in head points; 2, Bailey, buff, mkd. wings and head, smooth as a hottle, straight as a pencil, lovely expression of head, A1 wings and tail, "gem of gems," our choice; 3, Thomas, yell. cinn. mkd. wings, exquisite qual. and col., tight as a Java, rattling pos. and length, can beat more than beats it; vhc, Dr. W. Craig, buff cinn. mkd. wings and bead, feathered to perfection, delightful col. and meal, good length and stand, worth its place; hc, Ogden Bros.; c, Hedwortb. HEN, YELL. (3): 1, Priestley, thigh tick, magnificent feather, delightful pos., not a feather misplaced, lengthy and full of character, most bewitching damsel; 2, Thomas, mkd. wing and neck, smooth as a bottle, neat and narrow, shows for all she is worth, extremely dainty; 3, Walker, very shooty thigh tick, lovely feather, capital pos., and length, hardly so good in neck, yet a charmer; vhc, Shaw Bros., wonderfully lengthy cl., feathered to perfection, beautiful back and wing carriage, possessing most clever legs, one liked immensely; hc, Lane; c, Radley. BUFF (13): 1, Parkes, superbly clothed cl., perfect pos., full of nerve, good length and of delightful wing car., grand back and legs, quite a "Lady of the Lake"; 2, Dr. W. Craig, cl., of slashing pos., tight as a drum, lengthy and well on leg, best of backs, flights and tail, close on the heels of winner; 3, Crawhall, cl., A1 qual. and col., stands well, nice length, rather stout in waist, yet one of a most pleasing description, good 3rd; vhc, Towers, wonderfully lengthy cl., superb feather, nice back and wing car., pipe tail, beaten in pos.; hc, Robertshaw; c, Walker. UNFLIG. YELL. (9): 1, Thomas, cl., marvellous length, rare pos. and qual., rich tone of col., fine back and wing car., clever legs, exceedingly promising; 2, Walker, thigh tick, even more lengthy, straight as a pencil, capital col., neat back, wings and tail, wee bit behind in texture of feather, yet one of the best; 3, Radley, capitally fed, thigh tick, shooty and nervy, A1 qual., not overdone with length, all there otherwise, worth its place; vhc, Ogden Bros., cl., of lovely col. and feather, rare lengthy, well filled back, A1 wings and tail, hardly the character; hc, Bailey; c, Parkes. BUFF (11): 1, Bailey, cl., rich tone of col., delightful pos., excellent feather, rare length of side, fine back flights and tail, gem of gems; 2, Towers, cl., rare length and pos., superbly clothed, capital col., well on leg, not far away; 3, Crawhall, cl., smooth as a bottle, straight as a rush, fine car. of wings, not one of the biggest but one of the best; vhc, Thomas; hc, Ogden Bros.; c, Priestley. NOV. YELL., £5 (14): 1, Walker, thigh tick, capital col. and feather, full of swagger, good length and well on leg, fine back and wing car., could win in many open classes; 2, Hunt, mkd., head, wonderful length, neat and narrow, stands well, neat back, flights and tail, pressed hard; 3, Sayles, mkd. wing, slim and upstanding, capital col. and feather, pulls a bit thin in neck, yet awfully neat; vhc, Lambert; hc, Morley; c, Middleton. BUFF (13): 1, Hall, gem of a check mkd., straight as a gun barrel, smooth as wax, very lengthy and full of swagger, could run well in the "upper circles"; 2, Knowles, cl., of superb feather, good pos. and length, well filled back, smart wing car., clever legs, in the pink; 3, Marshall Bros., finely fed cl., not the length of those above, yet of capital outline, full of qual. and style, well on leg; vhc, Middleton; hc, Rickett; c, Morley. HEN (9): 1, Morley, cl. yell., smooth as a bottle, full of nerve, rare length and pos., beautiful back, extremely fascinating; 2, Moore, graud wedge-shaped cl. buff, magnificent feather, perfect back and flights, well on leg, shows handsomely; 3, Middleton, yell. mkd. neck, good length and stand, rich col., sweetly moulded, beaten a little in finish; vhc, Walker; hc, Prior; c, Rickett. UNFLIG. (12): 1, Rickett, very smart cl. yell., superb qual. and col., slim and upstanding, grand back and wing car., gem of a youngster; 2, Prior, buff marked wings, neck and head, feathered to perfection, rare length and pos., best of backs and wing car., with luck should make a "right 'un"; 3, Carter, straight as a pencil, A1 quality and col., lengthy and leggy, one we liked; vhc, Lealman; hc, Dyson; c, Hamlyn. NOR. YELL. (9): 1, Harding, cl., wonderful sub., lovely shape, qual., and col., delightful car., real beauty, and well put down; 2, Potter, well fed. cl., superb feather, short and thick set, clocklike in action, not quite so massive in build; 3, Hunter, mkd. wing, ablaze with col., A1 sub., rather long in barrel, wings and tail; vhc, Humphries, might have gone up one; hc, Proctor; c, Parlett. BUFF (17): Good class. 1, Dodd, mkd. head, plenty of size, very fine head and neck, bold, deep fronted, good col. and mealing, A1 feather and car.; 2, Anderton, mkd. wings and head, short and thick set, delightful qual., col. and meal, jaunty car., beaten only in substance; 3, Harding, mkd. wings and eyes, magnificent feather, grand shaped body, might be shade bolder in head and neck, yet one that was catchy to the eye; vhc, Wilson; hc, Waters; c, Thomas. COBBY HEN (11): 1, Wilson, model of a cl. yell., teeming with qual. and col., well up in size, jaunty car., lovely damsel; 2, Dodd, yell., mkd. wing, of great substance, nice shape and feather, clean cut away; 3, Hobson, very cobby cl. buff, A1 feather, capital col. and frosting, moves nicely, clean under, many thought might have gone up one; vhc, Burrows; hc, Proctor; c, Tupman. YELL., UNFLIG. (8): 1, c, Proctor, monster of a cl., red hot, lovely shape, superb qual., A1 car., real "good 'un"; 3, Parlett, cl., hardly the substance, but of magnificent shape, qual. and col., with another moult, should make a gem; 2, Waters, cl., short, and thick set, not quite so rich in col., or so close in feather, yet of lovely car., and worth its place; vhc, Harding; hc, Mennard. BUFF (7): 1, Proctor, cl., grandly fed, short and thick set, slashing feather, nice jaunty car., we thought lacking in substance somewhat, and not over bold in head character; 2, Parlett, cl., more substance, very shapely, equal in col., jaunty car., not far behind, and must have pressed hard; Hull and Whitehaven winner; 3, Wilson, very cobby el., full of fire, A1 qual., true shape, with more size would do a lot of winning, extremely dainty; vhc, Humphries; hc, Hunter; c, Hemming. NOV., YELL. (5): 1, Atkinson, mkd. wings and eyes, lovely col. and feather, nice sub., cobby, in the pink, and staged for all it was worth; 2, Bircumshaw, varieg., wee bit long in wings and tail, but of A1 col. and feather, capital substance, clean under; 3, Conway Bros., varieg., lacking a little in col., yet of grand shape and feather, well up in size, moves nicely; vhc, Flint; hc, Gascoigne. BUFF (5): 1, Bircumshaw, mkd. head, bouncer, delightful symmetry, rich col. and feather, neatly frosted, best of wing carriage, wins easily; 2, Jepson, cl., short and thick set, A1 col. and qual., neatly mealed, jaunty car., not quite the sub.; 3, Potter, mkd. head, full of col., A1 qual., nice head, neck and chest, bit loose behind; vhc, Crossley; hc, Abbott. HEN (6): 1, Simpson, cl. buff, capital shape, good sub. and qual., nice car., pleasing exhibit, and well put down; 2, Hallett, cl. buff, not quite so sweet head and neck as 1st, but of lovely feather, rich tone of col., neat mealing, very close up indeed; 3, Potter, cobby, cl. yell., very shapely, good in col., fair feather, but trifle on the small side; vhc, Gascoigne; H. J. and A. Hulmes; c, Conway Bros. UNFLIG. (10): 1, Potter, yell. mkd. head, ablaze with col., fine shape and sub., good car., promising exhibit; 2, vhc, Lawton, very shapely cl. buff, not a feather misplaced, full of col., richly frosted, well put down; 3, Hallett, cl. buff, hot in col., A1 quality, nice substance, neat head and neck, not so deep fronted, still, a good youngster; hc, Cawson; c, Mack. CREST (8): 1, Radley and Son, buff, mkd. wings, D.C., wealth of exquisite feather, grand substance, Crest, large, and as round as a crown, thickly thatched, lovely droop and centre; 2, Dodd, buff, cl. body, D.C., capital qual., not so massive, crest thickly packed, not so large, yet of good droop, and well placed centre; 3, Burrows, buff mkd. wings D.C., heaps of feather, plenty of size, crest of neat frontal, but runs rather narrow, good centre and well worth its place; vhc, Evans; hc, Shaw and Booth; c, Baxby. C.B. (8): 1, vhc, Radley and Son, buff green, pied wings and tail, marvellous length of head feather, great width and rise of skull, very shapely, real gem, and in the pink; 2, Memmott, cl. buff, heaps of A1 quality feather, magnificent skull, grandly lashed, the Sheffield and Eastwood winner; 3, Evans, buff var., abundance of feather, very shapely, not quite so massive in skull, yet of nice character, and well staged; hc, Burrows; c, Kirkwood. UNFLIG. CL. (8): 1, Radley and Son, buff, mkd. wings D.C., any amount of feather, grand qual., crest leafy and of capital radiation, lovely frontal droop, neat centre; 2, Radley and Son, buff, mkd. wings D.C., plenty of feather, crest round as a hoop, not large but very neat, nice droop and centre; 3, Memmott, buff, lightly varieg. D.C., good shape, crest of capital shape and droop, not so massive, still a living picture; vhc, Holmes; hc, Evans; c, Shaw and Booth. C.B. (5): 1, Shaw and Booth, buff varieg., lots of rich qual. feather, fine substance, rattling width and rise of skull, lashed to perfection, gem; 2, Shaw and Booth, buff green pied tail, plenty of feather, capital skull properties, not quite the size, yet full of true character; 3, Barker, yell. green, magnificent quality, very shapely, nice size, neat in skull, very promising youngster; vhc, Radley and Son; hc, Memmott. MEMBERS: In this section many meritorious specimens were benched, quite capable of gaining high honours had they been amongst the "upper ten." A very great improvement has taken place as regards quality, and the members are to be congratulated on staging so many fine specimens. Quite a galaxy of talent one saw right through the section. YORKS., YELL. (11): 1, c, Hunt; 2, Blanchon; 3, Truman; vhc, Lumby; hc, Stocks. BUFF (15): 1, hc, Knowles; 2, c, Stocks; 3, Hunt; vhc, Raines. HEN (14): 1, 2, Truman; 3, vbc, Carter; hc, Blanchon; c, Stocks. UNFLIG. (22): Rare class, with several gems amongst them: 1, 3, Tomkinson; 2, Blanchon; vbc, Knowles. NOR. (4): 1, 2, Truman; 3, vhc, Flint. HEN (4): 1, Truman; 2, 3, Flint; vbc, Leafe. UNFLIG. (4): 1, 3, Truman; 2, vhc, Flint. A.O.V. (3): 1, 2, Baxby; 3, Presley. UNFLIG. (4): 1, 3, Presley; 2, vhc, Baxby.

WEST BROMWICH.

Inter-club show for members of West Bromwich, Wolverhampton, Walsall, and Birmingham, held at the Dartmouth Hotel, West Bromwich, November 21, and proved a success, entries coming up well and quality particularly in Norwich being extremely good. Novices made a good show, quality being really good. The room is a good one for a bird show, being quite free from draughts. The exhibits were nicely staged and were well looked after by a good body of genuine fanciers. The Hon. Sec., Mr. W. J. Andrews, had everything working as smoothly as clockwork, and as usual was most courteous to all. The awards were made by Mr. J. H. Payne, and everyone seemed satisfied,

The Critique.

NOR. UNFLIG. HEN (10): 1, 2, 3, Eckersley, wing and cheek mkd. yell., lovely shape, feather and qual., short compact flights and tail, nice round chest and wide back, a gem; 2nd head and wing mkd. buff, nice shape and feather, good col., qual., and frosting, 3rd cl., nice shape, feather and col., neat wings and tail, close up; 4, Collier; vhc, P. V. Williams; hc, Taylor; c, Garfield. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, Collier, grand col. and qual., capital front, nice head and neck, neat tail; 2, Eckersley, good shape, nice head and neck, not quite so short in body; 3, c, Taylor, nice shape and col.; 4, Dipple; vhc, P. V. Williams. BUFF (9): 1, c, Collier, full of qual., lovely feather, nice flights and tail, grand back, just wants a bit more chest; 2, Eckersley, rare shaped body, full front, nice flights and tail, short thick neck, not so neat in head; 3, Broadbent, good shape, full neck, short flights and tail, bit down in col.; 4, Cooper; vhc, Taylor; hc, Broadbent. MKD. OR VARIEG. (10): 1, Weaver, yell., mkd. cheek, eye and wing, grand shape, well up in col., nice wings and tail, a good one; 2, Broadbent, bead mkd. huff, grand shape and feather, rich col., nice head and neck; 3, P. V. Williams, var. yell., good size and shape, full neck, nice level col.; 4, Collier; vhc, Dipple; hc, Eckersley; c, Viles. HEN (12): 1, 2, Collier, grizzle tailed buff, beautiful shape, full of qual., nice col., full neck and short flights, 2nd gem for col., qual., and shape, nice head and neck, good chest, bit wider in tail; 3, 4, c, Eckersley, rare shape, yell., good head and feather, bit down in col.; 4th grand shaped buff; vhc, Broadhurst; hc, Garfield. UNFLIG. YELL. (11): 1, hc, Collier, var., gem for shape, col. and quality, nice head, neck, wings, and tail, very fit; 2, c, Eckersley, cl., good size and shape nice head and neck, just beaten in qual.; 3, P. V. Williams, lovely shape, feather and qual., nice wings and tail, good car.; 4, Dipple; vbc, Taylor. BUFF (15): 1, 4, Dipple, griz. cap, good shape and feather, rich col., full neck, neat tail and wings, 4th lovely col., nice head; 2, hc, Eckersley, neck tkd., lovely col. and qual., not quite so full fronted; 3, Taylor, cl., nice shape and size, good feather, shade longer; vhc, P. V. Williams; c, Garfield. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (6): 1, Beck, eye tkd., straight as a pencil, well up, nice feather, col. and qual., well on leg; 2, vhc, Richardson, fine drawn, good position; 3, Andrews, nice col. and qual., not quite the position; 4, P. V. Williams; hc, Wells and Clempson. BUFF (6): 1, 2, P. V. Williams, lovely col. and feather, stands well, nice head, neck and wings, wins well, 2nd good position, not quite the feather and col.; 3, Gibbons, nice feather, good back; 4, Andrews; vhc, Beck; hc, Wells and Clempson. MKD. (4): 1, 2, P. V. Williams, hot col. yell., slim built, stands well up, good wings and tail, 3nd nice feathered buff, good col., hardly so good in position; 3, Beck, slim built buff; 4, Wells and Clempson. HEN, YELL. (5): 1, P. V. Williams, gem for feather, shape and position nice back, wings and tail; 2, Andrews, nice length, good feather and position; 3, Wells and Clempson, nice length, good feather; 4, Beck; vhc, Gibbons. BUFF (3): 1, Wells and Clempson, wing mkd. buff, lovely feather, nice length and position; 2, P. V. Williams, cheek mkd., nice feather and position, not quite so clean at thighs; 3, Andrews. UNFLIG. (7): 1, 2, Richardson, slim built buff, good stand, feather and style, 2nd hot cl. yell., nice length and position, good wings and tail; 3, P. V. Williams, wing mkd. yell, nice feather and position, beaten wing car; 4, Beck; vhc, no name; hc, c, Andrews. CREST (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Groves, a nice team.. C.B. (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Groves, another good lot, winner grand headed one, rare entrance, with wealth of head feather and capital body, others close up MULE, LIGHT (2): 1, Raby, big yell. Goldfinch-Can., nice col.; 2, Capewell. DARK (6): 1, 2, Tonks, charming yell. Redpoll-Can., rare col. and feather, nice shape and condition, 2nd Greenfinch, good size and shape; 3, Weaver, nice feathered and well marked buff Siskin; 4, Barrett; vhc, Viles; hc, Greenhouse. GOLD. OR BULL. (9): 1, Wheeler, wonderful col. Bullie, nice cap, bars and feather; 2, Palmer, Goldfinch, nice face, bars and buttons; 3, hc, Tonks, Goldfinch, nice feather and tanning; 4, Price, Goldie; vhc, c, Raby. LINNET OR GREEN (10): 1, 2, hc, Tonks, Linnet, nice col. and pencilling, well feathered, very steady, 2nd good col. yell. Greenfinch, grand feather, nice bars; 3, Rowley, buff Greenfinch, good bars, nice feather and size; 4, Wheeler; vhc, Palmer; c, Raby. SISKIN, ETC. (5): 1, 3, Tonks, Mealy Redpoll, beautiful feather, colour and markings, in the pink; 3rd yellow Siskin, nice colour and feather, well laced cap; 2, 4, Raby, Lesser Redpoll, nice col. and feather, well mkd., graud bib, 4th nice buff Siskin; vhc, Capewell. A.O.S. HARD (3): 1, Welch, Hawfinch, graud feather, col. and bars, well-defined bib; 2, Bowley, Hawfinch; 3, Palmer, Bramble. SOFT (4): 1, 2, 3, P. V. Williams, grand trio, leader wonderful feathered Waxwing, lovely waxings; 2nd Chough, grand col., nice legs aud bill; 3, Magpie, grand size, col., sheen and cut; 4, Capewell, Waxwing. FOR. (2): 1, 2, P. V. Williams, grand feathered Green-billed Toucan. NOV. NOR. YELL. (8): 1, sp, 4, Day, var., nice shape, grand col. and quality, short flights and neat tail; 2, 3, Loach, nice col. and quabty 3rd nice col., good head; vhc, Robinson; hc, Barnsley; c, Childs. BUFF (10): 1, Day, wing mkd., lovely col. and qual., nice shape; 2, Fessey, good shape, nice head, hardly the qual.; 3, Sadler, grand qual., nice head beaten wing car.; 4, Hampton; vhc, Hyde; hc, Rowley; c, Loach. HEN (14): 1, 3, Sadler, cl. buff, lovely feather, grand shape, wings well braced, neat short tail, a gem, 3rd yell., nice shape, good feather; 2, Robinson, yell., nice shape, grand col., nice flights and tail, shade slack at thighs; 4, c, Rowley; vhc, Butler; hc, Barnsley; good class. UNFLIG. (20): 1, Rowley, var. buff, lovely shape and feather, full chest and neat head; 2, Hampton, var. buff, good shape; 3, Sadler, cl. buff, nice shape and feather; 4, Jones; vhc, hc, Barnsley; c, Robinson. YORKS. YELL. (7): 1, sp, Harding, nice feather and position; 2, Hall, good col.; 3, 4, Rees; vhc, Day; hc, Robinson; c, Greenhouse. BUFF (6): 1, 3, Clay, nice position, col. and feather, 3rd good length; 2, Robinson, nice length and position; 4, Hall; vhc, Rees; hc, no name. HEN (7): 1, hc, Harding, yell., lovely col., feather and qual., nice flights and pipe tail; 2, Hall, long and slim built, not quite the position; 3, Sadler, yell., slim built, well on leg; 4, Day; vhc, no name; hc, Greenhouse. UNFLIG. (5): 1, Hall, yell., nice position, good feather, straight and full of swagger; 2, Robinson, var. yell., slim and lengthy; 3, Greenhouse; 4, vhc, Clay.

DONCASTER.—Continued.

CL., ETC., MULE (7): 1, Walsh, var. buff Goldfinch-Can., grand size and shape, nice face, a lovely col. and qual.; 2, c, Thomas, yell. Goldfinch-Can., grand shape and col., feathered like wax, a neat exhibit, loses only in size; 3, Hall, var. Goldfinch, grand shape and col., splendid cond. and qual., shade smaller than winner; No. 1, Middleton, described as Chaffinch-Canary, w.c. by the judge as being Can.; vhc, Ward; hc, Linge. DK. MULE (5): 1, Walsh, yell. Goldfinch, grand size, rich col., good face, real beauty; 2, Wade, yell. Greenfinch, nice size and sub., lovely col., grand qual.; 3, Knowles, buff Goldfinch, nice face, good col. and qual., a nice exhibit; vhc, Middleton. A.V. HYB. cancelled. GOLDFINCH (10): 1, Blanchon, good size, grand col., nice square cut blaze, good bars, neatly buttoned, grand polish, well staged; 2, Ward, another grand Finch, neat size, good square cut blaze, good bars, fine qual., must have pressed winner hard; 3, Walsb, nice little Finch, hardly so square in blaze, extra good col., neatly staged; vhc, Lister; hc, Williamson; c, Isherwood. BULLFINCH (5): 1, Woods, grand size, nice cobby shape, neat clean cut cap, good bars, rich breast col., shines like satin, nicely staged; 2, Lee, another grand one, equal to winner in every respect except in breast col.; 3, Trueman, nice size, good cap and bars, nice breast col., hardly so well finished; vbc, Stocks; hc, Baseley. LINNET (11): 1, 3, Parlett, a grand pair, leader grand size and shape, well marked back and head, grand nutty col., splendidly laced, nicely staged; 3rd, nice size and shape, good col., nicely laced, rather open in front; 2, Walsh, a good big one, well mkd. back and head, shows white in wings and tail distinctly, must have pressed winner; vhc, Brade; hc, Eames; c, Isherwood. GREENFINCH (10): 1, vbc, Brade, leader yell., grand size and shape, rich lev. col., good bars, splen. qual.; vhc, grand buff, beautifully frosted, botb staged in perfect cond.; 2, Parlett, grand yell., nice size, rich hot col., hardly the finish of winners, still a good one; 3, Eames, a yell., nice shape, rich lev. col., good bars, lovely qual., hardly the size of winners; bc, Baseley; c, Lee. SISKIN, REDPOLL OR TWITE (4): 1, Brade, Siskin, good size, nice shape, neat cap and eye mkgs., good bib, well laced thighs, splen. qual.; 2, Walsb, Mealy Redpoll, great size, nice shape, good bib, beautifully laced; 3, Scott, Twite, good size and shape, rich col., good whites in wings, grandly laced, trifle wild; vbc, Podmore. A.V. HARDBILL (8): 1, 2, hc, Parlett, leader Hawfinch, grand size and shape, rich clean cut bib, lev. col., very steady; 2, Bramblefinch, grand size and shape, nice col. and cond., nicely spangled, clear and distinct thigh mkgs.; hc, Chaffinch, grand size and shape, good cond.; a grand team; 3, Poole, Hawfinch, a splendid exhibit, equal to winner in every respect, but just beaten trifle in col.; vhc, c, Fallding. A.V. FIELD MOULTED (7): 1, Pearson, Linnet, nice size and shape, nicely mkd., grand col., very steady; 2, Lee, Snow Bunting, nice size and shape, nice clear col., staged in grand cond.; 3, Scott, Goldfinch, nice square cut blaze, grand bars, neatly buttoned, a nice exhibit; vhc, Parlett; hc, Trueman; c, Simpson. A.V. SOFTBILL (5): 1, 2, Bescoby, leader a Wryneck, grand size, beautifully mkd., in perfect cond.; 2nd, Grey Wagtail, lovely exhibit, grand col., nicely staged, must have pressed winner; 3rd, Waxwing, nicely staged, trifle pale in col., bard lines to meet winners; vhc, Isherwood. A.O.V. HEN (5): 1, 3, Walsh, leader Reed Bunting, a neat exhibit, beautifully mkd., splen. col., in perfect order; 3rd, Ort. Bunting, grand size and cond., a trifle inclined to crouch; 2, Wade, neat ben Bullfinch, nice cobby shape, grand cap and bars, very neat; vhc, Scott. FOR., SMALL. (5): 1, 2, Walsh, Black-throated Tanager and Black-headed Sugarbird, staged, as usual, in perfect order; often described; 3, vhc, Simpson, Paradise Whydah and Tri-coloured Tanager, two grand exhibits and beautifully staged. FOR. PAIRS (4): 1, 2, 3, Simpson, Diamond Sparrows, Starfinches and Cordon Bleus, in order named, beautiful specimens, all in first class cond., and beautifully staged; vhc, Vaux, a neat pair of Black-beaded Mannikins. LARGE (single) (3): 1, 2, Walsh, Wood Swallow and Green Cardinal, both well-known winners, perfectly staged; 3, Bescoby, Alexandra Parrakeet, grand specimen, perfect order. MEMBERS' GOLD. or BULLFINCH (12): 1, Blanchon; 2, Lee; 3, Truemau; vhc, Poppleton; hc, c, Stocks. GREENFINCH ETC. (8): 1, Trueman; 2, bc, Lee; 3, Wade; vhc, Hall; c, Raines. LINNET, ETC. (8): 1, 2, vhc, Pogmore; 3, Blanchon; hc, Lee; c, Stocks. A.V. HARDBILL (2): 1, 2, Lee. SOFTBILL (2): 1, 2, Bescoby. MULE or HYB. (12): 1, Spittlehouse; 2, Wade; 3, vhc, Blanchon; bc, Knowles; c, Cooper. The cup for best British was secured by Mr. Bescoby's Wryneck. Cup for best non-fed British was secured by Mr. Blanchon's Goldfinch. Special for best bird in show by a member was secured by Mr. Bescoby's Wryneck.

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BLAIRGOWRIE.

Fourth annual show of the East Perthshire O.S., held in the Public Hall, Blairgowrie, Nov. 23rd. The entry was slightly below last year, mainly in Borders, and was caused by the classification, and also by clashing with shows held on same date. The quality was all that could be desired, some very good birds being staged. The committee were a capital band of workers, the cage birds being under the charge of Mr. Rogers, who worked hard to get things in order, assisted by our old friend, "Bobby" Irvine. The Sec., Mr. M. Irvine, is also a grand worker, and had all his arrangements in a forward state, and did everything in his power to make the show a success. We fancy if the society would open up their classes in Canaries and British birds, and have two judges instead of one, the show would have greater success, as there is a capital train service from every direction, and there are a lot of exhibitors within easy reach who might be induced to show if the classification was better. The gold medal for best Foreign was won by Mr. Irvine, who had the whole section to himself, due, no doubt, to the fact that it was not generally known that the donor was not to compete. Silver medal for best British bird was won by a splendid Hawfinch shown by Mr. Robertson, which will be heard of again. Captain Rice, of Persey, who is a generous patron of the society, had staged a splendid team of Foreign birds for exhibition only. Among them we noticed a beautiful Baltimore Oriel, and a splendid pair of Brazilian Jays, also a grand Military and a Glossy Starling, which were a great attraction to the many visitors and were a credit to the owner. Mr. J. F. Dewar judged the whole section, and his awards gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

CREST and C.B. (3): 1, sp, S. Watson, leader a good green Crest, fine size and substance, nice leafy crest of good formation; 3rd, a fine cl. C.B., splendid size, capital skull, nicely lashed; 2, Hovelsrood, cl. body B.C., fine size, good crest, neatly spread, in good order. NOR. CL. VARIEG. ETC. (2): 1, Brown, fine cl., nice size, splendid col., good wings and tail, fails head; 2, Kydd, another cl., nice round body, good head and wings, fine qual. BUFF (): 1, sp, Brown, eye and wing mkd., good wings, fine qual. of feather, narrow head; 2, Anderson, good cl., fine size and subs., nice head, good wings and tail, hard up; 3, Binnie, cl., good size and subs., fine qual., good wings and tail; 4, Lawson, variegs., fair size, good head and wings, rather long in barrel; 5, Kerr; 6, Campbell, 7, Gray. HEN, YELL. (6): 1, 4, Kydd, good cl., fine size and subs., nice wings and tail, good qual. of feather; 4th, heavy var., good big one, in fine bloom; 2, Lawson, fine size, good head and wings, well staged; 3, Kerr, barely finished moult, good size, head and wings; 5, Sloan; 6, Gray. BUFF (5): 1, sp, Brown, good one for size, fails head, shown in stylish condition; 2, Lumsden, nice one, saddle mkd., good head and wings, nice qual., presses; 3, Makins, nice cl., capital head and wings, beautiful qual., well frosted; 4, Kennedy, fine size and subs., good col.; 5, Miss Hope Paton. UNFLIG. (7): 1, sp, Sloan, good big cl., fine subs., good front, nice head and wings; 2, 7, Makins, cl. buff, smaller, nice wings, falls head, lucky; 3, Lawson, good style, fine size, good head, well put down; 4, Brown, cl. yell., small, good col.; 5, Anderson; 6, Kydd. BORD. YELL. (4): 1, sp, Campbell, rare style, good close feather, nice wings, well carried, well staged, wins; 2, Fairweather, nice one, good head, fine close feather, loses wing carr.; 3, Irons, fairly good one, a little soft when we saw it; 4, Ayton, fine size, good col., snakey head. BUFF (2): 1, Fairweather, nice wing marked, fine size, good head, crosses wings slightly; 2, Irous, nice head, good front, bad wing carr. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Lumsden, rare stylish hen, grand wing carriage, beautiful feather, well put down; 2, Irons, fine col., good head and wings, nice style; 3, Fairweather, good one, well put down; 4, Ayton, nice head and neck, good qual. of feather; 5, M. Irvine. BUFF HEN (5): 1, Kennedy, nice cl., good head and neck, fine wings and tail, rare jaunty carr., well staged; 2, Fairweather, another cl. of good size, nice qual. of feather, nice head and wings, well put down; 3, Lumsden, nice eye and wing mkd., rare size, fine head and neck, beautiful qual. of feather, in fine bloom; 4, Irons, good one for qual., nice head and neck, fine col.; 5, Binnie. YORKS. (3): 1, 2, Swanson, 1st, nice cl. yell., grand length, nice head and wings, takes good pos.; 2nd, buff, much stouter, grand bloom, stands very erect; 3, Mrs. Thomson, fine cl. yell., in good cond. A.O.V. CAN. (4): all Scotch Fancies; 1, 3, Symon, 1st, good cl., nice length, good size, nice top end, good droop; 3rd, good green; 2, 4, Nicoll, leader good buff, nice shape and qual., well filled in back; 4th, nice green. A.V. DK. MULE (4): 1, Nicoll, nice buff Goldie, fine cond.; 2, Fyfe, good Greenfinch, good size and col.; 3, Irvine, another yell. Goldie, in good order; No. 2, Strachan, mkd. w.c., for what reason we could not discover, a good yell. Goldie, our choice for first place. LIGHT MULE or HYB. (7): 1, sp, 4, 5, 6, 7, Leader, nice lightly var. Goldie Mule, fine size and col., good face, well put down; 4, Linnet-Greenfinch; 5, Greenfinch-Siskin; 6, Goldie-Siskin; 7, Linnet-Bullfinch; 2, Fyfe, Siskin-Greenie, nice size and col.; 3, Nicoll, Linnet-Bullie, an old friend, still looking well. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Aikin, rather small, grand front, well tanned, good wings, nice buttons, grand face, rich col.; 2, Granna, larger, grand blaze well back, of good col., nicely mooney and buttoned; 3, Robertson, good size, well tanned breast, grand wings; 4, Campbell, good face, fine col., nice front and wings; 5, Christie. BULLFINCH: 1, sp, Irvine, fine size, dense cap, well defined, rather restless; 2, 3, Hovelsrood, pair of good ones, leader big one, fine breast col., nice cap and wing bars; 3rd, smaller, rich breast, good wings, well staged; 4, Symon, nice one, good head and wings, nicely put down; 5, Crauna; 6, Strachan; 7, Moir. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, Adams, good Siskin, staged in a black enamelled cage, most unsuitable, nice cap, finely laced, sweet qual.; 2, Palmer, grand Twite, fine size, nice markings, good flights, rich col., well put down; 3, Binnie, good mealy Redpoll, rare size, well laced, in rattling order; 4, Law, good Siskin, well put down; 5, McDonald; 6, Christie. LINNET (7): 1, Colbron, fair size, very indistinct markings, bad col., showing little whites, lucky to beat 2, Robertson, Falkirk, good size, nice shape, very distinct markings, good flights, rich warm col.; 3, 6, Irvine, nice one for size and shape, well pencilled, fine col.; 4, 5, Muir and Heenan, leader good one, nice shape, fine markings; 7, McDonald. A.V. BUNTING (6): 1, 3, Irvine, leader one of the best Yell. Buntings we have seen for some time, grand size, beautifully mkd., nice head, fine V markings, in spotless order; 3rd, Corn, good size, fine feather; 2, Law, nice Yellow, in grand order; 4, Coleman, good Show; 5, Gibb; 6, Miss Hope Paton. A.O.S. HARDBILL (6): 1, sp, medal best Brit., Robertson, Falkirk, Hawfinch, grand size, chunking cap and bib, rich col., in rattling order; 2, 5, Irvine, good Gramble, well laced, good col.; 3, Binnie, splendid Greenie, rare good size and col., bold head, grand wings, well put down; 4, Law, another Greenie, smaller, fine qual. of feather, in good order; 6, Moir. A.S. SOFTBILL (2): 1, 2, Taylor, winner good Redstart, grand qual., fine size, beautifully staged; 2nd, dandy wee Crested Tit, rather rough in feather. FOR. SMALL (7): all belonging to R. Irvine, leading with 1, pair Ribbon Finches, wins on condition; 2nd, pair Redhilled Weavers; 3rd, Green Singing Finches; 4th, pair Bishops; 5th, Bengalese; 6th, White Javas; 7th, Waxbills. LOCAL: 1, McDonald; 2, Butchart; 3, Adams; 4, Thomson; 5, Mrs. Thomson; 6, Sanderman; 7, Mrs. Irvine.

ST. HELENS (Recreation) F.A.

Members' show, held in the dining rooms of the Association, Grove Street; just over 100 birds were exhibited. Norwich and Norwich Cretes filled well; there was plenty of room for more Yorks. and Bord.; the latter, being a new introduction, should get more support another year. There was a very nice display of Mules and British birds, and competition was keen. A grand little yellow marked Border in the pink of condition took special for best Canary. Other specials were won by J. Abbot (2), R. Little (2), O. Little, Rimmer and H. Enever. Altogether it was a very nice members' show. Quite a number of the leading members of the firm of Messrs. Pilkington Bros., glass manufacturers, whose work-people constitute the above Association, visited the show, notably Messrs. Allan, Guy and Norman Pilkington, Dr. Siddall, J. H. Dickinson, Esq., and other prominent managers in the firm. The greatest interest was shown by these gentlemen, and they were loud in their praises of the care and attention which their work-people fanciers must have bestowed upon their hobbies to bring them to such a state of perfection. A very willing and energetic band of workers assisted in all the arrangements, and Mr. Shuttlebotham, the Hon. Sec., ought to feel proud of being backed up by such capable enthusiasts. Mr. A. Hirst judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

NOR. YEL.: 1, 3, Enever, mkd. head, wings and tail, fine size, cobby, good col. and feather; 3rd, cl., grand condition, good head; 2, Helm and Ashall, smaller cl., grand quality; vhc, Barrow. BUFF (7): 1, 3, Enever, very heavy thick-set variegs. bird, very hot for a buff, A1 condition; 3rd, good body cl.; 2, Helm and Ashall, bit longer in sides, grand head, nice carriage and feather, body cl.; vhc, Barrow; hc, Rimmer; c, Woods. HEN (10): 1, vhc, Helm and Ashall, cl., grand head and rare substance, body well feathered; 2, Hesketh, good type and qual.; 3, hc, Enever, Cinn., foul tail, cobby type, good feather; c, Vaughey. UNFLIG. (9): 1, Grice, wing mkd., good type, grand col., qual. and cond.; 2, c, Stott, cl., beaten in solidity of feather; 3, Hesketh, clear yell., slim, A1 col., feather and cond.; vhc, hc, Helm and Ashall. NOR. GR. CK. (8): 1, 2, Helm and Ashall, foul throat, rare size, shape, sound col.; 2nd, yell. self, smaller, thinner through, good deep, sound col.; 3, Woods, thick set type, foul buff, nice tone; vhc, Enever; hc, Rimmer; c, Hesketh. HENS (5): 1, hc, Enever, good self buff; 2, 3, Woods, both foul, former grand col., latter grand body buff and nice soft tone; vhc, Helm and Ashall. NAT. COLOUR: 1, Woods; 2, vhc, Johnson; 3, Garner. YORKS. CK. YELL.: 1, res, Little, slightly tkd. yell., excels in type and position. HEN: 1, Enever, tick left wing, good on top, well up on leg, nice type, buff, forks tail a little; 2, 3, R. Little, neat yellow, good trim, and nice buff. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, vhc, hc, R. Little; 1st, very fine drawn yell., sp. winner; 3rd, tkd. wing buff, good type and position; 2, Enever, cl. yell., smaller, neat type, pos. and carr. BORD., YELL.: 1, sp. best Can., Austin Little, lovely mkd. bird, full of type, qual., carr., level col.; 2, vhc, Hesketh, cl., wee bit soft, nice type; 3, Enever, green of the right type. BUFF: 1, Enever, typical all over, grand form; 2, 3, Hesketh, 2nd rather heavy, thick-set body; 3rd, nearer standard type, etc. MULE (5): 1, 3, Helm and Ashall, very pretty yell. Siskin-Can., and a nice coloured yell. Green.-Can., both good condition; 2, Rimmer, head, eye and wing mkd. buff Goldie-Can, nice trim; vhc, Lowe; hc, Mather. GOLDF., ETC.: 1, Lowe, Goldfinch, nice flush, good tanning, nice moons, good condition; 2, Lloyd, well-built Bullfinch, nice feather and condition; 3, Helm and Ashall, Goldfinch, paler all through. LINNET (7): nice lot; 1, 2, Leather, both prime order; 3, Grice, bit small, rather better condition than 2nd when we saw it; vhc, Heyes; hc, R. Little; c, Helm and Ashall. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 3, Helm and Ashall, nice Siskin and mealy Redpoll; 2, Rimmer, good conditioned Redpoll. A.O. HARDBILL (5): 1, Enever, Hawfinch, very good order; 2, vhc, Grice, good shaped Chaffinch, good col. and cond.; 3, Lloyd, nicely spangled Bramble; hc, Rimmer. SOFT (4): 1, Abbot, beautifully spotted Thrush, fit for any competition; 2, Helm and Ashall, Wheatear, nice trim; 3, Lloyd; vhc, Grice, pied Blackbird. FOR.: 1, Rimmer, nice pair of Java Sparrows; 2, R. Little, Siberian Goldie, fine size, A1 blaze and body col., good glossy cond. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, Hesketh.

HACKNEY, STOKE NEWINGTON AND DISTRICT F.A.

Tenth annual show held November 21, in Rossington Street Schools, Clapton. This Association was formerly known as the Stoke Newington and Dis. F.A., but some time since added Hackney, and decided to accept as members all fanciers residing within a 6 miles radius. Mr. E. G. Rhodes is hon. secretary and treasurer, and works admirably for the Fancy. He has an able assistant in Mr. G. L. Hatchett, and the Committee are all excellent fanciers. Mr. G. Langridge won the cup for best bird bred 1912, and Mr. R. Ford special for best Brit., with a really fine Chaffinch that should make a still better bird when fully up in colour. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, res, Langridge, a team of nice bulls, the winner by far the better for type and qual.; vhc, March. YORKS: 1, Ford, tkd. yell., stands up well, but not so nice in wing car. as might be; 2, 3, March, in good pos., but bit feathery; 3rd rather small and weak in neck. MULES: 1, sp, 2, 3, Langridge, all dk. yell. Goldie-Canaries, good in col., the winner the longest. FINCH: 1, spl, res, Ford, leader a bonny Chaffinch; 2, 3, vhc, March, a Bramble and Chaffie respectively. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, res, vhc, March, a pair of Yellow Budgerigars leading, all staged in nice condition.

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AMBLESIDE.

Second annual exhibition held Nov. 21, when the entry all through was a great advance on the previous year. Yorks. were a very choice lot. Borders were all through very good, and many noted winners put in an appearance. The even-marked yellow hen owned by Messrs. Short and Backhouse, is an eye opener. This bird won the local spl. for best Can. in show, and well deserved it. Norwich came up very well, too, but the British were only fair. The winning Yellow Hammer, the property of Mr. J. Lane, is a topper, whilst Miss Wood's Bullfinch is also a beauty. Foreign were very nice, 20 birds in two classes. The room was a very good one, and every praise is due to the committee of the Fanciers' Association for furthering the interest of this section. Mr. J. M. King, the able sec., worked hard, and special mention must be given to Mr. Gaskell, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Walker, who acted as stewards. Mr. Fred Archer, of Messrs. Martin and Archer (Huddersfield) was the judge. We understand it was his first open engagement, and we are pleased to note he discharged his duties very well indeed; no grumbling was heard.

The Critique.

NOR. CL., ETC. (10): 1, c, Tedcastle, fine bird, splendid col. and con., wins; 2, Dr. Allen, nice shape and style, good feather, hardly the substance; 3, J. Bell, good bird, teeming with quality, smart; vhc, King; hc, Wearing. HEN (6): 1, 2, Dr. Allen, two splendid birds, former fine shape, grand head, latter good qual. and type, hard to separate; 3, vhc, hc, Tedcastle, good shape, grand head, beautiful wing carriage; c, Wearing. YORKS., CL., ETC. (11): Grand class: 1, sp, 2, Moffatt, buff, a topper, good length, very stylish, real good boxy feather, heads a good class, 2nd another good one at all points; 3, Gibson, shade smaller, but real good shape, splendid condition; vhc, Clark; hc, no name; c, Dr. Allen. HEN (9): 1, W. Jones, ticked buff, gem, grand shape, beautiful head, tight in feather; 2, Clark, another good one, hard lines to meet winner, good at all points, rightly placed; 3, No. 9, no name, we could not find; vhc, Moffatt; hc, Gibson; c, Dr. Allen. BORDER (7): 1, sp, Short, neat, natty, smart carriage, good one, a treat to observe; 2, Short and Backhouse, another good one, same remarks apply, not much between them; 3, c, Moffatt, nice typical bird, well put down; vhc, Simpson; hc, Clark. HEN (8): 1, sp, 2, vhc, hc, Short and Backhouse, grand team, former an even-marked yell. cock, a real treat, 2nd another good bird, stylish, very tight in feather; 3, c, Bell, very smart, good col. BRIT. (7): 1, sp, hc, Miss Wood, Bullie, splendid shape, good cap, lovely col., steady as a rock, wins well; 2, Northover, Goldie, nice blaze and shape, good cond., a little wild; 3, Garside, Bullie, grand col., not quite the type of winner, but well worth its place; vhc, Short and Backhouse; c, Mrs. Clarke. FOR. (14): 1, sp, 2, W. Hardy; 3, vhc, hc, c, Kenworthy, a grand class. OPEN NORWICH CK. (12): 1, 3, McFarlane, two good birds, former fine shape, cobby, splendid qual., latter fails condition, well worth its place; 2, Lane, variegs., yell., excellent shape, not a big one, nice condition; vhc, Reid Bros.; hc, Vart; c, Dickinson. HEN (10): 1, sp, c, Dickinson, leader, grand shape, very good chest, fine qual.; 2, Woodward, another real, good one, fine shape, good qual. feather, close race; 3, Lane, good cobby hen, shade smaller; vhc, Heywood; hc, Vart. YORKS., CK. (9): 1, sp, best bird in open classes, no name, grand bird, stands like a guardsman, beautiful cond., feathered like a Java; 2, Higginson, still another good one, grand size, nice qual. of feather; 3, vhc, Moffatt, grand bird, good shape, loses a little in head; c, King. HEN (6): 1, Moffatt, very good, splendid qual., nice shape; 2, vhc, Higginson, grand bird, trifle on the small side, real good type; 3, King, nice shape and condition; c, Dr Allen. BORD. (11): Good class: 1, sp, vhc, Thompson, smart, neat, a little gem, wins; 2, Ransome, another good one, very nice type; 3, Ransome, same remarks apply, not much between these two; hc, c, Dickinson. HEN (8): 1, Reid Bros., grand little hen, like a Sunday topper for condition, wins well; 2, Ransome, another dainty, sweet little damsel, beautiful cond., pressed hard; 3, c, Dickinson, good, nice shape, put down in the pink; vhc, Heywood; hc, no name. BRIT. (4): 1, sp, 2, Lane, well-known Yellowhammer, leading, splendid bird at all points, lovely condition, 2nd Goldie, grand size, splendid blaze, good wing bars, will improve; 3 Vart, Yellowhammer, good size and cond., fails little in markings to winner; vhc, Asplin. HYBRID (6): 1, sp, vhc, Vart, dark Goldie Mule leading, good birds, splendid col. and cond., stands clear away; 2, 3, Dent, buff Goldie, pair good birds; hc, Garside; c, no name. FOR. (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, all to Mr. J. Kenworthy with a very good team.

HINCKLEY.

Nineteenth annual show held in the Drill Hall, Nov. 23. In our section the entries were not such as the Committee deserved, but the fact of its being a mixed show, we think, holds many of our exhibitors back. Although the numbers were not large the quality was of the best, as a few noted exhibitors sent some of their best specimens. The exhibits were well cared for by the following list of officers: President, S. H. Pilgrim, Esq.; Vice-President, R. E. Hill, Esq.; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. F. Osborn; Committee, Messrs. A. Pickering, Chas. Ward, T. Towers, W. Growdridge, Rd. Hill, I. Baggotts, G. Mills, H. J. Prosser, E. Cawdron, L. Burton, H. Towers, U. Burton; Hon. Secretary, H. Ridgway. Mr. J. H. Roe, of Birmingham, judged, and the following were his awards:—

The Critique.

NOR. NAT. COL. (8): 1, W. Growdridge, cl. buff, nice short cobby bird, good head and neck, nice wing carr.; 2, Jennings, variegs. buff, nikd. eye and wings, good stout bird in fine cond., rather longer tail; 3, Blower, large griz. back bird, a bit long in feather; res, Noon; no other cards given in this class; two noted winners, in fine condition, standing cardless as being too highly coloured. NOR. YELL. cancelled. BUFF (0): 1, 3, Broadhurst, leader of grand type, splendid col. and qual., nice neat head, good neck, well carr. wings, followed by similar bird, but hardly so typical in col. and qual.; 2, Foxon, large, good type, bold head, falls off a little in neck, and not quite the qual. of winner; res, Dodd; vhc, Bailey; hc, Jennings. HEN (12): 1, H. Growdridge, cl. buff, grand type, nice even col., good qual., neat wings; 2, res, Broadhurst, cl., yell., grand col. and qual., hardly so typical as winner, but good for a yell.; 3, Bailey, another buff of excellent type, good head and neck, nice wing carr.; vhc, Blower; hc, W. Growdridge and Son; c, Dodd, Bennett. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, vhc, W. Growdridge, good large bird, hot in col., nice head and neck, bit too long for our liking; 2, Broadhurst, more typical, grand qual., nice even col., good wing carr.; 3, Neale, nice type, deep col. and qual., nice bold head and neck, shorter, more compact, our choice; res, Dipple; hc, Bailey; c, Jennings. UNFLIG. BUFF (7): 1, Dipple, griz. head, good type, bold head and neck, neat wings and tail, nice even col.; 2, Neale, lovely col. and qual., good head and neck, well carr. wings; 3, Broadhurst, very stylish specimen, good wing carr., falls col. to leaders; res, hc, Dodd; vhc, W. Growdridge; c, J. Growdridge. YORKS. (10): 1, 2, res, Cass; 1st, tkd. yell., nice long thin stylish bird, nice level back, neat wings and tail well drawn, wins, followed by unflig. Clun. mkd., lovely qual., good col., well carr. wings, neat tail; 3, vhc, James, cl. yell., longer bird of fine col., but not the quality of winners; hc, Richards; c, Foxon. A.O.V. cancelled. MULE or HYB.: 1, 3, Lawrance, 1st, Goldfinch-Canary, tkd. head, nice qual., rather pale in col.; 3rd, Goldfinch-Greenfinch, good size, in fine cond.; 2, Gilbert, Goldfinch-Canary, tkd. wing, good face, grand col., nice condition, our choice; vhc, Lawrance, special for best ck. Canary Mule; hc, Wildman; c, Williams. BRIT. GOLD. or BULLFINCH (12): 1, Lawrance, Bullfinch, large bold bird, good col. and cap; 2 King, Goldfinch, nice square-cut blaze, rich col., well defined bars; 3, Gilbert, Bullfinch, deep colour, good cap, hardly so large as winner; res, Brandish; vhc, Davies; hc, Horne; c, Wildman. LINNET (14): 1, Tams and Son, nice rich nutty brown, good size, well mkd., splendid col.; 2, Davies, good size, well laced, hardly so rich in col.; 3, res, vhc, Judd, nice rich col., well mkd.; hc, Lawrance; c, Pilgrim. GREENFINCH, ETC., cancelled. A.O.S. FINCH or BUNTING (7): 1, sp, for Best Brit., Gilbert, Corn Bunting, grand col., well marked, very steady; 2, res, Lawrance, Yellow Bunting, good col. and qual., nicely mkd.; 3, Brotherhood, the noted Bramble, looking a bit loose at thighs to-day; vhc, Brandish; hc, Towers; c, Orme. A.O.S. BRIT. (6): 1, Lewis, Treecreeper in fine cond., well shown; 2, res, Lawrance, Hawfinch, good col. and qual., nice bib; 3, Towers, Nightingale, hardly yet in cond.; vhc, Mrs. Rice; hc, Gilbert. MEMBERS (11): 1, Jennings, large Buff, good col. and qual., nice wing carr.; 2, vhc, Mills Bros., good type and qual., pretty bird, fails col. to winner; 3, W. Growdridge and Son, large cl. yell., nat col., good type and qual.; res, H. Growdridge; hc, Foxon.

LEATHERHEAD F.S.

Members' show held in the Victoria Hall, Nov. 20th. Some time ago it was decided to extend the radius of membership to the whole of the County of Surrey, and the result was an increase of membership by 60. Mr. A. C. Otway is the hon. sec., of whom the members are proud, and the Committee are all deeply interested in the welfare of the Society. That the show is also popular with the public may be gathered from the fact that from opening time till the close there was one constant stream of visitors. At the judges' luncheon the Rev. T. F. Hobson (President) spoke very felicitously upon the humanising effects of such a society. The quality of the exhibits was good, and the competition keen. Cup and special for best bird in show and best Brit. or Foreign bird was won by Mr. L. M. Wade, with a splendid Bloodwing Parrakeet, shown in magnificent feather and colour. Special for 2nd best bird fell to Mr. A. T. Strond for a very typical ticked buff Yorkshire. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged.

The Critique.

NOR. (6): 1, res, Gunnell, tkd. yell. leading, closely followed by a nice cl. buff; 2, vhc, Stroud, the former a nice bodied buff, good head and feather; 3, Wade, another buff of good type; hc, Pleace. YORKS. YELL. (11): 1, res, hc, Edgington, a lengthy upstanding bird, shows just a trifle frill it is true, but grand on leg, nervy, and good qual.; 2, Dancer, very straight, neat and pretty; 3, c, Soper, another smart bird, travels well. BUFF (7): 1, sp, vhc, Stroud, leader buff, very stylish, not so hot in col. as some, but a smart bird; 2, Edgington, loses length; 3, res, Soper, neat and stylish; hc, c, Dancer. A.O.V. (3): 1, 2, res, Bulpin, Lizards, nice couple. BRIT. SMALL (8): 1, res, Gunnell, the leader a topping Linnet, shown as tight as wax in feather, as steady as the Lord Chancellor, and as glossy as Day and Martin's under shine; 2, 3, Wade, bonny Nightingale, in fine feather; vhc, Dancer; hc, Kingsnorth; c, Pleace. LARGE (3): 1, 2, Gunnell, a grand Yellow Bunting leading; res, Wade. FOR (8): 1, cup and sp, 2, res, Wade, a Bloodwing leading; 2nd, Macaw, out of feather; 3, Mrs. Hewlins, a very nice Grey Parrot; vhc, hc, Pleace. CHILDREN'S (8): 1, cup, N. Moses, a beautifully kept Salmon Crested Cockatoo, faultlessly clean, tame, and happy; 2, Master S. Carpenter, Magpie; 3, A. Norwood, very tame Bullfinch; 4, T. Potter, Goldfinch; res, E. C. Soper, Goldfinch-Canary Mule; vhc, Minnie Dancer; hc, R. Girling; c, W. G. Randall.

HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN & DIS.

First annual members' show of this new but already flourishing society held in the Concert Room at the "Three Jolly Butchers," Wood Green, on Nov. 16. It was a great success. Quite a good entry was secured, and the quality was high-class. Mr. P. Brooks, the hon. sec., managed things in quite an expert manner. The cages were staged at a convenient height, there was ample space for visitors, and the floral decorations added brightness to the whole. The prize cards were promptly affixed to the cages, and by the time the judge had finished it was possible for visitors to procure catalogues and identify the winners. We hear also that prize money was paid out the same evening. It was whispered, too, that the society intends holding an open show next year, and if the same spirit is shown in management the society will deserve success in that also. The committee rendered every assistance to the secretary during the show. Mr. P. Brooks won spl for best Canary with a rattling unflighted yell. Norwich, Mr. Griffin came in for second best with a capital buff Nor. hen. Spl best British, Mr. Waldock with a charming Goldfinch. Mr. Tolfree got spl for best Yorks. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged, and his awards were well received.

NOR. CL. OR TK. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Brooks. VAR.: 1, Titchner. UNFLIG.: 1, two spls, 2, spl, Brooks; 3, vhc, Titchner. HEN: 1, 2, Tickner; 3, spl, Brooks. AMAL. NOR. UNFLIG.: 1, Pledger. HENS: 1, Pledger. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, A. Brooks; 2, Griffin; 3, Hayes. BUFF: 1, Griffin; 2, Hayes. VAR.: 1, Game; 2, Griffin; 3, Day; vhc, Bentley. UNFLIG.: 1, Griffin; 2, Game; 3, Day; vhc, Bentley; hc, spl, Bates. HENS: 1, two spls, Griffin; 2, Game; 3, A. Brooks; vhc, spl, Hayes; hc, c, Bentley. AMAL. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, Clay. NOV. YELL.: 1, spl, Tolfree; 2, Cobden. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Cobden. VAR.: 1, Tolfree. UNFLIG.: 1, spl, 3, hc, spl, Tolfree; 2, Cobden; vhc, Day. HENS: 1, spl, 2 Tolfree; 3, Knightley. GOLDIES: 1, two spls, Waldock; 2, Pledger; 3, P. Brooks; vhc, Cobden; hc, Pomeroy. BULLIE: 1, Griffin; 2, Pomeroy. GREENIE: 1, Griffin; 2, Waldock; 3, P. Brooks; vhc, Pomeroy. LINNET: 1, Bates; 2, Griffin; 3, Waldock; vhc, Davies. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, spl, P. Brooks; 2, Waldock. A.O.S. BRIT.: 1, two spls, Willis; 2, A. Brooks; 3, Pomeroy; vhc, Davies; hc, Bates. MULES: 1, 2, 3, Waldock.

CRAMLINGTON.

Annual show held Nov. 23, in the Co-operative Hall. Here we found a nice snug hall, plenty of air space, good light at night, no draughts, and grand light in daytime. Of the officials we can only speak in the highest terms. The committee, all experienced fanciers, were Messrs. D. Moore, Elliott, Allen, Thurston, Mackie, Ducker, W. Moore, Scott, Hutchings, Salkeld, Principle, and Forster; chairman, Mr. S. Wilson, always on the spot and undoubtedly the right man; assistant sec., Mr. T. Wilson, led on by a general in Mr. J. R. Chestney, to whom the society may well be indebted, hard-working, obliging, and very courteous to all. His place would be hard to fill. Entries were down a few in open classes compared with last year, but the members brought them up to the level, making an increase over the show of about 50, which constitutes a record. Special winners for most points were: 1st, cup, Wilson; 2, Thurston, 3, Moore, 4, Warren; 5, Forster; Mr. Wilson also took the special for best member's bird in open classes, and Mr. Ducker 2nd best. The birds were staged in nice tiers, and the hall had quite a taking appearance. Quite a grand gate was being taken when we left; we were pleased to notice a lot of visitors from a distance—Messrs. Metford, Richardson and Clark, from Morpeth; Dixon, Bedlington; Smith, Gosforth, etc. Messrs. H. Seely (Choppington), and A. Hay (Berwick) judged, and this was a hard task, but they managed to get cards up in good time, to the satisfaction of all. Considering the number of shows held on same date the society may well be congratulated on their record entry.

The Critique.

NOR., CL., ETC. (11): 1, sp, Dixon, hot col., rare broad skull, neat wings and tail; 2, Armstrong, mkd. wings and head, good col., sweet head, fails only in type; 3, Freeman, neck tkd., grand shape, neat head, if anything inclined to cross wings at times; 4, Newton, cl., neat type, nice col., beaten in feather; vhc, Addison; hc, Ducker; c, no name. BUFF (15): 1, sp, Rowell, cl., rare type, hot col., deep, well set chest, grandly carried wings; 2, Penrose, smart one for col., nice wings and tail; 3, Robson and March, smaller, grand col., not so fine in feather; 4, McKay, rare type, wants a wash; vhc, Dobinson; hc, Warren; c, Armstrong. HEN (18): 1, sp, Rowell, eye and right wing mkd., grand type, hot col., best of wings and tail; 2, Penrose, cl. yell., nice type, well carried wings, not so well tapered off behind; 3, Richardson hd. tkd., nice size, finely rounded, broad skull, hardly so fine in feather; 4, McKay, rare type, wants a wash; vhc, Dobinson; hc, Warren; c, Armstrong. 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(8): 1, sp, vhc, Moore, head ticked, red hot col., neat head, well filled neck, nice back, tail, the Blaydon 2nd; 2, Thurston, cl., nice head and neck, rare pipe tail, not so nicely lifted in back; 3, Addison, cl., rare type, sweet col., a little dirty; 4, Dodds and Carr, cl., nice head, well filled nk., good pos., fails length; hc, Mather; c, Warren. BUFF (9): 1, sp, Warren, thigh tick, rare length, best of head and body, rare col., well placed; 2, c, Moore, cl., rare head, nicely filled neck, body well rounded, crosses wings a little; 3, Dodds and Carr, cl., very similar to 2nd, also crosses wings; 4, Addison, cl., grand col., rare head, wings well carr., fails in chest; vhc, Thurston; hc, Moore Bros. HEN (12): 1, sp, Wiggleworth, hd. and wing mkd., hot col., sweet head, well carr. wings; 2, 3, Wakenshaw, eye mkd. and cl., 2nd slimmer than winner, still a good one; 3rd, neat type, fails col. and feather; 4, Mather, cl., hot col., stands like a soldier, rare wings and tail; vhc, c, Moore; hc, Thurston. UNFLIG. (17): 1, sp, Wigglesworth, cl., hot col., lovely type, rare action, neat wings and tail, wins well; 2, Moore Bros., cap mkd., nice head, neck well filled, fails in length; 3, hc, Thurston, cl., rare top end, fails body and feather; 4, Warren, cl., rare length, lovely wings, hardly so fine in feather; vhc, Hancox; c, Wakenshaw. MEMBERS' NOR. YELL. (4): 1, Skillings; 2, Allan; 3, Mackie. BUFF (6): 1, Warren; 2, 3, Allan; 4, Clark; vhc, Skillings; hc, Ducker. HEN (9): 1, Warren; 2, Dodds; 3, vhc, Allan; 4, Skillings; hc, Mackie. YORKS. YELL. (6): 1, hc, Moore Bros.; 2, Warren; 3, vhc, Thurston; 4, Moore. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Thurston; 3, vhc, Moore; 4, hc, Moore Bros. HEN (8): 1, Warren; 2, Moore; 3, 4, Thurston; vhc, hc, Moore Bros.; c, Mackie. NOR. OLD (6): 1, Dodds; 2, Ducker; 3, Warren; 4, Allan; vhc, Clark; hc, Wilson. HEN (7): 1, Ducker; 2, hc, Mackie; 3, Warren; 4, Dodds; vhc, Allan; hc, Clark. YORKS. (10): 1, Warren; 2, vhc, hc, c, Moore; 3, 4, Thurston. HEN (8): 1, 3, hc, c, Moore; 2, 4, Thurston; vhc, Moore Bros. BORD. YELL., ETC. (21): 1, sp, 3, Smith, left wing tkd. leading, grand type, sweet head and body, well carried wings and tail; 3rd, cl., neat type, nice boxy feather, nicely tapered away behind; 2, Peel, cl., grand head, fine neck and chest, fails a little behind; 4, Hudspeth, neck foul, rich col., nice model, best of head and chest, loses only in feather; vhc, Purvis; hc, T. Wilson; c, Armstrong. BUFF (20): 1, sp, Smith, foul neck, sweet type, tight as a bottle, rare wings and tail, well placed; 2, 4, Bennet, nice pair, grizzle cap leading, lovely head and chest, rare wings, boxy feather; 4th, cl., sweet head and body, very jaunty, fine wing carriage, hardly so nicely cut away; 3, Purvis, left wing foul, rich col., grand head and chest, crosses wings a little; vhc, Peel; hc, S. Wilson; c, Whittaker. YELL. HEN (15): 1, sp., and best in open shown by a member, S. Wilson, cl., sweet jaunty little lady, tight as wax, nice head and wings, well placed; 2, Purvis, grizzle saddle, rich col., sweet chest, not so well filled in back; 3, Wakenshaw, cl., nice head and chest, rare wings, if anything, a little too long behind; 4, Dear, cl., nice type, grand col., beaten wings and feather; vhc, T. Wilson; hc, Lock; c, S. Wilson. No. 13, Watson, an easy win, but unfortunately has had her head bared since Alnwick, where she stood first. BUFF (23): 1, sp, Irvine, cl., sweet type, like wax, a credit to a novice, evidently the owner, unfortunately, did not place sufficient value on it, soon claimed; 2, Hudspeth, cl., grand feather, like wax, lovely head and chest, badly so well rounded in back; 3, Bennett, grizzle saddle, tight as a bottle, gay and jaunty, close up; 4, S. Wilson, cl., grand headpiece, sweetly moulded body, fails a little in wing carr.; vhc, Wakenshaw; hc, Purvis; c, Watson. MULE or HYB. (9): 1, sp, 2, Hancox, grand pair of Goldie-Bullies, rare size, show parentage well, leader better in blaze and feather; 3, 4, vhc, Maddison, leading with a good 4-pointed Goldie-Canary, nice size and mkds.; 4th hot fed dark Linnet-Can., a really good one; hc, Tucker and Urwin; c, Weddowfield. A.O.V. (12): 1, sp, Irvine, Marshfill, well-known winning variegbody Crest, Full a topper, although body feathers getting rather worn, carries a wonderful crest; 2, 3, Hogg, even mkd. buff Nor., nice size and shape; 3rd, grand shape buff Cinn. Nor., nice col., well staged; 4, c, Rowell, lightly mkd. buff body, dk. crest, falls in crest to winner; vhc, no name, neat green bird. A.V. BRIT. (11): 1, sp, Davidson, neat Waxwing, grand feather, like wax, nice wings and tail, easy win; 2, Johnson, Lark, steady as a rock, well mkd., rare feather; 3, Storey, grand-sized Corn Bunting, in spanking cond.; 4, vhc, Tucker and Urwin, rare pair of Goldies, leader better in blaze and nut colour; hc, Tipple; c, Coughman. MEMBERS' BORD YELL. (6): 1, S. Wilson; 2, 4, vhc, Forster; 3, Salkeld; hc, Dodds. BUFF (10): 1, 3, S. Wilson; 2, vhc, hc, Forster; 4, T. Wilson; c, Salkeld. HEN (16): 1, T. Wilson; 2, vhc, S. Wilson; 3, 4, hc, Forster; c, Salkeld. MULE (5): 1, 2, Gaskill; 3, Clark; 4, Scott; vhc, Clark. BRI. (7): 1, S. Wilson; 2, Harbottle; 3, Forster; 4, vhc, Salkeld; hc, c, Gaskill. BORD. OLD (10): 1, S. Wilson; 2, T. Wilson; 3, vhc, hc, Forster, 4, Scott; c, no name. HEN (12): 1, 3, S. Wilson; 2, Forster; 4, vhc, T. Wilson; hc, Scott; c, Dodds. A.O.S. (7): 1, Allan; 2, T. Wilson; 3, hc, Harbottle; 4, Clark; vhc, Forster; c, Scott. GIFT (7): 1, Warren; 2, Salkeld; 3, Thurston; 4, Mackie; vhc, Scott; hc, Forster c, S. Wilson.

BONSALL.

30th annual show held in the Public Hall, Nov. 21. This is the first time cage birds have been catered for, but the fanciers in the district hardly came up and supported the show as they should have done. The Yorkshire class was very keenly contested, and the qual. was far above the average. Norwich were a nice class, and of good qual. We were pleased to meet several old fanciers who first started this society 30 years ago. The secretary, Mr. S. Bateman, who has now had a wide experience in shows, had all arrangements carried out in A1 style. Mr. Geo. Elkins, helper, made his debut as a judge, and gave every satisfaction.

YORKS. (12): 1, c, Cockerham, stylish thigh tkd. buff, very slim and upstanding, neat head and neck, nice compact wings and tail, lovely col. and qual., wins; 2, Brotherton, cl. yell., lovely qual., rich col., capital wings and tail, grand style and position, staged to perfection; 3, Shelton, cl. yell., nice type and style, good length and col., not so good in qual., well staged; vhc, Miss Allen; hc, Vernon. NOR. (8): 1, Pedder, red-hot cl. buff, lovely qual., fine condition, very typical, shapely and cobby, nice head, tail, and wings; 2, withheld; 3, vhc, T. W. Dean, cl. buff, capital shape, well braced wings, nice cut away behind, but on small side; hc, Smith; c, Williams. A.O.V. (3): 1, 2, withheld; 3, vhc, Marsh, typical high shouldered Belgian, in rare feather, nice col. and qual.; hc, Bunting. BRIT. (6): 1, withheld; 2, hc, Lomas, beautiful Magpie, in faultless condition, wins easily; 3, Williams, Fieldfare, in rare feather and condition; vhc, Pedder, good Rawfinch; c, Webster.

STAMFORD AND DISTRICT.

Members' show held at the Corn Exchange on Nov. 3rd. Entries totalled 110, this number being about 30 more than at any previous confined show. Norwich were a good level lot; Yorkshires few in number, but some very nice birds were staged. The British classes were well filled and contained some very choice specimens. Mr. W. P. Barnes (Grantham) judged, and his awards were well received. NOR. YELL.: 1, Fancourt and Harrison; 2, B. T. Grimes; 3, Woods. BUFF: 1, G. W. Grimes; 2, Spriggs; 3, Parker. VARIEG.: 1, 2, B. T. Grimes; 3, Fancourt and Harrison. HENS: 1, B. T. Grimes; 2, Woods; 3, Spriggs. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Spriggs; 2, Welsh. COCKS: 1, Fancourt and Harrison; 2, Woods; 3, B. F. Grimes. YORKS.: 1, 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Laughton and Son. HENS: 1, Laughton and Son; 2, G. W. Grimes; 3, Fancourt and Harrison. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Laughton and Son; 2, Giles. MULES: 1, Baker; 2, 3, Shield. HYB.: 1, 2, Baker; 3, Fancourt and Harrison. GOLDFINCH: 1, Locke and Brown; 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Baker. BULLFINCH: 1, 2, Baker; 3, Lee. GREENFINCH: 1, Locke and Brown; 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Baker. LINNET: 1, 2, Baker; 3, Fancourt and Harrison. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE: 1, Baker; 2, Laughton and Son; 3, Terry. A.O.S. BRIT.: 1, Locke and Brown; 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Baker. BULLFINCH HENS: 1, Baker; 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Locke and Brown. A.O.S. BRIT. HENS: 1, 3, Fancourt and Harrison; 2, Baker. GOLDFINCH FIELD MOULTED: 1, 3, Fancourt and Harrison; 2, Parker. BULLFINCH: 1, Shield; 2, Lee; 3, Welsh.—A. Harrison, Sec.

RETFORD.

14th annual show (mem. 20 miles' radius), Nov. 20, The Corn Exchange, which is of capital size, and affords excellent light, was the venue. The Yorkshires were a nice lot, also British, Messrs. T. Simpson, G. H. Burdett, and J. J. Sugden staging stylish specimens. Mr. T. Simpson captured the challenge cup for best in show, with his noted six-pointed buff Goldie-Can. The cup now becomes absolutely his own properly, he having won it three years in succession. Chairman, Mr. A. Palmer, vice-chairman Mr. T. Alcock, a couple of enthusiastic officials, and most willing workers. The committee are a very capable band, and rendered valuable assistance. Mr. Geo. Maud, the hon. sec., is of the right sort, always on the go. Staging was well carried out, and the management throughout A1. Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) judged, and the following are his awards, which were well received. YORK. YELL. (8): 1, vhc, Burdett, cl., rare length, well up, grand feather; 2, 3, Simpson, with a brace of very typical specimens, former most promising; unflighted; hc, Sugden. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Simpson, both cl., leading with a choice youngster, capital length and pos., 2nd wee bit longer, not quite the feather, yet good one; 3, Burdett, nice qual. and pos., lengthy, bit open on front; vhc, Blow; hc, Wear; c, Sugden. HEN (8): 1, Simpson, cl. buff, straight as a rush, smooth as wax, full of style; 2, 3, Blow, cl. buff and mkd. yell., both of superb feather, nice length, not far away; vhc, Sugden; hc, Wear; c, Burdett. A.O.V. (2): 1, cup, Simpson, very fine six-pointed buff Goldie-Can., often described as a gem; in the pink; 2, Burdett, buff var. Goldie-Can., well up in size, good shape and feather. BRIT. (6): 1, Woodhead, with a smart Hawfinch, not of the biggest, but rare col. and shape, neat bib; 2, Sutton, Thrush of nice suits and col., finely mounted; 3, hc, Burdett, Goldie, superior qual. and shape, nice size, hardly up in blaze col., yet catchy to the eye; vhc, c, Sugden. FOR. (3): No. 2, absent; 1, Dawson, in nice order, and well staged; 2, Sugden, Grey Parrot, in good feather. NOV. (4): 1, 2, Johnson, very smart rose-fed, cl. yell. Nor., 2nd mkd. yell. Yorks, good bird; 3, Woodhead, Linnet, nice shape and col.

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GREAT HORTON
(Good Intent).

Notwithstanding the clashing of Rochdale and Doncaster there was a very nice entry at the show of the Great Horton Good Intent O.S. held at headquarters, Congregational Schoolroom, Nov. 23. The principal officials are Messrs. D. Bartle (prop.), A. Frith, and J. W. Kilburn (vice-pres.), and A. Holden (treas.), and these with a number of the members attended well to the general arrangements, whilst Mr. H. Tomall, and his assistant, Mr. A. Morley, looked well after the duties pertaining to the secretarial office, each doing his level best in a quiet, methodical, and painstaking manner to make the venture a success. The show is one of the Yorkshire Union group, and enjoys the patronage of the Yorks. C.C., the National Green-marked Y.C.C., and the Yorks. County B.B. and M.C. In connection with the latter club one is tempted to ask the question What is wrong? At Bradford East the week previous five classes were provided in the British section, and three had to be cancelled, whilst only a dozen entries turned up in the two that were left. At Great Horton four classes were scheduled. Two had to be struck out, and the other two only went a couple of entries better than Bradford East. It is to be hoped that the club's members will give better support to the forthcoming National show. In looking through the classes we were struck by the listless appearance of many of the best birds. Are not some fanciers trying to do too much? Four days away from home for a mid-week show, and then a local event at the week-end, is too much to ask the birds to do. Great Horton has for generations been a stronghold of the Fancy, and there is ever a big gathering of fanciers at its shows. Amongst those who were present on Saturday the forthcoming National Show seemed to be the principal topic, and it is to be hoped that all will do more than talk about it. It will require much effort, and all the entries that Yorkshiremen can give to make the effort one that will not only redound to the credit of the City of Bradford, but also give some tangible result to the sacred cause of charity. Taking the classes as they stood, the average worked out a fraction under fourteen per class, which was not what it should have been seeing there were five money prizes in each class. Why did the committee omit to give unflighted classes on this occasion? They usually fill far better than the others, and cause more interest to be taken in the show. Mr. C. A. House judged, and his decisions were most favourably received.

The Critique.

YORKS., YELL. (9): 1, Tidswell, fine head and neck, good shoulders, capital wings and tail, plenty of nerve, gets well up on its legs and stands like a soldier, beautifully feathered; 2, Grayshon, not quite so much length, but magnificent qual., rare head, smart wing carriage, well piped tail, very nicely finished; 3, Ogden Bros., more length, grand back, wings, and tail, very nice silky feather, not quite so even in col., and hardly so oval in head, very showy and stylish; 4, Sutcliffe and Sons, carried a wealth of col., very nicely put down; 5, Cruise; hc, Dykes; c, Helliwell. BUFF (17): Very fine class; 1, Grayshon, splendid length, finely drawn, grandly feathered right through, gets well up on a grand pair of legs, and shows to every advantage; 2, Briggs, plenty of col., fine and sleek in feather, coat like satin, splendid build, full of nerve and style, only needs a bit more leg to make him an out and out champion; 3, Sutcliffe and Son, the same beautiful qual. of feather that "good old Bob's" birds have ever been noted for, grandly tapered from shoulder to vent, lovely wing carr., grandly piped tail; 4, Ogden Bros., long finely drawn bird, but not in form to-day; 5, Bennett; hc, Stobart; c, Jenkinson. TKD. YELL. (14): 1, Burdekin Bros., slim, stylish, wing tkd., grand head and back, beautifully feathered, rare wing and tail carr., plenty of col., well put down; 2, Sutcliffe and Son, wing and head tkd., plenty of length, full of style, grand head and back, well braced wings and tail, very fine in feather, not so finely drawn; 3, Towers, shapely wing tkd., grandly finished in feather, grand wings and tail, not quite so much nerve; 4, Dykes, fine feathered, cheek tkd., splendid carr., trifle slack in wings, plenty of legs, takes perch well; 5, Cruise; he, Helliwell; c, Ogden Bros. TKD. BUFF (14): 1, Morrison, handsome wing tkd., feathered like a Java, neat head and shoulders, beautifully tapered, grandly braced wings and tail, full of style, shown to the minute; 2, Chittenden, eye and neck tkd., carries more col., splendid length and style, fine head and shoulders, nice level back, gets nicely up on legs, shows well; 3, Charlesworth, grizz. on wing, magnificently feathered, full of nerve, handles well, beautifully shown, stands like a soldier, just a wee bit stouter; 4, Radley, neck tkd., grand head, beautiful shoulders, wings, and tail, well up on legs; 5, he, Sutcliffe and Son; c, Robertshaw. HEN, YELL., CL. OR TKD. (15): 1, Cruise, cheek and wing tkd., splendid wing and tail carr., fine silky feather, neat head, fine shoulders, plenty of style, a bonnie hen; 2, Elsegood, pretty cinn.-mkd., lovely head, fine shoulders, excellent carr. of wings and tail, beautiful feather, stands perfectly, tkd. on wing; 3, c, Pearson, lengthy, finely drawn hen, neat head, rare shoulders, wings and tail, not quite so well polished; 4, Dykes, tkd. head and wing, beautiful qual., grand head and back, rare wings and tail, seemed a trifle down; 5, Ogden Bros.; hc, Stables. 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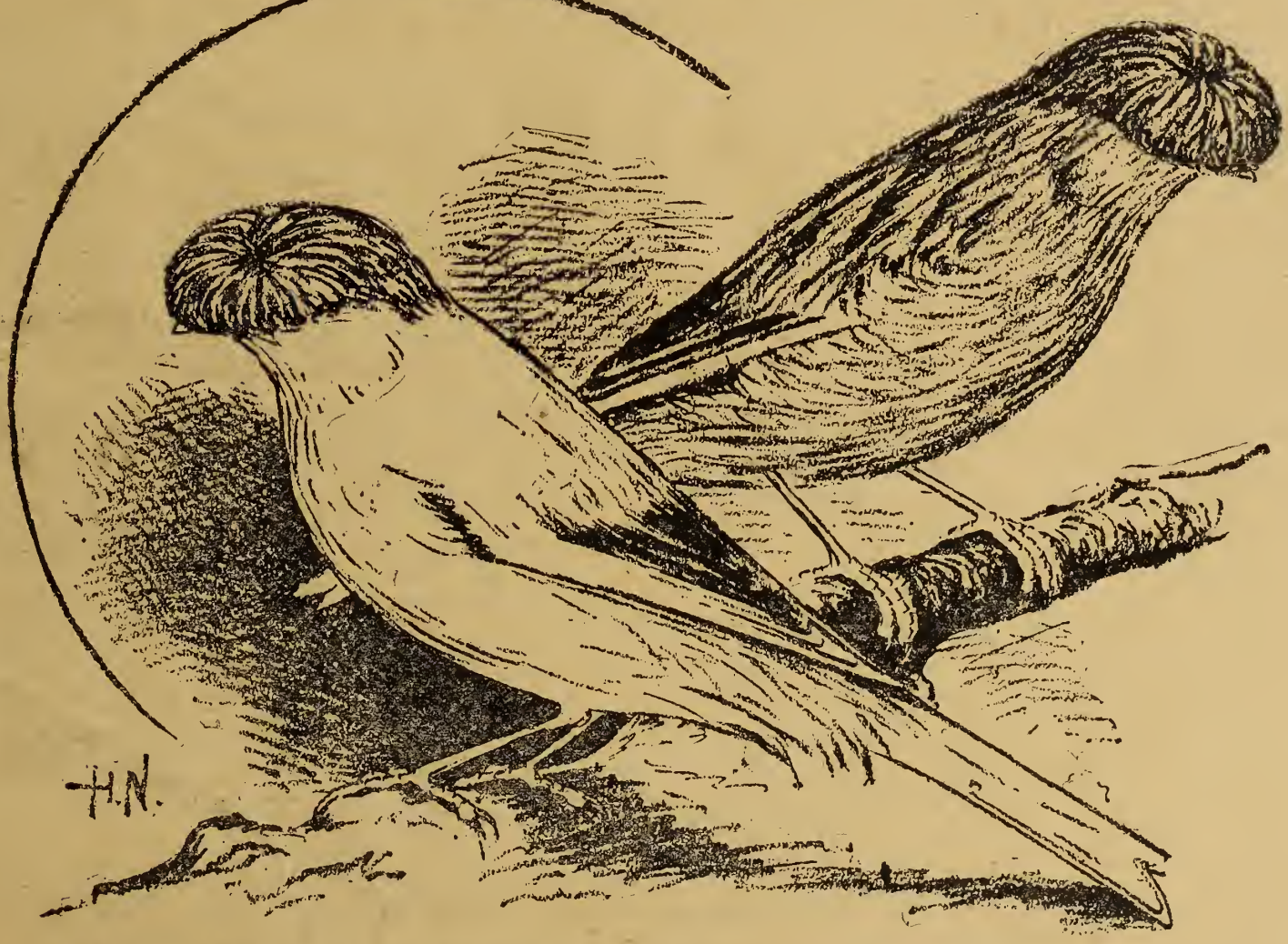
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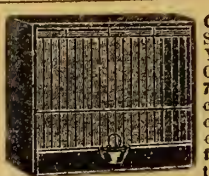
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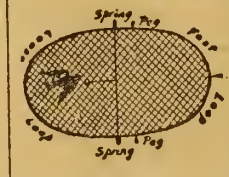


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CHAMPION Norwich, monster stock, yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 21/-, 25/-, and 30/- each; monster stock yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, and 21/- each, all strong, healthy, and in tip-top condition, all cold room bred; give me a trial and I will guarantee satisfaction; state wants fully; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (282)

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Monster 1912 clear Buff cock, immense size, rare type and feather, hot colour, can win, only 12/6; monster green-marked Yellow hen, feathered like silk, to match the above cock; monster Yellow cock and Buff hen, sure to breed winners 12/6; seven days' approval; cash or deposit: Edwin North, Breeder, 477, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (285)

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CHAMPION NORWICH

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W. SPRINGETT, 46, Wilson St., Battersea, S.W.

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HIGH-CLASS NORWICH

Captain Collier, Barracks, Brecon, after a successful breeding season, has a number of high-class Norwich for disposal; see reports Swansea and Cardiff, holder of W.C.B.C. Norwich cup 1911-12; approval. (247)

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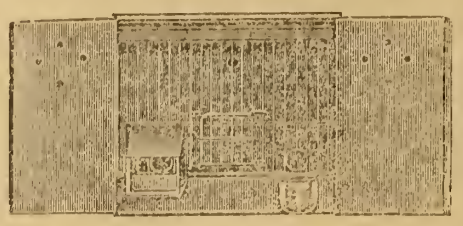
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SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

SNOW Bunting, house-moulted, vhc, mixed class Swindon, 10/-, with show cage; exchange: 59, Clifton-et., Swindon. (282)

EXCHANGE good hand-reared cock Thrush for common pigeons or offers: Wood, 19, Hope-st., Hanley, Staffs. (276)

WHAT offers in cock Goldfinches for 2 lbs. shepherd's-purse seed: A. Robertson, 56, Arthur-place, Cowdenbeath, N.B. (280)

EXCHANGE H.M. cock Goldfinch for cock Siskin or other British Hardbill, not Linnets: J. Goodchild, Clare, Suffolk. (279)

1911 COCK Chaffinch, fine handsome bird, 5/-, approval; exchange for cock Canary: Wilkinson, 1, Childs-place, Earls Court. (275)

EXCHANGE four cock Linnets, Goldfinch Mule, for large, clean yellow Norwich cock, sell 2/- each: Lewis, 55, Letitia-st., Middlesbrough. (278)

EXHIBITION cock Goldie, winner, £2, for exhibition cock Hawfinch or Waxwing, must be first class; yours first: H. Burrows, The Lodge, Aldersgate Chemical Works, Southall. (276)

GRAND Nuthatch; exchange for Hawfinch, Siskins, Goldfinches, or very large yellow hen Canary, sell 5/-: Rowson, Swerford, Oxford. (279)

COCK Robin, singing, flies about house, 1/6; cock Thrush, singing, nice condition, 2/6; exchange anything: Harry Palfrey, Dronfield. (276)

MONSTER cock Linnet, can win, full song, 10/-; finest cock Lark, well marked, 5/6; exchange: Robinson, 9, Broad-st., Windermere. (273)

THREE cock Greenfinches, two Yellow Buntings, lot 2/6; good pair Bullies, 2/-; exchange Siskin: Conie, Newtown, Raunds, Wellingboro'. (281)

EXHIBITORS.—Brown Linnet, monster, 2/6; massive Greenfinch, 2/-; wild seed, 2/- gallon carriage paid; exchange disc records: G. Frith, Crowle, Lincs. (284)

COCK Chaffinch, aviary moulted, winner, 7/6; cock Greenfinch, aviary moulted, winner, 3/-; exchange Bullie and Siskin; offers: Mitchell, South-st., Greenhill-lane, Alfreton. (278)

SPLENDID Goldfinch, 5/-; Bullfinch, 3/6; Linnet, 1/6; all cocks and exhibition specimens; wanted pair clogs, also Budgerigar hen: Morrison, 7, Stone-lane, Millfield, Peterborough. (272)

SALE or exchange good cock Bramblefinch, also Greenfinch, 3rd Hednesford, moulted this year; smooth jack plane, spirit level, four Linnet cages: Gray, 203, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (281)

I WILL exchange good singing birds or show birds for charlock seed; must be clean; also Goldfinches and Bullfinches wanted weekly.—Harry Allen, 40, Beckett-st., Leeds. (283)

THREE beautiful cock Bullfinches and three selected field-moulted Linnets; exchange exhibition Goldfinch or winning cage-moulted Linnet; approval: T. Littler, 108, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (285)

GIVE four hen Bullies, selected, one Norwich hen, one hen Mule, one cock Bullie Albino, for large, stout, chubby Norwich cock; offers; Goldfinches, cocks, selected, 3/-: Brown, Alma-rd., Weymouth. (284)

EXCHANGE good cock Goldfinches, or sell 5/- each; cock Goldfinch Mules, from 7/6 to 10/-, for good big yellow Norwich Crest-bred 1912 hens; yours first; no rubbish: S. Springett, Chipping Hill, Witham. (271)

WILL exchange any kinds of British birds for singing, muling, showing, for any kinds of Canaries; Mules, Siberian Goldfinches in stock, if wanted: Apply to Hodkinson, 4, Sandy Lane, Lancashire Hill, Stockport. (284)

PAIR Bullfinches, 2/-, pair Goldfinches 2/6, pair 1911 Norwich 6/-, twice H.M. Mealy Redpoll 2/-, cock Bullfinch, H.M., exhibition bird, 4/6; cock Greenfinch, H.M., yellow, 2/-; offers: Garrod, 37, Spencer-rd., Rushden. (276)

GENUINE bargains; 6 hen Canaries, 7/6 lot; 1 grand cock Goldfinch, 3/-; 3 hen Bullfinches, 2/-; 1 house-moulted, very tame, 1/6; 6 Redpolls, 1/6; 1 Linnet, 1/-; 1 cock Bullfinch, 1/6; 15/- lot: A. Laidlaw, 47, New-rd., High Barnet. (271)

SPECIAL notice; I will exchange all kinds of British birds for show, muling, contest singing; also Siberian Goldfinches, for any variety of Canaries, Mules, and foreign birds; approval both ways; state wants at once to Hollinshead, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport. (284)

Mainly Canaries.

ROLLERS for sale, must clear, or exchange anything useful: Inskip, 27, North-st., Walsall. (2[illegible]

TEN hen Canaries, 15/-; 5 green cocks, 21/-, 19[illegible] or what offers: Kenchington, Neatham, Alton, Hants. (2[illegible]

TWO pairs good Yorkshires, sell 40/-, or offers wanted and chain to value: Francis, 98, Augusta-st., Pop[illegible] (2[illegible]

SEVEN pairs good Yorkshires, 7/6 pair; or exchange anything useful: Ascough, Fell Lane, Keighley. (27[illegible]

SELL cheap, 12 Roller hens and six common cock outdoor bred, or offers: Bowdler, Moor-st., Wednesbury. (27[illegible]

TWO Crest cocks, two Crest hens; sell £1; exchange poultry: D. Martin, 63, Merrington-lane, Spennymoor. (282)

TWO Norwich cocks, 1 hen, 9/-; exchange Roller cock in song; offers: Howard, Station-rd., Burnham Market. (27[illegible]

THREE Yorkshire show cages, sell 1/3 each, or exchange cock Goldfinch: Metcalfe, 46, Wilson-st., Darlington. (277)

EXCHANGE 5 hen Canaries, for H.M. cock Greenfinch, or Norwich cock: Birch, 38, Upham Park-rd., Chiswick. (27[illegible]

EIGHT Norwich hens, 2/6 each; 3 Goldfinch Mule cocks, 6/- each; 30/- the lot: Wood, 55, Summertown-rd., Oxford. (2[illegible]

THREE pair of green Yorkshires, 7/6 a pair; or will exchange 1 cock for Linnets: Higgins, 45, Alexandra-st., Tyldesley. (28[illegible]

FIVE Norwich hens, 18/-: exchange for large 19[illegible] cock with big head and chest: Breeze, Mount Pleasant, Wisbech. (282)

EXCHANGE Yorkshire cock for cock Mule, Goldfinch Linnets, or offers in others: Bloomfield, 11, Hyde-thorpe-rd., S.W. (278)

NORWICH buff cocks, 10/6; buff hen, 7/6; 1911 breed; sell or exchange; approval: Breeze, George-st., Kings Lynn. (280)

EXCHANGE Rollers, cocks and hens, for good Yorkshires, sell cocks 5/-, hens 2/-: Timmins, 160, Whitehall-rd., Walsall. (27[illegible]

EXCHANGE pair of Yorkshires for six pullets, or offers; mutual approval: Keegan, 6, York-st., Barton Hill, Bristol. (277)

EXCHANGE 1 cock, 9 hen Canaries, 1 hen Goldfinch Mule, best offer canary seed: G. Hicks, 44, Prospect place, Doncaster. (27[illegible]

GOOD yellow Scotch Fancy hen, carrying box and cage, price 25/-; exchange good Waxwing: D. Ormond, Baker, Forfar. (28[illegible]

TWO rung Roller hens, also two Yorkshire Roller hens, 15/- lot, or exchange for Seifert schoolmaster: Restall, 99, Penarth-rd., Cardiff. (276)

EXCHANGE large buff variegated Crested hen for yellow Yorkshire cock or hen, or sell 15/-: Ballard, Greengrocer, Manor Park, Essex. (27[illegible]

SIX 1912 colour-fed Yorkshires; believe three are cocks; first P.O. 20s.; exchange: Lucas, 11, Bedford-av., Whalley Range, Manchester. (284)

TWO pairs high-class Norwich, 12/6 pair; or exchange pedigree Yorkshire terrier bitch; approval: Wood, 54, Southgate, Gloucester. (285)

FEW Cinnamon marks for disposal; cocks and hens; cheap; or exchange muling pairs; or offers: Fleet, 16, King's-rd., Upton Park. (279)

HIGH-CLASS Lancashire P.H. cock for sale, £1 or exchange Edison Gem records: W. Sherriff, Kershaw-lane, Old Humberstone, Leicester. (282)

EXCHANGE a pair of Yorkshire Canaries for a pair of blankets or 10in. records, value £1 1s.: T. Brown, 21, Foxhouses, Whitehaven. (278)

EXCHANGE prize-bred Norwich, Borders, and Mules for exhibition British or Foreign; mutual approval: Wilson, Wybrow-terrace, Workington. (280)

EXCHANGE two pairs high-class Yorkshires, fed, Hawes Bros., for Rollers, or sell £1: Williams, 146, Windmill-lane, Smethwick, Birmingham. (279)
SELL splendid pair Yorkshires, 15/-; cock Linnet, full song, 3/-; exchange cock Mules or Rollers: Ben Davies, Cwmydwr, Briton Ferry, Glam. (273)
EXCHANGE three good Border hens for Goldfinch, Siskin, or pair Budgerigars; approval: Wm. Davison, Cyril-st., Number One, Consett, Durham. (277)
WHAT offers? Winning Borders for pair high-class Yorkshire stock birds, Dyke's; or sell 15/-, approval: Biggs, 26, Birchant-st., West Stanley, Durham. (253)
THREE 1912 Yorkshire cocks, on full song, 7/6 each; large buff hen, 4/6, sell 25/-, or useful ex: change: Peck, Ashmans-gardens, Beccles, Suffolk. (275)
A GOOD pair of Norwich, hen 1911, cock 1912, sell 10/6; another pair, 1912, 8/-, or exchange anything: J. Shepherd, 46, High-st., Old Fletton, Peterborough. (275)
PAIR clear unflighted Norwich; exchange for a good Siberian cock Goldfinch or two house-moulted British: Pringle, 66, Buchanan-st., Stockton-on-Tees. (285)
EXCHANGE, Yorkshire Canaries, outdoor bred, for good exhibition field-moulted British cock Goldfinch or Bullfinch: Miller, 95, High-st., Scunthorpe. (270)
SALE, 2 pairs Yorkshires, 1 hen; £1 the five, or exchange gent.'s clothing; 2 pairs skates, Whittlesea runners, 7/6; offers: 41, Storer-st., Nottingham. (273)
CANARIES; one cock, four hens, two Linnets, one Mule, all cocks, 10/6 lot; exchange anything, Rollers preferred; yours first: Stott, 50, Lancaster-avenue, Liscard. (279)
FOR sale or exchange poultry, 3 Yorks, 3 Norwich, hens, 2/6 each; grand green Crest cock, 1st, special, 30/-: Tomes, Chichester-rd. Bakery, Bitterne, Southampton. (276)
EXCHANGE grand lot Yorkshires, cocks and hens, gramophone with records, etc., preferred; no rubbish; also wanted Grey Parrot; exchange: 25, Portway, Frome. (273)
EXCHANGE Border Fancy hen, with show cage and case, for yellow Norwich hen, good head and neck, mutual approval: Cave, 106, John-st., Larkhall, Lanarkshire. (271)
WHAT offers in Canaries, Foreign, or British birds for suit length good tweed, or sell 35/-, or lady's dress length or sell 12/6: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (270)
GENUINE exchange, 6 stock pairs Yorkshires, related to winners; 6 show cages and case, for gramophone and records (no dealers); approval: 159, John-st., Workington. (273)
FOR sale, 4 Yorkshire cocks, 5/6 each; 3 hens, 3/6 each; 4 Norwich cocks, 5/6 each; 1 cock Goldfinch, 4/-; 1 cock Greenfinch, 2/-; h.m.: Norwood, 9, Holderness Place, Leeds. (272)
THREE Green Roller-Border cocks, 10/6 each; five hens, 4/- each; £2 10/- lot; wanted, disc records, Amberol attachment for standard; offers: Houghton, Florist, Morecambe. (274)
HOUSE moulted English cock Goldfinch, 5/-; two H.M. cock Linnets, 5/-; Crest-bred cock, Border hen, 8/6; exchange Yorkshires: Russell, 29, St. Stephens-avenue, Shepherd's Bush. (277)
CANARIES, few good songsters, Rollers and Yorkshires, also hens, cages, etc., cheap, or exchange drapery, grandfather clock, or anything useful: 46, Platt-st., Moss Side, Manchester. (273)
ONE good Buff Norwich cock and hen, one Yellow Yorkshire hen; sell 10/6 or exchange for good yellow Yorkshire cock or good Siberian Goldfinch cock: John Francis, Bethesda-st., Amlwch. (285)
FIFTEEN Yorkshires and Norwich Canaries, splendid condition; 5 double breeders, 4 Yorkshire show cages, and accessories; price 60/-, or offers; useful exchange: Allen, 22, Abyssinia-rd., Battersea. (271)
EXCHANGE, good 1911 green Crestbred hen, or green Crested, for a clear Crested hen or good yellow non-fed Norwich hen; approval: J. Armstrong, 3, Park View, Oakenshaw, Willington, Durham. (258)
BUFF Border cock, two buff variegated Norwich hens; offers Borders or Roller cocks also two H.M. 1912 cock Bullfinches; offers 1912 cock Skylarks or offers: Neil McArthur, Victoria-buildings, Callander, Perthshire. (278)
WILL exchange pair Crests, 4 Norwich Plainheads, 3 hens, 1 cock (Roberts' noted strain), for class Yorkshires, 4 cocks (2 buff 2 yellows), and 6 hens (3 buff, 3 yellows); letters only: G. Anderson, 113, Whit-lane, Pendleton, Manchester. (272)
WILL exchange Yorkshire cock yellow, C.F., winner of second prize Crystal Palace 1912, Class 87, and two equally good hens, buffs, value £8, for new English lever, bike, or offers: G. Stocks, F.R.H.S., 44, Bentley-rd., Doncaster. (249)
TICKED yellow Yorkshire cock, unflighted buff hen, both winners club shows, 17/6 deposit; quarter Belgian yellow hen, long, well up, straight, exchange good Cinnamon ticked yellow hen, approval: J. Paterson, Prescot-st., Darlington. (277)
FEW splendid Crests; large heavy Crest cock, large broad skull Crestbred hen, £3 10/-; variegated Crestbred cock, heavy dark Crest hen, perfect crest, £3 10/-; several to dispose of through removal; approval, deposit; exchange overcoats, anything useful: Walsh, 15, Union-st., Glossop. (277)
FULL song, outdoor bred; 5 Norwich, 2 Yorkshire cocks, 6/-; 10 Norwich, 3 Yorkshire hens, 2/6; 2 hen Mules, 1/- each; £3 5s. lot; large Palace aviary, 10/-; part exchange Toy Pom. bitch, yellow Norwich hens, poultry: Carnew, 40, Thornleigh-rd., Horfield, Bristol. (278)
WANTED, two-quart copper tea urn, silver teapot, eiderdown, or anything useful for house, in exchange for high-class Norwich Plainheads, single or properly matched pairs; same as my winners; no rubbish wanted, none offered; mutual approval; stamp reply: J. H. Hickling, Fletcher-st., Heanor, Notts. (248)

Mainly Foreign.

EXCHANGE Green Amazon Parrot and cage for common pigeons; or offers. Wood, 19, Hope-st., Hanley, Staffs. (276)
ROSE Cockatoo, in square cage, 15/-; exchange two 1912 Yorkshire cocks, in song: Elderkin, No. 6, Coneygree-rd., Stanground, Peterboro'. (272)
PARROT and cage; guaranteed talker and whistler; 30/- cash; exchange red Dashhound dog, singing Canaries: Lanham, 42, Walcot, Bath. (285)
ROSE-BREASTED Cockatoo, with cage, acclimatised; exchange for Canaries; offers: J. Beady, 33, New-st., Sedgley, nr. Dudley, Worcester. (279)
INDIAN Rock Parrot and cage, brought home from India by soldier, grand plumage, exchange small birds: Kemley, Postman, Edzell, N.B. (274)
PARROT, Grey and Red, two years, round cage, 25/-; round cage; exchange gramophone: Metcalf, Eglantine Villa, Withersfield-rd., Haverhill, Suffolk.

Miscellaneous.

ANYTHING alive bought or supplied: Pearson, Royal Menageric, Greenwich.
FOUR goats, sell cheap, or exchange live stock: Pearson, Royal Menageric, Greenwich.
NEW four-pointed butt billiard cue, pair Norwich: Swain, 321, Upper-st., Islington, London. (273)
SELL or exchange live Toy Pomeranian dogs; particulars: Duncan, 153, High-st., Dunbar, N.B. (283)
I BUY, supply, or exchange all varieties of birds, etc.: Cecil, 190, Shaftesbury-avenue, London. (281)
EXCHANGE gent's 9ct. gold ring, for common pigeons: 2, Bramley-st., Elder-rd., Bramley, near Leeds. (276)
WILL exchange nearly new gramophone records for Yorkshire Canaries: Alderman Geddington, Kettering. (279)
TWO large outside lamps, cost £9, as new; offers Crests, Norwich, or African Grey: Young, Secretary, Frome. (277)
TWO pairs men's Blucher clogs, new, size 8's and 9's, 3/6 pair, exchange: Howland, Bootmaker, Ockendon, Essex. (278)
SIXTY coloured plates, fowls and cage birds, 5/-; exchange two crossbred hens: S. Halls, 52, Primrose-hill, Chelmsford. (274)
EXCHANGE, for change of Fancy, small stock of Blue Balds for Canaries, or offers: Norman, Gloster-road, Barnstaple. (271)
EXCHANGE Edison Standard phonograph, for good bird organ: Lowes, 8, Rosamond-st. East, C.-M., Manchester. (278)
ASH keys, 2/6 a thousand; exchange British or Foreign birds, or anything useful: Hry Proctor, Harmston, Lincoln. (271)
WILL exchange Fox Terrier pup for young Roller cock Canary; good singer; yours first: R. Morgan, Winsford, Cheshire. (275)
THREE pair homing pigeons, exchange fowls, or anything useful (per pair): B. Smith, 73, Vicarage-rd., West Bromwich. (280)
GRAND pedigree pug bitch, 3 years, sell £2, or useful exchange: Willie Lodge, Brick-row, Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (274)
OFFERS wanted in birds for six Norwich show cages and travelling case, new condition: Whitley, Edge-st., Manchester. (272)
PEDIGREE fawn whippet bitch, exchange for double breech loading gun or offers, sell 25/-: Wilkins, Postman, Chesham, Bucks. (281)
SMALL Eureka gas oven, good condition, accept 20/-, or useful exchange: J. Bean, 56, Pasture-lane, Chapel-Allerton, Leeds. (265)
GRAND Ancona cockerel, April hatched, bargain, 7/6; worth double; exchange British to value: Rowson, Swerford, Oxford. (279)
EXCHANGE, carpenter's tools for 2 hen Chaffinches, house-moulted, birds first: W. Southgate, Hardy-rd., Parkstone, Dorset. (268)
BEAUTIFUL hornless gramophone, sell 25/-; or exchange for Foreign birds to value: Miss Gregory, The View, Eyam-by-Sheffield. (226)
PAIR lady's steel skates, pair gent's wooden, for good singing cock Canary, or two buff hens: Shadrach Griffiths, Llandilo. (276)
AIREDALE Collie bitch, 18 weeks old, 4/-, or exchange Yorkshire hen, or offers: Garratt, 60, Roxborough-road, Harrow. (279)
PEDIGREE Irish terrier dog, good ratter and house dog, exchange birds, sell, 30/-: Wilkins, 2, London-rd., Gt. Missenden, Bucks. (281)
HAND-REARED cock Blackbird, 4/-; pedigree smooth fox terriers, 10 weeks, dog 12/6, bitch 7/6: 38, Hill-st., Wellingboro'. (279)
VIOLIN, bow, case, music, fine instrument, 35/-; also 5/- tutor, exchange Canaries, Parrakeets; offers: 65, Ewart-rd., Nottingham. (273)
PATHE phonograph, 40 records, flower horn, 25/-, cost 55/-; or exchange: Leonard Mann, 84, Penton-place, Kennington, London. (274)
WANTED Norwich Siberians or Siskins; exchange two hen Mules and exhibition British; approval: Will Morgan, Moira-place, Cardiff. (276)
PAIR prize-bred Yorkshires, 15/-; pair walnut floral framed paintings, 7/6; separate offers: Sheppard, 52, Hunslet-lane, Leeds. (280)
OFFERS in Norwich hens, for blow lamp, with pump, value 15/-; approval both ways: Broughton, 14, Heath-rd., Clapham, S.W. (272)
EXCHANGE large single breeder and brass hanging cage, for good Yorkshire hen, unflighted: Pigott, 157, Colwyn-rd., Northampton. (277)
WHAT offers in birds, gent's silver watch, ditto lady's, gent's keyless lever, pair field glasses: B. Mills, 20, Carlton Hill, Brighton. (273)
COOKE, 117, Antill-rd., Bow, London, has ladies' and gents' umbrellas; all samples; splendid presents for Christmas; from 10/6 to 21/-; for sale or exchange to value; approval. (286)
EXCHANGE Oboe by Metzler, good condition, very little used, cost £4, for cock Roller, no rubbish: Frearson, Oxford-st., Morecambe. (273)
ACETYLINE motor or carriage lamp, perfect condition, as new, sell 10/-; bargain; exchange British: Higgins, Riverside, Writtle, Essex. (271)
RIFLE, 320-bore central fire, few cartridges, good killer, exchange gramophone and records; yours first: Swain, 6, Wenlock-st., Luton. (273)
FOR sale, good clarionet and case, 30/-; exchange good pair Yorkshires; approval both ways: A. Sanders, Hallow, Bugle, Cornwall. (280)
TWO prize-bred Black Fantail hens, one white cock, sell cheap; exchange anything; short fliers, 7/6 pair: Ellerington, Tindall-lane, Beverley. (275)
EXCHANGE six ivorine-handled knives and hollow-ground razor for one cock or three hen Canaries: Joseph Royles, 262, Beet-st., Sheffield. (283)
LADY'S keyless silver watch, rolled gold chain, new; exchange Canaries, Bullies, Goldfinches: Tompkins, 111a, High-rd., Willesden Green. (283)
EXCHANGE two theatrical travelling hampers; also case to hold six cages for Canaries or gun: Broadbent, 21, Carlton-rd., Dewsbury. (281)
WANTED 1912 Buff Crested hen, plenty feather; exchange three-quarter violin, complete, sell 30/-: W. Bale, 55, Newport-rd., Barnstaple. (284)
EDISON Bell phonograph, 13 records, good condition, gent's overcoat, two pair leggings, exchange Canaries: Russon, 2, Bush-st., Burnley. (273)
CYCIL Zonophone, also three 10in. records, sell £1; exchange Rollers (Hartz preferred) to value 25/-: Walter, 1, Henrietta-st., Bulwell, Notts. (276)
MARBLE clock, good order, eight-day strikes, sell 35/-; or exchange for Canaries: Chaplin, 6, Gainsborough-square, Wick-rd., South Hackney. (275)
EXCHANGE, mahogany counter desk, value £1, for good Roller; carriage paid by either party: Mackie, Bankhead, Harthill, Lanarkshire. (267)
EXCHANGE pair coachman's top boots and trees, size 9, for British hardbills; must have size to moult for show: Castle, Westonrhyn, nr. Oswestry. (278)
WHAT offer in Canaries for rough wire-haired fox terrier bitch, four months old, good pedigree; approval: Watts, Grocer, Albert-st., Merthyr, (281)
GOOD wire-haired fox terrier dog for a good pair of Norwich or winning Goldfinch, must be good one: John Brindle, 45, Netherfield-rd., Liverpool. (272)
EXCHANGE mahogany Crystal Palace drawing-room aviary, for good air-gun, or Canaries or Mules: W. Broad, 17, West Way, Caterham, Surrey. (277)
EXCHANGE child's folding car, nearly new, for anything useful; Black Retriever or Pom. dog preferred: Greenwood, Headlands, Knottingley. (278)
EXCHANGE Edison Standard Phonograph, cost £5, 87 records, brass horn, for good Norwich or muling pairs: Fleet, 16, King's-rd., Upton Park. (279)
I WILL buy for cash any kind of live stock or exchange for bird cages ready made or to order: T. Tresise, 35, Winchester-st., Bethnal Green. (281)
WILL exchange pair real Ayrshire blankets, 7 lbs. weight, value £1, for four singing cock Canaries, or offers: T. McGougan, 30, Duke-st., Kilmarnock. (246)
WHAT Canaries offered for Bradbury sewing machine, good working order; zither harp, nearly new, stamp: Sydney, 82, Brougham-rd., Hackney. (281)
EXCHANGE for Canaries or British, good gramophone and 9 disc records, or sell 30/-: John Bailes, South View, Colliery Row, Fence Houses, Durham. (272)
GLAZIER'S diamond, nearly new, cost 30/-, will exchange for Canaries, Rollers preferred; approval both ways: Varney, Moore Green, West Cowes, I.W. (278)
EXCHANGE pair of pet Bantams and 2 common hens, for big Norwich cock, must be good: W. Chambers, 64, Green-lane, Whitwick, near Leicester. (272)
BEAUTIFUL drawing-room cage, patent feeders, new, cost 10/6; with Roller Canary, full song, sell 12/6; approval: Wilkinson, 17, Leonards-place, Bingley. (274)
SHARPSHOOTER Rifle (range 500), 30/-; exchange breechloader, or young cock Yorkshire Canaries, mutual approval: Pullin, Old Town, Wotton-under-Edge. (272)
WHAT offers Canaries for 5 volumes "Picturesque Europe," as new, cost 5 guineas; also rich toned violoncello, value 4 guineas: H. Smith, Portland-rd., Hove. (273)
NEW Goat harness, 8/6; watch, 7/6; quantity strong cob harness, 15/-; Gladstone bag, 7/6; exchange Canaries: Royder, 37, Herbert-st., Kentish Town. (279)
A CLEMAK safety razor, with patent stropper, and 6 blades; 5/- the lot, or exchange anything useful: F. G. Mansfield, 111, Grange-st., Burton-on-Trent. (270)
THREE large Flemish Giants (one buck, two does), Dutch doe, 3/- each; Belgian hare buck, 5/-; exchange buff pullets: Day, 34, Paynter-st., Fenton, Staffs. (277)
ROUGH-haired Airedale terrier 5 months, good house dog; £2; exchange for birds; approval both ways: J. W. Roe, 13, Pastures, Eldon, via Bishop Auckland. (285)
GRAND Fox Terrier dog, grand house dog, good ratter, a pal; exchange for Canaries or anything useful: Jones, Bodiorwerth, Grunfield, Rhosddu, Wrexham. (276)
EXCHANGE, black retriever bitch, for sale, 7/6; or exchange for two pairs of Goldfinches: Harry Johnson, near British School, Gt. Shelford, near Cambridge. (260)
SILVER cigarette case, value 12/6; unused, exchange unflighted Yorkshire hens, one yellow, one buff; mutual approval: Flemming, 30, Lower St. Stephen's St., Wigan. (271)
EXCHANGE six ivorine-handled knives and six nickel forks, also six teaspoons, for two cocks or five hen Canaries: Herbert Marsden, 175, St. Philips-rd., Sheffield. (283)
FIVE White Wyandotte cockerels, prize-bred, three Linnet Mules, cocks; exchange Hawfinches, Goldfinches, Canaries; offers: A. Robinson, 9, Peckenham-rd., Redditch. (274)
TWO cases, 13 inches by 13, one bird's, one squirrel's; pair field glasses and case, Meerscham pipe, exchange Canaries: Bing, Bootmaker, St. Peter's, Kent. (280)
EXCHANGE Edison Gem phonograph, 60 records, large brass horn, small horn, and stand, for Yorkshire or Norwich, nearly new: Harris, 51, Diamond-st., Stockport. (275)
EXCHANGE for Canaries or sell gentleman's blue serge suit, new, medium size, cost £4; approval; birds first or deposit: T. Edwards, Worlingham, Beccles, Suffolk. (276)
TWO Norwich show cages and case, new condition, 5s.; also good typical Yorkshires and Norwich; cheap; approval willingly.—Gibson, Vernon-av., Nottingham. (277)
EXCHANGE beautiful set of meat carvers, silver mounted, knife, fork and steel, approval, for two singing cock Canaries: Mr. Jones, 77, Sturge-st., Heeley, Sheffield. (276)
PEN Old English Spangle Bantams, two hens, one cock, sell 12/-; also violin, bow and case, nearly new, 25/-; offers invited: Weedall, 281, High-st., Winsford Cheshire. (284)
HANDSOME Grey and Red Parrot, 15/-; make intelligent talker; Hartz Mountain Roller cock, splendid songster, 10/6; exchange entertained: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (284)
WHAT offers in good Norwich Canaries, 1912 birds, for Edison Gem phonograph, large brass horn, 28 records and stand, worth £2 10/-: 35, Brownlow-st., Clitheroe, Lancashire. (264)
BULLDOG, age two years, tremendous skull, quiet in streets, faithful companion, 3 gns.; accept Canaries, Parrots, anything in exchange: Copp, Wardrobe Stores, Dartford. (284)
EXCHANGE, good Norwich cock, Border cock and hen, breeding cage and hop cage, for three Silver Campine or Light Sussex pullets: Aird, Tinto View, Kirkmuirhill, Scotland. (267)
EXCHANGE pair racing pigeons, parents flown Rennes, 1st Melbourne Homing Society, for pair Yorkshire cock Canaries, pure: Taylor, North-st., Melbourne, Derbyshire. (273)
VIOLIN, bow, case, 30/6; mahogany three-compartment Crystal Palace aviary, 15/-; 4 fishing rods, basket, bag, tackle, 15/-; exchange, offers: Robinson, Rushden-hill, Rushden. (281)
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RADCLIFFE C.B.S.

First annual show held in the Conservative Club Hall, which is an admirable room, free from draughts, and capable of staging a great number of birds. These were arranged running the length of the hall, and good passages were allowed between, which allowed everyone to see the exhibits to advantage. Mr. Lomas, St. Helens, judged, and gave satisfaction to all. The judge praised the general arrangements, and said he hoped we should keep on, and in time have an open show.
YELL. YORKS. CK.: 1, Ainsworth; 2, Pickup; 3, Spiby. BUFF: 1, Fraser; 2, 3, Lord. HEN: 1, Pickup; 2, Spiby; 3, Fraser. UNFLIG.: 1, Fraser; 2, Spiby; 3, Brennan. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Pickup; 2, Brennan; 3, Pilling. BUFF: 1, 3, Pilling; 2, Brennan. HEN: 1, Pennington; 2, Pickup; 3, Grimshaw. Class 8: 1, Pickup; 2, Pilling; 3, Pennington. NAT. COL.: 1, Ainsworth; 2, 3, Holt. ROLLERS: 1, Morris; 2, Spiby; 3, Grimshaw. Class 11: 1, Morris; 2, Grimshaw; 3, Britton. Class 12: 1, 2, Britton; 3, Kay. Class 13: 1, 2, 3, Morris. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, Jeffries; 2, 3, Lord. MULE OF HYB.: 1, Fraser; 2, Jeffries; 3, Ralton. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Jeffries; 2, Lord.

BRADFORD EAST O.S.

Fifth members' show of the season held at Park Chapel Schools, Nov. 26, and resulted in a capital entry of 140 birds facing Messrs. H. Sutcliffe (Windhill) and H. H. Towers (Keighley). The following members won most points in their respective sections: Messrs. F. Allen, W. Stables, J. Farrar, H. Hill, S. Midgley, S. Binns, Taylor Bros., Morrell and Harper, and G. R. Rushworth. CHAMPION CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS (7): 1, 3, Hill; 2, Walker; 4, Wilkinson Bros.; vhc, Riley Bros.; hc, Stables; c, White. BUFF (10): 1, Farrar; 2, 4, White; 3, c, Hill; vhc, Laycock; hc, Allen. UNEVEN (7): 1, 4, Farrar; 2, Stables; 3, Allen; vhc, Riley Bros.; hc, White; c, Hill. UNFLIG. YELL. (4): 1, Walker; 2, Allen; 3, Stables; 4, Farrar. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Stables; 3, Hill; 4, Allen; vhc, Farrar. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (9): 1, 3, Stables; 2, Allen; 4, White; vhc, c, Hill; hc, Laycock. BUFF (10): 1, 2, 3, hc, Allen; 4, vhc, Stables. HEN (9); 1, Wilkinson Bros.; 2, c, Allen; 3, Farrar; 4, vhc, Laycock; hc, White. NOVICE CL. OR TKD. YELL. (10): 1, 4, Midgley; 2, Hargreaves; 3, Myers and Lightowler; vhc, Binns; hc, Rhodes; c, Sutcliffe. BUFF (6): 1, Wroe; 2, Rhodes; 3, Hardaker; 4, Hargreaves; vhc, Myers and Lightowler; hc, Woad. UNEVEN (6): 1, 2, 3, Binns; 4, hc, Woad; vhc, Taylor Bros. UNFLIGH. YELL. (5): 1, Binns; 2, Woad; 3, Midgley; 4, Hardaker; vhc Taylor Bros. BUFF (7): 1 Midgley; 2, Binns; 3, Hardaker; 4, Taylor Bros.; vhc, hc, Woad; c, Wroe. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (8): 1, 4, Taylor Bros.; 2, Binns; 3, Wroe; vhc, Midgley; hc, Myers and Lightowler; c, Hardaker. BUFF (12): 1, Rhodes; 2, Midgley; 3, Taylor Bros.; 4, vhc, Gregson; hc, Hardaker; c, Binns. UNEVEN (4): 1, 2, Binns; 3, Hardaker; 4, Woad. EXTRA NOVICE A.V. CK. (5): 1, 3, 4, Morrell and Harper; 2, vhc, Newbould. HEN (4): 1, 2, Newbould; 3, 4, Morrell and Harper.—H. Hill, sec.

BIRKENHEAD C.F.A.

Tenth annual show, held Nov. 30, at the Co-operative Hall, a large and spacious building heated with pipes, which made it nice and comfortable for both birds and visitors, although outside it was both freezing and snowing. Entries came up well with 225 birds, all being very nicely staged. Yorkies were a nice lot. Norwich were the strongest ever seen in Birkenhead, the competition being very keen. Some grand Yorkshire Greens were staged, although the numbers were not up to the usual, Mr. Cooper in two or three classes beating the champions. This being his first show, we congratulate him on his success. Hybrid and British were good, Mr. Darlington winning with a grand fed Siskin and Canary Mule, and a topping good Goldfinch. The stewards, Messrs. Jones, Rixon, Lewis and Bird, had everything in nice order for the judge, who was able to start on arrival and get through his work without a single hitch. Messrs. Darlington, Edwards, Young, Hughes, Stott, Burns, Jones, Lloyd, and Morton carried off the champion special prizes, and Messrs. Adams and Cooper the novices'. The gate was a record one; at times it was impossible to pass along the stalls, nearly 600 people paying for admission. Mr. Cowgill (Bradford) judged, and his awards gave satisfaction to everyone.
YORKS CL. YELL. (9): 1, Stott; 2, Millar; 3, Harding; vhc, Darlington; hc, Morton; c, Edwards. BUFF: 1, Morton; 2, Stott; 3, Radcliffe; vhc, Edwards; hc, Harding. TKD. YELL.: 1, Jones; 2, Morton; 3, Harding; vhc, Millar. BUFF: 1, Radcliffe; 2, 3, Darlington. YELL. HENS (9): 1, Edwards; 2, Morton; 3, Jones; vhc, Jones; hc, Caine; c, Jones. BUFF (8). 1, Edwards; 2, Cooper; 3, Stott; vhc, Morton; hc, Radcliffe; c, Young. YELL. BRED 1912 (18): 1, Stott, grand bird, real champion; 2, Morton; 3, Edwards; vhc, Jones; hc, Caine; c, Radcliffe. BUFF (11): 1, Morton; 2, 3, Jones; vhc, Edwards; hc, Caine; c, Lloyd. CINN. TKD.: 1, Lloyd; 2, Greatrex; 3, Morton. HVY. VAR. CK.: 1 Shaw 2, Darlington; 3, Shaw; vhc, Radcliffe; hc, Cooper. HEN: 1, Millar; 2, Caine; 3, Cooper. NON-FED YELL. CK.: 1, Jones; 2, McElroy. BUFF: 1, 2, Darlington; 3, Caine. HEN (6): 1, Jones; 2, Adams; 3, Darlington; vhc, Bird; hc, Radcliffe; c, Bird. GRN. SELF YELL.: 1, Edwards; 2, Greatrex. BUFF: 1, 2, Young; 3, Bird; vhc, Edwards; hc Harding. FOUL YEL. CK.: 1, Cooper; 2, Hughes; 3, McElroy. BUFF: 1, Hughes; 2, Darlington; 3, McElroy. GRN. HEN YELL.: 1, Young; 2, Stott; 3, Edwards; vhc, Bird. BUFF: 1, Young; 2, Hughes; 3, Edwards. GRN. YELL. 1912: 1, Cooper; 2, Edwards; 3, Lloyd; vhc, Hughes; hc, Stott. BUFF (7): 1, Cooper; 2, Young; 3 Edwards; vhc, hc, c, Shaw. NOR. CL. ETC. YELL. (6): 1, Howlett; 2, Burns; 3, vhc, hc, Stott; c, Mealor. BUFF (8): 1, 3, Stott; 2, hc, Mealor; vhc, Caine; c, Howlett. YELL. HEN (5): 1 vhc, Burns; 2, Mealor; 3, Stott; hc, Rixon. BUFF (6): 1, vhc, Rixon; 2, hc, Burns; 3, c, Stott. YELL. 1912 BRED (5): 1, Burns; 2, Stott; 3, vhc, Howlett; hc, Lloyd. BUFF (7): 1, Caine; 2, hc, Lloyd; 3, Stott; vhc, Burns; c, Howlett. NAT. COL. (16): 1, 2, Lloyd; 3, vhc, hc, c, Rixon. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, Young; vhc, McElroy. YELL. HEN: 1, Edwards; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Young. BUFF: 1, vhc, Young; 2, Edwards; 3, McElroy. CRESTS OR C.B.: 1, 3, Darlington; 2, vhc, Shaw. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Stott; 2, Lloyd; 3, Radcliffe. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Darlington; 2, Morton. GOLDFINCH: 1, Darlington; 2, Burns; 3, Edwards; vhc, Morton. BULLFINCH: 1, Edwards; 2, Gayland. LINNET: 1, Edwards; 2, Stott; 3, vhc, Greatrex; c, Jones. BRAMBLE: 1, Young; 2, Edwards; 3, Darlington. SISKIN OR REDPOLL: 1, N. Jones; 2, Darlington. A.O.S. BRIT.: 1, Darlington; 2, vhc, Lloyd; 3, Gayland. NOV. YORKS YELL.: 1, 2, Adams; 3, vhc, Cooper; hc, Jones. BUFF: 1, Adams; 2, Cooper.—G. Morton, Sec.

CUMNOCK & DISTRICT.

This rising young society brought off its third annual exhibition on November 30th, in the Town Hall, Auchinleck. Over 230 birds were exhibited, which is very satisfactory and creates a new record for the district. Some very good specimens were on view. Mr. John Rainey gained special for best bird in the show with a really high-class Scotch Fancy, and cup for most points over the show went to Mr. Thos. Findlay, a popular win. Mr. Harry Kinnear is a hard working president, and received valuable assistance from Vice-presidents Findlay and Tannock. Secretary Mr. Wyper is a capable official, and the success of the show was due, to a great extent, to his good efforts. The committee all worked in harmony, and also deserve a word of praise for the time and trouble they so ungrudgingly gave. Mr. Wm. Kirkhope judged the Border classes, and Mr. Jas. F. Dewar, the remainder, and their awards were favourably received.

The Critique.

SCOTCH (6): 1, 2, 3, 2 sps., Rainey, 3 good ones, rare length of side, large, prominent shoulders, long reach, decided drive, 2nd, similar build, but not quite so well under, 3rd, nice size, good depth, fine action; 4, 5, 6, Kinnear. HEN (4): 1, sp., 2, Rainey, 1st, Buff piebald, prominent shoulders, decided drive, great length of sides and thickness through, well set legs, 2nd, piebald, nice shoulders, good length, long neck; 3, Kinnear, piebald, grand size, square shoulders, decided drive; 4, no name. BRED, 1912 (7): 1, 2, 4, 6, sp., Rainey, a really class team, 1st, a clear buff, large, prominent shoulders, well filled, decided drive, great length of sides and thickness through, 2nd, splendid type, graceful action, grand back and wing car.; 3, 5, Kinnear, 3rd, a little beauty, type and action, a treat, nice texture of feather. NOR. YELL. (4): 1, McSorland, cl. yell., large fine shape, grand front, rare wings and tail; 2, 4, Brown, 2nd, another cl., good head and neck, neat wings and tail, good col. and qual.; 3, Gibb, grizzle cap, nice shape, good col. and qual. HEN (5): 1, 3, 4, Brown, leaders, cl. yell., models for shape, good front, grand head and neck, 3rd, nice shape, good head, nice qual.; 2, McDougall, another cl. yell., grand shape, full head and neck, nicely carried wings; 5, McSorland. BUFF VAR. CK. (6): 1, 3, Brown, 1st, tkd. head and wing buff, beautiful shape, rare full chest, grand wings and tail, full head and neck, 3, cl. buff, nice shape, neat head and neck, grand qual.; 2, 4, McDougall, 2nd, cl. buff, nice shape, neat head and neck, good wings and tail; 5, McSorland; 6, Nutt. HEN (7): 1, Tannock, cl. buff, neat head and neck, fine shape, a good hen; 2, Nutt, cl., grand hen for shape, col. and qual.; 3, 4, McDougall, 3rd, eye tkd., neat head and neck, grand wings and tail; 5, McSorland; 6, 7, Brown. NAT. COL. (8): 1, Tannock, cl. buff, rare size, rich col., fine front, neat head and neck; 2, Gibb, variegated buff, grand shape, rich col. and qual., good head and neck, finely staged; 3, McDougall, lovely buff, rare size and suhs., neat head and neck; 4, Nutt; 5, McSorland; 6, Kinnear. BORD., CL., YELL. (8): 1, sp., 2, 7, Mossie, former a little beauty of the finest qual., lovely col., of the true depth throughout, rare head, good neck and well rounded back, 2nd, grand top, fine shoulders, nice texture of feather, beautiful head; 3, Findlay, grand shape, good sound col., fine texture of feather, beautiful head; 4, Mair; 5, Montgomery; 6, Miller. HEN (6): 1, 2, Mossie, a pair of beauties, grand shaped heads, turned out to perfection; 3, 4, Findlay, little beauty, type and action a treat; 5, Miller; 6, Montgomery. CL. BUFF CK. (5): 1, Findlay, rare type, splendid car., true model from head to tail, taking style; 2, 3, 5, Mossie, with a grand team, following close up; 4, Montgomery. HEN (7): 1, 3, Mossie, 1st, a little beauty, turned out like a queen, ideal size, true to type, 3rd, another hot one for con., type, col. and qual.; 2, Montgomery, another sweet one, lovely neck, back and front, well cleaned; 4, 5, Findlay; 6, Millar; 7, Mair. VAR. CK. (9): 1, 2, 6, Millar, 1st, yell., grand head, splendid neck and back, well filled, nice col. and qual., 2nd, splendid shape, beautiful col. and qual.; 3, 4, 5, 7, Findlay, 3rd, varieg., grand shaped head, fine size, beautiful back and wing car. HEN (3): 1, Findlay, eye mkd. yell., ideal shape, qual. and con., well staged; 2, 3, Millar, yell. and buff, respectively, rare style and type, nice qual. and con., 3rd, good quality for con., fine head and neck. EVEN MKD. (8): 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, Findlay, 1st buff, a grand one, ideal shape, rare eye and wing marks, in splendid con., 2nd, another buff, a gem, equally as good in eye marks, lovely wings, of nice weight, grand head, 3rd, also a buff, grand markings and well balanced; 5, Mossie; 7, Smart. UNEVEN HEN (10): 1, 2, Mossie, two of his well-known invincibles, standing well away from the others; 3, 5, 7, Millar, 3rd, nice type, grand markings, good col.; 4, 6, Findlay. GREEN (4): 1, 2, 4, Findlay, 1st, beautiful yell., true to type, grand head, nice back, pencilling a treat, lovely finish, 2nd, another good one, splendidly pencilled back, nice tone of col.; 3, Montgomery, nice col. and pencilling, good type and con. CINN. (9): 1, Millar, lovely col., splendid type, good back and wing car., rare col., qual. and condition; 2, 3, 6, Findlay, 2nd, grand shaped head, nice size and type, good col. and markings, 3rd, full length and nice tone of col.; 4, 5, 7, Montgomery. GREENFINCH (9): 1, 2, 4, McGavin, 1st, fine size, very steady, rich wing bars, good big head, well staged, 2nd smaller, but lovely col., a nice exhibit all over; 3, Dunlop, another really fine one, good type and nice tone of col.; 5, spl., McSorland; 6, Richmond; 7, Murray. GOLDFINCH (11): 1, Richmond, grand size, lovely bars and moons, lovely blaze; 2, McGavin, grand style, good body col., fails in blaze; 3, McSorland, good, but not up in col. yet; 4, Telfer; 5, Boyes; 6, Wyper; 7, Mitchell. GOLDFINCH, FOR. (3): 1, sp., McGavin, grand size, lovely con., good blaze, but fails in body col.; 2, Richmond, lovely bars and moons, nice blaze; 3, Mitchell, grand col. and markings, beaten in size. BULLFINCH, BRIT. (6): 1, Howie, grand size, lovely feathers, coloured to perfection, extra good in cap; 2, Mitchell, lovely type and breast col., nice wings and cap; 3, Black, grand size, lovely type, nice breast col.; 4, Dunlop; 5, Boyes; 6, McSorland. LINNET (10): 1, Murray, nice size, col. and markings, very steady; 2, Black, very nice markings and body col., worth its place; 3, Wyper, steady and well staged, a little faint in markings; 4, McGavin; 5, Tannock; 6, Richmond; 7, McSorland. SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, sp., Tannock, col. fed Siskin, grand size and markings, good cap and lacing; 2, 4, 6, McGavin, 2nd, fine lengthy Twite, dark col. and markings, fine tight con.; 3, Robertson. LESSER REDPOLL, broad chest and head, lovely con.; 5, Dunlop; 7, Howie. A.O.S. BRIT. (6): 1, Mitchell, Yellowhammer, grandly mkd., steady, and shown in lovely con.; 2, 4, Boyes, 2nd, a Lark, grand size, nice col., lovely markings, and very steady; 3, Richmond, Chaffinch, rare size, shape, col. and markings, shown well; 5, Smart; 6, Crawford. HEN (14): 1, 4, Wyper, Bullfinch, grand size, lovely head and bars, good breast col.; 2, 6, 7, McGavin; 2, Chaffinch, grand size, lovely col., extra steady and well staged; 3, Tannock, Bullfinch, grand body type, nice breast col., good wing bars, fails in head; 5, Howie. FIELD-MOULTED (8): 1, 4, Richmond, Linnet, medium size, nice col. and breast work, steady and well staged; 2, Wyper, Goldfinch, grand size, lovely type, good body col., fair head; 3, 5, Tannock, former a Twite, nice size, col. and markings, rather wild; 6, 7, Mitchell. MULES (7): 1, 2, Smart, 1st, buff, variegated Goldie, grand size, lovely colour, well staged, 2nd, dark buff Goldie, good size, nice flush face, equally well staged; 3, 4, McGavin, 3rd, a Greenie Mule of fair size, good tone of col., fails a little in head; 5, Whitelaw; 6, Mitchell; 7, Crawford. HYBRID (5): 1, sp., Mitchell, Goldie-Redpoll, showing cross distinctly, nice flush head and face, staged in lovely bloom; 2, 3, 4, McGavin, Redpoll-Greenie, grand size, very interesting cross off the Mealy 'Poll, should be better with another moult; 5, Whitelaw. BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLASS (10): 1, Wm. Black; 2, Catherine Roberts; 3, Robert Brown; 4, Andrew Smart, jun.; 5, Jemima McSorland; 6, John Murray; 7, David Whitelaw. GIFT (4): 1, Findlay; 2, McDougall; 3, Montgomery; 4, Millar.

PAIGNTON AND DISTRICT F.A.

Annual show, held Nov. 27, in Public Hall. The cage bird section, although small in number, was good in quality, several open show winners putting in an appearance. Norwich stood out well, and contained a noted winner in Mr. Fox's ticked hen, that had to stand down, being out of condition. Special for best in show was won by Mr. V. H. Veale with a variegated, unflig. yellow Norwich cock, excelling in colour, quality, and shape; the four other firsts in Norwich section fell to a smart quartette shown by Mr. J. N. Jeffery. Mr. J. R. Fox also secured several prizes, besides taking 1st in British section with a well-shown Greenfinch. Messrs. Roper, senr. and junr., also scored in this section, as well as in Yorks. Mr. E. Mugford took the special with a smart buff. Mr. J. B. Dyer judged.

DENTON AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Fourth annual show, held in the Co-operative Hall, Nov. 30th. Steady and substantial progress is the society's record, and it is because of its advance that it was found necessary to hold the show in a larger room than in previous years. Dr. Dalgeunn is the president of the society, and the secretary is Mr. Wilfred Hopwood. Entries this year were a record, numbering 224, being about 50 more than a year ago, and there is much healthy competition among the members. Mr. J. Raynes, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, judged, and his awards were very well received. In the absence of the president the show, which was visited by a large number of fanciers, and others, was formally opened by Mr. Blease. After regretting that the President could not be with them at the opening, he said he was very pleased to see the society flourishing, and it was now in a better position than it had ever been. So good and uniform was the standard of quality in the amateur section, that the judge had experienced some difficulty in arriving at his awards, but he was glad to know that all the exhibitors seemed satisfied. A vote of thanks to Mr. Blease for opening the show was cordially carried. A Yorkshire Canary and a cage were given, at a nominal price, to the visitor who got the ticket of a certain number. The bird was given by Mr. J. Holden, Gorton; and the cage by Mr. Thomas Holden, seed merchant, Denton. The winning number was 128.

The Awards.

LANCS. COPPY, YELL.: 1, 3, Ridyard; 2, 4, Stansfield. BUFF: 1, 3, Ridyard; 2, 4, N. Stansfield. LANCS. P.H., YELL.: 1, 2, Ridyard; 3, Stansfield; 4, Harrison. LIZARD, CL. OR YELL. BROKEN CAP: 1, 2, Stansfield; 3, Ridyard. SILVER: 1, 3, Stansfield; 2, Harrison; 4, Ridyard. GOLD HEN: 1, Ridyard; 2, 4, Stansfield; 3, Harrison. SILVER: 1, 2, Ridyard; 3, 4, Stansfield. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Blease and Son; 3, Harrison. BUFF: 1, 2, Blease and Son; 3, Hopwood Bros.; 4, Harrison. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Blease and Son; 2, Hopwood Bros. BUFF: 1, Harrison; 2, 4, Blease and Son; 3, vhc, Hopwood Bros. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Blease and Son; 3, Harrison; 4, Hopwood Bros., BUFF: 1, Blease and Son; 2, vhc, Hopwood Bros.; 3, 4, Harrison. YELL. HEN, 1912: 1, Hopwood Bros.; 2, 3, Blease and Son. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Hopwood Bros.; 4, Blease and Son. NAT. COL.: 1, 2, Harrison, 3, Hopwood Bros.; 4, Blease and Son. AMAT. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Summerton; 3, Hartley; 4, Taylor Bros.; vhc, Fairclough. BUFF CK.: 1, 3, Darnley; 2, Ainsworth Bros. YELL. HEN: 1, Ainsworth Bros.; 2, Darnley; 3, Taylor Bros.; 4, Summerton; vhc, Fairclough. BUFF: 1, Ainsworth Bros.; 2, Summerton; 3, vhc, Darnley; 4, Fairclough. YELL. COCK, 1912: 1, 2, Ainsworth Bros.; 3, Fairclough; 4, Holden. BUFF, 1912: 1, Ainsworth Bros.; 2, Summerton; 3, Fairclough; 4, Darnley; vhc, D. Hartley. YELL. HEN, 1912: 1, Holden; 2, Ainsworth Bros.; 3, Fairclough; 4, Darnley; vhc, Taylor Bros. BUFF: 1, Darnley; 2, Ainsworth Bros.; 3, Taylor Bros.; 4, vhc, Fairclough. NOV. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Howard; 2, 4, Edge; 3, Oates. YORKS.: 1, 2, Edge; 3, Howard; 4, Oates; vhc, Howard. YORKS., 1912: 1 2, Blease; 3, 4, Edge; vhc, Walker. BUFF, 1912: 1, 2, vhc, Howard; 3, 4, Blease. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, Midgley; 2, Holden; 3, Harrison. YELL. HEN: 1, Holden; 2, Midgley. BUFF: 1, 2, Harrison; 3, Midgley. YELL., 1912: 1, Holden; 2, Midgley. BUFF: 1, Midgley. BORD.: 1, Summerton. NOV. YELL. COCK: 1, Edge; 2, Hadfield. BUFF: 1, Crabtree; 2, Edge. YEL. HEN: 1, 3, Crabtree; 2, Edge. BUFF: 1, Hadfield; 2, Crabtree; 3, 4, Edge. YELL. CK., 1912: 1, 2, Hadfield. BUFF: 1, 2, Hadfield; 3, Crabtree. YELL. HEN, 1912: 1, 2, Crabtree. BUFF: 1, 2, Hadfield. GOLDFINCH, BULLFINCH: 1, vhc, Gavin and Broadhurst; 2, Crahtree; 3, Holden; 4, Crahtree. LINNET: 1, Crabtree; 2, 3, 4, Gavin and Broadhurst; vhc, T. Holden. SISKIN, ETC. 1, vhc, Gavin and Broadhurst; 2, Holden; 3, Crabtree; 4, Hartley. HARDBILL: 1, 3, 4, Gavin and Broadhurst; 2, T. Holden; vhc, Crahtree. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 3, Hadfield; 2, Harrison. Winners of special prizes: Best in champ. Yorks., Harrison; best in classes one to eight, Ridyard; unflig. yell. cock, Blease and Son; colour, Blease and Son; yellow hen, Hopwood Bros.; best in yell. amateurs, Holden.



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Singing Contests.

LEEDS.

Linnet contest held Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe Lane, November 30th. 14 birds were hung. 1st, P. Madden; 2nd and 3rd, Sellars. Judges, Lorlman and Clayton. Also December 1st. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, Sellars. Nine birds were hung. Next sing December 7th. First birds hung at 2.30. Also Canary sing, 1st December, 1912. 1st, P. Malone; 2nd, C. Ward; 3rd, Richardson. Judges, Summers and Clayton. Open sing for Canaries December 8th; 1st bird at 7.45.—C. W. Smith. Hon. Sec.

Contest for quality held Old Bird House, King's Head, Shannon street, November 30th, when 15 birds sang for three good prizes given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson. 1st, Stead; 2nd, Clark; 3rd, Johnson. Judges: S. Hardcastle, W. Naylor. Also December 1st, when 13 birds sang for three good prizes. 1st, Ward; 2nd, Grant; 3rd, Lacy. Judges, S. Hardcastle, W. Naylor. Open contest for Rollers held as above on December 1st, when 16 birds sang for three good prizes. 1st, Hardcastle; 2nd, Nicholson; 3rd, shared by Campling and Sminster. Judges, Madden, Richardson, Naylor. Open contest will be held on December 8th, when our host, Mr. Wm. Tillotson, will give three good prizes; first pair to be hung at 8.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Club Reports.

STRATFORD & E. LONDON F.A.

At the next meeting, Dec. 12th, at 8.30, the final arrangements will be made for the 25th annual show, Jan. 8th. Members who have not yet paid for young stock show tickets are requested to send cash or tickets on per return. New members elected: Messrs. C. A. Wayt, James N. Garrett, C. A. Ackhurst, A. Penker, and E. Walls.—W. Maxey, Hon. Sec.

WINDHILL C.B.S.

Members' judging competition, held Nov. 30th, at Blue Bell Hotel. Judge, M. Broadley. Most points as follow: P. Gunn, 13; J. Taylor, 9; P. Mason, 7; H. Drake, 6; J. W. Ellis, 2. Following are the awards for birds: COCKS, 1, Taylor; 2, Drake, 3, Mason; 4, Gunn, vhc, Ellis. HENS: 1, Taylor; 2, Drake; 3, Mason; 4, Gunn; vhc, Ellis. All members are requested to attend meeting, Dec. 7th, at headquarters. Important business.—J. Taylor, sec.

MARKINCH O.S.

Annual meeting held November 26, Mr. Archibald Mitchell (president) in the chair. The chairman asked the treasurer to give his financial statement for the year. This was duly read, and the committee considered the statement very satisfactory. After a short discussion it was agreed to hold the next show on first Saturday in November, 1913. The following office-bearers were appointed: John Thomson, president; Thomas Thomson, vice-president; John Lindsay, secretary, in place of Geo. Mitchell, who retires through pressure of business. Mr. John Davidson was re-elected treas., with the present members of committee. It was agreed to make the show of 1913 better than any of the past.—Geo. Mitchell.

MORPETH AND DISTRICT C.B.S

Monthly meeting held Nov. 23. Mr. H. Seely presided over a good attendance of members. Mr. J. Creighton, treas., presented the balance sheet, which showed the society to be in a flourishing condition, having a good sum standing to its credit in the bank. Fanciers of the district desirous of joining us should do so at once. Our next annual show will be held on October 11th, 1913. Other societies please note, so as to avoid clashing as far as possible. Decided that we engage three judges for next show, so as to be able to get the judging over in good time. The secretary was presented with a testimonial in recognition of his services to the society. —E. Cowling, Hon. Sec.

ARDWICK & MANCHESTER C.B.A.

Annual washing competition, held at Mr. Downing's house, Ardwick. A good muster of members and friends assembled. The chairman gave a special, in the shape of a beautiful flower pot, which was on view at the annual show. Eleven competitors took part, and Mr. Robinson was the judge. When the birds were washed, and partly dried, after light refreshments (provided by Mrs. Downing), we had a little harmony, and Mrs. Boothman played several selections on the piano. Several songs were sung by Messrs. Hunt, Fulcher, Long, Swannell, and Downing. After this Mr. Robinson was asked to judge the birds, as they all seemed quite dry, and he gave the following numbers, 1, 2, 3, as the cleanest and best-got-up. Mr. Spencer was declared the winner, with Mr. Buckley 2nd, and Mr. Vint 3rd. A vote of thanks was given to Mr. and Mrs. Downing for their kindness in allowing us the use of the room, and also for making us so comfortable. We had all enjoyed a very pleasant and social evening; may it not be the last one.—S. Greaves.

BATH F.A.

The members of the Bath F.A. spent a very pleasant evening on Nov. 21st at West's Dining Rooms, on the occasion of their annual supper and concert. The arrangements were in the hands of Mr. Fred Russell, and an excellent programme was efficiently gone through. Mr. A. Taylor presided over an excellent attendance, and in the course of the evening kindly offered to give a silver cup, similar to that of the late Dr. Davis, to be awarded at the option of the committee. Mr. Cotterell, the hon. sec., regretted to announce a loss of about £5 on the last show, and said he was sorry he would be compelled, at the end of the year, to resign his office, as his future movements would be very uncertain. Among the artistes contributing to the musical portion of the evening were Messrs. Ballimore, Cricks, Stirling, Barrow, Russell, Fielding, and Warren, while Mr. Rowse, besides accompanying, gave a song in his turn. At the conclusion of the evening Mr. Wood proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman. Mr. H. G. Salter, the hon. treasurer, proposed the toast of the hon. secretary. The ordinary members, said he, could have no idea of the great amount of work Mr. Cotterell had put in for the club; nothing was too much trouble for him; all was cheerfully undertaken and efficiently carried through. The pleasant way they had passed through was largely due to the careful supervision of Fred Russell. He felt certain he was only voicing their own sentiments when he said how much Mr. Cotterell's retirement from office was regretted. The toast, as well as that of the chairman, Mr. Fred Russell, and the artistes, was carried with musical honours and hearty cheers.—F. J. Russell.

BEAMISH AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Meeting held in the club room, Bird Inn, November 30, Mr. J. Davidson in the chair. There was a good turn-out of members. Decided to hold our next feather show on July 5, 1913, and our 5th annual show November 22, 1913. A vote of thanks was given to CAGE BIRDS for the fine report of our show published in the issue of November 30.—Wm. Knowles, Sec.

CODNOR PK. & EASTWOOD C.B.S

General meeting held November 25, Three Tuns, Eastwood, to arrange for a supper to be held when paying out prize-money and specials. It was arranged to hold the supper on December 14, at the Three Tuns. Supper to be served 6 p.m. Tickets, 2s. each. All members are requested to let the secretary know by December 9th if attending the supper, also if bringing a friend. It was also arranged to hold a members' show at headquarters, Riddings, on December 21st, including two open classes, which are guaranteed. Prize-money, 8s., 4s., 2s., 1s. entry.—J. Mitchell, Hon. Sec.

GREEN CANARY ASSOCIATION.

Monthly meeting, held Nov. 28, at Oldham Hall, Mr. F. Handley in the chair. Messrs. Leatherbarrow and Rawsthorne were elected members, and Mr. Plunketh's resignation was accepted. Owing to a mistake having arisen in the Bradford National schedule, cocks and hens instead of selfs and fouls, it was pointed out that the cocks and hens would be out three weeks on the run. It was, however, decided to let the scheduled classification stand. The old show will be held on January 18th, at the Caledonian Schools, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made. Names of judges will be notified later.—Geo. Green, Hon. Sec.

HIGHGATE & HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

Social and prize distribution in connection with annual show was held at Spencer Hall, November 30. Mr. Geo. Gardner, supported by Mr. R. T. Dann and others, was in the chair, and was in great form with very appropriate remarks as he distributed the various prizes to the successful competitors. The musical part of the programme was in the hands of that never-tiring official, Mr. C. W. Law, and great credit is due to him for the splendid entertainment of great variety which he presented, the various artistes being heartily applauded by a crowded hall of members and friends, while the songs of Miss Nellie Currie, Mr. Cliff Russell, Messrs. Whittard, and Weston, Zither Trio, Miss V. Smith, Madame Bach, and Miss Allenbach were much appreciated. Mr. J. A. Bruce entertained with some clever sleight of hand, Mr. J. Hart with recitations, and Messrs. W. and B. Craythorne at the piano. A vote of thanks to Mr. Law was passed, all present joining in singing "He's a Jolly Good Fellow," and thus ended one of the most successful meetings ever held by the society.—J. Hyde, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE UNION OF C.B.S.

Closed Rings Debarred by Unanimous Vote.

The council met Nov. 30, at the Market Tavern, Bradford, Mr. F. Armstrong (president) in the chair. The first business of importance was in respect to the late Huddersfield show, Oct. 5, when by an unfortunate mistake several entries were mislaid and many Union members thereby prevented from competing in the respective competitions. It was proposed, and carried unanimously, that points won at Huddersfield Show should not count in any of the Union competitions. The Council, in arriving at this decision, expressed their regret that from no fault of their own those members who had made a good start were by this decision deprived of their points, but hoped that every Union member would agree with them that this was the only legitimate conclusion they could come to in the matter. The second item on the agenda was in respect to closed rings. This question had been referred back to the various Union societies for consideration, and the delegates came prepared to voice the opinion of their respective members on this important question. It was duly proposed that we adhere to the resolution as previously passed by the Council, viz., that birds wearing closed rings (this embracing any kind of ring whatever) should be debarred from competing at Yorkshire Union shows. The vote was unanimous, every delegate present voting against their adoption, and only a few of the Union societies were not represented, it being a well attended meeting. The Council afterwards balloted for judges to officiate at Union shows for season 1913 and 1914, this resulting as follows:—October 4th, 1913, Great Horton O.S., Mr. J. Greaves; October 11th, Windhill O.S., Mr. J. Robson; October 17th and 18th, Halifax O.S., Mr. C. A. Howe; October 25th, Bradford East O.S., Mr. H. Sutcliffe; November 1st, Great Horton Good Intent O.S., Mr. F. Allen; November 8th, Skelmanthorpe C.B.A., Mr. A. Hirst; November 15th, Shipley O.S., Mr. W. A. Cowgill; November 22nd, City of Bradford O.S., Mr. H. W. Walsh; November 29th, Bradford West C.B.A., Mr. F. Armstrong; December 13th, Tong and Dist. C.B.S., Mr. H. W. Battye; December 20th, Manningham C.B.A., Mr. P. Mason; January 3rd, 1914, Huddersfield O.S., Mr. R. Halliday; January 10th, Laisterdyke B.F.A., Mr. Wm. Mundell. This list is subject to alteration providing the respective judges cannot accept the appointment, when the reserve judges will be called upon in their proper order to accept any of the vacant places. This brought the meeting to a close, the president thanking all the delegates for their attendance.—H. Hill, Sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Sheffield C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Montgomery Hall. Judges: Messrs. J. Robson and T. W. Battye. 48 Open classes: Yorks. 13, Nor. 11, Crest 4, Hyb. 3, Brit. 9, For. 4, Sell. 4. Prizes, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee 1/6. Entries close Dec. 9 to Mr. A. Hobson, 66, Langsett Avenue.

Inverurie.—Dec. 14, Drill Hall. Judge: Mr. A. Wood. 17 Open Classes: Border 2, Greens 1; Yorks. or Nor. 4, Do., Unfli. 4, A.O.V. 1, Sell 1, Brit. 4. Prizes, 5/-, 2/6, 1/6, 1/-. Fee 1/-. Ent. close Dec. 7 to Mr. A. Mackie, 2, Chelsea Place.

Cross Hands and Dis.—Dec. 14. Public Hall. Judge: Mr. C. Watson. 5 Open Classes: Nor. 1, Yorks. 1, A.O.V. Can. 1, Brit. 2. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee 1/3. Ent. close Dec. 6 to Mr. D. Morgan, 3, Tynewydd Terrace.

Caithness.—Dec. 18 and 19. Temperance Hall, Wick. Judge: Mr. Jas. Garrow. 33 Open Classes: Scots. 2, Nor. 10, Yorks. 2, Bord. 2, Col. Fed 1, Can. 1, A.O.V. 2, Mules 1, Brit. 5, For. 1, Sell 3, Nov. 2, Gift 1. Prizes 6/-, 3/-, 2/-. Fee. 1/-. Ent. close Dec. 9 to Mr. W. Corner, Ironmonger, Wick.

Broxburn and Dis.—Dec. 14. Public Hall. Judges: Messrs. Jno. M'Lennan, A. Chalmers, G. Hislop, R. V. Raine, and Jno. Goodfellow. 67 Open Classes: Scots. 7, Crests 7, Nor. 11 (Sell 1, Non-fed 1), Yorks. 4, Borders 11, Mules 5, Brit. 22. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Dec. 9 to Mr. Wm. M'Laren, Church Street.

High Wycombe.—Dec. 27, Oakley Memorial Hall. Judge: Mr. G. Gardner. 11 Open Classes: Yorks. 1, Nor. 1, Hyb. 1, Brit. 5, For. 1, Sell 1, Gift 1. Prizes 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Dec. 16 to Mr. S. C. Pearce, Viaduct Villas, 3, Temple End.

Kilsyth and Dis. F.A.—Dec. 14, Drill Halls. Judges: Messrs. J. M'Kay, D. Hamilton, and W. Sharp. 53 open Classes. Crest 7 (Sell 1). Nor. 9 (Non-fed 2). Bord. 14 (Sell 1), Com. Can. 1, A.O.V. Can. 1. Gift 1, Hyb. 4, Brit. 13. For. 3 (Sell 1). Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Dec. 9 to Mr. Andrew D. Duncan, "Chronicle" Office, Kilsyth.

Truro and County F.A.—Dec. 26, Market House. Judge: Mr. Thos. Pope. 21 Open Classes; Nor. 6, Crest 1, Yorks. 4, A.O.V. Can. 1, Pairs 1, Mules 1, Brit. 4, For. 1, Sell 2. Prizes 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee 1/-. Ent. close Dec. 18 to Mr. Chas. H. Toy, 29, Prospect Place, Truro.

Aberdeen C.S.—Dec. 13 and 14, Ball Room, Music Hall. Judges: Messrs. Alex. Thomson, Geo. Mitchell, and F. J. Dewar. 54 Open Classes: Nor. 29 (Nov. 2), Crests 4, Cinn. 13, Hyb. 4, Brit. 10, For. 3. Prizes 10/-, 6/-, 4/-. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Dec. 9, to Mr. John Bryson, 293 Holborn Street.

Malton, Norton.—Dec. 26th. Corn Exchange, Malton. Judge, Mr. W. Mundell. 13 open classes: Yorks. 3, Nor. 2, Brit. 6, Hyb. 1, Sell 1. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-; fee, 1/-. Ent. close Dec. 23rd, to Mr. Jas. Wilson, 31, Sutton Street, Norton, Yorks.

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

Threepence Each for Birds' Heads.

It was reported last week that the Liss (Hampshire) Rat and Sparrow Club is offering rewards for the heads of Greenfinches, Bullfinches and "Tomtits" at the rate of threepence each, and a correspondent suggests that this is a matter that might be brought to the notice of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds. My correspondent, Mr. Meek, Hunstanton, says that the society mentioned, together with the R.S.P.C.A., are very keen on putting a stop to the caging of birds and yet seem not to trouble in cases of wholesale destruction, and that CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE might do something to prevent the slaughter.

9,000 Sparrows Slaughtered.

The extent to which the destruction is carried may be gathered from a report of a supper meeting of the Ringmer (Sussex) Sparrow Club, which took place on Nov. 27. At this meeting the chairman, a Mr. S. H. Holford, congratulated the club on its "good work during the year" in accounting for 9,000 Sparows, "and extended a hearty invitation to any interested to join." If a working man catches a Linnet or two in the pursuit of an innocent hobby, or to help in the keeping of his wife and family, he is liable to imprisonment, with or without a fine, but if a Sparrow club massacre 9,000 birds in the year, or if another Sparrow club incite people to kill such birds as Greenfinches, Bullfinches and Tits by offering threepence each for their heads, no notice seems to be taken by the Humanitarian societies.

Whether or not the Sparrows or any other birds are harmful to vegetation, does not enter into the question. The point of the Humanitarian societies is that "God's creatures" should not be molested, and it should be as sinful in their eyes to catch or kill a Sparrow as a singing bird. If, therefore, there be any consistency in their doctrine, let them take note that one Club is congratulating its members on destroying 9,000 of "God's creatures" in a year, and that another is offering threepence each for heads (this latter is probably a misprint for threepence a dozen, but it is so printed).

Make Known Your Views.

I hope that all members of CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE will bear in mind the hint conveyed in my notes of a week or two back. I referred to the possibility of an election at an earlier date than might generally be anticipated. In these columns we have nothing to do with politics. What we have to do is to protect our hobby by any means open to us. In the near future we shall be canvassed on behalf of would be members of Parliament, and we have a perfect right to let the candidates know that we shall vote against them if they intend to support the crusade which is threatened against the hobby of bird-keeping. One member of Parliament, a Mr. Greenwood, is the principal mouthpiece of the professional humanitarians, and this is the gentleman who was recently so carried away by his kindliness of heart that he moved the omission of the flogging clause from the Criminal Law Amendment Act, even in the case of a second or subsequent conviction of the unspeakable brutes that live by what is known as "The White Slave Traffic." Mr. Greenwood's amendment was defeated by a very large majority, as was only to have been expected, and I am merely mentioning the fact here to show the lengths to which these ultra humanitarians will go in the pursuit of their policy.

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Table show held in Y.M.C.A., Nov. 27. The president, Mr. Shaw, gave the members a few encouraging remarks. Mr. R. Elliott, the hon. sec., had everything in good order, and was supported by Mr. Button, chairman, and Mr. Crowther. About 40 birds were benched, which looks bright for the first table show. Mr. W. Messenger finished the judging in good time, and no grumbling was heard. Mr. R. Elliott's clear Buff York gained the special for best unflighted, and will be heard of again later.

YORKS, A.V.: 1, Crowther, cl. yell. good wings and tail and col, a regular soldier, wins well; 2, Elliott, cl. buff, rare feather and length, good carr., frille rough in front; 3, Moore, cl. buff, rather thin in front, but good length; 4, Elliott, vhc, Wrigglesworth; hc, Dodds; c, Crowther. NOR., A.V. (a good class): 1, 2, 3, Burns, big lemoning bird, good chest and head, a "cage full"; 2nd cl. buff, noble head, good flights, falls short of winner in front; 3rd var. nkd., good shape and col., falls in size; 4, Wilson, cl. buff; vhc, Ogden; hc, Beresford; c, Crowther. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Ogden, cl. Bord., sweet bouncing bird with the best of carr.; 2nd Cinn. Bord., falls in col., but good shape; 3, Crooks, Goldie Mule, bit small. A.S. BRIT.: 1, Crowther, Linnet, fair size, good pencilling, steady, light in col.; 2, Welsh, Greenie, fair size, good col., steady, good wing marks; 3, Burns, Bearable, steady, med breast col., good lacing; 4, Button, vhc, Wilson. NOV.: 1, Fairy and Rosbrook; 2, Moore; 3, Wrigglesworth; 4, Fairy and Rosbrook; vhc, Dodds; hc, Button; c, Moore.

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6.—Cinnamon Yellow.
7.—Ditto Buff.
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9.—Ditto Buff.
10.—Border, Hen, Cl., Tkd., or Unevenly Mkd. Yell.
11.—Ditto Buff.
12.—Border, Green or Cinn., Self or Foul.
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ELGIN

C.B.A. 3rd Annual Show, Academy Hall, Elgin, Christmas Day. Schedules of: James Lumsden, Bishopmill, Elgin. (266)

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Twitterings.

I congratulate you on to-day's splendid plate and also on the enterprising issue itself.—F. A. Watt (Banff).

We hear that Mr. W. P. Barnes, of Grantham, is engaged to judge at Cork (Ireland) show on Jan. 15 and 16, 1913.

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Mr. G. Colton, Northallerton, will be obliged if Mr. T. J. Pugh, late of Llandridod Wells, will communicate with him.

Messrs. Crabb and Finlayson write: Have removed our bird-room to 120, Montrose Street, Brechin; show secretaries please note.

I was quite surprised when I saw the report of the L.C B.A. show. You must have been what the Americans call hustling.—A. Maxwell (Partick).

Mr. J. H. Mitchell, hon. sec. Codnor Park and Eastwood C.B.S., writes that the winning numbers for the three Canarics given at the open show are 96, 450 and 455.

Mr. McLaren, sec. Broxburn and Dis. C.B.S., writes that a special given by Mr. C. Muttar for best 5th in classes 8 and 9 has been omitted from the schedule.

Must congratulate you and your staff on your report of L.C.B.A. show, which I read in CAGE BIRDS before receiving my catalogue of awards!—F. Tupholme (Bourne).

I was knocked back to see the report of the L.C.B.A. show in this week. I can't understand how you could do it; anyway, it was smart business.—T. Dean (Manchester).

CAGE BIRDS deserves great credit for having the report of the L.C.B.A. show in its last issue. It would be a great surprise to all your readers.—W. H. Pickles (Morecambe).

Accept my thanks for the honour done me in placing sketch of my Yellow Norwich in your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, writes Mr. A. Maxwell (Partick). I think the drawing very good and your artist, Mr. Wilson deserves credit for same.

I have sold at a good figure, writes Mr. J. Ellwood, Cockermouth, my winning uneven Buff Border Fancy Canary, the purchaser being a well-known exhibitor. I wish him every success; also thanking you for your excellent report of Cokermouth show.

We thank you for your splendid report of our show, write Messrs. Hill and Dascombe, the hon. secs. of Wiveliscombe and Dis. F.A. All prize-money was paid five days after show, and we have a balance of £10 in hand. Your show reports are always very good.

Report of Glasgow and Dis. C.B.A. show under Bullfinch, states 1st Palmer. I had the honour to get the first with my exhibit. How the mistake should have been made I do not know, as Mr. Palmer was not an exhibitor in this class.—F. A. Watt (Banff).

Exhibitors in the North who may have been overlooked in the sending out of Gateshead schedules, can receive same at Mr. J. Mackenzie's, The Aviaries, High Friar Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne, writes Mr. J. G. Greason, the sec. Others can send entries on, and we will classify.

We have sent out 1,000 schedules for Sheffield open show on Dec. 14; will anyone overlooked apply to me, writes Mr. A. Hobson (66, Langsett Avenue, Hillsbro', Sheffield). Exhibitors entitled to show in our novice British class are those who have not won a first in open British classes.

On behalf of my committee, writes Mr. T. Smith, hon. sec. Ilkeston C.B.S., I wish to thank CAGE BIRDS for the splendid report of our annual show; also to thank the exhibitors for their support. Prize-money and specials have been sent off. We had all the birds away in good time, and our hall cleared by 9.30 p.m. on Monday.

Preston show, I am pleased to say, was a big success, writes Mr. J. P. Leeming, the hon. sec., everything (including expenses) being in excess of last year's. The gift class proved a record, being sold for £5 5s. I thank all who helped us and those who sent the many letters of congratulation and thanks for care of the birds.

Mr. A. W. Breeden, hon. sec. Epsom and Ewell F.A., writes that the annual show will be held on Jan. 7th, 1913.

I always read CAGE BIRDS and think it a very interesting and useful paper, writes Mr. Stanley Hayter (Wimborne).

Thanks for the good report of Bristol F.A. show, writes Mr. J. A Greenslade; I think our advt. helped our entry a lot.

The annual show of the Ealing, Hanwell F.S. is being held in the St. John's Memorial Hall, West Ealing, on Wednesday, December 11th, when all fanciers will be welcomed. The judge is Mr. J. Dewhurst.

A social evening, writes Mr. W. Pickup, sec. Radcliffe and Dis. C.B.S., will be held at Warcing's Dining Rooms on Dec. 11th, when every member is expected to attend. Dinner on the table at 7.30 p.m.

Kindly intimate the following omissions in our schedule, writes Mr. R. Lambie, sec. Whitburn C.B.S. Specials 16, 17 and 18, are for best out of money in classes, namely: Specials 33 and 34, are for best h.m. Redpoll confined.

Kindly accept my best thanks, writes Mr. A. Montgomery, for the reproduction of my Goldie Mule on front page of CAGE BIRDS, by that prince of cage bird artists, Mr. H. Norman. I have disposed of the above to Mr. Norton, of Runcorn.

Allow me to thank the Lurgan officials, writes Mr. O'Reilly, Dublin, for the way I received back my birds; also I must congratulate them on the splendid fully printed catalogue they sent out; other societies ought to take a wrinkle regarding this department.

I must congratulate your artist, Mr. H. Norman, on the lifelike portrait of the Marsh Tit, 1st Norwich, writes Mr. Geo. Cooper. I regret to say that the railway company kept this gem in their hands for forty-one hours without water, and it died in consequence. How is that for cruelty?

OBITUARY.

Mr. D. McDougall.

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. Geo. Green, hon. sec. Green Can. Assn., that I announce the death of one of our members, Mr. David McDougall, who passed away suddenly on Nov. 1st from heart failure. The sympathy of all fancier friends will be extended to his widow and family in their sad bereavement.

Mr. Gelder, sec. Bankfoot C.B.S., writes that the next meeting of the society will be held Dec. 17, when several important items are down for decision.

Mr. J. Sheppard, 129, Floyer Rd., Small Heath, will be pleased to give full particulars and receive names for membership of the South Birmingham O.S. up to first post, Wednesday, Dec. 11.

All birds from a distance, writes Mr. G. H. Barnwell, hon. sec. Harrogate C.B.S., were in the railway company's hands by 5.45, room cleared of all birds by 6.30. Trusting all reached home in good time. Wishing CAGE BIRDS every success.

Mr. S. S. Brooks, sec. Winsford show, writes: "Owing to the patronage given to us by the M.C.Y.C.C., we have been obliged to make a slight alteration in classification. Full particulars appear in our advertisement this week, and I shall be glad if all who have already received schedules will take note."

We are informed that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Anyone who may have been overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries:—Ilkeston, Blairgowrie, Preston, Stockton-on-Tees, Wiveliscombe, Darley Dale, Launceston, Merthyr Tydvil, Buckie, Doncaster, Harrogate.

On opening my CAGE BIRDS on Friday morning, Nov. 29, at 9 o'clock, I was greatly surprised to find the report of the Horticultural Hall show. I never expected you would have been able to do it, considering, no doubt, that the judging would not be over before 1 p.m. But CAGE BIRDS keeps moving, and so I was able to get my report early.—J. M. Williams (Ashbourne).

Corrections in Show Reports.

In Wimbledon report several awards credited to Wart should be S. Ward; at Cowdenbeath 2nd in Redpoll class should be Leach not Poulter, 2nd Linnet should be Leach, not "no name," as in report; at Uddingston 3rd in H.M. Linnet class should be Leach, not Livingstone; at Glasgow and Dis. C.B.A. Mr. R. Finnie won 1, sp., and medal in unflig. buff cocks, not McLintock; at Wimbledon 3rd Redpoll should read Hull, not Hall, and the c Linnet at Brighton was also Hull, not Hall; at Cowdenbeath Mr. W. Elder won 1st in Fed. Greenfinches, not Hodge and Haxton; at Hinckley 1, 2, 4, res. Cass should be Pass, and in unflighted Yorks at Derby Mr. Pass was 1st, not Brotherhood; at Doncaster, in Nov. unflig. Yorks 3rd should read Hamlyn, not Carter.

Thanks for splendid coloured plate in this week's issue; it is one of your best.—C. H. Hill (Wiveliscombe).

The report of the L.C.B.A. show was fine, and extra smart work. Good old CAGE BIRDS.—J. AINSCOUGH (Manchester).

Your expeditious report of the L.C.B.A. show was a revelation to me, and I am sure to the whole of the Fancy. I wish CAGE BIRDS every success.—Robert Ellwood (Weybridge).

I enjoyed an unexpected treat reading the report of the Horticultural Hall show last week. Quick work this, and a credit to the reporters.—D. Jones (Cardiff).

I never thought to read all about the Horticultural Hall show before I visited it. It was a grand idea, and a very smart bit of work. The plate was grand.—J. Townley, (London, N.W.).

Report of Ystradgynlais show says that Mr. Muscott's bird was unnoticed; this had 2nd prize, writes Mr. Evans, the sec.; also it says it would pay us to have outside judges. Does your reporter mean that Welsh judges are not capable? One of our judges lived 50 miles away from our place; the other 15 miles away, therfore I am in the fog as to what he means by outside judges. Our show was so well managed that all prize-money was paid out within a week.

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Prospects are very bright for the North Wales 2nd annual show held this Saturday (Dec. 7), with heavy classes and keen competition for the three cups, writes Mr. J. W. Parry, Hon. Sec.

Mr. H. Wills, of West End, Wadebridge, asks us to state that he lost an orange tabby cat from Tavistock show, either left out of its box, or taken out when en route home. He will be glad to hear from anyone concerning it. His birds reached home quite safely.

I was very pleased, writes Mr. R. Ellwood, of Weybridge, to see my bird (winner at Windsor) illustrated. It is an excellent portrait, and reflects the greatest credit upon the ability of your artist. The bird was on exhibition at the L.C.B.A. show, but was cardless, probably owing to the fact that the long feathers in both flights had been removed by some person; I should like to know by whom.

Suggested Welsh Yorks C.C.

At Llanelly show it was suggested by a few Yorkshire exhibitors that it would be in the interests of the Fancy in Wales to form a society called The Welsh Yorkshire C.C. To try to further the matter, Mr. H. Webster (6, Upper Park St., Llanelly) agreed to act as sec. pro tem, and he would be glad to hear from any fanciers wishing to join, with any sugestions they may wish to give.

The Fancy in Darlington.

The Darlington C.B.S. is the older of the two Darlington societies, but appears to have fallen on evil times of late, writes a correspondent, and these last two years it has only held members' shows. I understand, however, that there is every prospect of their resuming the open shows next year. It would be a good thing if the two clubs could come together, and I understand that this society some time ago made overtures to the other one in regard to amalgamation, but their offer was refused; so how it will all end remains to be seen.

Wild-Bird Life.

Resident Birds and Winter.

THE weather was most unusually mild for the month of November until right at its close. The wind and rain have cleared the larger trees of foliage, but the hedgerows will retain their leaves until severe frost withers them. Within the last few days we have had evidence of bird movements by a great influx of Thrushes into the fields and meadow-lands around the village where the writer resides. Twice during the year (namely spring and autumn) we get these big gather-



THE REDWING.

ings of the graceful Song Thrush. The Thrush, like many of our other birds, is only residential to a certain degree. There are many homesteads in the extreme north that these spotted beauties visit during the summer months only; they leave in the autumn, not always to migrate to other countries, but simply to take the place of their kindred who have gone still further south.

In birdland during the short days, there is not only migration from north to south, but a constant movement (regulated mostly by climatic conditions) of our commoner birds from east to west and vice-versa. Sometimes our fields and commons are crowded with huge flocks of Finches, mostly Linnets and Green-birds, but these do not stay with us the whole of the winter. If the weather sets in unusually severe they soon depart. The flocks of Chaffinches are not quite so susceptible to these changes; during the winter they haunt woods or the fields adjoining, where among the fallen leaves they jostle the Blackbirds in search of insects lurking under the warm covering.

Flocks of Fieldfares and Redwings now haunt the open spaces, the latter birds preferring the meadow-land to the open fields. When in flight they are easily distinguished; they move through the air straight, and with great rapidity, with wings extended motionless, when they glide down to settle. When upon the ground they are in loose flocks more extended than those of our Finches and Starlings, consequently they cover more ground, which habit gives them a greater range for procuring food, particularly in bad weather

Bournemouth C.B.S. Show.

We are, write Messrs. G. W. Jones, show manager, and L. Bousfield, hon. treas., very gratified at the many letters we have received from exhibitors expressing their satisfaction at the prompt and careful manner in which their exhibits were returned to them, and promising more entries at our next show. All fanciers will be pleased to hear that our 21st annual show was a great success financially and in every other way

An "Old Hand's" Views.

I have had CAGE BIRDS from the very first number, and have noted the wonderful progress it has made and am never surprised at whatever new step or innovation it is taking, but I never bargained with the issue of this week, and if ever you can go one better you will be a marvel. Years ago you published a coloured plate of a Bullfinch and Goldfinch, and this has stood, till now, as the very acme of a bird picture, but that of the Jay Magpie and Chough has fairly taken my breath away. And what about your marvellous enterprise in actually publishing an exhaustive report on the first day of a show of 2,200 birds! The most surprising part of this is that, gathering from your editorial expression of thanks, only six reporters did the lot. No wonder we get in CAGE BIRDS such grand reports if these six gentlemen are a fair sample of your reporting staff. The fact that each of your thousands of readers in London had a full report of the show on Friday morning (if they were not among the fortunate ones who saw it at CAGE BIRDS stall on Thursday evening) must have meant much to the L.C.B.A. in extra gate money on the Friday and Saturday, for no one could possibly read the grand report without feeling that he must go and see the birds. I notice that a contemporary did not even mention the fact that there was a show on at all.—W. A. Lott (Cheapside, E.C.).

Unprolificacy in Canaries.

By CLAUDE St. JOHN.

A reply to certain points raised by Mr. J. Steel in his recent notable contribution.

I AM sorry Mr. Steel should think I placed a wrong construction upon the opinions expressed in his article on this subject. But the fact is that my letter was written before the second instalment of his article appeared, owing to my overlooking the notification that it was to be continued, and therefore, it can really be read only as a reply—if it can be termed a "reply," seeing it was not written in that sense at all—to the first instalment of his article. I hope this knowledge will mitigate his views of my letter. At the same time, I must say that after reading the article to its end, although my former letter might have been differently worded in the main, the same sentiments would remain.

The High-born and the Lowly.

Mr. Steel may not have said definitely that unprolificacy was confined to high-class stock, but his remarks undoubtedly tend to impress the point upon the reader that this is the class of stock kept in view. Even his letter conveys the same impression; or what does this sentence mean? "While echoing his hope that breeders of high-class birds will give their opinions . . . I fear that those who suffer most say least, as unprolificacy is not conducive to big sales or prices." The suggestion contained in the last few words of this quotation seems to me regrettable and uncalled-for.

Now, to briefly go over his definite questions, I do mean to say that many instances occur among high-class Crests, Scotch Fancies, or Belgians, of birds being as prolific as common Canaries, just as there are cases of common birds proving as unproductive as the most blue-blooded stock. Indeed, if these pure breeds were as abundant as mongrel stock, I doubt whether there would be a vast difference in the fertility of either kind. They can only be examined and compared proportionately.

I have known a beginner to purchase a pair of high-class Crests, and, to make certain of providing for the young, a pair of mongrel stock, put up both pairs and treat them alike, and when the young came, those of the common hen most conveniently a few days ahead of the Crest-bred, the former absolutely shirked parental duties; 3, the Crest-bred hatched five out of five eggs and reared four young without the slightest trouble, the fifth being late in hatching, and ultimately crushed out of existence by the other four. Out of these four youngsters, one Crest-bred and two Crests could easily have held their own in moderate competition on the show bench. Of course, this will be termed an isolated instance, but it is a telling one, anyway, and I could quote many equally telling instances against the charge of unprolificacy in good stock, though I do not doubt that Mr. Steel could do likewise in support of his theory. His statement that the instances of prolific hens I remarked upon are outnumbered by hundreds to one by perfectly barren hens is, in my opinion, so very wide of the mark that I can only think it is a hasty remark.

The Egg Test Accepted.

Then, again, the remark that "eggs are not proof of prolificacy" may be true enough in some cases, but it needs very considerable and careful qualification to make it generally applicable. I do not hesitate to say that regular and normal clutches of eggs are in a general way quite sufficient proof (for me) of prolificacy on the part of the hen. That the eggs fail to hatch may be due to so many and varied circumstances, quite beyond the control or influence of the hen, that it must always be extremely difficult to prove beyond doubt that it is due to diminished reproductive powers. And if the eggs hatch, and the young are lost subsequently by parental neglect, I scarcely see how it can be termed unprolificacy without some juggling with words. It is just as likely to be due to injudicious management; or, perhaps, "too much" management. I do not for a moment deny that prolificacy may be an inherent quality, but I do not go so far as to say it is always so, or that the most cultivated degree of prolificacy must necessarily be perpetuated in the progeny. I know it is frequently otherwise.

To give one instance from many similar ones within my knowledge: A personal friend took up the Fancy a few years ago, and commencing with a single pair of birds from a strain which Mr. Steel would doubtless consider prolific enough to form the basis for an attempt to attain a higher standard of prolificacy, raised over twenty young ones the first year. More than once I warned him in that year. In the next year from two or three hens he did equally well in proportion, and his enthusiasm knew no bounds. The third year Nemesis began to work, and although my friend's results were, in my opinion, fairly good, they rather cooled in ardour, and the following year his stock was as unprolific as even Mr. Steel could wish to point to, as a bad example. Naturally, the owner is no longer in the Fancy, and is a thorough believer in unprolificacy.

Run to Waste.

I traced several hens from this stock in the second and third years, all of which might reasonably be used as examples of unprolificacy. One hen I kept for the best part of a season myself, and ultimately sent her as an anatomical subject to Dr. Bowes, whose account of the condition of her reproductive organs appears with several others in "Our Canaries." In this case prolificacy was not sufficiently inherent to prevent its elimination in a very short period, simply, I am afraid, from a foolhardy desire to get all that was possible out of the hens in the first two seasons. An experience of this kind is no isolated one; it is all too common.

If barrenness were as rife as Mr. Steel believes, I fully agree with him that elimination, even with much sacrifice of quality, would be the most rational and wise method of dealing with it. But is it? I am sorry that breeders of high-class stock in particular, and all other breeders generally, have not thought the matter worthy of more consideration. Even now I venture to hope they will give the matter attention, and send along a few season's breeding results. The main purpose of my former letter was to invite such evidence, rather than criticise Mr. Steel's article. Let us have it now without stint.



TROPHIES OF THE CHESTER C.B.S.
The Norwich, British, Yorkshire, and Novice cups, competed for and won outright at the Annual Show.

OUR BULLFINCHES AND BRAMBLEFINCHES

By A. and F. Hartley (Hewerth, York).

Very Useful Hints on Managing and Feeding these delightful British birds.

THE beautiful Bullfinch runs the Goldfinch very close in popularity. This bird is very docile, and a special favourite of the ladies. The show Bullfinch should be very chubby, having a broad chest and head. The breast colour should be a rich, bright red, extending well down; his cap large and clear cut extending well under the beak; the back a Quaker grey, free from any smoky appearance. The wings, which should be well carried, should have distinct bars; and the white on the rump should be clear. All the colours should be well defined, the black being jet black in tone. The bird should be large, but not so big as to be taken for a foreigner.

When fresh-caught, Bullie should, if possible, be fed on whatever wild seeds he was feeding on when caught—in addition to dry seed and various berries. He should be kept in a medium sized cage. The seed tins should be half filled with plain canary seed, and some teazle, rape, sunflower and docken should be given. A Bullfinch should not have much hemp; personally, we do not give any at all.

Getting Master Bullie Steady.

The best way to steady a Bullfinch is by offering it berries, docken, or sunflower, from the fingers. We never had a Bullfinch able to resist when tempted with these; when steady it should be put into a big cage. It should also be taught to run into the show cage. Plain canary should again be given in the outside hopper and the mixed seeds before mentioned in the seed drawer. Bullie can also be given the core of an apple, which should be firmly fixed between the cage wires. In his endeavour to obtain the pips he will get much healthful exercise—and eventually the pips. Our Bullies, whenever there are any apples being pared, start calling, and do not stop until they are given the cores.

Owing to the shape of its beak the Bullie is unable to properly clean its feet, and is therefore liable to get them very dirty. With a bird which goes right into the bath, this is not the case; but should the feet become dirty, the bird should be caught and its feet soaked in warm water. The dirt can then easily be picked off. When done, the feet should be dried on a piece of soft rag.

The hen is easily distinguished from the cock by the absence of the crimson breast. The hen commends herself to the hybrid breeder, and owing to her utility in this matter, is fairly popular, and usually forms a large proportion of the birds shown in a class for British hens.

Handsome, But Noisy at Night.

The Bramblefinch, to our mind, is a very handsome bird. The show specimen should be large and broad; his ruddy brown chest colour should extend as far down as possible, and also reach right up to the beak, being free from any black marks or white breaks, the head, back, and cheeks are "spangled" black and brown. The more regular this spangling is, the better. There should also be two well-defined rows of "ticking" on the thighs. The wings have several lots of bars, and the lower flights, which are black, should be rich and well defined; all the bars on the wings well shown.

A young Bramble is much lighter in colour than an old one, which places it at a disadvantage on the show bench. It is, however, better to get a young one, as it will steady more easily, and with proper management, will moult out better and darker each year. The colours of the hen are much duller than those of the cock.

When first caught, a Bramble is very wild. We should not advise buying more than one as they are apt to disturb the quiet of the night in one's room by a most discordant cry. For this reason we advise putting the Bramble in a small cage and keeping it in a room away from the other birds, as it may upset them. He should have an inside tin containing plenty of canary seed, and a little teazle, rape, and sunflower seed. Plenty of wild seed should be given, and green food, such as shepherd's purse, which is covered with insects, should be provided in due season; also any insects, such as flies, spiders, etc. When he has got a little used to cage life, we may take the next step in steadying him.

A Passion for "Daddy-long-legs."

The first thing is to get a tit-bit of which he is very fond; the "daddy-long-legs" supplies this want, although the house-fly (which must not have been caught on a fly-paper) is also appreciated. First put the insect on the floor of the cage, and keep away from the cage. The Bramble will soon pounce upon it. Repeat this, but gradually stand closer to the cage; and after a while hold an insect in the hand.

You will probably have to wait a long time, but with patience you will succeed in getting the bird to eat from the hand. After this, offer it an insect whenever you are near the cage and in time he will look for your coming. In most cases the Bramble will help himself to any insects that come within his reach; these insects do him a great amount of good, and are really necessary if he is to be kept in good condition.

FOUNDING A BUNTING AVIARY.

By L. P. LUKE (Brighouse.)

(*Concluded from page* 1017.)

An article of interest to all lovers of Buntings, and particularly those who keep the Yellow, Snow or Corn.

THIS seemed to delight my master, for he soon returned with a big fat grub in his fingers It looked so nice, and I was so sure he was going to eat it himself, that when his hand came near my cage I stretched out my head and stole it. I thought he would be so angry, but, instead, he seemed more pleased than ever, and gave me more every day.

"I had kept myself clean in the water my master had given me, and now my feathers were shining like silk. My head was nice and broad; I had a short neck, with deep full chest, and the colour food had made my new suit a lovely yellow colour all over, while, running almost down to my tail were pretty arrow-shaped markings. After having been given a nice wash, and put into a very clean show cage, I was taken to the Scottish National, and a gentleman named Mr. Judge inspected me and I was awarded the first prize.

"I must not forget to tell you that shortly after this event the door of my cage came open and out I hopped, and away I flew. I had not gone far, however, before I thought how very sorry my poor master would be, so back I went, and thank goodness found the door still open. Here I am, and here I mean to stay, whilst I can have such nice food, such a clean home, and such a kind master."

The Way to Feed Buntings.

My own 'hammers I treat very much as outlined in above sketch. I may add that I give ants' eggs—alive if possible—by way of a treat, and find my birds are very fond of caterpillars, taking readily the common green variety. Black earth and grit are constantly supplied in my aviary to aid the digestion.

Of seeds, Canary, of course, is the chief. One day a week I allow a wild seed mixture to be picked over, in addition to the ordinary mixed seeds. These they can easily shell by means of a ridge in their palate. Good insectivorous food I give daily, and to get the birds to take it I mix cut-up mealworms, ants' eggs, or Canary seed with it. Oats and other grain they are particularly fond of, and thus we are provided with a varied list of foods. The royal road to success is to change the diet as frequently as possible.

Ice Chests for Snow Buntings.

A native of the icy regions of the Polar seas, the "Snowflake" migrates to our isles with the extreme winter weather, and fairly well distributes itself over the Northern portion of our land. With even, low, undulating flight, they come, alighting with a graceful flourish on any fitting spot, to run along with great celerity. Their grace and charm are therefore more noticeable in an aviary.

In captivity Snow Buntings may be treated exactly as described for the Yellow Bunting. They are hardy birds and live to a good old age if well kept; in very hot weather it is best to keep them moderately cool; I once knew a gentleman who inverted a tin box over some ice and allowed the birds to use the box as a perch. In choosing an exhibition bird follow the advice given previously, and you will find size and whiteness of ground colour, with even markings, to be the premier factors in getting into the money.

The Free Trade Bird.

The Corn Bunting is the commonest of our English Buntings, and has been styled by one writer the "free-trade bird." Certainly he will have his corn as cheap as possible, and owes no duty but that to his appetite. This species is spread over our land in large numbers. It is rather a sombre looking bird, but very often tops the list at the shows. It is his extreme dislike to being steadied that makes a real good specimen so valuable. All my birds, however, have given in to my method of taming with the exercise of patience and care, but remember this steadying is most important, for a large portion of marks are allotted to it. It is for this reason that I only select the young birds.

An exhibition bird must possess an extra big body with a broad head and deep chest. A nice warm colour, densely pencilled with markings running down to the vent, is essential. The well defined throat tickings should broaden into good arrow markings on the breast. The Corn Bunting is moulted in a similar manner to my other Buntings, and generally comes out with a wealth of bloom.

Combining the sprightliness of the Finches with the dignity of the Thrushes, the Buntings make admirable pets. They are by no means easy to keep well, but a little difficulty is a good sauce.

Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

(For rules see last week's "Cage Birds.")

THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of **ADVISORY EXPERTS.** Queries must in no case be addressed to any of them individually, but to the Editor.

Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mule and Hybrids **G. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.H.S., &c., Wild Bird Line—**H. Norman.**

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

CORRECTION.—Under heading "An Alarming Attack," in reply to "W. W." last week, the words "sulphate of soda" were erroneously printed as "sulphurate of soda." Will querist please note? I trust the mistake was sufficiently obvious to suggest the correct thing last week.

TURNING CANARIES OUTDOORS (L.A.D.).—You ought to have given full particulars of your aviary and how the birds you propose turning out have been bred and kept hitherto to enable me to express an opinion whether it would be safe to turn them out now. In a general way, I should say it would be most injudicious to do so, and that you will be well advised to keep them in an unheated room indoors until the latter end of March, when you may take advantage of any mild spell of weather to put them in the aviary.

WATERY EYE (C. R.).—You did quite right to remove the bird to a rather warmer room, but do not overheat it. Keep it caged alone for the present, in a place free from draughts, and keep cage and perches as clean as possible. Bathe the eye daily with the decoction already advised, and dry as well as you can by absorbing moisture in pledget of wool in order to prevent bird rubbing so much as it otherwise would afterwards. If not well in a fortnight, write again, and say what progress has been made. Keep bowels regular by the judicious use of watercress, or similar green salad. Add a pinch of sulphate of soda to the drinking water for one day.

DISTINGUISHING SEX IN NEST (Psyche).—I know of no definite sign which can be relied upon as an indication of sex in the nest. "The top dog," as the popular phrase has it, by which is meant such of the young in any brood which stand out in size and "push," so to speak, from the rest, and generally win their way to a position on top of the brood, are accredited males. In some circumstances this often proves correct, but it is far from being invariably the case. If the young are all hatched fairly closely so as to get an equal start, the largest and boldest birds may reasonably be "suspected" of being males. If closely watched for some days before they leave the nest the young cocks will very often be seen trying to warble a note or two, especially whilst resting after being fed. This is a fairly reliable sign of sex, but all males are not so precocious. After leaving the nest, and also for adults, a novice should rely on hearing the song. You would find a full account of sexual distinctions in "Canary Breeding for Beginners."

OUT OF CONDITION (H.L.H.).—I'm afraid this bird must have been kept under unfavourable conditions. Keep him now in a fairly comfortable place, not necessarily very warm, but just away from the quite chilly side; keep him free from draughts, and from heated impure air, and do not hang him near the ceiling or burning lights in the evenings. Keep in a moderate sized cage, regularly strewn with clean gritty sand. Give a staple diet of plain canary only. Every second day give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed, and twice each week, on the alternating days, give a similar quantity of summer rape and a morsel of banana, and on two other days the same quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, black rape, teazle and millet, and a small spray of watercress. Continue this treatment for a month. In the drinking water give the quinine mixture advised to "K.A.J." last week every second day for a fortnight, then miss a week, and give it again for another week. Report result at end of month.

ROLLER ARGUMENTS (F.G.T.).—The only difference between Seifert, St. Andreasburg, Ubal and other Rollers is one of name only. They are all one and the same breed, and practically all the multifarious names by which the birds are known to-day have arisen in quite recent years out of trade competition, pure and simple. As regards the assertion that Rollers may be made out of the Border Fancy, there is no sound reason for disputing such a claim. Among fancy Canaries, the Border Fancy comes nearer the Roller than any other, and there undoubtedly exists a large proportion of common German blood in the original stock of the Borders—the German Canary, as it was formerly called, being, of course, the root stock of the Rollers of to-day. Twenty-five years ago, or thereabouts, what is now known as the Border Fancy was a nondescript breed, scarcely recognised as a fancy breed at all, and known generally as the common Canary. Rollers could, undoubtedly, be again evolved from them if it were worth while trying such a fruitless experiment, but it would take a considerable time to bring about the necessary development of the vocal organs before they could compete with the ready-made article already at hand. Get the part or parts of "Our Canaries" dealing with the Border Fancy to see how this breed has developed in quite recent times.

SITS AND MOPES (Fogged).—I do not quite understand your description of the swollen stomach, and am not clear whether the stomach is generally enlarged, or has merely a localised swelling on it. I am inclined to think, however, that the real trouble lies in a congested condition, as the outcome of over-feeding. Try the following for a month, and if not then well, write again. For staple diet give plain canary only. Once a week give a morsel of crushed sponge cake sprinkled with maw—not more than a small teaspoonful of both mixed together. On two other days give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts summer and black rapes, niger, teazle and millet. Every day give a good-sized spray of watercress or other green salad. Keep in a moderate sized cage, and do not overcrowd with perches. Mix a small quantity of equal parts brandy and syrup of buckthorn, and give one drop of this in the beak three times each day until the bowels act freely. Add to the drinking water as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence every second day for a week, and after this dissolve in each two tablespoonfuls of the water as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence, half as much sulphate of iron, and add six drops of dilute sulphuric acid. Give this every second day for a fortnight. Do not use any more outward applications.

EXTERMINATING MICE (Downhearted).—If you have fixed a band of sheet tin about four inches wide around each support of your staging at a height of from four to six inches from the floor, no mouse can reach the cages in that direction. Therefore there must be some other means of access which you have overlooked. If there is any holdfast, or any connection whatever, to secure cages or staging to wall, see that these connections are also protected by tin bands, and the "skirting" or dado around wall should also be protected if it affords the least foothold, and the possibility of overhanging objects or curtains, etc., being taken advantage of as a means of access must not be overlooked. If these points are attended to, you will not find it so difficult to keep mice out of the cages. To rid the room and vicinity of them give them a course of the Virus advertised in our columns.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

RAPE SEED (Friendly).—It seems quite an excellent sample, suitable for Roller Canarics, or any other kind of bird.

A WIDE RANGE (Avalon).—It would really be impossible for me to helpfully answer all your questions except by writing an article two columns in length. Information on the treatment of all the best-known Finches, both when newly-caught and afterwards, will be found in the various "Nutsbell" booklets (consult list), and in them are given hints on the catching of the birds. Concerning the latter subject, if you look through our advertisement columns you will see catalogues of catching appliances offered, and booklets which give special information on their setting and use. You should get these and decide from them the system which best fits your needs. The law with regard to the catching of birds varies in practically every county and county borough. The acts are published at one penny by Messrs. Wyman and Co., printers, Fetter-lane, London, E.C. Send two penny stamps (being 1d. postage) to them, and ask for a copy of the Wild Birds' Protection Act for the county in which you desire to do the catching. You will then be able to see what species are protected, and otherwise, and when the season opens and closes, etc.

LATE LINNET MULES (J. Bowerman).—It is certainly very late to have young Mules about; one of the latest cases I have known. I hope they will live; also that the old birds will get through their moult successfully. It is risky, to a certain extent, to keep birds breeding to so late a date. Offer the young Mules (in addition to soft food) maw seed, lightly cracked canary and hemp seeds, groats (or coarse oatmeal) shelled and broken up sunflower seed; also thistle heads if you have any. I shouldn't worry about greenfood. Don't, at the same time, forget grit and cuttlefish, likewise old, crushed mortar. All crushed seed should be prepared fresh daily. I should wean them off egg food as soon as possible, substituting for it home-made egg cake, moistened, if necessary, with a spot or two of milk or of water, or a little stale sponge cake, or crushed sweet biscuit (maizena wafer, tea or Osborne), also moistened with milk. Egg cake made and baked at home really does not need damping. Don't make the mistake, when dropping egg, of leaving off soft food entirely. Steep some summer rape seed in cold water, which thoroughly change every day. It will soon begin to germinate (burst), and is then ready for use, dabbing it as dry as possible in a towel before offering it to the birds. This is very good, especially where anyone experiences difficulty in getting greenfood regularly.

AN EXHIBITION SONG THRUSH (Holmewood).—It is true that the Song Thrush can be bought cheaply, and that a good one is an excellent bird for exhibition purposes, but, of course, really good ones are not met with every day. Still, there is no reason why you should not find one. It is certainly important that a Song Thrush should be very large to become a "big winner"; but a decent sized bird, if well built (thick set), and good in colour and markings, stands an excellent chance. The bird should be as big and stout as possible, standing up boldly from the perch, showing a broad well-rounded chest, evenly spotted (mooned) from the throat right down to the flanks, and well between the legs. The moonings to be dense black (or, perhaps, brownish-black), as free from grey as possible, and distinct, i.e., not confused, running one into another so as to appear blotchy. Head long, but broad (not narrow skulled), eye large and bold. The colours of the plumage (roughly upper parts olive-brown, under parts a light yellowish-brown, running to white between the legs) to be as rich and pure as possible. Wings and tail must be carried tight and close, the former free from any suspicion of crossing. The bird must be in good condition, scrupulously clean and sleek, and carry a satin-like sheen on the plumage. Keep your bird in a good-sized stock cage, to guard against possible fraying of the plumage, the tail and wing flights especially. I have known a small point like this lose a bird first position more than once in these days of hot competition. Give a suitable stock cage, with a door at the end, through which to run him to and from his show cage.

FEEDING LINNETS (T. W. Preston).—I have given a lot of hints recently; have you missed these? also have you the "Nutshell" booklet on the Linnets? It would pay you to get it. The stock mixture now should be: Canary three pints, teazle two pints, summer rape, charlock, and linseed one pint each. A feed of maw and niger, and a good wild seed mixture can be given frequently (varied) by way of a change; green food, flowering dandelion tops and the young leaves, also seeding shepherd's purse, chickweed, plantain and groundsel freely, according to season. Rape seedlings are very much relished. Note reply given J. Bowerman this week. Many good makers put up a special Linnet (or Finch) mixture in packets, and a feed of this occasionally makes an acceptable variation from ordinary stock mixture. To bring them in condition quickly the great "secret" is to give them a daily supply of the best old hemp, and crack it lightly, so that they feed well. Also put in the "tit-bit" drawer daily, a teaspoonful of the following mixture: Two ounces each of gold of pleasure, niger, plantain, sesame, and thistle, one ounce each of mustard (the golden-yellow seed), dandelion, maw, cornflower, and lettuce.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

NAPOLEON WEAVERS (Weavers).—Out of colour they very closely resemble a Corn Bunting, and a sketchy description is light brown, striated with darker brown, and slight washes of yellow about the head and sides of face. Your description is of a bird in colour, of which a sketchy description is: head, back and sides of neck, throat and sides of body, and under tail-coverts, bright golden-yellow; small face mask, bib and middle of abdomen, velvety black; wings, back and tail, brown striated with darker brown, washed yellowish on shoulders; beak black, legs and feet flesh colour. Your description comes very near to this. The Tiger Finch, most commonly known as the Avadavat; in full colour this species varies between fiery coppery-red and crimson, thickly spotted with pure white spots.

WHAT PARROT (Uncertain).—Your bird is evidently a female Ring-necked Parrakeet, a native of India, with a very variable capacity for speech. It is certainly a clever species, and may be taught tricks, etc. Most talk a little, but I have come across many really talented and fluent talkers. The first thing is to get the bird quite tame and thoroughly acquainted with the folk it lives among, and an avoidance of anything likely to scare in its vicinity. When it is quiet and restful, train it by the constant repetition of words and phrases, but often patience is sorely taxed before the bird proves responsive. It will also pick up many words, calls, etc., from your conversation, and the happenings in its vicinity—In other words, when quite steady it will enter into and take part in the life going on around it.

ABOUT AMAZONS (Irish).—(1) It is a Blue-front, and a youngish bird, more definite than this I cannot be on the data supplied. All amazons have the capacity for speech, but some individuals are more teachable than others, and, personally, I have not come across a Blue-front yet that did not talk or mimic to some extent, except very young birds. (No. 2.) Personally, I have not read the booklet you refer to, neither is it on my bookshelf, but I believe it to be practical. From the data you supply, this bird is certainly two or three years older than No. 1, and more than this I cannot say, but with birds that are getting aged, the scaling of the legs and feet becomes very pronounced and hard and horny, and a really aged bird can usually be so distinguished. Parrots are variable, and like children some learn a little and then get no forrader, but the majority change and increase their vocabulary and calls till really old age supervenes.

BUDGERIGARS NOT BREEDING (A. Novice).—I do not think the Cockatiels have anything to do with your lack of success; it is just the "cussedness" of individual pairs. However, I expect they will settle down to nesting all right next season providing they are true pairs. You must provide two nest receptacles for each pair of birds you have in the aviary; small barrels, hung up longitudinally, are best for the Cockatiels, husks for the Budgerigars, and chip travelling cages (Hartz) for the Java Sparrows. Supply canary and millet in equal parts as the main diet, and supply also a mixture of hemp, oats, paddy rice, and sunflower seeds in smaller quantity; also greenfood and piece of plain broken biscuit (dry), cuttlebone, grit, and if they will eat it, they can have a little ripe apple or other fruit. If they do not settle down to nesting next season, change one of the pairs with some other fancier. Next year, as soon as it is obtainable, untainted by frost, supply seeding (flowering) grass ad. lib.

BUDGERIGARS (Foreigner).—First, owing to the strong individuality of Parakeets and Lovebirds, large or small, one hesitates to lay down any definite rule, but I think the two pairs would agree together, while other quarters were prepared for the Madagascar Lovebirds. In the Nutshell, the details given are very full, and the absence of all mention of nesting material allows of but one deduction, viz., it is not required. I cannot give you a sketch or plan in this column; it is not allowed, besides, the cost of a block if prohibitory. If you send me a stamped addressed envelope per Editor, I will send you a rough sketch of what is required, but you must supply details, as to utmost size you want to go to, and whether you require it to be portable or merely an enclosing of some corner of a room. Your suggested arrangement re twigs is practical, but it involves unnecessary trouble, as all that is required for each twiggy branch are screw eyes in back and top of case, the one in the back for the branch to rest on, and the one in top of cage to push a twig through. The sway of the twig will be natural, and add to the general effectiveness. For the birds you mention the minimum must be 36 x 24 x 30 inches high, increasing the measurements one half would be better for the birds.

GRASSFINCHES OUT OF DOORS (J. C.).—Edinburgh is pretty far north, and I do not care to advise you keep Goulds or Bichenos outside in the winter, but I think the others would be all right. A great mistake is made in northern counties by many aviculturists, viz., they fail to construct a roomy enough shelter-shed (southern aviaries also are the better for such provision); most of these birds will winter without heat if they have the protection of four walls during raw, cold blizzards, or exceptionally severe periods. Your shelter ought to be really as large again; you could improve the aviary by putting a wood and glass partition across the flight where covered portion ends, and a wood and glass shutter to fit over the front of this portion, and only let them into the all-wire flight during winter's genial days. Keep the glazed shutter over front permanently during the winter. Unless the birds have been out all the summer you must not attempt to keep them out this winter.

TOVI AND CANARY-WINGED PARRAKEETS (R. C. 8.).—They are in size about between the Budgerigar and Cockatiel, and are not only beautiful, but charming birds, and many individuals become delightfully tame. A large Parrot cage will suffice for a pair, so long as you keep where the birds will not be exposed to any draught. Diet: Canary and white millet in about equal parts, and at intervals a few oats, little hemp and paddy rice. Keep in the cage grit (not sand), cuttlebone, and water for drinking and bathing. Also supply any kind of ripe fruit they will take, and any kind of plain biscuit they care to nibble at—greenfood (lettuce at this season, but cut out the centre rib of the leaf before supplying to the birds). Keep the bowels moving freely, but there must be no approach to diarrhœa, by an occasional dose of Dinneford's Magnesia—half teaspoonful to the ounce of water. When not giving the magnesia put the same quantity of byno-phosphates in the water, but supply plain water once or twice a week.

BANTAMS AND BIRDS (Mater).—I am afraid it needs an actual experiment to provide an answer to this query. I certainly have fears of the Bantam cocks confined with Pigeons and Doves in a somewhat small aviary. I can say this, that in an aviary a little larger than yours, Dorking fowls were not safe with ordinary Tumbler Pigeons; after having one or two the latter killed, I had to remove them to other quarters—but this was years ago. At the present time, in an aviary with a floor area of over [illegible] feet, and 12 feet high, I have California Quail (as large as Bantams) with Doves, Pigeons, and small Finches and Waxbills, and they do no harm. Pigeons, Doves, Parrakeets, and Lovebirds will do fairly well together, and if you try the Bantams with them, you must arrange food hoppers for the former, which the latter will have great difficulty in getting at. Personally I should advise stocking the aviary with one pair Rosella Parrakeets, one pair Budgerigars, one pair each Madagascar and Blue-wing Lovebirds, and for a change you could have a cock Red-crested Cardinal, and a pair of Java Sparrows, which would be able to look after themselves.

INDIAN PARROT (J. Woods.—Your bird is evidently the Bengal race of the Alexandrine Parrakeet, which should certainly respond to careful training, but nothing can be done till it is quite steady, and Alexandrines take a lot more teaching than Grey or Amazons. You must avoid any scaring or bustling movements in the vicinity of its cage, and not allow your young people to tease it. Keep it in your midst in some position out of draught, yet where it will get light and air. It will voluntarily pick up many calls, sounds, and words which it hears, and as soon as it is quite steady, and when in quiet restful mood, you can teach it words, etc., by constant repetition of same. I should add white millet to the seed mixture, also supply any fruit it will take, plain biscuit (dry), and a few nuts. It must have continual access to grit (not sand) and cuttlebone. Re grit: You can cover cage tray with sand and sprinkle grit over top of same, also add a pinch of the grit to daily supply of seed.

GREEN PARROT (H. W.).—If you read our reply "Indian Parrot (J. Woods)" in this issue, it will tell you nearly all you ask about. A good seed mixture for the species is: One quart each canary and white millet; one pint each oats, hemp, and paddy rice; half-pint each dari, maize, wheat, sunflower, and shelled nuts. Well mix and keep a constant supply in cage, otherwise treat as reply referred to above.

GREY PARROT (China).—I note you say you have carried out instructions as to food. We are glad to note improvement, but cases of feather-pulling once started are very difficult to eradicate, and frequently there are tiresome relapses, and the only course is to persevere with careful feeding, and keep it in condition by the occasional use of a laxative and tonic. You must, if you have not done so, put the bird on a course of Dinneford's Magnesia and Byno-Phosphates, and also regularly spraying the parts it is in the habit of plucking with quassia solution (you can purchase this from our advertisers. Dilute it according to their directions), keeping it carefully out of draught till dry. The blowing of insect powder into its plumage, particularly under the wings and at root of tail will help to keep any possible parasites in check. Shall be pleased to hear how it progresses.

TO DESTROY TREES (R. H. W.). Your query is possibly mis-written, but it reads "list of Foreign birds that would destroy trees in an aviary." All Parrots, Parrakeets, Conures, Budgerigars, and Lovebirds of all species are "past masters" at the work of plant and tree destruction in an aviary. Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Canaries, and all the Serin tribe, as well as others, are equally destructive to plant life by feeding on the buds as fast as they appear. I must add, however, that at this season of the year you must not put outside any birds.' save wild-caught Britishers, or birds brought straight from some outdoor aviary where they have been all the summer.

GREY PARROT (S. Williams).—I consider a diet of hemp and sunflower only not wholesome for it, though during the winter months it can have these two in larger quantities than during the spring, summer, and autumn. Note: A Parrot has its tastes and fancies the same as a human and whatever mixture you supply it will first take its favourite seed and then follow on with the others pro rata. This is quite general with all species. I keep two seed hoppers in my cages—one for a mixture of canary and white millet in equal parts, and the other for the balance of the mixture and I refill these daily after blowing and picking over the previous day's leavings. I find most species visit the canary and millet at least once daily. I should offer it water twice a day, in a spoon or other vessel, and let it satisfy its thirst. Add a few drops (say six to a tablespoonful of water) of Byno-Phosphates. Do not give milk.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

W. B. Boulter.—Generally speaking, the letters after the exhibitor's name denote that he is a member of some specialist club, for whose cups or other trophies his birds are competing—for instance, N.B.B. and M.C. stands for National British Bird and Mule Club, and C.C.C. for Crested Canary Club.

F. J. W. S.—You miss our point. Who is to decide, and how, which are "genuine" Siberians? Small birds come from Siberia as well as large ones.

Britisher.—We would rather not publish your letter. It is too late for any alteration to be made, and so we think that the committee may very well be left to find out by the entry whether their selection of a local judge was mistaken policy.

Austrian Amateur.—A good quality enamel is quite safe to use on bird cages, either on the wires or the wood-work. The only precaution it is necessary to take is to allow it sufficient time to dry hard before turning in the bird. Keep the aviary in a heated living room for, say, not less than forty-eight hours after the enamelling has been completed.

DENNY AND DUNIPACE.

Sixteenth annual show, held in the Foresters' Hall, Denny, Nov. 30th. The hall is good and fairly well lighted, but not over large. We learnt, however, that the only other hall suitable for such a show was rented so extortionately that they could not afford to give it further consideration. More's the pity. Could not the management, by systematic advertising in CAGE BIRDS, manage to fill their present hall with a purely Cage Bird Show on one date, and have the Poultry and Pigeon Section on a different date? The worthy body of officials, all men of ripe experience, are deserving of the support reposed in them. Mr. A. France is still at the helm, and a genial cheery fellow is he, ever smiling as he disposes of the hundred and one different items that come up in turn. He is popular, and we hope his services may long be retained. The judging was got through in good time, and we heard very little criticism. Awards were well received. Entries came up well, compared with former years, and quality was well up to the usual standard. Mr. R. Martin won the cup for most points, this being his third win. It now becomes his own property. Mr. J. Winter, Edinburgh, judged Norwich and Crests; Mr. Gamble, Whitburn, the remainder.

CREST, CK. (4): 1, sp, McDougall, massive shapely D.C., nice qual., fine leafy feather, nice top piece, well groomed; 2, Binnie, similar, well up on leader, staged well; 3 Shillinglaw, wing mkd. D.C., good subs. and nice feather; 4, McIntosh and Son. HEN (5): 1, Shillinglaw, light var., rare subs., leafy feather, well-clothed top, fine droop, nice frontal, staged in right winning form; 2, Paterson, wing mark D.C., fine feather and good body subs., fails in top piece a trifle; 3, McIntosh, fine qual. green, in nice order, neat well-groomed top; 4, 5, we could not find. C.B. (3): 1, sp, Binnie, nice var., fine body subs., good head, broad entrance, wins well; 2, Paterson, rare subs., and qual., massive, good feather, fine skull, just loses at entrance; 3, Binnie, well up in body subs. and feather, but beaten in head points. HEN (3), 1, Paterson, massive feathery exhibit, in fine order, nice even wings, dark cap, fine skull, nice dome shape, broad at entrance; 2, Wilson, nice qual. green, scarcely so massive, but nice shapely skull, better entrance, well up; 3, Shillinglaw, nice green, fine size and good qual. feather, nice skull, but not quite so much of it. CL., ETC., YELL., NOR. (5): 1, Struth, even hot col., nice size and subs., fine feather, sweet front and nice top end, neat carr., fine order; 2, 3, Martin, leader not quite so hot col., but lovely qual., short cobby body, neat and clean cut away, looking trifle soft, still pressing very hard; 3, nice grizzle cap; 4, sp, McIntosh; 5, Godfrey Bros. HEN (4): 1, 2 spl, 2, Martin, leader well-known winner, fine tick, grand size, short thick set, well filled, neat and typical exhibit, hard to find fault with; 2nd, too hot col., grand qual., not so massive, but shapely and clean fronted, finely got up, just inclined to cross a shade at times; 3, Hutton, fine qual. and make, smaller than leaders; 4, Morrison. CL., ETC., BUFF (8): 1, Hutton, nice size, grand qual., neat and clean cut, beautifully mealed, rare silky feather; 2, 4, Martin, leader well up in size and substance, fine full front and neat top end, inclined to cross flights a shade, otherwise well up; 3, Binnie, massive, nice qual. feather, not so typical or stylish; 5, McIntosh and Son; 6, Reid. HEN (6): 1, Scaife, extra qual., neat, sweet, and cobby, full shapely front, clean cut away, wins well; 2, 5, Martin, leading with a late City winner, hard up for size and qual. feather, good one, but not looking nearly so well to-day; 3, Hutton, nice qual. tick, neat car., but not quite so shapely as those in front; 4, Parker; 6, R. Herd. YELL. VAR. (6): 1, Martin, bot col., neat, and sweet type, fine shape and grand qual., in lovely order; 2, Paterson, broken green, nice size and subs., good balanced wings and tail, bit rough in feather; 3, Reid, lovely hot col., nice size and qual.; 4, Mitchell; 5, D. W. Herd; 6, Donaldson. HEN (4): 1, spl, 2, Martin, leading with real short and cobby bird, fine front, neat, clear cut away, all there for qual., looking a trifle soft when we saw it; 2nd, splendid size, and short, cobby, well-made exhibit, fine broad deep front, and clean cut; 3, spl, Parker, well up in size and col., neat and clean got up, finely balanced wings and tail, scarcely looking so lit to-day; 4, McIntosh and Son. BUFF VAR. (7): 1, spl, 2, 3, Martin, grand trio, leader grand exhibit, in capital order, all there for qual. and type, frequent winner, often described; 2nd, well up in size and qual., neat car. and stylish, not far behind leader, in fine bloom; 3rd, fine size, nice subs., rare qual. feather, not quite so full or sweetly rounded in front as these in front; 4, Parker; 5, Pearson; 6, Mitchell. HEN (6): 1, Scaife, fine size and build, nice top, good car., bit fat on chest; 2, 4, Martin, leader shapely, cobby green, rare head, and broad entrance, fine broad deep clean chest, well-filled broad back, and neat car., many liked this for 1st; 3, Preston, up in size, fine qual., grizzle cap mark, neat shape, and good type, lovely order; 5, Burnett; 6 McIntosh. NON-FED YELL. (11): 1, Parker, var., broad deep-fronted thick-set shapely exhibit; 2, 5, Martin, leader fine tick, short, thick-set, broad, neat, and well filled in, fine car., rather shorter behind than winner, must have pressed; 3, McIntosh and Son, shapely and typical, fine qual. and car., not so well up in subs., but good one; 4, Lawrie; 6, Baird and Taylor. HEN (7): 1, spl., 2, Martin, leader often described, rare head and short thick neck, fine front and rare shape, nice style and sweet expression, wins well; 2nd, fine qual. green, nice qual. feather, and good type, not quite so beautifully finished; 3, Binnie, nice tick, lovely order, grand car. and style, not quite the substance of those in front; 4, Hutton; 5, D. W. Herd; 6, Lawrie. BUFF (8): 1, spl, 2, Martin, leader fine massive bird, neat, clean cut, well filled, and typical, staged in lovely order, wins well; 2nd, shapely broken green, short thick neck, and broad deep front, and well-filled back, best of car., tight up; 3, C. Binnie, plenty size and subs., fine qual. feather, not so well filled at top end; 4, McIntosh and Sons; 5, 6, Lawrie. HEN (9): 1, Baird and Gaylor, plenty size, nice subs., good qual. feather, neat full head and neck, not quite so clean cut away behind as we like; 2, Martin, sweet var., shade less size, but sharply and grand qual., fine style, and neat car., must have pressed; 3, Davie, plenty size and nice qual. feather, neat car., but rather too long behind; 4, 6, Lawrie; 5 McIntosh and Son. CLR. OR TCK. YEL. BORD. CK. (9): 1, Gilchrist, real sweet jaunty exhibit, capital qual. feather, nice balanced wings, and close tail, in fine order; 2, Hutcheson, lovely qual., staged to perfection, neat and swanky, not quite so close in tail, otherwise close up; 3, Munro, lovely qual. tick, neat head, and nice shapely front, scarcely so well drawn; 4, 5, Kay. HEN (10): 1, Bennett, lovely little exhibit, in fine order, neat, jaunty, and well got up, little to find fault with; 2, Munro, another beauty, lovely body feather, neat, typical, and well drawn, grand car., well up on leader; 3, 5, Kay, leading with nice qual. shapely exhibit, not just so sweetly tapered; 4, McDougall; 6, McIntosh and Sons. BUFF (11): 1, Bennett, little beauty, sweet and taking appearance, neat, and waxy feather, fine style and car., set down in rare bloom; 2, spl., 4, Kay, leader well up for type and qual., fine jaunty car., just inclined to be a shade flat on top of head; 3, Ayton, fine little exhibit, nice sweet front, neat round head, fine close boxy feather, and well-tucked wings and tail; 5, Walker; 6, McAuslan. HEN (13): 1, spl, Hutchison, sweet, typical, waxy-feathered, grandly tapered specimen, fine qual. and neat folded wings, and pipe tail, wins in fine order; 2, Bennett, capital shape and qual., lustrous boxy feather, rare typical, stylish exhibit, running hard on leader; 3, Gilchrist, nice style and type, fine feather, neatly carried wings and tail, only fails in subs. of head; 4, Munro; 5, Kay; 6, Rae. A.O.V. YELL. BORD. (5): 1, spl, lovely green, fine clear col. and distinct markings, neat type, sweet head and neck, nice condition and car.; 2, Gilchrist, rare little typical specimen, fine carr., and nice qual. feather, well filled in, nicely placed; 3, Ayton, fine col. cinn., in rare feather, neat and shapely throughout; 4, McAuslin; 5, McIntosh. HEN (3): 1, McDougall, grand little var., capital qual., neat and shapely, and laid down in rare order, wins well; 2, spl, McIntosh and Sons, neat cinn., nice col., fine ground, and well pencilled, seemed a wee shade soft; 3, Ayton, saddle marked, fine feather, grand qual. and car., must have pressed. A.O.V. BUFF (6): 1, spl, Bennett, even wings and eyes mkd., fine close silky qual., feather, neat car. and shape, fine head and neck, wins nicely; 2, Gilchrist, similarly marked, neat shape, fine qual., tight boxy feather, rather stronger built, well placed here; 3, Dunlop, wings and eye mark, nice style and qual. feather, not quite so typical, inclined to open tail; 4, McAuslin; 5, McIntosh and Sons; 6, Gauld. HEN (8): 1, Hutchison, capital green, fine grassy col., nicely pencilled, neat and shapely, finely tucked wings and close tail, wins easily; 2, Bennett, wings and eyes mkd., rare shape and car., fine type, might just be shade better in head; 3, spl, 6, McIntosh and Sons, leader good green, staged lovely order, nice col. and markings, fine type; 4, McGreachen; 5, McAuslin; marked wings and eyes, fine shape and grand qual. feather. BULLF. OR GOLDFINCH (13): 1, Stirling, clinking Goldie, fine size, rare square cut, deep crimson blaze, neat markings, fine tans and whites, grand wings, fine buttons, wins well; 2, Bell, capital Bullie, rare size and col., lovely dark jet, expansive cap and well defined markings, steady as a rock, and staged in fine order; 3, Robertson, nice Goldfinch, fine col., nice feather, well up in size and steadiness, not so square in blaze as leader; 4, McIntosh and Sons, nice Bullie; 5, Burnett; 6, Parker. REDPOLL, ETC. (9): 1, sp, 5, McIntosh and Sons, leader fine Mealy, nice size, steady, rare condition, nicely pencilled, not quite so pure in markings as might be; 2, 3, Bell, nice Siskin leading, in rare feather, nice Jonque col., steady and well staged, 3rd fine Twite, well up in size and grand condition, rich nutty brown ground colour, and fine markings, nicely placed; 4, Parker; 6, Paterson. GREENFINCH (7): 1, 2 spls, McIntosh and Sons, fine size and top col., rich coat of glossy olive hue, rare depth of yell. in wings, steady, capital order; 2, Parker, real nice one for feather and general qual., scarcely up in subs.; 3, Liddell, fine sized nat. col. one, in nice order, fine and steady, a pinch of pepper would have made a difference here; 4, Richardson; 5, 6, Baird Bros. LINNET (11): 1, Esplin, good size, steady, and nice condition, fine nutty brown ground col., neatly pencilled, staged, in fine order; 2, Waugh, nice exhibit, similar to leader, well up; 3, Pearson, nice for feather and condition, good markings, almost as good as any in class; 4, Parker; 5, Godfrey Bros.; 6, Bell. A.O. HARDBILL (5): 1, Robertson, capital Hawfinch, great size and col., in capital order, rare blending of different shades, steady and beautifully staged, one of the right sort; 2, Richardson, clinking Yellowhammer, in lovely order, steady and perfect in feather, neat and distinct head and cheek markings, well laid down; 3, Bell, fine Bramble, in lovely order, richly spangled, steady and grand condition, worth its place; 4, Martin; 5, Henderson. SOFTBILL (4): 1, Henderson, lovely Waxwing, in magnificent order, plumage perfection itself; 2, Esplin, Fieldfare, staged in rare condition and feather, nicely spotted breast, nicely staged; 3, Anderson, rare Magpie, faultless condition, one of the best we have seen; 4, Wands, lovely Thrush, superb condition, beautifully spotted and steady. FOR. GOLDIE OR BULLIE (4): 1, spl, Robertson, capital Goldie, staged in fine bloom, rare square, deep crimson blaze, pure whites and tans, nice and steady, wins well; 2, Parker, well up in size and substance, nice feather, not quite so square and expansive in blaze as leader; 3, C. Binnie; 4, Marshall. A.O.F. (1): 1, Struth, lovely pair Avadavats. MULE OR HYB. (12): 1, Liddell, large dark Goldie Mule, grand feather and condition, steady and nice, good one; 2, 4, Bell, leader nice Goldie Bullie, rare feather and condition, shows the cross well, could do with a pinch more size; 3, Gilchrist, City winner, looking all gay, champion feather and condition, showing the cross in a very marked style, good Jonque; 5, Wilson.

HEBDEN BRIDGE.

Annual show, held at the Neptune Hotel, Nov. 30, when 80 birds faced the judge, Mr. H. W. Walsh, Halifax. W. E. King won the society's cup, value £10 10s., with three starred birds, with 17 points; J. H. Harrison being runner-up with 16; Simpson and Sons, 14. The show was well patronised by the public, and they were loud in their praises of the quality on exhibition. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Harrison, wing tkd., long drawn bird, good flights and tail, grand con.; 2, Simpson and Son., cl., not so long as winner, good head, well braced wings, beautiful tail, stands erect; 3, vhc, Judson, another cl., well drawn, good wings and pos.; hc, Lye; c, Ismay. BUFF: 1, 3, Harrison, cap marked, good col., type and pos., A1 con., 3, eye mkd., long drawn, rather pale in col., long wings and tail; 2, W. E. King, ticked in neck, good type, nicely peppered, good con. and style; vhc, hc, Lye, Simpson and Son. UNFLIG.: 1, King, inter-show winner, unflighted, good length, well filled in neck, good wings and tail; 2, Simpson and Son, heavy variegated buff, fine drawn bird, well folded wings and tail; 3, King, another heavily mkd., full of col and type., good pos., rather thin in neck; vhc, Lye; hc, Judson; c, Greenwood. HEN: 1, King, cl. yell., nice lady, good type and qual., wins; 2, Simpson and Son, smaller than winner, good col., very tight in feather, nice pos.; 3, King, cinn.-mkd buff, grand feather, good pos., well up on leg; vhc, S. B. King; hc, Roberts; c, Coad. CL., ETC., HEN, YELL.: 1, C. B. King, cl. yell., good length, full of qual. and col., we liked very much; 2, Simpson and Son, another cl., not the length of winner, good head, neatly folded wings, good pos., beaten in length only; 3, Harrison, cl., rather pale in col., not tightened up yet, will improve; vhc, S. B. King; hc, Roberts. BUFF: 1, King, cl. Buff, fair head, well braced wings, long sides, good pos., well finished; 2, S. B. King, tkd., nice head, good long wings, inclined to carry little frill; 3, Simpson and Son., cl., grand type, lovely qual. of feather, splendid con.; vhc, Ismay; hc, Roberts; c, E. King. NOR., CL. YELL.: 1, Ackroyd, unflighted yell., good col., very compact feather. BUFF: 1, Coad, cl., grand col., splendid type and qual.; 2, Harrison, cl., good col., a big wing mkd. Bullfinch type, good qual. of feather, shade too long for a Norwich; 3, Ismay, a good exhibit; vhc, hc, c, Ackroyd. BUFF HEN: 1, Harrisou, buff, good col., Bullfinch type, nice head, a wee bit browy; 2, Ackroyd, cl., big one for a hen, good broad head, well braced wings, fine con.; 3, Coad, tkd. on head, rather on the small side, grand feather and col., bonny little hen; vhc, hc, Ackroyd. PAIRS: 1, Roberts, well balanced pair, long, raking cock, grand buff hen. GR. OR CINN. CK.: 1, Roberts, yell. green, good grassy col., fine length, shows plenty of leg. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE: 1, Harrison, foul cinn. buff, grand col., splendid type, lovely con., bonny hen. BRIT.: 1, A. Ismay, Song Thrush, grandly spotted, good col. and con., singing grandly.

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Anfield, Everton C.B.S.—Dec. 17, Frankham's, 8 p.m. Special show arrangements for Boxing Day, committee only.—R. B. Wright.

Annfield Plain F. & F.C.B.S. Dec. 7, Queen's Hotel, 7.30. Show business and other important items.—J. W. Christon.

Ayr and Dis. C.B.C.—Dec. 11, Academy Hall, 7.30. Final club show arrangements. Important: proposed social business.—James Sloan.

Anfield Plain C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Mr. Lumley's, 7.30. Table show; Mr. J. Emmerson, judge. Annual show business. New members.—R. Peart.

Attercliffe C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 8. Third table show (joint specials); election of officers for 1913. All ticket money for annual show to be brought in.—W. A. Hailstone.

Bolton Roller C.S.—Dec. 10, Joiners' Arms Hotel, Bolton, 8. Show business.—William Massey.

Bath F.A.—Dec. 12, Foresters' Hall, 7. Special committee meeting; show accounts, etc.—W. E. Cotterell.

British Roller C.C.—Dec. 10, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martin's-le-Grand, 8. Monthly meeting.—J. W. Norris.

Brighton and Hove C.B.A.—Dec. 11, at Headquarters, Committee meeting, 7.30. Table show, 8.30 sharp. 5 classes. Judges, Mr. J. Roast and Mr. W. Cadman. Judging competition to be concluded at this show.—Will. H. Gibb.

Birmingham South O.S.—Dec. 11, Sydenham Hotel, 8.30. Final arrangements members' show; election of stewards; allot specials.—J. Sheppard.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—Dec. 11, Raith Arms, "Breingan's," 6.30. Appointing auditors; open and club show business.—J. R. Reid.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Dec. 9, Church Institute, 60, Paddington St., 8.15. Judging competition in Border Fancy; presentation of special prizes by Mrs. L. M. Thynne.—H. W. Dickinson.

Chesterfield C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Welbeck Inn, 7. Show business; allotting of specials. All subs. overdue, and all must be clear to compete for specials; points count for rose bowl.—Chas. Jepson.

Clitheroe C.B.S.—Dec. 7, National School. Members' show. Birds to be staged Friday night. Judge, Mr. A. Hirst, Accrington.—J. Southworth.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—Dec. 11, Crown Hotel, 8.30. To pay out prize money and nominate officers for next year.—J. H. Jones.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Black Bull, 7.30. Members' prize money, specials, etc.—G. Bescoby.

Derwent Valley.—Dec. 7, Headquarters, 7.—Lindsay and Marsh.

Dunfermline C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Co-operative Hall, 7. Adjourned meeting; consideration of open show; election of office-bearers; annual general meeting.—Robert T. Campbell.

Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.—Dec. 11, George Hotel, 8. Hear result of open show.—Arthur Walker.

Dewsbury and Dis. C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Little Saddle Hotel, 7.30. Show business.—L. Barker.

Darlington C.B.S.—Dec. 11, Labour Hall, 7.30. Prize money and other important business.—H. Todd.

Dubmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Dubmire Workmen's Club, 10.30. To receive members' contributions and entries.—B. Robinson.

Eccles C.B.S.—Dec. 11, Headquarters, 8. New members and prize money for table show.—D. T. Monks.

Eccleshill C.B.A. — Dec. 7, Fountain Inn, 8.30. General business.—W. Nettleton.

Halifax O.S.—Dec. 12, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Pie supper and smoker, 1/- each. All members desirous of attending kindly send their names to the secretary not later than Monday. Friends invited —Harry Clegg.

Heywood O.S.—Dec. 9, 67, York St., 8.30. To receive entries for amalgamated show, and other show business.—A. H. Meadowcroft.

Hyde C.B.S.—Dec. 9, St. George's School, 8. Entries close; specials to be allotted.—T. Allsop.

Kent County C.B.A.—Dec. 11, Barton Boys' School, 8. Correspondence, etc.—H. Wood.

Keighley C.B.S.—Dec. 10, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Selecting stewards for show.—J. Binns.

London C.B.A.—Dec. 11, The Feathers, Gt. Chapel St., Westminster, S.W., 8. General business.—Mugford and Knight.

Leeds C.B.S.—Dec. 7, at Lockhart's, Briggate, 7.30. Election of officers for 1913; balance sheet open show, etc., etc.; fanciers invited.—W. A. Wilson.

Leith O.S.—Dec. 14, Liberal Club, Hope St., 7. Balance sheet; prize money; election of office-bearers.—L. O. Brown.

Longton C.B.S.—Dec. 10, Castle Inn, 8. Very important business.—H. George.

Leicester C.B.S.—Dec. 11, Saracen's Head Hotel, 8.15. Entries for members' show; subscription clearance night. Mr Ride's subscriptions taken. Omitted from schedule: Classes 4 and 5 to be cocks; Class 43, Any Variety Mule or Hybrid.—J. Cook.

Leadgate C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Bainbridge Cycle Rooms, 7. Election of stewards; also table show.—R. Jones.

London Federation of C.B.S.—Dec. 6, Feathers Hotel, Westminster, at 7.45. Council meeting; show, and other business.—H. Birch.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Greyhound Hotel, 7. To receive subs. and ticket money, to enable me to send out prize money.—Daniel John.

Littleborough C.B.S.—Dec. 11, Coffee House, 8. Re-out of back end show; washing exhibition by Mr. Woodhead. Entries for amalgamation show close Dec. 9th.—H. Woodhead.

Manningham C.B.A.—Dec. 14, Headquarters, 8. Meeting proposed, owing to Bradford National show.—H. Grange.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Dec. 10, Balmoral Hotel, 8. Washing demonstration: Will members who have any tickets out please return.—John Davey.

Northern Yorkshire C.C.—Dec. 11, 65, Grainger St., 8. Table show for novices, 3 classes. Judge, Mr. T. B. Tomlinson.—R. T[illegible]e.

New Cross C.B.S.—Dec. 12, People's Hall, 8. Prize-money and presentation of cups and specials; show and annual balance sheet.—Barton and Barton.

Oldham C.B.S.—Dec. 10, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. Entries for amalgamated show; fanciers turn up with plenty of entries.—Jas. Cope.

Preston O.S.—Dec. 9, Tokio Cafe, 8. Show report; prize money paid; specials. Arrangements for club supper and concert, etc. Please bring in all ticket money. Members note change of date.—J. P. Leeming.

Pendleton and Salford O.S.—Dec. 9, Irwell Castle, Lower Broughton, 8. Presentation of specials. Ticket money to be brought in and some very urgent business.—Critchley and Metcalfe.

Queen's Park C.B.A.—Dec. 12, Emmanuel Hall, Harrow Rd., 8. Nominations of officers, and arrange schedule for matched pairs show; elect judge, and suggestions for alterations.—W. J. Lethbridge, junr.

Sheffield O.S.—Dec. 10, Rose and Crown Hotel, Waingate, 8. Balance sheet for open show; election of officials for 1913; passing of rules, etc.; important. Ticket money now due.—T. Bishop.

South London Col. and F.A.—Dec. 12, Royal George, Tanners Hill, Lewisham, S.E., 8. General meeting and nomination of officers for 1913.—George F. Crawford.

Shipley O.S.—Dec. 11, Prince of Wales. Members' show; birds staged at 2 prompt; judge, Mr. H. J. Chittenden. Entries, Tuesday night.—A. Tilloteson.

Sandy Lane C.B.A.—Dec. 10, Victoria Hotel, 8. Ordinary.—Ratcliffe and Shaw.

South Shields C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Cyprus, 7.30. Balance sheet, etc.—W. L. Smith.

Stockport B.F.A.—Dec. 10, Boar's Head Hotel, 8. General business.—W. Stafford.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Wharfe Hotel, 8. Annual show business; important.—Sutcliffe and Walker.

Swansea and Dist.—Dec. 10, Market Coffee Tavern, 8. Ordinary business.—S. H. George.

Skipton C.B.S.—Dec. 9, Globe Coffee Tavern, 8. Election of officers; will members please send nominations in at once.—E. Gill.

Tong C.B.S.—Dec. 10, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.45. —W. Walker.

Torbay O.S.—Dec. 9, Pope's Temperance Hotel, 8. Financial statement, etc.—J. N. and J. Jeffery.

Wolverhampton C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Duke of York Hotel, 8. Balance sheet of open show, and settling all other business.—J. Gibbons.

Wigan Cage Bird Soc.—Dec. 7, Legs of Man, 8.—H. Young.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Meeting postponed till Dec. 14th.—H. C. Crossley.

Windhill and Shipley C.B.S.—Meeting of Dec. 7 cancelled.—J. Taylor, Sec.

Walkley C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Mission Hall, Westmoreland St., 8. Final table show for point specials, and election of officers.—A. Lawton.

York C.B.S.—Dec. 9, All Saints' Schoolroom, 8. Secretary's report and balance sheet; presentation of prizes, and election of officers for 1913.—H. Sayles.

AYR AND DISTRICT.

Members club show will be held Dec. 14th in the Academy Hall, Fort Street. The birds will be staged at 10 a.m., and the show will close at 6 p.m. Mr. T. Cowan, Troon, will judge, and I trust the members will rally round and give him a good entry, seeing that it is his first judging venture.—James Sloan, Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

There was a very good attendance at the usual monthly meeting, held at Mr. A. L. Johnston's Rooms, 6, The Broadway, Nov. 25th, but the business had to be cut very short owing to the absence of the secretary—Mr. H. Smith—through illness. The Chairman, Mr. W. H. Stoakley, announced that he had received a letter from Mr. Smith saying his doctor would not allow him to attend the meeting, and the Chairman also said that he was sure they would all regret to hear that one of their members, the wife of their esteemed president, Mr. F. Piper, had either undergone or had to undergo a severe operation. Letters of sympathy were directed to be sent to Mr. Smith and Mrs. Piper, expressing a hope for their speedy recovery. The Chairman also welcomed back Mrs. Griffiths, one of the members of the committee, who has recently recovered from a serious operation. The secretary's report, read by the Chairman, stated that he had received no complaints as to the non-return of birds from the recent show of the society, but, on the other hand, had received many letters of congratulation as to the good order in which the birds had been returned from the show to their owners, and thanks for the prompt payment of prize-money. During the evening the presentation of cups, trophies, special prizes, and members' prize-money took place, and three new members were nominated. It was decided to have at the January meeting a judging competition for Borders, Mr. F. W. Owen to be the final judge, and, if possible, to get someone to also lecture on Borders.

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Correspondence.

Canaries Stolen at Birmingham.

Sir,—My premises were broken into Nov. 25 and I had stolen 8 colour-fed Norwich, 5 cocks and 3 hens, good class birds. I intended keeping these birds for breeding with this year. I had 45, but they only took the 8 birds.

B. SAVORY.

A Substitute for the Brace Bird.

Sir,—The use of a brace-bird in our county is strictly prohibited. I am an amateur bird-catcher, and have never caught birds from a pecuniary motive. Would any of your readers inform me whether I can obtain some kind of imitation brace bird, and whether it will answer the purpose; also where it can be obtained? I mostly catch Linnets and Goldfinches.

A SUBSCRIBER.

[An illustration of an imitation brace bird, or decoy, appeared in our issue of Nov. 2, page 892.—EDITOR.]

The Treatment of Fresh-caught Bullfinches.

Sir,—I should be very glad if an experienced birdcatcher would, through the columns of your valuable paper tell me the best way of keeping fresh-caught Bullfinches alive. An answer to each of the following questions will be greatly appreciated: (1) What seed or seeds are given them? (2) Are the seeds crushed or otherwise. (3) About what dimensions should the cage be? (4) Is it advisable to put a fresh-caught bird in the same cage with an old bird.

A. ROGERS.

The Judges at the Recent Blyth Show.

Sir,—In the report of Blyth show, which appears in your issue of Nov. 30, it states: "Unfortunately one of the judges, Mr. J. Stanger, Pelton Fell, could not attend." I shall be glad if you will allow me to state that I was not engaged to judge this show. As a matter of fact, I was officiating at Ashington on Nov. 9. Mr. Marshall, sec., of Blyth, wrote to me some four days previous to the show, and said he expected me to attend, this being the only intimation I have had of my being engaged. I believe there has been some misunderstanding regarding the judges for Blyth, but I was certainly not engaged.

JAMES STANGER.

The Lizard Classes at Rochdale Show.

Sir,—I gladly answer Mr. Rukin's request about his clear capped gold, even though it is not put in a very gentlemanly manner. He knows, as I know, that the bird was one feather short. That feather might have been a white one; I could not tell. The bird was deficient in tail, and I so marked the label so that those interested should know why one of the best birds in the class stood cardless. Is this not better than simply putting the bird down, and not letting the owner know why? As to my inconsistency in putting one bird out, and another in, I can only say I didn't notice the other, or it would not have been in. Mr. Rukin knows as well as I do that all birds do not reveal the fact that they are deficient in tail when such is the case, and I never handle a Lizard unless something about its appearance causes me to do so. A Lizard is so easily and irretrievably damaged, that only when forced do I handle one. The bird I passed had its tail open in a peculiar manner, and that led me to think it was short of feather. Handling proved it was so, and with the greatest reluctance I had to put the bird I had selected to win out of competition altogether. Mr. Rukin's letter practically charges me with acting unfairly towards him with set purpose and intent. I had no knowledge the exhibit belonged to him, and if I had it would have made no difference. I only did what I considered my duty. Mr. Rukin adopts the role of censor, and takes upon himself the troubles of other exhibitors. Although I do not admit his personal right to interrogate me as to other exhibitors' birds, I will answer him briefly. The trio of clear caps "wrong classed" were in my opinion not clear caps; in fact, several broken caps were not so much broken as these so-called clears. Had Mr. Rukin, or any other exhibitor, asked me at the show I should have been pleased to explain why I considered these three birds to be in the wrong class, but it is quite impossible to do so in the columns of CAGE BIRDS. Judged by the L.L.F.A. standard, I considered them broken caps. More I cannot say. As to the cocks in hen classes, I saw no birds giving evidence of wrong sex in those classes. Had I done so I should most certainly have left them out. As a practical and experienced fancier, Mr. Rukin should know that cocks which masquerade in hen classes do not usually show themselves in the morning when the room is cold and when they haven't had time to recover from the journey, but later, when the room is warm, and they have become excited by the movement of visitors, and the heat. Mr. Rukin is wrong in saying that I boast of having judged the Lizard section at Rochdale for twenty years. I have only judged the Lizards at Rochdale for some eleven or twelve years. Previous to that they were judged by my old and highly esteemed friend, Mr. J. Bexson. When Mr. Bexson retired, the Rochdale executive transferred me from the variety section to the Lancashire and Lizard sections, and despite the attacks of more than one Lizard exhibitor, they have kept me there. I may be a fool, but I am not the knave Mr. Rukin suggests. If I am a fool, I at least try to be an honest one, and do my duty as far as my knowledge and experience carry me, and without fear or favour.

C. A. HOUSE.

Roller Classes at the Scottish National Show.

Sir,—It has been arranged with the officials of the Scottish National show (held in Edinburgh on Dec. 31) that two classes for Rollers will be opened, one class for the members of the Scottish Roller Canary Club, and the other class open to all comers. Any further information on the subject can be obtained from Mr. J. R. Meikle, 51, Lothian Road, Edinburgh, or from the Secretary, S.R.C.C., 11, Garrioch Quadrant, Glasgow, N.W.

A. FORREST.

Hon. Sec. S.R.C.C.

The Scotch Fancy Canary in the South.

Sir,—How is it the Scotch Fancy Canary is not more popular? I think they are grand birds, if you get good ones. They are easy to keep, and don't want colour food, and are not more expensive to buy than good Yorkshires. I have some nice birds I should like to show, but there are no classes for them round here (Wimbledon). I think if people saw them at shows, they would like them, and start keeping them, which would be a good thing. I wonder what others think?

M. WALKER.

[We agree that it is a pity this breed should not be more widely popular; a good bird, however, always stands an excellent chance of winning at any show in the class for "Any Other Variety Canary."—EDITOR.]

A Bit of Salt for a Judge's Tail.

Sir,—Re the wrong classing of my bird at Newport show by Mr. House. I should like to ask him why he wrong-classed my ticked yellow cock, and said it was a buff, as I have sent him out under Mr. Robson three times and won twice; he has also been under Messrs. Payne, Roe, Battye, and Cowgill. At Cardiff Mr. Mundell gave him he in a strong class, and as I was one of the stewards, I asked him and Mr. Vardy if it was a buff, and they laughed and said it was a good yellow. I thought I would put a bit of salt on Mr. House's tail, so I sent it to Bristol as a buff, but Mr. House did not turn up to judge. Mr. Roe judged instead and wrong-classed the bird, which, to me, was quite right.

JAMES F. WELLS.

Unprolificacy of the Canary-Bullfinch Mating.

Sir,—In reply to "Canary-Bullfinch," the question of why the mating of certain species which might reasonably be expected to be productive has as yet been ineffectual, or (as in the cross he mentions) strangely void of results in the majority of instances, is dealt with in an article which I hope to complete before the experimental season. In taking notes for this, I, of course, endeavour to have each instance of any new or peculiar happening authenticated, as far as is possible, and I often wonder why some readers of CAGE BIRDS are so averse to putting pen to paper and giving others the benefit of their experiences. Thus, though we have some very observant fanciers in Fife, it was by the merest accident I discovered that the fertility of the brown Linnet-Chaffinch mating had been proved beyond the shadow of doubt by a breeder there, and my best thanks are due to the courteous president of Kelty society, who took such precautions to ensure that fertility was manifest and the isolation of the pair complete. Apropos of Hybrids, may I ask some of your Edinburgh readers who verified the authenticity of the Siskin-Bully Hybrids alleged to have been produced there this year, when we are to have the pleasure of seeing them on the bench? I hope "Canary-Bullfinch" will forgive my delay.

J. STEEL.

To Treorchy, Pentre, and Treherbert Cage Bird Fanciers.

Sir,—Please allow me to announce that a meeting will be held in Cardiff Arms Hotel, Treorchy, on Tuesday next, Dec. 10, at 7 p.m., to discuss forming a society in the district. As there are many fanciers asking for such a society, let us come together and see what can be done.

OLD SPORT.

The Capture of Birds Wearing Marking Rings.

Sir,—A friend of mine was out for a walk on Nov. 2, when he captured a Seagull, on which was a Witherby metal ring, numbered 27670, which I enclose. Hoping you will make enquiries and let us know in CAGE BIRDS, of which I am a regular reader.

P. POINTON.

Sir,—Seeing that a lot of your readers have notified you of birds caught with rings on, I write to add that a friend of mine shot at Leamington-on-Tyne, a Gull which had on it a ring marked "Witherby, High Holborn, London, and numbered 28981. Hoping to learn from you how far this bird has migrated, and wishing your paper, CAGE BIRD, every success, as it deserves.

HENRY DYER.

What is a Novice?

Sir,—As an amateur fancier, I once asked an old exhibitor: "Who are eligible to show in novice classes?" His answer was: "All who have not won more than three firsts in novice classes, but to win a first in an open class would debar the exhibitor from again competing with novices." I am greatly interested in CAGE BIRDS, and have closely followed the excellent show reports, and the following seems to either controvert the above, or prove an exhibitor to be competing in classes forbidden him. At a Derbyshire show, an exhibitor was awarded first in an open class and second in a novice class (vide report). In this week's edition, I find the same exhibitor has been awarded prizes in both open and novice classes. Perhaps I have been given a wrong definition, but as at present I have not done any "benching," should like to know exactly what a "Novice" is.

WILLING TO LEARN.

Are Judges Bribed?

Sir,—I feel I should like to write a few lines under the above heading. In the first place I regret to say that judges are very often influenced, if not actually bribed. As an exhibitor of several years standing, I have noticed on a few occasions (only a few, I am pleased to say) certain exhibitors at the show early on the day of judging conversing with the judge and actually walking round the cage-birds and discussing the different merits of the exhibits, not forgetting to draw the judge's attention to their own paricular exhibits. This procedure gives ground for suspicion and often the results merit it—birds that have previously won under other judges, have had to give way, although in perfect condition, to the birds belonging to the exhibitor who was seen conversing with the judge. I myself have had one of my birds put back to second position this season after twice beating the particular exhibit belonging to the winner, and on one of these occasions under the same judge, who reversed his decision later. Between the two shows the exhibitor and judge, to my knowledge, met, hence the result. I am not writing to give advice, but if judges would ignore the above class of exhibitor and judge the birds only, their reputations, instead of going down would go up. I suggest that cage-bird stewards should not be exhibiting where they are acting as stewards.

F. J. WICKHAM.

The Future of the Sheffield O.S.

Sir,—Permit me a few lines to answer the letter of Mr. Dawn. First of all he says I am making a most untruthful and unjust statement concerning the above society, and am totally ignorant of the inner workings. Ignorant or not, Mr. Dawn, I might as well tell you that not only the secretary, but one half of your committee have had quite enough of the "windbags" of your society. You say you consider my remarks an insult. Well, I am very sorry if my truthful remarks have offended you. I don't know how you would go on in your secretary's place, seeing the insults and personal abuse he gets from the above tyrants. Now, Mr. Dawn, give credit where it is due. You go on to say we live in the times of change. Yes, I will grant you this, and you will be surprised at the changes at your next meeting, but the changes will be on the wrong side. You talk about the management you will have next year, and the next annual show second to none. Well, Mr. Dawn, get an entry and a show as good as the one you had this year, with the same donation, viz., £20, and everybody will be satisfied. I see in another column of CAGE BIRDS that Mr. Job's name is mentioned for secretary next year. Let me congratulate the management on their choice. With the valuable help of the same party that made the Hallam and Ecclesall cage-bird section such a success, the Sheffield O.S. should boom.

OLD SHEFFIELDER.

Sir,—How can I ask your forgiveness in having again to trespass on your valuable space re the Sheffield O.S., but in justice to the committee I must refute the statement made by Mr. Drabble, i.e., that our society is governed by a clique. His remarks are absolutely untrue, and if he had attended the meetings I'm sure he never would have written such. Let me inform him that I was entirely responsible for the remarks in "Twitterings." As Mr. Bishop told me both on the 'phone and personally many times that he had definitely decided to resign, I had to think of a capable successor, and as Mr. Job was the most likely man, he was interviewed, and was willing to act if the society sanctioned it. Therefore I decided to make it public so that our members would all know and be in a position to thrash it out at our next general meeting. Having done so, I fail to see where any "dirty trick" comes in. Anyone who knows me would not believe I was guilty of a shady action. A few words re finance: In my previous letter I stated that I benefited the society in 1911 by over £20, and that is still true. Mr. Bishop admits I gave £15 2s. towards the open show, but omits what I gave to the nest feather, members' and table shows, or else he would not have contradicted me. I have before me now a receipt from him for £17 15s. (from self and friends) for the open 1912 show, and if he adds what I gave to nest feather and table shows, it will bring this year's contribution up to last year. I can honestly say that my financial aid for the two years is over £40, which will be about the balance carried forward. I must also remind him that a member very kindly gave a cup, which drew large entries (and also increased our sales) thereby adding greatly to the funds of this year. It is strange to me to read of other societies changing their secretary without the controversy we have, and have had in our city. In conclusion, let me say: Away with cant and humbug; let there be no fear or favour, but equal rights and fair play to all.

THOS. DAWN, Chairman S.O.S.

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Nov. 7 & 8.—**Sheffield O.S.**—(T. Bishop, 69, Alexandra Rd., Herley, Sheffield.) W.M., C.H., J.R.

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Sir,—I should esteem it a favour if you will publish a complaint of mine against three advertisers in issue of Nov. 30th, to whom I sent an addressed and stamped envelope (or postcard) asking for an early reply. Neither of them have had the courtesy to return my p.c. Surely it is not too much trouble to write one word, say "Sold," and then drop it in the letter-box. In any case, I consider one is justified in demanding a reply when postage is prepaid. I hope my remarks will be read by the above-mentioned advertisers.

JOHN ENGLAND.

Bird Stolen en Route to Stockton Show.

Sir,—I sent two birds to Stockton-on-Tees show, on Nov. 22, and I have had a letter from the secretary, stating that my case arrived at the show with only one bird and cage, which I think is very sharp work, on the part of whoever took it (a nice even-marked buff cock Norwich). If the culprit will only write and let me know, as I think he is a good judge, I will forward him a nice yell. hen for a Christmas box. But he must write soon, as I am going to clear them all out; no more bird-showing for me, as I think it very hard lines to keep birds and send them to a show and have them stolen before they get there.

R. W. MELLING.

The Judging at Small Cornish Shows.

Sir,—"Local Judges abused by a disappointed Exhibitor" would have been a better headline to the letter appearing in your last issue, signed J. P. Andrew. I should like to ask him to publish in CAGE BIRDS the statement reflecting on the honesty and integrity of one of our most respected judges, which he made before fanciers at Wadebridge; but I do not think he will—his courage only reaches local men. He also said he would not show under me again. Your readers may judge at my surprise on looking at catalogue after judging to find he had shown no less than 19 exhibits! Was that confidence in a local judge? I wrong-classed No. 12, class 5, after a careful examination, as showing too much mealing for a yellow. His insulting remarks I can afford to treat with contempt, and my capabilities I am quite willing to leave to the judgment of those well-known fanciers and exhibitors who created a record for St. Columb. My long experience with cage-birds (as breeder, exhibitor and occasional judge) will not compare with your correspondent's two or three season's exhibiting purchased birds—oh, no! Should like also to call your readers' attention to report of Launceston (judge, Mr. J. H. Payne) to see how this exhibitor fared under an all England judge. Points, cups are not an unmixed blessing to a show; there is "Many a slip 'twixt cup and sideboard."

CHARLES H. TOY.

[We could not allow Mr. Andrew to impugn the integrity of any judge in our columns, even if he wished to do so.—EDITOR.]

Sir,—Having local judges, I am afraid our Cornwall shows will soon fail in entries. Committees should decide to have professional judges. There have been six shows since October, and the judges have been men either in the same town, or within a few miles. I quite approve of Mr. J. P. Andrews' letter in regards to local judges. At a certain show an exhibiter called my attention to some big prices on the cage-tickets, and when I looked at the catalogue I saw the exhibitor won 1st and special in nearly every class, and all the valuable specials. All other cages were marked with class and number only. Why should one lot have the price on the tickets any more than another? I was quite surprised to see the result at a later show—the same exhibitor back so far under the same judge who, however, managed to award him extra thirds. I have the opinion that he knew the birds. Give us all fair play.

A FANCIER.

[We should have though that the fact that the birds in question could get only 3rd prizes at a later show (although, according to "A Fancier," known to the judge) proved conclusively that they were judged solely on their merits. The competition at one show was stronger than at the other, we presume. —EDITOR.]

New Fanciers' Association For Bugle and District.

Sir,—At a well attended public meeting of fanciers and others interested, held in the Lecture Hall on 28th ult., Mr. I. Truscott presiding, it was unanimously decided to form a fanciers' association, to include poultry, pigeons, cage-birds, rabbits, cavies, etc., After the election of officers and a strong representative committee, over 40 members were enrolled; it was further decided to hold the first show, which will be open to the county, on July 23, 1913. A hearty invitation is given to anyone desirous of joining; subscription 2s. 6d.; next committee meeting 12th inst.

F. L. PEARCE, Hon. Sec.
A. C. GREGOR, Assist. Sec.

HORTICULTURAL HALL SHOW.

Notes and Critique

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We are pleased to hear from one of the officials that everything passed off in a very satisfactory manner, the "gate," sales of birds and sales of catalogues, being well up to the average, while the huge collection of birds was safely got away, only one getting wrongly packed, and that is being put right practically at once. We congratulate those responsible upon a very fine, exceptionally interesting, and well managed exhibition.

The Hope of the South.

The winners in the Yorkshire yellow cock class came in for as much notice as possibly any birds in the section. Everybody was particularly sweet on Mr. Green's third-prize bird. He is certainly a very fine specimen, and was put down in the pink of condition, but he hardly carries his wings so tightly braced as does the winner. A big section of the Southern fanciers would have liked to have seen him leading, but other good judges agreed that Mr. Binns' charmer was in its right place at the head of the poll.

Admiring the Old Favourites.

We noticed Mr. J. W. Rennie, from Andover, having a look round. The many times he had to answer the question: Was he going to take up the Yorkies again? must have become somewhat wearisome to him. He would receive a hearty welcome if he did.

A Flying Start.

Mr. Tebbs, of Battersea, made his first entry in the champion section, and did remarkably well, securing first in the marked cocks, second with a lovely buff hen, and third in the unflighted. In making these wins he was in the best of company. It is no right undertaking when a novice makes his "first bow" among the top sawyers.

The Cream of the Crests.

There was always a fair crowd among the Crests and Crest Breds. Of course, Messrs. Greenwood and Burson's Crested hen, and Messrs. Jones and Crest's buff cock were eagerly scanned, and two beauties they are. But the bird that everybody wanted to see was Mr. John Broad's young Crested hen. She is certainly a grand one, such size and shape of crest, though hardly finished yet. Her young career up to now has been rather remarkable—once unnoticed (Portsmouth), and top of the class every time since. Mr. B. is to be congratulated upon breeding such a good one.

Not a Bad Guess.

We overheard a young lady asking her companion if she had seen the "Hooded Canaries." For a minute we wondered if there was still another variety out.

"Black" Yorkshires Next Year!

Mr. Keesel, the breeder of the well-known White Yorkshires, is having a try this next year for Blacks. He has been so taken up with getting the Whites to perfection that he has not given much thought to the opposite colour; but he has the material, and intends trying for them in earnest. He feels rather confident of success, which we heartily wish him.

Show, not Stock Birds.

In placing his awards Mr. Booth did not particularly favour the what we might call "show stock birds." A good clean Norwich generally stood up top. Among these we think Mr. Baker's grand buff cock and Mr. Hodder's lovely marked yellow hen were about the pick of the basket, almost all that one could desire, good in size and quality, typical at all points, in the pink of condition, and well staged.

Amongst the Borders.

All the way from Liverpool to be "wrong classed" appears to be just a bit of bad luck, although a Yorkshire in a Border class was bound to be treated so. We heard that the first and special winner at Carlisle (the hotbed of the Border Fancy) failed to get a ticket here. Let us hope that this is not the commencement of a run of back luck for its new owner. The bird is a beauty, of rather slim type, with good head and neck. We hardly think it was put down in its best possible form.

A Word for the Ladies.

The ladies must not be forgotten. Miss Lydia Clare nearly captured leading honours with her delightful Queen Alexandra Parrakeet, in a wonderful class of 18 rare and beautiful birds, and headed the class for the rare Waxbills, etc., with perhaps the best Violet-eared ever seen. The Hon. Mrs. Bourke staged a wonderfully nice lot, exceptionally notable among which was the buff and black Minuet, which formed yet another of the first appearances.

A Bird that will be Missed.

We were sorry to hear from Mr. Townsend that his marvellous little Yellow-winged Sugar-bird has at last gone the way of all flesh. Perhaps no bird in the foreign section was more admired than this sweet little thing during the eight or nine seasons it adorned the show bench.

What a Great Newspaper Thinks.

Apropos of the show, the "Daily Telegraph" remarks: The beautiful condition of the birds and the fact that some of the prize-winners have exceeded the span of life attributed to wild birds might seem to many people a strong argument against the outcry on behalf of birds in captivity.

The Tyranny of Sex.

We overheard a humorous conversation between two exhibitors at the close of the show. Quoth No. 1: "I say, old man, do you want that prize-card? I wish you would give it to me." No. 2: "What on earth do you want it for?" No. 1: (quite shyly): "Well, you see, it's my first time of exhibiting, and the wife's not keen on birds at all. If I could only show her a prize-card, her opinions might alter—she wouldn't laugh at me, anyway!"

A Popular Judge as Exhibitor.

A welcome addition to the foreign section was the beautiful team of rarities put down by Mr. H. D. Astley, F.Z.S., the exhibition of which was rendered possible by the fact that Mr. Astley was not this year judging. Not the least noticeable among them was the pair of Queen Alexandra Parrakeets, which have reared young for their owner in the aviaries at Benham Valance. We were glad to see that on the second day they had recovered their beautiful sleekness of plumage. The Blue Niltava and the pair of Indian Brown-backed Wrens, shown by Mr. Astley, were worth a long journey to see, and many will be looking forward to the pleasure of renewing their acquaintance with these lovely specimens.

A Near Relation of the Shama.

A greatly admired exhibit was Mr. Frostick's Hunting Cissa, shown in the most perfect possible feather. It was hard luck, for such a lovely bird to have to stand cardless. Mr. Frostick also showed a very perfect hen Shama, a bird which we have not seen for many years on the show bench, quickly claimed at £5. This class showed us another rarity in the shape of Mr. Puck's Dhyal bird, a bird which has a song equal to that of a Shama, and in its black and white plumage is even more striking in appearance.

Two Noted Teams.

Mr. Maxwell, as usual, treated us with a sight of some of his beautiful foreigners, and, also as usual, introduced a novelty or two. His Peel's Parrot Finch will make a beautiful exhibit after a cage moult, and his Red and Black Tanager is another notable addition to the show bench. The team put down by Mr. Ezra contained some birds of marvellous beauty, the Amethyst-rumped Sun-bird being a dream of perfection, and the Abyssinian Love-bird formed one of the many species seen for the first time on the bench.

Corrections of Awards.

In the Greenfinch class, 3rd prize went to Mr. W. H. Pickles (not Lowe); in the open novice class for Yorks., cl. or tkd. yellow ck., 1st prize went to Mr. W. Marshall (not Miss Walker); in Yorks. green buff cocks, the catalogue credits Walker with 2nd prize, which should be T. Rowlands.

THE ROLLER CANARIES.

The Roller section was simply splendid, the entry being magnificent, 225 in 5 classes, while the quality of the song produced by the winners has, we were told by the judges, never been excelled. Messrs. Wareing and Hesling took great pains in arriving at their decisions, and seem to have given complete satisfaction. A number of birds failed to sing at all, and several could only be induced to sing one or two tours, although given two hours in which to show the extent of their repertoire. In class 119, Nos. 1 to 9 were marked "want training," and No. 13 as "very wild." We note that in the champion young birds not one sang the glucke, and no fewer than 21 were penalised for faults, whereas in the novice young birds 11 sang the glucke and only 5 had points deducted for faults. Bravo, novices! The officials of the British Roller C.C. were highly pleased with the show. They cater splendidly for their members (now 230 strong), each first prize winner getting a cup in addition to the prize money, and the other winners a medal. They are hoping for great things in their international contest, to be held in February next, when German birds will compete with our home products.

The following abbreviations are used:—ho Hollow Roll; hb, Hollow Bell; br., Bass Roll; s, Schockel; g, Glucke; f, Flute; wr, Water Roll; wg, Water Glucke; dbw, DBW Tour; bt, Bell Tour; bl.r, Bell Roll; sch, Schwirre; ge, General Effect.

CHAMPION YOUNG BIRDS (69): 1, Christie, hr 5, hb 2, br 4, s 3, f 3, wr 1, wg 4, ge 4, total 26; 2, c, Ives, hr 5, br 4, s 4, f 2, wg 4, dbw 1, ge 5, total 25; extra 2, ho Twigg, hr 5, br 4, s 3, f 3, wr 2, wg 3, dbw 1, bl.r 1, ge 4, deduct faults 1, total 25; 3, Lester, hr 5, hb 2, br 3, s 2, f 2, wg 4, dbw 2, bl. r 2, ge 5, deduct faults 2, total 25; extra 3, c, Neugebauer, hr 4, bb 2, br 3, s 4, f 2, wr 1, wg 3, bl.r 1, ge 4, total 24; 4, Williams, hr 6, hb 3, s 3, g 4, f 2, dbw 2, bl.r 1, ge 4, faults 1, total 24; extra 4, Hanbury, hr 6, hb 3, br 4, s 3, f 2, wg 3, ge 4, faults 1, total 24; 5, c, Lester, hr 5, hb 3, br 5, s 3, f 2, dbw 1, bt 1, bl.r 2, ge 4, faults 2, total 24; vhc, Randall, 22 points; Willows, 23; Humphries, 23; hc, Randall (two), 22, 21; hc, c, Fisher, 22, 21. NOVICE (59): 1, Johnson, hr 6, br 2, s 3, f 2, wr 2, wg 2, bt 2, bl.r 2, ge 5, total 26; 2, 2 extra 3, Brown, hr 6, br 2, s 3, f 4, wg 2, dbw 2, bt 1, bl.r 2, ge 4, total 26, extra 3 22; 3, c, Preston, hb 4, br 3, s 3, f 2, wg 3, dbw 2, bl.r 2, ge 4, total 23, c 18; extra 3, c, Rawcliffe, hr 6, hb 2, br 3, g 3, wr 2, dbw 2, bl.r 1, bl.r 2, ge 4, total 25, c 18; 4, extra 4, hc, c, Groves, hr 5, hb 2, s 2, f 3, wr 2, wg 3, dbw 1, ge 3, total 21; extra 4, 20 pts., ho 19, c 18; 5, vhc, Evans, hr 5, hb 2, br 2, f 2, wr 1, wg 3, dbw 2, ge 3, total 20; vhc, 20 pts.; vhc, Barnett, 20 pts.; hc, Frith, 19; hc, Best, 19; c, Davis, 18 pts.; c, Slade 18. CHAMP. OLD BIRDS (25): 1, Wardleworth, hr 6, hb 3, br 4, s 3, f 3, wg 3, bl.r 2, ge 4, total 28; 2, Simpson, hr 6, hb 3, br 4, s 3, f 2, wg 3, bl.r 2, ge 4, faults 1, total 26; 3, Percival, hr 6, hb 2, br 3, s 4, f 3, dbw 1, bl.r 1, ge 4; total 24; 4, Walton, hr 6, br 3, s 4, f 2, wg 4, ge 4, total 23; 5, Randall, hr 5, hb 2, br 3, s 4, wg 2, bt 1, bl.r 2, ge 3, total 22; vhc, Stolle, 21 pts.; Willows 21; hc, Kremmer 20, Willows 20; c, Stolle 10; Kremmer 19. NOV. OLD BIRDS (37): 1, Davis, hr 6, hb 2, br 2, s 3, f 3, wg 3, bl.r 2, ge 4, total 25; 2, 4, hc, Carruthers, hr 6, h 3, br 2, f 3, wg 2, dbw 2, bl.r 1, ge 3, total 22; 4, 21 pts.; hc, 18 pts.; 3, c, Rhodes, hb 5, br 2, s 3, f 2, kr 2, wg 2, bl.r 2, ge 3, total 21; c, 18 pts.; extra 3, Buffin, hr 6, s 3, g 4, f 3, bl.r 2, ge 3, total 21; 4, Maybury, hr 5, hb 2, s 3, f 2, wr 3, wg 2, go 3, total 20; 5, Binks, hr 6, s 3, f 2 wr 3, wg 3, ge 3, total 20; vhc, Ward, 19 pts., Hocking 20; hc, Hocking, 18 pts.; c, Alleopp, 16 pts Frith 16. LIMIT £2 (35): 1, Neugebauer, 24 pts.; 2 King, 23 pts.; 3, Lester, 22 pts.; 4, Lester, 21 pts. vhc, Welch, Kremner; hc, Shepley, Kremner and Veen; c, Lester and Roebuck.

PONTYPRIDD.

Open show, held at Victoria Hall, December 4th The birds were staged in a room which was very comfortable, had a good light, and was free from draughts. The stewards, Messrs. W. Williams, J. Forsey, J. Caddy, J. Marks, and B. Saunders, were assiduous in their attention to the exhibits, and did everything possible for their welfare. The show manager, Mr. Jno. Davies, had everything well in order, and under his careful guidance no hitch occurred. No small measure of the success of the show was due to the energetic Secretary, Mr. A. A. Gordon McLucas, who was a very courteous and obliging official. Mr. D. A. S. Longden judged, and his awards gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (7): 1, George, grand head and neck, god size, col., and type; 2, Capt. Collier, grizzle, head and neck mkd., good type, neat wings and tail, loses trifle in subs. to leader; 3, G. I. Jones, cl., grand col. and shape, neat bead and neck, trifle smaller; 4, Muscott, good col. and qual., very neat, wet when judged; vhc, Morris and Son; hc, Tedstone; absent Crowley. BUFF (12): 1, Crowley, cl., Cardiff, Llanelly, etc., winner, a topper, often described, wins; 2, George, another good one, grand type and qual., neat wings and tail, loses substance; 3, Cheney, good head and neck, neat col. and qual., nice type; 4, Jenkins, very neat, nice type, loses substance; vhc, Powell; hc, no name; c, Jones. HEN (10): 1, 2, George, saddle mkd. buff, good size and shape, nat head and neck, well braced wings, 2 cl. buff, close up, nice col. and qual., god wings and tail; 3, Jenkins, nice col. and qual., good wings and tail; 3, Jenkins, have been higher; 4, Crowley, buff, loses substance to leader; vhc, Tedstone; hc, Collier; c, Jones. YORKS., YELL. CK. (7): 1, Mock, cl. yell., nice length, good head and neck, well braced wings, well up on leg; 2, Webster, grand col. and qual., nice length, loses trifle condition to leader; 3, Ley, nice length, good qual. and type; 4, Brown, good col. and qual., nice type; vhc, Weeks; hc, Bevan; c, Bye. BUFF (10): 1, 3, Phillips, cl., grand length, neat wings and tail, very stylish, 3 another cl., grand length, nicely barred wings, hardly as nervy as winner; 2, 4, Weeks, variegated qual. and col., nice length, well braced wings, 4 nice type and qual., well up on leg; vhc, Mock; hc, Bevan; c, Curtis. HEN (8): 1, Phillips, cl. yell, good length, nicely braced wings, well up on leg; 2, Brown, clear var. buff, lovely feather, grand head and neck, nice wings and tail, good leg; 3, Webster, cl. yell., nice type and qual., well braced wings, loses col. to leaders; 4, Mock, nice type and qual.; vhc, Ricketts; hc, Watkins; c, Morris and Son. BORD. AND CRESTS: Cancelled. A.O.V. (4): 1, 2, Forsey, very neat var. Crest, good size and C.B., nice size and type, lovely qual.; 3, J. H. Jones, var. buff Scots Fancy, nice top end, good drive; 4, Powell. NOVICE (11): 1, Curtis and Son, var., buff Yorks., good length, nice straight back, neat tail, well up on leg; 2, Brown, cl. yell. Nor., neat head and neck, nice type, wins Silk's cup for best novice Nor.; 3, Cleo, cl. buff Yorks., nice type and qual., good wings and tail, well up on legs; 4, Brown, cl. buff Nor., good type and qual., nice size; vhc, Ley; hc, Cardy; c, Watkins. HYBR. (6): 1, Muscott, Goldie-Bully, lovely col. and qual., nice size and shape, wins; 2, Ball, var. Greenie, taking exhibit, nice col. and qual., trifle small, will improve; 3, Edwards, Linnet-Bully, nice type and qual., good col.; 4, Jones, Goldie-Bully; vhc, Cardy; hc, Thomas. GOLDFINCH (9): 1, Cheney, topper, nice square blaze, good bars, tans, and buttons, lovely order, wins; 2, Jeffreys, another good one, nice square blaze, good tans, bars and buttons; 3, Cheney, good size and shape, neat blize, good bars, buttons and qual., loses cond.; 4, Jones, neat Finch, shade smaller in size and blaze; vhc, Davis and Rees; hc, Evans; c, Arnold. BULLFINCH (7): 1, Cheney, ck., grand breast col., good cap and bars, in lovely order, wins; 2, Heal, hen, lovely type, neat cap and bars, grand col. and qual; 3, 4, Jeffreys, two neat exhibits, good col. and qual. vhc, Morse; hc, Peterson; c, Caddy. LINNET (10): 1, Heal, topper, often described, wins; 2, 3 Nicholas, pair of good ones, leaders well laced, nice col. and qual., 3 larger, not quite as good breast markings; 4, Davies and Rees, nice size and col. trifle open breast; vhc, Cheney; hc, York; c, Cardy SISKIN, ETC. (5): 1, 4, Bancroft, Siskin leading grand size and shape, neat eye markings, good col and qual., latter good sized Mealy 'Poll, in good order; 2, 3, Nicholas, Lesser 'Poll and Twite, in nice condition; vhc, Morris and Son. A.O. HARD-BILL (9): 1, 2, Bancroft, Crossbill, often described, grand size, col. and qual., latter Bramble, lovely col., grandly spangled, nice qual. and cond.; 3, Jeffreys, Chaffinch, good size and shape, trifle thick when we saw him; 4, Heal, Yellowhammer, good size, neat col. and qual.; vhc, Ray; hc, Wilkins; c, Legg. SOFTBILL (4): 1, Ray, Waxwing, a topper, lovely size and qual., wins; 2, Heal, Nuthatch, grand col. and qual., well staged; 3, Curtis and Son, Grey Wagtail, very neat exhibit; 4, Legg FOR.: Cancelled.

BIRMINGHAM.

City of Birmingham C.B.S. held their annual function Dec. 4 and 5. The schedule issued was capital, good prize money, and quite a host of points specials. The M.C.Y.C.C. patronised the venture, their valuable prizes bringing together the "cream" of the Midlands of the Yorkshire variety. Norwich also were of exceptional merit. Crest and C.B. were good, although not over numerous. Cinnamons and Borders added to the attraction and were greatly admired. Mules and British were splendid—really a most interesting array. Those annexing the largest "plums" were Messrs. A. J. Smith with a marvellous team of Crests, and in the British Messrs. G. Lawrence, Heal, Gilbert, Pitchford and Stocker, Johnson, and Williams. Mr. J. A. Eckersley, the well-known Nor. enthusiast, proved himself a most genial and earnest president, supported by Messrs. W. W. Butler, J. Webb, H. C. Wilkins, A. Broadhurst, J. H. de Maillett, W. C. Wells, J. Shepherd, and F. Peace, who worthily act as vice-presidents. The chairman, Mr. A. Broadhurst, is the right man in the right place, while Mr. F. Peace acts as understudy in a very capable manner. The committee comprises some of the best of fanciers in Messrs. Allen, Baker, Broomfield, Crowther, Derry, Dipple, H. Peace, and Stevenson. The "Bruno" are well served with energetic and enthusiastic helpers, who all did their level best to attain a successful issue. Last, but by no means least, comes Mr. J. H. Jones, the secretary. Quick and ever courteous, always there when wanted, untiring in his efforts, and attending to every detail in quite a masterly fashion, he is decidedly the right man for the secretarial office. Mr. J. H. de Maillet also deserves high praise for the very valuable assistance he so willingly rendered.

The large room attached to the Crown Hotel, which is of fair light, nicely heated, and well ventilated, was utilised. The entry was one of 550 upwards, 200 more than on the last occasion, a most pleasing item to record. Stewards, who worked efficiently and judiciously, promptly affixing prize slips, and keeping the "house in order," were Messrs. J. Clay, W. Broomfield, T. Groves, and G. Raby, the latter also attending to the seeding and watering. Messrs. A. Broadhurst (chairman), J. H. de Maillet, H. Peace, and J. Crowther worked splendidly all through the night previous to show day fixing staging and so forth. Management throughout was excellent, and everything passed off smoothly. Special winners were as follows:—Sandiford's for hottest fed, Mr. T. Judd; members' best young Cinn., Mr. G. Baker; best in show and best Nor., Mr. J. A. Eckersley with a stormer of a clear Buff cock; Yell. York, Wells and Clempson; Buff, J. Clay; C.B., T. Groves; Nov. Nor., C. B. Day; Yorks, J. Clay. Mr. J. Robson judged, and finished rather late in the day, having many classes to judge by inferior light (the atmosphere all day was somewhat "soupy"), though his awards on the whole were well received.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. (12): 1, Howe, cl. wonderful subs, lovely qual. and symmetry, deep fronted, full of col., jaunty carriage, gem; 2, Broadburst, grizzled root of tail, short and thick set, ablaze with colour, A1 shape, heaten in subs only; 3, Dipple, cl., capital col., superior feather, grand body, wings and tail, bit wanting in head and neck; vhc, c, Williams; hc, Judd. BUFF (14): 1, 3, Eckersley, superbly clothed cl., delightful col., rare size and shape, splendid action, real gem; 3, cl. of great subs., exquisite qual. and col., wee bit long in wings and tail, clean cut away; 2, Fullwell, mkd. neck, marvellous subs., topping col. and feather, rattling shape and carr., pressed hard; vbc, c, Broadhurst; hc, Judd. VAR. (14): 1, Judd, yell., wonderful subs., superior col. and feather, capital shape, clean under, wee bit long behind perch; 2, Eckersley, almost green, delightful shape and subs, superb feather; jaunty carr., shorter than winner, our choice; 3, Howe, mkd. wings, breast and eyes, marvellous subs, delightful col. and qual., little free in clothing, yet gem; vhc, Weaver; hc, c, Fox. HEN (19), fine class: 1, Williams, model of a cl. yell., slashing qual. and col., wonderful subs., delightful carr., bewitching damsel; 2, vhc, hc, c, Eckersley, good team, charming cl. buff leading, not a feather misplaced, superb tone of col., neatly frosted, nice size, jaunty; 3, Judd, cl. buff, smooth as wax, best shaped body in class, magnificent wing carr., clean cut, little weakness in head and neck. UNFLI. YELL. (12): 1, Williams, capitally fed cl., rattling feather, nice contour, good carr., not one of the biggest, but very smart; 2, Parlett, cl., certainly not quite so hot in col., but magnificent qual., size and shape, jaunty carr., our choice; 3, Garfield, nice shapely cl., smooth as glass, lovely body, wings and tail, hardly the col.; vhc, Eckersley; hc, Collier; c, Elliott. BUFF (17): 1, Hulse, cl., round as a ball, hot as a stove, superb clothing, well up in size, clock-like in action, a charmer; 2, Parlett, tkd. eye, full of fire, clinking feather, shone like a mirror, rare subs., shade longer in barrel, wings, and tail; 3, Howe, delightfully shaped, cl., not a feather misplaced, plenty of size, lovely car., needs bit more col.; vhc, Williams; hc, Dipple. NOVICE, CK. (rare class) (23): 1, Thorpe, cl. yell., grand shape and size, capital tone of col., well feathered, good carr., wins; 2, Wellings, cl. yell., rare qual., well up in size, shade longer in barrel, nice col.; 3, Herbert, beautifully shaped cl. buff, smooth as a bottle, rich tone of col., grandly mealed, pressed hard; vhc, Poonsett; hc, Kenyon; c, Hinde; No. 23 absent, Kenyon. HEN (choice lot) (22): 1, 3, Thorpe, buff mkd. neck, round as a ball, tight as wax, good subs., full of style, extremely bonny, 3 yell. mkd. eye, capital col. and feather, fine size, moves well, longer in build; 2, vhc, Loach, buff mkd. wings and head, superb col. and feather, richly frosted, not quite so deep fronted, still a beauty; hc, Sadler; c, Smith.. UNFLI. (20): 1, 2, Rowley, grandly shaped cl. buff, not a feather wrong, good size and col., moves gracefully, 2nd richly fed variegated, short and thick set, capital qual and mealing; 3, Dunn, yell. mkd. wing, ablaze with col., well clothed, good subs., worth its place; vhc, Day; hc, Sadler; c, Jones. YORKS., YELL., CL. OR TKD. (15): 1, Lane, mkd. wing, straight as a rusb, smooth as a bottle, capital back wings and tail, lengthy and well on leg, charmer; 2, Dykes, cl., wonderful length, slim and upstanding, A1 qual. and col., clever legs, bit flat on head; 3, Walker, mkd. wing and cheek, capital qual., stands nicely, good back and wing carr., not the length; vhc, Stewart; hc, Thomas, lovely wing mkd., should have been higher up; c, Williams. BUFF, CL. OR TKD. (13): 1, Lane, slashing cl., stands like a guardsman, smooth as a bottle, fine back and wing carr., pipe tail, real gem; 2, Mock, mkd. wing, very lengthy, grand pos., full of swagger, A1 qual., beaten in col. only., close up; 3, vhc, Williams, mkd. head, richly fed, good length, superbly clothed, hardly so upright as above, yet very charming; hc, Shaw Bros.; c, Kearns. MKD. (14): 1, Walker, yell. mkd. wing and eyes, wonderful length, straight as a gun barrel, rattling col. and feather, perfect back and wing carriage, bit thin in neck; 2, Thomas, yell., cinn. mkd. wings, slim and upstanding, delightful qual., rare length, full of style, clever legs, our choice, gem; 3, hc, Williams, yell., mkd. wings and eyes, ablaze, lovely feather, very lengthy, close up; vhc, Hillman and Broome; c, Dykes. UNFLI. (20): 1, Shackleton, mkd. eye, yell., excellent col. and feather, slim and upstanding, marvellous length, grand legs, with luck a coming champion; 2, Kearns, mkd. wing and neck, superb qual., rattling pos., well filled back, A1 wings and tail, just beaten in length; Wells and Clempson, wonderfully lengthy cl., superior feather, stands nicely and well on leg; vhc, Lane; hc, Walker; c, Dr. Craig. HEN, CL. OR TKD. (13): 1, Shackleton, mkd. wing, superb feather and col., delightful pos., rare length and well on leg, most bewitching; 2, Walker, thigh tick, very lengthy, A1 qual., grand back flights and tail, close up; 3, Kearns, mkd. neck, shooty, magnificent qual., best of backs, rattling wings and tail, hardly so lengthy; vhc, Wells and Clempson; hc, c, Lane. BUFF (15): 1, 2, Shackleton, with a brace of lovely damsels, both clears, 1st magnificent qual. and col., neat and narrow, erect and full of character, staged to the moment, 2nd capital feather, straight as a rush, slim and upstanding, lovely wing carriage, not quite so rich in col.; Wells and Clempson, very smart and well fed cl., good length and pos., a bonny weuch; vhc, Lane; hc, Walker; c, Hillman and Broome. NOVICE, YELL. (18): 1, Harding, cl., rare length ad pos., capital feather, neat back and wing carr., clever legs; 2, Salt, lightly varieg., straight as a rush, hot in col., superb feather, not quite so lengthy; 3, c, Foster, thigh tick, marvellous length, nice col. and qual., well up in pos.; vhc, Day; hc, Clay. HEN (13): 1, Clay, cl. buff, slashing feather and col., neat and narrow, stands beautifully, lovely back flights and tail; 2, Foster, buff, mkd. wing and head, rare length, capital qual., nice pos., well on leg, close up; 3, Clay, richly fed cl. buff, stands nicely, neat back and wing car., pipe tail, shade shorter; vhc, Farrell; hc, Smith; c, Weekes Bros. UNFLIG. (20): 1, Tansey, cl. yell., slim and upstanding, superior col. and feather, lengthy and leggy, in the pink; 2, vbc, c, Salt, nice team, cl. yell., stands like a soldier, hot as a stove, grandly feathered, pressed hard; 3, Bainbridge, wonderfully lengthy cl., stands well on clever legs, neat back and wing car., bit open in feather; hc, Farrell. HEN (20): Grand lot. 1, Salt, cl. yell., rich col and qual., well up in pos., full of style, plenty of leg, very neat; 2, Tansey, yell. mkd. wing and neck, rare length and pos., good back flights and tail, well on leg, pressed very hard; 3, Hearnshaw, well fed cl. yell., A1 qual., nice length, but wild, would not show; vhc, Harding, magnificently fed cl., stands finely, might have gone up; hc, Day; c, Farrall. CREST (7): 1, 2, 3, Smitb, magnificent trio, leader, spl. best Crest at Manchester, buff green, pied tail, D.C., possessing a wealth of superb feather, marvellous subs., crest round as a hoop, fine size, delightful droop and centre, topper, 2, buff, spl. best Crest at Cheltenham, mkd. wings D.C., abundance of A1 feather, rattling size, crest of immense size, good radiation and droop, neat centre, close up; 3, cl. body D.C., plenty of feather, crest of rare size and shape, not quite so thickly thatcbed; vhc, Memmott; hc, Groves; c, Harvey. C.B. (10): 1, c, Smitb, green pied wings and tail, heaps of superb feather, fine subs., wonderful widtb and rise of skull, grand lasb; 2, 3, vhc, Groves, green pied tail, A1 qual., nice substance and shape, good amount of bead feather, 3, green pied tail, abundance of superior feather, rattling substance, magnificent widtb and rise of skull, heaps of head feather, fine lash, might have gone up one; hc, Gilbert. YELL., C. OR C.B. (5): 1, 3, vhc, Smith, again with a choice team, yell., almost green, superb qual., well up in substance, delightful bead character, one of the best, 3, yell green, A1 feather, nice size, not so dense or so broad in skull, neat lash, both C.B.'s; 2, hc, Peace, yell., mkd. wings D.C., nicely clothed, crest of nice size radiation and droop, well staged. NOVICE, C. OR C.B.: Void. YELL CINN. (3): 1, 3, Baker, both of good qual., former rich in col., nice substance, clean cut, jaunty carriage, 3, A1 qual., in the pink. BUFF (1): 1, Baker, capital shape, nice size, good col. and car., well shown. BORD. YELL. (11): 1, Greenwell, slashing yell green, smooth as a bottle,, very shapely, full of action, real beauty; 2, hc, Sampson, cl. yell., feathered to perfection, delightful col., grand shape and carriage, beautiful movement, close up; 3, Barber, yell. green, full of style, capital shape and col., not quite the richness of feather; vhc, Rea; c, Tyler. BUFF (9): 1, Rea, magnificent cl., smooth as wax, shone like a mirror, grand contour, shows for all he is worth; 2, hc, Greenwell, green, very shapely, A1 col. and qual., free action, in absolutely best possible trim; 3, c, Sampson, mkd. head, capital shape and car., not quite the qual., yet most taking exhibit; vhc, Tyler. NOV., A.O.V. (7): 1, Wellings, yell. Border, mkd. head, tight as a Java, delightful shape, lovely car., real gem, near on best Border in show; 2, Herbert, cl. buff Scotch Faucy, good length, capital shoulders, nice circle, A1 qual., pleasing exhibit; 3, Hales, cl. yell. Belgian, good qual., nice shoulders and pos., works well on the small side; vhc, March; hc, Derry; c, Hornby, very nice, varied exhibits. LIGHT MULE (5): 1, Gilbert, Buff marked wings Goldie-Can., exquisite col. and qual., grand shape, nice size, neat face, in the pink; 2, Lawrence, Buff Gold-Can., capital size and symmetry, tight as wax, shows for all he is worth, must have pressed; 3, Raby, Buff Gold-Can., mkd. wings and eyes, good size and shape, A1 feather, not overdone with col.; Fisher; hc, Ward. A.O.V. (11): 1, 2, vhc, c, Lawrence, leader very smart Gold-Bullie, sweet shape, capital colour and quality, rich face, well put down; 2, Can.-Bullie, good size and qual., nice A1 col., bit rough b hind; 3, Fairburn, Greenie-Chaff., rattling qual. and shape, good col. and size, many thought should have been higher up; hc, Gilbert. No. 2, Parlett, the well-known Yell.-Greenie-Can., winner of 50 firsts in open competition, left cardless, should certainly have been in the money. GOLD OR BULLIE (23), wonderful class: 1, Pitchford and Stocker, their noted Goldie, Finch of wonderful merit, often described; 2, Jones, Bullie, slashing shape, rare size, not a feather misplaced, lovely cap, large and dense, magnificent breast col., gem; 3, Ward, Goldie, rich nutty col., nice size and shape, capital blaze, grand bars and buttons; vhc, Poole, slashing Bullie, not far away; Evans and Roberts; c, Tyler; Nos. 13 and 14, Miller and Jones, abs. LINNET, ETC. (26), grand collection: 1, hc, Heal, Linnet, exquisite shape, rattling subs., unbeatable for col., clear and most distinct in markings, an eye opener, best we have seen this season; 2, Pitchford and Stocker, Twite, nice size and shape lovely col. and qual., prettily pencilled, one of the best; 3, Jonce, Lin., capital shape, not a feather misplaced, well marked, not the subs. or col. of winner, yet fine exhibit; vhc, c, Jeffreys; Nos. 10, 11, Jones, abs. A.O.V. HARD (11): 1, Welsh, Hawfinch, marvellous size, superb feather, grand shape and carr., good col., staged to perfection; 2, Gilbert, Corn Bunting, well up in subs., capital col., not a feather wrong, finely mooned, very choice; 3, Brooks, slashing Yellow Bunting, good size and shape, clinking col., lovely head markings; vhc, hc, Parlett; c, Poole. NOV. HARD. (13): 1, Johnson, Hawfinch, possessing good col., very shapely, rattling cond., not one of the biggest; 2, Miller, Goldie, nice shape, size and col., rich well-cut blaze, neat bars and buttons, we liked; 3, Pugh, Yell. Bunting, shapely, A1 col. and qual., capital head mkgs., well worth its place; vhc, Derry; hc, Barnett; c, Wood. SOFT (13): 1, Williams, Waxwing, in absolutely perfect feather, delightful shape, col., and carr., fit to light for a kingdom; 2, Mackwell, Wren, in A1 form and staged in masterly fashion; 3, Lewis, Tree Creeper, looking the picture of health; vhc, hc, Jeffreys; c, Baseley. FOR. (7): 1, Williams, magnificent Green-billed Toucan, staged in fine style; 2, Lewis, Pennant Parrakeet in lovely bloom, well put down; 3, Fordred, Pekin Robin, not a feather out of place, pleasing specimen; vhc, Baseley; hc, Barnett; c, Watson. MEMS. £2 LIMIT NOR. (6): 1, Broadhurst, exquisite shape, teeming with qual. and col., well up in size; 2, vhc, Dipple, var. Buff, shapely, A1 col., nicely frosted, close up; 3, Taylor, Buff mkd. wings, plenty of size, rattling col. and qual.; hc, Tipper; c, Giles. UNFLI. (8): 1, De Maillet, sweetly moulded, full of col. and qual., nice size, very promising; 2, c, Dipple, well fed cl. Buff, short and thick set, superior feather and carr., not far behind; 3, Taylor, mkd. Buff, capital size, A1 col. and qual.; vhc, Eckersley; hc, Silvers.

TONBRIDGE.

Held at Public Hall, Dec. 3rd and 4th. The entry was good, a nice lot of Norwich and Yorks. being staged. The quality of the Norwich seemed much in advance of last year, some really typical birds of good size and quality being on show. Yorks. were also a fine collection, a few winners at some of our big shows putting in an appearance. Some good British birds and Hybrids made up a very interesting collection. The Hall was well patronised by visitors, and everything was beautifully managed by Mr. Percy Stonestreet, who at all times is very courteous and obliging. He was ably assisted by Messrs. Smithers, Creed, Cross, and Wraight, who gave every attention to the exhibits under their care. Mr. J. Robson judged.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Saunders, grand bird, fine size and type, neat full head, good back and front, capital wings and tail, hot col., fine condition; 2, Silk, another good typical Nor., good broad head, grand back and wings; 3, Goodwin, nice type, somewhat smaller, and hardly so good in head as winners, capital condition; 4, Easton, wee shade long, good bead and back, nice qual.; vhc, Wickham, R. Foster; hc, Loveland; c, Ellis. BUFF (10): 1, Silk, rare size and subs., good, well filled head, nicely rounded front, grand wings and tail, A1 condition; 2, Kilby, big one, good bead, shoulders, and wings; 3, Saunders, capital type, neat head and neck, good shoulders and back, grand qual. and condition; 4, Smithers, beauty for type, must have pressed; r, Gunnell; vhc, Easton; hc, Bellamy; c, Ellis. MKD., ETC. (8): 1, Saunders, very typical, good qual. and condition, capital front, real Norwieb, wins; 2, Kilby, nearly green, good subs., nice head and body, good wings, in fine form; 3, Goodwin, neck and wing mkd., good size, neat head, good back and wings, wee bit long in body, but good qual.; 4, Gunnell, grand type, beautifully proportioned; r, Ellis; vhc, Smithers; hc, Silk; c, Greenaway. HEN (13): 1, Ellis, grand var., typical, good in head and front, stands well, neat wing carr., lovely qual., and condition; 2, no name, typical cl., good bead, well braced wing, neat tail, clean cut; 3, Saunders, tail mkd., hardly so big, but good type, A1 qual., in fine order; 4, Kilby; r, Goodwin; vhc, Borman; hc, Richards; c, Gunnell. NON FED (6): 1, Ellis, bonny cl., grand size and type, fine bold head and front, well proportioned, A1 qual. and col.; 2, Noakes, nearly green, good size and type, neat head, good back and wings, A1 condition; 3, Bellamy, cl., grand size, nice, bit long in barrel, but good head and wing, well shown; 4, Frost and Rogers, typical wing mkd. buff, good type and qual., close up; r, Creed. UNFLIG. (13): 1, 2, sp, Saunders, grand bold yell., mkd. wings and tail, Bromley winner, in fine condition, and well put down; 2, Bellamy, very typical buff, good size, neat bead and wings, nice back, in good order; 3, Foster, smaller, good type, bold front, well filled back, capital col.; 4, hc, Smithers, shade small and rather long in body, but good head and wings, lovely quality feather; res, Creed; vhc, Frost and Rogers; c, Pilcher. CREST AND C.-B. (2): 1, 2, Hayward, C.-B. leading, bold bird, grand width of skull, well domed and lashed, 2nd var Crest, nice size, good shape crest. YORKS YELL. (5): 1, Silk, fine length and style, well up on leg, shade open in front, a good bird, but hardly in the condition of 2, Lockett, grand length and nerve, beautiful position, nicely moulded, as smooth as possible, well put down, grand wings; 3, Mole, real topper, grand length, sweet head and neck, wel cut away, smart bird in the pink, we liked; 4, Wraight, good one, hot col., very pure qual., good wings; res, Creed. BUFF (8): 1, Rayner, fine long bird, good position, well up on leg, nice head and neck, beautifully moulded, clean cut away, one of the best; 2, Creed, similar, lovely position, smart, very fine condition, wee bit flat on back, but still good; 3, Frost and Rogers, topper, long drawn, beautifully modelled, neat head, good shoulders, and very pure qual., much admired; 4, Leaver, very typical, tips wings at times, good qual.; res, Wraight, good; hc, Winzer; c, Mrs. Ballard. MKD., ETC. (6): 1, Leaver, head and wing mkd., fine length and position, neat head, good shoulders and back, capital wings, fine qual.; 2, Humphries, cheek tkd., shapely, but hardly in the best of condition to-day; 3, Wraight, heavily var., grand length and position, neat head and wings, A1 qual.; 4, Mole, good, close up; res, Peters; vhc, Mrs. Ballard. HEN (8): 1, Foxen, beauty for style and qual., grand position, good all round, in the pink; 2, Mole, real topper, mkd. neck, good head and wings, nicely drawn, well up on leg, full qual.; 3, Wraight, smart body, full of nerve, capital type and position, grand close fitting wings, A1 qual.; 4, Rayner; lovely type and qual., a shade small; res, Lockett; vhc, Leaver; hc, c, Cross. NON-FED: 1, sp, 3, S. Creed, grand Buff, wonderful length and type, beautifully drawn, and moulded, A1 wings and tail, fine qual.; 3, beauty, grand type, good style, stands well, nice shoulders and back, A1 condition; 2, res, W. Creed, lovely neck, tkd. yell., fine length and nerve, well up on leg, grand position, neat wings, pipe tail; 4, Wraight, good long bird, fine wings, smart; vhc, Lord; hc, Mole. UNFLIG. (13): 1, Rayner, grand long yell., very fine type and position, good wings and legs, nice bit of shoulders, very fine qual.; 2, Lockett, smart Buff, grand length, typical, good head, shoulders, and back, smart wings, fine condition; 3, Mole, mkd. Buff, grand type and length, smart style, neat head, good wings; 4, Foxen, very fine, long yell.; vhc, Wraight; hc, c, Humphries. HYB. (11): 1, 2, 3, Lamb, well known team, Redpoll-Bullie leading; 4, Smith, Goldie-Can., grand size and col.; res, Gunnell; vhc, Bull; c, Hurst; No. 8, Bennett, very fine Redpoll-Greenie, grand size, col., and marking, in A1 condition. GOLDIE (10): 1, Jellries, nice bird, good size and shape, square cut blaze, good wings, nicely tanned; 2, Harris, bonny bird, good blaze, rich col., well tanned, good wings, staged fine condition; 3, Horne, good eq. blaze, nicely tanned, shapely, not staged at its best, still deserved its position; 4, Rhodes, very fine bird, good size and shape, beautifully tanned; res, Drowley; vhc, Wickham, one of the best, grand blaze, etc.; hc, Smith; c, Mrs. Todd. BULL. or GREENFINCH (12): 1, Wickham, cobby and shapely, nice col., good head and cap., a real Bullie, but hardly at its best to-day; 2, Gunnell, shade small, good col. and shape, capital wings; 3, Cranston, shapely, hot col., neat head and cap, good wings; 4, Harris, very fine Greenie, shapely, good size, grand col. and qual., well showu; res, Horne; vhc, Drowley; hc, Carter; c, Hinds. LINNET, ETC. (12): 1, 4, Gunnell, charming Linnets, both big, good col. and cond.; 1, full of work, rather small head; 4, better shape, not so well laced; 2, Wickham; fine size and shape, beautifully mkd., sound col.; 3, Jeffries, not far behind, nice qual.; res, Hull; vhc, Drowley; hc, Cox; c, Cross. A.O. HARD-BILL (10): 1, Harris, grand Hawfinch, beauty for shape and col., good well shaped bib, capital wings, put down in the pink; 2, 3, Hull, Chaffinch, leading, big, hardly in the best of condition; 3, good Bramble, capital rich col., nice quality feather, good condition; 4, Gunnell, lovely Yell. Bunting, beautifully mkd. and spangled, in the pink, sound col., we liked; res, Drowley, good Hawfinch; vhc, Carter; hc, Peters; c, Shiers. SOFTBILL (4): 1, Richards, very fine, shapely Jay, not over large, but grand col., good head, capital rich wing bars, fine condition, well staged; 2, Boorman, lovely Blackcap, good size, shapely, nice qual. of feather, slightly damaged tail; 3, Cross, nice Tbrush, good shape and markings; 4, Parsons, larger bird, quite as shapely, beautifully spotted, in grand condition. NOV. (11): 1, Walker, grand Yorkie, wonderful length, good type, neat bead, good back and wings, grand stock bird; 2, Greenaway, good Nor., nice bold bird, fine type and qual., well shown; 3, 4, Mrs. Aitken, neat Borders, shapely and smart, good qual.; res, Barkaway; vhc, Lord; hc, Richards; c, Mrs. Holmes. FOR.: 1, Greenaway, nice pair of Budgerigars; 2, Miss Blackbouse, good Blackheaded Gouldian, fine col. and condition. Members: NOR. (5): 1, Richards; 2, Bellamy; 3, Smithers; 4, Loveland. YORKS.: 1, Humphries; 2, Wraight; 3, Walker; 4, Southby; res, Creed; vhc, Cross; hc, c, Peters.

REDRUTH.

Held their fourth annual show in the Market Hall, Nov. 23rd. Entries came up well, and a good future for the society seems evident. Competition in the Norwich classes was very keen, some of the cream of the Fancy being staged. The non-lighted classes were excellent, and the winner in the yellow class captured the silver cup for best bird in section, it being a grand bird of excellent type and quality, and a credit to its breeder. The Large Foreign class was also good. Mr. T. S. Sherman had the birds nicely staged, and he was backed up by a hard-working committee who looked well after the wants of the exhibits. Mr. Trevena judged, and his awards gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. YELL. (9): 1, sp, c, Ferrill, grand bird, lovely type and size, good head and neck, deep col.; 2, Sberman, bonny bird, neat shape, nice col.; 3, res, Kemp, well shaped, nice bead, wings and tail; vbc, hc, Sherman. BUFF (7): 1, sp, vhc, Sherman, nice bold bird, well filled neck and front; 2, hc, T. Sherman, good type, nice wings and tail; 3, c, Ferrill, grand bead and neck, nice wing carr.; res, Opie. YELL. TK. (8): 1, sp, vhc, Ferrill, tick head and wing, grand col., nice type; 2, T. Sherman, we missed; 3, c, Kemp, tick neck, good wings, nice qual.; hc, Sherman. BUFF TK. (8): 1, sp, Climas, good size, nice head, neck and wings, wins cup for best old bird; 2, Sberman, tick head, nice head and neck, good back and wings; 3, res, c, T. Sherman, tick wing, very fine type, nice wedge shape; res, similar, nicely moulded, in fine fettle; vbc, Ferrill. YELL. UNFLIG. (12): 1, two sps, cup, vhc, Ferrill, mkd. tail, nice type, good front, well put down; 2, Kemp, el., fine type and qual., tail broken, which told against it; 3, Martin, very typical, nice clean front, good wings and tail; hc, Climas. BUFF (14): 1, sp, Sherman, nice subs., very fine type and qual.; 2, vhc, T. Sherman, tick neck, closely braced wings, good qual.; 3, Ferrill, fine type and qual., good col.; hc Kemp; c Martin, wins sp. best novice. YELL. HEN (8): 1, sp, Martin, grand cl., good type and subs., neat head and neck, lovely qual.; 2, Kemp, very typical, nice clean front, good wings and tail; 3, Ferrill, good rich col., neat head, nice wings and tail; vhc, Sherman; hc, T. Sherman; c, Lawry. BUFF (12): 1, sp, res, Sherman, lovely type, good qual., well packed flights, neat tail; 2, 3, Ferrill, lovely feather, neat heads, wings and tails; vhc, hc, T. Sherman; c, Climas. NON FED (12): 1, sp, 2, vhc, T. Sherman, good shape and feather, nice wing carr., nice cond.; 3, Kelly, good type and qual., very neat tail; res, Martin; hc, Kemp. YORKS. (5): 1, sp, 2, 3, T. Sherman; res, vhc, Sherman. A.O.V. (5): 1, sp, res, vhc, T. Sherman, grand type Cinn. Buff, good qual., col., easy win; 2, Kemp, green Scotch Fancy, good head and shoulders, carries tail well under; 3, Ferrill, Cinn., slimmer than winner but good qual. BRIT. LARGE (7): 1, sp, Kemp, Starling, well spangled, good col. and cond.; 2, res, hc, Peters, Thrush, well mkd., nice back; 3 Woolcock, Thrush, equally mkd., but rather wild. SMALL (11): 1, sp, 3, vhc, Ferrill, Goldfinch, nice blaze, well tanned, good wings; 3, Bramble, shapely, well spangled, good col.; 2, Peters, Lark, well mkd., good col. and cond.; res, Kemp; hc, c, Woolcock. FOR. LARGE (12): 1, sp, 2, 3, r, vhc, hc, c, Smith, grand team, Pennant leading, lovely col., grand cond.; 2nd, Salmon-crested Cockatoos, nice col.; 3rd, Lemon-crested Cockatoos, in good form; res, King Parrot, grand bird, little out of cond. SMALL: 1, sp, 2, res., Woolcock, pair Yell. Budgerigars, grand size and feather, in nice trim; 2nd, Cut-throats, nicely marked; 3, Myor, we missed; vhc, Jones.

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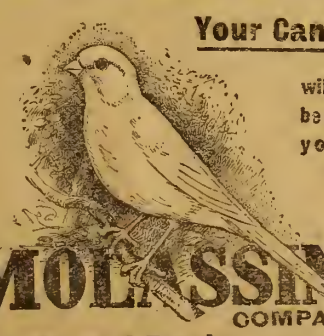
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DUBLIN.

The South County Dublin C.B.A. held its first open show in the Town Hall, Kingstown, Nov. 28 and 29. The show was held under the patronage of the Yorks. C. and C.B.S. of Ireland, and we saw the cream of the Yorkshire birds in Ireland on the bench, and no wonder when such exhibitors as the following staged their birds:—Messrs. Ryan, O'Reilly, Hawkins, Birse, Tansey, Mulligan, Devins, Keogh, Forrest, Sholedice, Neville. In the novice section were some good birds, fit to come out in the open. Messrs. Howard, Mahon, Lattimore, Lawless, McKeone, and Kavanagh put down some fine teams. British were a fine lot, one of the best we have had the pleasure of seeing for some time. Messrs. Mulcahy, Dawson, Carolan, Devins, and Birse were to the front with some fine exhibits. The room was a fine one for the exhibition of birds, and the staging was all that could be desired. This being the first venture of this new society, we must congratulate Mr. W. Smith, the hon. secretary, for the able manner in which he ran the show. We wish him and his committee every success, and hope that another year they may have a far better show. The following gentlemen were responsible for the staging and feeding of the exhibits, and all worked like Trojans. Messrs. O'Brien, Fagan, Molloy, Carroll, Bryne, Walters, Dowed, Keavens, Duffy, etc. Mr. W. Mundell, Bradford, judged.

The Critique.

YORKS. CL. YELL. CK. (10): 1, Ryan, rare length, boxey feather, pale col., good head, fine wing carr., piped tail, but wild at times, which spoils his position; 2, Birse, very typical, grand wings and tail, rich col., boxey feather, good head, we liked much; 3, C. A. O'Reilly, good head, well up on leg, blaze of col., full of qual., grand wing carr., piped tail; vhc, Neville; hc, Tansey; c Molley. HEN (8): 1, Keogh, grand position, neat round head, wings well braced to side, piped tail, well up on leg, teeming with qual., wins; 2, C. A. O'Reilly, pale in col., full of style, boxey feather, well up on leg, nicely placed wings, piped tail; 3, Cottrell, pale in col., boxey feather, neat head, very stylish, nicely placed wings, piped tail, not so long as winner; vhc, F. O'Keeffe; hc, Buckley; c, Hawkins. CL. BUFF CK. (10): 1, hc, Keatings, teeming with qual., rich level col., neat round head, grand wing carr., piped tail, well up on leg, position A1; 2, Tansey, very rich col., feathered like glass, wings and tail perfect, position A1, but a shade on the small side; 3, Keogh, rich level col, well up on leg, grand wings and piped tail, very typical, neat head; vhc, c, F. O'Keeffe. HEN (13): 1, Ryan, rich level col., well up on leg, nice flights, well placed, piped tail, full of qual., very stylish; 2, Devins, teeming with qual., lovely head, well placed wings, grand tail, position A1; 3, S. O'Reilly, perfect feather, good head, faultless wing carr., lovely piped tail, true Yorkie, but on the small side; vhc, O'Keeffe; hc, Keatings; c, Hawkins. TKD., ETC., YELL. CK. (8): 1, Ryan, cheek and wing mkd., blaze of col., well up on leg, teeming with qual., neat head, lovely position, grand wings, well braced to side, and piped tail; 2, Keogh, neck mkd., very racy bird, full of qual., long flights, well put on, piped tail, nicely benched; 3, Birse, neck tkd., pale in col., lovely qual. of feather, stands well up on leg, good head, shade on the stout side; vhc, Hawkins; hc, F. O'Keeffe; c, Lea. HEN (6): 1, Keating, griz. on head, lovely qual. of feather, rich col., well braced wings, nicely folded tail, position A1; 2, Forrest, head and wings mkd., blaze of col., teeming with qual., very racy and typical, good head, stands on a pair of good legs; 3, S. O'Reilly, variegated, blaze of col., neat round head, grand wings, piped tail, well up on leg, position A1; vhc, Carolan; hc, Hawkins; c, Cottrell. BUFF CK. (7): 1, Neville, wings mkd., rich even col., very racy, neat round head, well braced wings, feathered like wax, position A1, a true Yorkie; 2, Buckley, eyes and wings mkd., rich level col., feathered like wax, neat head, very racy and stylish, stands on a pair of good legs; 3, Ryan, eye and wings mkd., lovely qual. of feather, well up on leg, grand head, pair of nice wings, piped tail, position A1; vhc, Forrest; hc, Forrest; c, Carolan. HEN (7): 1, 3, F. O'Keeffe, capped mkd., pale in col., boxey feather, neat round head, well up on leg, clean on breast, nice wings and tail, very racy and stylish, 3rd rich col, very slim and typical, boxey feather, neat round head, well placed wings, piped tail; 2, Ryan, cap and wing mkd., pale in col., lovely qual. of feather, well placed wings, piped tail, very stylish, well put down; vhc, c, Forrest; hc, Holley. CINN. MKD. CK. (4): 1, Tansey, eyes and wings mkd. buff, lovely qual. of feather, rich level col., good head, true Yorkie, splendid figure, well braced wings and piped tail, well up on leg; 2, Keogh, wings mkd. yell., boxey feather, rich level col., neat head, very stylish, piped tail; 3, vhc, Hawkins. 3rd varieg. buff, lovely quality of feather, nicely placed wings, piped tail, very typical, a true Yorkie. HEN (7): 1, Ryan, eyes and wing mkd. Buff, very stylish, lovely qual. of feather, neat round head, well placed wings, piped tail, well up on leg, a real lady; 2, Hawkins, cap and wing mkd, yell., very typical, boxey feather, neat head, well placed wings, a near race for 1st; 3, Neville, eyes and wing mkd. buff, rich level col., boxey feather, good head, nice wing carr., piped tail, position A1; vhc, Keatings; hc, C. A. O'Reilly; c, Cottrell. NON-FED CL. CK. (4): 1, Devins, pure level col., boxey feather, good head, nice wings and piped tail, well up on leg, rare length and very typical buff, wins; 2, 3, 4, Sholedice, 2nd yell., rich level col., good position, long flights, well placed, piped tail, well upon on leg, 3rd yell., boxey feather, very typical, neat round head, true Yorkie, on the small side, 4th buff, very stylish and full of qual., good head, piped tail. HEN (6): 1, Mulligan, buff, feathered like wax, neat round head, lovely qual. of feather, position A1, wins; 2, Forrest, yell., boxey feather, very racy, position, neat head, grand wing carr., piped tail; 3, vhc, hc, Sholedice, a nice team, 3rd buff, on the small side, lovely qual., piped tail, very typical, neat round head; c, Dowling. VARIEG. CK. (7): 1, Dowling, varieg. yell., rich col., long flights, piped tail, well up on leg, very typical, full of qual.; 2, 3, hc, Sholedice; 2, check tkd. buff, boxey feather, neat head, long flights, well braced to side, piped tail, rich, level col., very typical. 3rd buff, teeming with qual., good wing carr., neat head, piped tail, position; vhc, c, S. O'Reilly. HEN (5): 1, Buckley, cinn. mkd. buff, boxey feather, rich col., neat head, beautiful wing carr., position, a very stylish lady; 2, Mulligan, variegated yell., boxey feather, nice wings and piped tail, very typical and well upon on leg; 3, vhc, hc, Sholedice, 3rd yell., nice type and quality, neat head. NOV.—CL. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Howard, boxey feather, neat head, position; 2, Morgan, full of qual., well on leg, piped tail; 3, Morgan, bit penny on head, nice style, long flights and tail. HEN (8): 1, Mahon, neat head, boxey feather, well on leg, and stylish; 2, Mills, very typical, full of qual., long flights and tail; 3, Lattimore, rare length and position, boxey feather, rich col.; vhc, Power; hc, c, Briggs. CL. BUFF CK. (9): 1, Lattimore, pale col., boxey feather, nice type, good head, lovely wings and tail; 2, M. O'Byrne, rich col., good head, wings well braced to side, piped tail, position; 3, Mills, blaze of col., boxey feather, good head, piped tail, position; vhc, Power; hc, c, Briggs. HEN (5): 1, Lawless, small, typical, and full of qual.; 2, Power, very stylish, small, all quality; 3, McKeone, rich col., small, very typical; vhc, Mills; hc, Briggs. TKD. OR VARIEG. (9): 1, McKeone, thigh tkd., rich col. yell., well up on leg, good head and chest, well braced wings, piped tail, rare position, wins; 2, Kavanagh, buff griz. on back, teeming with qual., level col., piped tail, very stylish; 3, Lattimore, eye and wings mkd. yell., blaze of col., well up on leg, good head, nice wings and tail, position; vhc, Morgan; hc, Lawless; c, Whitty. TKD. OR MKD. HEN (10): 1, Lattimore, buff, boxey feather, grand wings and tail, rich col., position A1; 2, Kavanagh, variegated, cinn. mkd. yell., lovely feather, grand wing carr., piped tail, position A1; 3, c, Morgan, variegated, buff cinn. mkd., feathered like box, very stylish; vhc, O'Byrne; hc, McKeone. CRESTS: Cancelled. NOR. CK. (8): 1, 3, Forrest, eye and wing mkd. buff, good head and chest, well filled in neck, short and cobby, rich col. and full qual.; 3, buff, blaze of col., good head, nice short wings and tail, rare type, full of qual.; 2, vhc, O'Keeffe, yell., blaze of col., good head, short and cobby, well filled in neck, full of qual.; hc, Birse; c, Devins. HEN 7): 1, 2, 3, O'Keeffe, 1st eye, wings, and tail mkd. buff, full of qual., rich col, short and cobby, fails in head; 2, rich col., full of quality, on the small side; 3, rich coloured buff, boxey feather, short and cobby; vhc, Birse; hc, Forrest; c, Lea. SCOTCH FANCY: Cancelled. LIGHT MULE (4): 1, Birse, yell. variegated. Goldie-Can., rich col.; 2, Kennedy, buff Goldie-Can.; 3, M. O'Reilly; vhc, Howard. DK. GOLDIE.-CAN. (5): 1, Birse, rich col., in the pink of condition, well put down; 2, Despard, not so rich in colour; 3, Kennedy; vhc, Forrest; hc, Despard. DARK LINNET.-CAN. (6): 1, 2, Birse, 1st gem, rich col., rare size, lovely qual., in the pink of condition, 2nd rich col., smaller; 3, Spillane, green Linnet Mule, rare size and qual.; vhc, Kennedy; hc, Devins; c, Bishop. MULE OR HYB. (3): 1, 3, Pollock, Goldie-Greenie; 3, Goldie-Linnet; 2, Mrs. Despard, Greenfinch. GOLDFINCH (13): 1, 3, Mulcahy, grand square blaze, bars and buttons, lovely cond., very steady, well put down, 3rd nice blaze, not so rich as winner, fine bars and buttons, rare condition; 2, Dawson, rare blaze, lovely sheen, nice type, bars and buttons, very slim and well put down; vhc, Kennedy; hc, Pollard; c, Miss Meredith. GOLDIE (7): 1, Furley, nice blaze, bars, and buttons, wild; 2, 3, Mrs. Carroll, 2nd nice square blaze, bars, and buttons, 3rd smaller, good blaze, but wild; vhc, Ward; vhc, Dawson; c, O'Byrne. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, c, Dawson, Redpoll, grand condition, nicely pencilled, good head and bib; 2, Mrs. Carroll, Siskin, nicely pencilled, good bib, very steady, in the pink of condition; 3, Birse, Redpoll, small, nice condition; vhc, Furley; hc, Fagan; c, Dawson. LINNET (6): 1, Carolan, nut brown, nicely pencilled, faultless condition, very steady, well put down; 2, Mulcahy, very steady, nicely pencilled; 3, vhc, Furley, 3rd pencilled, rich colour, steady; hc, Beegan. SKYLARK (9): 1, Carolan, gem, steady as gold, rich col., nicely mkd.; 2, hc, Mulcahy, 2nd very steady, level col., good head and neck, nicely mkd.; 3, vhc, c, Cole, 3rd very showy, rich level col., very nicely put down. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (7): 1, vhc, Mulcahy, 1st Thrush, in the pink of condition and very steady, nicely mooned; 2, hc, c, Birse, Starling, shines like glass, nicely mkd.; 3, Faulker. BULLFINCH CK. (10): 1, Devins, grand cap, lovely rich col., nicely barred, in the pink of condition, wins; 2, Birse, rich breast, good cap and bars; 3, Mulcahy, not so large as winner, fine, rich col. breast, good cap and bars, very steady; vhc, Dawson; hc, c, Miss E. C. Johnson. HEN (7): 1, Furley, good head, nicely put down, very steady; 2, Dawson, another good one, in the pink of condition; 3, Birse; vhc, Miss E. C. Johnson; hc, Ward; c, Mulcahy. A.O.S. SEEDEATER (6): 1, Birse, Hawfinch, grand condition; 2, Mulcahy, Hawfinch; 3, Waters, Bramble; vhc, Miss Meredith; hc, c, Dawson. SOFTBILL (3): 1, Mulcahy, Chough, in the pink of condition; 2, Holley, Waxwing; 3, Dawson, Warbler. FOR. (10): 1, Mrs. E. C. Johnson, Siberian Bullie, in the pink of condition, massive cap and rich breast; 2, 3, Miss Meredith, 2 Java Sparrows, in the pink of condition; 3, lovely Cutthroats, beautifully staged; vhc, hc, Mrs. Carroll; c, Whitby. DRAW CLASS: 1, Waters; 2, Beegan; vhc, Dwyer; hc, Duffy; c, Reilly. 4 miles radius classes YORKS. CK. (6): 1, c, Duffy; 2, Down; 3, Waters; vhc, Howard; hc, Beegan. HEN (7): 1, Duffy; 2, Faulker; 3, c, Smyth; vhc, hc, Beegan. A.O.V. CK. or HEN (6): 1, 2, vhc, Waters; 3, Dwyer; hc, Mrs. Carroll; c, Beegan. GOLDIE (10): 1, vhc, Mrs. Carroll; 2, hc, Waters; 3, Forster; c, Beegan. LINNET, H.M. (9): 1, 2, Mrs. Carroll; 3, Beegan; vhc, Brien; hc, Ward; c, Mrs. R. H. Fawcett. F.M. (5): 1, 3, Mrs. Carroll; 2, Ward; vhc, Reilly; hc, Jolly.



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IRVINE.

Second annual show, held Nov. 30th. Norwich, on the whole, were a sweet lot, although the numbers were small, and the winning unlighted was greatly admired. These classes were judged by Mr. R. Jeffrey (who made his first venture as a judge), and his awards were exceedingly well received. Borders were a feature of the show, some grand birds being staged, and all the classes keenly contested. The B.F.C. medal was won by Mr. Smith's foul buff, a well-known winner, while Mr. Clark won the novice medal with a good foul yellow hen. All the Yorks were cancelled. Borders were judged by Mr. J. W. Bruce, and we heard very few comments on his awards. Mules and British were also a sweet lot, although we expected to see more, but fanciers seemed to be a little shy of Ayr, which is a hotbed for this variety. The winning Mule, very well shown by Mr. McQuiston, was a stunner for a baby, and should have a good show career. Mr. C. Campbell judged this section. The hall is an ideal one for a show, being well lighted, and the arrangements were A1. The worthy President and Vice-President, Mr. Clark and Mr. Nairn, were busy, personally attending to the wants of the exhibits. Unfortunately, owing to indisposition, Mr. Young was unable to attend to his duties, but the secretarial duties were well attended to by Mr. Rankin. The society is composed of genuine fanciers, who worked with zeal to make the show a success.

The Critique.

NOR., YELL., CL., OR TKD.: (Cancelled). HEN (3): 1, Scott, foul, good stamp, well up in size, and A1 wing carr., good qual.; 2, Calderwood, good front, nice level wing carr., beaten in head; 3, Lawson, fails in size to winners, good feather and neat shape. BUFF, CK. (5): 1, Devoy, outstanding, sweet shape, plenty size, A1 head and wings, and grand body feather, in good form; 2, Melville, good front, and very neat in head, fails in wing carr., sweet cut; 3, Anderson, close up, grand feather and finish, a shade thinner in front. HEN (4): 1, Devoy, again leading with a good stamp, fine bold head and front, and A1 qual. of feather, grand size, and very neat in shape; 2, Barrow, grand type, well drawn good front and head, fails a shade in wing carr.; 3, Muir, good front and size beaten in wings; vhc, McKay. YELL. VAR. (5): 1, Calderwood, well rounded, A1 head and front, and good feather, sweet size and shape, well staged; 2, Barrow, lovely front and very nicely moulded, scarcely so bold in bead, grand feather and finish; 3, Fulton, fails in size, good finish; vhc, Devoy; hc, Melville. NON-FED (6): 1, McFadyian, large Buff, rare front and head, and good form; 2, Guthrie, a sweet yell., A1 size, and grand feather, good head and front; 3, Frazer, a var. buff, good stamp, nice size and shape, and good qual., well put down; vhc, Smellie; hc, Rae. UNFLIGHTED (11): 1, sp, Best Nor., Devoy, a good buff, well up in size, and sweetly rounded, grand shape, and short behind, nice wing carr., and staged in grand form; 2, Scott, a yell., well up in size, good head and front, a shade larger; 3, vhc, Barrow, a nice buff leading, sweet type, good feather, fails a little in size; hc, Fulton; c, Melville. HEN (8): 1, Muir, leader a buff, well up in size, good head, and plenty front, well-balanced wings, and put down to win; 2, Devoy, also a buff, close up, not so tight in feather, but all there for size and shape, nice type; 3, Armour, a yell., a shade small, but good shape and qual., very nicely put down; vhc, Morgan; hc, Barrow; c, Melville. BORD., CL. OR TKD. (11): 1, Smillie, a good yell. foul, sweetly moulded, grand head and front, and nice size, lovely wing carr., in very nice order; 2, Robertson, another good one for shape, well rounded, extra good feather, a shade stronger than winner, well staged; 3, Young, good wing carr., and very neat in front, not so shapely in head as winners, in good form; vbc, Laidlaw, jun.; hc, Clark; c, Frazer. HEN (18): 1, and novice B.F. Medal, Clark, good foul, tight in feather, and rare style, grandly moulded, fine weight, and well drawn, staged to perfection; 2, G. Bennett, sweet hen, a shade thinner in front, but good head and neck, and well shown; 3, Gentleman, good body and front, not so well drawn as winner, in extra good form, well placed; a good class all over; vhc, Smart; hc, Dods; c, Broadfoot. BUFF, CL. OR TKD. (15): 1, Smith, head tick in rare trim, grand pos. and good body, sweetly tapered off, perfect wing car. and correct weight, well staged, wins B.F. Club Medal; 2, Smart, close up, good head and wing car., and well drawn, not so stylish, and a shade plainer in front; 3, Smillie, again all there, not so well finished as winner, but good head and body, and sweet taper; vhc, Nairn; hc, Broadfoot; c, Hunter. HEN (15): 1, Smart, good one, grand weight, sweet front and head, and A1 wing car., well put down, wins; 2 Laidlaw, jun., good stamp, not so well tapered as winner, but good front and wing car., nice qual.; 3, Broadfoot, a shade plainer in appearance, but good qual.; three good ones, hard to separate; vhc, Robertson; hc, Bennett; c, Clark. EVEN MARK, ETC., YELL. (12): 1, Smillie, good cinn. var., sweet type, A1 head and grand body, lovely weight, and very nicely put down, sweet exhibit; 2, Haddow, well-known yell. even, nicely balanced mkgs., a shade plainer in body than winner; 3, Clark, stronger in body, a shade thin in neck, but good head and A1 wing car., nice qual., off feather; vhc, Robertson; hc, Welsh; c, Allan. BUFF (9): 1, Frazer, a sweet one, grandly rounded, A1 head and front, and lovely wing car., well drawn, good form; 2, Gibson, good even-mkd., a gem for eye and wing mkgs., grand qual. of feather, a shade on the strong side, good exhibit; 3, Allan, good all round, nice head and front, and fine qual., of feather, well drawn, worth its place; vhc, Clark; hc, Willison; c, Smillie. GREEN (9): 1, 3, Murray, a pair of good ones, leader a grand yell., lovely type and A1 col. and lacing, pure ground and correct size, a hot one; 3, a good buff, plenty of lacing and grand type, sweet qual.; 2, D. Murray, a yell., good shape and col., darker in lacing than winner, and not so good in flanks, A1 feather; vhc, Dods; hc, Gentleman; c, Lambie. CINN. (10): 1, Lambie, rare type, grand head and front, and pure in col., lovely pencilling, good flanks and back, nice yell., a shade rough in feather; 2, Dods, good buff, plenty lacing, a shade stronger, but good qual. of feather; 3, D. Murray, good shape and col., rather heavy on back lacing, nice head and front; vhc, W. Murray; hc, Haddow (clinker for col. but rather soft when judged); c, Gentleman. YORKS, CREST AND C.B. CLASSES: (Cancelled). MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, McQuiston, large var. Greenie Mule, very lightly mkd., a clinker for size and col., quite a baby, should make a stormer, A1 shape; 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Edwards, a nice Can.-Bullie, grand col. and rare shape and pencilling, a shade on the small side, also a nice var. buff Goldie, fails a little in face, plenty size, nice order. DK. MULE: (Cancelled). GOLDFINCH (12): 1, Guthrie and Son, good all round, nice size and well-cut cheeks, good blaze, and lovely tannings, well buttoued, sweet nap and wing bars; 2, Wallace, close up, good square cut underblaze, of rich col., neat front, and dense in body col.; 3, Stobbs Bros., plenty size and good body and mkgs., duller in blaze than winner, otherwise all there; vhc, Davidson; hc, Jardine; c, Miller and Morring. BULLFINCH (6): 1, McCloy, good shape, nice cap and bib, and pure in back and bars, in very nice order; 2, Wallace, close up, good cap, and A1 qual. of feather; 3, Dale, rare col., pure and well ear. down, inclined to be a shade Yorkshire in type, still, a hot one; vhc, Wason; hc, Christie. GREENFINCH, FED. (5): 1, Irvine, good one, grand size, A1 head and front, and lovely shade of col., in tip-top form; 2, Cowan, plenty size, but thin in front, good head and wing flights, nice order; 3, Morton, well fed, extra good feather, a shade smaller, nice front; vhc, McQuiston; c, Dale. NON-FED (5): 1, Wason, good bold fronted one, grand shape, lovely head and wing bars, and A1 tone of col., a good Jonque; 2, McCloy, plenty size, but duller in feather, good head and front; 3, Bruce, rare size and col., but very unsteady, should make a good one, sweet yell.; vhc., McColl; hc, Hardy. LINNET, H.M. (7): 1, vhc, McQuiston, wins, a good one, grand size and lovely pencilling, sweet head and rare flights, well put down; 2, Thomson, well up in size and good qual. of feather, not so neatly laced on front, sweet shade of col.; 3, Livingstone, fine form, and very neatly put down, beaten in flights, all there for mkgs.; vhc, Cummings; hc Hardy. SISKIN, ETC., (3): 1, McQuiston, a rare Siskin, grand size, lovely laced cap and grand bib, well laced on flanks, and A1 size, grand yell., a new face, a good one; 2, McQuiston, a good Twite, all there for size and mkgs.; 3, Cunnings, a nice Mealy, good cap and bib, a shade small. LESSER REDPOLL (6): 1, Lyall, nice one, fine size, good col. and well laced on sides, well staged; 2, vhc, Hopkins, nice flank mkgs. and good cap and bib, in lovely feather; 3, Bruce, rare Poll for shape, dense cap and good bib, beaten in finish by winners, showing trifle fluff at sides, hc, Cunnings; hc, Wason. A.O.S. HEN, SMALL (5): 1, Thomson, a good Bullie hen, grand cap and bib, and A1 size and col., in rare trim; 2, McQuiston, good Twite, nicely laced, and A1 shape, sweet feather and finish; 3, Lyall, Bullie, nice size and grand col., not so broad on cap as winner, equal qual.; vhc, Cunnings; hc, Frew. A.S. SOFTBILL AND A.O.S. FINCH OR BUNTING: (Cancelled). FOR. GOLDFINCH OR BULLFINCH (4): 1, Guthrie and Son, good Goldie, full bloom, grand blaze and body col., well up in size, and nicely staged; 2, Bannerman, also a Goldie, nice size and good tannings, not so dense on face; 3, Livingstone, good col. and rare bloom, fails in size; vhc, Frazer. FOR., SMALL (3): 1, McRobbin, good all round Red-headed Goulian; 2, Duncan, a nice Black-faced Lovebird; 3, Bruce, nice Crimson Finch, looking a shade soft, feeling the cold. LOCAL.—NOR. (6): 1, vhc, Cowan, good all round, fine size and grand shape, well shown; 2, W. Murray, close up, good front, fails a little in head; 3, Nairn, sweet shape, inclined to cross wings at times, well put down; vhc, McColl; c, Black. BORD., CL. OR TKD., CK. (14): 1, Young, nice yell., good shape, and grand feather; 2, vhc, hc, Nairn, a yell. foul, well rounded, and in fine order; 3, Clark, good qual., beaten in head and front, nicely drawn; c, Gartland. HEN (12): 1, vhc, Clark, good yell. foul, in grand trim; 2, Young, a nice tkd. buff, good shape and feather; 3, Spratt, nice buff, a shade stronger, good finish; hc, Alexander; c, Rankin. A.O. COL. (5): 1, Murray, nice green, A1 col. and shape, grand qual.; 2, vhc, Clark, a nice yell. var., fails in neck, good body; 3, McColl, nice green, beaten in col. and lacing; hc, Andrew. BRIT. A.S. (6): 1, Jeffrey, a grand Linnet, A1 size and mkgs., and lovely ground col.; 2, 3, Cowan, a sweet Goldie, lovely shape and grand col., good face; 3, Bullie, in very good order, well up in size and col., vbc, hc, Duncan.

MANNINGHAM C.B.A.

Members' Show held Nov. 27, at the "Mowbray Arms," when 57 birds were staged. Mr. H. Sutcliffe (Shipley) judged, and his awards gave general satisfaction.

CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 3, Huddleston; 2, Chapman; 4, Metcalfe; vhc, Grange; hc, Powell; c, Lunn. BUFF: 1, Powell; 2, Huddleston; 3, 4, Gale. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Grange; 2, Huddleston; 3, Dent. BUFF: 1, 4, Leather; 2, Powell; 3, Lunn; vhc, Dent. CIN. TKD., ETC.: 1, Grande. HEN: 1, Huddleston; 2, Leather; 3, Chapman. UNEVEN GREEN YELL.: 1, Grange; 2, Powell. BUFF: 1, Chapman. UNEVEN, ETC.: 1, 4, c, Gale; 2, Dent; 3, Grange; vhc, Leather; hc, H. Grange. UNFLIGH. YELL.: 1, Grange; 2, Powell; 3, Pearson; 4, Chapman; vhc, H. Grange; hc, Chapman; c, Metcalfe. BUFF: 1, Lunn; 2, vhc, Grange; 3, Metcalfe; 4, Gale; hc, Wilson. HEN: 1, Pearson; 2, Grange; 3, Chapman; 4, Powell; vhc, Leather; hc, Wilson; c, Huddleston.—J. Pearson, Assist. Sec.

HOUGHTON-LE-SPRING AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

12th annual members' show, held in the White Lion Hotel, November 30. Entries totalled 179, in 34 classes, and although slightly less in number than last year, there was a great improvement in the quality. Norwich were a hot lot, and many could hold their own at any open show. Cup for the best young bird went to Mr. H. Wilson's young cl. yell. Norwich, a fine bird of good size and colour, fully deserving the distinction. Crests were not so numerous as they might have been, but there were some of high merit, and Yorks. and Cinnamons were not up as usual. The room, which is an ideal one, was beautifully arranged, and the secretarial duties were held well in hand by Mr. R. H. Dixon, who had plenty of willing hands ready to assist in handing the birds to the judge and replacing them in order. Mr. A. Brown judged, and he got through his work in very creditable style. Visitors seemed numerous all the afternoon.

From the catalogue received we gather that the principal winners were:—NOR., Messrs. Wilson, Appleby, R. Dixon, Fenton, Liddle, Halton, Fenwick, Bissett, Bisset, M. Dixon, Lynn. YORKS: R. Dixon, M. Dixon, Fenton, Liddle. BORD.: Appleby, Tarbett, Halton, Lynn, Fenton. GREEN: Turnbull, Leech. NAT. COL.: Appleby, Finlay. FINCHES: R. Dixon, Wilson. CINN.: R. Dixon, M. Dixon, Hissett. CREST: Bisset, Lowery, Fenwick. MULES: Wilson, Fenwick. BRIT.: Appleby, Dixon, Wilson.

SITTINGBOURNE.

Annual show held Fanciers' Hall, George Hotel, Sittinghourne, Nov. 27 and 28, and although only the second show of the society, all records for the county of Kent were easily broken. Entries totalled 230, and it was said to be the first show in Kent which has been a financial success. Undoubtedly the success which attended the show was due in no inconsiderable degree to the efforts of Mr. B. Tidy, who, as hon. sec. of the society, had spared no pains to attain such satisfactory results, while to Mr. C. Town, the show manager, is due a word of praise for the excellent manner in which he staged the birds. Able assistance was also rendered by Messrs. W. Broadbridge, T. Attwood, H. Olive, W. Whatford (chairman), and R. Churchill, who acted as the committee. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged, and his awards appeared to give satisfaction. G. Apps won spl. best Canary in show, with a beautiful unmarked Norwich, and the special in the British birds section was carried off by T. Attwood with a fine Starling most beautifully spangled and in splendid condition. The challenge cup presented by Mr. H. Filmer was won by G. Grant. Mr. H. Stevens took the silver cup presented by Mr. C. Cornelius. In the classes open to Kent Norwich were a splendid lot, as were also the Yorkshires, Borders, and Lizards. Specials were won by Mr. B. Tidy who took a gold and silver medal; Mr. W. Broadbridge, T. Attwood, G. Whatford, G. Apps, H. Stevens, G. Burley, and G. Grant. Members' classes made a truly grand collection, and were quite the equal of the classes open to Kent. In champions the birds put down by Messrs. Tidy, Apps, T. Attwood, W. Broadbridge, G. Whatford, and H. Olive were greatly admired. In Yorkies Messrs. H. Olive, J. Clayton, and B. Tidy made things hum with some typical specimens. In the novices was found the cup winner in the members' classes, in the shape of a truly grand natural fed Buff, shown by Mr. H. Stevens, who, with Messrs. Jarrett and Saunders, practically divided the spoils. Messrs. Stevens and Saunders had matters pretty much their own way in Yorkies. There was a good attendance at the opening ceremony, amongst those present being the Rev. A. B. Parry-Evans, Councillor G. R. Hulburd and Mrs. Hulburd, Councillor E. F. Handcock and Mrs. Handcock, Councillor F. Filmer, Mr. E. Tidy, and others. Mr. B. Tidy, the sec., stated that Mr. W. R. Elgar, president of the society, was to have opened the show, but owing to a business appointment he would be unable to be present. In the circumstances the Rev. A. B. Parry-Evans had agreed to perform the opening ceremony. The rev. gentleman spoke a few felicitous words, and then declared the show open. It was estimated that over 400 people visited the show on the opening day.

The Critique.

OPEN TO KENT.—NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, Easton, lovely qual., good head, rich col., nice type; 2, Wickham, unflg., not quite so level, grand qual.; 3, Gooding, rare tone of feather, hardly so typical; 4, Cook. BUFF: 1, spl, Gooding, grand head, very shapely, rare tone of feather, bold front, nice undercolour; 2, Taylor, good qual., not so bold in front, rare undercol. and head; 3, Cook, another sweet bird, hardly so well finished; 4, Taylor; vhc, Brown. UNFLIG.: 1, spl, vhc, Taylor, leader a grand bodied Buff, rare qual., nice head; 2, 4, Wickham, former beautiful toned yell., good front, neat head; 3, Kew, var., Buff, shapely and full of qual.; vhc, Cook. HENS: 1, Brown, bouny yell., short wings and tail, neat head, silky feather; 2, 3, Taylor, lightly var. Buff, rare shape, nicely mealed, lovely silky feather and grand buff, fails a trifle on head; 4, Wickham. YORKS TKD. ETC.: 1, spl, Austin, Buff, grand position, lovely feather, good whip tail, travels beautifully, neat head and well tapered; 2, Lockett, very racy, but slightly frilled, yet grand positioned bird; 3, Raynes, Yell., nice stand, scarcely so breedy as others; 4, Sales, var. UNFLIG.: 1, Raynes, stands up well, shows plenty of leg and nice behind, a smart Yorkie; 2, 3, Lockett, 2nd a bird of good pose, bit heavy at shoulder, else grand; 3rd also stands well, but rather slovenly on leg; 4, hc, Johnson; vhc, Sales. HENS: 1, Lockett, beautiful Buff, full of fire, nice length, and clean all through; 2, Raynes, another good hen, fine style, scarcely the finish of leader; 3, Sales, Buff, not so nice on leg and behind, neat head; 4, Raynes. BORD.: 1, spl, hc, Wood, leader a natty little Buff, beautifully moulded and very jaunty carr.; neat head; 2, vhc, Soames, the former a lovely little Green; 3, 4, Burton Bros., two very jaunty little things, but hardly so level as winner. LIZARDS: 1, 2, hc, H. Wood, winner a cl. cap, fine spangling in back, and very clear; 3, 4, vhc, E. J. Wood, not so distinct in spangle, or so good in ground col., but very nice. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Wickham, rattling good Linnet, steady and rich in col.; 2, 3, Acland, Redpoll and Twite, both good and well shown. GOLDIE: 1, Wickham, well away in all points; 2, Webb, not so rich in col. or so good in feather; 3, Phillips, loses gloss. GREENIE, ETC.: 1, spl, 3, Acland, the leader Bullie, a gem all over; 3rd, Greenie; 2, Wickham, Bullie loses to winner in stoutness and poll lustre; 4, Austin, very nice Brambling; vhc, E. J. Wood. MULES: 1, spl, Acland, rich coloured Greenie-Can., well posted; 2, Webb, Siskin-Can.; 3 Phillips, Goldie-Can. A.O.S. HARDBILLS: 1, Austin, Hawfinch, has the pull in size and clearness, nice bib; 2, Acland, ditto, very close feathered, but loses in size; 3, Grant, another nice Hawfinch. SOFTBILL: 1, Webb, topping Missel Thrush; 2, Dell, Pied Blackbird; 3, Austin, Missel Thrush, loses size and spotting.

MEMBERS' CHAMPION NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, spl, Tidy; 2, Attwood; 3, Broadbridge; 4, Whatford. BUFF: 1, spl, Attwood; 2, Watford; 3, Wakelin; 4, Apps; vhc, Broadbridge hc, Olive; c, Churchill. TKD. ETC.: 1, Attwood; 2, vhc, Broadbridge; 3, 4, Wakelin. UNFLIG.: 1, two spls, Apps; 2, Attwood; 3, hc, Broadbridge; 4, Tidy; vhc, Wakelin; c, Churchill. HEN CL.: 1, Attwood; 2, Tidy; 3, Apps; 4, Broadbridge; vhc, Olive. TKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, Whatford; 2, Apps; 3 Broadbridge; 4, Tidy; vhc, hc, Wakelin. NOR. (NON-FED): 1, Attwood; 2, spl, 3, Broadbridge; 4, Olive. YORKS YELL CK.: 1, spl, 3, vhc, Olive; 2 Clayton; 4, Tidy. BUFF: 1, spl, Olive; 3, Tidy; 4, Clayton. TKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, 3, spl, vhc, Olive; 2, Clayton; 4, Tidy. UNFLIG.: 1 spl, 2, 4, hc, Olive; 3, vhc, Clayton. HEN: 1, spl, 3, Olive; 2, Churchill. NON-FED: 1, 2, 3, Olive. NOVICE—NOR. CL. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Stevens; 3, 4, Jarrett. MKD.: 1, 2, E. Stevens; 3, H. Stevens; 4, Jarrett; vhc, Jacobs. NON-FED: 1, cup, H. Stevens; 2, Saunders; 3, 4, Jarrett; vhc, hc, Jacobs. YORKS CL. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, E. Stevens. NON-FED: 1, 2, 3, H. Saunders. GOLDFINCH: 1, spl, Apps; 2, spl H. Stevens; 3, Grant; 4, Attwood; vhc, hc, E. Stevens; c, Broadbridge. BULLFINCH: 1, spl, Whatford; 2, Ives; 3, Attwood; 4, Rumble; vhc, E. Stevens; hc, Burley. LINNET: 1, spl, Broadbridge; 2, Grant; 3, 4, E. Stevens; vhc hc Olive; c, Attwood. GREENFINCH: 1, spl, Grant; 2, vhc, Jacobs; 3, Whatford; 4, Attwood; hc, Burley. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, spl, Whatford; 2, Grant, 3, Stevens; 4, Attwood. CHAFFINCH, ETC.: 1, spl, 3, Grant; 2, Attwood. MULE: 1, spl, Burley; 2, Churchill; 3, Attwood. SOFTBILL: 1, spl, Attwood; 2, 4, Grant; 3, Whatford. SMALL FOR.: 1, two spls, 2, Grant; 3, 4, vhc, Jacobs; hc, Ives. LARGE: 1, spl, Grant; 2, 4, Rumble; 3, vhc, Jacobs. PAIRS: 1, spl, Whatford; 2, Clayton.

NORTHAMPTON.

The Northampton "Good Intent" Society held their 41st annual show in the large hall of the Twentieth Club on Nov. 20th. The cage birds were staged in a separate room upstairs, quite free from draughts, but being a dull November day, the light was rather bad. Messrs. Cox and Barrett make a couple of ideal secretaries, and being backed up by a lot of genuine fanciers on the committee, everything passed off satisfactorily. Mr. H. Markham made the awards in the place of Mr. J. C. Wilmot (who was unwell), and appeared to give general satisfaction.

OPEN NORWICH: CL. OR TKD.: 1, sp., W. H. Howe, grand cl. yell., very typical throughout; 2, res., Irons, very smart yell., excelling in col.; 3, Isom, large buff, good head, bit out of condition; hc, Watson; c, Piggott. UNEVEN MKD., ETC.: 1, Irons, very smart buff, excels in body properties and qual.; 2, Howe, lovely quality yell., excellent style and type; 3, Watson, capital buff, of the right stamp; res., Dingley; vhc, Philpott. HEN: 1, sp., Keech, one of the very best, lovely yell., correct type; 2, Irons, another very fine large yell., in prime condition; 3, Keech, very fine large buff, full of quality, just a bit loose round thighs; res., Isom; vhc, Irons. UNFLIG. YELL.: Strong class. 1, sp., Howe, lovely clear yell., excellent type, should be heard of again; 2, vhc, Keech, marked, rare colour and type; 3, Irons, good clear, excellent colour, smart; res., Watson; hc, Goosey. BUFF: 1, Keech, marked head and wings, lovely short bird, good colour, very cobby; 2, Irons, very smart exhibit, grand shape, only just beaten in size; 3, Isom, capital wing-mark, only fault a trifle long; res., Watson; vhc, Paine; hc, Phillpot. NAT. COL.: Cancelled. CINNAMON: 1, 2, res., J. Nason, in his usual style and condition, trio of good ones; 3, H. Mills, close up, very nice type and col. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE: 1, sp., Andrews, very fine light Goldfinch Mule; 2, 3, Mills, clear body, with well formed dark crest, and a heavy browed Crestbred; res., Andrews, lovely Siskin Mule; vhc, Dicks; hc, Ballard; c, Forman. BRIT.: Strong class, not a poor specimen in it, which made it rather difficult to judge. 1, sp., 2, Lewis, lovely Bearded Tit, tight as wax, and a charming Tree Creeper; 3, res., Cooper, very fine Hawfinch, excellent bib, and good Yellowhammer; vhc, Bowler; hc, Yorke. MEMBERS (£2 LIMIT) NOR., YELL.: 1, 3, Isom, mkd. eye, very nice cobby bird, 3, looks like a ben, if so, real good one; 2, hc, Nason, mkd. wing, large, well proportioned; res., Bounds; vhc, Paine; c, Fisher. BUFF: 1, 2, Isom, excellent clear, very typical, 2, large, inclined to hug perch, otherwise good; 3, Bounds, nice one, good type; res., c, Mason; vhc, Fisher; hc, Watson. MKD.: 1, Bounds, mkd. head and wings, well made buff; 2, Isom, another good buff, excellent condition; 3, vhc, Watson, very nice yell., good col.; res, hc, Paine; c, Mason. HEN: 1, Bounds, very nice quality, grizzle-headed buff; 2, Watson, smart yellow; 3, res., Isom, good cobby buff; vhc, Mason; hc, Watson; c, Gayton. NAT. COL.: 1, sp., Paine, smart, well made buff; 2, 3, vhc, Hobbs, very fine large buff, and smart yell.; res., Isom; c, Mason. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE: 1, hc, Mason, excellent Goldfinch Mule; 2, Bounds, good evenly marked buff Nor.; 3, Dickens, lovely Siskin Mule, nicely pencilled; res., Piggott; vhc, Mason; c, Gayton. BRIT.: 1, res., Fisher, smart Goldfinch, nice col.; 2, Hogg, good Bramble; 3, hc, Dickens, very fair Bullfinch; vhc, c, Hobbs.

CHESTER-LE-STREET C.B.S.

Annual show in the Butchers' Arms, Middle Chase, November 23. Over 100 birds were staged, Norwich, Borders, Yorkshires and British all being well represented, and there was a good attendance of fanciers and visitors from the surrounding districts. The birds were very nicely staged and were well looked after by a hard-working committee. The Secretary, Mr. J. Hedley, had a very busy time. Mr. R. S. Bewick judged, and his awards were well received.

NOR. CK. YELL., CL. OR VARIEG.: 1, Stanger, wins, a good size, grand colour cl, yell.; 2, 3, Foster and Son, cl. yell., good body, seemed not to be quite all right in his feet, and a nice even eye mkd. yell., not up yet. BUFF: 1, 3, Foster and Son, cl. buff, nice bird, not extra good col., but wins, 3rd nice cl. buff, grand size; 2, Stanger, cl. buff, grand size, good col., ran winner hard. HEN: 1, Stanger, mkd. wing, grand feather, the Shildon winner; 2, Redpath, mkd. neck, runs winner hard; 3, H. Briggs, cl. buff, good hen, grand size. 1912: 1, Stanger, cl. yell., a good one. TKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, Briggs, black tail, wins on size, a grand bird; 2, Stanger, neck mkd., good colour, nice quality, behind the winner in size only; 3, Redpath, neck mkd., another grand bird, well up. HEN: 1, Redpath, buff, grand feather, nice chubby buff; 2, Stanger, yell., good size, grand colour; 3, Foster and Son, varieg. buff, another good one. YORKS. YELL., CL. OR VARIEG.: 1, 3, Ward, neck mkd., good length, wins easy, 3rd mkd. wing, a nice one; 2, Saunders, cl., good length, wide on tail. BUFF: 1, Stanger, cl. buff. HEN: 1, Saunders, pretty hen, an easy win; 2, Ward. YELL, 1912: 1, Stanger, yell.; 2, Ward, near thing between them. BUFF: 1, 2, Ward, winner good length; 3, Stanger, buff, bit wild. HEN: 1, 2, Ward, variegd., grand length, looking well, wins, 2nd a very nice cl.; 3, Stanger, cinn. mkd. yell. bit short in tail. BORD., CL., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, Stanger. BUFF: 1, Stanger; 2, R. Parkin, cinn. mkd. YELL. HEN: 1, Stanger. BUFF: 1, Stanger. GR. CINN., ETC.: 1, Stanger, green; 2, 3, Parking, cinn., bad to part, ran winner hard. A.O.V.: 1, Stanger, Crested cock. LINNET, H.-M.: 1, Davison, grand size, good colour, wins easily on size; 2, Davison, good bird in all but size. F.-M.: 1, Ward, very steady, wins; 2, Foster and Son, nice bird, but wild, wants steadying; 3, Davison. GOLD OR BULL.: 1, Davison, Bullfinch, nice col., good cap and wings; 2, 3, Farren, Goldfinch, extra good face, 3rd grand Bullie, some preferred for 1st. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Stanger, pretty Lesser Redpoll, lovely col. and markings, wins well; 2, Saunders, another Lesser, not the colour of leader, but a nice one; 3, Ward, fine large Lesser Poll. GREENFINCH: 1, Davison, grand size, easy win; 2, Foster and Son, very nice. A.O.S. HARDBILL: 1, Davison, Bramble, very steady, grand bird, in lovely feather; 2, J. Hedley, Chaffinch, very steady, beautiful colour; 3, Saunders, a bit wild. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, Davison, Thrush, nice feather, very steady beautifully mkd. and a very good Blackbird. FOR.: 1, 2, Foster and Son, Budgerigars. MULE: 1, Davison, grand Linnet Mule, good size, lovely col., wins easy; 2, Redpath, another good Linnet, loses size only; 3, H. Briggs, Goldfinch-Can., a good one.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

The very cosy hall at the Church Institute, Paddington Street, Marylebone, was well filled by a fine collection of birds on the occasion of the annual show, Nov. 15 and 16, and the general attractiveness was added to by a pleasing display of flowers. Visitors rolled up in goodly numbers, and the venture on the whole may be written as a decided success. Mr. H. W. Dickinson, a real good, genial fancier, handled the secretarial reins in fine style, and received very valuable assistance from Mr. F. Thynne, and a hard-working and efficient band of stewards, amongst whom we noted Messrs. F. Knight, H. Lowe, J. Pooley, B. Thrower, J. Chard, W. G. Sanders, and E. C. Offord, while Mrs. Maher, Mrs. Thynne, and Miss Cooper did much to help things towards a successful conclusion. The popular chairman, Mr. W. A. Shepherd, who has heart and soul in the welfare of the club, and Mr. V. Wynn, the late hon. sec., did splendid work in a quiet way. The officials and council are to be congratulated. Competition in practically all sections was exceedingly keen, and the quality of the birds very high-class. The one disappointment was the champion British, in which the entry, from some unfortunate reason, was poorer than we ever remember. Some of the chief special winners were:—Best bird in show, H. W. Dickinson's fine Crest; McGruther challenge shield, Mrs. Weston, with a Linnet Mule; Norwich bowl, F. J. Martin; Crest bowl, W. A. Shepherd; Yorks cup, F. Ayres; Hybrid bowl and cup best softbill, Mrs. Weston; Linnet cup and spl best British, A. J. Marley; best lady's bird, the Hon. Mrs. Bourke; best lady's Canary, Mrs. Thynne; Page rose bowl, W. Clark. The results for the many points cups we did not get. The judges were Mr. J. H. Payne, Canaries; and Mr. H. Norman, Hyb., Brit. and For., and with very few exceptions their awards were generally endorsed. We regret the delay in publishing this report.

Mr. Payne's Classes.

CHAMP. NOR. YELL. (4): 1, Martin, short, thick-set variegd., good col. and feather, rare head and neck; 2, Roberts, cl., rich col., nice feather and shape; 3, Tringham. BUFF (5): 1, sp, Martin, lovely soft silky feather, tight as boxwood, wings well braced, nice shape, in the pink; 2, Lethbridge, good shape, nice feather; 3, vhc, Tringham. BEN (7): 1, c, Martin, yell., mkd. eyes, neck and wings, rare front, good feather, nice head; 2, Roberts, unflg. buff, nice shape and feather, neat; 3, Tringham, splendid col., good shape, bit slack at left side; vhc, Lethbridge; hc, Knight. UNFLIG. (11): 1, sp, Martin, rare fronted neck ticked buff, well up in size and col., nice qual.; 2, 3, c, Lethbridge, variegd. yell., lovely col. and qual., nice wings and tail, neat, close up; vhc, sp, Tringham; hc, Knight. AMAT. YELL. (4): 1, sp, 2, Hart, nice shape, level col., good head, wings and tail; 2nd, well up in col., neat; 3, Jeffries; vhc, Dickinson. BUFF (5): 1, hc, Jeffries, clinking shape, well up in size, good col.; 2, vhc, Hart, eye ticked, nice shape, feather and qua.; 3, Latheiff. HEN (6): 1, 3, Hart, leader cl. buff, splendid shape, close fitting jacket, neat; 2, Dickinson, var., good shape, neat tail and wings; vhc, Knight; hc, c, Jeffries. UNFLIG. (6): 1, Hart, wing tkd. yell., good col., nice shape, neat wings; 2, 3, vhc, Lathleiff, good shaped buff, grand feather, short wings and tail, bit soiled; hc, Jeffries; c, Dickinson. NOVICE YELL. (9): 1, sp, Kelly, rare size and shape, full front, good col., neat; 2, Warwick, good shape, nicely feathered, level col.; 3, Thurley, good variegd.; vhc, Fuller; hc, Brumbridge; c, Thrower. BUFF (9): 1, sp, 2, Thurley, leader mkd. head, neck and wings, grand shape, nice round front, capital feather; 3, Fuller; vhc, Lingley; hc, Kelly; c, Cobb. HEN 10): 1, Kelly, hot col., nice head and neck, good back and front, yell.; 2, Cobb, yell., nice shape, good qual., short wings, close run; 3, Wakefield, varieg buff, good shape, nice front, capital feather; vhc, hc, Warwick; c, Fuller. UNFLIG. (15): 1, Thurley, yell., mkd. wing and eyes, good shape and col., nice wings and tail, well across perch; 2, Wakefield, cl. buff, lovely shape and feather, neat; 3, c, Trigger, good shaped variegd., nice feather and qual.; vhc, sp, Warwick; hc, Fuller. A.V. PURCHASED (1): Knight, varieg. buff, plenty of size, good shape and feather. CHAMP. CREST (5): 1, 3, Shepherd, leader green, nicely formed circular crest of good dip and radiation, neat centre, good body, in fine order; 2, Mrs. Thynne, rare spread of crest, wealth of feather, long frontal, just beaten in condition; vhc, sp, hc, Pickard. CL. BODY CREST (AMAT.): 1, Dickinson, neat, good dip and radiation. A.O.V. (2): 1, sp, 2, Dickinson, leader mkd. wings, nice dipping crest of good formation and density. C.B. (CHAMP.): 1, 2, Shepherd, green, good length of head feather, nice body and skull. AMAT.: 1, Dickinson, very nice green. UNFLIG. CHAMP. (8): 1, sp, 2, Shepherd, Crestbred, good shaped skull, nice rise, densely feathered, in grand order; 2nd, wing mkd. Crest, nice droop, good back; 3, vhc, hc, c, Pickard, Crestbred, rare length of head feather, good back and skull. AMAT. (3): 1, 2, 3, Offord, leader, wing mkd. Crest, nice formation. YORKS. YELL. (3): 1, sp, 3, Lloyd, 1st well on leg and nicely drawn, good length and pos., fine colour and qual.; 2, Ayers, stands well, good head and back, bit pale. BUFF (1): 1, Lloyd, good length, nice pos., wings and tail. HEN (6): 1, hc, Ayers, buff, straight as a rush and well up, lovely feather, well braced wings and tail; 2, Lloyd, yell., nice type and feather; 3, vhc, c, Burton, buff, nice stand and feather, pale col. UNFLIG. (6): 1, Ayers, yell., capital pos., stands well, nice wings and tail; 2, c, Lloyd, varieg. yell., grand feather, nice flights, not quite the pos.; 3, vhc, hc, Burton, lovely feathered buff. YELL. AMAT. (7): 1, Herring, cl., nice pos. and style, slim built, good col. and feather; 2, vhc, hc, c, Tebbs, heavily mkd., straight as a pencil, lovely quality, nice wings and tail; 3, Monger, varieg., nice length of side, slim built, and neat tail. BUFF (7): 1, 2, vhc, Tebbs, slim built, stands well, leggy, nice feather, wings and tail, wins well; 2nd, wing mkd., hot col., slim; 3, Knight, lovely feather, nice pos., bit pale; hc, c, Monger. HENS (6): 1, Herring, cl. yell., lovely feather, capital pos., good wings and pipe tail; 2, Knight, buff, good length, wings and tail, nice back; 3, vhc, hc, Tebbs, hot col. neck ticked yell., good length, not quite so upright. UNFLIG. (8): 1, 2, hc, Tebbs, variegd. yell., hot col., good stand, slim built, nice wings and tail; 2nd, sp, wing ticked yell., grand feather and pos.; 3, c, Herring, varieg. buff, good length, nice feather; vhc, sp, Monger. NOVICE YELL. (6): 1, vhc, Clements, slim built and good length, nice style; 2, Walker, variegd., grand feather, nice flights and tail; 3, Saunders; hc, Miss Wright; c, Bamber. BUFF (6): 1, sp, Crockett, good stand, lovely feather, nice pipe tail; 2, vhc, Lowe, nice pos.; 3, Saunders; hc, Clements; c, Walker. HENS (8): 1, sp, vhc, Bamber, lovely feathered yell., good length and size, nice carr.; 2, hc, Saunders, cl. buff, slim built, nice feather and style; 3, Crockett, thigh ticked yell., good length and position; c, Rumble. UNFLIG. (17): 1, Rolls, buff, mkd. eyes, cheek and wings, nice pos., lovely feather, neat tail, well packed wings; 2, Lingley, mkd. head, cheek and wings, yell., slim built, good feather and pos.; 3, hc, Miss Wright, good back, wings and tail; extra 3, Scudder, nice feather, good back; vhc, c, Saunders. CHAMP. BORDER YELL. (2): 1, sp, Knight, mkd, wings and eyes, nice feather, very good shape and carriage, neat head and tail; 2, Sayer, nice feathered variegd. BUFF (3): 1, Mrs. Thynne, grand feather, very neat shape; 2, Sayer, close up; 3, Knight, lovely feather, too fat. HENS (2): 1, Sayer, nice feathered and shapely buff green; 2, Mrs. Thynne. UNFLIG. (12): 1, sp, 2, hc, Sayer, yell., mkd. eyes and wings, nice shape, feather and carr.; 2nd, cl. buff, good feather, neat; 3, vhc, Knight, shapely yell; c, Mrs. Thynne; good class. NOV. YELL.: 1, Bradley, shapely, good feather. BUFF (2): 1, Mrs. Maher, nice shape and feather; 2, Bradley. HENS (2): 1, Mrs. Maher, yell., mkd., nice shape, excellent qual. and style; 2, Mrs. Parry, good one. UNFLIG.: 1, Trigger, yell., good shape and feather; 2, Bradley, nice shape. A.V.: 1, Bradley, good feathered buff Cinn.

Mr. Norman's Classes.

LIGHT HYB.: 1, Lingley, nice light Goldie Can., buff, lovely qual., good cond.; 2, Mrs. Weston, var. Siskin Can., good size for the cross, very hot col. and nice qual. feather; 3, Dickinson, another good Goldie-Can., beaten size. DARK: 1, challenge shield, vhc, hc, c, Mrs. Weston, very fine teams, leader, Linnet, grand size, bold, capital col. and qual.; 2, Sanders, really good Redpoll, fine size and qual.; 3, Brumbridge, chubby Siskin, sound col., well laced, should improve. BRIT., GOLDFINCH: 1, Grahame, well proportioned, good shape, nice full bhaze, very fine qual.; 2, Clements, wonderful blaze, hardly in the best of condition, or might have won; 3, Brumbridge, smart Finch, well up in col., capital blaze; vhc, Walker; hc, Miss Wright. BULL.: 1, sp, Mrs. Weston, lovely tone of col., good shape, tip-top condition; 2, Grahame, larger, nice polish and col.; 3, Marley. GREEN: 1, 2, Marley, well-known winner in grand form; 3, Botting, beauty for shape and qual.; vhc, Mrs. Weston; hc, Thrower. LINNET: 1, 3, Marley, two fine birds, well marked; 2, Mrs. Weston, beauty for size and col. CHAFF.: 1, Marley, grand bird, well-known; 2, Botting, capital col. and size. SISK.: 1, Thrower, bonny bird, fine size and col.; 2, Bamber, hardly so large but well laced. REDPOLL: 1, Marley, real good, lesser, bold, well shown; 2, vhc, Mrs. Weston, very fine Mealy, grand size and lacing; 3, Thrower, another good lesser, full of work. TWITE: 1, Marley again a noted winner; 2, Mrs. Weston, another beauty, close up; 3, Thrower, nice size, neat head very shapely. HAW.: 1, sp, Marley, grand col. BUNTING: 1, Botting, beauty for size, shape, and mkgs.; 2, Marley. A.O.S.: 1, Marley, one of the best Cirl Buntings out; 2, Mrs. Weston, very big snow, grand shape. BULL. HENS: 1, Walker, good size and col., full head and cap; 2, Grahame. FINCH HEN: 1, several spls, Marley, wonderful Hawfinch, grand size and condition; 2, Parry, real good yell. Bunt., grand size and shape. SOFTBILL: 1, Evan, Dartford Warbler, well-known, often described; 2, sp, Miss Shepherd, hen hearded Tit, in the pink of condition, wins special for best staged bird; 3, Evan, grand 'Gale, fine size and col.; vhc, Wynn; hc, c, Hon. Mrs. Bourke. LARGE: 1, 2, Marley, fine Blackbird and Missel Thrush, in rare order; 3, Shepherd, well mkd. Thrush, nice cond.; vhc, Mrs. Thynne. RARE FEATHERED: 1, sp, best Softbill, Mrs. Weston's charming Albino Robin, very taking, interesting, well staged; 2, Parrington, fine big pied Goldie, capital order. GOLDIE, Limit: 1, Clark, good bird, leading, well proportioned, nice blaze, pink of condition; 2, hc, Offord, good, grand size; 3, Lowe, good col. and blaze; vhc, Styles; c, Parrington. BULL.: 1, Clark, bonny bird, grand col. and cap; 2, 3, Offord, two good hens; vhc, Parrington. GREENF.: 1, Lowe, good, beautifully staged; 2, Styles; 3, Lowe; vhc, Clark; hc, Offord; c, Parrington. LINNET: 1, hc, c, Parrington, bonny, full-sized bird, nicely mkd., capital col.; 2, vhc, Offord, large, nicely mkd.; 3, Styles. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Lowe, good Redpoll, fine size and col.; 2, vhc, hc, Offord, another good Poll; c, Styles. A.O.S.: 1, Clark; 2, vhc, Offord; 3, Parrington. BUNTINGS: 1, Lowe; 2, Offord. HENS: 1, 2, Parrington, 1st lovely Siskin, grand shape and lacing; 3, Offord. SOFTBILL: 1, Parrington. FOREIGN: 1, Mrs. Weston. PARROT: 1, Shepherd. COMMON: 1, Mrs. Thynne, grand Paradise Whydah, lovely bird, very fine feather, well shown; 2, Bamber, Java, grand condition; 3, hc, Brumbridge; vhc, c, Maher. SEED EATERS: 1, Mrs. Weston, grand Siberian Goldie; 2, Styles. INSECTIVE: 1, sp, 2, Hon. Mrs. Bourke, two lovely specimens, ruby-throated Warbler and purple Sugar bird, the latter special for best insectivorous bird in show, both exhibited in perfect condition; 3, hc, c, Shepherd, very fine Hill Mynah, winner in any ordinary class, grand size and polish; vhc, Mrs. Thynne, perfect Tanager, grand col. and cond. GIFT: 1, 2, vhc, hc, c, Parrington; 3, Mrs. Weston.

WIBSEY C.B.S.

Fifth members' show held Nov. 30, at the Horse and Groom Inn, when 89 birds were staged. Most points winners were:—Clear or Ticked Section: A. Holden 26, C. Pickup and Son 16, D. Sutcliffe 16, C. Bastow 12, W. Mann 8. Green Marked: D. Sutcliffe 20, L. Hudson 14, C. Pickup and Son 13, W. Crowther 11, C. Bastow 9. Cinn. Marked: W. Mann 18, W. Hillas 14, C. Pickup and Son 10. Cup: W. Mann 13, L. Hudson 12, C. Pickup and Son 12, A. Holden 7. For most and second most points gained by the champions: D. Sutcliffe, C. Pickup and Sons. Novices: C. Bastow, L. Hudson. Mr. R. Halliday judged.

YORKS., CL., TKD., YELL. CK. (9): 1, 2, Pickup and Son; 3, Jowett; 4, Hillas; vhc, Bairstow and Chapman; hc, W. Mann; c, Crowther. BUFF (13): 1, 2, Holden; 3, 4, Sutcliffe; vhc, Bastow; hc, Ackroyd; c, Mann. EVEN, ETC., YELL. CK. (6): 1, vhc, Hudson; 2, 4, Sutcliffe; 3, hc, C. Bastow. BUFF (9): 1, 4, W. Crowther; 2, Pickup and Son; 3, vhc, Sutcliffe; hc, c, Hudson. CINN. YELL. (2): 1, Pickup and Son; 2, Mann. BUFF (5): 1, 2, 4, Mann; 3, Pickup and Son; vhc, Jowett. FOUL MKD. CK. (2): 1, Jowett; 2, Bastow; 3, Crowther. CL., TKD., YELL HEN (12): 1, Holden; 2, Bastow; 3, W. Crowther; 4, Hudson; vhc, Pickup and Son; hc, Mann; c, Bairstow and Chapman. BUFF (9): 1, Sutcliffe; 2, 3, Holden; 4, Mann; vhc, Bastow; hc, J. Crowther; c, Bairstow and Chapman. EVEN, ETC., GR. MKD. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Sutcliffe; 2, Hudson; 3, Bastow; 4, Hilley; vhc, Mann. BUFF (5): 1, Sutcliffe; 2, 3, Pickup and Son; 4, Hudson; vhc, Bastow. CINN. YELL. (5): 1, vhc, Hillas; 2, Jowett; 3, 4, Mann. BUFF (7): 1, Hillas; 2, vhc, hc, c, Mann; 3, Pickup and Son; 4, Bairstow and Chapman.—H. C. Crossley, Sec.

DUNDEE.

Annual show, held in the Gymnasium, Ward Road, Nov. 30th. The hall is a grand one for the purpose, being well lighted from the roof. The executive are a splendid band of workers, Mr. Herschell, the President, being a host in himself, while the Vice-president, Mr. Davidson, seems to be getting younger as the years go by, and more capable than ever. Among the committee we noticed several old friends, Mr. John Adams being prominent and active in the Border section, Mr. D. Thomson among the British, and Mr. J. S. Fox among Norwich. Mr. H. Lumsden was also taking an active part in the management, and in the unavoidable absence of the Secretary during judging, his wife acted for him, and carried out the secretarial duties to perfection. Mr. Miller had all his arrangements well forward, and only needs a lot more work to do to show what his capabilities are as secretary. We regret to say that the entry was again down, 436 birds being catered in 51 classes; many of the classes were half prize money. Crests were a fair entry, and were ably judged by Mr. Robt. Whitton. Mr. J. Holmes made the awards in the Norwich section, and Mr. McArdle (Arbroath) in the British section, and there was some difference of opinion on certain of their winners. The Scotch Fancy section was in the hands of Messrs. Strachan (Arbroath), and Thoms (Dundee), whose awards were on the whole well received. The Borders contained some grand specimens, and received very careful treatment from Mr. Mossie (Annbank), whose awards were very well received. There was a fair attendance of visitors during the afternoon. The President, Mr. Herschell, won the Crest Cup and Hyde's teapot with a very good young Crest hen. Mr. David Low won cup for cock and also cup for hen in Scotch Fancy section, with a nice pair of buff piebalds, and Mr. A. R. Town's cup for best British with a dandy Redstart (we fancy last year's cup winner), which scored easily.

The Critique.

CREST CK. (5): 1, sp, Howie, an old winner, often described, still going well; 2, Herschell, fine green, grand size and substance, splendid crest, well spread, presses; 3, sp, McLay, another good one, lovely quality, looks barely finished; 4, Sneddon, good green, nice crest, very leafy feather; 5, McClement. HEN (5): 1, Sneddon, fine green, great size and substance, grandly radiated crest, beautiful feather; 2, McLay, nice var., fine quality, rare body feather, fine crest, slightly split at side; 3, McLaren, green, grand density, good droop and fine centre; 4, Cheape, slimmer got up, fine crest, good qual.; 5, Johnstone. CREST-BRED (7): 1, sp, Howie, nice buff, grand density of skull, good entrance, nice leafy head feather; 2, McClement, another good one, very shapely, rare quality of feather, not quite so dense; 3, Paterson, good var., fine skull, good entrance, close up; 4, McLay, good quality of head feather, loses in skull; 5, Fox; 6, Blythe. HEN (7): 1, sp, McLay, fine green, rare size and substance, grand skull, well lashed, fine head feather; 2, Fox, another good var., rare qual. and subs., good size, fine bead feather; 3, sp, Herschell, another good one, fine quality, rare good head, well up; 4, McClement, nice var., good feather, rather flat on top; 5, McMaster; 6, Blyth. CREST (Bred 1912) (12): 1, sp., Hyde's cup, 5, Herschell, lovely hen, rare size and subs., grand crest, well centred, and of beautiful quality, well put dowu; 2, Paterson, fine var., rare size and subs., good crest, slightly split, otherwise grand; 3, sp, McLay, fine green, grand size and subs., nice drooping crest, beaten only in size; 4, Howie, nice one, hardly finished; 6, McMaster. CREST-BRED (Bred 1912) (10): 1, McLaren, var., grand size and subs., fine qual. feather, rare good skull, fine entrance, well lashed; 2, Low, clear, good size, fine dense head feather, gand qual.; 3, 5, McLay, good var., nice size and subs.; good skull, grand head feather; 4, Blythe, cl., good size and subs., loses in head feather; 6, Cheape. NORWIH CL. YELL. CK. (4): 1, sp, Rodger, good size, fine colour, slightly soft when we saw it; 2, 3, Adams, leader loses in size to winner, very typical, good head and neck, nice col., fine qual. of feather; 3rd, similar, well staged; 4, Grewar, good one, in fine bloom. BUFF (5): 1, Murray, nice size and substance, good head and wings, fine quality; 2, Kennedy, rather long, good head, nice feather; 3, Grewar, good one, fine qual., nice size and subs., well staged; 4, Storrar, nice qual. of feather; No. 2, Anderson, absent. VAR. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Grewar, fine size and shape, good head, nice col., rare good wings, in grand fettle; 2, Allison, well known winner, larger, good col., beaten type; 3, Ramsay, nice one, good qual. and size, fine head; 4, Soutar, fine col., good front, nice qual.; 5, McKenzie. BUFF VAR. (7): 1, 2, Finnie, leader fair, nice qual., lucky; 2nd, better bird all over, fine front, good head and wings; 3, sp, Taylor, nice one for size, good head and front, excellent col., might have gone upone; 4, Rodger, fine size and subs., good qual., hard up; 5, Marr; 6, Milne. CL., ETC., HEN. YELL. (5): 1, sp, Adams, nice unflig., good size and fine col.; 2, Boath, grand quality of feather, good type; 3, sp, Kerr, fine size, good head, paler colour; 4, Hampton, good one, in fine condition; 5, Adamson. BUFF HEN (7): 1, Ramsay, fair size, good head and wings, nice qual. of feather, well staged; 2, Paterson, fair, nice qual.; 3, Hampton, good one, fine qual., good head and wings, nice col.; 4, Mitchell, good size and subs., nice qual.; 5, Boath; 6, McCue. YELL. VAR. HEN (6): 1, Dickson, good size, plenty of substance, rare qual., often described; 2, Mitchell, another old friend, still going well, nicely staged; 3, Hampton, very nice hen, grand quality, good size and subs.; 4, Marr, good hen, excellent front, nice wings, fails slightly head; 5, Black; 6, Adams. BUFF (11): 1, Ramsay, nice size, good quality of feather; 2, Boath, fair size and subs., nice col.; 3, 6, Dickson, nice one for size, good subs., fine qual.; 4, Finnie, fair size, good col.; 5, Mitchell, old winner, very unlucky. UNFLIG. CK. (12): 1, sp, Finnie, nice cl. buff, good head and wings, fine colour; 2, Mitchell, clear yell., hot col., rare good qual., fine wings, in grand order; 3, Ramsey, nice var. buff, good qual. of feather, fine head and col.; 4, McCue, nice yell., good col., very tidy; 5, Blyth; 6, Grewar. HEN (9): 1, Allison, nice cl. yell., fine quality, good head and wings, full of colour; 2, Finnie, good buff, nice qual., well staged; 3, sp, Cummings, buff, fine head and wings, typical; 4, Mitchell, nice one, good head and front, presses; 5, Boath; 6, Taylor. NON-FED CK. (7): 1, Mitchell, grand size and subs., rare head and wings, grand front, in shining order; 2, Carstairs, fine for size and qual., good head and wings, on the slim side; 3, Grewar, green, fine size and subs., good head and wings, nice quality; 4, Duff, another green of good qual. and subs.; 5, McKellar; 6, Robertson. HEN (3): 1, Carstairs, good one, nice head and wings, rare round front, fine quality, well put down; 2, Rodger, nice head and wings, good qual., rather slim got up; 3, Duff, good size and subs., nice front and head, fails wing carriage. SCOTS., CL. YELL. CK. (8): 1, 2, Thornton, leader fine length, good top end and droop, fine action; 2nd, similar, not quite so thick through, takes grand position; 3, Black, real good one, hard up; 4, Danskin, nice type, good top end, good qual.; 5, Henderson; 6, Crighton. PIED YELL. (5): 1, Thornton, good one for size and subs., plenty top end, rare drive, stands well on perch; 2, Black, good all round, nice shape, well filled in back; 3, Hendry, fine size, nice droop, good top end, hard up; 4, Beattie, well up in size and shape; 5, Curtis. CL. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Thornton, another pair of toppers, winner good size and subs., nice shape, rare top end, splendid droop; 2nd, similar, in grand order; 3, Maxwell, stylish, good droop, not quite so thick as leaders; 4, Barrie, shade smaller, fine action, good nerve; 5, Carmyllie; 6, Keil. BUFF PIED CK.: 1, sp, cup, Low, grand size and subs., fine length and reach, grand action, very stylish; 2, Maxwell, good depth of front, very good action, nice top end, well up; 3, Black, good one for size, nice droop, good back and shoulders; 4, 5, Melville, nice pair, well up; 6, Hope. CL. YELL. HEN (13): 1, Hope, good size and subs., fine depth of front, fine top end, grand reach; 2, Thornton, nice action, grand reach, good top end, stands well up; 3, sp, Henderson, good one for size, nice qual., grand droop; 4, Carmyllie, slimmer, takes good position; 5, Allan; 6, Beattie. YELL. PIED HEN (6): 1, Maxwell, fine size and qual., nice top end, hard up, fine depth across, good action; 2, Henderson, good size and subs., nice qual., rare droop; 3, Black, fine size, good action, in grand order; 4, Gilmore, fine size and subs., stands well up, nice drive; 5, Nicoll. CL. BUFF HEN (12): 1, Maxwell, wins, good one, fine style, grand reach and top end, takes fine position; 2, 6, Black, good all round, fine quality; 3, Melville, good size, rare style, fine top end; 4, Hendry, capital reach, good length of side, well up; 5, Woods. BUFF PIED HEN (6): 1, sp, cup, 3, Low, leader grand youngster in rare bloom, fine top end, good reach, rare drive, nice droop, wins; 3rd, similar, not quite so thick through; 2, Henderson, nice one for size, fine quality, good top end, in fine order; 4, Nairn, in grand order, fails droop; 5, Ramsay; 6, Thornton. BORD., CL. or TK. YELL. CK. (17): 1, Craig, wee beauty, grand size and col., rare head and wings, fine style, like wax, wins; 2, Irons, good one, looking better to-day than we have seen it for some weeks; 3, Campbell, nice one, in rare bloom, heaten in good company; 4, Andrew, fine size, nice col., not qual. of leaders; 5, Hastings; 6, Crabb and Finlayson. BUFF (9): 1, 3, Craig, pair of old winners, often described, looking well; 2, 5, Irons, still good ones; 2nd, rare qual., grand head and wings, well put down; 4, Robertson, fine style, nicely finished; 6, Crabb and Finlayson. VAR. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Craig, a topper, rare head and wings, fine qual. of feather, good style; 2, Patterson, junr., nice one, well polished, grand col., fine style; 3, Spence, good one for size, nice style, rare col. and finish; 4, Martin, fine quality, lovely wing carriage, well put down; 5, Irons; 6, Rae and Reid. BUFF VAR. CK. (11): 1, Irvine, lovely size, good head and wings, nice style, excellent wing carriage, in fine order; 2, 5, Lumsden, fine head and wings, nice size, rare qual.; 3, Robertson, fine size and style, good head and tail, nice wing carriage; 4, Crabb and Finlayson, good one for style, rare size and col., nice head and wings; 6, Craig. CL. YELL. HEN (13): 1, Craig, beauty for size and style, good round head, neat wings and tail, grand shape, wins; 2, Crabb and Finlayson, another good one, lovely wings and tail, good head, very stylish shape, well put down; 3, Spence, real good one, nice quality of feather, stylish wing carriage, well up; 4, Irvine, fine size and style, in grand order; 5, Irons; 6, McDonald. BUFF HEN (9): 1, Craig, another of this grand team, fine type, nice jaunty style, good depth of side, rare wings and tail, spotless; 2, Irons, fine size, good head and wings, well carried, full of qual.; 3, Patterson, junr., another beauty, grand size, good head and wings, in rare order; 4, Kennedy, good one for qual., nice size and style, well carried wings; 5, Robertson; 6, Hastings. YELL. HEN. VAR. (7): 1, Crabb and Finlayson, stylish, grand size and quality, rare head and wings, fine colour; 2, Craig, good size and qual., fine style and wing carriage, in grand order, well up; 3, Irvine, nice type, fine quality of feather, stylish; 4, Gentleman, good type, fine qual.; 5, Hastings; 6, Irons. BUFF VAR. HEN (10): 1, Andrew, grand type, rare cond., fine head and wings, good size and qual.; 2, Patterson, junr., dandy style, fine round head, good wings and tail, close up; 3, Lumsden, fine type, nice qual., well carried wings; 4, Black, good head and wings, rare style; 5, Stirling; 6, Crabb and Finlayson. LIGHT MULE or HYB. (6): 1, Nicoll, Linnet-Bullie, old winner, often described; 2, Fyfe, Siskin-Greenie, nice size, in fine bloom; 3, Gilmour, lightly var. Goldie Mule, rare wings and tail, round cobby front, our choice for 1st; 4, A. W. Watson; 5, Mitchell; No. 1, J. D. Watson, Goldie-Bullie, an easy first, late for judging, hard lines. DARK MULE (15): 1, Watson, A. W., Siskin Mule, in good order, but many thought lucky to beat 2, Roy, Goldie-Can., an old winner, looking better than ever; 3, Taylor, good Linnet in rattling order; 4, Strachan, good Goldie; 5, Bogie; 6, Brown. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Harcombe, nice size, good blaze of rich col., nicely buttoned wings, well tanned on breast, wins; 2, Towns, smaller, fair good face, nice back and breast; 3, Barclay, good one for size, nice face, good col., fine wings and tail, pressed hard; 4, Campbell, nice Finch; 5, McGregor and Boyd. BULLF. (14): 1, McDonald, grand Bullie for size, rich col. breast, fine wing bars, dense cap, well defined; 2, Gentleman, another good one for size and type, fine breast col., rare good cap and wings, nice back; 3, Adams, smaller, still a model, rare breast col., grand back and wings, beautiful cap of jet black, worth its place; 4, Greig, fair good Bullie, nice type, good col.; 5, Morton; 6, Irvine. GREENF. (9): 1, Law, grand size, good col., fine broad skull, nice quality of feather; 2, Glove, smaller, nice col. and qual., but lucky to beat 3. Morton, rare cobby bird, great depth of front, good head and wings; 4, Roy, an old winner, might have gone up; 5, Colville and Son; 6, Greig. LINNET, H.M. (14): 1, 3, Watson, A. W., leader good one, but bad shower, would not leave bottom of cage; 3rd, nice one, good col. and markings; 2, Barclay, nice, good size and shape, very distinct markings, rich colour, steady; 4, 6, McMaster, good one for size and shape, fine col.. Perth and Forfar winner; 5, Campbell. FIELD MOULTED (15): 1, Watson, A. W., good one, very steady, fine size and shape; 2, Fox, nice style, good shape, very distinct markings; 3, Morton, good size, nice col.; 4, Hodge, nice one for size and colour; 5, Law; 6, Clark. Some grand birds out of cards; hard luck. SISKIN (14): 1, Morton, good size and shape, nice cap, good wings, well marked, highly fed; 2, Nicholson, good size, nice cap and hib, well fed; 3, Gentleman, nat. col., a wee dandy, well marked, shining; 4, Brown, another good one, fed, in grand order; 5, McGregor and Boyd; 6, Donnelly. REDPOLL or TWITE (6): 1, Gentleman, grand Twite, good size, fine col., well put down; 2, Watson, A. W., H.M. Mealy 'Poll, grand size, nice col., good bib, in fine order; 3, 4, Morton, both nice Lesser 'Polls, well marked, good col.; 5, Campbell. A.O.V. FINCH (9): 1, 3, Watson, A. W., leader good Yellow Bunting, very distinct markings, and in shining order; 2, 4, Nicholson, 2nd, good Bramble, rare size and col., fine markings; 5, Allison; 6, Law. SMALL BRIT.: 1, sp, cup best British, 3, Towns, a dandy Redstart, in rare bloom, an old winner; 3rd, grand Blackcap, in capital order; 2, Colville and Son, fine Bearded Tit, in splendid order; 4, Robertson, nice Black Redstart, well put down; 5, Dickie and Smith; 6, Gilmour. LARGE (1): 1, sp, Langlands, Waxwing, still looking well, an old winner.

LURGAN (Ireland).

Held Nov. 22 and 23 in the Town Hall, which answered the purpose admirably. Although not having held an open show during the last few years, the fanciers around Lurgan determined to put their heads together this year and make their show a success, which they undoubtedly did. Owing to clashing with Holywood the Norwich fanciers (particularly the Belfast men) practically deserted them. It will not be the fault of Lurgan next year if other societies clash with them, as in CAGE BIRDS there appears a notice from the secretary that the next show will be held on Nov. 21 and 22, 1913. The president, Mr. Malcolm, and hon. treasurer, Mr. Thompson, are a boon to any society. Mr. S. McCollum held the secretarial reins, and could not be excelled by any that we know in a similar capacity. Mr. Joseph Lavery is worthy of special mention, inasmuch as he is the backbone of the society, and we believe his entries at this show (43) are a record for any Irish exhibitor.

The Critique.

BELGIANS (4): 1, 2, 3, Ronaldson, three good ones, well-known leader, fine shoulders, and determined drive; 4, Lavery. SCOTS. YELL. CK. (7): 1, 2, 4, Lavery, leader long side, good head and neck, grips perches well; 2, good shoulders and back, nice length of side; 3, 5, Ronaldson, grand head, neck, and shoulders, in nice trim; 6, Trimble; 7, Lawther. BUFF (8): 1, 6, Ronaldson, good shape, nice top end and reach; 2, Cloughley, close up, good length of side; 3, Dunlop, shade smaller, all there for style; 4, 5, Lavery; 7, 8, Trimble. YELL. PIED (6): 1, 5, Trimble, plenty size, rare massive top end and reach; 2, Hamilton, another good one, scarcely so massive, plenty length, side; 3, Neill, good top end, and shade plainer, lovely finish; 4, Lavery. BUFF (7): 1, 6, Lavery, sweet one, well up on top end, nicely cleaned out; 2, Dunlop, good stamp, not so well filled on shoulders as winner; 3, 5, Hamilton, shade smalled, all there for style; 4, Trimble; 7, Ronaldson. GREEN CK. (4): 1, Dunlop, real good all-round, free style; 2, 3, Lavery, nice stamp, reachy in action; 3, close up, all there for style; 4, Ronaldson. HEN, YELL. (7): 1, 4, Lavery, grand top end, rare snakey head, in good form; 2, 5, Ronaldson, good length of side, nice top end and reach; 3, Cloughley, good size, grand head, and shoulders; 6, Trimble; 7, Hamilton. BUFF (7): 1, 3, Ronaldson, good shape, massive shoulders, 3rd nice droop, good snaky head; 2, 7, Lavery, reach, in action, good sweeping drive; 4, Neill; 5, 6, Hamilton. YELL. PIED (6): 1, 4, Hamilton, good size, nice top end and shoulders, in good trim; 2, Lavery, good style, not so well burnished as winner; 3, Ronaldson, slimmer in build, sweet one; 5, Trimble; 6, Neill. BUFF (4): 1, 3, 4, Lavery, three nice ones, leader massive all-round bird, good shoulders and droop; 2, Lawther, sweet shape, rare style, nice head and neck. GREEN (6): 1, Cloughley, rare action, good top end and reach; 2, Hamilton, fails a little across front, otherwise would win; 3, Lawther, shade plainer, good top end, though in good order; 4, 5, Trimble; 6, Ronaldson. NOR. CL. YELL. CK. (5): 1, 3, Thompson, beautiful shape, rare head and neck, 3rd scarcely so well filled in; 2, Connell, hot col., grand qual., nice head and neck; 4, Faith; 5, McCagherty. CL. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Faith, cage hardly large enough to hold him, 2nd not far behind, two toppers; 3, Thompson, beautiful shape and qual., fails subs.; 4, Adamson; 5, Connell; vhc, Mulligan; hc, McCagherty. TKD. YELL. (2): 1, Thompson, magnificent size, grand col. and qual.; 2, McCagherty, good head and neck, well carr. wings and tail. BUFF (6): 1, Faith, monster, rare head and neck, lovely col.; 2, Thompson, loses in size to leader, lovely qual. and col.; 3, Adamson, not quite so good in head as leaders only failing; 4, Acheson; 5, Taylor; vhc, Webb. VARIEG. (6): 1, 2, Thompson, two beauties, fine qual. and col., nice deep chests, good wing and tail carr., leader better cut away; 3, Hart, grand qual., not so full in chest as leaders; 4, McCagherty; 5, Webb; vhc, Lunn. HEN, CL., ETC., YELL. (8): 1, Faith, nice lady, good col. and qual., trifle slim; 2, Teasey, short, cobby hen, preferred to 1st; 3, hc, Webb, not quite so good in head as leaders; 4, Adamson; 5, Teasey; hc, Webb. CL. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Faith, two gems, leader a sturdy monster for size and col., could win anywhere; 3, Adamson, another good one, loses to winner in subs.; 4, Devine; 5, Teasey. TKD. HEN (4): 1, Thompson, beautiful shape, nice feather, good col. and qual.; 2, Teasey, not much behind, nice qual., short wings and tail; 3, Taylor, good col. and type, beaten subs.; 4, McCagherty. VARIEG. (8): 1, Faith, magnificently shaped, good col. and qual.; 2, Teasey, lovely full-fronted bird, good neck and head; 3, Connell, smaller, but lovely type. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (12): 1, Woods, fine length, in full bloom, grand head; 2, Birse, another lengthy one, nice head, good back and wings; 3, Tansey, smart one, beautiful feather, nice col., well put down; 4, Dunwoody; vhc, O'Reilly; hc, Mulligan; c, Devine. HEN (7): 1, O'Reilly, sweet one, lovely qual., feather, grand head and wing carr.; 2, Devins, closely feathered, good front, not so sweet in head; 3, Fleming, good qual., nice head and neck, little pinched on front; 4, Keating; 5, Dunwoody; vhc, Birse; hc, J. Montgomery. MKD., ETC. CK. (6): 1, Dunwoody, good size, grand front and taper, a shade narrow on head; 2, Tansey, heavily varieg., grand shape, lovely bead and neck, well rounded on front; 3, Keating, scarcely so lengthy, lovely wing carr., well staged; 4, Montgomery; 5, Hodgen; vhc, Hodgen. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (12): 1, Keating, a romper, rare stamp, good head and front; 2, Tansey, our choice, a hot tkd., lovely head and neck, A1 style, lovely front, well staged; 3, Fleming, another stormer, lovely length and grand qual., neat wing carr.; 4, Black; 5, O'Reilly; vhc, c, Woods; hc, Dunwoody. HEN (8): 1, Dunwoody, a good one, but inclined to be unsteady; 2, Birse, nice stamp a shade long in feather; 3, Devins, good size, lovely cobby, nice wing carr.; 4, 5, Woods; vhc, McIntoggart; hc, Keating; c, Mulligan. MKD., ETC., HEN (6): 1, Dunwoody, good qual., sweet head and neck; 2, Tansey, lovely length, grand head and tail, so round as a pencil, might have won; 3, Keating, a rare good one, lovely length of wings; 4, J. Montgomery; 5, Fleming; vhc, Devine. MULE, CL., ETC. (7): 1, 3, 4, vhc, hc, c, Lavery, leader nice size and col., a topper, 3rd beaten col.; 2, Osborne, not far behind, beaten in size. DK. (10): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Lavery, romping large one, bold front and fine col.; 2nd another good one, beaten size; 3rd similar, not so good col. as leaders; 4, O'Beirne; c, O'Neille. HYB. (7): 1, 2, 3, Lavery, 3 stonkers for size and col., leader Cane-Bullie, a good one; 4, Webb; vhc, Taylor; hc, Irwin; c, Black. GOLD FINCH (9): 1, 2, 3, 4, Lavery, a fine team, leader excels in blaze and tanings; vhc, Webb; hc, Mrs. Taylor; c, Dillon. LINNET (9): 1, 2, 3, 4, Lavery, another grand team, not much between, although leader has lovely back col. and distinct pencilling; vhc, Harvey; hc, Dawson; c, McCann. BRIT. SEEDEATERS (12): 1, Devine; 2, Lavery; 3, Black; 4, Dawson; vhc, hc, Walker; c, McKenzie. SOFT-BILLS (3): 1, Birse; 2, Houston; 3, McCollum. LARKS (6): 1, Birse; 2, vhc, Houston, 3, McGrath; 4, Allan; hc, Irwin. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, O'Neill; 2, Topping; 3, Owens and Magee; 4, c, Black; vhc, Crawford; hc, Kennedy. HAWFINCH, ETC. (4): 1, Birse, Hawfinch, in rare form. FOR. (4): 1, S. McCollum; 2, English; 3, Ruddy; 4, Walker.

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GRAVESEND.

Twenty-second open show, held at Pavilion Rink, which is an ideal hall for the purpose, being large and well lighted. Unfortunately, the clashing with other important fixtures had a bad effect on the entry, which was very short. We hope next year the society will try to arrange so as not to clash, and get better support. In Mr. Terry we had a most obliging and enthusiastic secretary, and with a good committee everything was carried out in a businesslike manner. Mr. Silk (Bosworth) judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

NOR. CL.: 1, spl best, N. Easton, cl. Buff, grand bird, wins well, splendid head and neck, fine subs., lovely feather, a typical Nor.; 2, Taylor, cl. yell., another really good all round specimen, splendid head and neck, neat wing carr., but lacks subs. of winner; 3, Kilby, cl. buff, nice bird, good subs., neat wings and tail, fails little in head properties; 4, Pittis; hc, Whent; c, Hobbs. TKD. OR VAR.: 1, Kilby, splendid yell. green cock, grand head and neck, good subs. and feather, wins well; 2, Taylor, wing mkd. buff, another fine specimen, fails little in size, otherwise equal in every respect; 3, Whent, var. yell., nice exhibit, but fails a little in subs. and qual. of feather; vhc, Pennello; hc, Kilby; c, Whent. UNFLI.: 1, Wickham, cap mkd. buff, good head, nice subs., splendid feather, neat wing carr., wins well; 2, Taylor, var. yell., beautiful specimen, nice head and subs., good wings, lovely feather, close up; 3, Smith, mkd. yell., very neat, not quite the subs., otherwise good. YORKS: 1, 2, Guiver, cl. yell., beautiful specimen, nice neat wings, lovely head, well filled back, nice length, wins well; 2, cl. buff, very similar, not quite the length or style, otherwise very little between them; 3, Pittis, cl. yell., beautiful exhibit, but a trifle on the small side; vhc, Taylor. TKD. OR VAR.: 1, spl best Yorks, Leaver, light mkd. yell., most typical Yorkie, good length, well filled back, neat wings and tail, lovely feather, easy win. UNFLIG.: 1, Perkins, nice bird, good length and style, neat wings and tail; 2, Taylor another yell., beautiful qual., nice length and wings, correct type, some preferred; 3, Pittis, wing mkd. buff, very nice specimen, bit on the small side. A.O.V.: 1, 3, Manning, Cinn., good birds, little between them; 2, 4, Tankius, leader Cinn., very neat bird, not quite the col. of winner, bit small; 4, nice yell. Nor. MULE OR HYB.: 1, spl, Taylor, Bullfinch Hybrid, good specimen, but on the small side; 2, Jefferys, a really first-class Linnet Mule; 3, Christmas, Goldfinch Mule, very neat specimen. LINNET OR TWITE: 1, Jefferies, Linnet, nice size, neat pencilling, but could do with more col.; 3, Edmonds, nice bird, but not the size or pencilling of winner; vhc, Hasler. BLACKBIRD OR THRUSH: 1, 3, Dell, 1st Blackbird, 2nd Thrush, two nice specimens. A.O.S.: 1, Dell, really fine Starling; 3, Hasler, neat Siskin. LOCAL—NOR.: 1, Stewart, cl. buff, good subs. and head, fails wing carr.; 2, 3, Bareham, two good specimens, 2nd more typical, lovely qual., we preferred 1st. YORKS: 1, Taylor, nice neat specimen; 2, 3, vhc, Walters; 4, c, very similar, not much between them. MULE: 1, Stewart, rich Greenfinch Mule, good size and subs.; 2, Terry, neat Redpoll-Can.; vhc, Bareham, Greenfinch Mule.

CREWE.

Open show, held in Co-operative Hall, Nov. 30th. A splendid entry of nearly 170 was received, a record for the society. This, no doubt, was brought about in a large measure by the spirited competition for the handsome Challenge Cup presented by the President, P. Victor Williams, Esq. The race for possession of this coveted trophy was very close indeed between several of the members, Mr. J. W. Lawton winning it for the second time, Mr. T. L. Hancocks being only three points behind, while Mr. F. E. Cooper was only two points behind the second. The Norwich section was very fine, undoubtedly the best in the show, some grand birds being staged by Messrs. Cooper, Taylor, Latham, Potts, and Heaton. The winning unflighted Buff shown by Mr. Cooper is a grand one, and captured the special for best Canary in the show, and for best Norwich; Yorks were decidedly good, but hardly up to the standard of their clubbier brethren, good teams being staged by Messrs. Lawton, Potts, and Elks. Borders were a choice lot; Mr. T. L. Hancocks staged a capital team, and secured most of the spoils, winning special for best Border with his clear buff. British were also good, especially the Goldfinch, Bullfinch, and Linnet classes. Some excellent specimens were well put down by Messrs. Latham, Potts, Morgan, Bowker, and Heaton. Special for best British went to Mr. Latham with a Bullie of fine size and shape. Mr. E. Jaycott filled the post of secretary in a very creditable manner, having everything ready for an early start. Judging was over in good time, and catalogues, with awards, were on sale shortly after one o'clock. Mr. Artbur C. Brotherhood made the awards.

From the catalogue received we gather that the principal winners were: NOR., Messrs. Taylor, Cooper, Heaton, Latham, Potts; YORKS., Potts, Lawton, Elks; BORD., Lawton, Hancocks, Jaycott, Bowker; MULES, Elks, Latham; BRIT., Latham, Potts, Lawton, Morgan, Heaton, Bowker; FOR., Jaycott, Elks.

STIRLING.

Annual show held Nov. 16th, in the Albert Hall. The weather bore a gloomy aspect, which did not tend to make good the somewhat poorly lighted hall in which the show was held. If the staging had been arranged across the hall a great improvement would have resulted. Considering the difficulty of securing a better hall for the show the above arrangement would be well worthy of a trial another year. The management, composed of well-known fanciers, worked in a quiet but efficient manner, and had all the little ins and outs of their task well under their grasp. President, Mr. W. Summers, and Sec., Mr. W. Clubb, are of the right stuff, and make worthy leaders. They are well supported by an enthusiastic band of workers, who were rewarded for their labours by the receipt of a good entry, which, although not just up to last year, compared favourably with previous years. Quality was a feature of the show, and was well maintained in all sections, especially Borders and Norwich. One novel feature of the show was an array of all kinds of cages and outfits, exhibited we heard, by a crippled boy, W. Anderson, from Bannockburn; his attempts at cage making are good, and we thing that an advertisement in CAGE BIRDS might be the means of bringing him more directly into contact with fanciers who might do a little to help him to earn a decent living. Judging was completed in decent time, and the awards met with general favour. Judges were Messrs. Martin, Waterside; Hamilton, Eskbank; and Pettigrew, Glasgow.

The Critique.

Y.B. CL. OR TK. YELL. NOR. CK. (11): 1, 5, Smart, leader grand size for youngster, capital shape and col., fine body, neat head and full neck, in fine cond., we heard was claimed; 2, Meikle, not quite so massive, but good type and fine qual., silky feather, neatly made, hard up on leader; 3, Rodger, nice qual. feather, good type, but behind in sub.; 4, Clapperton, nice quality; 6, Ritchie; 7, Gorrie; 8, Clubb. BUFF (14): 1, Smith, well up in size and perfect feather, staged in rare bloom; 2, 7, Smart, leader nice cobby exhibit, well filled in and shapely throughout, just fails a trifle in wing carr.; 3, Gorrie, massive, nice carr. and shape, not quite finished; 4, Roberston, nice qual. eye mark, staged in grand cond.; 5, Ritchie; 6, Hutton; 8, Welsh. A.O.V. NOR. CK. (9): 1, sp., 4, Bishop, leader lovely feather, stylish, good quality, neat full head and neck, nice carr., and well staged; 4th, shapely and well filled in; 2, 3, Smart, leader not quite so massive as 1st, but lovely qual., broad, deep, well shaped front, cobby and neat in carr.; 3rd, nice cobby make, fine feather, good neat head and wings; 5, 7, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 6, Welsh; 8, Rodger. CL. OR TCK. YELL. HEN (12): 1, sp., Smart, sweetly made, fine head, neat well filled neck, clean cut, capital carr., staged to win; 2, Clubb, good, short, cobby and well-made, scarce just so hot in col. or so perfect in feather, but of the right brand; 3, sp., Jeffrey and Stevenson, nice type and qual., fine silky feather, just a wee bit faulty in wing carr.; 4, Ritchie, smaller make, 5, sp., Bishop; 6, Hutton; 7, Gorrie; 8, Robertson. BUFF (14): 1, 2, Bishop, leading with large massive good quality one, great carr. and build, not finished yet; 2nd well up in all points, beautiful feather, must have been difficult to separate; 3, Rodger, not quite so large, but short and cobby built, neat fronted, clean cut, just loses in wing carr.; 4, Mitchell, nice sub., and qual.; 5, Hutton; 6, Welsh; 7, Robertson; 8, Smart. A.O.V. HEN (5): 1, Mitchell, lovely var. yell. in rare fettle, neatly built and typical, staged in grand form; 2, Paterson, fine qual. var. buff, neat and cobby, nice carr. and style; 3, Smith, large var. buff, grand sub., fine style, looked cloggy when we saw it; 4, Clubb, nice qual. and shape, minus greater part of tail; 5, J. Smith. NON-FED YELL (3): 1, sp, Jeffrey and Stevenson, wing and eye mkd., grand size and type, fine full head and neck, neat broad front, clean cut, and well balanced carr., lovely cond.: 2, Smart, good size, neat type, shapely and well filled in, just rather open in feather; 3, Hutton, fine size and good qual. feather, neat carr., not quite the bulk. BUFF (6): 1, Summers, medium sized exhibit, neat shape, fine qual. feather, staged in fine cond.; 2, Clubb, similar size, fair good qual., and neatly balanced wings and tail, not just so tight in feather; 3, sp., Gorrie, nice size and sub., good qual., not quite finished; 4, Jeffrey and Stevenson, neat, shapely and clean cut away; 5, Blair; 6, J. Smith. CRES. CK. (4): 1, sp., Paterson, large var. Dk. Cr., in good fettle, finely shaped, well laid top, densely clad with fine leafy feather, wins nicely; 2, Moir, fine size col. body, Dk. Ct., capital cond., not quite the top of leader but well up otherwise; 3, Wright, wing mark Dk. Ct., in nice order, finely groomed shapely crest, could be better in frontal, still nice one; 4, sp., Hume, even wing, Dk. Ct., nice spread of feather. HEN (6): 1, Beaton, smallish made Dk. Ct., nice top piece, thickly clothed at back skull, nice qual. feather, wet and cloggy when we made our notes; 2, sp., Moir, wing mark Dk. Ct., fine sub., richly clothed top piece, fine frontal, grand cond., we believe the Falkirk and Grangemouth winner; 3, Hume, broken green, tip-top order, well spread top, nice even droop, scarce finished yet; 4, Paterson, nice broken green; 5, sp, Meikle; 6, Angus. C.-B. CK. (3): 1, Moir, light var., massive body, plenty feather, nice lash and good entrance, wins well: 2, Wright, rich col. green, capital order, close feathered, good qual.; 3, Hume. HEN (5): 1, Moir, massive bodied green, lovely order, nice lash and fine skull; 2, Meikle, large cl. nice sub.; 3, sp., Smart, broken green, fine feather and sub., good head; 4, Wright; 5, McDougall. CLR. OR TCK. YELL. BORD. CK. (10): 1, 4, Munro, leader all there for style, type and carr., close boxy feather, wins well; 4th, fine col. wing tick, nice shape and carr.; 2, Wilson, nice one for type and qual., good carr., neat head and neck; 3, 5, Auld, leader good shape, nice type and qual.; 6, 7, Hislop; 8, Blair. BUFF (15): 1, Munro, all there for shape, type and qual., lovely taper, best of carr. and qual., one of the right sort; 2, Hislop, sweetly made, fine qual.; 3, sp., Auld, typical neck mkd.; 4, 6, Wilson; 5, Blair; 7, McDougall; 8, Jeffrey and Stevenson. A.O.V. CK. (9): 1, sp., 3, Wilson, leader lovely yell. mkd., rare fettle, carr., shape and style of the best; 3rd, sweet wing, mark yell, in A1 form; 2, 4, Jeffrey and Stevenson, leader lovely buff, rare shape and type, neat carr.; 5, W. Hislop; 6, 7, Munro; 8, Thomson. CL. OR TK. YELL. HEN (8): 1, sp., 5, Wilson, real jaunty little exhibit, leading shapely and stylish, neatly folded wings and close tail, looked a wee shade soft; 2, 7, Hislop, 2nd in grand cond. and feather, well braced wings, neat shapely body, just inclined to open at front; 3, 8, Auld, 3rd nice head, neatly filled neck and front; 4, Munro; 6, McDougall. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Auld, leader taking little lady, capital shape and typical, grand head and neatly filled neck, wins well; 2nd, fine qual., good feather, sweet front, nice wings, just behind in head points; 3, 4, Hislop, leader nice one for feather and shape; 4th sweeter built, neat and good carr., steady and tight feathered, must have pressed; 5, Wilson; 6, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 7, W. Hislop; 8, Drummond. A.O.V. HEN (9): 1, 6, Jeffrey and Stevenson, 1st buff var., in rare trim top, qual. feather rare taper, sweet make, nice head and neck; 2, 4, Wilson, leader clinking yell. var, capital type and qual., sweet head and neck, all there; 4th, yell, lovely order, grand type and sweet feather; 3, sp., 5, Auld, buff, fine type and qual., good carr., rather strong in head points; 5th, very taking buff var.; 7, 8, W. Hislop. SCOTCH FANCY CK. (8): 1, sp, Strathearn, capital buff green, rare top end, fine side, grand action and drive, in tip top cond.; 2, Muirhead, nice size and sub., fine reach, and thick rib, not quite the drive of leader; 3, sp., Richardson, good size, fine sub., fair reach, well up in the chase; 4, Hamilton, fine green, in rare order; 5, McDougall; 6, Fernie; 7, 8, Young. HEN (9): 1, Strathearn, cl., clinking order, fine feather, grand reach, fine drive, fine side and rib, thick, good, wins in fine fashion; 2, Muirhead, good sized reachy specimen, staged in capital order, close up; 3, Richardson, not quite the sub. of leaders, but stylish and typical, fine top end, well finished below; 4, 6, Young, leading with large massive exhibit, in fine condition; 5, 7, Christie; 8, McDougall. MULE OR HYB. A.V. (7): 1, sp., 3, sp., Clapperton, leader fine sized jonque Goldie, rare feather, fine blend of col., showing the cross well; 3rd sp., another of the same, equally good cond., not quite so hot in col.; 2, 6, Munro, leading with fine Siskin cross, well up in size, capital feather and fine markings; 4, Fernie, Greenie, barely finished yet; 5, Angus; 7, Arnott. NOR. CK. (10): 1, sp., Smith, monster yell. var. A 1 trim, clinking type and qual., grand head and neck, best of carr., one of the right sort; 2, Meikle, nice griz. cap buff, good qual. feather, neat carr., not quite the head of winner; 3, sp. medal, Bishop, bouncing cl. yell., lovely order, all there, staged to perfection; 4, Hutton, cl. buff, fine qual. and sub., neat close feather, hard up; 5 sp., 8, Ritchie; 6, Welsh; 7, Smart. HEN (17): 1, 6, 8, Bishop, bouncing yell. var., all there for type and qual., lovely feather, heads, a grand class; 2, Parker, nice griz. mark, good qual., not quite so well filled at top end as leader, otherwise well up; 3, Paterson, clinking cl. buff, well up in size and sub., neat wings and tail, certainly worth position; 4, Smith, taking var. yell., neat and typical throughout; 5, Smart; 7, Hutton. NON. FED. CK. (5): 1, sp., Woodhouse, nice cl. yell., lovely bloom, fine size, neat, shapely, and typical; 2, Bishop, typical cl. buff, not quite the sub. of winner, will improve; 3, 4, Clubb, leader massive tick buff, good cond. and feather; 4, cl. buff, fine condition, nice type and shapely; 5, Roberston. HEN (6): 1, Jeffrey and Steveuson, beautiful cl. yell., in the pink, very cobby and typical, neat, sweet head and neck, finely balanced wings, clean cut, well staged; 2, Smith, well up in size and qual., nice front, not quite so sweet at top end; 3, Bishop, green, nice size and fine qual., sweet sub. and shape, just inclined to cross at times; 4, Clubb, plenty size and sub., nice wing carr.; 5, Anderson; 6, Woodhouse. CREST (4): 1, sp., McDougall, massive var., Dk. Ct., lovely radiation, leafy feather, grand trim; 2, Wright, even wing Dk. Ct., not quite so massive, but neat and shapely, veiny feather, well groomed; 3, Beaton; 4, Moir. CT. BD (6): 1, Moir, thumper for size, abundant broad leafy feather, fine skull and entrance, topping exhibit in spanking order; 2, 4, Paterson, leader not quite so massive as winner, but of good qual., fine head and good entrance, nice cond.; 4th large light var., fine size and sub., fine feather, must have pressed; 3, sp., Angus, green, plenty sub., not quite so well developed in skull as those in front; 5, sp., Hume; 6, McDougall. BORD. CK (8): 1, Munro, green, rare qual. feather, sweet and shapely, neat carr. and stylish throughout; 2, 5, Auld, leader light var. buff, lovely cond., tight and waxy feather; 3, Smith, nice jaunty cl. yell, rare order, fine wing carr., but tail rather open; 4, 6, Jeffrey and Stevenson, leading with real typical specimen, neat mkd. eyes and wings, sweet type, must have run tight for upper position; 7, Anderson; 8, McDougall. HEN (12): 1, sp., 2, Auld, two real beauties, not much between them, leader lovely wings and eyes, mkd. grand type and A1 qual., neatly folded wings and tail, superb cond.; 2nd, lovely little cl., tight and boxy feather, grand shape and neat carr., well up; 3, 6, Jeffrey and Stevenson, fine cl., carries wings and tail to perfection, sweet head, could be better at throat; 4, Hislop, larger made, fine carr. and coud., not quite so nice at top end; 5, Munro, not far behind the best; 7, Drummond; 8, Wilson. SCOTCH FANCY CK. (8): 1, sp., Young, grand yell. pied, lovely cond., rare style and action, always ready, fine reach and drive; 2, 3, Hamilton, leader nice exhibit, not quite the sub. of winner, but still good: 3rd, fine size and sub., nicely got up, shapely bird, must have pressed; 4, McDougall, fine yell. pied, nice style; 5, spl., Fernie; 6, Strathearn; 7, Muirhead; 8, Neil. HEN (6): 1, Strathearn, capital cl., rare top end, fine drive, nice reach, thick and shapely; 2, 6, Hamilton, leader nice size, reachy, fine condition, but beaten here; 3, Young, buff pied, fair size, good order, good reach and drive, not quite so thick as might be; 4, Neil, good green, not quite fit; 5, Muirhead. YORKS., CK. (8): 1, 4, Griffiths, full lengthy yell., nice style and feather, not quite finished yet, 4th, fine length, top qual., laid down in spanking order; 2, Gray, lovely cl. buff, nice style and shape, close up; 3, sp., 6, Fernie, former grand lengthy yell., slim and well tapered, just a trifle open at front; 5, 7, 8, Crawford. HEN (6): 1, sp., 2, 3, Crawford, leader long, slim, shapely yell., in A1 trim, fine qual. and typical, 2nd, nice qual., cheek mkd. buff, in lovely order, nice wings and carriage, well up. 3, fine lengthy yell, capital condition, nicely staged; 4, Gray, capital exhibit; 5, Griffiths; 6, Fernie. MULE OR HYB. (7): 1, sp., Bishop, lovely Greenie-Bullie, first-class style, beautiful blended col., showing the cross to perfection; 2, Parker, clinking dark Linnet, rare size and condition, well up; 3, Paterson, fine Siskin, nice size and col., finely marked, well placed; 4, Allan, fine size Goldie cross, good feather, fails col., looks hen; 5, Duff; 6, Godfrey Bros.; 7, Hume. GOLDFINCH (6): 1, Allan, rare square cut blaze, deep pure col., fine tans, nice whites, capital order, steady; 2, Robertson, nice one, well up in size, and clear markings, not quite so full or square in blaze, but good; 2, 3, Smith, good Finch for markings, but loses in size and steadiness; 4, Arnott, nice for size and condition, not quite up in colour yet; 5, Angus; 6, Mitchell. BULLFINCH (4): 1, Mitchell, grand Britisher, lovely rich, even col., fine even cut, dense jet cap and pure markiugs, wins finely; 2, Parker, good size and feather, but not the col. or substance of winner; 3, Smith, nice depth of col., fine condition, beaten in substance; 4, Hamilton, good specimen. GREENFINCH (11): 1, 2, Parker, leader monster, all there for col. and qual., and condition, the right stuff, 2nd, capital condition and col., steady, loses in substance; 3, Meikle, rather smaller, staged like glass, fine olive colour, nice yell. wings, must have run hard for higher honours; 4, McGregor, very similar to 3rd, just about equal merit; 5, sp., Rennie; 6, Chubb; 7, Hislop; 8, Drummond. LINNET (15): 1, sp., 3, Robertson, fine size, perfect feather, well pencilled, nutty brown col., in the pink, 3rd, rather smaller, but well up for col. and markings, steady, and must have pressed; 2, Parker, well up for steadiness and size, not quite so profuse in markings or deep in ground col.; 4, 5, Godfrey Bros., leader good exhibit, nice size, fine col. and markings; 6, Wilson; 7, Duff; 8, Jeffrey and Stevenson. SISKIN (6): 1, Jeffrey and Stevenson, capital exhibit, fine condition, perfect feather, nicely defined cap and markings, steady as a rock, wins nicely; 2, Parker, topper, hard on winner at all points; 3, Farish, real nice unfed, nice cap and pencilling; 4, 6, Smith; 5, Mitchell. REDPOLL OR TWITE (9): 1, Paterson, grand Twite, lovely feather, fine pencilling, nutty ground col.; 2, Jeffrey and Stevenson, large, good coloured Mealy Poll, perfect feather, nicely marked and steady; 3, Fernie, fine little Lesser, capital bloom; 4, McGregor, nice Twite, fine condition and feather; 5, McNeil; 6, Godfrey Bros.; 7, Johnstone; 8, Drummond. BUNTING (4): 1, Clubb, fine Yellowhammer, topping feather and condition, nice head markings, good size and steady; 2, Arnott, capital Snow, great size and steady, perfect feather, fine markings, beauty; 3, Rennie, nice Cirl; 4, Jeffrey and Stevenson, fine Yellowhammer. A.O.S. HARDBILL (6): 1, Robertson, capital Hawfinch, great size, beautiful condition, stands like a statue, perfect in every way; 2, 4, Rennie, 2, fine Chaffies, perfect feather, steady and finely put down; 3, Paterson, nice Bramble, well spangled and staged; 5, Smith; 6, Blair. BRIT. HEN: 1, Farish, lovely Bullie, perfection, not a ruffled feather, put down like a painting, steady as a rock; 2, 7, McGregor, leader capital Bullie, nice trim, perfect condition; 3, McPherson, grand Thrush, fine feather, neatly pencilled flanks and breast, steady condition; 4, Clubb, Bullie, well up for size and condition; 5, Gorrie, fine Corn Bunting, capital order; 6, Paterson; 8, Mitchell. Softbill (6): 1, sp., 2, 3, Arnott, fine Black Redstart, in nice steady condition, and Grey Wagtail, in faultless bloom, Jenny Wren, coming in 3rd, perfect little specimen, staged in creditable fashion; 4, Johnstone; 5, sp., Drummond; 6th, McGregor. FOR. (15): A great class, 2 sets of winners could have been got here, really a fine lot. 1, sp., 2, 3, 6, Arnott, lovely Green Tanager, Pintail Nonpariel, Shama, and pair Rufous-tailed Finches, faultless in feather and condition, grand quartette; 4, 5, Johnstone, Avadavats, and Paradise Whydah, condition simply perfection; 7, McDiarmid, Persian Bulbul, in rare order and steady, cheerily piping away; 8, no name, Zebra Finches.

BIGGAR.

A Record for the District.

Sixth annual show, held Municipal Hall, Nov. 23rd. The hall is one of the best, being well lighted from both sides, and from the roof. This show proved to be one of the most successful ever held in the district, the entry being a record for this society, and the gate drawings well up to any of former years. This is a gratifying result for the pains-taking efforts of the worthy secretary, Mr. G. Mitchell, who was also ably assisted by Mr. M. Rae, and a hardworking committee, especially Mr. D. Lawson, who looked very carefully after the "wee gems," and Mr. Dobbie, who attended the Nor. and Brit. sections. Exhibitors can with all confidence support the Biggar fanciers. The principal features of the show were the Border Fancies, along with some of the British classes, which went well up into two figures. The leading British Goldfinch took special for best British in show. It was strange to see the principal special going to the variety class, it being won by a grand Scotch Fancy yellow hen, exhibited by Mr. A. Lawson (Biggar), a staunch supporter of this variety. Mr. Marlin was the Nor. and British judge, and Mr. D. Hamilton, the Border Fancy judge. With their awards everyone seemed to be well satisfied, and no grumbling was heard. Mr. A. Walker (Lesmahagow) had forward a team of "wee gems," which secured premier honours in nearly every class.

Mr. Dan Hamilton's Section.

BORD., CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Walker, good shape, fine size, well moulded, grand head and body; 2, Kerr and Smith, nice sweet bird, grand head and wings, nicely packed tail, level colour, inclined to be soft when taking notes; 3, Campbell, richer in colour to any in front, fails in position, otherwise good; vhc, Linton; hc, Clark; c, Aitchison. BUFF: 1, A. Walker, real good one, nice rich col., grand head and body, tight as a Java, well tapered; 2, Brown, another gem, must have pressed hard for first place, grand shape; 3, Kerr and Smith, lovely back and tail, sweet round bird all over, must have been hard to separate; vhc, Campbell; hc, c, Linton. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, Dodds, well-known face, in new hands, lovely bird all over, sweet shape, correct size, lovely wings and tail, pressed hard for premier special; 2, Walker, nice bird, well up in colour, but beaten here to-day; 3, we missed; vhc, Aitchison; hc, Clark; c, Campbell. BUFF HEN: 1, sp., vhc, Walker, sweet hen, rare quality, nicely rounded head, fine wings and tail, altogether a gem, runner up for special for best Canary in hall; 2, Clark, fails a little in condition, but grand type and style; 3, Dodd, nice exhibit, well staged, might have gone one better to-day; hc, Brown; c, Linton. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, sp., 3, A. Walker, grand pair, 1st, mkd. both eyes and wings, and tkd. top of head, extra qual. of feather, rich col., grand shape, 3rd, another fine bird, hard to separate; 2, Miller, bonnie shape and qual., hard pressed by 3rd; vhc, Kerr and Smith; hc, Aitchison; c, Clark. BUFF: 1, 3, Walker, another pair of gems, 1st, grand head and wings, rare close tail, nice exhibit, 3rd, still another good one, fails only in neck to winner; 2, Dodds, well shaped bird, grand quality, lovely back and tail, sweet head; vhc, Miller; hc, Aitchison; c, Clark. EVEN MKD.: 1, Walker, well-known Blackwood, winner, gem, often described; 2, Campbell, nice one for type and feather, grand markings; 3, Aitchison, good bird, grand quality; vhc, Linton; hc, Lawson and Son. FOUL: 1, 4, Walker, 1st, good 3 pointed yell., lovely qual., grand type, will be heard of again; 2, Grieve, sweet bird, good style, nice shape, tight as wax; 3, Clark, another good one, rather short; hc, Hutchison; c, Campbell. YELL. GREEN, OR CINN.: 1, Dodds, well-known face, good green, grand lacing, well tapered, will be often heard of; 2, Campbell, we believe to be the Hamilton fourth, looking much better to-day, pure in col., grand lacing, stands well; 3, A. Walker, fails markings, very nice type and style; vhc, Campbell; hc, c, Kerr and Smith. BUFF: 1, 3, Campbell, first, good col., grand lacing, sweet round head, nice back, compact, 3rd bird another good one, falls a trifle in type to winner; 2, Walker, well placed, sweet bird, grand sheen and col., round as a bottle, well staged; vhc, hc, c, Kerr and Smith.

Mr. George Marlin's Section.

CREST: 1, 3, 4, Wilson, leader, grand bird, in lovely feather, well radiated crest, wins easily, 3rd, good crest, nice body, well put down; 2, Young, lovely shape, grand condition, fails a little in size of crest, otherwise very good; hc, Garland; c, Lawson and Sons. CRESTBRED: 1, Wilson, grand large, massive bird, great length of feather when handled; 2, Lawson and Sons, larger than winner, broad skull, well lashed, from outward appearance some thought should have won; 3, Young, good bird, excellent length of feather. NOR.: 1, Aitken, good buff cock, grand substance, stands well on perch, good quality and condition; 2, hc, Dobbie, good yell., nice thick-set bird, grand col., rather thin on neck; 3, Wilson, buff cock, nice col., good type; vhc, Dunlop; c, Lawson. HEN: 1, MacNeil, grand yell. for type and quality, fine col. and car.; 2, 4, 5, Dobbie, lovely type, stout, thick set bird, good head, grand wings and tail, must have pressed hard; 3, Hamilton, good buff, but rather long; c, Lawson. NON-FED (strong class, some good birds without a ticket): 1, Dobbie, Hamilton first-prize winner, now in new hands, also gets special for best Plainhead, big bird, rare substance, good head and neck, short flights and tail, wins well; 2, Shearer, nice thick set bird, fine quality and style; 3, Porteous, not far behind, pressed for second place; vhc, c, Lawson; hc, Wilson. CAN., A.O.V.: Mr. A. Lawson, with a grand team, carried all the leading honours, being 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 1st, nice young hen, yell. Scotch Fancy, long-sided, grand reach, good top end, moves freely, always ready, 2nd, another of the same, nice young buff cock, good reach and thick through, 3rd, another buff cock, rare style, grand position; hc, Cooper. Some good Yorkshires had to take back seats. BRIT. GOLD.: 1, Pringle, well-known winner, often described, gains sp. for best Brit.; 2, Jardine, nice square blaze, well tanned, nice moonings, stands well, Kilmarnock winner; 3, Shearer, grand blaze, larger than former, fails in wings, otherwise very good; vhc, Shand jun.; hc, Melrose; c, Grahame; No. 451, "wrong classed," alleged to be a foreigner. BULL.: 1, Small, Blackwood winner, thick-set, broad cap, good wing bars, grand condition; 2, 5, Selkirk, leader rare hot one, will improve yet; 3, Kerr and Smith, pressed hard, fine bird; vhc, Steel; c, Campbell. BULL. HEN: 1, Jackson, lovely hen, rare condition, broad cap, good bars; 2, Rae, good, field-moulted, pressed hard; 3, Lawson and Sons, fine hen, said to be mother of many Hybrids; vhc, McCann; hc, MacNeil; c, Kerr and Smith. GREEN: 1, Telfer Bros., beauty, well-known winner; 2, MacNeil, hot fed (too hot for our choice), good size and qual.; 3, Lawson and Sons, nice thick set Finch, field-moulted, badly staged, or might perhaps have been higher; vhc, Lindsay; hc, Elliot; c, Shearer. BRAMBLE OR CHAFF.: 1, Murray, Hamilton third, nice Bramble, well tanned, grand laced back, fair size; 2, Kerr and Smith, Chaffinch, grand col., nice head, splendid whites; 3, Pringle, Bramble, good size and tanning; vhc, MacNeil; hc, Small; c, Clark. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Small, nice sweet Siskin, nat. col., grand cap and bib, well laced on thighs; 2, Williamson, another Siskin, col. fed, fails only in markings to winner; 3, vhc, MacNeil, former nice Linnet, rare colour, closely pencilled; hc, Porteous; c, Elliot. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, 3, Telfer Bros., 1st, good Waxwing, faultless condition, last year's winner, 3rd, good Wagtail, little out of condition; 2, Kerr and Smith, Yellowhammer, grand col. and condition, nice exhibit. A.O.V.: 1, Telfer Bros., beautiful Pekin Nightingale, well put down; 2, Williamson, grand foreign Goldfinch, good condition, nice top blaze, well tanned; 3, Greenshields, nice Budgerigar; vhc, Shearer; hc, Murray; c, Williamson.

SANDY LANE C.B.A.

First member's show of the season held at headquarters, Nov. 30. Entries totalled 72. Mr. T. Ogden (Bradford) judged, and his awards were well received. YORKS CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Whitwham; 2, Drake; 3, Shaw Bros. BUFF: 1, Drake; 2, Wilson; 3, Shaw Bros. YELL. HEN: 1, Shaw Bros.; 2, Whitwham; 3, P. Drake. BUFF: 1, Whitwham; 2, 3, Thornton and Bower. UNFLI.: 1, Drake; 2, Thornton and Bower; 3, J. Wilson. EVEN OR VAR., ETC.: 1, Thornton and Bower; 2, Shaw Bros.; 3, Drake. CINN. MKD. HEN: 1, Wilson. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, H. Edmondson; 2, Ratcliffe; 3, Holdsworth. BUFF: 1, Holdsworth; 2, Ratcliffe; 3, Hanson. YELL. HEN: 1, M. Moore; 2, Hardaker; 3, J. Moore. BUFF: 1, M. Moore; 2, Hardaker; 3, J. Moore. UNFLIG.: 1, Edmondson; 2, Ratcliffe; 3, Holdsworth. EVEN, ETC.: 1, Edmondson; 2, Hardaker. CINN. MKD. YORKS: 1, Ratcliffe; 2, M. Moore; 3, J. Moore. CINN. MKD. HEN: 1, M. Moore. A.O.V.: 1, 2, A. Hanson; 3, J. Wilson.—Ratcliffe and Shaw, secs.

STOCKPORT B.F.A.

Members' show held Nov. 22 and 23 at the Boar's Head Hotel, Market Place. 103 birds were staged. Entries were down this year owing to poor season, but quality on the whole was fairly good. In champions, specials were won as follows:—Best bird, Mr. T. Allsop, with a good yell. Nor.; second best, Mr. J. Potts, with an unflg. yell. Yorks; most points with four-starred birds, W. Stafford; Yorks section, J. Potts; Nor. section, W. Stafford; Brit. section, F Hardy; most entries, J. Potts. Amat.—Best bird, Mr. J. H. Garbutt with unflg. yell. Nor.; second best, C. Reek, a good yell. Yorks; Yorks section, C. Reek; Norwich, J. H. Garbutt; most entries, J. H. Garbutt; most points with four-starred birds, Mr. J. H. Garbutt. Lancs, Lizards and Crest classes cancelled. Mr. W. Bowyer judged and gave general satisfaction.—W. Stafford, hon. sec.

The catalogue received gives the following principal winners:—CHAMP. YORKS: Messrs. Potts, Holden. NOR.: Allsop, Stafford, McKall, Holden. AMAT. YORKS: Reek, Mason. NOR.: Bowden, Garbutt, Sykes, Mason. A.O.V.: Holden, Reek, Garbutt, Stafford. MULES: Hardy.—Ed.

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WEYBRIDGE.

Show held November 27th in the Holstein Hall, proved a success. The quality was first rate, several high-class exhibits being staged. The hall is well lighted, and free from draughts. The exhibits received the best of attention from a genuine body of fanciers, and the hon. sec., Mr. Selby Howard, had everything in smooth running order. Mr. A. E. Enfield judged.

CREST or C.B.: 1, spl., 3, Thynne, winner, cl. body, large well-formed crest, good droop and radiation; 3, neat crest, not so much droop as winner, well radiated; 2, Hayden, dark, variegated, large crest, nice droop and radiation; res., Hayden. YORKS (7): 1, spl., 2, Glenwalker, winner very long, well-drawn bird, narrow shoulders, nice qual.; 2, rare length, nice feather, well up on leg. NOR.: 1, res., Stroud, winner a homy bird, rare head and chest, well across the perch, lovely qual.; 2, Pedder, tight as wax, good shape, nice silky feather; 3, Thynne, good typical Nor., beaten in col. BORDERS: 1, spl., 2, 3, Ellwood, winner a lovely yell., mkd. eyes, correct type, well staged; 2nd, nice head and front, and well-balanced wings, sweet shape; 3, pure col., green, well pencilled, nice head and front, good all round; res, vhc, hc, Thynne.

BUCKIE.

32nd annual show, held in the Fishermens' Hall, Nov. 27th, proved a great success. The entries were about the same as last year, and the quality of the exhibits compared favourably with previous shows. Mr. M. Bunyan makes an ideal secretary, and he is to be congratulated on getting such a show together. He was well backed up by a hard-working committee of old and well-known fanciers. The Canaries were nicely staged at one side of the hall, and there was a good attendance of fanciers from both North and South. Mr. John Lyon, Aberdeen, judged, and got through a hard day's work to the satisfaction of all concerned. Challenge cup presented by the Association for best cage bird was won by Mr. Grant Keith with a very fine dark Crested cock. Mr. John Craig, Brechin, had also up a very fine team of Border Fancies, and secured the honours in the four classes. The British section contained some really fine exhibits, and did great credit to the Northern fanciers.

The Critique.

BORD., CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, Craig, beauty for shape, magnificent col., lovely qual., grand wings and tail; 2, Connachie, good head and neck, lovely back, a splendid mover, best of qual. and col.; 3, Craigen, scarcely so sweet in head, nice rich col. and qual. HEN: 1, Craig, a gem, model for shape, lovely qual., beautiful rich col. and as tight as a drum; 2, Neaves, fails only in finish to winner, sweet head and neck, well rounded back, nice carried wings and tail. BUFF, ETC.: 1, Craig, real beauty all over, not a feather out of place, rare type and qual., best of wings and tail car.; 2, Fraser, another good one for shape, feather tight as wax, sweet head and neck, a good 2nd; 3, Smith, fails a little in shape, best of qual., in grand cond.; 4, Connachie, well turned out, in best of trim; 5, Neaves; 6, Hendry. HEN: 1, Craig, a true Border, magnificent shape, lovely head and neck, nicely rounded back, splendidly carried wings and tail. VAR.: 1, Fraser, rich col. and qual., a good one for shape; 2, Smith, scarcely so rich in col., lovely qual. and cond. GREEN, ETC.: 1, Connachie, a nice Green, clothed with the finest of feather, best of type and qual. NOR. CK. (8): 1, Hendry, good size and shape, rather too much feather, but makes a grand stock bird; 2, Stewart and Sons, a yell., not quite so well built as winner, best of col. and qual.; 3, Hird, grand feather, good head and neck, A1 wings and tail; 4, Cormack; 5, Sutherland; 6, J. Cormack. HEN (3): 1, 2, 3, Sutherland, three nice exhibits. VAR. (5): 1, Baxter, a variegated, of good type, teeming in qual., best of cond.; 2, Allan, yell. variegated, delightful qual. and shape; 3, Hendry, gold in feather, bit lashed, a perfect stock bird; 4, Smith; 5, George. HEN: 1, Allan, a nice hen of good shape and qual. CREST (7): 1, Grant, wing mkd. Dk. Crest of good size and shape, rare length of feather; 2, 4, Craigen, 2nd a good Green, wonderful subs., lovely shaped Crest, drooped to perfection; 3, Grant, rich qual. of feather, nicely groomed Crest, good centre; 5, Strachan; 6, Neaves. C.B. (5): 1, 3, Grant, 1st a cl., grand head, well lashed, wonderful feather, good width and rise of skull, 3rd fails only in entrance to first; 2, Todd, grand head, well lashed, plenty substance, great length of feather; 4, Neaves; 5, Craigen. GREEN OR CINN.: 1, Ross, great size, best of type, crossed wing a little only fault; 2, Allan, not quite so large, best of quality, nice col. COL.-FED (4): 1, Mackie, mkd. on neck, best of col., short and thick-set, A1 col. and cond.; 2, Hird, a cl. good type and qual. well turned out; 3, Glass, another good one, grand col. and teeming in qual.; 4, Strachan; 5, Craigen. HEN (4): 1, Mackie, tkd. on head, a good one, best of type and qual., nice level col., well staged; 2, Strachan, very sweet hen good col., well placed wings and tail; 3, Hird, just a shade longer, lovely qual.; 4, Ross. BUFF, ETC., CK. (3): 1, Strachan, cap mkd., lovely shape, rich col., good back and wings; 2, Hird A1 quality, inclined to open down front; 3, Neaves, cl., open in feather. BUFF VAR. HEN (7): 1, Hendry, one wing mkd., lovely qual., best of col., wins; 2, 4, Craigen, 2nd cl., best of col. nice shape, good head and neck, wings and tail perfect; 3, Hird, very high col., A1 qual., best of cond.; 5, Ross; 6, Stewart and Son. PAIRS (4): 1 Grant, a nicely balanced Crested pair, good size and qual.; 2, Neaves, yell. var. ck. and buff hen, well matched for Nor. breeding; 3, Stewart and Sons, also a good pair; 4, Todd. A.O.V. (5): 1, 3, Wilkinson, both Yorks., grand length and pos. sweet head and neck, grand qual. of feather; 2, Todd, cl. Crest, good size and qual., not a nice exhibit; 4, 5, Rhind. NOV. (5): 1, 3, 4, Fraser, 1st yell. Nor., good type and qual.; 3rd cl. buff, best of qual. good subs., nicely staged; 2, Hendry, smart little Border of lovely shape and well braced wings and tail; 5, Simpson. SISKIN, ETC. (4): 1, Watt, a grand col. Redpoll, good size, nicely laced, as steady as a rock; 2, Clark, a good Siskin, fine cap and bars; 3 Clark, another 'Poll, not so rich in col. as winner, good size; 4, Park. BULLFINCH (7): 1, 3, Watt, 1st best of col., grand shaped cap, lovely back and bars, 3rd fails in cap to 1st, still a nice one; 2, Anderson Bros., a grand Bullie, stormer for size and col. lovely breast, A1 cap, just fails in tail; 4, 5, Craigen; 6, Drever. GOLDFINCH (4): 1, Harcombe, lovely size and shape, grand blaze, buff and deep in col., beautifully tanned, lovely wings, in rare form; 2, Walker, fails only in tanning to winner; 3, Stewart and Sons, fine blaze, well up in size; 4, Cormack. LINNET OR TWITE (5): 1, Hird, a gem of a Linnet, nicely pencilled, very steady and well shown; 2, Duncan, Twite, good size and col.; 3, Young, also a Linnet, a little unsteady; 4, 5, Grant; 6, Thain. GREENFINCH: 1, Park, a good col., fails in size; 2, Park, good size, lacks col. of 1st. HYB. (8): 1, 2 Todd, 1st Bramble finch Chaffie, looks a siskin, a rare cross, in perfect feather, well shown, 2nd a good Goldie-Can., rich col. and plenty size; 3, Young, Goldie-Greenie, a little pale in col., fair size, in lovely plumage; 4 Duncan; 5, Watt; 6, Hird. MULE, LIGHT (4): 1, Hird, lovely qual. and condition; 2 3, 4, Clark. SOFTBILLS (3): 1, Anderson Bros., Wagtail, in charming cond.; 2, Watt, Thrush; 3, Ross. A.O.S. BRIT. (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Watt, Hawfinch leading, good size, grand bib and good polish, 2nd Bramblefinch, 3rd Yellow Bunting. FOR.: 1, Craigen, nice Whydah, in good form

LANCASTER & DIST.

Fourteenth annual show held in the Coffee Tavern, Corn Market-street, proved a success, having an entry of 235, and some very good birds were staged. The society has every reason to feel proud of so grand a display given by the members. The room was well lighted, and free from draughts, and a very suitable one for the purpose. The secretary, Mr. Bostock, had everything well in hand, and was supported by a band of willing helpers: Messrs. R. Mason, T. Swainson, H. Hoyle, C. Cafferty, H. Durston, W. Pennington, M. Gardiner, T. Mercer, E. W. Durston, etc. Mr. S. Wilcock, of Bradford, judged, and gave entire satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR., CL. OR VARIEG. YELL. (9): 1, H. Hoyle, grand bird, lovely type and size, good head and full neck, stands well; 2, J. Johnson, grand quality and splendid colour, not quite as good type as winner; wins Sandiford medal; 3, T. Swainson, good head and neck, fails in qual. to winner; 4, vhc, Hawthornthwait, good type, rather rough; hc, Mercer; c, Hoyle. BUFF (13): 1, 3, 4, Swainson, big bold bird, wonderful sub., nice head and neck, wins; 3rd, nicely moulded, in fine fettle, good col.; 4th, good size, nice full front; 2, H. Durston, another good one, lovely qual. and col., close up; vhc, hc, c, Hawthornthwait. HEN (12): 1, 2, Hoyle, 1st buff, bonny lady, grand sub. and type and qual., well put down; 2nd, yell., good qual. and col., loses in type to winner; 3, 4, Swainson, buff, grand sub., and good head and neck; 4th, yell., good head and neck, bit longer; vhc, c, Whatley; hc, Hawthornthwaite. UNFLIG. (15): 1, 2, 3, Swainson, variegated buff, bouncer, fine sub., nice qual. and col.; 2nd, yell., nice chubby bird, good qual. and head and neck; 3rd, splendid qual. and type, a good 3rd; 4, vhc, Whalley, good head and neck, trifle loose; hc, Hoyle; c, Gardner. YORKS., CL. OR VARIEG. YELL. (10): 1, Gradwell, grand length and shape, nice feather; 2, Cafferty and Son, variegated cinn., nice qual. and col., stands well; 3, vhc, E. Durston, md. cin., very showy, not as long as winner; 4, Mason, plenty of length, fails behind; hc, c, Cafferty and Son. BUFF (13): 1, 4, Cafferty and Son, 1st splendid length slim, perfect wings and tail, well drawn, gem; 4th, good length and shape, nice qual.; 2, hc, Bostock, A1 qual. and col., good length and rare feather, wins Ramsden's medal; 3, Whalley, nice pos., good shape and qual.; vhc, Mason; c, Mulliner. HEN (13): 1, 3, Cafferty and Son, 1st buff, a honny lassie, straight as rush, well shown, wins; 3rd, another yell., good qual. and col., not quite the length; 2, Bostock, yell., good long drawn hen, loses in wing carr.; 4, Mason, buff, nice pos. and feather; vhc, Mercer; hc, Mulliner; c, H. Durston. UNFLIG. (21): 1, vhc, Cafferty and Son, lengthy and good shape, well drawn out, nice qual. and col.; 2, 3, Mason, good shape, extra well up in pos., good qual.; 3rd, extra good qual. and col., a good one; 4, Gradwell, nice hen, A1 pos., stands well; hc, Bostock; c, Mulliner. CREST OR C.B. (7): 1, 2, 3, hc, Hodgson, good size, fine subs., marvellous width; 2nd, capital size crest large and neat close up; 3rd, shapely, and of nice feather, crest as round as hoop; 4, vhc, c, Gardner, good crest, nice centre, but smaller. NOR. CIN. YELL. (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, Hawthornthwait, good bold sub., nice qual. and col., 2nd, good head and neck, nice col., close up; 3rd, nice quality and colour, not so good in head and neck; 4th, good feather, fails bit in wings; vhc, hc, Gardner. BUFF (6): 1, 2, 3, Swainson, splendid shape, bold head and neck, a good one; 2nd, nice type and qual., good col.; 3rd, good head and neck, nice type, fails feather; 4, hc, Gardner, good qual. and col., fails behind; vhc, Hawthornthwait. HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, Hawthornthwait, splendid rich col. and qual., good type yell.; 2nd, good buff, nice shown qual. and col., A1, close up; 3rd, another good one, lovely qual. and col.; 4th, good subs., but trifle loose; vhc, hc, Gardner. BORD. (12): 1, Wilson, sweet little yell., lovely silky feather, rare style, gem; 2, 4, hc, J. Swainson, variegated buff, smart, fine qual. of feather, well staged; 4th, clear buff, nice one for qual., cond., shape; 3, vhc, c, Mulliner, good exhibit, nice level col., grand qual. yell. A.O.V. (8): 1, 3, Hawthornthwait, Nor. green, good bold sub. and qual., wins; 3rd, Nor. green, good type and qual.; 2, Gardner, Nor. green, nice type and feather, a good 2nd; 4, c, E. Durston, Yorks. green, good length, but rather rough; vhc, Gardner; hc, Mercer. MULE (11): 1, Fisher, good rich level col., nice qual., very steady; 2, vhc, c, E. Durston, nice qual., good feather, well staged; 3, 4, Alexander, good rich lovely feather, rather wild; 4th, nice steady bird, good qual.; c, Gardner. LINNET, ETC. (8): 1, Whalley, nice nut-brown col., good cond., nicely pencilled, very steady; 2, H. Durston, nice qual. and col., good one, runs a good 2nd; 3, Alexander, good shape and col., in full bloom; 4, Fisher, nice qual. and size, Redpoll. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (8): 1, 3, hc, Alexander, Goldfinch, good one, dense face, well buttoned, good form; 3rd, Goldfinch, good mkgs., sweet Finch; 2, c, Durston, Bullfinch, grand bloom, good breast col.; 4, Mercer, Bullfinch, good size and mkgs., beaten in body col.; vhc, Radcliffe. A.O.S. HARDBILL, SMALL (5): 1, Bostock, nice size Yellowhammer, rich col., rare mkgs., wins, steady; 2, Alexander; 3, 4, vhc, Fisher. SOFTBILL, SMALL (4): 1, 3, 4, Durston, grand Thrush, good mkgs., very steady; 3rd, another Thrush not so steady as winner; 4th, nice Blackbird; 2, H. Durston, good Lark, nice and steady, and well shown. NOV. NOR. (10): 1, 3, Rainford, yell., grand sub., nice head and neck, a good one; 3rd, variegated buff, good shape and qual.; 2, 4, Taylor, 2nd variegated buff, good chubby bird, grand qual., nice type and col.; vhc, hc, c, Radcliffe. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Grayston. GIFT (very strong class and a good one): 1, Swainson; 2, Hoyle; 3, Hawthornthwait; 4, Fisher.—J. Bostock, Sec.

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KEIGHLEY C.B.S.

4th show of the season held at Hare and Hounds Hotel, Nov. 23. 129 birds faced the judge. Points winners were: J. Middleton 17, A. Naylor 16, R. Scaife 15 in open classes; and W. Fawcett, T. Myers, G. Bolton 11 each in novice. Mr. J. Middleton won special in open, and Mr. C. Town in novice. Mr. L. Varley (Keighley) judged, and gave satisfaction.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Naylor; 2, Bower; 3, Miles. BUFF: 1, Miles; 2, Naylor; 3, Bowes. UNEVEN, ETC., CK.: 1, J. Middleton; 2, Mitchell; 3, Sawley. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, J. Middleton; 3, Bowes. BUFF: 1, E. Middleton; 2, Naylor; 3, J. Middleton. UNEVEN, ETC., HEN: 1, Mitchell; 2, Scaife; 3, E. Middleton. NOV. YELL. CK.: 1, Fawcett; 2, Williams. BUFF: 1, Town; 2, Bolton; 3, Burrows. YELL. HEN: 1, Leach; 2, Ascough; 3, Myers. BUFF: 1, Ackroyd; 2, Bolton; 3, Williams.—J. Binns, Sec.

DARLINGTON C.B.S.

Annual members' show, held Nov. 30th, at the Labour Hall, a very nice place for a show, being roomy and well lighted, and entirely free from draughts. Entries totalled nearly 70, and the quality of the birds was excellent, the British section being about the pick of the show. Mr. H. Todd, the genial and obliging secretary, had everything well in hand, and got through his duties in fine style. He was well backed up by a good body of fanciers, composed of the chairman, Mr. J. Brown, treasurer, Mr. M. Corner, and Messrs. Patterson, Todd, Gregory, Carrol, Kearton, and Forster. The show was well patronised, and we understand that the venture will prove a financial success. Mr. T. Wright (York) judged.

The Critique.

YORKS. (3): 1, 2, Patterson, leader cl. buff, grand length, fine position, neat shoulders, grandly braced wings and tail, 2nd cl. yell., scarcely so slimly built, yet nice length and position, neat head, wings, and tail; 3, R. Todd, tkd. yell., nice length, well rounded, beaten in finish. 1912 (5): 1, 2, Patterson, 1st cl. yell., nice length and position, neat shoulders and waist, hot col., good wings and tail; 2nd cl. buff, grand length, nice qual., neat head, grand wings and tail; 3, 4, vhc, R. Todd, 3rd cl. buff, nice length and position, neat head, nice shoulders and waist, shade open in tail. HEN (4): 1, 2, Patterson, 1st cl. buff, fine length and position, straight up, neat, narrow shoulders and waist, good finish, 2nd cl. yell., well drawn, good col. and qual., nice position; 3, 4, R. Todd, cl. buff leading, scarcely so well drawn as leaders, yet nice length, good position. NOR. (3): 1, Corner, variegated buff, plenty of substance, nice col. and qual.; 2, Carrol, cl. buff, nice shape, good col., not so tight in feather; 3, Kearton, variegated yell., bit long body, nice size, good col. and qual. 1912 (4): 1, Carrol, cl. yell., red hot, fine shape, good substance, good head, neck, and chest, takes Sandiford's medal; 2, 3, R. Todd, cl. buff, plenty of substance, nice col. and qual.; 3rd tkd. buff, bit longer body, nice substance, neat head, neck, and chest; 4, Kearton. HEN (4): 1, 3, R. Todd, leader cl. yell., fine shape and substance, nice col. and qual.; 3rd cl. buff, nice shape, good qual., neat head, loses in sub.; 2, Corner, cl. buff, rare size, plenty of chest, nice head and neck, trifle heavy behind; 4, Carrol. A.O.V. CAN. (1): 1, R. Todd, very nice buff cinn., nice size and shape, good col. and qual. MULE, ETC. (3): 1, 2, 3, R. Todd, nice team, Linnet-Bullie, big Greenie-Can., and Linnet-Can. GOLDIE, ETC. (7): 1, hc, c, Forster, grand Goldie, fine size, grand deep rich col. blaze, well tanned, nice col. and condition, good wings; 2, 3, vhc, H. Todd, Bullie, nice size, good breast col., nice shaped, dense col. cap, good back and wings; 3, Goldie good col., nice blaze, rich and pure in tone, nicely tanned, loses in size; 4, Gregory, Goldie. GREENFINCH, ETC. (7): 1, 4, Gregory, leader Greenie, grand shape, short, and thick-set, good col. and quality, nice head, good back and chest, 4th Chaffie, nice shape, good col.; 2, H. Todd, Greenie, scarcely so chubby as leader, nice col., good polish and condition; 3, vhc, hc, Forster, Chaffie, fine size and shape, good col., nice wing bars, hardly up yet. LINNET, H.M. (5): 1, 2, H. Todd, leader beauty, medium size, grand col., lovely pencilling, very profuse, grand condition, 2nd scarcely so rich in col., nice size and shape, shows plenty of whites, nice pencilling; 3, Forster, nice Linnet, but rather unsteady. F.M. (5): 1, Gregory, beauty for col. and pencilling, medium size, nice shape, extra condition; 2, H. Todd, nice shape, good col. and pencilling, not so neat in wings; 3, 4, Forster, leader nicely pencilled, good col., fails trifle in head. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, Gregory, Siskin, nice size and shape, good col., nice cap, well laced, grand condition; 2, 3, 4, H. Todd, good team, Lesser Redpoll leading, fine size, grand col. and polish, grandly laced, 3rd very nice Twite, nice size and shape, good col. and lacing, nice condition, 4th neat Siskin. A.O.V. BRIT. (5): 1, Gregory, Hawfinch, nice one, grand size, good col., nice head, good condition; 2, 3, Forster, nice Yellowhammer, fair markings, good condition, 3rd Hawfinch, very neat. SOFTBILL (1): 1, Forster, Song Thrush, fine size, good col., grandly marked.

CHICHESTER.

Held their seventh annual members' show in the Corn Exchange, Nov. 28-29. The entry was not quite up to the average, but the quality was tip-top. We had the pleasure of seeing the team of Palace winners belonging to Mr. Burr, including his noted Hawfinch. Miss Townend, of Bognor, captured the Canary Cup with a grand buff Norwich, Mr. Fuller winning the novice special with a grand clear yellow Norwich. Mr. W. R. Miles judged.

The Critique.

NOR., CL.: 1, sp, vhc, Silk, a bouncing cl. yell., hot col., short neck, nice flights and tail; 2, 4, hc, Miss Townend, a bonny buff leading, rare type, nice head and neck, good style and qual.; 4, cl. yell., not the subs. of winners, but nice type and qual.; 3, His Grace the Duke of Richmond, a sweet cl. yell., lovely type and qual., but patchy col., which no doubt put him down; c, Howick. TICK, ETC., 2, Miss Townend, a nice variegated buff, hot col., but a little long in barrel; vhc, Silk; hc, Compton. BRED 1912: 2, Silk, a nice cl. yell., a little pale in col., nice type and qual.; 4, vhc, hc, Homer, a sweet little cl. yell., red-hot col., but a trifle on the small side. YORKS.: 1, Silk, a nice cl. yell., rare length, good style, beautiful col. and qual.; 2, Howick, cl. buff, nice type and qual., but not the length and style of winner; 3, 4, hc, Duke of Richmond, nice stylish buff, grand qual. and col., but loses in length; 4, a nice cl. buff, nice col. and con.; vhc, Walling; c, Homer. A.O.V.: 1, Silk, variegated, dk. crest, nice drop and centre, might have a larger crest; 3, Nicholls, a bouny natural col. Nor., rare deep chest, nice short wings and tail; 4, vhc, hc, c, Homer, wing mkd., dk. crest, loses a little at sides. MULE AND HYB.: 1, 4, Howick, winner Canary-Bullie, grand col. nice cond., but on the small side; 3, Mrs. Kimbell, dk. Linnet Mule, rare size, nice col. and cond.; 4, Howick, loses size; vhc, hc, c, Homer; vhc, Hawkes. GOLDFINCH: 2, 4, Burr, leader a grand Finch, nice square blaze, good body, nice size, not quite up in col. yet; 4, not so good in face, nice size and cond.; 3, vhc, Allen, two nice Finches, but a bit on the small size, good cond.; hc, Rev. O'Donoghue. BULLFINCH: A nice lot: 1, 3, Burr, two bonny Bullies, in rare form, nice wings, bars, and cap, both housemoulted; 4, vhc, Allen, a nice Finch, good col., not so steady as winner; vhc, Mrs. Kimbell; hc, Compton. LINNET: 1, 3, vhc, Burr, winner a fine bold bird, nice rich col., well mkd.; 3, nice cond., beaten in col.; 4, Howick, brighter in col., but not so good in markings; hc, Lennox, Allen; c, Walker. SISKIN, REDPOLE, ETC.: 2, 3, Burr, nice Siskins, both grand col., nicely laced, 3 loses in size; 4, Lennox, Siskin, not so bright in col.; vhc, Compton. A. O. S.: 1, cup for best Brit., 2, Burr, that noted Hawfinch leading, winner of championship at the Palace, truly a grand bird; 2, good Greenie, nice size, good solid col.; 3, 4, Lennox, a good Chaffinch, nice col.; 4, Greenfinch, nice col. and cond.; vhc, Rev. O. Donoghue; hc, c, Lennox. FOR.: 2, sp, 4, Miss Townend, Pintail Nonpariel, a sweet exhibit, in grand form; 4, a charming little Cordon Bleu; 3, Longlands, nice pair Gouldian Finches, not in quite such good cond.; vhc, hc, Townend. NOV.: 1, sp, Fuller, a nice cl. yell. Nor., good size, nice col. and qual.; 2, Walling, dk. Linnet Mule, good size, in nice cond.; 3, Nicholls, yell. Yorkie, nice length, not quite such good cond.; vhc, Chitty, Groundsell; c, Walling; 4, Longlands, a nice pair of Cordon Bleus, not quite in col.

WEST OF SCOTLAND NOR. BORDER &c. F.A.

Twenty-third annual show held Nov. 20 in the Grand National Halls, Main Street, Gorbals. Hon. Pres., Provost H. Paton, Hon. C. S. Dickson, M.P., hon. patrons, Ex Bailie McFarlane, J.P., Ex Bailie Alexander, J.P., Alex. Henderson, Esq., J.P., James Millar, and others; vice-pres., Mr. J. Montgomery and H. P. Hutchison; hon. sec and treas., Wm. Hutchison, 165, Hospital Street. There was a fair entry, Borders and Norwich taking the lead, and some very good birds in both sections were staged. Secretary Hutchison, with a hard working committee, had everything in splendid order. The staging was perfection, there being no difficulty in finding any particular bird wanted. The association is in a flourishing condition, but in a way were unfortunate in having to part with three of their valuable silver cups, which were won outright on this occasion. The association is Scotland's oldest and first club, and still retains its premier position. The prize list was a good one, there being no less than four handsome silver cups, two race bowls, a silver vase, medals, and a good number of useful special prizes. In the awards for most points in Plainheads (limited to two in each class) the silver cup was won by Mr. John Young, Rutherglen; for most points in Crests and C.B., silver rose bowl, Mr. John Montgomery, Glasgow; Border Fancies, silver rose bowl, Mr. Charles Pollock, Wishaw; and the handsome silver flower vase for most points in Mules and Hybrids went to Mr. F. Haddow; while for most point in British and foreign birds, Mr. S. Morrison, Johnstone, wins both cups outright. The B.F.C.C. silver medal was won by Mr. C. B. Whitelaw. In place of Ramsden's special, the club on this occasion presented a silver medal themselves for best fed bird in the hall, which was won by Mr. C. Hunter's yell. Nor. ck. For the best young bird in amateur section the silver cup went to Mr. Wm. Wood, Glasgow. Winner Hyde's spd teapot, Mr. Nimmo. Mr. J. Sneaton judged the Norwich, Mr. Wm. Haddow Borders, Mr. R. V. Raine Mules and Brit., and they gave every satisfaction.

The Critique.

CREST (4): 1, 2, Montgomery, 1st good shape and dark crest, shade rough; 2nd very similar; 3, Henderson, nice bird; 4, Smart, fair crest and shape. HEN (8): 1, Tweedie, nice bird, but not looking its best; 2, Montgomery, Green bird of fair merit; 3, Smart, shade rough on crest, fair size. C.-B. (6): 1, spl, Montgomery, good type and qual.; 2, spl, Tweedie, in fine cond.; 3, 6, Smart, 3rd grand type and feather; 4, Henderson, will make a nice typical bird; 5, spl, Nimmo. HEN (9): 1, 3, spl, Tweedie, 1st a shade soft when seen, 3rd nice bold head and body, good type; 2, Henderson, well made hen, nice plumage; 4, spl, Thomson, nice body and wings; spl, 5, 7, Smart. NOR. CL. OR TIC YELL. CK. (16): 1, 7, Young, 1st good shape, nice head, lovely col. and tail; 2, 6, Renwick, 2nd nice cobby body, good back, head and chest; 3, 5, Hutchison, 3rd cl. yell., not quite so full in chest, good bird; 4, Wood, fair qual., nice back, neat chest; 8, Paling. BUFF (12): 1, spl, 2, spl, Young, both cl. Buff and lovely col., well placed; 3, Thom, nice head neck and chest; 4, Paling, fine shape, good sub. and qual.; 5, McNaughton; 6, spl, Hutchison; 7, Thom. HEN (10): 1, 4, Young, 1st cl., grand shape, 4th rare col. and body; 2, Paling, cl., grand feather, lovely col., very shapely; 3, Hutchison, very neat cl., close feather. CL. OR TIC BUFF HEN (15): 1, spl, 8, spl, Hunter, 1st cl. Buff of excellent qual., wins; 2, 7, Hutchison, 2nd good type, very shapely bird; 3, Thom, nice even col., good subs., nice feather; 4, spl, 5, Paling, 4th neat wings and tail, grand feather; 6, Wood; 8, spl, Hunter. VAR. OR GR. YELL. CK. (9): 1, 5, Young, 1st var. yell., grand head and front, nice qual., wins; 2, Thom, nice size and col., good front and back; 3, Campbell, good bird, rare col. and qual.; 4, 6, Macnaughton, 4th good front, fair head and body; 7 Thom; 8, Hutchison. BUFF (10): 1, 5, spl, Young, 1st nicely mkd. ck. of fine size and subs.; 2, 3, spl, Renwick, 2nd capital size and shape, 3rd a very fair all round; 4, Paling, fair qual., good col.; 6, Thom; 7, Hunter; 8, Lewin. VAR. OR GREEN YELL. HEN (8): 1, Young, grand type and col., good head and wings, rare feather; 2, 4, Renwick, 2nd a grand typical Green, rare shape, close up, 4th nice shape, size and subs.; 3, Hutchison, var. green, rare col. and qual., well placed; 5, 6, Gunion. BUFF (11): 1, Renwick, grand shape, good size and subs.; 2, 6, Hutchison, 2nd close up on 1st, good bird; 3, 4, Young, 3rd good head and front, neat wings and tail; 4th shade small to those in front; 5, Hunter; 7, Lennie. AMATEUR NOR.: 1, spl, Wood; 3, 4, 6, Gunion; 2, spl, 5, spl, Campbell. LT. MULE (1): 1, Haddon, a nice Goldie Mule. DK. (10): 1, 4, Haddon, Goldie-Mule; 4th Goldie-Mule; 2, spl, 3, spl, Renwick, 2nd Siskin Mule, 3rd Linnet Mule; 5, 6, Henderson. BORD. CL. OR TIC YELL. CK. (9): 1, Pollock, a very shapely Border, neat, close feather; 2, Nimmo, lovely head and col., grand shape, nice carr., pressed hard; 3, 5 7, Whitelaw, 3rd barely the type of winners; 4, Laurie, good col., nice wings and carr., close feather. BUFF (8): 1, Pollock, cl. Buff, nice shape, lovely round head and wing carr. grand feather; 2, 6, Whitelaw, 2nd a shade long to 1st, grand head and back, very typical; 3, 4, Laurie, 3rd nice length of body, well laid wings, neat carr.; 4th shade plain to others; 5, Brownlie; 7, Cougan. CL. OR TIC YELL. HEN (9): 1, 4, 6, Whitelaw, cl. yell. hen of all-round merit, wins; 2, spl, Pollock, fails a shade in size to winner; 3, Nimmo, wing mkd., nice head and neck, good shape and carr.; 5, 7, Laurie. BUFF (8): 1, 7, spl, Whitelaw, Border medal winner, a gem for all round points; 2, 6, Laurie, 2nd a smart little Border, nice body and close feather; 3, Cougan, shade long to others, but a nice bird; 4, Pollock, very neat and close feather, nice jaunty carr.; 5, Nimmo; 8, Pierce. VAR. YELL. CK. OR HEN (5): 1, Pollock, var., nice shape, col and qual.; very jaunty; 2, 4, Whitelaw, 2nd nice wings and tail, neat head and neck; 4th nice type; 3, Brownlie plenty of style, fine shape, grand col. and wing carr.; 5, Pierce. VAR. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Whitelaw, 1st grand shape, lovely mkgs. and qual.; 2nd, grand back and wings, good head and neck; 3, Pollock, plenty of style, very shapely, grand col. and qual.; 4, spl, Henderson, nice type and col., good qual.; 5, Brownlie; 6, Cougan. GR. OR CINN. (10): 1, Campbell; 2, Nimmo. YORK (3): 1, spl, 2, 3, Martin. HEN (3): 1, 2, spl, 3, Martin. CL. OR TICK BORD. (1): 1, Brownlie; 2, Laurie. HEN (4): 1, Whitelaw; 2, Pierce; 3, Nimmo. GR. OR CINN. (4): 1, spl, Whitelaw, Green, fine shape and body, neat head and neck; 2, spl, Cougan, Cinn., nice model; 3, Laurie, another Cinn. of equal merit, little between them. CREST (3): 1, Nimmo, var., shade rough on crest; 2, Henderson, nicely radiated crest, good shape and feather, close up; 3, Smart, shade plain. HEN (2): 1, Tweedie; 2, Smart. C.-B. (6): 1, 5, Henderson, 1st fine size, grand shape, wins; 2, spl, Tweedie, rare head and shape, grand feather; 3, Nimmo, nice broad skull, not so good in front; 4, Thomson, nice size and lashing. HEN (3): 1, spl, Thomson, good size and skull, nice size and width; 2, Smart, Buff Green, not quite so massive as 1st; 3, Nimmo, nice size, good back, nice feather. NOR. CL. OR TIC (8): 1, spl, Thom, cl. Buff, rare type and col., nice size; 2, spl, Hunter, cl. Yell., deep full chest, lovely head and neck; 3, spl, Laurie, cl. Yel. ck. of all round merit; 4, Laurie, barely the subs. of leader. HEN (5): 1, Hunter, cl. Yell., rare col. and qual.; 2, spl, Whitelaw, cl. Yell., grand size and front; 3, Christie, Buff, nice head and qual.; 4, Laurie, good head and neck, fine qual. VARIEG. (6): 1, Wood, var. Yell., grand shape, splendid qual.; 2, Gunion, Buff, fair, not the style of winner; 3, Hutchison, nice rich col., grand front, good bird; 4, Christie, fails in shape to those in front. HEN (4): 1, Hutchison, good shape, clean front, wins; 2, Wood, grand head and neck; 3, Lennie, lovely qual. and shape; 4, Hutchison, falls a shade in size only. LT. MULE OR HYB. (4): 1, spl, Whitelaw, Linnet Mule in lovely feather and markings; 2, spl, Hunter, Goldie Mule, nicely mkd., fine cond. DK. (5): 1, Morrison, Greenie, nice shape and feather; 2, Brownlie, Goldie Mule, nice markings and shape; 3, Hunter, Siskin Mule, nicely marked, shows cross very well. LINNET (8): 1, 5, Graham, grand col., nicely mkd. on breast, good shape; 2, spl, 6, Pierce, 2nd well laced, not quite such a good shape as winner; 3, Hunter, fine size and depth of col.; 4, Martin, fine shape, nicely pencilled, not quite so steady; 7, Nimmo. SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, 5, Graham, 1st Twite good one, well pencilled; 2, Pierce, Siskin, good cap and bib, nice col.; 3, 6, Nimmo, Mealy Redpoll well mkd., in lovely feather; 4, Haddow, Redpoll very neat cap and bib, very steady. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, spl, Haddow, nice nutty brown, grand blaze and shape, nicely staged; 2, Cougan, good face, nice square cut blaze in real good bloom, close up; 3, Nimmo, good shape and finish; 4, 5, Graham, 4th on the heavy side, good bird. BULLFINCH HEN (5): 1, 2, Cougan, a good all round bird; 2nd good shape and feather; 3, Morrison, nice massive shape of body, in grand feather; 4, 5, Graham, shade small, nice shape. GREENFINCH (7): 1, Graham, nice even tone of col. and grand shape; 2, 3, spl, Morrison, 2nd grand shape and col.; 3rd another real good one, a gem for col.; 4, Nimmo, fine feather, good natural col.; 5, 6 Cougan. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFINCH (8): 1, 2, Morrison, 1st nicely mkd. Chaffinch in rare feather; 2, Bramblefinch, lovely markings, grand shape and feather; 3, Graham, Bramblefinch, of fair merit, not so nice in col.; 4, Lennie, Chaffinch, splendid head and breast col., lovely markings; 5, Cougan; 6, Nimmo; 7, Graham. A.O.S. BRIT. SMALL: 1, 5, Morrison, 1st Bearded Tit, a very taking exhibit, nicely staged; 2, spl, Haddow, Yellowhammer, a lovely bird, nicely pencilled, grand shape and rich col.; 3, Graham, Bullfinch, grand size and expansive cap, very neat in bib, nice breast col.; 4, Nimmo, Bullfinch, not so rich in col. as 3rd; 6, 7, Cougan. LARGE (3): 1, spl, 2, Morrison, 1st Hawfinch, lovely col., well marked; 2nd, Blackbird, fine glossy black, perfect feather; 3, Lennie, Snow Bunting, in grand cond. and feather. GOLDIE FOR. (7): 1, Graham, fine nutty brown col. throughout, in lovely cond.; 2, Nimmo, grand col. and blaze, well cut, nicely staged; 3, Pierce, in grand cond. and finish; 4, Campbell, not quite so good in col., grand face; 5, Haddow; 6, Thomson. FOR. LARGE (3): 1, spl, 2, spl, Morrison, 1st Bloodwing Parrot in nice rich feather; 2nd Blue Mountain Lorrie in rare cond. SMALL (1): 1, Morrison, nice pair Yell. Budgerigars. A.O.V.: 1, Whitelaw.

TAVISTOCK.

Second annual show at Market Hall, Nov. 27th. Entries numbered 63, in six classes, but owing to insufficient entries several classes were cancelled. The Norwich section was cancelled in its entirety. This is somewhat strange seeing that Plymouth (now the recognised stronghold of the Plainhead variety) is within an hour's railway ride from Tavistock. No doubt the clashing with Bristol, Swindon, and other shows had something to do with this, but the show committee deserve better treatment from exhibitors than Tavistock received. The birds were staged at the end of the hall, and the space at disposal would easily have accommodated at least 300 exhibits, and was free from draughts. The Goldfinch class was a very fine one, and the leading birds were of exceptional merit, and we have seldom seen a better class of Bullfinches staged in the West. We were glad to see the Cinnamons so well represented, Mrs. Brown's winner taking special for best cage bird in show. The committee responsible for the welfare of the cage birds were Messrs. Green, Martin, T. Brown, and Wilmot, and the management left nothing to be desired, Mr. J. Young making an ideal secretary and show manager. Mr. T. Pope, Plymouth, judged, and his awards met with general approval.

The Critique.

YORKS. (10): 1, hc, and c, Julian, former a cap. mkd. yell., in beautiful feather, grand pos., very stylish; 2, vhc, Boundy, well-known thigh tkd. yell., beaten in con. to-day; 3, Wilke, cl. buff, nice exhibit, bit down in col. A.O.V. CAN. (11): 1, sp, best bird, 3, Mrs. Brown, 1st good yell.-cinn., fine size and col.; 3, buff., bit too slim; 2, c, Miss L. J. Garland, foul tail buff cinn., splendid head and shape, fails in col.; vhc, hc, Unwin. two good Borders. Mr. Dyer's birds absent. MULE (9): 1, 2, Collins, leader exquisite Goldie-Can.; 2, almost clear Linnet-Can., both well known winners, in the pink; 3 vhc, Edwards, nice Linnet-Bullfinch in splendid Bloom; hc, c, Lee. GOLDFINCH (15): (a good class): 1, Cheney, Launceston winner, good shape, grand body col., and deep blaze; 2, Evans, fails in shape nice plumage; 3, Collins, another nice Finch; res, Reseorla; vhc, Edwards; hc, Skitch; c, Baker; Mr. Coombe's entry absent. BULLFINCH (8): 1, spl, for best British, Cheney, good in col. and cap, beautifully shown; 2, Evans, another good bird, fails in col. to winner; 3, Poole, splendid shape, a good one, but beaten to-day; vhc, Amy; hc, Gregory; c, Lagg. A.O.S. BRIT. (10): 1, Stephens and Gaved, the well-known Cornish Chough, in good form; 2, Collins, yell. Wagtail, frequent winner; 3, Poole, a good Hawfinch, excellent condition; vhc, Collins; hc, Evans; c, Lugg.

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WOODSIDE (Aberdeen).

Annual open show, held in the Burgh Hall, Woodside, Nov. 30th. The Hall is well adapted for a Cage Bird show, being well lighted from both sides. The exhibits were nicely staged, leaving plenty room for visitors. We were sorry to see that the entries were down on last year. Norwich were the outstanding feature of the show, some very fine specimens being staged. Borders were very short in numbers. British and Foreign had a good classification, but only averaged 8 per class, which was disappointing. Hydes' special was gained by Mr. Kerr, Aberdeen, with a nice buff hen of rare substance and type. The management was all that could be desired. Mr. P. Stewart, the president, was very energetic, and had everything in the best of order. Mr. J. Strachan, the vice-president, is also a hard worker, and saw to the finishing up of the show. The secretarial duties were ably carried out by Mr. Jas. Milne, who did his utmost to ensure the success of the show. He was ably backed up by a hard working committee, consisting of Messrs. Sandison, Strachan, Rae, Thomson, Taylor, Allison, Craighead, Will, Dunn, Robertson, Johnston, Ewan, and Anderson. The judges were: Mr. Allan Chalmers (Kirkintilloch), Nor.; Mr. Wm. Bishop (St. Ninians), Brit., etc.; and their awards gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

CL., ETC., YELL. (7): 1, 2, Sandison, 1st best of head, a blaze of col., short and chubby, good breast, teeming with qual., well placed wings, 2nd good subs., grand head, splendid col., boxy feather, not quite so well filled in at neck as winner; 3, Rae, good size, best of col., well carr. wings and tail; 4, 5, Ironside, 4th typical and nicely staged; 6, Yeats. HENS (5): 1, Thomson, a gem, in the pink of cond., lovely col. and fine texture of feather, grand wings and tail; 2, Yeats, junr., very typical, nice rounded chest, good col., and qual.; 3, Forsyth, full of qual., best of col., must have pressed 2nd; 4, Monzon, very typical, good head and neck, well carr. wings and tail; 5, Robertson. BUFF, ETC., CK. (7): 1, Kerr, rare size and subs., best of feather, rich col., in A1 cond.; 2, Ironside, another well built one, good head and neck, rich col. and qual.; 3, Rae, fine Boxy feather, tip-top col., of the right size and teeming in qual.; 4, Monzon, very typical, good qual., fails a little in neck; 4, Robb; 6, Shoolbraid. HENS (6): 1, Taylor, a gem for type, grand head, fine short neck, well filled in, lovely rounded chest, rare qual. of feather, fails in wing carr. only; 2, Allison, another grand hen, richer in col., not quite so cobby as 1st; 3, Sandison, good size and col., well staged; 4, Craigen; 5, Elrick; 6, Martin. VARIEG. YELL. (6): 1, Will, a varieg. of good size, fair col., rich qual., very typical, nice wings and tail; 2, Shoolbraid, good type, col., and qual., bit faulty tail; 3, Sandison, rich col., A1 qual., and cond.; 4, Kerr; 5, Thomson; 6, Robertson. HENS (3): 1, Sandison, Bullfinch type, short and chubby, splendid col. and qual.; 2, Will, grand style, fine front and col.; 3, Allison, rare qual. of feather. VAR. BUFF CK. (9): 1, Kerr, good size and subs., fine qual. and col.; 2, Allison, good type and qual., well mealed, rich col., in grand condition; 3, Campbell, fine size and subs., best of col., well carr. wings and tail; 4, Ironside, shapely, good head and neck; 5, Martin; 6, Taylor. HENS (5): 1, Taylor, grand size and subs., fine front, nice col., fair head; 2, Sandison, another good one, well set up, nice rounded front, well cut away, grand col. and qual.; 3, McKenzie, good head, well filled in back, stands well across perch; 4, Ironside; 5, Elrick. PAIRS: 1, Hampton, a well-matched pair, and nicely turned out. UNFLIG., CL., OR TKD. YELL. (11): 1, Hird, a gem, good type, nice head and neck, best of col. and qual. wins, could be better staged; 2, 3, Kerr, 2nd excels in subs., good head and neck, wings and tail perfect, 3rd fails only a little in finish; 4, Forsyth; 5, Taylor; 6, Ironside. HENS (10): 1, Will, very sweet, grand qual. of feather, rich even col., a gem for type, grand wing carr.; 2, Forsyth, very typical, not much to choose between 1st and 2nd; 3, Hampton, not quite so short in build, good col. and qual.; 4, Strachan; 5, Campbell; 6, McPherson. BUFF, ETC., CK. (18): A grand class: 1, Forsyth, not one of the largest, but very typical, sweet qual., nicely frosted, rich even col. and well staged; 2, Hampton, a variegated, nice short, cobby bird, rare front and good style, makes a good 2nd, A1 col. and qual.; 3, Mitchell and Greig, typical body, grand subs., bold head and teeming in col. and qual.; 4, Sandison; 4, Allison; 6, Rae. HENS (7): 1, Kerr, best of type, nice qual. and col.; 2, Allison, looking well, best of qual. and cond., very sweet, fails only a little in size to winner; 3, Forsyth, loses also in size, fine silky feather; 4, Will; 5, McPherson; 6, Monzon. NAT. COL. HEN, Yell.: 1, Dunn, good type and qual.; 2, Allan and Steele, nicely put down. BUFF CK. (5): 1, Hendry, well up in size and qual.; 2, Sandison, nice qual. and subs.; 3, Steven, good one, nice bold head, best of type, A1 quality; 4, Hird; 5, Silver. HENS (5): 1, 2, Kerr, two grand hens, good subs., best of qual. and cond.; 3, Cumming, fails subs. of those in front; 4, Dunn; 5, Silver. YELL. VAR. CK. (3): 1, Sandison, good size and qual., fails in wings; 2, Silver, good cond.; 3, Dunn. HENS (4): 1, Rae, good one, grand size, fine front, and col.; 2, Sandison, nice qual., good wings and tail, stands well over perch; 3, Mitchell and Greig, shapely, good head and neck, nice wing carr.; 4, Allan and Steele. BUFF. VAR. CK. (6): 1, Thomson, rare subs., lovely head and neck, fine front, grand wing and tail, a good one; 2, Silver, not quite so thick in build, A1 qual.; 3, Reid, good type, fail qual.; 4, Lyon; 5, Dunn; 6, Hendry. HENS (4): 1, McPherson, good hen, and well turned out, rare qual., nice col. and cond.; 2, Taylor, very stylish, lovely type and quality; 3, Robertson, nice size, close feather, grand qual. of feather; 4, Cumming. CK. OR HEN, A.C. (5): 1, Sandison, typical, best of qual.; 2, Hampton, same build, fails a little in wings; 3, Taylor; 4, McKenzie; 5, Kerr. BORDER YELL. (4): 1, Strachan, a wee gem, feathered like wax, neat head and neck, good wings and tail; 2, Allison, also a good one, in extra fine fettle, a grand mover; 3, Craigen, fails in finish; 4, Steven. BUFF: 1, Steven, a beauty and well put down, excellent qual., shining like a looking glass; 2, Allison, fine jaunty carr., lovely feather, grand head, nice wings and tail. GREEN, ETC. (4): 1, Will, yell. green, good type and qual; 2, Yeats, also a yell., rich col. and cond.; 3, Monzon, buff, rare type and qual., A1 col., well staged; 4, McPherson. HENS (7): 1, Hendry, best of col. and type; 2, Ross and Duncan, not quite so rich in col. as winner, grand type and qual.; 3, Stewart and Milne, very typical, plenty size, in rare cond.; 4, Allan and Steele; 5, Campbell; 6, Taylor. CINN. YELL. CK.: 1, Rae, well up in size and tip-top col.; 2, Craigen, not quite so large, nice qual. and col. BUFF: 1, Rae, great size, teeming in col. and qual. BRED 1912 (3): 1, Rae, good subs., nice head and neck, A1 col.; 2, 3, Monzon, two smart exhibits, rich in col. and qual. NOVICE CK. (7): 1, Connon, good type, nice head and neck, well rounded chest; 2, 3, Ford, 2nd excels in qual., good type and well turned out; 4, Booth; 5, 6, Young. HENS (3): 1, 3, Young, two fine exhibits; 2, Urquhart, typical. MULE OR HYB. (7): 1, Hird, Goldie-Can., three parts light, fair size and col.; 2, Lyon, we made 1st, Greenie-Can., grand size and cond., champion col., well toned out; 3, Mitchell and Greig, Linnet-Can., fair size and col.; 4, Dunn; 5, Shoolbraid; 6, Fyfe. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Gordon, rather pale in face, good breast col., nice and steady; 2, Stewart and Milne, we liked, rich blaze, grand whites, lovely tanning, fair size, grand wings and tail; 3, Lyon, not a bad one; 4, Anderson, smaller in size; 5, Shoolbraid. BULLFINCH (6): 1, 2, Lyon, two beauties, great size and col., well staged; 3, 4, Watt, 3rd rich col., good head, nice wing bars, beaten to-day; 5, Monzon; 6, Craigen. LINNET (12): A good class: 1, Hird, fine size, well spangled, nice col., a little open in breast; 2, Mitchell and Greig, nice shape and col., good pencilling, in fine order, must have pressed; 3, Mitchell and Son, a nice one, very steady and well put down; 4, Lyon; 5, Fyfe; 6, Johnston. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, 6, Johnston, 1st Twite, nice size and col., good mkgs.; 2, Mitchell and Greig, a good nat. col. Siskin, good cap, nice wing bars and lovely streamers; 3, Anderson, Twite, not quite so well col. as 1st; 4, Stewart and Milne; 5, Allison. O.S. BRIT. (8): 1, 2, 3, Robertson, three grand exhibits, 1st Redstart, in good fettle, looking well; 2, Bearded Tit, in lovely plumage; 4, Stewart and Milne; 5, Ross and Duncan; 6, Mitchell and Son. FOR. (7): 1, 2, 3, 4, c, Robertson, a clean sweep, 1st Orange Bishop, lucky, 2nd and 3rd Gouldian Finches, our choice for 1st and 2nd, 4th Cordon Bleus. GIFT: 1, Will; 2, Allison; 3, Strachan; 4, Stewart and Milne.

BARNET F. and F.S.

Held Nov. 30th in the National Schools. The entry was far in excess of any the Society has ever experienced, and the quality throughout was of a very high class. The birds were comfortably staged in a separate room, kept nice and warm for the occasion. Mr. F. Chandler, the hon. sec., was untiring in his efforts to please, and radiant at the success which attended the show. He was well supported by efficient stewards, and a thoroughly fancier-like committee. The attendance of visitors was large, and the cage bird section the source of much admiration. Mr. P. Brooke won the cup with a rattling clear yellow unflighted Norwich. Goldfinches, Linnets, and British birds generally, were a splendid collection; there was a good list of specials, and the competition was keen. Mr. G. Gardner judged.

The Critique.

NOR. (10): 1, cup, sp, 2, Brooks, unflig. yell., good body, nice head, stands well across perch, rich col. and silky feather; 2nd, varieg. yell., fine type, head, qual. and col.; 3, Kerr, varieg., fine type, good head, short wings and tail; res, vhc, Bell; hc, Kerr; c, Hills. HEN (10): 1, 2 sps, vhc, Brooks, tho winner a lovely soft feathered cl. buff, grand shape, noble head, good wing carr., rich undercolour; 2, res, Kerr, a good yell. leading; 3, hc, Bell, a nearly green, thick set bird with a bold head; c, Hills. YORKS. (5): 1, sp, 2, Vergottini, a smart pair of birds; 3, Drage, neat and upstanding; res, Parker; vhc, Drage. NAT. COL. A.V. (12): 1, sp, 2, res, Wilding, a buff green Yorks., straight, well on leg, good action, a bonny bird that would have shown itself much better in a Yorks. show cage; 2nd a var. Yorks., to which similar remarks apply; 3, Drage, a very neat bird; vhc, Burnett; hc, Bell; c, Chandler. LINNET (12): 1, sp, Grisdale, a beautiful bird, rich brown col., well marked, steady, with feather like boxwood; 2, Tolman and Disney, another well mkd. Linnet, not quite so good in col. or close in feather; 3, Gardener, loses in mkgs. and col., but good shape; res, Denham; vhc, Nott; hc, Hills; c, Drage. GOLDFINCH (16): 1, 3 sps, Bell, a topper, beautiful flush face, wide and well cut, nice whites, bars and buttons, in grand feather; 2, Grisdale, another beauty, not quite so good in face, else equal, two grand Finches these; 3, Denham, loses in width of face and just a little in brightness; res, Tolman and Disney; vhc and hc, Drage; c, Nott; a grand class. BULLFINCH (6): 1, sp, 2, Gardener, two good Finches, both in shape and col.; 3, Nott, a trifle less steady; res, vhc, Tolman and Disney. GREENFINCH (6): 1, Drage; 2, Nott; 3, res, Gardener; vhc, Withers; hc, Parish, a moderate class. MULE (11): 1, Wilson, dk. yell. Goldfinch-Can., good col.; 2, sp, c, Nott, Linnet-Can., nice colour; 3, Hills, Linnet-Canary, would have won but for having lost several flight feathers; res, Tolman and Disney; vhc, Vergottini; hc, Drage; c, Nott. CHAFFINCH (5): 1, sp, Grisdale, a beauty for col., size, mkgs. and sheen; 2, Denham, loses a bit in size and brightness; 3, Tolman and Disney; res, Parish. REDPOLL, ETC. (5): 1, 2, 3, Grisdale, a grand Mealy Redpoll, a nice Twite and a well mkd. Siskin; res, Parish; vhc, Drage. FOR. (4): 1, Denham, Ribbon Finches; 2, Miss May, Java Sparrows; 3, Drage, Zebra Finches; res, Drage.

GILLINGHAM AND DIST. F.S.

Sixth annual show held at the Beacon Court Assembly Room, Nov. 29th. On account of not being able to get a large hall, it was confined to a four-miles radius. Having the promise of a very large hall next season, it is proposed to hold an all-England open show, and, possessing a good, hard-working committee in Messrs. J. Hyde, C. Wray, sen., J. Carter, J. Lancaster, A. Thomas, W. Whiteman, J. Bourne, H. Gordon, and a most energetic and obliging secretary in Mr. H. C. Wray, there is no reason why an open show should not prove a success. Entries were small, and Mr. F. J. Wickham (Chatham) judged.

NOR. (6): 1, sp, Lancaster, typical cl. yell., nice compact feather, but could do with more size; 2, Smith, close up, very little between, not quite the compactness; 3, Lancaster, another nice specimen; vhc, Hobbs; hc, Smith; c, Lancaster. MKD. OR VARIEG. (4): 1, Smith, very neat eye tkd. yell., really good, nice sub., neat wings, lovely feather; 2, Lancaster, fine bold buff, splendid sub., wee bit long in barrel; 3, Smith. VARIEG. BUFF: Really fine exhibit, nice and neat all round, but on small side. BRED 1912 (6): 1, 2, c, Pankhurst, lovely buff, good all round, but could do with more size; 2nd, nice neat yell. hen, little to choose; 3, Smith; vhc, Lancaster; hc, Smith. BRIT. (8): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Pankhurst, lovely team, Linnet leading, 2nd Redpoll, 3rd Greenfinch, vhc Siskin, all fit for good competition; hc, Covington; c, Bradley.

SKELMANTHORPE C.B.A.

First members' old bird show held Nov. 30, when 148 birds were staged to be judged by Mr. T. Ogden (Bradford), who gave general satisfaction. Champ. Section chief point winners: J. Helliwell, 23; W. Wadsworth, 17; A. Radley, 16; J. Hirst, 14; L. Jebson, 14; A. Haigh, 11; M. Peel, 13; F. Taylor, 12. Novice: W. Hutchinson, 27; J. Hird, 23; S. Morley, 20; Dyson and Fisher, 19; H. Tyas, 18; J. Radley, 17; J. Bower, 16; Marsden and Bemmont, 14; G. Shaw, 14; F. Radley, 13.—J. Hird, sec.

DARLINGTON C. AND B.B.F.A.

Seventh annual show held November 30, in the Corn Exchange, one of the most spacious halls we have yet been in. Plenty of light, and any amount of room for visitors to get about. It would, with a little more heat, be an ideal place for holding a cage bird show, and the society is to be congratulated upon possessing such an excellent hall for their show. Having run an open show for several years at a loss, the committee this year thought it expedient to somewhat reduce their classification—fortunately with most gratifying results, the entry proving a record for the society, totalling about 330, the average per class being much in excess of previous years, and this, despite the fact that the other local society was holding its members' show on the same date. What a pity it is the two societies do not amalgamate. We would be very pleased to see them do so, for they could, with the talent at their command, undoubtedly run one of the most successful shows in the North of England. Much of the success of the show under notice is no doubt due to the hard work of the courteous and energetic secretary, Mr. A. Walker, whom we found to be most obliging to everyone, and with a thorough knowledge of his duties. Nothing seemed to come amiss to him, and he gets through his work in a splendid manner, and we found not the slightest hitch in the arrangements, and we are glad to think that his efforts on behalf of his society have been rewarded by such a good show. He is ably supported by a grand body of workers, headed by the genial chairman, Mr. H. C. Carter, and composed of Messrs. W. Cartwright (vice-chairman), J. Wildsmith (treasurer), and H. Robinson, P. H. Wilcock, H. Wilson, J. Reynolds, J. G. Stephenson, and A. Richmond, all of them doing their best for the good of the society. The exhibits, on the whole, were a very level lot. Yorkshires were undoubtedly the feature of the show. Norwich were very nice, while the British were well to the fore, both in numbers and quality, many well-known winners being staged. Mr. J. H. Roe (Birmingham) judged.

The Critique.

YORKS. (21): 1, 2, Cuthbertson, beautics, leader neck tkd. yell., grand length, straight as a gun barrel, neat head and neck, beautifully drawn, good col. and qual., grandly braced wings and tail, 2nd varieg. buff, lovely col. and qual., neat, narrow shoulders, well rounded, stands well on grand legs; 3, Norton, yell., tkd. left side of neck, rare length, grandly rounded, slim and well drawn, good col. and position, loses in wing carr.; vhc, Wilkinson Bros.; hc, Campling; c, Farrar. 1912 (17): 1, Cuthbertson, cl. yell., lovely style, nice length, gets well up on good legs, grandly tapered body, sweet head, good shoulders, lovely wings and tail; 2, Huddleston, cl. yell., hotter col. leader, wee shade shorter body, grandly rounded, well tapered, nice position, grand wings and tail; 3, Sutcliffe and Son, spanking cl. buff, lovely col. and qual., beautifully rounded back and breast, finely drawn, nice length, close tight feather; vhc, Norton; hc, Wilkinson Bros.; c, Chesworth and Mason. HEN (14): 1, 2, Cuthbertson, leader cl. buff, magnificent col. and qual., very stylish, grand length and position, straight as a rush, sweet head, lovely shoulders and waist, grandly braced wings and tail, 2nd cl. yell., fine length, very slim and well drawn, beautiful shoulders, well rounded, gets well up, neat head, grand wings and tail, lacks the grand finish of leader; 3, Sutcliffe and Son, cl. buff, grand length, very erect, beautifully rounded, slim and finely drawn, neat head, grand wings and tail, loses only in col.; vhc, Precious; hc, c, Pyman. NOR. (16): 1, Wilcock, P., lovely cl. buff, magnificent shape, round as a ball, plenty of subs., graud head, neck, and chest, short and thick set, grand short wings and tail, lovely col. and qual., wins; 2, Freeman, cl. yell, fine shape and subs., good head, nice neck and chest, good col. and qual., loses a trifle in wing carr.; 3, Jeffries, cl. buff, not the subs, of leader, but good shape, grandly rounded back and chest, neat head, grand col. and qual.; vhc, c, Robson and March; hc, Pickering and Wright; No. 5, Freeman, better than any in class bar leader, but was unfortunately a trifle thick when judged, or must have been in the money. 1912 (19): 1, 2, W. A. Wilson, cl. buff, lovely shape, short and coppy, well rounded chest and back, good head, grand col. and qual., short closely packed wings and tail, 2nd cl. buff, scarcely the same coppy type of leader, yet very nice, good size, neat head and neck, good col. and qual., gets wings over a bit; 3, Pickering and Wright, head tkd. yell., red hot, lovely qual., nice head and neck, good shape, but a bit fat on chest, nice wing and tail carr.; vhc, Makins; hc, Jeffries; c, Mays and Allison. HEN (11): 1, 2, 3, Pickering and Wright, nice team, cl. buff leading, round as a ball, lovely shape, grand back and chest, rich col and qual., nice head, correct wings and tail, 2nd cl. yel., fine shape, bit pale in col., but lovely qual., neat head, nice neck and chest, grand carr., 3rd cl. yell., hotter col. than 2nd, nice size and shape, good back and chest, neat wings and tail, scarcely so tight in feather as leaders; vhc, W. A. Wilson; hc, Moore; c, Chambers. A.O.V. (14): 1, Orton, foul tail green C.B., good size, good broad skull, nice rise and entrance, abundance of feather, well lashed; 2, Seeley Bros., yell. cinn., wonderful col., medium size, nice shape, neat head and neck, well polished, bit faulty in wings; 3, vhc, Simpson and Charlton, var. buff C.B., very massive, grand broad skull, tremendous feather over poll, good rise and entrance, but not the qual. of feather of leader; hc, Calvert; c, Jeffries. BORD. (11): 1, 2, Watson, leader cl. buff, grand shape, lovely col. and qual., brand boxy feather, sweet head and neck, shade heavy in build if anything, 2rd cl. yell., lovely col, close boxy feather, of finest texture, well rounded back and chest, grandly cut, scarcely so well balanced on legs, as we like to see; 3, hc, Browell, nearly even mkd. buff, fine shape, lovely carr., neat head, nicely rounded back and chest, grand wings, loses in qual. to leader; vhc, Carter; c, Ogden. MULES, ETC. (5): 1, 3, Maddison, well-known cl. Goldie Mule leading, fine size and shape, staged in sparking condition, 3rd equally well-known dark yell. Linnet Mule, fine size, wonderful col. and polish, grand bloom and condition; 2, Seeley Bros., lightly mkd. Goldie Mule, nice size and shape, good face and wings, nice feather and condition; vhc, P. Wilcock; hc, Knox. LINNET (12): 1, Calvert, medium size, grand shape, lovely pencilling, very profuse and clear all over, beautifully laced, shade dark in col. perhaps, but grand polish and condition; 2, Woodhead and Son, again nice shape, graudly pencilled, but hardly so plentiful on breast as leader, nice col. and condition; 3, Trail, lovely col., correct nut brown, fine size and shape, well pencilled, scarcely shows himself well; vhc, Stamp; hc, Maddison; c, Tams and Son. GOLDIE, ETC. (19): 1, 2, Mays and Allison, Bullfie leading, grand one all over, lovely breast col., carried well under, lovely dense col. cap, broad and clean cut, nice back and wings, lovely condition, 2nd Goldie, beauty, fine size and shape, beautiful face, rich and pure in col., lovely tanning, grand wings and buttons; 3, P. Wilcock, Bullfie, scarcely the substance of leader, nice body col., neat cap, good back and wings; vhc, Thompson; hc, Barwick; c, Tomlinson; No. 13, Waters, a good Goldie, well-known winner, but again down in condition, give him a rest, Kit. GREENFINCH (11): 1, Waters, medium size, beautiful shape, lovely full fronted bird, short and cobby, neat head, lovely col. and condition, wins well; 2, Henderson, larger than leader, cobby build, scarcely so compact as leader, rare head, neck and chest, nice col., but not the close boxy feather; 3, Robinson, rare size, nice shape, hardly so well filled on back as leaders, grand col. and condition, lovely wings; vhc, Forster; hc, Williams; c, Eames. CHAFFINCH, ETC. (7): 1, 2, Tomlinson, lovely Chaffinch, leading, fine size and shape, nice head, lovely col. and polish, grand back and wings bars, tip-top condition; 2, Bramble, not a big one, but extra for col., grandly polished, beautifully spangled head and back, lovely lacing, in the pink; 3, Forster, Bramble, stormer for size, grand col. and condition, well laced, lacks the clear distinct spangling of 2nd; vhc, Carter; hc, Williams; c, Swann. SISKIN, ETC. (12): 1, Milburn and Hanson, grand Twite, fine size and shape, nicely pencilled, lovely col. and condition, shows grand whites; 2, Robson and March, Siskin, nice size and shape, good col., nice shaped cap, well laced, grand condition; 3, Forster, Twite, smaller than leader, but better pencilling, grand col., lovely polish and condition, beaten only in size; vhc, Woodhead and Son; hc, Tams and Son; c, Walker. A.O.V. FINCH (1): 1, Stamp, Hawfinch, lovely shape and size, grand level col., good level head, nicely cut bib, beautiful feather and condition; 2, 3, Forster, both Corn Buntings, leader, grand size, and shape, lovely markings, grand col. and condition, but unsteady, 3rd smaller, but a good one for col. and markings, nice shape, grand condition; vhc, Parnaby. SOFTBILL (3): 1, Parnaby, Waxwing, fine size, nice condition, bit dark in col., nice wings and waxings; 2, Elliott, Bearded Tit, medium size, good col., nice polish and condition, good tail; 3, Davidson, Waxwing, better col. and condition than leader, but badly damaged wings, which undoubtedly kept it out of first place. FOR. cancelled. GIFT (7): 1, c, Carter; 2, Barwick; 3, Stephenson; vhc, P. Wilcock; hc, Burton Bros. MEMBERS, YORKS. (6): 1, 3, hc, Carter; 2, c, Richmond; vhc, Stephenson. NOR. (12): 1, 3, Sandiford's medal, P. Wilcock; 2, hc, Jeffries; vhc, Richmond; c, Jeffries. A.O.V. CAN. (10): 1, Richmond; 2, hc, c, Jeffries; 3, P. Wilcock; vhc, Carter. LINNET, ETC. (5): 1, Robinson; 2, P. Wilcock; 3, vhc, Carter; hc, Richmond. A.O.V. BRIT. (3): 1, 3, P. Wilcock; 2, Richmond. MULE, ETC. (3): 1, 3, P. Wilcock; 2, Richmond. NOV., YORKS. (6): 1, vhc, hc, Richmond; 2, 3, Stephenson; c, Reynolds. NOR. (9): 1, 3, Richmond; 2, c, Stephenson; vhc, hc, Reynolds. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, 3, Richmond; vhc, Stephenson; hc, Simpson; c, Walker. LINNET (5): 1, hc, Walker; 2, Wilson; 3, vhc, Richmond. BRIT. (5): 1, 2, vhc, Richmond; 3, Wilson; hc, Stephenson.

PEMBROKE DOCK.

Twenty-third annual show, held in the Market Hall, November 27th. It was a very successful turn out, entries came up well, and the quality was very good. The secretary, Mr. Williams, had everything well in hand. Mr. Hodge judged. CREST OR C.B.: 2, Tallett, bouncer, for size and subs., good crest; 3, Howell and Bevan, close up, neat crest and con.; vhc, Gwyther, Evans. NOR.: 1, Tallett, lovely yell., grand frontal, good head and body; 2, Price, fails in size to leader, good col. buff; 3, Davies, very nice yell.; vhc, Price, Howell and Bevan; c, Harris. YORKS.: Good class. 1, spl., Price, wins, lovely con., and nice col.; 2, Reynolds, beautiful length and shape, good style, smart wing and tail, car.; 3, Shears, stylish, good length, and qual.; res., Tucker; vhc, Griffiths; c, Stone. MULE: 1, Davies, fine con., well car. wings; 2, Slee, Haverfordwest winner; 3, Betty, nice size and type; vhc, Phillips, Davies; c, Jones. GOLDFINCH: 1, Price, neat blaze, good col. and tans; 2, Slee, close up, neat bars and buttons; 3, Stone, good col. and qual.; res., Jenkins; vhc, Harris. A.O.S. BRIT.: 1, sp., Ray, grand Hawfinch, shown in faultless con.; 2, John, grand con., Blackbird; 3, Thomas, nicely mkd. and steady Thrush; res., Price; vhc, Jenkis, Johns.

WOKING AND DISTRICT F.S.

Held Nov. 29 in the Public Hall, when a grand display, a host of visitors, and success all round was the result. Mr. L. C. B. Hockin is a model sec., who spares neither time nor enthusiasm to make things go. He is assisted by as earnest and enthusiastic a body of committeemen as could ever back up a sec. Mr. G. M. Osborne is chairman of committee, and takes a practical interest in the welfare of the society, and no small share of credit for the wide popularity of the society is due to that excellent sportsman and popular president, J. H. Driver, Esq., whose excellent remarks at the judges' luncheon bore evidence of his own personal interest and of the attachment of the society membership to that gentleman. The quality of the exhibits all round was good, and competition keen. Special for best cage bird was well won by Mr. G. Biles, with a good coloured, large and well shown Canary-Bullfinch mule. Mr. F. T. L. Avis won spl. for best Canary with a rattling yell. Yorks., and Mr. G. Drowley won spl. for best Brit. with a fine Hawfinch. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged.

NOR (5): 1, sp, 3, Priest, two typical birds, well shown; 2, vhc, hc, Plowman, the former a good qual. buff. NOR. OR YORKS. HENS (5): 1, 2, vhc, Avis, 3 good upstanding Yorks, a very fine buff leading; 3, Edgington, also a neat Yorks. YORKS. CK. (9): 1, sp, 3, vhc, Avis, a topping yell. leading; 2, res, hc, Edgington, the former a very smart, quick-actioned yell., well on its legs; c, Miss Philcox. NOT. COL., A.V.: 1, sp, 2, vhc, Osborne, a very fine team; 3, Miss Philcox; res, c, Plowman; hc, Mav. MULES (6): 1, sp, best in show, 3, res, Biles, the leader a grand Can.-Bullfinch 2, Drowley. Linnet-Can., good col.; vhc, Priest; hc, Miss Philcox. NOV. A.V. (11): 1, sp, res, c, Thomas, leader a taking yell. Yorks.; 2, Miss Philcox; 3, vhc, hc, Dale. BULLFINCH (4): 1, 2, Woods, two bonny Finches, good col.; 3, Biles; res, Dale. GOLDFINCH (10): 1, sp, Miss H. G. May, a sweet little finch, clean cut, bright, good tannings and face; 2, res, Drowley, another pretty Finch; 3, Woods, loses on face; vhc, Osborne; hc, Dale; c, Drowley. A.O.S. HARDBILL (12): 1, sp, 2, hc, Drowley, the winner a really well mkd. Hawfinch, good bib and col., well defined; 2nd a good Greenfinch; 3, vhc, Woods; res, c, Osborne. NOV. A.V. BRIT. (6): 1, sp, 2, 3, res, Dale. FOR. (4): 1, res, Miss P. Philcox; 2, 3, Miss A. B. Ellis. CHILDREN'S PETS (11): 1, sp, Master A. Wilson; 2, vhc, Daborn; 3, Miss H. G. May; res, sp, hc, Miss Vera Smith; c, Miss K. Osborne.

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HOLYWOOD (Ireland).

Show held in the King Edward VII. Memorial Hall, Nov. 22 and 23. The hall is an ideal one for a cage bird show, being free from draughts, well lighted and heated with hot water pipes. The committee are a hard-working lot of fanciers, and deserve better support from exhibitors. The President, Mr. Hamilton, and the Hon. Treas., Mr. Hunter, could not have done more for the welfare of exhibits. The Sec., Mr. John Dunwoody, junr., is the ideal for this important office; always on the move, and courteous to all, he makes a capital worker. Mr. A. Wellings (Preston) judged, and his awards gave entire satisfaction.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY CK. (8): 1, 3, vhc, Dunlop, good length of side, well up on shoulders, nice head and neck, moves freely; 3rd, nervy, grand action, not the depth; 2, Gillespie, good one, nice reach and good shoulders; hc, c, Gillespie. HEN (1): 1, Gillespie, good shoulders and drive, lovely action. CREST (5): 1, 2, Bowman, two good ones, lovely qual., perfect radiation, nice even droop, leader better subs.; 3, vhc, hc, Leacock, fine subs. and quality, good top piece. C.B. (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Leacock, massive, almost green, grand head and broad entrance, capital feather, 2, 3, similar, nicely lashed, beaten subs.; hc, Mills; c, McAlister. NOR. CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Lavery, good size and col., rare type, wins well; 2, hc, c, Thompson, fine size and col., not so cobby as winner; 3, vhc, Stewart, nice one, grand round head, full eye, loses in body. BUFF (7): 1, Creighton, unlig., neat size, broad deep front, nice qual., well staged; 2, hc, Thompson, hardly the subs., better col. and lovely feather; 3, Foreman, plenty subs and col., not quite the qual. and type of leaders; vhc, Lavery; c, Carleton. CL. or TKD. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Alexander, good size, short flights and tail, might be fuller in neck; 2, Thompson, typical, nice head and eye, not much behind; 3, vhc, Stewart, good size and qual., worth its place; hc, Houston; c, Teasey. BUFF (8): 1, Teasey, grand size and qual., short cobby build, boxy feather, wins; 2, Stewart, another good one, typical and short feathered; 3, vhc, Thompson, nice size and subs., just beaten in qual.; hc, Lavery; c, Foreman. VAR. CK.: 1, Thompson, rare head, good subs. and qual., short wings and tail; 2, hc, Teasey, capital size and subs., good qual.; 3, Houston, good size and col., lacks qual.; vhc, Finlay; c, Lavery. HEN (8): 1, Finlay, grand size and qual., full head and neck, in good order; 2, Carleton, fine qual. and col., slightly pinched head; 3, c, Foreman, nice even col. feather, rather open; vhc, Stewart; hc, Creighton. YORKS, CINN.-MKD. CK. (6): 1, Tansey, lovely marked buff, often described, in the pink; 2, Dunwoody, good size and col., a wee bit flat in head; 3, Stewart, fine length and quality, good position; vhc, Montgomery; hc, J. Montgomery; No. 1, Keigh, not in time for judging. HEN (6): 1, Ryan, neat size, good qual., lovely position; 2, Keating, longer, lovely qual., just failed position; 3, Tansey, typical lady, but draws up too much, and shows thin in neck; vhc, Dunwoody; hc, Stewart; c, Montgomery. CL. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Birse, nice size, good col., some thought might have changed places with 2nd; 2, Ryan, nice length, good qual., straight and round as a pencil; 3, Fleming, small, but lovely qual. and col., bit unsteady; vhc, Keating; hc, Dunwoody. HEN (3): 1, Keogh, good one, grand position, nice long wings and tail; 2, Stewart, splendid length, lovely back and wings, just lacking in subs.; 3, Dunwoody, smaller, nice position, rather snaky in head. CL. BUFF CK. (8): 1, Keating, nice size, good position and qual.; 2, Tansey, sweet type, lovely qual. and position, straight as a dart; 3, Dunwoody, big one, just lacks the qual. and type of leaders; vhc, Keogh; hc, Montgomery; c, Fleming. HEN (6): 1, Ryan, fine length, good type and qual., lovely position; 2, Tansey, similar, nicely rounded, beaten size; 3, Fleming, lovely feather and position, hardly so well filled in as leaders; vhc, Gorman; hc, Dunwoody; c, Stewart. TKD., ETC., CK. (7): 1, Fleming, fine length and style, good col., bit open in front; 2, Ryan, shorter, lovely qual., nicely filled neck and head; 3, Keogh, position A1, capital col. and qual.; vhc, Stewart; hc, Dunwoody; c, E. Dunwoody. HEN (3): 1, Keating, grand one, nice size, lovely wings and tail; 2, 3, Dunwoody, two nice ones, good size, leader better position. NOV. YORKS., CL. YELL. CK. (3): 1, 2, Morgan, two nice ones, leader better qual.; 3, Miss Lyle, small, but nice type and col. HEN (4): 1, Power, long flights, piped tail, good qual. and col.; 2, Lawless, neat head, grand position, good col.; 3, Lattimore, boxy feather, nice typical lady; vhc, Henry. BUFF (4): 1, Henry, well on leg, typical, good wings and pipe tail; 2, Lattimore, neat round head, well filled neck, nice position; 3, Power, level col., nicely braced wings; vhc, Duff. HEN (3): 1, Lawless, rich col., long flights and piped tail; 2, Power, full of qual., neat head and front; 3, McKeon, well up on leg, long flights and tail. TKD., ETC. CK. (6): 1, Lawless, rich col., full of qual., good legs and head; 2, Lattimore, grand qual. and position, well drawn; 3, McKeon, nice type and position, good feather; vhc, McKeon; hc, Morgan. HEN (7): 1, Henry, slim and stylish, good length and lovely qual.; 2, 3, Morgan, 2nd, grand qual., close feather and good legs; 3rd, small but typical, good qual.; vhc, Lattimore; hc, Lawless; c, McKeon. CANARY MULE, LIGHT or VAR. (4): 1, Creighton, yell., lovely col., nicely mkd. on wings, should make a stunner next year; 2, Birse, var., good size, but lacks col. and condition of leader; 3, McKee, good one, non-fed, an easy first if colour-fed and staged nicely; vhc, Beattie. DARK (5): 1, 3, Birse, spanker, beautiful col. and size; 3rd, smaller, not so sound in col.; 2, Alexander, big Linnet Mule, good col., but loose in feather; vhc, Harris; hc, Beattie. A.O.V. HYB. (2): 1, Alexander, Goldie Bullie, good size, shows colour nicely; 2, Harris, beaten condition. GOLDFINCH (7): 1, Barclay, an old warrior, looking very fit; 2, Mulcahy, good bird, with a bit more size would take stopping; 3, Carleton, another sweet one, lacks condition of winners; vhc, Gillespie; hc, Henry; c, Harris. LINNET (7): 1, Mulcahy, splendid polish, shows whites well; 2, Creighton, big chubby bird, good back col., nicely pencilled, though not far enough down; 3, Mills, nice type, distinct pencilling, not the size; vhc, Carleton; hc, Harvey; c, Duff. BULLF. or SMALLER (13): 1, Mulcahy, grand breast col., good wings and back; 2, Reid, fine shape and size, good condition; 3, hc, Carleton, good body col., beaten size; vhc, Barclay; c, I. Reid. MEMB., NOR. CL. CK. (3): 1, Cole; 2, Cowan; 3, Hunter. HEN (3): 1, Hunter; 2, Cole; 3, Cowan. TKD., ETC., CK.: 1, Cowan, winner of the Mrs. Bruce silver cup, also McCammou Shekleton silver cup for best young Canary bred by a member; 2, Patty; 3, vhc, Cole; hc, Hunter. HEN: 1, Cowan. YORKS. CL. CK. (11): 1, J. Dunwoody, senr.; 2, Malcolm; 3, hc, Thos. Dunwoody; vhc, c, Cowan. HEN (4): 1, 2, Malcolm; 3, Dunwoody, senr.; vhc, Thos. Dunwoody. TKD., ETC., CK. (11): 1, 3, Hunter; 2, Malcolm; vhc, hc, Thos. Dunwoody, latter winner of Stephens' silver cup best young Yorkie bred by member. HEN (6): 1, 3, Malcolm leader wins special best Yorkie in members' classes, 2, Thos. Dunwoody; vhc, Hunter, hc, Cowan.

COVENTRY (Godiva).

Sixth annual exhibition, held Nov. 30th, at headquarters, The Chequers Hotel, Tilley Park Street. Although not large in numbers, a fine collection of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids and British birds were on view. The quality throughout was good, and the management by the following officials was all that could be desired: President, J. Busby; chairman, A. Howe; vice-chairman, E. Roycroft; auditors, Messrs. H. Mann and W. Butlin; show stewards, Messrs. R. Symonds, A. Wright, J. Blackshaw, J. Wills, H. Wright, J. Symonds, J. Ingram, A. J. Lucas, W. Clarke, H. Adkins, A. Payne, S. Follows, J. Houghton, W. Slaymaker, A. Green; treasurer, J. Busby; show manager, A. Howe; hon. sec., A. Saunders; assistant hon. sec., W. Rowley. Mr. H. W. Battye, Huddersfield, judged.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. or TKD. YELL. (6): 1, 2, Judd, variegd. of grand col. and qual., nice round head, compact wings and tail, followed by cl. yell. of a similar type, wins; 3, small, large thick-set bird with good head and neck, nice even col., rather rough, also minus several tail feathers; vhc, Thomas; hc, Wright; c, Spaun. BUFF (7): 1, sp, Thomas, large bird, very typical, grand col. and qual., good head and neck, looked a bit out of sorts when we saw it; 2, Judd, hardly so large, but of good type, nice feather, fails a bit in col. to winner; 3, W. Growdridge and Son, good col. and qual., fails in type to leaders; vhc, Rowley; hc, Willoughby; c, Slaymaker. HEN (7): 1, hc, Wright, cl. yell., good type, splendid col. and qual., nice even wings, neat tail; 2, Growdridge and Son, cl. buff, grand type, nice even col., good qual.; 3, Thomas, cl. yell., typical lady, good head and neck, nice even col., must have run close; vhc, Fennell; c, Follows. UNFLIG. YELL. (7): 1, Growdridge and Son, grand col. and qual., good head and neck; 2, Ramsden's sp, Wright, smaller bird, cl. yell., good qual. and col.; 3, Dormer variegd. yell., not so large, nice even col., good qual., the most typical of the three; vhc, Wright; hc, Ryeroft; c, Corrall. BUFF (7): 1, Houghton, good type, good head and neck, nice qual.; 2, Wright, mkd. eyes and wings, good col. and qual.; 3, vhc, Rowley, cl. buff, nice qual., good col., on the small side; hc, Royeroft; c, Leng. HEN (13): 1, Houghton, cl. yell., good qual., nice rich even col., neat wings and tail; 2, Judd, cl. buff, lovely col. and qual., nice neat head and neck, good wing carr.; 3, vhc, Thomas, good type and qual., nice size, also a cl. yell.; hc, Symonds and Son; c, Roycroft. NAT. COL. (6): 1, Barratt, variegd. buff, mkd. eyes, wings and cheeks, good type, nice wing carr., fair size; 2, Thomas, yell., mkd. eye and wings, good type, nice qual., good wing carr., well up in col. for natural; 3, Watts, cl. buff, good high colour for an unfed; vhc, Bott; hc, Wright; c, Roycroft. CINN. (5): 1, Baker, Jonque, good col., nice qual., good head and neck, neat wings; 2, 3, Dormer, large buff, good type and qual., nice rich col., followed by Jonque of grand col., typical specimen, with good head and neck, neat wings; vhc, hc, Saunders. UNFLIG. (5): 1, vhc, Dormer, large buff, good bold head and neck, lovely qual. of feather, nice even col.; 2, hc, Wright, Jonque, good col. and qual., nicely laced, good wing carr.; 3, Baker, nice type, good qual., hardly the col. YORKS. YELL. (10): 1, Dykes, cl. yell., grand col. and qual., neat wings and tail, nicely drawn, stands well; 2, Dicker, cl., grand qual., nice level back, good wings and tail, hardly the col. of winner; 3, Philpot, good col. and qual., nice pipe tail, crosses wings at times; vhc, Thomas; hc, Towers; c, Richardson. BUFF cancelled. UNFLIG. (13): 1, sp, hc, Thomas, grand col. and qual., nice level back, neat wings and tail; 2, Pass, cl. buff, nice col. and qual., carries wings badly; 3, Dykes, Cinn. mkd. yell., grand col. and qual., crosses wings, or might have gone up one; vhc, c, Richardson. HEN (11): 1, Thomas, tick yell., good col. and qual., nicely carried wings and tail, in A1 cond.; 2, Symonds and Son, cl. buff, very stylish, good length and wings; 3, Dykes, tick yell., nice col. and qual., good wing carr., bit open in tail; vhc, Dicker; hc, Gibbons; c, Spaun. CREST and C.B. cancelled. A.O.V. CAN. (7): 1, hc, Symonds and Son, yell. green Yorks., lovely qual., good length, fine style; 2, Dormer, Jonque Cinn. with foul tail, grand col., well laced, in splendid cond.; 3, Grooms, nice yell. green Yorks., but not the col. or qual. of winner; vhc, Follows; c, Roycroft. LIGHT MULE (5): 1, 2, vhc, Lawrance, mkd. slightly on head, Goldfinch-Can., and wing mkd. Linnet-Can., well-known, in rare form; 3, Gilbert, mkd. wings Goldfinch-Can., in good condition; hc, Durston. DARK (except Canary-Bullie) (8): 1, Poole, Jonque Goldfinch-Can., grand col. and qual., nicely marked, in fine cond.; 2, 3, hc, c, Lawrance, leader Cinn. Greenfinch-Can., nice feather, followed by Siskin-Can., grand col., nicely mkd.; vhc, Kitchener. HYB. (including Canary-Bullie) (5): 1, 2, 3, hc, Lawrance, a splendid team, well-known Canary-Bullie leading, a splendid team, well-known Canary-Bullie leading, followed by Greenie-Goldie and Chaffinch-Bramble-finch. GOLDFINCH (6): 1, hc, Lawrance, good square-cut blaze, rich col., nice wings and bars, in fine condition, wins; 2, Poole, good col., nice rich blaze, fails size to winner; 3, Turner, good col., nicely mkd., rather wild; vhc, Baseley; c, Follows. BULLFINCH (5): 1, vhc, Lawrance, large bold bird, good col., nice cap, very steady; 2, Poole, fair size, nice col., good cap, well shown; 3, Gilbert, rich col., good cap, hardly so large; hc, Durston. GREENFINCH: 1, 2, Lawrance, two large fine birds of grand col., well known and well staged; 3, Baseley, good size, nice feather, fails col. to winners; vhc, Poole; hc, Gilbert; c, Stubbs. BRAMBLEFINCH or CHAFFINCH (9): 1, Gilbert, Chaffinch, grand col., good size, nicely mkd., very steady; 2, 3, vhc, Lawrance, Bramblefinch and Chaffinch in order named, good col., nicely mkd., fails to winner; hc, Baseley; c, Burrows. LINNET, colour to winner; hc, Baseley; c, Burrows. LINNET, SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, 3, Gilbert, 1st, Twite, good size and col., wonderfully well mkd., followed by Siskin, nicely mkd., very pretty exhibit; 2, hc, Siskin, nicely mkd., very pretty exhibit; 2, hc, Lawrance, Linnet, nice rich col., good mkgs., very steady; vhc, Turner; c, Dormer. A.O.S. HARDBILL steady; vhc, Turner; c, Dormer. A.O.S. HARDBILL cancelled. A.V. SOFTBILL: 1, sp, 2, Williams, 1st, large, lovely Magpie, in superb cond., followed by Chough, rich lustrous feather, shown in pink of cond.; 3, Viggers, Thrush, nicely mkd., in good cond., hard lines to meet the former; vhc, Bull; hc, Garratt. FOR. and EXTRA STOCK Classes cancelled.

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HARROGATE.

Ninth annual open show held in the Carlton Rooms, Nov. 30. The room is an ideal one for the purpose, being lofty, free from draught, and well lighted. Mr. Barnswell, the hon. sec., had the birds staged to perfection. Every exhibit could be seen without lifting the cage, and we must give him praise for his attention to the exhibits and his kindness to the public at the show. The patron of the society is the Hon. Edward Wood, M.P.; patroness, Lady Dorothy Wood; president, H. Milling, esq.; vice-presidents, Messrs. W. Duncan, jun., H. Schwenk, W. H. Hamlyn, Rev. S. F. Dawson, Dr. M. A. Wilson, and W. Cross; and hon. treas., Mr. W. E. Fergusson. We must also give praise to the hard-working committee for their attention to the exhibits—Messrs. Robinson, Brown, Ireland, Walker, Cotton, Fergusson, Hamlyn, Leng. The morning was very cold, and many of the birds were feeling the effects of the keen frost, and were very hard to judge, and we are sure no one envied the judges' task of placing the cards. In the novice section some fine specimens were benched, J. Anderton winning two firsts, both birds being quickly claimed at catalogue price, viz., £3 3s. Mr. Walker won in unflighted class with a beauty, and in the hens Mr. Ireland won with a beautiful Buff, which was claimed at £5 7s. 6d. In the Mules and Hybrids Dr. Wilson came out on top with a splendid Linnet Bullie, which secured special for best bird shown by a member of the Harrogate Society. British were a grand lot, and for the best bird in show Mr. Bailey's yell. tick took the coveted prize card. Mr. W. Mundell (Bradford) judged.

The Critique.

YORKS CL. YELL. (11): 1, Bailey, good head, well on leg, beautiful wing carr., feathered like wax, rich level col., pos., A1; 2, Denby, rich col., good head, nice wings and piped tail, full of qual., nice pos., wants a little more time; 3, Priestley, wonderful length, rich col., good head, nice wing carr., piped tail, well on leg; 4, Grayshon, feathered like glass, neat head, level col., grand wing carr., piped tail, pos. A1, could do with being a shade longer; vhc, Ogden Bros., nice qual., good bird; hc, Morrison; c, March; No. 1, Thomas, absent. CL. BUFF (6): 1, Clegg, feathered like wax, lovely level col., grand head, fine in neck, nice back and waist, good wing carr., pos. A1; 2, Bailey, good head, nice wings and piped tail, full of qual., rich level col., well on leg; 3, Towers, very typical, good round head, lovely qual. of feather, rich level col., good wings and piped tail; 4, Grayshon, rare length, good head, well placed long flights, stands well up, pale in col., full of qual.; vhc, Brown and Son; No. 1, Thomas, absent. TKD. (7): 1, sp for best exhibit in show, Bailey, thigh tkd. yell., well on leg, long flights, well placed, piped tail, rich level col., feathered like wax; 2, 3, Dykes, 2nd Buff grizzled on head, lovely qual. of feather, grand wings and piped tail, well on leg, level col., pos. A1; 3rd, yell. thigh tkd., long flights and piped tail, boxey feather, rich level col., very stylish; 4, Towers, yell. thigh mkd., boxey feather, long flights and piped tail, well on leg, very typical, rich level col.; vhc, Grayshon; hc, Craven; c, Hall. VARIEG. (14): 1, Bailey, the noted Cinn. mkd. yell. (eyes and wings), blaze of colour, well on leg, boxey feather, good head, long flights, and piped tail, fine pos.; 2, Hall, Buff, cap on head, eyes and wing mkd., lovely qual. of feather, grand placed wings, piped tail, clean on breast, very typical, rich level col., well up on leg; 3, Ogden Bros., yell., eyes and wings mkd., stands well up on a pair of good legs, rich col., boxey feather, nice wings, piped tail, neat head, lacks in pos.; 4, Craven, eye and wing mkd. yell., lovely qual. of feather, rich col., good head, long flights, well braced to side, smart, pos. A1; vhc, Dykes, the old warrior, looking thick; hc, Morrison; c, Walker. UNFLIG. (14): 1, Dykes, cheek and wings mkd., neat round head, lovely wings and piped tail, pos. A1, full of qual., little bit off in col.; 2, Ogden Bros., buff, boxey feather, nice wings and tail, good head, rich col., feeling the effect of the cold; 3, Morrison, rich col., boxey feather, good head, well on leg, pair of grand wings, piped tail; 4, W. Brown, shade on the small side, lovely boxey feather, rich col., piped tail, nice wing carr., pos. A1; vhc, Walker; hc, Cattell; c, Broadley Bros. HEN YELL (7): 1, Bailey, cap on head, rich col., feathered like wax, grand wings and tail, well up legs, pos. A1, put down in the pink of cond.; 2, Dykes, tkd. on head, rich col., full of qual., neat round head, well placed wings, piped tail, pos. A1; 3, Craven, pos., full of qual., neat head, well braced wings, rich col., well on leg; 4, Priestley, rich col.; full of go, well on leg, pos. very stylish; vhc, Clegg; hc, Elsegood; c, Broodley Bros. BUFF (15): 1, Clegg, a gem, lovely head, rich col., feathered like a Java, grand wing carr., piped tail, pos. A1, and very steady; 2, Dykes, good head, full of qual., nice level col. throughout, well placed wing, piped tail, pos. A1; 3, Ogden Bros., cheek and wing mkd., lovely qual. of feather, neat round head, nicely placed wings, piped tail, pos.; 4, Bailey, wing tkd., lovely feather, grand wings and piped tail, neat round head, pos. A1, rich col., feeling the effects of the cold; vhc, Towers; hc, Craven; c, Hall. LIMIT CLASSES—NOV. A.V. YELL. (18): 1, Anderton, eye tkd., well up on leg, good head, nice wing carr., rich col., lovely feather, quickly claimed at £3 3s.; 2, Farnish, rich col., well on leg, grand wings and piped tail, pos. A1, full of qual.; 3, Fergusson, Cinn. mkd., rich col., rare length, piped tail, pos.; 4, Hamlyn, well on leg, long flights and tail, rich col., full of qual.; vhc, Head; hc, Ireland; c, Hudson. BUFF (13): 1, Anderton, good head and neck, rich col., full of qual., well up on leg, piped tail, claimed at catalogue price; 2, Fergusson, eye and wing mkd., shade stout, well up on leg, good head, full of qual., rich col., pos.; 3, Farnish, rather pale col., boxey feather, nice wings and piped tail, pos. A1; 4, Midgley, rich col., boxey feather, long flights and tail; vhc, hc, Gill; c, Walker. UNFLIG. (28): 1, 4, Walker, 1st Buff, lovely qual. of feather, rich col., neat round head, well braced wings, piped tail, pos. A1; 4th Buff, nice type and qual., long flights, piped tail, well up on leg; 2, Ireland, Buff, good head, long flights, well placed, piped tail, full of qual., nice level col. throughout; 3, Hamlyn, rich col., boxey feather, good head, well placed wings, fine pos.; vhc, Robinson; hc, Dyson; c, Cottam. HEN YELL. (21): 1, Robinson, grizz. root of tail, good head, rich col., full of qual., long flights, well placed, piped tail, pos. A1, wants a little more time in show cage; 2, Hamlyn, boxey feather, neat head, rich col., well up on leg, pos. A1, we liked; 3, Hawkins, good head, nice wings and piped tail, full of qual., rich col., pos. A1; 4, Anderton, rather pale col., full of qual., well up on leg, long flights and piped tail, pos.; vhc, hc, Walker; c, Fergusson. BUFF (20): 1, 4, Ireland, 1st a gem, lovely qual., grand wings, piped tail, well up on leg, claimed for £5 7s. 6d.; 4th very showy, rich col., full of qual., well up on leg, long flights, piped tail, pos.; 2, Lealman, boxey feather, good head, nice wing carr.; 3, vhc, Greenwood, lovely qual. of feather, good head, clean on chest, good legs, wings and tail position; hc, Veitch; c, Laughey. NOV. (5): 1, vhc, Hattersley, Buff, rich col., boxey feather, good head and chest, well filled in neck, short and cobby, very typical; 2, 3, Edwards, 2nd Green Crest, nice droop, good centre, plenty of feather; 3rd yell. Nor., rich col., boxey feather, good head, well filled in neck, short and cobby, very typical; 4, Mrs. W. Palmer, Buff, good head, boxey feather, rich col. MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, 2, 4, M. A. Wilson, 1st and spl for best bird shown by a member of the Harrogate Society, Linnet-Bullie, put down in the pink of cond.; 2, Goldie-Bullie, grand bird, feeling the effects of the cold; 4th Goldie-Bullie; 3, Inman, Goldie-Bullie, in the pink of cond., rare size, very steady; vhc, hc, Wiggins and Harrison. GOLDFINCH (9): 1, Inman, grand square blaze, bars and buttons, lovely sheen; 2, Edwards, nice blaze, bars and buttons, grand cond.; 3, M. A. Wilson, good square blaze, nice bars and buttons, good cond.; 4, Nelson, nice blaze, bars and buttons; vhc, Mrs. W. Palmer; hc, Fawcett; c, Lanc. BRIT. GREENIE OR BULLIE (11): 1, hc, M. A. Wilson, 1st Bullie, grand head, lovely col., good neck, and in the pink steady, shown in the pink of cond.; 2, 4, McVay, 2nd Greenie, good head, neck and chest, deep col., lovely sheen, grand cond., very steady; 4, Greenie, grand head, lovely col., good neck, and in the pink of cond.; 3 Inman, Bullie, good cap, grand rich col., lovely sheen, well put down; vhc, Wiggins and Harrison; c, Ralstrick. LINNET, ETC. (9): 1, Inman, Linnet, rich col., rare size, beautifully pencilled, very steady, in the pink of cond.; 2, 3, Lane; 2nd Redpoll, rich col., fine cond., very steady, nicely benched; 3rd Linnet, shade dark, nicely pencilled, lovely cond.; 4, hc, M. A. Wilson; 4th Twite, nice type, very steady, in the pink of cond.; vhc, Duxbury; c, Isherwood. A.O.S. BRIT. (11): 1, 2, M. A. Wilson, 1st lovely Waxwing in the pink of cond., a gem; 2nd, Nightingale, rare size, lovely cond.; 3, vhc, Hattersley, Blackcap, lovely cond., well shown; 4, Bescoby, Wagtail, nicely benched, cond. A1; hc, c, Lane; a fine class of Britishers. GIFT (11): 1, Gill; 2, c, Fergusson; 3, Ireland; 4, Walker; vhc, Robson; nc, Bielby.

WORKSOP.

2nd annual show, held Nov. 30th. The Town Hall, which is of good light, spacious, and lively situated, was the venue. President is H. V. Machin, Esq., J.P.; vice-president, Messrs. F. Wardle Smith, T. B. Dale, and C. A. Longbottom, a quartette of most generous officials. The committee consists of many well-known and highly esteemed fanciers, who, one and all, rendered capital assistance. The joint secretaries are Messrs. Hbt. Smith, W. Smith, and H. P. Sissons, a trio of excellent workers, and are great assets. The entry was a good one, improving on last year's number, also of far superior quality. Yorks. were a nice collection, Norwich fair, and British and For. good. Special for best in show (medal), also best Yorkie, went to Mr. T. Simpson. The former, with his noted six-pointed buff Goldie-Can., looking a picture. Best For., Mr. G. Gray; these prizes being presented by that well-known lady enthusiast, Miss Alderson. Other special winners were Messrs. T. Simpson, yell. Yorks., buff, 1912, and Nor. or Crest; A. Woodhead, Brit., with a very fine and grand coloured Hawfinch, and best fed Yorkie, Mr. G. H. Bryan, a novice exhibitor, with a red hot cl. buff. Judging was over in good time. Prize cards went up promptly, and management throughout A1. Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) judged, and his awards met with universal approval.

The Critique.

YORKS. YELL. (4): 1, 2, 3, Simpson, with a very smart team, lengthy and stylish cl., grand fed cl. of true pos., and a fine quality variey. of good stand and length, all put down in the pink; vhc, Blow. HEN (5): 1, Blow, mkd. wing and head, superb feather and col., straight as a rush; 2, 3, Sugden, variey. and cl. respectively, both of lovely feather and type, shade shorter; vhc, Fricker. BUFF (4): 1, 3, Simpson, both cl., leader a very promising unflig., latter of capital length and pos.; 2, Blow, another likely looking youngster, very close up, full of qual.; vhc, Hooton. HEN (4): 1, Blow, graceful thigh tkd., stands erect and of A1 feather; 2, Sugden, cl., typical and well clothed, pressed hard; 3, vhc, Hooton, cl. of good feather, admirable for stock purposes. UNFLIG. (5): 1, Simpson, most charming cl. yell., feathered to perfection, capital pos. and length; 2, Hooton, cl., slim, and upstanding, A1 feather, close up; 3, vhc, Sugden, tkd. eye, straight up, good length, bit rough on front; hc, Potts. NOR. (1): 1, Hooton, very bonny shaped cl., buff, superior feather, nice carr. HEN (2): 1, 2, Hooton, cl. yell., unflig. of capital merit and a good type and qual., cl. buff of neat carr. CREST: 1, Simpson, buff, cl. body D.C., heaps of feather, crest of lovely formation, good droop and centre. MULES (3): 1, Simpson, slashing buff six-pointed Goldie-Can., winner on many occasions, stands well away; 2, Blow, nice Goldie-Siskin, A1 col. and quality, nicely staged; 3, Lane, buff variey. Goldie-Can, shapely and of nice col. and bloom. BRIT. (4): 1, Woodhead, with a choice Hawfinch, good enough for most shows to win; 2, Fricker, smart Bullie, A1 breast col., well cut cap; 3, Hooton, Goldie of nice size and shape, neat face, bars, and buttons; vhc, Lane. FOR. (2): 1, Woodhead, Budgerigar, in best possible trim; 2, Haslam, not in perfect cond. LARGE (3): 1, Gray, Cockatoo, in full feather, greatly admired; 2, Simpson, Parrakect, looking a picture, found many friends; 3, Jarvis, Amazon, in very nice order. NOV. YORKS. (8): 1, 2, Bryan, lovely fed cl. buff, just beating his stable companion by col. only, also cl. buff; 3, Fricker, yell., thigh tkd., non-fed, good feather and stand; vhc, Potts. NOR. (3): 1, 2, Stainland, bull, mkd. head and cl. buff respectively, both of nice shape, feather, and col.; 3, King, cl. buff, A1 feather and nice shape, trifle smaller. BRIT.: 1, King, very nice Bullie.

BURY C.B.S.

Annual members' show held in Textile Hall, Nov. 30. Entries were not quite up to the average, there being less than 100 birds staged; but quality was all there. In fact, the best birds that have been staged at Bury for a number of years. Most of the winning birds have been figuring at leading shows this season, viz., at Burnley, Warrington, Rochdale, etc. Mr. R. Barrass (Rochdale) placed the cards, and his decisions seemed to give unanimous satisfaction. He was favoured with a very nice bright day and one of the best rooms that could be obtained for such an occasion. Everything went well. The show was financially a success, and we are hoping to go something better, as our members are a go-ahead and reliable lot of fanciers.—H. Jameson, sec. and treas.

From the catalogue received we gather that the principal winners were:—YORKS: Messrs. Crossley, Brooks, Howarth. NOR.: Armstead, Wilson, Brooks, Gorton. CRESTS: Armstead, Gorton, Jameson. C.B.: Gorton Armstead. MULES: Wilson, Brough. BRIT.: Crosby.—Ed.

MUSSELBURGH.

First open fixture of this Society, held Nov. 30. Entries numbered 500, which was considered very satisfactory for a first venture, and some noted winners met to do battle for premier honours. Norwich led the way, and quality was of a high order. Special for best was secured by Mr. James Sneaton with a clinking buff hen. In Borders the classes were well filled; judge, Mr. Arnott. The B.F.C. medal was won by Mr. Wm. Munro with a yellow cock, a very stylish exhibit, but somewhat lengthy for a true Border in the opinion of some. The British section contained the cream of this season's winners; the lovely Redstart belonging to Mr. E. Taylor, of Glasgow, secured the special for best, and right well it deserved it, being staged in faultless order. The "Evans" Trophy for best insectivorous bird shown by a member residing within a six-mile radius was won by Mr. John Sykes' Nightingale. The hall in which the show was held is not just an ideal place for a cage bird show; the gallery somewhat obstructs the light along one side, but we were informed that the venue was to be changed next year to a hall of more commodious construction. The officials one and all worked with might and main to make the show in every way a success. The President, Mr. A. Moffat, worked like a Trojan, as did the Treasurer, Mr. C. Watt. The popular Secretary, Mr. Wm. Nisbet, was a hard-working official who did not spare himself in ensuring the proper working of every detail. We hope to hear that the Society's first open venture has turned out a financial success. The judges were: Norwich, Mr. John M'Lay, Kirkintilloch; Borders, Mr. Thomas Arnott, Kirkcaldy; and British, etc., Mr. Robert Bald, Bathgate.

The Critique.

NOR., CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (6): 1, 3, Smeaton, leader great size and substance, hot col., grand wings; 3rd, rare one for size and shape, capital head and frontal; 2, Mitchell, clinker for type and qual., A1 col. and condition, grand short wings; 4, Watt; 5, Craig; 6, Nisbet. BUFF (9): 1, sp, Fleming, sweet shape and subs., nice silky feather, real topper; 2, Gibson, falls in size to winner, but very cobby shape, clean cut, not a feather out of place; 3, Mitchell, good head and neck, capital front and wings, nicely mealed; 4, Grewar; 5, Hogg; 6, Moffat. YELL. HEN. (7): 1, Fleming, grand cobby shape, neat head, good back, nice quality feather; 2, Smeaton, close up, rare substance and shape, warm col.; 3, spl, Gardiner, grand chest, finely rounded head, grand quality feather, must have pressed; 4, Moffat; 5, Harris; 6, Nisbet. BUFF (9): 1, sp, Smeaton, grand cobby shape, short and thick-set, nice col. and qual.; 2, Grewar, fine subs. and shape, grandly rounded on chest and back, well placed; 3, Fleming, wing mkd., clinker for size and shape, clean cut, A1 qual.; 4, Smeaton; 5, Gardiner; 6, Burns. VAR. CK. (10): 1, Smeaton, head, neck and wing mkd. buff, grand frontal, rare head and neck, good quality; 2, Fleming, yell, foul on head, grand col. and qual., very shapely, fine short wings; 3, Harper, heavy variey., short and thick-set, neat head, rich colour and quality; 4, Gardiner; 5, Stevens; 6, Harris. HEN (7): 1, Gardiner, heavy variey., clinker for size and substance, very neat head and front, A1 qual.; 2, Grewar, rare size and subs., good head and chest, capital back and wings; 3, Fleming, yell. variey., full of col., rare cobby shape, plenty of substance, neat wings; 4, Harris; 5, Mitchell; 6, Gibson. UNFLIG. CK. (7): 1, spl, Stevens, gem for size and shape, good head, chest, nice qual.; 2, 3, Nelson, 2nd, mkd. left wing, rare frontal, good substance, capital qual. feather; 3rd, beaten in head, cobby shaped body, A1 col. and qual.; 4, Moffat; 5, Davidson; 6, Watt. HEN (12): 1, sp, Smeaton, slashing cl. yell., full of col., rare shape and subs., grand wings; 2, Harris, eye and wing mkd. buff, good chest and head, rich colour, well braced wings; 3, sp, Thomson, plenty of subs., gem for size and shape, clean cut, fine quality feather; 4, sp, Smeaton; 5, Nelson; 6, Skinner. NON-FED CK. (7): 1, sp, Fleming, head, eye and wing mkd. buff, great substance, clean cut away, grand short wings and tail; 2, Smeaton, clinking yell., good chest and head, grandly rounded front, A1 shape; 3, Burns, slashing green, massive substance, rare shaped body, teeming with qual.; 4, Skinner; 5, 6, Reid. HEN (8): 1, Craig, gem for size and shape, rare chest, capital wings, a bit soft when taking notes; 2, Grewer, green, grand shapely bird, fine head and neck, good quality feather; 3, sp, Mitchell, grand shape and subs., rare model, must have pressed; 4, Harris; 5, Moffat; 6, A. Moffat. NOV. (19): 1, Brash, grand cobby shape, great substance, fine frontal and wings; 2, Watt, hot fed yell., gem for size and shape, A1 qual., close up; 3, Harper, neat and typical, finely rounded head and front, rare short wings; 4, Wilson; 5, Lind; 6, Harper. BORD., CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (13): 1, two sps. and B.F.C.C. medal, Munro, finely rounded head and front, fine neck, a shade on the long side to our liking; 2, Peters, neat head, capital front and wings, fine weight; 3, Smart, gem for type and qual., good head, lovely col., well known winner; 4, Hutchinson; 5, Wood; 6, Davidson. BUFF (18): 1, McKenzie, capital shape, lovely head and front, well packed wings and tail; 2, Anderson, similar to leader, fails only in col., very neat; 3, Bennet, good one, sweetly moulded body, fine qual. and taper; 4, Munro; 5, Halliday; 6, Hutchison. YELL. HEN (18): 1, sp, Bennet, little gem, splendid body shape, staged in rattling condition (we made out best Border in section); 2, Hutchison, well rounded head and front, A1 wings and tail, beaten feather; 3, Peters, neat head and neck, lovely quality and condition, rare taper, presses hard on first; 4, Munro; 5, Wood; 6, Johnston. BUFF (22): 1, Hutchison, very flat on head and thin in front, fails type, could have been better staged; 2, McKenzie, better head, very guttered on back, soiled; 3, Anderson, grand type and qual., neat head, nice shape, lovely taper, warm in col.; 4, Peters; 5, Young; 6, Hamilton. (We could not follow the judge in this class, some good birds being left out which could have won easily.) EVEN MKD. (6): 1, sp., Bennet, grandly balanced mkgs., col. and qual., 2, Smith, similar markings to leader, rare type, soft when taking notes; 3, Arnott, yell., equal in marks to winner, lovely type and quality, well put down; 4, Pearson; 5, Briggs. UNEVEN CK. (15): 1, Henderson, wing mkd. buff, looks like Buckhaven winner, lovely wing and tail carr., in fine bloom; 2, Hutchison, mkd. head and wing, neat and typical, good head and front, nice taper; 3, Young, eye and wing mkd., gem for type and qual., in rare bloom; 4, 5, Arnott; 6, Bennet. HEN (16): 1, Hutchison, eye and wing mkd. buff, grand type, lovely qual. and col., neat wings and tail; 3, Lambie, eye and wing mkd. Cinn., sweet shape and qual., well rounded head and front, must have pressed; 4, Nairn; 5, Burnie; 6, Pearson. GRN. or CINN. CK. (7): 1, sp, Lambie, good type, nice tone of col. and markings, bit faulty in wing carriage, a few feathers missing from left wing; 2, Munro, typical, pure in col., grandly laced; 3, Lambie, clinking Cinn., grand colour and quality, best of type, fine texture of feather; 4, Bennet; 5, Arnott; 6, Pearson. BUFF OR CINN. HEN (7): 1, Lambie, buff Cinn. leading, nice tone of col., fine type and qual.; 2, Fisher, buff green, clinker for col. and markings, well placed; 3, sp, Pearson, grand dense col., neatly laced, good head and tail; 4, Baxter; 5, Carruthers; 6, Nisbet. NOV. (28): 1, Young, fine stamp, good head and front, very neat; 2, Duncan, topper of a yell. green, best of type and lacing, might have won; 3, Grubb, neat head and front, well rounded body, A1 wing and tail carr.; 4, Purvis; 5, Douglas; 6, Little. CL., ETC., MULE or HYB. (8): 1, 4, 5, Jamieson, noted cl. Goldie leading, capital size, in lovely order; 2, Bell, clinking Goldie-Bullie, grand size and col., fine bloom; 3, Mitchell, we could not find; 6, Barclay. DK. GOLD. or LIN. MULE (7): 1, 2, 3, Jamieson, slashing buff Goldie Mule leading, immense size, fine flush face, shown in the pink; 2nd, Linnet Mule, grand size and substance, A1 col.; 3rd, falls in size only to winners, nice markings; 4, Hogg; 5, Carson; 6, Harrower. A.O.V. MULE (5): 1, Craig, clinking yell. Greenie, grand substance and colour, in rare bloom; 2, Bell, lovely variey. Goldie Mule, fine size and shape, shown well; 3, Jamieson, Greenie Mule, falls substance to winner, in capital condition; 4, Carson; 5, Weir. GOLDF. (9): 1, Nicolson, well-known winner, immense blaze of grand col., rich tannings, fine wing bars; 2, Sykes, not the face of winner, grand size, lovely tannings, splendid wing bars and moonings; 3, Hardie, grand size, dense square-cut blaze, good nap and buttons; 4, sp, Brown; 5, M'Intosh; 6, Reid. BULLF. (7): 1, Small, grand dense cap, rattling breast col., nice wing bars; 2, Sykes, capital shape, good crimson breast, rare cap and bars; 3, Jamieson, fails breast col., nice size and substance; 4, Bell; 5, Laidlaw; 6, Lees. GREENF. (11): 1, Messer, great size, substance and col., grand wing bars, rare bloom; 2, Stuart and Dalling, grand chest, capital shape, good grassy green col.; 3, Sykes, clinker for size and col., A1 subs., rare bloom; 4, Craig; 5, Laird and Matthews; 6, M'Kinlay. LINNET, H.M. (9): 1, Nicolson, grand nutty brown col., fine big head, capital breast marking; 2, Craft, lovely tone of col., excels in breast markings, fine upstanding bird, must have pressed; 3, M'Kinlay, deeper tone of col., profuse in breast markings, nice whites, on the small side; 4, Tucker; 5, Colbron; 6, Brown. F.M. (8): 1, 2, M'Kinlay, clinking pair, leader excels in size and col., faint breast markings; 2nd, good size and shape, grandly laced on breast; 3, Hoyle, all there for size and lacings, shade open in breast; 4, Reid; 5, Stirling; 6, Cannon. REDPOLL (8): 1, Boelem, grand big Mealy, nice col. and lacing, might have been better staged; 2, Messer, nice bib, clinker for markings and col., close up; 3, Bell, another good one, well up in size, grand bloom, well shown; 4, Galloway; 5, Sykes; 6, Nisbet. SISKIN or TWITE (7): 1, sp, 2, Sykes, dense coloured Twite leading, grand markings, shown in the pink; 2nd, capital fed Siskin, small bib, nice flank markings; 3, Steele, real good Twite, fine tone of col., rare polish; 4, Nicolson; 5, Laird and Matthews; 6, Small. BRAMBLE or CHAFFIE (6): 1, sp, 2, 4, 5, Sykes, well-known Bramble leading, immense size and col., excels in spangle; 2nd, slashing big Chaffie, rare breast col., grand whites, rare bloom; 3, Stuart and Dalling, another clinking Chaffie for size, paler in breast col., nice head; 6, Reid. A.S. BUNTING (6): 1, Nicolson, grandly mkd. Corn, romping size and col.; 2, Sykes, Meadow, beauty for col. and markings; 3, Fraser, small sized Corn, shown in faultless order; 4, Galloway; 5, Baxter; 6, Russell. SOFTBILL, SMALL (6): 1, sp, 2, Taylor, bonny Redstart, shown in the pink, takes sp. for best British; 2nd, capital Dartford Warbler, A1 col. and condition, very interesting exhibit; 3, Sykes, lovely Nightingale, takes Evans' Trophy, confined to Burgh; 4, Russell; 5, Steel; 6, Arnott. This class was very interesting, other exhibits being Bearded Reedling, Lesser Whitethroat and Blackstart. LARGE (4): 1, Sykes, grand coloured Missel Thrush, lovely markings, rare bloom; 2, Anderson, another Missel, great size, finely marked, wants back claw on left foot; 3, Reid, clinking Blackbird, dense colour, grand polish; 4, Wilson. A.O.S. (5): 1, 2, 3, 4, Sykes, all Hawfinches, old champion leading, followed by three of equal merit, shown in grand plumage. BRIT. BREEDING HEN (11): 1, Stuart and Dalling, clinking Bullie, grand dense cap, nice wing bars; 2, Taylor, Bramble, fine size and col., nice bloom; 3, Laird and Matthew, grand shaped Bullie, lovely head and col.; 4, Sykes; 5, Craft; 6, Boslem. FOR. GOLDIE or BULLIE (11): 1, Howie, old face, as fresh as ever, big square cut blaze of rich col., grand tannings, fine wing bars; 2, Wilson, Bullie, excelling in breast col., grand dense cap, rare size and shape; 3, Nicolson, rattling good Goldie, fails only in tannings to winner, lovely polish; 4, Smith; 5, Stevenson; 6, Stuart and Dalling. SMALL FOR. (9): 1, 3, Sykes, lovely plumaged Superb Tanager leading, shown in faultless condition; 3rd, Blue-fronted Fruitsucker, not a feather out of place; 2, Arnott, Tri-colour Tanager, brilliant colours and polish, nicely staged; 4, 5, Arnott; 6, Tomlinson. LARGE (2): 1, Sykes, Glossy Starling, in grand plumage, lovely sheen; 2, Hood, nice Parrot.

ECCLES C.B.S.

Table show held Nov. 27, at headquarters, when 44 birds were staged. Mr. Clowe judged and gave every satisfaction. The principal winners were:—Messrs. Dawson, Yorks; Messrs. Peters and Astley, Nor.; Messrs. Tims, Jones, Astley, Peters, and Barlow, Brit. A vote of thanks was given to the judge.—D. T. Monks, sec. pro. tem.

TRANENT.

Annual show held Nov. 30 in Sinclair's Hall. Mr. Carson (East Houses) judged, and his awards were well received. Cup for most points in Scotch Fancy classes went to Mr. G. Gordon (Macmerry) and cup for most points in Border Fancy classes to Mr. J. Wood (Newtown). Everything passed off in first-class style, great credit being due to the hon. sec., Mr. McNeill.

SCOTCH YELL. OR FOUL: 1, Livingstone. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Gordon; 3, Thomson; 4, Paterson; 5, Scott. HEN (6): 1, 2, spl, Gordon; 3, Livingstone; 4, Thomson; 5, Paterson; 6, Wilson. PIEBALD OR GREEN (6): 1, 3, Gordon; 2, Paterson; 4, Johnstone; 5, Scott; 6, Paterson. HEN (7): 1, Livingstone; 2, 3, 5, Gordon; 4, Scott; 6, Johnstone; 7, Thomson. BORD. CL. (7): 1, spl, 2, Wood; 3, 5, C. Barrie; 4, 7, spl, Fairgrieve; 6, Johnstone. HEN (7): 1, 4, Wood; 2, Barrie; 3, Fairgrieve; 5, Gordon; 6, Thomson; 7, Johnstone. EVEN OR VAR. (6): 1, C. Barrie; 2, Wood; 3, 5, Baird; 4, Fairgrieve; 6, no name. GREEN OR CINN. (6): 1, Wood; 2, Fairgrieve; 3, 4, spl, Grant; 5, Barrie; 6, Johnstone. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Grant; 2, Johnstone; 3, Wardrobe; 4, Wood; 5, no name. BULLFINCH (5): 1, Wardrobe; 2, 3, Gordon; 4, Johnstone; 5, Barrie. A.O.S. BRIT. (7): 1, spl, 5, J. Barrie; 2, spl, Grant; 3, Wardrobe; 4, Wood; 6, 7, Fairgrieve.

SALE.

Sixth annual show, held Nov. 29th and 30th in the Technical School, a very light and spacious place, and just suitable for a good show. A fine list of special prizes were offered. There was a magnificent entry of over 700, more than double last year's entry. The officials and committee were highly delighted, and they did all in their power to make the show a success; the birds were receiving every care and attention. President, Mr. Philip Smith, chairman, Mr. G. Dunkley, and the show committee, Messrs. G. Alcock, T. Critchley, W. Cook, J. Gray, and W. Robinson; hon. sec., Mr. A. Royle; assist. hon. sec. and treas., Mr. C. Wood. All worked like a machine, and especial praise is due to the untiring efforts of Mr. Royle and Mr. C. Wood for the prompt manner in which they got through their work. It was a stiff task for both Mr. A. G. Davis and Mr. Chas. Houlton, who judged, Mr. Davis taking Norwich, Yorks., and selling, and Mr. Houlton the remainder. The sudden bite of extreme cold weather caused plenty of the birds to get their backs up, and made it the more difficult to see all the good points in them. As we heard very few remarks on the judging, it appeared generally satisfactory. We saw a magnificent team of Borders, which gained most points in the show, and won the President's Challenge cup for that redoubtable Border Fancy King, Mr. Bayley, of Altrincham. In the unavoidable absence of the chairman, Mr. G. Dunkley, Mr. Councillor McBeath, in a few very choice words, congratulated Mr. Bayley on this year winning the cup, and presented it to him, remarking that it gave him extreme pleasure to do so, particularly that Mr. Bayley was practically a local exhibitor. He sympathised with Mr. J. M. Walsh, who had held the cup for two years, but said it was good and healthy for competition that the cup should change hands at times. Mr. Bayley very suitably and modestly replied, remarking that he had spent much time and care to bring his team to the standard of excellence to gain the cup. There was a large attendance. It was regrettable that the printer of the catalogue only supplied the same late on Saturday afternoon. The officials worked hard at once, and got all off by post immediately on reception from the printer. Everything else passed of A1. The principal special winners were: G. Pike, R. P. Bixter, W. Bayley, Schofield and Addison, Hudson, Parlett, Mrs. Harrison, J. M. Walsh, Morgan, Middleton, Hallworth, Whitney, Gray, and for Sandiford's, E. Astley.

Mr. Davis's Classes.

YORKS., YELL. CK. (16): 1, Pike, big long cl., fine stand, and rare position and car., neat, and clean through; 2, Mrs. Gray, fine type, variegated in feather, under a little; 3, vhc, Dooley, finely drawn, well up, beaten a little in wing car.; 4, he, Broughton, very good all over, a cl.; c, Slater. BUFFS (13): 1, Pike, cl., slim as a pencil, A1; 2, Broughton, slim and stylish, bit flat on head; 3, Knowles, finely drawn, smart trim, grand bird; 4, Atkinson, very breedy, good stand, etc.; vhc, Hirst; hc, Dooley; G, Ramsden. YELL. HENS (8): 1, Knowles, cl., all out a typical bird; 2, 3, Pike, 2nd, a bit soft; 3rd, much tighter condition on Saturday; 4, Bain, grand stylish bird, bit soiled; hc, Johnson; c, Atkinson. BUFF (9): 1, Knowles, very silky feather, lovely shape, style, and carriage; 2, Pike, tick cheek, pale, fine position, etc.; 3, Dooley, A1 qual. and condition, fine col. and good carr.; 4, Hirst, long, neatly drawn out, fine position and condition; vhc, Slater; hc, Bain; c, Gray. UNFLTD. (9): 1, Potts, grand cl. buff, a good one all over; 2, Pike, lovely variegated yell. in grand order, neat and clean, and fine position; 3, Broughton, cl. yell., grand col., good shape, well rounded, and nice position; 4, Atkinson, finely drawn, cl. buff, rare carr., style, and condition; vhc, Barlow; hc, Slater; c, Harrison and Rogers. GREEN, CK. (5): 1, Hickson, bit light under, and somewhat rough feather, nice col. above; 2, vhc, Simpson, fine self, deep level col., fine type; 3, 4, Butterworth, 3rd, much like 2nd; 4th, large bird, paler col., nice type. HENS (5): 1, 3, Simpson, a pair of good birds, even col. and fine type, etc.; 2, 4, Butterworth, good big one; 4th, thicker type, nice col.; vhc, Hickson. NOR., CK. (9): 1, 2, sp, Bixter, a grand cl. and a variegated, lovely type, col., qual., and condition all these; 3, Barlow, very typical cl., good col., head, and feather; 4, hc, Raynes, very nice cl., grand shape, col., ear., and condition; a real good one; vhc, Turner; c, Grey. BUFF, CK. (9): 1, c, Critchley, very neat type, nice soft mealy bloom and condition good; 2, Harrison, variegated, tick on eye and left wing, rare shape, very fine feather and condition; 3, Bixter, grand cl., heavy body, lovely qual. and bloom; 4, Field Bros., cl., bit heavy feather at sides; vhc, Nelson; hc, Raynes. YELL., HENS (7), 1, vhc, Critchley, variegated, grand shape, carr., feather, and condition; 2, Cook, good type, cl., bit softer in condition; 3, Grey, tick on head, a good one for shape, carr., and condition; 4, Field Bros., grand chest, smaller, but flatter on head; hc, Harrison; c, Raynes; Mr. Hirst unfortunately caged a grand yell. unflg. cock in the wrong cage, and so lost a good chance of being in the money in the next class. UNFLIG. (6): 1, 2, Parlett, really nice cl. yell. leads; 2nd, a bouncing cobby buff, full of bloom, but was crossing wings when we saw it; 3, Grey, good, but smaller yell.; 4, Hirst, varieg. buff, small, but lovely silky feather and condition. NOR. GREEN, CK. (6): 1, Dyer, foul tail, nice type, good col., etc.; 2, Harrison, deeper, lever sound col., good size and type, dark points and condition; 3, Raynes, bit longer, nice col., etc.; 4, vhc, hc, Jones, 4th, large, well-set type, bit too much light varieg. in breast and body for Green purposes. AMAT., YORKS., YELL., CL. (10): 1, Self, very neat and stylish; 2, Potts, nice bird, but looking bit soft; 3, Hallworth, tighter, the weather was affecting some much more than others; 4, Robinson, looking grand, all out; vhc, Humphries; hc, Downing; c, Higham. BUFF (13): 1, Schofield and Addison, wins a special, very grand and stylish; 2, Wharton; 3, Harrison and Rogers; 4, Appleton; all three tight as a drum; vhc, Taylor; hc, Hallworth; c, Parr. TICK. YELL., CK. (13): 1, Self, very grand variegated, neat shape, well on leg, rare position; 2, Wilson, A1 col., nice type, good position, wee bit soft with cold weather; 3, Dalton, variegated, clean and nicely drawn, good style; 4, Hallworth; nice typical cl., inclined to fork tail a little; vhc, Wharton; hc, Taylor; c, Downey. BUFF VARIEG., CK. (11): 1, vhc, Hallworth, a special winner, really lovely cl.; 2, Evans, variegated, very fine all over it; 3, Tansey, cl., bit thicker, nice condition; 4, Wilson, tick neck, grand Yorks.; hc, Potts; c, Hadfield. YELL. HENS (10): 1, c, Smith, very finely-drawn typical cl., A1 condition; 2, Tansey, marked eyes and wings, nice style and carr.; 3, Evans, rare colour, etc.; 4, Cookson, cl., bit flatter on head; vhc, Jones; hc, Hawkins. BUFF (12): 1, Evans, tick cheek, very silky, nice type and position, good carr.; 2, Wilson, tick wing, well up to first in all-round qualities; 3, Wharton, tick on head, beaten in wing carr.; 4, Hadfield, shorter, grand qual., and A1 condition; vhc, Jones; hc, Hallworth; c, Jackson. NOR., CL. YELL., CK. (5): 1, Rowbotham, good type and condition, nice qual.; 2, Whalley, very cobby type, nice condition; 3, Smith and Son, larger and thinner type; 4, Hudson, plenty substance, etc. BUFF (12): 1, Furness, really good type, bloom, and condition A1; 2, Dunkley, good big one, nice feather; 3, Astley, smaller, good type and condition; 4, Oldham, nice broad head, beaten body; vhc, Peters; hc, Bonsall; c, Crawshaw. TICKED (14): 1, Hudson, ticked cars, grand bird all over, A1 qual.; 2, Chilton, variegated, fine col., feather, shape, size, and condition; 3, Summerton, variegated, pinched head, grand col. and feather; 4, Whalley, variegated, A1 col., shape, and condition; vhc, Bonsall; hc, Greaves; c, Crawshaw. YELL. HENS (17): 1, Woods, cl., nice substance, good car. and feather; 2, Hudson, cl., nice col., good condition; 3, Astley, dark tail and behind eyes, nice col. and type; 4, Rhodes, heavy variegated; vhc, Buckley; hc, Thomson; c, Furness. BUFF (8): 1, Crawshaw, small variegated, cobby, pale; 2, vhc, Hudson, thick-set type, grand col. and bloom; 3, Astley, cl., grand qual.; 4, Whalley, longer, beaten in wings; hc, Rowbotham; c, Fearnett. UNFLIG. (11): 1, 3, Peters, cobby, cl., A1 condition; 3rd, cl., good shape, bit soiled; 2, McAndrews, tkd. eyes and wings, good shape, etc.; 4, Chaloner, good type; vhc, Buckley; hc, Astley; c, Warburton. BUFFS (18): 1, Buckley, tick head, pale, and bit loose in feather; 2, Rowbotham, variegated neck and eyes, lovely type and qual., very grand condition, splendid col.; 3, Hayward, head mkd., type and condition good; 4, Woods, pretty type and lovely bloom; vhc, Whalley; hc, Summerton; c, McAndrews.

Mr. Houlton's Classes.

BORD. CL., ETC., CK. (11): 1, 3, vhc, Bayley, 1st, cl., very smart type, jaunty carr., neat, and lovely tight condition; 3rd, tkd. wing, full of good level col. and condition; 2, Mrs. T. Harrison, cl., grand body shape, and runs very close for 1st; 4, Drinkwater, shorter and little stouter, grand car. and condition; hc, c, Rea. BUFFS (12): 1, 2, 3, Bayley, very smart trio for type and other qualities, splendid condition; 4, Rea, nice type, jaunty carr., beaten in tail a little; vhc, Harrison; hc, Royle; c, Short and Backhouse. YELL. HENS (7): 1, 3, vhc, Bayley, another splendid conditioned trio, 1st cl., most typical in all respects; 2, Mrs. Harrison, shade smaller, all else equal, a gem; 4, Royle, tick on body under right wing, type all there; hc, Herring; c, Metcalfe. BUFF (15): 1, 2, c, Bayley, a cl. and a tkd. neck leader, just big enough, but very grand type, carr., and A1 condition; 3, Drinkwater, cl., thicker-set type, grand carr. and condition; 4, Jackson, tkd. head, best of shape and qual.; vhc, Harrison; hc, Loug. VARIEG., A.V. (11): 1, 2, Bayley, 1st, sp. best Border in show, most perfect and typical in all respects to-day, yell.; 2nd a buff, equally good in type and condition; 3, vhc, Beckhouse, eye and wing mkd. yell., grand level col., qual., and condition; 4, hc, c, Royle, variegated buff and a wing mkd., both good birds for type, carr., and condition; vhc, Short and Beckhouse. GR., CK. (14): 1, Mrs. T. Harrison, most typical yell. grn., very slightly tkd. on head, wins sp., a gem for good sound level col., carr., and condition; 2, vhc, hc, Bayley, pretty self buff 2nd, grand bird, level soft tone of sound col., and type and condition, all there; 3, c, Middleton, self. yell., fine level col., qual., shape and condition; 4, Vernon, self buff, very good bird. GREEN, HENS (15): 1, 2, vhc, Bayley, pretty team, leader gem for col., markings, shape, and tight feather; 3, Drinkwater, very neat self. yell., carr. fine; 4, Clare, foul buff, nice type and good tone, of even col.; hc, Middleton; c, Nelson. BORD. CINN., CK. (7): 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, Middleton, sweeping team, leader very grand buff, wins two or three spls., and right well deserve them; hc, Greenwood. HENS (7), nice lot: 1, 2, 4, Middleton; 1st, a gem of a yell., and 2nd, grand buff, all in fine trim; 3, Parker, good yell., fine condition, good col.; vhc, Drinkwater; hc, Hampson; c, Wood. GOLDFINCH (18): 1, Hurst, rare blaze, clean cut, fine body tan, good moons and bars, in tight condition; 2, Pitchford and Stocker, dark legs, fine blaze and body col., good moons and bars, nice condition, and steady, smaller blaze than 1st; 3, Dyer, smaller, nice face, moons, bars, and tan, nice glossy condition; 4, J. M. Walsh, big face, thick body, clear beak, bit loose in feather under; vhc, Parlett; hc, Holt; c, Walsh, all smaller, but nice cols. GREENFINCH (12): 1, Parlett, fine bold bird, very fine level feather, good sound col. all through; 2, Harrison, very rich col., sound feather and condition, runs very close up; 3, Brade, very rich yell., narrower body, A1 condition; 4, Hirst, fine big buff in A1 form; vhc, Gray; hc, Jones; c, J. M. Walsh. BULLFINCH (6): 1, Morgan, grand cobby, typical, broad deep cap, splendid breast col., level condition, pretty back col., and good wing bars; 2, Parlett, very good type, paler in breast, but grand cap, bars and condition; 3, Lomas, nice body and col., narrower head; 4, J. R. Harrison, fine head and cobby type, paler in breast, nice condition; vhc, J. O. Harrison; hc, Raine and Bown. BRAMBLE, ETC. (11): 1, Fairhurst, well-known winning Bramble, often described; 2, Barnes, nice Chaffinch, good breast col., nice head, medium size; 3, vhc, Parlett, Bramble 3rd, only beaten in spectacle lightness about eyes; 4, J. M. Walsh, Chaffinch, nice condition; hc, Dunkley; c, Slack. LINNET, F.M. (20), really grand lot: 1, Brade, very fine bird, extra good size, shape, col., markings, and condition; 2, Washbourne, splendid size, fine rich deep breast col., good markings and condition; 3, Smith, thick-set, full of markings, good stamp to moult; 4, Pitchford and Stocker, well set up, good col., markings, and condition; vhc, Whitney and Son; hc, Fairhurst; c, Cockerill. LINNET, H.M. (19): 1, 2, Parlett, fine head, well set, good cone body, good markings, nice col., glossy condition; 2nd, rare col. and markings, beaten in head and show position; 3, Johnson, fine well-set type, grand markings and condition; 4, Alcock, equally good in most points; vhc, hc, Walsh; c, Fairhurst. LESSER REDPOLL (13): 1, Whitney, very nice rich col. and markings, glossy condition; 2, J. O. Harrison, paler, beaten bib and glossy condition; 3, Hampson, nice shape, markings, and condition; 4, Wright, smaller, but nice form; vhc, Barnett; hc, Alcock; c, Cockerill. TWITE, ETC. (11): 1, Whitney, very nice shaped Twite, full of col. and markings, do a bit tighter in condition; 2, Brade, very nice small Siskin, grand form; 3, J. M. Walsh, bonny Mealy Redpoll, good markings and feather; 4, J. O. Harrison, nice nat. col. Siskin, vhc, Alcock; hc, c, Morgan. HEN, BRIT. (12): 1, Parlett, very tight Waxwing, lovely condition; 2, Abbott, jun., very smart Thrush in very tight condition, well spotted; 3, Macpherson, very tight hen Bullie; 4, Broadbent, nice hen Chaffinch; vhc, hc, J. M. Walsh. A.O.S. HARDBILL (10): 1, vhc, Hurst, fine Hawfinch, ruffles his head feather through drink hole, which is really too small, 2, hc, Johnson, Yell. Bunting, grand markings, col., size, and condition; 3, 4, Parlett, good Hawfinch and Yell. Bunting; c, Pitchford and Stocker. THRUSH, ETC. (6): 1, Hemmings and Brereton, grand old champion Thrush, third year of winning here, so we are told; 2, 4, Middleton, pretty Blackbird and a paler Thrush; 3, hc, Gray, very fine Starling; vhc, Brondbent. A.O.S. SOFTBILL (4): 1, Smith, A1 Yell. Wagtail; 2, Whitney and Son, hen Wheatear; 3, J. M. Walsh; 4, Lomas, Magpie, with rather frayed ends of tail. LIGHT MULE (6): 1, hc, Thompson, var. yell. Gold. Can., good size, col., and condition; 2, Lewis, Pied tail Can.-Bull., large bird; 3, J. M. Walsh, var. buff Gold.-Can.; 4, Johnson, pale mkd. Gold.-Can.; vhc, Morgan. DARK (12): 1, Walsh, yell. Can.-Bull., fine col., etc.; 2, Parlett, immense yell. Green Can., little soft to-day; 3, hc, Middleton, really pretty shaped Siskin-Can., good size, A1 condition; 4, Smith, nice yell. Gold.-Can.; vhc, Litchard; c, C. H. Walsh. HYB. (2): 1, 3, Johnson, A1 Can.-Bull. and grand Gold.-Bull.; 2, 4, H. Walsh, nice Green.-Bull., and pale Redpoll-Bully in nice trim; vhc, hc, J. M. Walsh; c, Kitchen. LARGE FOR. (5): 1, 2, 3, vhc, J. M. Walsh, well-known team; 4, Royle, nice Amazon. SMALL (11): 1, 2, J. M. Walsh, grand pair in lovely condition; 3, vhc, Morgan, Goldie and a hen Bully in splendid order; 4, Muscott, good pair Gouldians; hc, Whitnay; c, Jones.

PENTREBACH F.S.

Annual show held in the New Hall, Nov. 28. A grand hall, beautifully warmed and cosy on a bitterly cold morning, was what these sturdy dwellers amongst the Welsh hills provided for the birds sent to their third annual show. A glut of exhibitions on the same day somewhat militated against the entry, but quality was superb, and the competition correspondingly keen. The show was under the patronage of the Welsh C.B.C., a guarantee that the society is popular; and the hon. secretary, Mr. A. E. Brown, is one of the best. He worked like a Trojan, and he did it methodically. Mr. J. H. Jones, the efficient show manager; Mr. G. L. Harber, chairman; Mr. T. C. Jones, vice-chairman; and Mr. A. Coode, treasurer, all rendered valuable help; and as to the stewards, these in the persons of Messrs. Geo. Davies, Geo. Jones, W. Williams, and T. Thomas, are not to be surpassed in fancierdom. There was a good list of valuable specials. The silver cup, given by P. Burrowe, Esq., was awarded to Mr. H. Phillips for a really topping ticked buff Yorkie, which was staged in tip-top form. In the Norwich classes many grand birds were staged, but perhaps Yorks. were the best of the Canary classes in point of quality. As may well be expected, the British section was well represented, and the classes keenly contested. Goldfinches were a grand collection, and so indeed were the Finches generally, even though we were assured that many of the best birds were away at the Horticultural Hall. It was a pity the show clashed, as our Welsh friends justly enjoy the reputation of providing a treat in the British bird section, and the clashing militated against Pentrebach sorely. For all that, the collection was worthy of gallant little Wales. Another year it is contemplated changing the show date somewhat. The men of Pentrebach deserve good luck; they play up well for it. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged, and his awards appeared to give general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. CK. (7): 1, sp, res, Capt. Collier, leader a grand bodied bird, nice flow for a yellow, well across the perch, good head; 2, George, yell., grand head and body, fails trifle wing carr.; 3, Brown, very good qual., loses a bit in stoutness and head; 4, no name; vhc, Hotchkiss; hc, Tedstone. BUFF (8): 1, Crowley, very nice cl., rare shape, good feather and undercolour; 2, George, tkd. buff, shirt in body, good carr., level tip; 3, Lewis, best qual. of any, lovely frosting and undercol., fails head; 4, Muscott; vhc, c, Jones; hc, Capt. Collier. NOR. HEN, YELL. (4): 1, Jenkins, good type of bird, nice head, just a wee bit slack; 2, Powell. BUFF (10): 1, George, grand type and qual., lovely wings and tail, nice head; 2, Muscott, again grand shape, just a trifle slack at thighs, but a rare fine head; 3, Jones, beautiful quality, just a trifle pinched at head; 4, Tedstone; vhc, Jones; hc, Crowley. YORKS. YELL. CK. (8): 1, c, no name, grand length, nice angle, well tapered and nervy; 2, Harris, loses a trifle in length, very neat and good action; 3, Newell, slim and racy, not so good quite in neck, but close up; 4, Pritchard, hardly the length, but neat; vhc, James; hc, Bevan. BUFF (7): 1 cup, sp, 2, Phillips, two grand birds, winner having the best of it in finish; 3, Pritchard, slashing bird, of good stand and mould; 4, c, no name, neat and stylish; vhc, James and Wells; hc, Bevan. YELL. HEN (3): 1, sp, Phillips, and 2, Newell, both grand hens, with the toss of a button only between them; 3, Cook, neat and good qual. BUFF (5): 1, Cook, smartly tapered, nice head and neck; 2, Perry, well up on leg, not quite the length and taper behind, and grand quality; 3, Watkins, very neat; c, Croft. BORD. (5): 1, 2, Jenkins, yell. leading, a perky little thing, beautifully dressed, sweet head, gracefully flowing carriage; 2, buff, also pretty and graceful as only the "Borders" can be; 3, Eley, another jaunty, close-feathered bird; 4, vhc, Smith, neat and natty. UNFLIG. (12): 1, sp, George, bonny Norwich, correct type and grand qual., made a good fight for cup; 2, c, Jones, another grand bird; 3, Ley, yell. Yorkie, smart, stylish, lovely feather; 4, J. H. Jones, good top end, gets head well down, well filled back; vhc, Curtis and Son; hc, Phillips; c, C. T. Jones. NAT. COL. (8): 1, Ley, stylish, grand feathered, ticked buff Yorkie, wins; 2, J. H. Jones, grand top and side, fine reach, sweet head, well filled in shoulders; 3, Capt. Collier, very typical buff Nor., grand feather; 4, hc, Tedstone, smart exhibit; vhc, Curtis and Son; c, Farrow. A.O.V. CAN. (5): 1, sp, Farrow, typical bird of good position; 2, no name, smart and shapely; 3, 4, J. H. Jones, deserved their positions. NOV. (9): 1, sp, Curtis and Son, grand Yorks., in fact, most of the novice exhibits would have fought a stiff fight with the "champions"; 2, Brown; 3, Holmes; 4, Powell; vhc, Lewis; hc, Watkins. LIGHT MULES (2): 3, no name; 4, Grosser, good coloured, nice flushed 3-ptd. Goldie.-Can. leading. DARK (4): 3, no name, Can.-Bullie, good col., and well posted; 4, Jeffers, Greenie-Can.; vhc, Moss; hc, no name. HYB. (7): 1, sp, Muscott, Goldie-Bullie, not as large as some, but lovely flush face, rare colour all through, faultless feather, in the running for cup; 2, J. H. Jones, another Goldie-Bullie, not so good in face, but very nice; 3, Jeffreys, another good hybrid, but loses in condition; 4, hc, Edwards; vhc, Thomas; c, no name. GOLDFINCH (11): 1, sp, Jeffreys, a little gem, with a blaze like the sunrise, and bars and buttons like a general at a march past; 2, Ray, a worthy competitor to 1st in all ways; 3, Harries, grand little Finch, loses trifle on face, but nice tanning; 4, Edwards, grand all through, except just loses on width and flush of face; vhc, c, Thomas; hc, W. Thomas. BULLFINCH (4): 1, 2, Jeffreys, rich breasted, good polled cock, followed by a lustrous hen; 3, no name, loses in colour; 4, W. Thomas. LINNET (5): 1, Jeffreys, nutty colour, well pencilled, steady and bright; 2, Davies and Rees, fails trifle in markings, else good colour; 3, Heal, not so steady, fairly good colour; 4, no name; vhc, Lewis. BRAMBLE, CHAFFINCH, OR GREENIE (4): 2, sp, 3, Jeffreys, grand Chaffinch 4, Wilkins; vhc, no name. SISKIN, ETC (6): 1 no name, grand Mealy Redpoll; 2, Jeffreys, Lesser Redpoll, good col.; 3, Heal, nice Twite; 4, no name well marked Siskin; vhc, Williams. A.O.S. HARD BILL (3): 3, Ray, nice Hawfinch; 4, no name, yel Bunting; vhc, no name, Cross Bill. BLACKBIRD ETC. (4): 2, Jeffreys, topping Missel Thrush; 3, 4 vhc, Wm. Williams, the former a beautiful Starling. SOFTBILL (5): 1, no name, Chough, wins by condition; 2, Ray, nice Waxwing; 3, Heal, Nuthatch; 4, vhc, Curtis and Son. FOR. (2): 3, sp, 4 Davies. Our reporter writes that although he has received a corrected catalogue from the sec., yet the names in several cases are not given therein hence the words "no name" in the report.—(Ed.)

EDMONTON.

Show held Nov. 28th, in the Town Hall, and proved a great success. Entries came up to the average of former shows, and quality was better represented. Mr. Medley's clear yellow Norwich won two cups for best in show, the Yorkshire challenge cup being awarded to Mr. Barber. The secretary Mr. J. S. Jackson, had everything in smooth running order, and was most affable and courteous to all. He was ably supported by his committee. Mr. A. E. Enfield judged.

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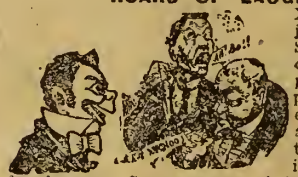
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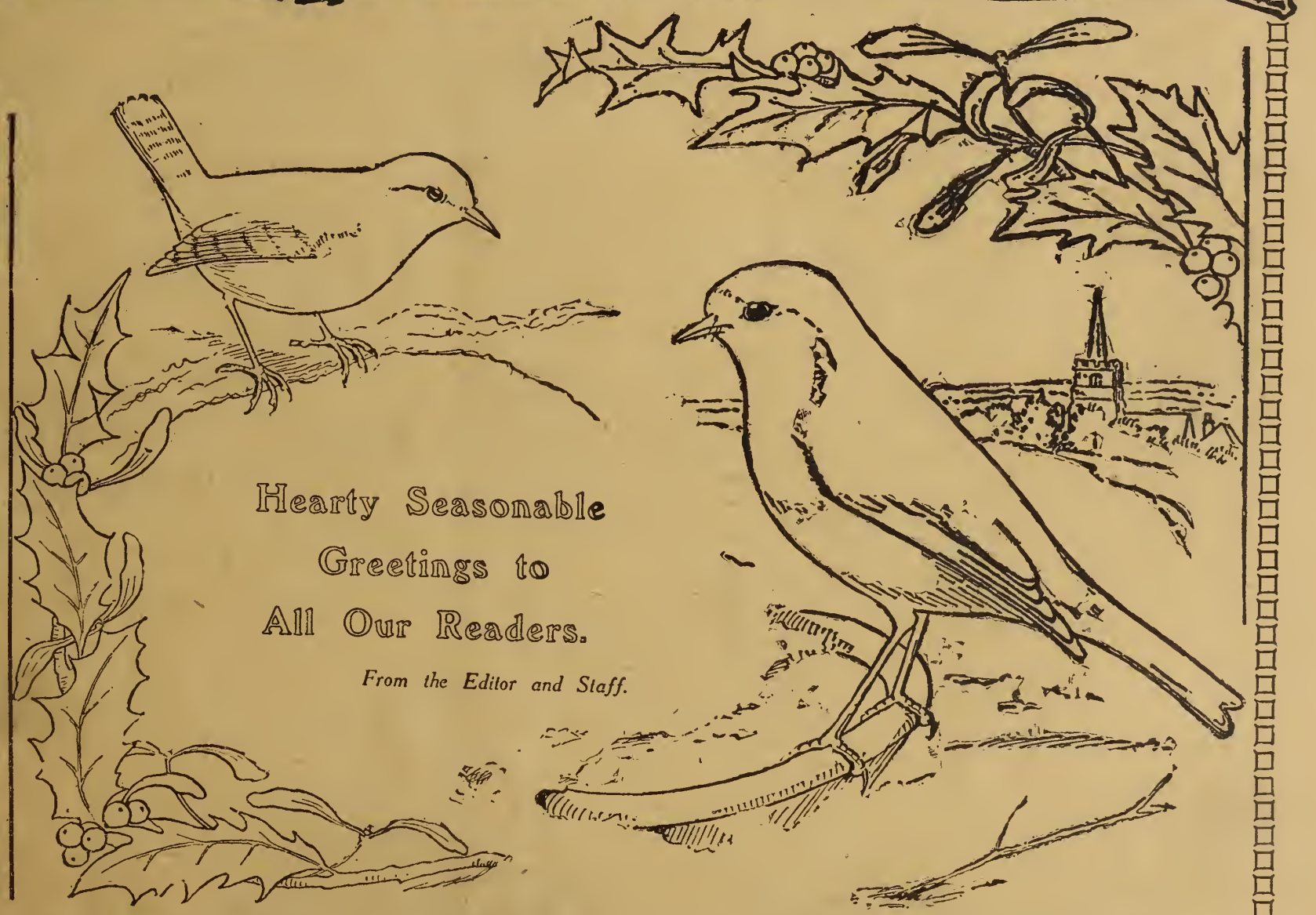
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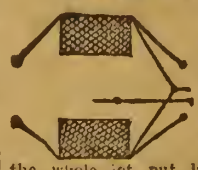
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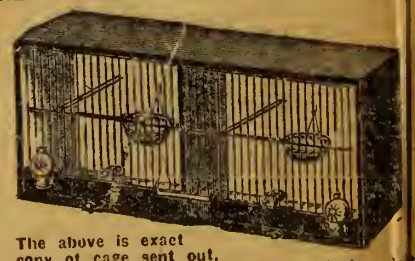
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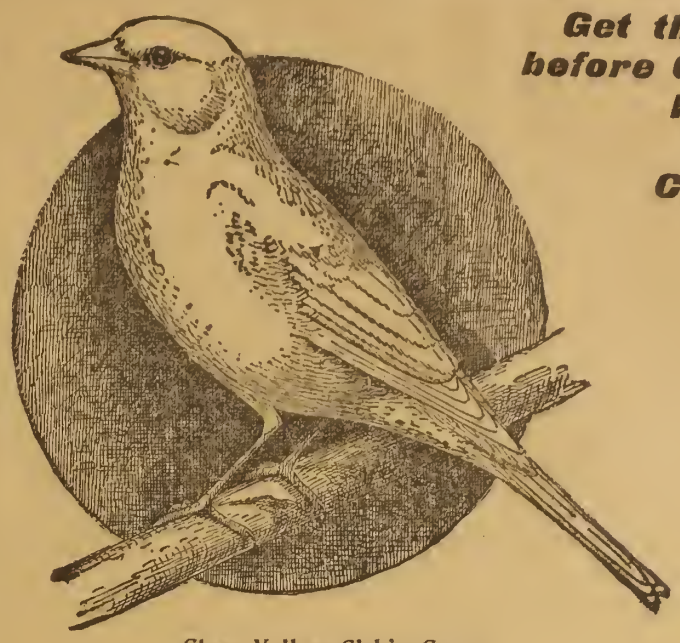
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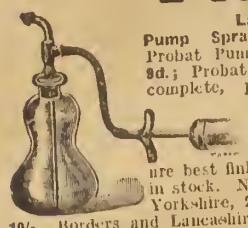
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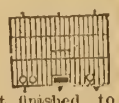
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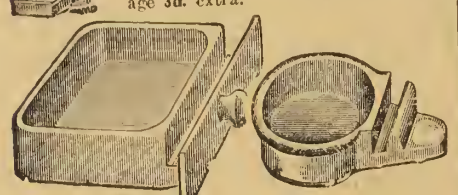


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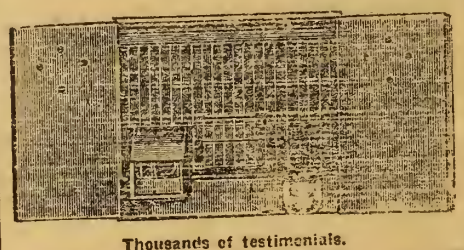
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CLEAR yellow Norwich cock, 1st Denny, see show report last week, 25/-; approval: John Struth, Bonnybridge, N.B. (291)

NORWICH Canaries, Crested hens, 3/- each, 30/- doz.; cash with order: Bolton, 2, Beamsley-place, Cardigan-rd., Leeds. (294)

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FORTY Norwich, mostly unflighted, from 7/6; good quality and type; approval: Todd, Caldarvan, Balloch, Dumbartonshire. (302)

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FOR sale, six unflighted buff cocks, 36/- the lot, or 7/6 each; some fit for show; approval: J. Dowling, 8, Shepley-rd., Hooley Hill. (289)

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SALE, 30 Norwich Canaries, cocks 6/- upwards, matched 10/6, hens 4/-, 5/-; approval; cash: Spann, Stivichale, Coventry. (298)

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CLEAR yellow Norwich cock and variegated yellow hen, 1912 birds, suit novice, 9/6, deposit: David E. Williams, Vron Shop, Denbigh. (292)

HIGH class Norwich, some good birds, price reasonable, state wants; approval: James Barnes, Factory-row, Whalley, near Blackburn. (295)

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T. IRONS; for sale, 1911, 1912, guaranteed own breeding, single or pairs; state wants; prices reasonable; approval: Ivy-rd., Northampton. (233)

HARRY Hitchen, few good Norwich for sale, see reports Huddersfield, Burnley, Nottingham, Bradford shows; approval: 17, Cedar-st., Burnley. (295)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich cocks, 4/-, 4/9, 5/6, 7/-; hens, 1/9, 2/3, 3/-, 3/6; not suited money returned: Alfred Riley, Grocer, Lower Church-gate, Leicester. (280)

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NORWICH cocks on full song, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-; hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/6; clean and healthy, cash, approval, deposit: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester. (304)

CHAMPION large, typical Norwich, cocks 7/6, hens 5/6; sure winners 15/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (298)

PURE-BRED Norwich Canaries, cocks, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-; hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-, cold-room bred; if not fully satisfied, money returned: 134, Havelock-st., Leicester. (269)

1912 Norwich cocks, 5/6 each; giant H.M. Greenfinch, fit show, and large Norwich hen bred Mules, 7/6; offers: Kepple, 19, Waddon New-rd., Croydon. (300)

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WING-marked yellow cock, 25/-; two buff cocks, one clear, one variegated, 15/- each; all unflighted; approval; stamp: Norman, Confectioner, Rishton, Blackburn. (301)

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UNFLIGHTED buff cock, 4th Vale of Leven, £1, 1911; buff cock, 3rd Vale of Leven, £1; unflighted yellow cock, 10/-; approval: Davidson, 55, Princes-st., Helensburgh. (300)

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EXHIBITION buff Norwich cock (1911), winner two 1sts this season, one 1st last, 15/-; buff hen, 5/-; both typical birds, Midgley's and Hodder's strain direct: Oliffe, Church Green, Witney, Oxon. (293)

SEVERAL grand stock Norwich for sale, winners and related to winners, clears and variegated, cocks from 10/-; hens from 5/-; approval; call or write: A. Crawford, 14, Wilton-drive, Glasgow. (281)

NORWICH Canaries, six cocks and one hen, two cocks winners, others are young from same; want to clear out; will take 52/- for the lot: G. Watson, 23, Finedon-rd., Irthlingborough, Northants. (301)

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CHAMPION Norwich: T. H. Mason has about 20 to dispose of, mostly unflighted, same strain as winners at Leeds, Newcastle, Sheffield, Hull, etc.; approval; stamp: 11, Victoria-square, Ella-st., Hull. (301)

EIGHT exhibits, eight awards, also winner of cup, any of these birds for sale, at very low prices; rare chance for novice; state wants; satisfaction guaranteed: A. Johnson, 83, Garfield-st., Bedford. (294)

BARGAINS; prize-bred Norwich; good chance for novices; can spare few pairs at 15/-, 20/-, 25/-; few odd cocks from 8/6; inspection invited: J. Woolhouse, 111, Oakland-rd., Hillsborough, Sheffield. (304)

BEFORE deciding to purchase Canaries (any variety) elsewhere, send for my free list; splendid collection for sale; absolute satisfaction guaranteed; enquiries solicited; easy payments arranged: R. Hanford, Derby.

PAIR prize-bred Norwich buff, 15/-; two Norwich cocks, one ben, 1912, colour fed, 15/-; four Goldfinch Mules, two cocks, two hens, parents of Mules, 15/-: G. Woodwards, Grey's Green, Henley-on-Thames. (301)

NORWICH, splendid buff cock, unflighted, slip toe, will make good stock bird, 7/6; also father of same, commended Cheltenham, a buff, 10/-; yellow unflighted cock, 6/-; approval: Charles Stubbs, Alstone, Cheltenham. (292)

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BUFF cock, 1st 17/6, ticked buff cock, 1st, 17/6; buff cock, 2nd, 15/6; non-fed cock, 1st, 12/6; all unflighted; approval, deposit; see last week's Sittingbourne report, "Cage Birds": Attwood, 31, Goodnestone-rd., Sittingbourne, Kent. (291)

SIX high-class Norwich Plainheads, 1912, colour-fed, prize bred birds, parents cost £5 each, father a champion at Norwich show; cocks, £5, £3, £2; hens, £2; approval, deposit: Macqueen, Raglan House, Somers-rd., Malvern. (289)

CHAMPION buff cock, yellow hen, 25/-; unflighted yellow cock, buff hen, 21/-; yellow Yorkshire cock, winner, 21/-; buff hen, 12/6; others, including toppers; approval; stamp reply: Andrews, Whitemoor, St. Austell, Cornwall. (256)

LARGE Norwich yellow cocks, 6/-, buffs 5/-; yellow hens, 3/-, buffs 2/6; same strain, 1st, 3rd, special Sidmouth, Goldfinch Mules, 5/-, 6/-, one he, 7/6, in song; approval; cock Goldfinches, 2/6: E. Stevens, Eastern Town, Sidmouth. (296)

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Judge Silk, Whitstable (297)

FEW unflighted Norwich hens, smart birds, 5/- each; approval, deposit: Rev. Woollerton, Cullingworth, Bradford. (288)

YELLOW variegated cock, winner 1st, sp., and 2nd, 17/6, another 15/-; ticked buff cock, 1st, 2nd, and 4th, 15/-; others, equally cheap, see Falkirk Good Intent report; show cages, 1/3 each: J. Ovenstone, Wallace-st., Grangemouth. (293)

NORWICH, few good unflighted buff hens, 10/6 each, to clear; also some grand stock and show cinnamons (no odd bens), winner Coventry, Wolverhampton, Birmingham, etc.: Baker, 79, Aston Lane, Perry Barr, Birmingham. (296)

NORWICH cocks, full song, 1912 bred, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-; hens, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6; specially matched pairs, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-; bens, 16/-, 17/6, 20/- dozen; cocks, 45/-, 50/-, 60/- dozen; approval, deposit: Elliot, Bird Specialist, Ashby-rd., Loughborough. (292)

CHARLIE ROBERTS, Stannahey, Newton-drive, Blackpool, the noted breeder champion large Bullfinch typed Norwich, as show birds, from 30/-; stock pairs from 15/6; single birds from 10/6; colour-fed or natural colours; state wants; approval. (302)

COMPULSORY sale. Am compelled to make a clearance immediately; colour-fed, unflighted buff Norwich cock, won several honours, latest win 4th Abertillery; accept 20/-, worth treble; approval: Hawkes, 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (306)

JAS. RAMSAY offers few of his champion Norwich at less than half value, 1911 and 1912 bred, including several winners, cocks from 7/6 to 20/- each; few matched pairs equally cheap; week's approval anywhere, cash or deposit; stamp particulars: 150, Campbell-st., Riccarton, Kilmarnock. (293)

J. YOUNG has now for disposal a grand selection of Plainheads, yellows and buffs, winners, and many unshown, fit to win, mostly unflighted; see reports City of Glasgow, Glasgow and District, and West of Scotland Club, only times out; prices 10/- upwards; approval: 80, High-st., Rutherglen. (300)

MR. A. L. HAWKES must sell at great sacrifice immediately, on account removing shortly, unflighted yellow Norwich, bens, 1st Stratford, etc., 12/6; buff ben, 3rd Windsor, 10/-; yellow cock, winner several honours, 12/6; yellow hen, 3rd Stratford, res., Witham, 10/-; approval: 390, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (306)

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DR. HERD MORECAMBE

has some grand Norwich for disposal, for show or stock purposes, please apply early. (290)

CHAMPION NORWICH

few pairs £1 and 20/-, same as winners at all Kent shows, see Gravesend, Sittingbourne, this issue; Wickham, 58, Bainham-rd., Chatham. (270)

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REV. B. NUME, HARRINGTON, Cumberland (289)

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Captain Collier, Barracks, Brecon, after a successful breeding season, has a number of high-class Norwich for disposal; see reports Swansea and Cardiff, holder of W.C.B.C. Norwich cup 1911-12; approval. (247)

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SEIFERT Rollers in full song, cold room bred, cocks 6/6, hens 1/6; approval: A. Hitch, Stafford-st., Walsall. (275)

SEIFERT cock, singing, and four Roller hens, 1911 birds, 12/6: Drury, 9, Manchester-rd., Leigh, Lancashire. (298)

SEIFERT Roller cocks, 1912 bred, from 7/6 to 10/6: J. A. Higginson, 47, Bradshaw-st., Moss Side, Manchester. (289)

CONTEST Rollers, good birds, offered at, cocks from 10/- to 25/-, hens 5/-: Best, 5, Alma-pl., Beckett-st., Leeds. (303)

WRIGHT, 17, Recreation-terrace, Holbeck, Leeds, has for sale Rollers, cocks from 8/6 to 15/-, hens 4/- and 5/-. (301)

PURE Seifert hens, contest winning strain, 3/6 each, cost 7/6 each; all cocks sold: Taylor, Northam-rd., Bideford. (302)

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Clear yellow Yorkshire cock, well up on leg, and over 7in. long, a grand stock bird, only 10/6; buff hen, to match, a real topper, 5/-; green marked buff cock, red hot colour, grand length, 10/-, with clear yellow hen, a charming lady, 5/6; a few more good pairs, at 8/6, 9/6, 10/6, 12/6. Try my properly matched pairs, at 12/6; you will be delighted; genuine Yorkshire songsters, will sing anywhere, 5/6, 6/- each. You cannot beat them at double the price; grand presents: Edwin North, Breeder, 477, Manchester-rd., Bradford. Days' approval; cash or deposit this paper. (305)

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SIX cock Canaries, what offers: 34, Christchurch-rd., Southend. (300)

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THREE pairs Yorkshires, three pairs Norwich, winning strain, 1911 12 hatched; cheap to clear: Sexby, Gerolin-terr., Enfield. (301)

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FOUR hen Goldfinch Mules, 1/3 each: Green, 96, Almaerd., Winton, Bournemouth. (291)

WANTED, cock Mule, exchange; see Yorkshires: Scoble, 9a, Market Place, Northfields, West Ealing. (290)

SPLENDID cock Goldfinch Mule, on full song, pure Finch note, 10/-, worth 20/-: Saunders, 6, High-st., Ipswich. (300)

HYBRID pairs, large cock Greenfinch and hen Bullfinch pairs, 1/6, genuine: P. Cawood, 25, Brittannia-st., Scarborough. (295)

COCK Linnet Mule, yellow, 5th City of Glasgow, 20/-; approval (card sent): John Struth, Bonny-Bridge, N.B. (291)

BEAUTIFUL cock Goldie Mule, Finch notes, 1911 bird, 8/6; approval if deposit: Brown, 22, Almard., Weymouth. (299)

LARGE sib-bred hens, light Mule breeders, 5/6; cock 7/6, or exchange approval: Cheshire, 26, Crawford-st., Bradford. (279)

THROUGH removal must clear six buff Siberian hens, 22 years inbred, 3/- each: Burton, Walton-st., Sutton-in-Ashfield. (297)

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EXHIBITION cock, Canary-Bullie Hybrid, 80/-, or exchange, clear or lightly marked Mule: Johnson, 33, Wigan-rd., Ormskirk. (298)

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HOUSE moulted Siberian Goldfinch, mule, 1/6; buff Sib hen, unflighted, 6/-, the pair 17/6: Price, Glanbrydan, Manordilo, Carmarthenshire. (296)

CHOICE Sibs., my old Palace light Linnet mule, grain, 7/6; house-moulted cock Goldfinch, Peatthroat hen, 5/-: Sims' Aviary, Warminster. (306)

COCK Goldfinch, cock Linnet, father of Bullfinch Hybrids, both house moulted, good birds, 5/6 the two: White, Seedsman, Park-st., East Cowes. (296)

LARGE, pink-eyed, Sib.-bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, 5/6; cocks, 7/6 each; or exchange; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (298)

GRAND muling pair, H.M. Goldfinch, safe with eggs and young, large Yorkshire hen, 15/- pair: Scott, Lochlomond, Canterhury-grove, West Norwood, London. (295)

SIBERIAN cock Goldfinch and hen Bullfinch, ready for muling, novices' chance; satisfaction guaranteed, 8/6: David E. Williams, Vron Shop, Denbigh. (292)

COCK Goldfinch Mules; dark yellow, 1st Wood Green members' show, 10/-; also lovely songsters, 6/-, 7/6 each; approval: Waldock, 18, Lakefield-rd., Wood Green. (305)

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I WILL exchange all kinds of British birds for show, muling, contest singing, for any variety of Canaries, Mules, and Foreign birds, state wants at once; approval both ways: Holtinshead, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport. (306)

EXCHANGE Siberian cock Goldies, English Goldies, Linnets and other kind of British for any breed of Canaries and Mules; reasonable; letters answered; nothing but straight dealings by me; approval, deposit; yours first: Simpson, 36, Lancashire-hill, Stockport. (299)

GRAND Magpie, big winner, 20/-; cock Bullfinch, gem, winner 1st Tideswell, 3rd Sale, 18/-; another winner vhc, mixed class, 5/6; cock Greenfinch, good colour, winner 2nd, 4th, 8/6; cock Goldfinch, bred Mules, good condition, 8/6; hen Bullie, laid in cage, 4/-; including show cages (See reports Nottingham, Ilkeston, Sale, Tideswell, Bonsall.); pair Norwich, 5/6; cock Greenfinch and yellow Norwich hen, 3/-; cock Chaffinch 6d.: Godfrey Lomas, Tideswell. (301)

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Exchange cocks Hawfinch, Bramblefinch, Siskin, extra picked birds in grand condition and colour, all twice house-moulted; also big hen Greenfinch, hand-reared, for fishing rods or Rook rifle; apply: Robert J. Skelton, 2, Horsham-rd., Dorking, Surrey. (301)

Mainly Canaries.

THREE healthy Norwich hen Canaries, 20/- each or useful exchange: Moon, Lodge Farm, Risley, Derbyshire. (280)

WANTED, extra large cock Bullie, field-moulted (blood-red); approval: Coulson, 93, Gladstone-av., Manor Park. (304)

TWO Buff cocks, 7/6 each; two yellow hens, 5/- each; singing cocks, 3/6: Johnson, 111, Heysham-rd., Southport. (305)

NORWICH buff cocks, 10/6; buff hen, 7/6; 1912 breed; sell or exchange; approval: Breeze, George-st., Kings Lynn. (280)

NORWICH cocks and hens for sale or exchange, for good yellow Norwich cock: 90, Watland's-view, Wolvetanton, Staffs. (299)

TWO grand Yorkshire cocks, singing, 15/-; exchange five laying pullets, or any offers: Davis, 303, High-rd., Chiswick. (296)

THREE Norwich cocks, 6 hens, 2 Goldfinch hen Mules, 25/- the lot: Sheppard, 6a, Church-st., Egremont, Cumberland. (293)

EXCHANGE pair Norwich, cock 3rd Stratford, Nov. 24th, for a pair of Lizards: 712, Romford-rd., Manor Park, Essex. (296)

TWO vols. Cassell's Canaries and Cage Birds, what offers in Yorkshires; well bound books: 30, Mildmay-grove, Islington. (298)

EXCHANGE three good Yorkshire hens for one good Yorkshire songster; approval; yours first: Ford, 19, Perry-st., Hull. (292)

GREEN crested cock Crest-bred hen, 20/- pair, or exchange pair Norwich: D. Pigg, Hammerfield, Hemel Hempstead, Herts. (303)

EXCHANGE pair of good Yorkshires for pair of big Norwich; yours first: Watson, 1, Emanuel House, Ashby, Doncaster. (295)

YELLOW Green Border cock and hen, 8/6; exchange Cinnamons or other variety; offers: Pearce, 231, Cathedral-rd., Cardiff. (305)

EXCHANGE, 1912 York var. cock, 1911 buff hen, 9/-, for good British; approval: Horne, Stable Cottage, Southover, Lewes. (303)

FOUR pairs healthy Norwich 1912, sell £2; exchange toy bitch, anything useful: Fenton, Barton-st., Clown, nr., Chesterfield. (299)

YORKSHIRE buff hen (Breeders Ogden Bros.), 7/-; offers; buff hen, 4/-; exchange British: Riley, 30, Brunswick-terr., Stacksteads. (298)

CLEAR yellow cock Norwich Canary; 2, cock Gold finches, Canary reared, 6/6 each, approval, deposit: Hills, Jarvis-lane, Steyning. (293)

YORKSHIRES, a few good pairs, 15/- pair, or exchange anything useful: Beck, School House, Rookery-rd., Handsworth, Staffs. (301)

EXCHANGE good class Yorkshire Canaries for poultry (any breed): Edwards, Gwalia House, Lower Cwmtwrch, South Wales. (299)

SELL, two Yorkshire cocks, or exchange one for good cock Hawfinch, both winners: H. Wain, Stanton Lees, Bakewell, Derbyshire. (290)

1912 COCK Finch Mule, pure Finch notes, good caller, cash 10/-; exchange 12/6, Canarics, anything: Mulligan, Shadycombe, Salcombe. (304)

EXCHANGE pair of good Yorkshires for pair of bowls (Bowling Association registered): Howells, 23, Florentia-st., Cathays, Cardiff. (303)

TWO pairs good Borders for exhibition, Siberian Goldfinch also; three buff Norwich cocks, 7/6 10/-: Brown, 32, East Main-st., Darvel. (303)

BORDERS, sell, exchange 26in. good cycle, Seiferts, tyers, men's or children's shoes, clothing, anything useful: Little, Warcop, Penrith. (299)

EXCHANGE good buff Norwich cock, winner, for clear yellow Norwich hen, must be fit to win: J. Walmsley, New Crofton, Wakefield. (301)

HEN, Bullfinch, 16/; big Norwich cock, 9/6; Yorkshire hen, 4/-; exchange wanted, Siberian Goldfinch: Morgan, Moira-place, Cardiff. (303)

YORKSHIRES, three pairs prize bred for good gramophone and records; lady's cycle, 17/6: Robinson, Aldgate, Ketton, near Stamford. (304)

FOR sale or exchange Norwich Canaries, Mules, show and breeding cages; wanted a winning Goldie: Wood, 22, Grove-st, Nelson, Lancashire. (292)

WANTED, pair Cinnamons, or Green Norwich; exchange two large clear buff cocks; mutual approval: Porteous, Kirk Style, Biggar, Scotland. (295)

WILL exchange four high-class Norwich buff hens for good yellow green Norwich hen, 1912, yours first: Wm. Sutton, Lady's Mill, Falkirk, N.B. (293)

SELL or exchange, a clear body dark Crest hen, 15/-, for a yellow marked stock bird, Norwich: J. Hall Crues, 10, May-st., Winlaton, nr. Blaydon. (279)

EXCHANGE large dark cock Linnet mule, for large buff Norwich cock: mutual approval: Johnstone, Elderbank, Brighham, Cockermouth. (302)

YOUNG York-shire hen; Grey-pate, full song; Greenfinch, breeder, 2/6 each; exchange Roller hens, Roller hen cages: Rogers, Afonwen, Flintshire. (289)

OFFERS, disc records for good pair Yorkshires, sell 15/-: one cock, 30/-; two 12/6; yours first, or deposit: Adams, Westend, near Southampton. (296)

EXCHANGE pair Yorkshires, cost 15/-, for pair Border Fancies: yours first; mutual approval: Richards, 19, Crawthew Grove, East Dulwich, S.E. (291)

PAIR Norwich Cinnamons, 1911, cost 20/-; good breeders; exchange H.M. Siberian cock Goldfinches; offers: Breeze Mountpleasant, Wisbech. (301)

SIX good Yorkshire cocks, yellows and buffs, Goldfinch (mule-breeder), H.M. Bullfinch, sell 45/-; or separate bargain: Snell, Rea Barn, Brixham, Devon. (295)

EXCHANGE buff green Border cock, two buff Common hens, good feeder for yellow Norwich cock: Thomas Bruce, 132, Raglock-st., Larkhall, Scotland. (301)

EXCHANGE two unflighted buff cocks for good unflighted yellow marked hen; approval each way: Stephenson, Sun Dial Villas, Filmby, near Maryport. (296)

TWELVE pairs Norwich, 1911-1912, sale, 10/- to £1 pair; exchange lot for good large 1912 yellow cock to value: Lovegrove-Lovegrove, Henley-on-Thames. (305)

THIRTY pairs high-class Yorkshires, Bailey's strain, sell or exchange scrap copper, brass, household goodks: inspection invited: M. Cooper, Taylor-st., Batley. (293)

CHEAP, clearing out, Canaries, Goldfinch, large wire aviary, Pom. pup wanted; approval; particulars: Wilson, 168, Hallitwell-lane, Cheetham Hill, Manchester. (292)

WHAT offers in Canaries, Foreign, or British birds for suit length good tweed, or sell 35/-, or lady's dress length or sell 12/6: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (270)

YELLOW cock, buff hen, £1, cost 50/-; crestbred cock, two crested hens, 10/6; Norwich, variegated cock, Yorkshire, 7/6, hen 2/-. Stanton, Bootmaker, Wells, Somerset. (302)

EXCHANGE Canaries, one cock, five hens, Goldfinch mule, for two Siberian Goldfinch cocks; through the moult; yours first: Foster, North-st., Sherburn Hill, Durham. (294)

EXCHANGE good young Norwich buff cock (sell 20/-), for good unflighted Norwich buff hen, good head and neck essential; mutual approval: Dalzell, 4, Ormerod-st., Oldham. (302)

SALE or exchange, five Yorkshires, 1912, N.F., four cocks, one hen, 30/-, for Scotch Fancies or other varieties; offers: Jackson, Kershaw-lane, Audenshaw, Manchester. (300)

NORWICH and Border Fancy and Goldfinch Mules, for sale, cocks 7/6, hens 3/-, or will exchange three Canary hens for two cocks; yours first: Holland, 36, High-st., Homerton. (301)

ONE good buff Norwich Coppy hen, and one yellow Yorkshire hen, sell 10/6, or exchange for good yellow Yorkshire cock or good Siberian Goldfinch cock: John Francis, Bethesda-st., Amlwch. (285)

WANTED, a cock Canary in exchange for three good young hens, or one house-moulted, one field-moulted cock Chaffinches and three tame hens: Bird, Hollyhurst, Wroxham, Norfolk. (299)

GRAND young crested cock for yellow crestbred cock or yellow Lancashire Plainhead cock; must be 1912 bred; extra large, well lashed; approval; yours first, or sell 35/-: Calam, Baxtergate, Whitby. (298)

EXCHANGE 3 Norwich cocks, 3 Yorkshire hens, 1 very good Goldie, 2 others, cocks, 2 Linnets, brought up by Norwich, for Edison gem, or cash offers; yours first: F. Robinson, Florist, Witham, Essex. (291)

TWO high-class Scifert Roller cocks, Randall's strain 1912 birds, accept 15/- each, or best offers in Roller contest singing cages, or shutter cages: W. G. Blythe, 1, Russell-st., Gardene, Bacup, Lancashire. (290)

MUST clear for Roller training purposes, 6 splendid Yorkshires, 5 cocks, 3 colour-fed; take 50/- lot; will part exchange Roller shutter-cages; offers; good Rollers for sale: Blythe, Ba. Sch., Plane-st., Bacup. (302)

WILL exchange Yorkshire cock, yellow C.F., winner of 2nd prize Crystal Palace, 1912, class 87, and two equally good buff hens, value £8, for invalid carriage, or good offers: Geo. Stocks, F.R.H.S., 44, Bentley-rd., Doncaster. (292)

EXCHANGE lady's or gent's (new) silver-mounted umbrella, from 7/6 upwards, for thickset, long, cobby, colour-fed Norwich cock or hen, or housemoulted British: Edgeley and Co., Umbrella Manufacturers, 491, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (306)

TWO Canary hens, excellent feeders, 4/-; four Norwich show cages, two cases for same, 8/6; two British show cages, 2/6, lot 13/6; exchange for good unflighted Norwich hens, to value; yours first: Hannah, Braehead, Bonhill, Dumbartonshire. (299)

Mainly Foreign.

EXCHANGE two pairs Green Budgerigars, for cock Goldfinches or Bullfinches, or sell 10/-: Widdowson, 35, Huxley-rd., Leyton. (291)

EXTRA large Snow White Cockatoo, show condition, tame; 30/-; exchange offers birds; approval: Harry Smith, Connah's Quay, Chester. (305)

EXCHANGE for gramophone and records, Rosey-breasted Australian Cockatoo, acclimatised, with new cage: Fletcher, 2, Fir-st., Ramsbottom. (302)

NOTICE; lovely King Amazon Parrot and cage, commenced talking, good mimic, exchange gramophone and records, sell £3: Garthwaite, Postman, Bishop Auckland. (297)

ONE pair Zebra Finches, one pair yellow Budgerigars, both prize winners, exchange for a good large exhibition cock Hawfinch, or sell at 16/- the lot: T. Duncan, Corsehill, Kilwinning, Ayrshire. (297)

Miscellaneous.

ANYTHING alive bought or supplied: Pearson, Royal Menagerie, Greenwich.

EXCHANGE Goldfinch Mule, singing, for common pigeons or offers: Wood, 19, Hope-st., Hanley, Staff. (301)

OFFERS in Canaries for new Rodger's fretsaw, or sell, 12/6: Chalmers, 52, E. Hamilton-st., Greenock. (293)

MINIATURE rifle cost, 35/- and 1,000 rounds ammunition; exchange for Canaries: Stallard, Barracks, Bodmin. (301)

EXCHANGE two roach rods, for common tumblers, cost 8/6 each: 2, Bramley St., Elder-rd., Bramley, near Leeds. (290)

EXCHANGE three English rabbits, all does, for Canaries, or sell, 15/-: John Muirhead, Oliver Row, Bonnybridge. (301)

EXCHANGE Crystal Palace aviary, as new, for cock Goldfinch, or sell 10/-: 25, Gt. Croft-st., Darlaston, Staffs. (296)

TWO box cages, 10x9x6, Texas 15-egg incubator, 5/-, or exchange birds: Buck, 4, Beatrice-rd., Richmond, Surrey. (292)

TWO pair Norwich, 15/- pair; exchange pen Black Orpingtons or Black Leghorns, 1912 birds: Norman (See Norwich.). (301)

GRAND Scotch Terrier, sell 15/-, or exchange Norwich or British birds: Watson, 2, Charlton-villas, Estcourt-st., Hull. (301)

GENT'S bicycle, sell 12/-, or exchange for Norwich Canaries, or anything useful: Edgar, 128, Fonthill-rd., Finsbury Park. (300)

WHAT offers in Norwich Canaries for gent's new Ironclad lever watch, cost 20/-: G. Cumming, 30, Grove-st., Glasgow. (302)

CANARIES, Poultry, Parrots, Fancy Pigeons, Dogs, etc., given in exchange for other Fancy: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (304)

EDISON phonograph, as new, Crane horn, 20 records; exchange Canarics, or sell, 22/6: Dean, 31, Mirabel-rd., Fulham. (289)

EXCHANGE splendid Spaniel bitch, eighteen months, carry anything, for large exhibition cock Goldfinch, Siberian: Cook, 115, Lowergate, Clitheroe, Lancashire. (299)

WILL give good fox-terrier bitch (full pedigree), for Rollers, singing cages, or offers: Dudley, 97, Trafford-rd., Eccles. (300)

EXCHANGE 10 pound ring lists, also pair cages, for fish aquarium, or offers: Harold Land, Little Fountain-st., Morley. (292)

EXCHANGE black Pom. bitch, seven weeks, for high-class Roller, Schoolmaster, sell 20/-: Fielding, Leyland-lane, Leyland. (292)

ABSOLETE bargain; 5 string banjo, by Crosly, with leather case, 25/-, or exchange large Norwich: Morris, Fancier, Ryde. (294)

LARGE H.M. hen Bullfinch, 2/-, bath and nursery cage combined, 1/3; soldering outfit, 1/3: Hubbard, North Kilworth, Rugby. (294)

YOUNG Border Fancy hens, 2/- each; 84 coloured plates, 13 photos champion dogs; what offers? Wallace, Sunnyside, Camelon. (290)

THREE-DOMED Crystal Palace aviary, metal top (new), 34 by 34 by 17; price 20/-; offers: S. Williams, 9, Waterlow-rd., Barnsley. (296)

LION zither harp, cost 50/-; few strings missing, for Yorkshire hens, or offers; approval: Burrowes, 162, Whitehall-rd., Walsall. (291)

WHAT offer in birds for camera with accessories; also stamp collection mounted in album: Williams, Tenby House, Dawly, Salop. (304)

PATHE phonograph and records; exchange large Norwich hens or Hawfinch; sell 15/-: Jeffrey, 208, York-rd., Battersea, London. (305)

PAIR circular blow bellows, 16 inches diam., equal new, wants frame; exchange Canaries, what offers: Wilkin, Hathersage, Sheffield. (301)

EXCHANGE, miniature billiard table and little cash for 1912 Norwich cock, in song; letters only: Burr, 3a, Odessa-rd., Willesden. (294)

PATHE Phonograph, 28 records, horn, complete; cost £3, sell 25/-, or exchange anything: Royce, 223, Oundle-road, Peterborough. (292)

KODAK, daylight developer, cost 21/-, good as new; will exchange for Yorkshire yellow hens: B. White, 24, Queen's-rd., Hastings. (301)

EXCHANGE ½-plate camera, Thornton Pickard shutter, good lens, for a good pair of Norwich Canaries: Pritchards, Hill Top, Hednesford. (299)

PAIR Working Homers, red chequers, 4th prize, pair Black Baldheads, 5/- pair; exchange Canaries, rabbits: Brown, Thornton-rd., Potter's Bar. (298)

GOOD Yorkshire terrier, female, 11 months, 8lbs., nice coat and colour, pedigree, 15/-; or exchange Hartz Rollers: S., 23, Newmarket-rd., Norwich. (298)

LARGE square wire flight cage, 4/-; pair gent's box calf boots, misfit, size 8's, new, 8/6; exchange; wanted, strong suit fit boy nine: Howland, Ockendon, Essex. (300)

EXCHANGE, fine upstanding house-moulted Thrush and painter's lb. brush, for house-moulted Goldfinch or Siskin; yours first: Hilton, 68, Cecil-st., Wavertree, Liverpool. (297)

TOY, all jet black Pom., good coat, pedigree, make stud dog, 4lbs., 35/-; talking rose-breasted Cockatoo, new cage, 30/; exchange toy bitch, birds; offers: Love, 2, Park-lane, Tipton. (298)

ENGLISH lever watch, capped, jewelled, 30/-; variegated Linnet mule, 10/-; exchange good Crest-bred cock and Crested hen; yours first; approval: G. Herson, Spittall-hill, Retford. (294)

FOR sale or exchange, a 1911 hen Swallow pigeon, vhc at Bradford Show last month, in big class; wanted, Siberian Goldfinches or Budgerigars: G. A. Davis, 17, Aldcroft-st., Trowbridge, Wilts. (298)

COCK, 2 hens, Borders, 7/-; 2 cock Rollers, 5/6 each, pair yellow Budgerigars, 5/6; lady's gold bangle, 10/-; carriage paid, approval, offers anything: Cawthornes, Ferry Bridge, Yorkshire. (292)

TO GUN BUYERS: For sale, valuable big game gun, by Purdy, London, 32 bore, £60 when new, good as new, pin fire, check action, in case, set complete; what offers?: Bevan, School House, Carmarthen. (301)

EXCHANGE, banjo (Barnes-Mullins No. 1 Perfect), with mute attachment, solid leather case, splendid condition, cost £12 12s., for good pair Yorkshires and £3 10s. cash; or sell, £4 10s., or nearest offer; a genuine bargain: Davis, 4, Church-rd., Bedminster. (297)

BARGAINS, cock Goldfinch, singing, 3/6; Canary-reared hen, 1/6; three house-moulted cock Linnets, 3/- each; nice house-moulted cock Greenfinch, 2/-. Pallard's phonograph, complete, 10/-; 54 records, cylinder, 7/6; approval, deposit: A. Swan, 66, Norfolk-rd., Rickmansworth, Herts. (296)

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Singing Contests.

KINGS CROSS.

Chaffinch singing match held at The Swan, Caledonian-rd., Dec. 8, between birds belonging to Messrs Brummie and Sylvester. The former won by a few chalks, both being good birds. Linnet and Chaffinch handicaps frequently during each week.—Pony More.

CASTLEFORD.

Singing season opened on December 7, when 31 birds were entered to sing for 3 good prizes, and some very good time was done, seeing it is dark so early. Winners: 1, Caddy, 72; 2, Smith, 71; 3, Morley, 61; also Dec. 8, 11 birds sang for 3 prizes given by our Treas., and the birds did very well. 1 Morley; 2, 3, Nelson. Will all members try to come on Saturday, December 14, as new cards will be waiting for them?—Walter Dobson, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS.

Canary contest, held at Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe. 21 birds hung. Mr. Fiswick, proprietor, gave a substantial prize. Judges and timekeeper, Biss, Sellers and Turner. Winners: Binner 1, Smith 2, Shaw 3. Another open contest Dec. 15; first bird hung at 7.45.—C. W. Smith, Sec.

Weekly contest for quality singing Linnets, held at Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, Dec. 8th, when 16 birds sang for 3 good prizes. Result: 1, 2, J. Clarke; 3rd prize shared between A. Lorriman and A. Binns. Judges, Messrs. A. Turner and C. Lorriman.—A. Lorriman, Hon. Sec.

Open contest for quality, held at the King's Head, Shannon Street, Dec. 7, when 14 birds sang for three good prizes, given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson: 1, C. Ward; 2, T. Stead; 3, T. Johnson. Judges, S. Hardcastle, W. Naylor, also Dec. 8, when 23 birds sang for four good prizes: 1, C. Ward; 2, Lacy; 3, H. Wigfield; 4, S. Johnson. Judges, S. Hardcastle, Naylor, Wood. Open contest for Rollers, held as above, Dec. 8, when eight birds sang for three good prizes: 1, 3, Mr Buttery; 2, A. Nicholson. Judges, Mr. Sissons, W. Naylor. Open contest for Rollers will be held as above on Dec. 15, when our host, Mr. Wm. Tillotson, will give three good prizes, first pair to be hung at 7.45.—Walter Naylor, hon. sec.

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Club Reports.

EDINBURGH WESTERN O.S.

Monthly meeting, held December 5th, at Rugo street, Hall. Mr. Ballantyre presided over a good attendance of members. Five new members were admitted. Fanciers desiring to join should do so at once.—Charles Grant, Sec.

BONNYRIGG C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, held December 7th, Mr. Alex Jardine, President, in the chair. Agreed that rule 6 be strictly enforced. The balance sheet was next read and adopted, and showed that we could pay 8s per class, which was considered satisfactory. Mr. Jardine was re-elected president, Mr. Wrighley, vice-president, and Mr. Stirling secretary. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the President, and also the retiring secretary.—James Hamilton.

BROUGHTY FERRY C.B.S.

Annual general meeting held at headquarters, Dec. 4. Mr. Carnyllie, pres., in the chair. The financial statement was read by the sec., and it showed the society to be in a healthy condition. Office bearers were elected for the ensuing season: Pres., R. Carnyllie; vice-pres., W. Keill; show manager, Chas. Low. Owing to business reasons, Mr. R. Whitton resigned the post of secretary, and Mr. Jas. Langlands was elected secretary and treasurer. It was agreed to alter the date of open show to October 18th, 1913. Jas. Langlands, Sec., Victoria Cottage.

CHESTER C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Nov. 26 at headquarters, Mr. F. C. Parker in chair. Prize money was paid to members present, also specials won at annual show. Messrs. Menard, Spencer, and Rowbottom were elected members. Ticket money was also received. Will members having unsold tickets, also money, please return same to secretary so that books may be made up and balance sheet completed? Decided to hold general meeting on Dec. 30. Will members please note and turn up in full strength?—R. L. G. Simpson, hon. sec.

VALE OF LEVEN C.B.C.

Second annual meeting was held in Village Schoolroom, Alexandria, 5th inst., President Hannah in the chair. Secretary intimated colossal success of their two years' work—67 members first year and 89 this year; 241 entries first year, 394 this year; 84 spls first year and 123 this year; 6s., 4s., 2s. prize-money first year, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. this year; so that when the entry money which is pooled is added to above 89 members are better off financially than when competing at open shows. Prize money, pool money, and specials having been handed out, the meeting proceeded to elect office-bearers for the ensuing season, but owing to time being up had to postpone this until next meeting, Jan. 9, when alterations in rules, etc., will be considered.—A. H. McLean, sec.

LOCHGELLY C.B.S.

Meeting held in the Drill Hall, Dec 4, Mr. Thos. Wildridge in the chair. The usual business of the society for the past year was taken up, Mr. Grewar having forwarded the annual report and balance sheet, which disclosed the pleasing fact that the society has now a bank balance of £16 or thereabouts. Officers were appointed as follows:—R. Muir, sec.; P. McCue, treas.; M. Kelly, assist. sec.; and two auditors. Enthusiasm being high in the district, we have decided on holding a members' show on Dec. 28. Prize money to be paid by overplus takings, only after all expenses have been paid. This will be another opportunity for the usual hardworking committee to show their skill in dealing with the cage bird exhibitions. All communications in future please address to R. Muir, Anderson's Cottages, Station Road, Lochgelly.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

Meeting held Dec. 9 at the Church Institute, 60, Paddington-st., Mr. W. A. Shepherd in the chair, Mr. Dickinson, hon. sec., and over 30 members present. One nomination for membership was received, and seven new members elected. As all these are novices it augurs well for competition in novice classes during the coming year. Two classes of Borders were staged for judging competition, Mr. Large acting as final judge. The results will be announced at next meeting. The feature of the evening was the paying out of special prize money won at annual show, by Mr. V. Wynn, and also the presentation of cups, medals, and diplomas by Mrs. L. M. Thynne. On the motion of Mr. Weston, seconded by Mr. Dickinson, a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mrs. Thynne by the members for her kind services, Mr. Weston remarking that it was the first time in the history of the society that a lady had taken such a part in their proceedings, and trusted it would be repeated annually. Nominations were received for judges for young bird show 1913, and two names in each section, Canary and British, were selected to be sent out to members for final ballot. Notices of alterations to rules at annual meeting were received, and the compiling of schedule for pair show was left to the secretary and council. A very interesting meeting was brought to a close with a vote of thanks to the chairman.—Fred Thynne, Asst. Hon. Sec.

LEYTON C.B.A.

On Dec. 2, a Bohemian concert was held in connection with the distribution of challenge cups and special prizes won by members at the annual show. Our president, S. C. Rhodes, Esq., occupied the chair, and opened the proceedings by extending a hearty welcome to a very large audience. On behalf of the Leyton and Dis. C.B.A., he hoped that all would make this concert Bohemian in spirit as well as in name. Mr. Bartholomew accompanied, and the following artistes delighted the company with songs, recitations, etc. The Misses Talbot and Heliens, and Messrs. Penn, Hellens, Stevens, Parr, Mantz, White, Hill, and Saunders. Mr. J. A. Bartlett very ably carried out the duties of musical director. During the interval the president handed the challenge cups and other valuable special prizes to the respective winners, and the company availed themselves of refreshments in the form of coffee and sandwiches. These good things having been disposed of, the programme was proceeded with. The chairman ultimately called attention to the fact that time was getting on, and, like all good things, the evening must come to a close. He remarked that he was sorry some of the artistes had been obliged to leave early, but thanked those who were still with them on behalf of the association. Mr. B. F. Forse proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman, which was duly seconded, and responded to in a few well chosen remarks.—Forse and Son, Hon. Secs.

BURTON-ON-TRENT C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, held Dec. 3, at the Staffordshire Knot, Mr. Hathaway presided over a fair muster of members. After the correspondence was read Mr. A. Emery judged the table show, for which, owing to a wet night, members had only brought a few birds. YELL. CK.: 1, Hathaway, 2, Ford. BUFF HENS: 1, Hathaway; 2, Wood, 3, Lee, 4, Ford. Buff cocks and yell. hens for next meeting.—A. Wood, sec.

ANFIELD PLAIN C.B.S.

Meeting held December 7th, at Mr. Hannigham's, Mr. S. Foster in the chair. We made four new members, Messrs. R. Goodchild, J. Oxley, W. Knowles, and J. Biggs. Decided to hold a meeting on Tuesday night, before show, Dec. 17, to go over the classes. Decided to have an open Linnet class, with prize-money guaranteed. We expect a good entry, as there are a lot of Linnet fanciers around here. Our members are doing well as regards specials, and we expect to have one for every class. Table show same night. Mr. J. Emmerson judged, and gave every satisfaction. Results: NOR. BUFF: 1, Williams; 2, 3, vhc, Humphrey. YORKS. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Robinson. BORD. BUFF: 1, Cresswell. BRIT.: 1, vhc, Robson; 2, c, Humphrey; 3, Williams; hc, Peart.—R. Peart, Sec.

ABERTILLERY C.B.S.

Meeting held at Jackson's Rooms, Nov. 30, there being present Messrs. R. Cleaves, E. Bulton, W. Newell, J. Parfitt, J. Hillman, A. Parfitt, J. Pritchard, W. Bower, H. Parfitt, R. Richards, A. Moule, H. Mortimer, and G. Broome. After opinions had been expressed as to the desirability of forming a cage bird society at Abertillery, it was put to the meeting and carried unanimously that we start one, to be known as the Abertillery and Dis. C.B.S., and open for membership. The election of officers was next proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—Chairman, J. Hillman; vice-chairman, J. Parfitt; treas., H. Mortimer; sec., G. Broome, 19, Powell Street, Abertillery. Decided that entrance fee for membership be 1s., and 6d. per month afterwards. It was decided to look up a few local gentlemen with an invitation to act as president. It is the intention of the society to run a few first feather shows next season. Also an open show. Now, there are many good fanciers in the surrounding districts, and I hope they will roll up at our next meeting and try to make this society a success. Next meeting called for Dec. 14 at 7 p.m sharp at 94, Alma Street.—George Broome, sec.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, held Dec. 5th, Mr. M. C. Potts in chair. Secretary gave a short report of open show, which has been a success financially. Decided to pay 5s. per class in members' classes, to be paid at next meeting, January 9. The open show for next year has been fixed for October 17 and 18. Mr. Atkinson was elected an auditor. Decided to have table show next meeting, with 3 classes each for Nor., Yorks. and Bord. (yell ck., buff ck., and hen), a and A.O.V. Can.; entry, 6d. per class. Mr. Crawhall will give 2s. 6d. for most points. The judges are Messrs. Curry, Tindale, and Potts. Will members please note that the next meeting will be Jan. 9th, when nominations will have to be sent in in writing for officials of the Society for 1913? Will those members who have tickets for social of Dec. 18, Co-operative Hall, kindly let me have the number they have sold on Monday, December 16, so as to give the caterer some idea how many he will have present for supper. Let us try and make this a huge success. Wishing the members a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and hoping that next year may be as good for the society as this has been.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

READING AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Meeting held December 4th, before a very fair attendance. Six new members were elected: Messrs. Taylor, and Chubb (Caversham), Wren (Oxford), Giles (Sonning), G. Dowley, jun. (Woking), A. Cooke (Guildford). Hon. Sec. gave a detailed report and balance sheet of the late show, which was listened to with great attention, and considered very satisfactory. A discussion took place with regard to a special prize allotted at the show, which was claimed by two members. Agreed to buy another one to clear the matter up. Then a question regarding a bird claimed at show came up, and a hot discussion ensued, but eventually the matter was disposed of satisfactorily. A number of letters were read congratulating us on our late show, one gentleman very kindly promising us 10s. as a special prize for foreign classes for next year, an offer which was received with great satisfaction. A suggestion was brought forward to hold the pair show in February instead of March, and sec. was requested to write to get terms for judging and lecture afterwards. Will members please note that next meeting will be on January 8 instead of January 1, and as this will be the first meeting of the year, I wish to appeal to all member to make a record start by getting one new member each. If you are not sure of him, let me have his address. You will get the credit for it.—W. H. Pyke, Hon. Sec.

SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD (Eastfield Side) C.B.S.

Annual supper and special prize distribution held Dec. 7, at headquarters, Masons' Arms, when 63 members, friends, and their wives sat down to a good spread laid down by the host and hostess (Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bradbury). After supper, the evening was spent in song, etc. Mr. A. Wright, our favourite comedian, sang, "Last Night," "I've been pushed," "Dear Little Jessie," and "Down by the Swanee River." Mr. Leadale sang, "The Loss of the Titanic," "Thora," Killarney," and "The Holy City." Mr. G. Humphry and R. Nuttall, and others also contributed. The specials were a grand show (Messrs. R. Nuttall, G. Hall, and J. J. Bradbury being congratulated on the selection when buying), and these were distributed by Mr. J. W. Burton, who was in the chair—a right man in the right place, who made a few appropriate remarks with each presentation. The specials were for points won throughout the year, and were won as follows: 1, Messrs. Count and Keeling, 42; 2, Nuttall Bros., 40; 3, C. Connat, 38; 4, Shaw and Booth, 34; 5, J. Norwood, 25; 6, W. Vardy, 25; 7, G. Ward, 24; 8, R. Weston, 23; 9, J. Ellis, 22; 10, 11, 12, Jim Norwood, M. Norwood, and S. Hawksley, 15 each; 13, 14, C. Waldron and Hall Bros., 14 each; M. G. Marshall, 12 points; 15, W. Owen, 11; 16, 17, H. Handley and G. Hymas, 8 each; 18, S. Woolley, 7; 19, A. Spencer, 5; 20, G. Norwood, 4; 21, Mrs. Bradbury, 3; 22, F. Holmes, 2. Mr. J. Carlen was presented with a tea urn for his long services at the piano. Mr. W. Osborne also received a special. A hearty vote of thanks was given to the host and hostess, also to the local tradespeople who had kindly given specials. The singing of the National Anthem brought a merry evening to a close.—R. [illegible]

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

I had the following letter during the past week:—

Sir,—Having taken Cage Birds during the last three months, I have learned that there are people who are "up in arms" against the hobby of keeping birds in confinement. Now, Sir, have these people been against us in the past, or is it a new movement? I never heard it till I took Cage Birds, and read it in its pages, and will you tell me if they are directed against British Birds only, or is the Canary included also? If it is cruel to keep birds in confinement, the pigeon, rabbit, mouse, etc., fanciers are also guilty. If these pets are excluded on the plea of domestication, surely Canary-keepers can call their birds domesticated, too. I suppose it would take an Act of Parliament to abolish bird-keeping. What would they do with the thousands of Parrots, Foreigners, Canaries, etc., which, if liberated, would die in this country? I expect the Zoo would get an exemption clause. Looking at the question fairly, Sir, I think if it has to go through Parliament, it will never come to pass. Now, Sir, I hope you will forgive me for bothering you, but I shall esteem it a great favour if you can spare time to answer the letter of a working bird-lover.

C. Hunt.

Bolnhurst.

If our friend's acquaintance with Cage Birds had extended over the past two years he would have gathered that the opposition against the hobby of bird-keeping is no new thing. The professional humanitarians take the view that the keeping of any kind of bird in a cage is "an acted blasphemy," and they have over and over again expressed their intention to put a stop to bird-keeping. One of their methods is the publication of sensational pamphlets, such as "The other Side of the Bars," the extravagant exaggerations of which I have exposed in these columns. Their mouthpiece in Parliament, the Mr. Greenwood to whom I referred last week, has expressed his intention to get an Act passed rendering illegal the keeping of any bird in any condition whatever, and this would of course include the domesticated Canary, whose ancestors have for generations been reared and tended by humane fanciers, until the many varieties have reached the perfection now to be seen on our show benches. Whether such an Act of Parliament stands a chance of getting through the House of Commons is open to doubt, and members of Cage Birds League must see that if it does it will not be because they have been silent when they ought to have been speaking their minds. In the members of the League, the Associates, and those of our readers who have signed our weekly coupons, we have a united body of thousands of bird-keepers, and it would be strange indeed if such a body could not make its influence felt when it comes to electing those who are to make our laws for us.

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REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Waunarlwydd C.B.S.—Jan. 2, Sheppard's Hall. Judge: Mr. J. H. Payne. 13 open classes: Nor. 1, Yorks. 1, Bord. 1, A.O.V. Can. 1, Brit. 7, Mule 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Dec. 26, to Mr. Jack Walters, Sunny Bank, Westfield Road.

Dalbeattie.—Jan. 1, Town Hall. Judge: Mr. James Hunter. 16 open classes: Bord. 2, Nor. 3, Yorks. 1, A.O.V. Can. 1, Mule 1, Brit. 4, For. 2, Sell. 2. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Dec. 25, to Mr. G. C. Robertson, Sec., Dalbeattie.

Tideswell C.S.—Dec. 21, Oddfellows' Hall. Judge: Mr. T. Watson. 6 open classes: Nor. 2, Yorks. 2, Brit. 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Dec. 14, to Mr. W. F. Swarbrick, Sec., High Street.

Liverpool.—Open show. Dec. 26, Anfield, Everton and Dis. C.B.S. Judges: A. Wellings, Geoff. Benson, W. Mallinson. 24 classes: Yorks. 14, Nor. 5, Bord. 2, Sell. 3. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 3s., and 2s. Fee: open classes 1s. 6d., selling 1s. Ent. close first post, Dec. 22, to R. B. Wright, 15, Worcester Drive, Clubmoor, Liverpool.

HASTINGS UNITED.

Fourteenth annual show held Dec. 4 and 5. Entries came up well, nearly 500 in all, the quality in Norwich, Yorkshires, and Foreign being excellent. Mr. Ellis won the Norwich cup, Mr. Wraight the Yorkshire cup, and the Rev. Paterson cup for best bird. The exhibits were nicely staged in a well lighted hall. The committee had everything in good working order, with Mr. Thos. G. Coombs as hon. sec., who is most courteous and obliging. Mr. W. R. Miles judged. From the catalogue received we gather that the principal winners were: CHAMP., YORKS.: Messrs. Wraight, Morris and Son, George and Miss Hinton, Bullock, Dawson, and McDonald. NOR.: Messrs. Morris and Son, Ellis, Coombs, Rev. J. M. Paterson, Pettiels, Douch, Elliott, and Miss Hinton. NOV. YORKS: Mr. Greengrass and Mrs. Slack. NOR.: Messrs. Tidy, Greengrass, Cramp, Cragg, Ellis, and Miss Bullock. BRIT.: Rev. J. M. Paterson, and Messrs. Cheale, Elliott, Pennells, Jarrett, and Miss McDonald, Hinton, Dawson, and Mrs. Bullock. HYB.: Messrs. Cramp, and Tidy, and Miss Bullock, and Hinton. FOR.: Rev. J. M. Paterson and Messrs. Parks and Wilson, and Mrs. Picknell.—(Ed.)

TODMORDEN C.B.S.

Annual show held in the National School, Burnley-rd., Dec. 7. There were not quite as many entries as last year, but quality was better. Special best bird was awarded to J. M. Spofforth for a yell. Norwich. Mr. E. Clegg, Dewsbury, was the judge, and his awards were well received.

CL. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Fichlen; 2, Sutcliffe; 3, Livesey. BUFF: 1, Stansfield Bros.; 2, Livesey; 3, Fewsdale. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Stansfield Bros.; 2, Cockcroft; 3, Livesey. BUFF: 1, Stansfield Bros.; 2, Coupe. CINN. TKD. OR VAR.: 1, Coupe; 2, Fielden. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, Livesey; 2, 3, Fewsdale. BUFF: 1, Fewsdale; 2, Fielden; 3, Spofforth. CL. YELL. NOR.: 1, G. Bentley. TKD. OR VAR. YELL.: 1, Spofforth. BUFF: 1, Sutcliffe; 2, Spofforth; 3, Garside. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN: 1, J. M. Spofforth; 2, G. Bentley; 3, T. Meadowcroft. BUFF: 1, Spofforth; 2, Bentley; 3, Spofforth. A.O.V.: 1, 3, Bentley; 2, Sutcliffe. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Bentley. YORKS., NOV.: 1, 3, Smith; 2, Barker. HEN: 1, 3, Phillips; 2, Barker. NOR., NOV.: 1, Garside. PAIR, FOR BREEDING: 1, Cockcroft; 2, Livesey; 3, Fichlen. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH: 1, A. Spofforth; 2, J. Spofforth. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Sutcliffe; 2, J. Spofforth. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 2, 3, A. Spofforth. FOR., FINCHLIKE: 1, J. Spofforth; 2, 3, Barker. PARROT (Loral): 1, Barker; 2, Mrs. Roberts. Special Winners: Best unflight., Sandiford's best bird, and best Nor., J. M. Spofforth; best nov., Smith; best Yorks., Stansfields Bros.; best pair, Cockcroft; best Brit., A. Spofforth; best Yorks. hen, Livesey; best var. hardbill, A. Spofforth; best foreign, J. M. Spofforth.

HAYLE.

Annual show held in the Skating Rink Dec. 4 and 5, a good place for a cage bird show, having plenty of room and light. The birds were staged in the centre on both sides, which gave ample room for the visitors who, we were glad to see, turned out in good numbers. It was very gratifying to learn that the entries were up to last year, and hope by another year to see them increase. The Norwich section was well filled, and contained some very fine and typical exhibits. The winning non-flight, was a gem, and a credit to its breeder. The Yorkshire classes were extra good, and this variety is becoming more popular with the Cornish fanciers. The mule and British sections, as usual, had amongst them some of the finest specimens going, and for merit and condition could not well be surpassed. The silver cup for the best three nominated birds shown by a member was won by Messrs. Rowe and Richards with three grand dark mules, closely followed by three lovely Goldfinches shown by Mr. Coombe. The challenge bowl for most points went to Mr. F. Collins with 101 points. The management was splendid, and in Mr. Coombe the society has one of the most able secretaries. He is well supported by a splendid chairman, Mr. J. Roskrow, and an equally energetic show manager, Mr. Ware, also a good working committee of fanciers, who looked well after the interests of the birds. Mr. E. White judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

NOR., CL. OR TK. (10): 1, 2, r, Pascoe, varieg. leading, good size and subs., fine deep chest, nice head and qual.; 2, nice shape, cl., close feather, neat wings and tail; r, cl., grand col., splendid type and qual.; 3, Ferrill, cl., good shape, neat head, wings, and tail, good shape and qual.; vhc, hc, Williams; c, Lee and Lawry. BUFF (11): 1, 2, 3, Stephens and Gaved, grand team, cl. leading, good col. and type, grand qual. and wing carriage, well mealed; 2, tk. head, shoulder, and wing, well up in size, good col. and quality; 3, cl., bold head and chest, capital col.; r, Williams, tic. head, neat shape, good tail and wings, nice col.; vhc, Lee and Lawry; hc, Collins; c, Thomas. HEN (12): 1, Cowl, yell., good size, trifle rough in feather; 2, 3, Stephens and Gaved, variegbuff, grand type, well up in size, rich col., nice qual., neat wing carr., some liked for 1st; 3, good cl. yell., very sweet, nice shape and size; 4, Collins, buff, tic. neck, nice shape and size, well mealed; vhc, Symons Bros.; hc, Wren; c, Kemp. NONFLIGHT (10): 1, 2, Pascoe, cl. buff, nice level col., good qual., fine head and chest; 2, varieg. yell., grand qual. and col., neat wings and tail; 3, we missed, no name in catalogue; vhc, Rowe and Richards; hc, Cook and Son; c, Kemp. YORKS., YELL., CL., OR TKD. (9): 1, Perkins, cl. yell., good size, nice length, well up on leg, good col.; 2, Thomas, nice qual., good pos., neat wing carr.; 3, Allen, nice pos. and qual., neat wings; r, Stephens and Gaved, grand length, smart shape, nat col. feathers on head, which told against it; vhc, Boundy; hc, Oatey and Son; c, Peters. BUFF; 1, 4, Thomas, buff leader, cl., smart shape, nice pos. and qual., neat wings; 4, good length, qual., and pos., nice col.; 2, c, Allen, good qual., neat head and neck, well braced wings; 3, Peters, good length buff, stands well up, nice wings and tail, grand feather; vhc, Fox; hc, Ellis. HEN (13): 1, Boundy, buff cl., stands well up on legs, good head and neck, nice wings, good feather; 2, hc, Thomas, good yell., nice length, well tapered body, full of qual.; 3, c, Ellis, good non-fed, sweet head and neck, good back and wings; 4, Stephens and Gaved, well braced wings, nice leg and tail; vhc, Oatey and Son. NON-FLIGHT. (20): 1, Perkins, buff, nice qual. and shape, fails little in wing car.; 2, Sleeman, cl. yell., smart shape, nice pos. and qual., good wing carr.; 3, Boundy, nice length and pos., good qual. and col.; 4, vhc, Thomas, variegyell., nice compact wings and tail, teeming with col. and qual.; ex. 4, Batten, yell., nice wedge shape, well up, good feather; hc, Allen; c, Ellis. CINN. YELL. (6): 2, 3, Medlin, very smart yellows, good col. and qual., neat head and wings, very smart; r, Rowe and Richards, capital size and shape, neat wings, nice feather, good col.; hc, Cock and Son; c, Brooks. BUFF (9): 1, 2, 3, Collins, smart team, good type and qual., good col., nice wings and tails; r, c, Medlin, good bird, nice col., looking rough. CREST. (6): 2, 3, Rabey Bros., cl. D.C. of grand size and shape, dense feather, lovely qual., nice droop; 3, varieg., good frontal, nice leafy feather, good droop; r, hc, Lee and Lawry, good birds, but out of cond.; vhc, Symons Bros. C.B. (8): 1, vhc, Rabey Bros., varieg., good size and subs., nice head and lash; 2, hc, Symons Bros., splendid head, dense feather, of good length; 3, c, Lee and Lawry, green, grand length of feather; r, Kelynack. PAIRS (10): 1, Symons Bros., green Crest and buff, tic. head C.B., good pair, well matched; 2, Andrew, Nor., good col. and qual.; 2, Angwin, Yorks. yell. and var., well up on leg; r, Collins, Nor., cl. buff and variegyell. hen, good qual.; vhc, Lee and Lawry; hc, Oatey and Son; c, Brooks. MULES AND HYBS. (8): 1, 2, 3, 4, r, vhc, Collins, fine team, well shown. MULES, DK. (10): 1, 3, c, Rowe and Richards, grand yell. Goldie, good size and col., lovely blaze; 3, Greenie-Can., yell., good col., well up in size, fails little in head; 2, vhc, hc, Collins, Twite-Can. jonque, grand col. and size, well mkd.; 4, Stephens and Gaved, buff Goldie, good size and col., well mkd. GOLDFINCH (13): 1, 3, c, Coombe, rare rich blaze, nice tannings and buttons, good wings, lovely cond.; 3, little smaller, but good; 2, Polkinghorne, grand square face, nice wings and buttons; 4, Collins, lovely tannings, good wings, buttons, and moons; vhc, hc, Stephens and Gaved. BULLFINCH (12): 1, Crowle, rare cap, grand back and breast col.; 2, Polkinghorne, good cap, nice breast, rare bars, fine bloom; 3, Leddicoat, we missed; 4, Michael, best bird in class, but flights gone, which kept him down; vhc, Rowe and Richards; hc, c, Cooper. SMALL HARDBILL (12): 1, 3, 4, Collins, leader big Yell. Bunting, rich col., well mkd. back, nice head and cheeks; 3, Bramble, nice col., well spangled back, laced flanks; 4, Snow Bunting, good size, nice col.; 2, Rowe and Richards, Cirl Bunting, well mkd. head, good col. and cond.; vhc, Hobba and Son; hc, Cock and Son; c, Ferrell. BRIT., A.O.S. (6): 1, Stephens and Gaved, Cornish Chough, grand sheen, good beak and legs, lovely cond.; 2, 3, r, vhc, Collins, grand team, yell. Wagtail leading, good size and col., very steady; 3, sweet Blackcap, grand mkd. head, good col.

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ELGIN

C.B.A. 3rd Annual Show, Academy Hall, Elgin, Christmas Day. Schedules of: James Lumsden, Bishopmill, Elgin. (267)

Fraserburgh

O.A. An Open Show of Canaries, Hybrids, Pigeons, Bantams, and Rabbits, will be held under the auspices of the above Association on 'Xmas Day.

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WINGATE

and Dis. F.S. 1st Annual Open Show, January 1st, 1913. No Schedule. Full Classification next issue.—J. Burdett, Sec., Todd St., Wingate, Co. Durham.

LIVERPOOL

OPEN SHOW (Anfield, Everton, and Dist. C.B.S.),

December 26, Boxing Day Under N.C.M.Y.C.C. patronage 4 Classes. 4 Classes Yorks. Clears. 5 Norwich Clear, etc. 2 Border. 3 Selling Classes. 120 Members' Classes; entry fee 6d. Open Novice Classes; entry fee, open classes 1/6, selling classes 1/-, Judges: Alf. Wellings, Geoff. Benson, W. Mallinson. Exhibitors, write for schedules. Prize Money, 20/- per class, and extra Specials. Entries close Dec. 22nd, first post. Send early and avoid postal delay.—R. B. Wright, Hon. Sec., 15, Worcester Drive, Clubmoor, Liverpool.

Tues., Dec. 31, 1912 **Scottish National** Wed., Jan. 1, 191

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OPEN SHOW OF CREST AND CREST-BRED CANARIES.

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Entries close Saturday, Dec. 21st (certain).

For schedules, apply: Jas. Wilson, Secretary, 31, Sutton Street, Norton, Malton, Yorks. (278)

LONGTON

LANCASHIRE.

Saturday, Dec. 28th. Cage Bird Section. All Norwich. Champion Section. Judge: P. Wareing, Esq., Preston. Class 1—Yellow Clear Ticked or Varieg.; 2—Buff Clear Ticked or Varieg.; 3—Yellow or Buff Hen; 4—Unflig. Yellow Clear Ticked or Varieg.; 5—Unflig. Buff Clear Ticked or Varieg.; 6—Unflig. Yellow or Buff Hen. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Entry fees, 1/6 per entry, 8 or less entries per class, half prize money. The Poultry Society will give 2/6 cash to exhibitor carrying most points in each class. R. Anderton, Esq., Silver Medal, Best Hen in Show. All entries to above classes to be made to Mr. R. Joinson, Liverpool Road, Longton, nr. Preston, not later than first post, Saturday, December 21st. Enter from above.

ELGIN

Poultry, Pigeon, Cage Bird, and Rabbit Association. 27th Annual Show will be held in the Corn Market Hall, on Wednesday, January 1st, 1913. 41 Classes for Cage Birds. 3 Silver Cups, numerous Specials. Prize Money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-, 1/6. Entry money, 1/6. Judge: James Kerr, Esq., Dundee. Entries close Dec. 25th. Schedules now ready, from: Garden and Sinclair, Secs., 23, Cuibard Street, Elgin.

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KILMARNOCK

Cage Birds, etc., Show, January 1st and 2nd, 1913. 50 Classes, with Challenge Cups and Numerous Specials, in addition to Prize Money. Judges: R. Prentice, Clydebank; John McLay, Kirkintilloch; and R. V. Raine, Cathcart. Schedules from: J. Blane, Sec., 10, Hill Street, Kilmarnock. (298)

THE PALACE OF SCOTLAND.

PAISLEY

O.A., January 1st and 2nd, 59th Open Show, in Drill Hall. 68 open classes. Hundreds of pounds in prize money and specials. Popular judges. Prize money, 34/- per class. Entry fee, 2/-, including specials. Prize money paid to those present on 2nd day of show. Entries close Wednesday, 25th Dec., last post. Schedules from: Wm. Lambie, Secretary, 25, Caledonia St., Paisley. (269)

FALKLAND O.S. 53rd Annual Show. Poultry, Pgs., Cage Birds, Thurs., Jan. 2nd, 1913. 37 Cage Bird Classes. Judges: Canaries, A. Leslie (Thornton); British and Mules, C. White (Pathhead). Numerous Specials. Entries close Dec. 26th. Schedules: Wm. Anderson, Falkland. (289)

WAUNARLWYDD

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F. and F.C.B.S.

Jan. 4th, 1913.

(separate Hall). Good Classifications. Entry fee 1/-. Entries close Dec. 28th. Apply: J. W. Christon, New Kyo, Annfield Plain. (292)

Loughborough

C.B.S. Show, Saturday, January 4th, 1913. First Classification. M.C.Y.C.C. patronage. Judge, J. C. Barnes (Sheffield).—V. A. Harris, Sec., Leicester Rd. (227)

EPSOM

Open Show Jan. 7th. Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, and Cage Birds. Judge Cage Birds, Mr. G. Gardner. Schedules ready.—A. W. Breeden, Hon. Sec., 71, Hook-rd., Epsom.

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JANUARY 8th and 9th, 1913.

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Twitterings.

R. A. Newley is "the" man for show cages. Order early. Address: 24, Stockwell Green, London, S.W.—(Advt.)

Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) has, we hear, been appointed judge at Loughborough show, held Jan. 4 next.

Mr. Thos. Pewick writes that he has removed from 144, Esk St., Windy Nook, Gateshead, to 94, Belford Terrace, North Shields.

In our review last week of High Wycombe F.S. schedule, the prize-money appears as 6s., 4s., 2s.; this should read 10s., 5s., and 2s. 6d.

Having posted our schedules, writes Mr. W. Ayers, anyone overlooked please write out entry form from Dec. 7th advert. in CAGE BIRDS, of Jarrow show.

Schedule of Manchester, Salford and Dist. Amalgamated show, writes Mr. J. Spencer, hon. sec., should read British classes open and amateur show together; novices alone.

Mr. F. Knight (64, Chaplin Road, Wembley) asks us to request members of the L.C.B.A. to kindly send on to him at once all ticket-money for the Horticultural Hall Show.

A Merry Xmas
and a
Happy New Year
To Bird Lovers the world over.

Please allow me, writes Mr. A. Walker, Hon. Sec. Darlington Can. and B.B.F.A., to thank all exhibitors who have kindly written me thanking me for the early receipt of their prize-money.

We have decided to hold our first Roller contest at the Commercial Hotel, Stacksteads on Saturday, January 11th, 1913, writes Mr. H. Wantling, Hon. Sec. Rossendale C.B.S. Will all Roller fanciers kindly note date and oblige.

If an exhibitor has received a Norwich Plainhead in mistake from the show held at Pontypridd on Dec. 4, will he communicate with the secretary, Mr. A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser Street, Maesycoed, Pontypridd.

Our very best thanks to all who did the work, cared for the birds and arranged the sending away of them at the Royal Horticultural Hall—the best we have ever had any sent back, write Messrs. Andrews Bros. (Woodbridge).

Members of the Liverpool and District Amalgamated societies, writes Mr. Geo. W. Morton, sec., will be pleased to hear that Mr. C. A. House has promised to judge the annual members' show at Birkenhead, December 21st.

We are informed that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Anyone who may have been overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries: Cowdenbeath, Cramlington, Carnarvon, Darlington C. and B.B.F.A., Cardiff, Coventry Godiva, Rotherham, City and Sub., Bradford Natl., Whitburn, Musselburgh, Headless Cross, and Coaltown of Wemyss.

IMPORTANT HOLIDAY NOTICE.

Owing to the Christmas Holidays this year falling on Wednesday and Thursday (December 25th and 26th), advertisers, correspondents, and our readers generally, should note that any communications for insertion in our issue dated December 28th should reach us not later than FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20th NEXT (or first post Saturday at latest), as our December 28th issue must go to press on the Monday afternoon, December 23rd. Any communications arriving after Saturday, the 21st, may have to be held over. All advertisers should take advantage of the special offer made them on this page.

Crystal Palace Cage Bird show, Feb. 7 to 11, 1913. Fanciers should remember that a win at the Palace enhances the value of their stock by 50 per cent.; also that the Palace show is the best place to dispose of surplus stock at good prices. Special classes are provided for surplus stock.—(Advt.)

The Barnsley and District C.B.S. are holding their second members' show to-day (Dec. 14) in the large club room at the Clarence Hotel, writes Mr. F. C. Sims, the sec. Local fanciers will find it a treat in store (open from 4.30 to 8.30 p.m.). Anyone wishing to become a member of this society can do so.

Would you kindly mention, writes Mr. Grewar, that I have resigned the secretaryship of Lochgelly C.B.S. Mr. R. Muir, Anderson's Cottage, Station-head, has been appointed to the office. Any who won specials at the late Lochgelly show and who have not received same, should kindly drop a post card at once.

Fanciers wishing to exhibit at the Liverpool show of the Anfield, Everton and Dis. C.B.S., held Dec. 26, should drop a postcard to me, writes Mr. R. B. Wright (Worcester Drive, Clubmoor, Liverpool), for schedule. Birds will be received from all railway companies and boats on Xmas Eve, and all Xmas Day and night.

At Abersychan show, writes Mr. Couch, chairman, we had an entry of 126, which I think was very good, seeing it was a Saturday show and a very wet day, which made the gate a bit low. We shall pay out all prize-money, and it will be paid this week. We thank all friends for their support. The judge was Mr. J. R. Houghton, and his awards pleased everyone

OBITUARY.

It is with deepest feelings of regret, writes Mr. Wilson, sec. Leeds C.B.S., that I have to announce the death of Minnie, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hall. She passed away Sunday, Oct. 8th, at the early age of 22 years, and was laid to rest in the New Wortley Cemetery, Oct. 11th. All fanciers who are acquainted with Mr. Hall, who is Chairman of the Leeds C.B.S., and well known in Yorkshire Union circles, will, I feel sure, extend their heartfelt sympathy to him and his family in the hour of their great trial.

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. W. B. Smart, Sec. Loanhead C.B.S., that I have to announce the death of Master Stewart Yule, aged 7 years, second son of Mr. John Yule, after a very short illness. I am sure the sympathy of all fanciers will be extended to Mr. and Mrs. Yule in their sudden and sad bereavement.

It is with deepest regret, writes Mr. H. Webster, Assistant Sec. Llanelly and Dis. C.B.S., that I have to report the death on the 3rd of Dec. of Mrs. John, the beloved mother of our worthy secretary, Mr. Daniel John, at the ripe old age of 80 years. At a meeting of the society on Saturday evening last a vote of condolence was passed toward Mr. John in his sad bereavement, and I think all fancier friends will also extend their sympathy towards him in his loss.

I beg to inform the various exhibitors who enquired after my Greenfinch 4th L.C.B.A., that I have sold same to a prominent British exhibitor, writes Mr. W. Sharp (Bathgate).

After time of closing, writes Mr. C. I. Young (sec. Frome F.A.), we only had 50 entries. Please thank fanciers for their generous support in reply to our appeal, as we have closed with over 500. We were very sorry to have to send out an appeal, but were bound to.

Will secretaries and exhibitors, writes Mr. J. W. Reed, Sec. Newcastle-on-Tyne C.B.S., note that we have fixed our open show for Oct. 17th and 18th, 1913. Will those members who have tickets for social and dance of Dec. 18 kindly let me know how many they have sold on Dec. 16th.

I "benched" some birds for the first time on Saturday at the Aintree, Fazackerley Society's show, writes Mr. E. Battersby. The joy of my two children at my success was worth all the trouble and expense. Beware, Messrs. Top-notchers! There's another Richmond in the field.

Through the illness and death of my beloved mother, writes Mr. D. John, hon. sec. Llanelly C.B.S., I have been unable to send out my prize-money of our last show, held on Nov. 26, but hope that the same will be in the hands of the exhibitors ere the time of your next issue

Owing to pressure of business, writes Mr. R. Whitton, I have been forced to resign the secretaryship of the Broughty Ferry C.B.S., and thank the fanciers who have supported our society during the time I have conducted its affairs. I trust they will continue to give my successor, Mr. J. Langlands, Victoria Cottage, the same forbearance as that they have given me.

SPECIAL XMAS OFFER

to senders of small prepaid advertisements.

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In order to save our advertisers trouble during the Christmas Holidays, we will insert advertisements in our next issue and the one following (Dec. 21st and Dec. 28th) for the price of one insertion and a half. Read the Important Holiday Notice on this page.

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New Society for Abertillery (Mon).

As will be seen from our Club Reports column, a Cage Bird Society has been formed for Abertillery. The secretary is Mr. G. Broome, 19, Powell St., Abertillery.

The Strike and Gateshead Show.

Kindly inform exhibitors, writes Mr. J. G. Greason, that Gateshead Society intend holding their show in face of the strike. Birds on main line north and south will get through all right. Exhibitors need have no fear of their birds, as we are making arrangements to keep the birds until able to get them away, should the strike not be settled by Saturday.

Corrections in Show Reports.

At Musselburgh, Mr. J. Skinner won 3rd and 4th in non-fed cks., not Burns, as reported; at Sale, Messrs. Schofield and Addison won 4th, buff unflig. Nor., not Woods; at Tonbridge, Miss Bachelor's pair of Gouldians won 1st, not 2nd; at Pentrebach, Mr. A. Hotchkis was he in yell. cks., not vhc, and in buffs Hotchkis won 2nd, not George.

Birds Delayed Through the Strike.

Owing to railway strike, writes Mr. Smailes, sec. Broomhill C.B.S., we could not get birds on rail on Saturday night, as the railway company refused to accept them. Sorry to have put fanciers to so much trouble. This has meant a great deal of work to the committee, also a great loss to the show. I hope every fancier has received his birds all right.

Stalls at Bradford Show.

Mr. Wm. Errington of Four Lane Ends, Bradford, had an excellent display of his "Fanciers' Blend" of bird seeds, X.L. colour feed, and other specialities. Mr. Joe Thomas of Amblethorn, Halifax, had on view a wonderful collection of Yorkshire, Norwich, and Roller Canaries, Siberian Goldfinches, cages and other fanciers' requisites. His stall made quite a show in itself.

A Loss Foreshadowed.

We heard a whisper whilst at the Bradford National show that the highly esteemed and worthy secretary, Mr. H. Hill, would resign at the end of this season. We hope both for the sake of Bradford and the "Cinderella" show's welfare that he will be able to reconsider his decision, and continue in the good work he has so long upheld. Such an office as Mr. Hill holds wants a deal of filling.

Rotherham's Next Show,

I spent a few very enjoyable hours amongst the Rotherham fanciers, writes our representative. They are a jovial and happy lot. Their show of next year, we presume by the remarks we heard, will take place at an early date. They intend issuing a capital schedule, and are endeavouring to bring their show up to the brilliant standard of a few years ago. When this function comes round I hope fanciers will respond with a bumping entry.

Curious Incident at Bradford.

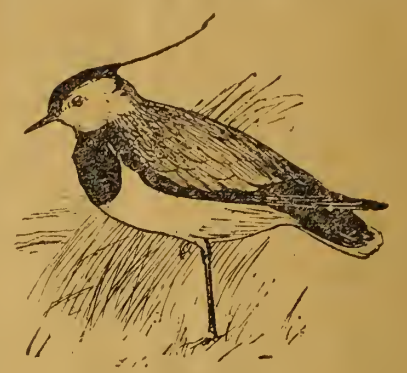
At Bradford National show on Friday last a very valuable clear buff Yorkshire cock was found to be absent in its class. Mr. H. Simonett, the owner, was at an utter loss as to the reason the bird was not on the bench. His cases (along with all the rest) were examined, with no result, so he journeyed home, but found the bird was missing, and had been packed up with his team. We hope by this Mr. Simonett has safely come across his treasure. It seemed a curious business and extremely hard lines on the indefatigable Bradford National show assistant secretary. He had plenty to do without this additional bother and worry.

During your Xmas Holidays don't forget our Competitions.

Wild-Bird Life.

How Birds Flock to Roost.

The Starlings that frequent the meadowlands never seem to leave us. In the summer they nest in the hollows of the old walnut and elm trees, a few pairs under the eaves of the buildings, but the trees appeal to them most, consequently in the early spring months there are incessant quarrels among them for particular sites. They are feeding now in the meadowland, working, hurrying for dear life. So greedy are they, that they only skim the surface, making haste to cover as much ground as possible for fear their companions should get more than they. Their method of feeding



THE LAPWING.

is so unlike that of the Plovers that one cannot but notice the difference. The Plovers settle in a flock, keeping fairly close together with their heads all facing the same way, presently a number of the hindmost birds take wing, fly to the front of the flock and commence to feed, then another lot do the same, and so they cross a field, each in its turn getting a new piece of ground to hunt over; there is no apparent haste or rush to get the best positions, none of the greediness evinced by the Starling, who all want to be first, and so a small flock of the latter will cover as much ground as one three times the size composed of Plovers. Across the downs where the woods are, the Starlings converge from all quarters to roost. When gathered together for the night the flocks consist of hundreds of birds. The manner of gathering is worthy of notice, they do not individually fly to the roosting site, but go in flocks of various sizes. In each district there is a favourite tree or clump of trees. Round an old road leading from the village across country is a large ash tree. As the day declines a few birds may be seen, perched among its branches, some singing quietly, others preening or whistling shrill calls. Presently a party of some half a dozen join them, then more and more. When the tree is full they all take wing, making a bee line to the woods across the downs, some two or three miles away. When these have gone the nucleus of a fresh flock takes possession, until sufficient have gathered for another flight, and so on until the district is cleared of Starlings. Thrushes and Finches may all be seen making their way to this common lodging house, mostly flying in flocks, seldom singly or in pairs.

Our Painting Competition.

A Prize for Artistic Bird-Keepers.

(See frontispiece this week).

Following our usual custom at Christmastide, our Frontispiece this week is designed to be coloured. We offer a cash prize of one guinea for the best attempt at colouring the same which reaches us from one of our readers on or before Friday, January 3rd.

The medium to be employed (oil, water-colour, or crayon) is left to the discretion of the competitor. The finished attempt should be packed flat, or rolled in a tube, and have the sender's name and address written on the back.

The whole of the front page must be coloured, not merely the frontispiece (centre picture) alone.

In this competition entries are received only on the understanding that the Editor's decision shall be accepted as final.

Please thank all fanciers who replied to my advt. of Greenfinch cock, writes Mr. A. Bishop, Aintree. This bird was claimed by telegram by a Darlington fancier.

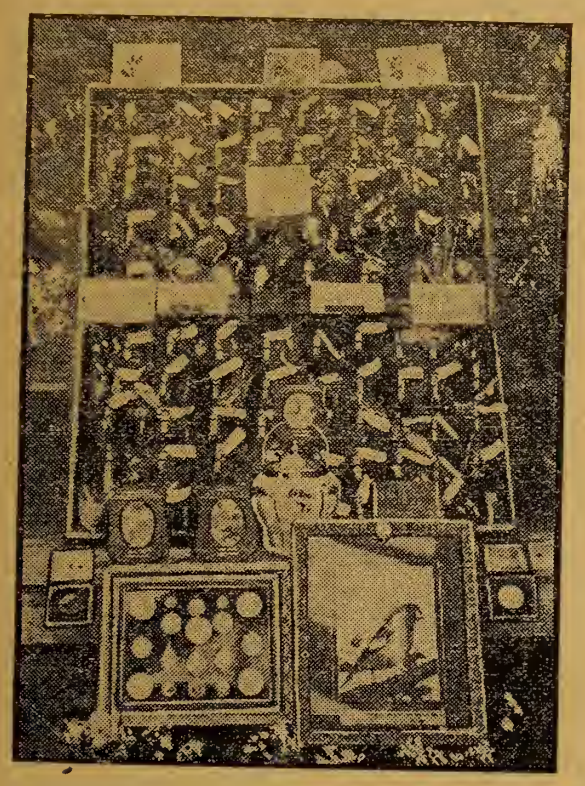
WAYSIDE SEEDS AND BERRIES FOR BRITISH BIRDS.

By that well-known authority, JAS. B. CLARKE, (Rothesay).

A remarkable article on the food of our seed-eating species when in a state of nature, the result of a lifetime's experience of Birds in field and aviary.

IN writing this article on our wayside flowers and seeds, I wish to state that I have to thank the birds themselves for my education. I have been fortunate in being able to lead an out-door life among the birds for the past thirty years, and being specially interested in British birds, having kept most varieties in an aviary or in cages as a hobby, when I noticed any bird feeding on any particular seed I took a note of it in a diary, which is a good plan for all fanciers to follow. Many a one asks me if I never weary when in the country, and they seem surprised when I tell them that nothing gives me greater pleasure than to be amongst the birds and flowers. I will now endeavour to write down that which the birds have taught me in field and aviary.

FIELD SCORPION GRASS (Myosotis arvensis).—Better known as "Forget-me-Not." A common plant and a favourite with most Finches. It grows about 18 inches high, has radical leaves, small blue flowers and glossy black seeds. I have seen all the Finches feed on this plant, and Bullfinches simply revel in it; they will rarely trouble any other seed when this is in season. I gather a large amount of this for moulting Bullfinches, and for fresh caught birds it is most useful. I



A photograph of Mr. Clarke's wonderful collection of wild Seeds and Berries, all duly labelled, and some of the medals and other prizes it has won at Shows in England, Scotland and Wales.

gather the seed heads when ripe, rub in the palms of my hands and blow the chaff away, when the seed will be left in the hand. Blooms in June; seed ready in July.

SHEPHERD'S PURSE (Capsella bursa pastoris).—Has small white flowers, heart-shaped seedpods, and small round yellowish seeds. I find this seed a great favourite of all Finches, and have used it with the best of results in cage and aviary. To preserve this seed, spread out a newspaper, pull as many ripe heads as the paper will hold and leave in the sun for a few days, when the seed will be found loose in the paper.—Should the weather be very wet, I put the seed heads in a slow oven for ten or fifteen minutes, and this acts splendidly. I find shepherd's purse seed is of a binding nature, and other laxative seed should be given along with it.

A Seed with great Tonic properties.

COMMON AGRIMONY (Agrimonia eupatoria).—This plant grows about 2 feet high, with dented leaves, round hairy stalks and small yellow flowers. The seed when ripe is black, similar in shape to Inga. This plant is generally found on banks, near the sides of hedges. The seed is grand, with great tonic properties, and very fine for the liver during the moult. Fanciers will find this a most useful seed and tonic.

HEMP AGRIMONY (Eupatorium cannabinum).—This grows three or more feet high, with dark purple stems, and brownish yellow flowers, and is generally found in marshy places. It is largely used in the medical world for dropsy, jaundice, worms, colds, etc. The seed has the same properties as those of the common agrimony, and is grand for moulting and winter use.

COMMON AVENS (Geum urbanum).—Often called Herb Bennet; grows two feet high with small yellow flowers at top. It is a great favourite of the Chaffinch and Greenfinch, and a most useful seed for these birds during the moult and winter months. I find it aids digestion, and is a great heat producer. Found near hedges and thickets.

CORN SPURRY (Spergula arvensis).—Better known as mouse ear; leaves cylindrical, flowers white on slender stems, which hang down owing to the weight of the seed, which is black, similar in size and shape to maw seed. I have tried this seed for many years with British Birds, but they don't care for it, unless in extreme hunger. The corn and turnip fields in Bute are polluted with this weed, which shows that the birds do not care for it when at liberty.

MOUSE-EAR CHICKWEED (Cerastium vulgatum).—There are several varieties of Chickweed. These are common weeds, known to most, with small white flowers, straggling stems, and small yellow seeds. I have seen all Finches feed on this seed, and find it eaten readily by all of them in confinement. Fanciers will find this a grand seed for fresh caught Finches; also most useful during the moult and winter months.

RED CAMPION (Lychnis diurna).—This is a pretty plant with reddish flowers and small dark seed, generally found by hedgerows and the sides of woods. The seed is most useful for Linnets, Twites, and Redpoles. Flowers in May; seed ready July. Widely known as "Red Robin."

PALE WOOD VIOLET (Viola canina).—Similar to our garden violets, but scentless. Found in copses on heaths and in hedgerows. A favourite of the Chaffinch, Greenfinch, and Bullfinch, which simply glory in this seed. I have seen them feed for months on this plant. A most useful seed for moulting these birds and a grand "pick-me-up" for them when fresh caught. Often called the Dog Violet.

COMMON SCURVY GRASS (Cochlearia officinalis).—A weed common along our sea shores, with thick flat leaves, white flowers and reddish seed. This seed is hot to the taste (similar to cress) and is readily eaten by all Finches, especially Bullfinches, and for Bullfinch hens in the early summer there is nothing better. Hybrid breeders should use this seed freely during the breeding season. I find it also most useful during the moult. Medical properties: Used for scurvy in sailor's blood and as a liver purifier; also it makes a splendid mouth gargle for ulcers and other sores.

SELF HEAL (Prunella vulgaris).—A low, creeping plant, with small roundish pointed leaves and bluish-purple flowers gathered into a head. A very common weed in pastures and woods. A general favourite with and a most useful seed for Bullfinches, Linnets, Twites and Redpolls when fresh-caught. A medical plant of great value. An old German proverb says: "He needeth neither physician nor surgeon that hath self heal and sanicle to help himself."

COMMON SORREL (Rumex acetosa).—Better known in Scotland as "Suriks." A great favourite with Linnets, Bullfinches and Greenfinches, and a grand seed for these birds in early summer; also a very good seed for these birds when fresh caught and very useful during the moult. Used in the medical world for jaundice, worms, heart trouble, inflammation, itch, etc.

A Seed and Live-food combination.

CORN BLUE BOTTLE (Centaurea cyanus).—Has a very pretty dark blue flower, grows about two feet high, with cottony leaves. Seed similar to knapweed. Common in cornfields, and a favourite of all the Finch family, and one of the finest seeds I know for moulting Goldfinches and Siskins, and most useful for these birds when fresh-caught. In districts where this is scarce, it is a good plan to get a packet of seed from your seedsman and sow it on a waste piece of ground about the end of April. Gather the seed heads when ripe, and dip in boiling water to kill the maggot which is inside of the seed head; unless this is done the latter eats up all the seed and there is nothing but chaff left for the birds. Flowers in July; seeds in August.

MARSH RED RATTLE (Pedicularis palustris).—Named from the Latin, pediculus, a louse; this plant is supposed to produce lice in sheep. An erect growing plant, 18 inches high, with large crimson flowers and brown seeds, generally found in marshy places. A favourite seed of the Linnet, Twite and Redpoll, and a most useful seed for these birds in confinement, bringing out the rich brown colour so much desired by all exhibitors. Flowers in June; seeds in August.

DOCK (Rumex crispus).—A well-known weed, of which we have several varieties, such as Bloody-veined dock, Shore dock, Long-leaved water dock, Broad-leaved dock, and a few



Photo by (*Stanley Crook*

A Splendid "Head" of Dandelion.

This remarkably fine photograph depicts a Dandelion plant just at the period when it is most useful to the Bird-keeper, i.e., when the "clocks" carry masses of ripe seed ready for gathering.

others. A general favourite and a grand pick-me-up for fresh-caught Bullfinches. This plant is best cut in bunches when ripe, and then dried for moulting and winter use. Medical properties: Good blood purifier. Those who are troubles with sores, should boil the roots with vinegar, and sponge same with the juice.

A favourite of the Bullfinch.

MEADOW SWEET or QUEEN OF THE MEADOW (Spiræa ulmaria).—A very common plant along our shores and in moist meadows. Grows from two to three feet high, with creamy white flowers; seed similar to carraway seed. When ripe, it is a great favourite of the Bullfinch. I have used it with good results during the moult. It is very easily gathered. Just pull the ripe tops and rub in the hands, when you will find the seeds separated from the husks.

RYE GRASS or WAY BENT.—A very common grass, and known to most. It grows from one to two feet high, and can be found on any waste piece of ground. Siskins, Linnets, Twites, and Redpolls are all fond of this seed, and I find it most useful for winter use.

RED BARTSIA (Bartsia odontites).—A pretty plant, grows about twelve inches high, with spikes of small pink flowers; very common in waste places and cornfields. Seed when ripe similar to chickweed. A favourite of the Linnet, Twite, and Redpoli, and very useful during the winter.

RUSH (Juncus) of which we have several, such as Soft rush, Common rush, Many-flowered wood rush, etc., better known in Scotland as "rashies." It is not easy to separate the seed from the husks of this plant, and I find it unnecessary to do so. Just draw up the stems when the seed is ready for use (will be left in the hands). A favourite seed of the Linnet, Twite and Redpoll, and one of the best for moulting these birds, being most useful for bringing out the rich nut-brown colour.

(To be continued.)



TWO CHARMERS FROM THE TROPICS

The rare and beautiful Black-legged Blue Sugar Bird (on the left) exhibited by Mr. S. M. Townsend at the Horticultural Hall Show, and the lovely Yellow-winged Blue Sugar Bird which has won so many prizes for Mrs. T. Taylor, of Gateshead.

Drawn by (*H. Goodchild*

THORNTON.

Seventh annual show, held Nov. 30th, in the Public Hall. The exhibits were nicely staged in a room by themselves, free from draughts. We were sorry to observe so small an entry, some of the classes even being cancelled through lack of support, while others only contained a single entry, which was not very encouraging to the society, considering the classification given. The committee were a band of hard-working officials, who did all in their power to make things pass off smoothly. The secretary, Mr. T. M. Aitken, is a very capable one, and had all his arrangements well forward. During the afternoon the show was well patronised by the public. The judges were: Scotch Fancies; Mr. J. Laing; Crests, Plainheads, and Borders, Mr. G. Arnott; and Mules, British, and Foreign, Mr. R. Gilmour, and their awards were generally well received.

The Critique.

SCOTCH, CL. OR FOUL YELL., CK. (2): 1, 2, Leslie, nice length, good top end, fine depth through, takes nice pos., and good reach and droop; wins; 2, not the size of leader, scarcely the style, fine reach and length of side. BUFF (2): 1, Thomson, nice size, good depth of chest, grand reach, and nice droop, fine top end; 2, Leslie; not the subs., take the perch well, fine length of side, good reach. YELL., PIEBALD, OR GREEN (1): 1, Grieve, nice bird, good droop, fine length and reach, good subs. BUFF (2): 1, Beattie, nice droop and length of side, fine reach, good shoulders, wins; 2, Watson, fails subs., nice shoulders, takes good pos. CL. OR FOUL YELL., HEN (2): 1, Dryburgh, takes good pos., fine length, reach, and droop, wins; 2, Watson, fails in depth of chest, and not the size of winner. BUFF, PIEBALD, OR GREEN (4): 1, Watson, good depth of chest, grand length of side and reach, nice shoulders and neck, typical, wins; 2, Gilmour, foul green, fails in size, and not the same stamp, thinner; 3, Leslie, fair one, better size, not the style; 4, Beattie. CRESTS, CK.: Cancelled. HEN (1): 1, Summers, dk. crest and wing mkd., nice crest of good formation, fine centre, good length. C.B. (1): 1, Summers, good subs., nice cushion, well lashed. HEN (3). 1, Sharp, green, good subs., good entrance well browed, nice rising skull, wins; 2, McCall and Henderson, green, fails a bit in cushion, not the same width of skull; 3, Summers, fails in subs., and not so well lashed. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL., CK. (6): 1, 3, Spence, wins, good size, fine level col., nice full head and neck, good depth of front, wins, well braced, and fine qual.; 3, not ready yet, still a good one, fine stamp, nice head, neck, and qual., ought to have been 2nd; 2, Christie, smaller, fails in head and neck, and not so well rounded in front, fine qual. and col.; 4, Dickson, good size, longer in body, good head and neck, fails qual. and wings; 5, Brown; 6, Page. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (6): 1, Christie, good stamp, nice size, grand qual., fine full head and neck, nice col., wins; 2, Dickson, fails a little in head, neck, and not the width of front; 3, Allan, nice qual.; 4, Summers; 5, Page; 6, Bell. CL. OR TKD. YELL., HEN (6): 1, Thomson, mkd., root of tail, many thought lucky, fair stamp, nice col. and qual.; 2, Christie, we thought an easy win, nice head, fails a bit in neck, good width and depth of chest, grand wings and qual., short body, fine col.; 3, Thomson, good size and shape, qual.; 4, Spence, our choice for 2nd, not the size, but grand stamp and qual., well braced wings, and well cleaned out behind; 5, Scott; 6, Dickson. BUFF (1): 1, Scott, nice stamp, fine head and neck, short stout body, grand qual., and col. VARIEG., CK. (10): 1, Thomson, buff var., grand stamp, nice full head and neck, fine stout body, grand qual., good wings, wins; 2, Gibson, yell. var. good head and neck, longer in body, fails in qual. and col.; 3, Ross, might have gone up, buff car., nice type and good qual., short body, nice wings; 4, Logan; 5, Sharp; 6, Ross. HEN (1): 1, Thomson, fine stamp, good qual., and col. UNFLIGHT. (9): 1, Henderson, cl. buff, nice head and neck, good deep well-rounded front, nicely car. wings, good qual., wins; 2, Saunders, cl. buff, fails a bit in head, still a good one, nice stamp, good qual., well put down; 3, Adamson, yell., good size and qual., nice stamp, fails wings a bit, and showing rather too much leg; 4, Spence; 5, Allan; 6, Page. HEN (6): 1, spl, Smith, buff var., fine type, good size, nice full head and neck, short stout body, good qual., might be better cleaned out behind, wins; 2, Sanders, nice head and neck, not so stout in body, good qual.; 3, Logan, foul green, our choice for 2nd, grand body, nice head, and full short neck, good wings and qual.; 4, Spence; 5, Adamson; 6, Ross. NON-FED, CK. (5): 1, Thomson, foul yell. green, of good type, fine bold bird, lovely qual., good head, neck, body, and wings, wins; 2, Stephen, cl. buff, nice bold-fronted bird, not so well proportioned, fine qual.; 3, Smith yell. var., grand top end, thinner in body, good qual.; 4, Dryburgh; 5, Harris. HEN (2): 1, Stephen, cl. yell., good stamp, rare short stout body, fair qual., flights are all fed; 2, Logan, mkd. head, smaller, fine type, grand qual. BORDER, CL. OR TKD. YELL., HEN (1): Frew, nice stamp, well drawn, fine jaunty car., nice qual. EVENLY MKD. (1): 1, Frew, nice moulded well shaped bird all over, fine free action, very stylish. GREEN OR CINN. (1): 1, Lambie, green, gem for shape, lovely col., grand mkgs., well rounded, nice head, in grand order. BULLFINCH (8): 1, Thomson, well-kuown winner, grand dense well-defined cap, lovely breast col., fine bars, nice size put down in grand order, wins; 2, 3, Mackie, another good one, fails a bit in breast col., nice cap, not the polish; 3, another nice one, fails in size, good col.; 4, 5, Turner; 6, Summers. GOLDFINCH (3): 1, Pringle, grand blaze, lovely tannings, well-defined hars and buttons, grand size, put down in grand order; 2, Turner, fine square blaze, nice tannings, fine shape, lacks the polish of winner; 3, Black and Lamsden, darker in col., and not quite the finish. BRIT., LARGE (2): 1, 2, Lister, both Thrushes, 1st best in mkgs., a bit cloudy on front, in good condition; 2, larger, but trifle run in mkgs. LIGHT MULE (1): 1, Turner, mkd. eyes, good bird, but not in the best of order to-day; 2, Reid, stronger in head, showing flush well, larger, in grand order, our choice, both Goldie-Can. DK. (5): 1, Reid, Goldie-Can., yell., good size, little dark in flush, fine body col., shown in good order; 2, Nicol, yell. Linnet-Can., nicely pencilled, good col.; 3, Turner, yell. Linnet-Can., larger, our choice, in good order; 4, Philp and Son; 5, Turner. HYB. (2): 1, Chalmers. Goldie-Greenie, showing parents well, put down in fine trim; 2, Turner, Siskin-Greenie, nice one. BULL. OR GOLDFINCH, FOR. (4): 1, Lister, well-known winner, a beauty, Bullie, grand cap, hars, and breast col., wins; 2, 3, Pringle, fine Goldie, nice square face, of good size and lovely col., presses; 3, Goldie, falls trifle in face and finish; 4, Reid. FOR. A.V. (3): 1, 2, Robb, Orange Bishop leading, in nice order; 2, Nonpariel, in good trim; 3, Murdoch, Green Budgerigars, not looking well. COMMON: 1, 3, Duncan; 2, 4, 5, Bell; 6, Dewar. GREENFINCH (9): 1, Thomson, yell., not one of the largest, but lovely col., nice bars, fine shape, in grand bloom; 2, Russell, larger, fails head, good col., nice shape, falls in finish; 3, Logan, good quality, fine shape, best of bars, close up; 4, Keddie; 5, Ritchie; 6, Kinnell. LINNET (5): 1, Leitch, beauty for breast mkgs., fine whites, grand col., wins; 2, Thomson, falls in richness of col. and breast work; 3, Philp and Son, nice size, and good whites, lacks the polish of others; 4, Russell; 5, Turner. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, Leitch, Twite, a good one, grand size, nice col., fine lacings, rare sheen, wins easy; 2, Nicoll, nice cap, grand flank lacings, nice cold. Siskin; 3, Poulter, Lesser 'Poll, a nice wee chap, pressing hard, fine col., nice lacings, in good order; 4, Ritchie; 5, Dryburgh; 6, McCall and Henderson. A.S. BRIT., SMALL (3), 1, McCall and Henderson, Yellowhammer, non-fed, good size and mkgs., and well defined; 2, Haxton, col. fed. Yellowhammer, fails size, dkr. in col., and not so distinct in mkgs.; 3, Robertson, Chaffie, not large, but lovely breast col., and grand whites, presses very hard.

WALTHAM ABBEY.

This fixture is gaining popularity year after year, and some high quality exhibits are to be seen here, and we are pleased to record this advance at the 15th annual held in the Town Hall, on December 4. Mr. Medley's challenge cup winner at Edmonton repeated the performance, but not so easily, the second running him very close. While most classes were well filled, the Yorks. were poorly represented. There were some first-class Britishers staged, notably Mr. Hodgett's Goldie, Mr. Elliott's Bullie, and Mr. Briar's Siskin. The management was of the highest possible character, and reflects very great credit on the hard-working secretary, Mr. W. D. Ward, the chairman, Mr. J. S. Jackson, and the vice-chairman, Mr. Brooker. Mr. A. E. Enfield judged.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (14): 1, sp, challenge cup, Medley, a topper, grand shape, teeming with qual., short; 2, Thurley, good size, nice type and qual., level col., tight as wax; 3, Tichner, variegated, good head and chest, lovely col., nice qual. of feather; res, Hodgetts; vhc, Elliott, Salter; hc, White. BUFF (12): 1, Tichner, massive build, superb feather and mealing, round as a ball, easy win; 2, Kerr, eye and wing mkd., good head and chest, lovely shape and col., nice silky feather; 3, Hodgetts, similar type to winner, but not so good in col. and mealing, still a good one and hard to beat; r, Penn and Jauncey; vhc, Medley, Thurley; hc, Medley. HEN, YELL. (9): 1, Kerr, nice cl., well up in subs., lovely qual., and tight feathered; 2, Medley, mkd. cap and wing, bonny bird, full of qual., level col., and short tail; 3, Salter, level col., nice shape, good qual. of feather; res, Medley; vhc, Blake, Hodgetts. BUFF (8): 1, sp, 2, Medley, a charming brace, little to choose between them, very good col. and grand feather and mealing; 3, Salter, nice typical hen, good head and chest, beaten in qual.; res, Hodgetts; vhc, White. NON-FED (9): 1, sp, Barnard, A1 cl., capital head and chest, tight feathered, good col., and qual.; 2, Clark, nice four-pointed, of good qual. and shape; 3, no name, nice type, col., and qual., fails in wing carr.; r, Penn and Jauncey; vhc, Plumb, Townsend; hc, Elliott. YORKS. (4): 1, 2, Elliott; 3, Townsend. A.O.V. (7): 1, Elliott, variegated. Border, nice jaunty carr., well balanced wings, sweet little bird; 2, 3, Hodgetts, both greens, nice shape and cond., good qual.; res, vhc, Elliott. MULE: 1, 2, Oertel, both light Gold-Can., winner a yell., 2nd buff, both trifle wild; 3, Watts, moderate. DK.: 1, Clark, capital Siskin-Can., in nice form; 2, Hodgetts, Lin.-Can., in nice feather; 3, withheld. GOLDFINCH (9): 1, sp, Hodgetts, charming bird, well cut blaze, nice col., very stylish, shapely and rich tan; 2, 3, Stephens, both the right stamp, 2nd best cut blaze, good col., and finely mkd.; res, Elliott; vhc, Barnard, Williams; hc, Saville. BULLFINCH (4): 1, 3, Elliott, winner nice cobby shape, bold head and neck, well cut cap and bib; 2, Clark, splendid cap and breast, nice carr. and good shape. LINNET (6): 1, Medley, nice size and shape, perfect style, fine cond., very sound in col.; 2, Phipps, plenty of work all over, hardly the size of winner; 3, Hailstone, sound, rich col., good shape and style; r, Clark; vhc, Elliott. TWITE, ETC. (5): 1, Briars, very large cobby Siskin, nicely laced, rich level col., good cap; 2, Reece, thickset, Lesser Redpoll, very good col. and cond.; 3, Sadler, very stylish Twite, nicely mkd., and good col.; r, Briars. GREENFINCH, ETC. (6): 1, Medley, a real big Greenie, very thickset, lovely tone of col., tight as wax; 2, Sadler, bold, good shaped Greenie, lovely col., grand wings, beaten in size; 3, r, Elliott, 3rd a very fine Bramble, nice dense markings; vhc, Briars. FOR.: 2, 3, Hoare.

THURSO O.S.

Twenty-fourth annual show held in the Town Hall, Dec. 4th; the merit of the exhibits was quite up to the usual high standard, and the judge, Mr. J. Fulton, had not at all an easy task in making the awards. All the arrangements in connection with the show were carried out in an exemplary manner by the secretary, Mr. D. Shearer, who was indefatigable in his efforts for the success of the exhibition. He was ably assisted by Mr. H. Gerry, treasurer, and the office-bearers and members of committee. There was a good attendance of the general public at the show, especially in the evening.

SCOTCH FANCY COCK, ANY VARIETY: 1, 2, 3, vhc, D. and W. Shearer; hc, c, Clyne. HEN: 1, 2, 3, vhc, sp, D. and W. Shearer; hc, c, Clyne. NOR. CK.: 1, hc, sp, Clyne; 2, 3, c, D. and W. Shearer; vhc, Mackay. HEN: 1, 2, 3, sp, D. and W. Shearer; vhc, Clyne; hc, c, Bruce. CK., TKD. or VARIEG.: 1, sp, D. and W. Shearer; 2, vhc, Bruce; 3, hc, c, Clyne. HEN: 1, sp, Richardson, jun.; 2, vhc, D. and W. Shearer; 3, hc, c, Bruce. CREST. CK.: 1, sp, Bruce; 2, D. and W. Shearer; 3, Clyne. HEN: 1, Bruce; 2, 3, Clyne; vhc, hc, D. and W. Shearer. CB. CK.: 1, c, sp, D. and W. Shearer; 2, Bruce; 3, Henderson and Green; vhc, hc, G. Clyne. HEN: 1, sp, D. and W. Shearer; 2, Bruce; 3, Clyne. COL. FED: 1, 2, vhc, hc, sp, Clyne; 3, D. and W. Shearer; c, Bruce. CL. BORD.: 1, 3, vhc, c, sp, D. and W. Shearer; 2, Connochie; hc, Bruce. HEN: 1, Connochie; 2, 3, vhc, hc, D. and W. Shearer; c, Bruce. TKD. OR VARIEG: 1, 3, vhc, hc, medal, D. and W. Shearer; 2, Counochie; c, Bruce. HEN: 1, 2, 3, vhc, sp, D. and W. Shearer; hc, Connochie; c, Bruce. YORKS.: 1, vhc, hc, sp, Baikie; 2, D. and W. Shearer; 3, c, Bruce. MULES: 1, sp, Spears; 2, Duncan; 3, D. and W. Shearer. GOLDFINCH: 1, D. and W. Shearer; 2, Allan. BULLFINCH: 1 sp, Duncan. LINNET: 1, sp, Bruce; 2, Meiklejohn; 3, Spears; vhc, D. and W. Shearer; hc, Duncan; c, Miller. PAIRS: 1, 3, hc, sp, D. and W. Shearer; 2, vhc, sp, Bruce. GIFT: 1, sp, D. and W. Shearer.

GALSTON.

Annual exhibition, held December 7th, at the Good Templars Hall, Galston. It is hard to account for the meagre support given to this deserving society, as the members are very assiduous in their attention to exhibits placed under their care. Many of the classes had unfortunately to be cancelled, and most of those left in were very poorly filled. Of the seven classes for Scotch Fancies, no fewer than 3 were cancelled, and Mr. Stewart had a very easy job in placing his awards. Mr. Gavin Alston, Darvel, judged the other classes, and his awards were well received. We sympathise with the management in their discouraged endeavour to make the show a success, and wish them "better luck next time."

The Critique.

SCOTCH (5): 1, sp., Robertson, yell., decided drive, splendid shoulders and body, beautiful front and fine action; 2, hc, Smith, another beauty, erect, fine reach and drop, grand shoulders and body; 3, Borland, yell., fine reach and drop, grand body; vhc, sp., Ralston. HEN (4): 1, Allison, yell., rare qual., well set on legs, splendid reach and drop, round, prominent shoulders, long, solid body; 2, Smith, buff, good size and style, erect, decided drive, fine, prominent back; 3, Borland, buff, neat, typical hen, tight in feather, nice style; vhc, Robertson. Classes 70, 71, 72: Cancelled. FOUL OR GRN. HEN (4): 1, vhc, sp., Nisbet, 1st, green piebald, full of merit, very typical, erect, decided in every movement; 2, Borland, buff piebald, massive frame, grand back and body, neat and typical; 3, Pearson, green piebald, really smart exhibit, fine style. BORDER, CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Brown, tkd. wing, yell., fine type, full fronted bird, grand head and rare pos., well cut and nicely rounded; 2, Torrance, cl. yell., very nice wing car., a sweet, all round bird, nicely got up and shown to perfection; 3, Willison, tkd. on head, fine style, grand pos., well moulded, in fine order, rare wing car.; vhc, Fraser; hc, Mossie. Class 76: Cancelled. BUFF (4): 1, sp., Mossie, cl., a gem, fine style, grand pos., rare head and shoulders, staged to perfection; 2, Willison, grandly rounded in front, rare head and well cut, a beauty for feather; 3, Findlay, cl., very nice body, grandly filled up and well cut; vhc, Frazer. HEN (4): 1, Broadfoot, cl., very nice hen, feathered like boxwood, grand style, lovely wing car.; 2, 3, Torrance, cl., good body, a lovely headed one, well drawn, fine car., 3, slightly stronger in build, but good body and well drawn; vhc, Robertson. UNEVENLY MKD. CK. (9): 1, Frazer, eye and wing mkd. yell., grand style, lovely bodied bird, round, and finely tapered, grand wing car.; 2, Willison, buff, nice type, good pos., grand taper; 3, Young, yell., fails in car. to winner, but nice front and head; vhc, Brown; hc, Allan. HEN (10): 1, Mossie, buff, a gem for shape, lovely moulded bird, grand front, rare wing car.; 2, Broadfoot, yell., a nicely shaped one, close up, lovely pos.; 3, Robertson, buff, a good, shapely bird, of nice qual., fine rounded body, nice wing ear.; vhc, Willison; hc, Findlay; c, Fergusson. NOR. CK. (3): 1, J. and R. McSorland, cl., large, typical bird, of rare qual. and col.; 2, 3, Devoy, both buffs, grand shape and size, very rich col., scarcely so stout as winner. Class 83: Cancelled. GOLDFINCH (6): 1, Stobbs Bros., field-moulted, grand size and very steady, fair blaze, good cheeks and tanning; 2, 3, Guthrie and Son, 2nd, our choice for first place, grand size, steady as a rock, rare blaze and plenty of it, fine square face, good cheeks and tanning, well mkd. on back, 3rd, even denser on face, but not so much of it, a good exhibit; vhc, McQuiston; hc, Jardine; c, McSorland. MEALY REDPOLL, ETC. (4): 1, 2, McQuiston, 1st, Linnet, grand size, good big head, full chest, rare breast work, just a little unsteady yet, 2nd, Mealy Redpoll, large, very light silvery coloured one, rare head, beak and bib, good lacings, a good one; 3, Campbell, small Mealy 'Poll, nice col. and markings, beautifully staged; vhc, Thomson. LESSER (5): 1, McQuiston, a well-known winner, grand col. and size, wins easily; 2, 3, Hopkins, 2nd, good col., fine shape, but fails in front to winner, 3rd, rare tone of col., grand bib, worth its place; vhc, Lyall; hc, Robertson. A.O.S. BRIT.: 1, Morrison, Hawfinch, fine size and cap, grand bib, extra good col., well mkd.; 2, Stobbs Bros., Bearded Tit, grand col. and markings, splendidly staged; 3, McQuiston, another Hawfinch, not much between this and leader, grand size, rare big head, steady, and well staged; vhc, c, Campbell; hc, Murray.

EXMOUTH.

21st annual show held December 4th at the Market Hall; 214 entries in 28 classes were nicely staged in a warm corner of the building. British especially had some exceedingly good specimens, and the classes were all well filled. The arrangements were carried out in an up-to-date manner, everything being done for the welfare of the birds. The British section was under the management of Mr. A. H. Evans, and the success in this department was mainly due to his efforts. Norwich made a good show also, and Yorkshires were a very nice lot. The small Foreign class was distinctly better than is seen in many western shows. The committee for our section were Messrs. Evans, Bastin, Linford-Brown, Mitchell and Webber. Mr. Field made an obliging secretary. Mr. J. Dummett (Tivertou) judged Canaries, and Mr. W. P. Smith the remainder, their awards being well received.

The Critique.

CRESTS (5) 1, sp, 2, 3, Evins Bros., leader lightly varieg., good droop and length; 2nd, of the same stamp; 3rd, cl. body, real good one; 4, vhc, Adams. C.B. (4): 1, Evens Bros., lightly mkd., grand skull and feather, easy winner; 2, Lashbrook, smaller; 3, Adams, nice lightly mkd., well shown; vhc, Escott. NOR. YELL. (6): 1, spl., Casley, cl., grand skull and col.; 2, Mitchell, cl., not the subs. of winner; 3, Martin, cap mark, best type in class, but loose in feather; 4, Lashbrook; vhc, Tripe; hc, Purrington. BUFF (2): 1, Mitchell, cl., non-flight, wonderful substance; 2, Purrington, nice cl. HEN (6): 1, Martin, bonny cl. yell., grand type and feather; 2, Mitchell, cl. buff, beautiful shape and grand cond.; 3, Rowley, good cl. yell., rather on the long side; r, Miss Munday; hc, Langdon. NON-FED (11): 1, 3, Rowley, leader cap mkd. yell., splendid feather and type; 2, Casley, grizzle-head buff, good size, not quite the quality of winner; r, Tripe; vhc, Escott; hc, Field. UNFLIG. (11): 1, 2, spl., 3, Mitchell, varieg. yell., good size and type, a nice exhibit, 3 cl. yell. hen, wonderful sub. and size for a hen; 2, Pope, mkd. yell., Swindon winner; r, Rowley; vhc, Martin, we liked very much; hc, Casley. YORKS. YELL. (9): 1, sp, 2, Lashbrooke, two beauties, finely drawn and well shown; 3, Marshall, not so fine in feather as winners; res, Stiling; vhc, Elston; hc, Marshall. BUFF (5): 1, Marshall, nice col. and condition, some thought might have given place to 2nd, Lashbrooke, a really good cl., well up on leg, and grand position; 3, Elston; vhc, Stiling; hc, Craven. HEN (8): 1, Stiling, nice cl. Buff, good length and style; 2, Marshall, Buff, well up on leg, nice feather; 3, hc, Lashbrooke, former good Cinn. mark Yell.; vhc, Lakeman. NON-FED: 1, Lashbrooke, good cl. Buff; 2, Lakeman, tick. Buff; 3, Stiling, nice Yell.; vhc, Langdon; hc, Field; c, Gooding. BORD. (8): 1, 8, res, G. Pratt; 2, vhc, A. Pratt, all clear Yellows, in splendid trim. PAIRS (3): 1, Mitchell, Norwich; 2, Rowley, Norwich; 3, G. Pratt, Bordere. A.O.V. (9): 1, sp, 3, Mitchell, two nice Lizards; 2, Pope, good Yellow Cinn., in splendid fettle, our choice; res, Unwin, Lancashire Coppy, we liked for 2nd place; vhc, Tripe; hc, c, Field. NOVICE: 1, Langdon, stylish yell. Yorks.; 2, Perry, Buff Nor.; 3, Mrs. Staddon, Buff Nor.; vhc, Gooding; hc, Barret; c, Miss Holman. MULE (15): 1, Chudley, nice Dark Linnet-Can.; 2, Scribbins, grand 6-point Yell. Goldie; 3, Mitchell, Yellow Dk. Goldie; vhc, Blackmore; hc, Franks. HYB. (2): 1, Hobba and Son, Goldie-Bullie, in nice trim; 2, Evans, hen Gold-Greenfinch. GOLDFINCH (F.M.) (9): 1, Bastin, a beauty, very steady indeed, will make a topper; 2, 3, Chanin, beautiful blaze; 3rd, another promising Finch; vhc, Snow; hc, Bastin. H.M.: 1, sp, Webber, wonderful Finch, grand blaze and beautiful feather; 2, 3, Evans, two good birds, latter Tavistock 2nd winner; vhc, Rowsell; hc, Potter; c, Pyne. BULLFINCH (11): 1, c, Evans, former Exeter winner, grand trim, wins easily; 2, Langdon, fails in head and cap to winner; 3, Linford-Brown, in good fettle; vhc, Beavis; hc, Rowsell. LINNET, ETC. (8): 1, Evans, Siskin, in the pink of condition; 2, 3, Blackmore, former Linnet, grand col. and steady; 3rd, Siskin, nice col., and well shown; vhc, Linford-Brown; hc, Mrs. Bazalgette; c, Tripe. BUNTING, ETC. (10): 1, Webber, Hawfinch, grand size, good bib; 2, vhc, Evans, former Hawfinch, grand col. and tight in feather; 3, Scribbins, Snow Bunting, in good trim; hc, Tripe; c, Chudley. A.O. FINCH (14): 1, Williams, Bramble, nice spangling, and tight in feather; 2, Beavis, good Bramble, excellent col.; 3, Evans, grand Greenfinch, good in colour and nice size; vhc, Woodgate; hc, Fox; c, Hicks. A.O.S. BRIT. (2): 1, Mrs. Bazalgetie, nice Magpie, in perfect condition; 2, Beavis, good Jay. LARGE FOR. (6): 1, Doble, Alexandrine, in splendid condition; 2, Pulsford, Redrump; 3, Yeo, Blue-fronted Amazon; vhc, Martin; hc, Langdon. SMALL (11): 1, 3, Mrs. Lee, a splendid Gouldian, and Green Budgerigar; 2, vhc, hc, Yeo, Zebra Finches leading. LADY'S BIRD (9): 1, Wickings, Yellow Norwich; 2, Langdon, Buff Yorks.; 3, Gooding, Buff Nor.; vhc, Pratt; hc, Holman; c, Staddon.

GUISELEY, YEADON C.B.S.

Members' show, held at the Regent Hotel, Guiseley on Nov. 30th. 60 birds were staged. Mr. H. H. Towers judged, and gave every satisfaction. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Myers; 3, hc, Boulton; vhc, Dibb; c, Wheatley. BUFF: 1, hc, Brown, and Son; 2, Boulton; 3, Dibb; vhc, Long. YELL. CK.: 1, Myers; 2, Long; 3, Cawood; vhc, Hardaker. BUFF: 1, 2, Myers; 3, Wheatley; vhc, Dibb; hc, Brown and Sons; c, Hardaker. UNEVEN, ETC. CK.: 1, Brown and Sons; 2, Myers; 3, Long; vhc, Dibb; he, Boulton; c, Hardaker. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, c, Boulton; 2, Myers; 3, vhc, Dibb; he, Brown and Sons. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, vhc, Myers; 2, 3, Dibb. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Myers; vhc, Hardaker; hc, Brown and Sons; c, Dibb. UNEVEN MKD. HEN: 1, Brown and Son; 2, Wheatley; 3, vhc, Myers; hc, c, Dibb. CINN. MKD. OR TKD. CK.: 1, Brown and Sons; 2, Boulton; 3, Wheatley. FOUL MKD. HEN: 1, Emsley; 2, Long. —W. Long, Sec.

ILFORD.

Show held Nov. 28 and 29 in the Skating Rink. Our section was well staged in a good light, and some good birds were put down. In the Canary section, Messrs. Brown, Reynolds, Lawrence, and Stevens were the principal winners. The Golding memorial bowl for best cage bird, was won by Mr. E. F. Reynolds, with a very smart typical buff Yorkshire hen, Mr. H. Stevens staging the runner-up. Some good Hybrids and British were on view, Mr. Oliver, of East Ham, staging the principal winners, his smart Siskin-Can. winning 1st and sp. for best Hybrid. The show was ably managed by the secretary, Mr. Priestman, who is well up to the work, Mr. H. Norman judged.

YORKS. CK.: 1, sp, Brown; 2, Reynolds; 3, Lock. HEN: 1, vhc, Reynolds; 2, Lock; 3, Oliver; hc, Brown. UNFLIG.: 1, Reynolds; 2, Lock. NOR. CK.: 1, 3, Lawrence; 2, Oliver. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Lawrence; 2, vhc, Mrs. Curd. BORD.: 1, sp, 2, Stevens; 3, Mrs. Curd. HYB.: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Oliver; 3, Mrs. Curd. BULL. OR GOLDFINCH: 1, 2, Mrs. Curd; 3, vhc, Oliver. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Oliver; vhc, hc, Reed. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, Reed.

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ST. JAMES-THE-LESS F.A.

Ninth annual show held at St. James' Hall, Sewardstone Road, Victoria Park, Nov. 30. A good array of birds were exhibited, and competition for the silver cup being subscribed for will undoubtedly be hot. Mr. F. J. S. Chulterton judged, and Sir Edwin Cornwall distributed the prizes. YORKS.: 1, 2, vhc, Markoff; 3, Ellett; r, vhc, Luzell. NOR.: 1, Nicholls; 2, 3, Dickens; r, Mrs. Falkiner. BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Markoff; r, Nicholls; vhc, Grady.—E. A. Suter, Hon. Sec.

SOUTHPORT AND DISTRICT.

Annual members' show, held in the Pheonix Hall, on November 23rd. The entries totalled 70, and the competition was very keen in Norwich and Yorkshires, several noted winners at open shows being staged. The Society cup, and the Patten cup were won by the Secretary, Mr. E. Sutton; special best old bird, Mr. T. Linaker, with a grand Yorkshire hen. Mr. T. Johnson accounted for the young bird special with a grand yellow Norwich hen; special most points, Mr. E. Sutton. Mr. J. W. Clemmison, Preston, judged, and his awards appeared to give every satisfaction. NOR., YELL.: 1, 3, T. Johnson; 2, hc, E. Sutton; vhc, Marshall; c, Millburn. BUFF: 1, c, Johnson; 2, Fawcett; 3, vhc, Sutton; hc, Marshall. HEN, YELL.: 1, sp., hc, Johnson; 2, vhc, c, Sutton; 3, Cookson. BUFF: 1, 3, Sutton; 2, Fawcett; vhc, c, Johnson; hc, Marshall. YORK., YELL.: 1, 3, Linaker; 2, hc, Cookson; vhc, Clayton; c, Wright. BUFF: 1, Clayton; 2, Wright; 3, vhc, Nixon. HEN, YELL.: 1, Wright; 2, 3, Linaker; vhc, Cookson; hc, Clayton; c, Nixon. BUFF: 1, sp., vhc, Linaker; 2, Cookson; 3, Nixon. A.O.V. CK.: 1, Sutton; 2, Millburn; 3, Wright; vhc, hc, Spencer. HEN: 1, 2, Millburn; 3, Wright; vhc, Fawcett; hc, Spencer. MULE: 1, Spencer. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, 3, Spencer; 2, Wright.

CITY OF BRADFORD.

Members' show held Nov. 30, Headquarters, Flying Dutchman Hotel, Leeds Road, when an entry of 126 birds was made, and the judges were put on their mettle, as there were some extra good birds among them. Mr. A. W. Hartley (Bradford) judged the Yorks., and Mr. W. Richmond (Rodley) the Nor. and Brit., and they got through their work in fine style.

YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL: 1, Bateman; 2, c, Ludbrook; 3, J. Horsfield; 4, vhc, Hodgson; hc, Hellewell. BUFF: 1, 3, Hodgsou; 2, Hellewell; 4, Bateman; vhc, Ludbrook; hc, Clark. EVEN, ETC., GREEN: 1, Horsfield; 2, Hellewell. EVEN, ETC., CINN.: 1, Hodgson; 2, 3, Clark. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Horsfield; 2, 3, 4, Hodgson; vhc, hc, Hellewell. BUFF: 1, Ludbrook; 2, 4, vhc, Hodgson; 3, Hellewell. NOV. YORKS., CL., OR TKD. YELL.: 1, vhc, Bower; 2, Hunter; 3, McEwen; 4, Rhodes; hc, Fletcher; c, Smith. BUFF: 1, Hylton; 2, 3, Rhodes; 4, Hunter; vhc, McEwen. EVEN, ETC.: 1, Fletcher; 2, Sharp; 3, McEwen; 4, Rhodes; vhc, Hunter. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Bower; 3, c, McEwen; 4, Hylton; vhc, W. Rhodes; hc, Fletcher. BUFF: 1, c, Smith; 2, Hylton; 3, McEwen; 4, Bower; vhc, Fletcher; hc, Rhodes. EVEN, ETC.: 1, Smith; 2, Sharp. OPEN NOR., CL. OR TKD.: 1, 4, Roe; 2, Jones; 3, hc, c, Plowright; 5, Clark. EVEN, ETC.: 1, vhc, Roe; 2, 4, Plowright; 3, c, Jones; hc, Fortnam. UNFLIG. HEN: 1, Fortnam; 2, vhc, Roe; 3, hc, Ploy right; 4, Clark. YELL. OR BUFF: 1, hc, Roe; 2, 3, Jones; 3, vhc, Plowright. NOV. CL. OR TKD.: 1, 3, Kaberry; 2, Farrer; 4, Hunter. EVEN, ETC.: 1, Lythell; 2, Hunter; 3, 4, Farrer. UNFLIG. HEN: 2, Kaberry; 3, Hunter; 4, vhc, Farrer. BRIT.: 1, Kaberry. MULE: 1, 3, Moremont; 2, 4, hc, Clark; vhc, Farrer.—J. Horsfield, Assist. Sec.

LIVERPOOL B.B.A.

Annual show held in the Caledonian Schoolrooms. There was a grand total of 375 exhibits, any of which were fit to put in the open shows. If you want to win at this show you must have real toppers. Competition was keen all round, this being the final of the season's specials, which resulted as follows:—CHAMP.: Metcalfe 68 points, Robinson 55, W. Jones 51, McNulty 50, Handley 46, Knowles 37. NOV.: Crowe 50, McMahan 36, Darlington 35, Whiteside 26, J. Knight 26, W. Bell 24. GRAND TOTALS: McMahon 121, W. Jones 117, Crowe 96. Border medal, W. Pullman. Champ. Brit., J. Lloyd. Nov. Brit., W. Whiteside. Illuminated certificate, J. W. Metcalfe. This show concludes one of the most successful seasons the Liverpool fanciers have ever had. We were pleased to see our old friend, President John H. Isaac, about again, taking a keen interest in the show. The secretaries, Messrs. Eccleston and Lloyd, got through their work in good time. List of specials were soon up, and all prize money paid out by 5.50 p.m. Messrs. W. A. Cowgill and A. Wellings judged, and their awards were well received.

The Awards.

YORKS., CL. YELL. (7): 1, McNutly; 2, W. Jones; 3, hc, Alston; vhc, Gregory; c, Robinson. BUFF (8): 1, sp, McNulty; 2, Alston; 3, Knowles; vhc, Moreton; hc, W. Jones; c, Metcalfe. TKD. YELL. (5): 1, Gregory; 2, Knowles; 3, Algie; vhc, W. Jones; hc, Alston. BUFF (4): 1, McNulty; 2, Gregory; 3, Knowles; vhc, Abbott. VARIEG. (2): 1, W. Jones; 2, Gregory. HEN, CL. YELL. (7): 1, McNulty; 2, W. Jones; 3, Metcalfe; vhc, Knowles; h, Robinson; c, Brindle. BUFF (8): 1, Knowles; 2, Robinson; 3, Abbott; vhc, McNulty; hc, Gregory; c, Alston. TKD. YELL. (8): 1, sp, best Yorks., Knowles; 2, McNulty; 3, Robinson; vhc, Morton; hc, Algie; c, Knowles. BUFF (6): 1, c, Knowles; 2, Robinson; 3, vhc, Gregory; hc, Metcalfe. CINN. MKD. YELL.: 1, Knowles; 2, Gregory. BUFF (3): 1, Robinson; 2, Crowe; 3, Metcalfe. UNFLIG. YELL. (12): 1, McNulty; 2, Morton; 3, Robinson; vhc, c, Gregory; hc, Knowles. BUFF (8): 1, Robinson; 2, McNulty; 3, hc, Gregory; vhc, Morton; c, Darlington. YORKS. GREEN, S. YELL. CK. (4): 1, McNulty; 2, Atherton; 3, Robinson; vhc, Handley. BUFF (6): 1, Robinson; 2, McNulty; 3, W. Jones; vhc, Brindle; hc, Handley; c, Abbott. FOUL YELL.: 1, 2, Robinson. BUFF (4): 1, Robinson; 2, W. Jones; 3, Bell; vhc, Handley. HEN, YELL. (7): 1, hc, Metcalfe; 2, Handley; 3, McDermott; vhc, Robinson. BUFF (9): 1, McDermott; 2, Handley; 3, W. H. Atherton; vhc, Algie; hc, Robinson; c, W. Jones. UNFLIG. YELL. (5): 1, Eccleston; 2, W. Jones; 3, Abbott; vhc, McDermott; hc, Handley. BUFF (7): 1, Algie; 2, Handley; 3, W. Jones; vhc, Eccleston; hc, McDermott; c, Abbott. NOR. YELL. CK. (6): 1, sp, vhc, Cutmore; 2, hc, Isaac; 3, Hillmen; c, Rumsby. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Rumshy; 3, hc, Isaac; vhc, Steel. HEN, YELL. (5): 1, 3, Hillmen; 2, Handley; vhc, hc, Rumsby. BUFF (5): 1, 3, Hillmen; 2, Crowe; vhc, Cutmore; hc, Rumsby. UNFLIG. YELL. (6): 1, 2, vhc, c, Cutmore; 3, Crowe; hc, Rumsby. BUFF: 1, Crowe; 2, Hillmen. NOR. GREEN, SELF BUFF: 1, McMahon; 2, Lawson; 3, Handley; vhc, Metcalfe. FOUL BUFF (5): 1, Lawson; 2, Metcalfe; 3, Crowe; vhc, Handley; hc, Brindle. HEN, YELL. (6): 1, Lawson; 2, Handley; 3, Malone; vhc, hc, McMahon; c, Tarbuck. BUFF (5): 1, sp, 2, 3, Lawson; vhc, Handley; hc, Malone. UNFLIG. BUFF (5): 1, Tarbuck; 2, Metcalfe; 3, vhc, McMahon. BORD. YELL. CK. (3): 1, sp, best Border, Metcalfe; 2, Green; 3, Collier. BUFF (3): 1, Crowe; 2, Collier; 3, Pullman. HEN, YELL. (4): 1, Metcalfe; 2, 3, Collier; vhc, Crowe. BUFF (3): 1, Green; 2, 3, Metcalfe. BORD. GREEN, YELL. CK. (5): 1, Malone; 2, Bratherton; 3, Collier; vhc, Pullman; hc, Walker. BUFF (5): 1, Collier; 2, Green; 3, Bratherton; vhc, hc, Pullman. HEN, YELL. (4): 1, Pullman; 2, Walker; 3, Green; vhc, Malone. BUFF (5): 1, J. Walker; 2, vhc, Green; 3, Bratherton; hc, Pullman. YORKS. (NAT. COL.): 1, Darlington; 2, Kewn. HEN (6): 1, Handley; 2, Crewe; 3, W. H. Atherton; vhc, W. Jones; hc, Kewn; c, Darlington. NOV., YORKS. YELL. (9): 1, Whiteside; 2, Knight; 3, Darlington; vhc, c, Evans; hc, Crowe. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Whiteside; 3, Knight; vhc, Darlington; hc, Draper; c, Mahon. HEN, YELL.: 1, Knight; 2, Crowe; 3, McMahon; vhc, Skilling; hc, Draper; c, Darlington. BUFF (4): 1, Draper; 2, Darlington; 3, Skilling; vhc, Knight. YORKS. GREENS, YELL. (7): 1, Bell; 2, Newitt; 3. Draper; vhc, hc, Knight, Skilling. BUFF (9): 1, Crowe; 2, Draper; 3, Skilling; vhc, Redpath; hc, Bell; c, Evans. HEN, YELL.: 1, McMahon; 2, Evans; 3, Bell; vhc, Farrell; hc, Knight; c, Skilling. BUFF (6): 1, Crone; 2, Evans; 3, Bell; vhc, Knight; hc, Skilling; c, McMahon. NOV. YELL. (4): 1, vhc, McMahon; 2, 3, Crowe. BUFF: 1, vhc, Redpath; 2, 3, McMahon; hc, Newitt. A.O.V.: 1, Handley; 2, Darlington; 3, Atherton. MULE OR HYB. (8): 1, Darlington; 2, 3, Metcalfe; vhc, Lloyd; hc, c, Bell. GOLDFINCH: 1, W. Jones; 2, Whiteside. LINNET: 1, Bell; 2, Pullman; 3, T. R. Jones. CHAFFINCH: 1, Whiteside; 2, Lloyd; 3, Darlington. BRAMBLE, ETC.: 1, Redpath; 2, Whiteside; 3, Pullman. GREENFINCH: 1, Redpath; 2, Whiteside; 3, Darlington; vhc, Pullman. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Pullman; 2, 3, Lloyd. GIFT: 1, Robinson; 2, Handley; 3, Hadwin. CHILDREN'S CLASS (17): 1, Miss Lena Eccleston; 2, Miss Tiny Malone; 3, Miss Draper; vhc, Master Bob Bratherton; hc, Master John Lloyd; c, Master W. Pullman.

POPLAR C.B.S.

We have received a catalogue of the show held Nov. 16th, with 200 entries; judge, Mr. Robson. From this we gather that the principal winners were: NOR., Messrs. Hunt Bros., Cook, Leech, Gedge, Francis, Patman, Taylor, Woodcock, Pycock, Perry. YORKS., Plumb, Bloomfield, Priseman, Hunt, Pycock, Braithwaite, Lang, Winzar, Burrows. MULES, Joyce, Pine, Marhoff. BRIT., Leech, Hill, Woodcock, Marhoff, Snow, Constable, Barber. FOR., Woodcock, Bloomfield.

PUDSEY, STANNINGLEY & DIST.

Fourth members' show of the season held Nov. 30, at the Fleece Hotel, Stanningley. The entry was very good, 95 birds being staged by 12 members. The quality also was good, and some high-class birds were put down. Mr. W. Ormanroyd judged, and got through his work in a very able manner. The position of the leaders for the season's cup and specials is as follows:—Richmond, 103 points; Towler and Hargreaves, 88; Marsh, 75; Page, 52, Butler, 41; Tayler, 38; Ackroyd, 20; and Noble, 20. YORKS. CK., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (14): 1, 2, Richmond; 3, J. Butler; 4, c, Marsh; vhc, hc, Towler and Hargreaves. BUFF (11): 1, 4, Marsh; 2, 3, Towler and Hargreaves; vhc, Richmond; hc, Ackroyd; c, Taylor. MKD. YELL. (12): 1, J. Butler; 2, hc, Towler and Hargreaves; 3, c, Marsh; 4, Ackroyd; vhc, Richmond. BUFF (10): 1, hc, Richmond; 2, Forrest; 3, Towler and Hargreaves; 4, Page; vhc, Noble; c, Allott. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (11): 1, 2, 3, Marsh; 4, vhc, Richmond; hc, Ackroyd; c, Towler and Hargreaves. BUFF (11): 1, 4, Towler and Hargreaves; 2, hc, Taylor; 3, Richmond; vhc, Marsh; c, J. Butler. MKD. (9): 1, 2, Marsh; 3, 4, vhc, Richmond; hc, Forrest; c, Noble. CL. OR TKD. NOR. (7): 1, 4, vhc, Page; 2, 3, hc, Richmond; c, Benson. HEN (4): 1, 2, Richmond; 3, 4, Benson.

LEIGH AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Annual old bird show held at the Headquarters, Railway Hotel, Nov. 23 and 24, when about 140 birds were put down to be judged by Mr. J. W. Metcalfe (Liverpool). The special prize winners were: Best bird in show, H. Taylor; 2nd and 3rd best birds in show, P. Hart and W. Hulme respectively; two best vhc's, two best hc's, and two best c's, were won by Bailey and Son, Gaskell Bros., Bailey and Son, Gaskell Bros., H. Taylor, and T. Seddon respectively. The cup winner for 1912 is W. Hulme, with 33 points; H. Taylor, runner up, 31 points. Medal for most first prizes won by H. Taylor. Medal for most points in selling class and gift class won by W. Ordish. Special for runner up, H. Taylor. Special for highest bird in gift class belonging to a member who does not win one of his two other specials, was won by T. Collier. NOR. YELL. (5): 1, 3, Taylor; 2, vhc, Bailey and Son; hc, Gaskell Bros. BUFF (7): 1, vhc, Bailey and Son; 2, Collier; 3, Lomas; hc, Ordish; c, Carter. HEN, YELL. (5): 1, Taylor; 2, 3, hc, Bailey and Son; vhc, Dawson. BUFF (12): 1, 2, Bailey and Son; 3, Ordish; vhc, Dawson; hc, Wilkinson; c, Collier. YORKS. YELL. (7): 1, 3, Hulme; 2, vhc, Charnock; hc, Hamer; c, Carter. BUFF (7): 1, vhc, Taylor; 2, hc, Charnock; 3, Hulme; c, Carter. HEN, YELL. (7): 1, Hulme; 2, 3, Charnock; vhc, Taylor; hc, Charleson; c, Hart. BUFF (6): 1, vhc, Hulme; 2, 3, Charleson; hc, c, Charnock. CREST (9): 1, vhc, Lomas; 2, 3, Hart; hc, c, Taylor. C.-B. (9): 1, 2, Hart; 3, Taylor; vhc, hc, c, Lomas. A.O.V. (4): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Taylor. MULE OR HYB. (8): 1, Taylor; 2, Lomas; 3, Gaskell Bros.; vhc, c, Seddon; hc, Gostling. GOLDFINCH (7): 1, J. Gostling; 2, hc, T. Seddon; 3, J. Hamer; vhc, c, P. Hart. A.O.V. BRIT. (10): 1, 2, Hart; 3, Gostling; vhc, hc, Gaskell Bros.; c, Charleson. A.V. FOR.: Cancelled. GIFT (6): 1, Ordish; 2, Collier; 3, Dawson; vhc, Gaskell Bros.; hc, Charleson; c, Taylor. OPEN LINNET (20): 1, Roughley; 2, Harrison; 3, J. Everett; vhc, Jones; hc, Brooks; c, Banks.—R. Charleson, Sec.

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LEICESTER (Hand-in-Hand) C.B.S.

Table show held at "White Swan," December 3, Mr. Jno. Allen judged. Principal winners: Open section: Sarson, Hulse, Moores, Gibbins, and Freestone; novice: Day, Butler, and Jolly; British: Wood, Turner, Laundon, and Kilsby.—A. Freestone, Sec.

PEMBROKE.

Annual exhibition held in the Market Hall, Dec. 4. The birds were staged in one corner of the building, and the gangways were very much crowded; in fact, at times, with the number of people present it was difficult to get near the cages. Entries came up well, and we should like to see larger classification, feeling assured that in such case the committee would get a good entry. Mr. Sennett, the secretary, worked hard, and his committee rendered valuable help. Mr. T. Owen judged, and his awards gave general satisfaction.

YORKS. (13): 1, sp, Price, good length, well up on leg, splendid wings and tail; 2, Bennett, nice type and qual., good cond., and cut; 3, Andrews, real good yell., well shown; r, Reynolds; vhc, Shears; hc, Tallett. NOR. (6): 1, Edwards, grandly built, lovely shape and feather; 3, Muscott, better than the winner in head, nice col.; r, Price; hc, Tallett. A.O.V. CAN (4): 2, sp, Gwyther, very large even mkd. Crest, lovely texture; 3, Edwards, another good Crest, close up; res, Evans. GOLDFINCH (15): 1, sp, 2, 3, Richards, clinking trio, winner standing out in blaze, bars, and buttons, 2nd good col., neat blaze; r, Whitehouse; vhc, Slee; c, Edwards. BULLFINCH (11): Good class: 1, Edwards, good col. and shape, lovely sheen, dense black cap; 2, Price, fails in col. to winner; 3, Griffiths, nice cap and col.; 4, Brickle; vhc, Slee, Rees. A.O.V. BRIT. (6): 1, Ray, lovely Hawfinch, grand condition; 2, John, nice coloured Blackbird, well shown; vhc, Price; hc, Slee, Thomas. MULE (11): 1, sp, Slee, Haverfordwest winner, in rare trim; 2, Edwards, very nice exhibit, close up; 3, Slee, very useful dark; 4, Jackson; hc, Nicholas.

CHANDLERS FORD F.S.

Second annual show held Dec. 4, in the Parish Room, when the entries came up very well. Mr. A. J. Dean is a capital secretary, and had everything well in hand, and was supported by a good committee. Mr. J. E. Woodford judged.

NOR. (11): 1, sp, G. Jupe, yell., good size and col., nice head and carr., well shown; 2, sp, 3, vhc, White very nice tkd. buff, good size and shape, 3rd nice cl. yell., not so large, neat head and good col.; r, Page, very neat buff; vhc, Foyle; hc, Cook. CREST OR. C.B. cancelled. YORKS. (5): 1, sp, Wright, a very nice tkd. yell., good length, beautiful shape and carr., stands well; 2, Corbin, a very neat buff, good length and style, nice qual. of feather; 3, withheld; vhc, Harding. A.O.V. CAN. cancelled. MULE (13): 1, sp, vhc, Hartnell, a beautiful light Goldie Can., nice size, good col. and con.; 2, Page, a good dark Goldie-Can., nice feather, good shape and size; 3, no name, a very pretty light Goldie-Can., lovely feather, nice blaze, very close up; r, Cook; vhc, Corbin, Alderslade; hc, Harding; c, Fowles. BULLFINCH cancelled. GOLDFINCH (6): 1, sp, Lean, a very neat Finch, nice rich col. blaze, not over large, but in nice trim; 2, sp, Pearson, another neat one, good large square blaze, not quite rich enough yet, good buttons; 3, Lees, a field-moulted one, nice blaze, but trifle wild; r, White; vhc, Carrington. LINNET (7): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Alderslade, very nice one, good col., rather too light down the breast, 2nd good shape and size, nice col., and better pencilling, 3rd not so large, and fails colour to others. A.O.S. HARDBILL (6): 1, sp, Lean and Son, nice rich col. Hawfinch, not over large; 2, vhc, Tout, very pretty Yellowhammer, nicely mkd., rich col.; 3, Clark, a very pretty Siskin, good col.; r, White, a good Greenfineh; hc, Carrington. A.S. SOFTBILL cancelled. FOR. A.V. (6): 1, sp, 2, r, Slade, Hangnest, very rich in col., and nice mkgs., 2nd a nice Pekin Robin, good col.; 3, Whitmore, good Green Parrot; vhc, Clark; hc, Corbin. CHILDREN'S CLASS (6): 1, Thornback, a very good Yorks.; 2, sp, Dean, also a nice Yorkshire; 3, Alderslade, good pied Linnet; r, Thornback, Twite; vhc, Alderslade.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS F.A.

Members' show held Nov. 27. YORKS. YELL. (6): 1, 3, sp, res, Wraight; 2, vhc, hc, Walker. BUFF (3): 1, 2, 3, sp, Wraight. NOR. YELL. (8): 1, sp, hc, Whitten; 2, Richards; 3, hc, Greenaway; vhc, Dunning; c, Bellamy; c, Borman. BUFF (5): 1, sp, L. Richards; 2, Whitten; 3, Bellamy; vhc, F. G. Richards; c, Borman. A.O.V. (7): 1, 2, 3, vhc, sp, Mrs. Aitken; hc, A. Richards. HYB. or MULE (7): 1, 2, 3, c, Hurst; vhc, Dunning; hc, Bovington; hc, Showler. BRIT. HARDBILL (5): 1, Hurst; 2, 3, Dibley; vhc, Whitten; res, Dunning. SOFTBILLS (3): 1, Borman; 2, Dunning; 3, L. Richards. FOR. (1): 1, Moase.

TONG AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Members' show, held Nov. 30th, at Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill. 75 birds were judged by Mr. T. Bennett (Bradford). CHAMP.—CL. OR TKD. YELL. (5): 1, Gledhill; 2, Padgett; 3, C. Casey; 4, Walker. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Padgett; 3, Atkinson and Firth; 4, Clark. MKD. CK. (7): 1, Casey; 2, Hadwin; 3, Clark; 4, Hodgson, junr. UNFLIG. (6): 1, 3, Padgett; 2, Atkinson and Firth; 4, Clark. YELL. HEN (5): 1, 4, Casey; 2, Hodgson, junr.; 3, Clark. BUFF (7): 1, Hodgson, junr.; 2, Atkinson and Firth; 3, Casey; 4, Clark. MKD. (7): 1, Casey; 2, Padgett; 3, Hadwin; 4, Clark. NOV.—CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, McLaughlin; 2, Hinton; 3, 4, Hodgson and Holdsworth. BUFF (5): 1, 3, Hinton; 2, Nichol; 4, Crabtree. MKD. CK.: 1, J. Crabtree. HEN, YELL. (9): 1, 4, McLaughlin; 2, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 3, Hinton. BUFF (7): 1, 3, Hinton; 2, 4, Nichol. MKD. (5): 1, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 2, 3, 4, McLaughlin.—W. Walker, Sec.

HALIFAX O.S.

Members' show held at the Plummet Line Hotel, Nov. 30th. There was an entry of 72 birds (all hens). Mr. Sam Wilcock (Bradford) judged, and gave every satisfaction.

YORKS., YELL.: 1, 2, Burdekin Bros. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Burdekin Bros. YORKS. GREEN: 1, 2, 3, hc, Pilling; vhc, Simpson; c, Clegg. NOVICE YELL.: 1, 2, Wilkinson; 3, Saville; vhc, Ogden; hc, Hartley; c, Child. BUFF: 1, Ogden; 2, hc, Mann; 3, Wilkinson; vhc, c, Saville. FOUL MKD.: 1, Mann; 2, vhc, Wild; 3, Child. YORKS. GREEN: 1, 3, Mann; 2, Wilkinson; vhc, Howarth. NOR. YELL.: 1, 3, Clegg; 2, vhc, Mottram. BUFF: 1, 2, Mottram; 3, vhc, Clegg. NOV. YELL.: 1, Lord; 2, vhc, Corney; 3, Jackson. BUFF: 1, Lord; 2, Howarth; 3, vhc, hc, c, Corney. FOUL MKD.: 1, Lord; 2, Howarth. BRIT.: 1, vhc, D. A. Macpherson; 2, R. E. Helliwell; 3, hc, c, Benn. Special winners: Messrs. T. Pilling and S. Wilkinson.—Harry Clegg, Sec.

WIRKSWORTH.

This well managed show was held Nov. 30. The sec., Mr. R. L. Pearson, had arrangements well in hand, and everything went well. The entry was only a small one, due doubtless to lack of publicity. Judicious advertising should do much to avoid a repetition of this in future years, as fanciers are plentiful in the district. Mr. Chas. Ward judged, and seemed to give very general satisfaction. NOR. CK. (6): 1, spl, Williams, chubby cl. buff, nice feather and good col.; 3, Lelt, shapely, nice wings, good carr.; res, Else; vhc, Dean; hc, Grey. HEN (6): 1, res, Dean, leader, bonny lady, neat wings, cl. buff of nice shape; 3, Williams, also buff, shapely and stylish, very good one, nice col.; vhc, c, Lelt. A.O.C. CK. (10): 1, Mrs. Allin, cl. yell. Yks., fine lengthy bird, stands well up, good col. and qual.; 2, Garton, C.B., extra nice feather, pressed hard for 1st; 3, Shelton, cl. Yks., lengthy, full of qual., lovely feather; res, Else; vhc, Morse; hc, Watson. HEN (4): 2, Gaston, grey crest, nice radiation, wealth of feather; res, vhc, Morse; hc Watson. BRIT. (10), nice class: 1, spl, Allwood, beautiful large Hawfinch, well marked colours, rich and well defined, nice bib and very steady; 2, Blount, Linnet, extra good col., profuse pencilling, steady and well shown; 3, Williams, nicely coloured Fieldfare, very steady for the species, well marked; res, Brooks; vhc, McCreery; hc, Ford; c, Brough. LOCAL C. OR C.B.: 2, spl, Webster; res, Fox A.O.V.: 2, cup, res, Fox; vhc, Adams and Prestwick.

OUR 1913 CALENDAR.

Some interesting notes upon the Robin so charmingly portrayed by the late J. G. Keulemans in the picture which adorns CAGE BIRDS Calendar for the coming year.

Readers should find a Calendar in colours in every copy of this Christmas Number.

THE charming picture which adorns the Calendar accompanying this issue, and which is entitled Wintry Weather, ("Wintery Weather," the artist has it) is from the brush of the late Mr. J. G. Keulemans, and that it is worthy of the reputation of that great artist will, we are sure, be conceded by our readers unanimously. It is not only a life-like representation of a bird known to everyone, but it is a picture in the highest sense of the word. The expression in the eye of Mr. Bobbie bodes ill luck to some unfortunate insect, which, maybe, has been warmed into life by a transient gleam of winter sun, not sufficient to melt the snow, only to furnish a sadly needed morsel for our ruddy breasted friend. The naked tree branches and the sombre hues of the pines and the other trees, which winter does not denude of their leaves, combine to form a worthy background to one of the most beautiful pictures which ever came from the brush of the talented artist whose death we have recently had to deplore. It is a picture which will be treasured, we think, by everyone into whose possession it may come.

And what shall be say of friend Bobbie himself? Firstly, that by common consent he has been chosen by generations of artists as the most appropriate subject for an outdoor Christmas picture. Time was when a Christmas card was scarcely considered a Christmas card unless it portrayed a Robin. Nowadays, our seasonable greetings are conveyed in a much more pretentious fashion, but they are not more welcome than when our much loved little bird formed the subject of five in every six of them.

Tame and confiding as the Robin is, coming to our very doors for a crumb, or even inside, yet he is a terror to his own kind. Every Robin has his own "cabbage patch," and it is bad luck for any intruder of his own species thereon. Standing in one's garden, or in a suburban road, or country lane, one may hear them challenging each other to the effect that each had better keep to his own territory. There seems to be a somewhat widely spread idea that a Robin lives for one year only, and that the young ones kill their parents as soon as they are able to dispense with their services as universal providers. This belief, it is scarcely necessary to say to readers of CAGE BIRDS, is a mistaken one, for the same Robin will frequent year after year the garden or piece of territory which he has made his own landed property. The natural mortality must be very great, or they would be even more in evidence than they are, and this is the case, of course, with all wild birds, but to say that Robins live only for one year is an absurdity.

One fact which accounts for the species not increasing until even friend Redbreast would be a nuisance is that, as with most of what are known as "resident" birds, that is, birds which are bred here, and of which examples are to be found all the year round, an extensive migration to the continent takes place in the autumn, and untold numbers of those which leave us do so never to return. The bodies of such birds are consumed as food in restaurants of Southern Europe, under the name of *petites betes*, and thousands are trapped for this purpose by the peasants of Spain, Italy, and the South of France. A cross migration of birds from the continent takes place in the autumn, and many of the Robins found here in the winter are aliens, but these cannot be in more than a very small proportion to those which have departed, and each one on his arrival has to find a residential claim which he carefully "pegs out" against all intruders of his kind.



ASKED AND ANSWERED.

YOUNG SPORT: "Will you kindly tell me what a Scotch Fancy Canary is?

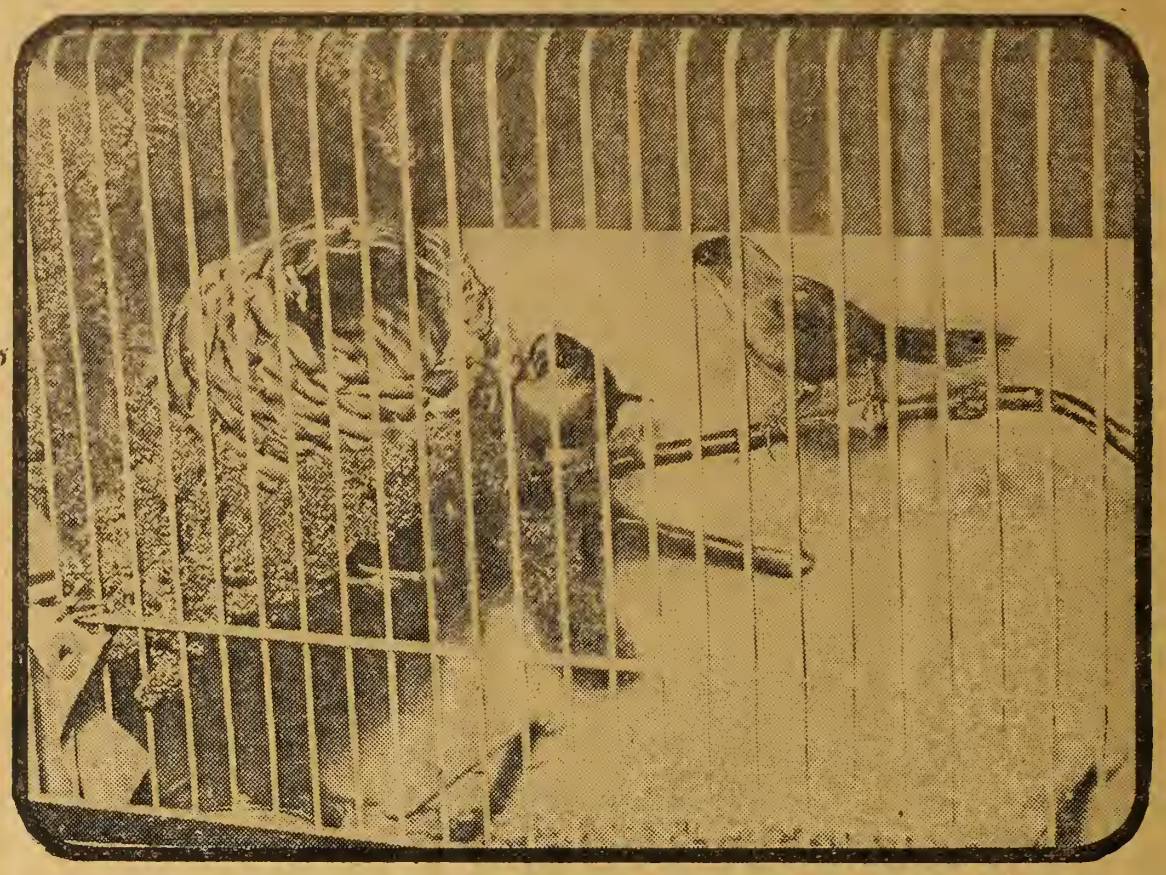
OLD SPORT: Yes, with pleasure; it's a Yorkshire caught bending.

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The information it contains will put money in the pocket of every breeder of Canaries.

Note the Advertisement in our pages this week.



AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF ARTISTIC STAGING.

This fine pair of St. Helena Waxbills were photographed at the last Crystal Palace Show, where they were exhibited by Miss Jessie A. E. Smyth (Catford). As will be seen, the interior of the show cage is pleasingly embellished with twiggy branches as perches, a rush "nest" (or roosting basket) and millet sprays.

Much sentimental objection attaches to the keeping of a Robin in a cage, but why this should be so is difficult of understanding. If we catch the Robin which affects our own garden as a residence, his place will soon be taken by another, and we shall have a bird which will take more kindly to cage life than perhaps any other which could be mentioned. A Robin, properly treated, will sing in a cage within a week of its capture. Its confiding nature makes it fearless of its keeper, and after a short time of the experience of having its food and shelter provided for it, it will refuse its liberty if the opportunity of escaping be offered.

The cage for a Robin should be a roomy one of the "box" pattern, i.e., open only in front, and the wire front should be removable for convenience of cleaning. It should not be less than 24ins. x 12ins. x 12in., as the Robin is a very active bird, and needs room for exercise. A bath is an urgent necessity, and the floor should be well covered with sand or dry earth, and kept scrupulously clean. The food need not be of an expensive nature; a good mixture such as any of those advertised in the columns of CAGE BIRDS will answer as a stock food, and if this is supplemented by some ants' cocoons, and such live insects, small worms, or smooth caterpillars as may be obtainable, not forgetting as many spiders as can be captured, friend Bobbie will live for many years in a cage in happiness, and become a most fascinating pet. In short, a Robin is quite the most desirable of any cage bird which might be mentioned; easy to get, as easy to keep as a Canary, a most captivating songster, and the most intelligent of all household pets.

HENRY J. FULLJAMES.

THE VERY, VERY LATEST!

Will It Come To This?

An imaginary conversation recorded by GEORGE GARDNER.

"I SAY, old man," said Tom Brown to his pal, Charlie Green, "Have you heard the very very latest in our Fancy?" "The very very latest? What the dickens do you mean?" "Sit down, Charlie, and I'll tell you a tale, and a Gospel 'un too, it'll either break your heart, or you'll split your sides a laughing! One evening last week, old Pearl had just got home from graft, and was sitting down to a nice feed of bread and butter and shrimps, when a rattling rat-tat-tat came at the door! 'Look out, missus,' said old Pearl, 'here's the haristocracee come, I'll be bound. None of our bird chaps knocks like that!' Mrs. Pearl answered the door, first putting on a ''evenghly' smile, as old Pearl told me.

"There stood a toffish kind of a party, who said: 'Does Mr. Pearl live here! He keeps Canaries, I believe. Has he any for sale?' 'I think so, but he's just getting a few shrimps, so if you'll come into our parlour and wait a few minutes, he'll be done his tea, and then he'll see you.' Wheeling round the very best 'easy' into position near the window, Mrs. Pearl saw the toff snugly seated, and then popped back into the kitchen. 'Pearl, I believe it's a haristocrat; he spoke like one, and if you can sell him £10 worth, do, for we all wants a rig out, and it'll clear the cages in the little room, and save the seed bill.'

"Quickly finishing his tea, old Pearl hastened into the parlour. 'You wants to see my Yorkies?' he says. 'If you please,' replies the toff. 'If you'll come up to the room, I'll show you. But, excuse me, I ain't up to no ceremonies. I'm only a plain chap and mine's not a big house.' And up into the room they went. 'Now, you can see the stock, and pick out any you'd like,' said Pearl.

"The bloke nosed into the cages and seemed to be a measuring of 'em, like! But Tom didn't mind, as maybe he was thinking of going in for bird-breeding, when he says in a funny sort of a way: 'Mr. Pearl, why do you keep sawdust in the bottoms of your cages. I thought birds required sand and grit?' 'Oh!' says Pearl, 'that's all right. We does that to keep 'em clean. And here's the sand vessel in the corner with the grit in it!'

"'Yes, that's all very well,' said the toff, 'but they require more grit, and they dust themselves in the sand for insects. Besides, they might get the sawdust into their poor little eyes and partially blind themselves. It is cruelty, I think?'

"'What's that you say, guvnor?' replied Pearl. 'Me and my missus cruel to our birds?' Pulling out a book, the toff goes on: 'Your correct name, please; I am an inspector for the society whose special care is to prevent cruelty to animals, and here is a case of distinct cruelty—keeping birds on sawdust! I had some sawdust in my own eye once, Mr. Pearl, and I know the agony! You will hear of this again.



THE GREAT TIT'S XMAS DINNER.

This photograph shows a Great Tit pecking at a piece of suet secured to the branch of a tree. Suet, or fat of any kind, is greatly appreciated by all wild birds during severe weather.

in due course. And if this is the way you men torture the birds, we shall have to keep a sharper look out than ever. You will receive a summons in a day or so.' 'A summons, shall I, and for sawdust! I didn't know your little game when my missus went to the door, or I'd ha' gone, and you wouldn't ha' got sawdust, you'd ha' got knuckle-dust!'—'Remember, Mr. Pearl, I'm an officer of the Society, and that's a threat. I shall inform the magistrate of it at the trial!'

"'Here, missus,' shouts Pearl at the top of the stairs. 'All right Pearl, I've got some show cages clean! How many do you want?' 'Show cages be hanged!' said Pearl. 'Just open the door and show this bloke out, or I shall soon fling him out!' And down the stairs into the street went the toff."

"What I'm wondering now," says Tom, as Charlie rose to go, "is how much we shall have to put in the hat to pay old Pearl's fine!"



Drawing by [*H. Norman.*

Notable Exhibits at the Great Horticultural Hall Show.

Left to right (starting at the top):—Mr. J. Frostick's winning couple in the class for Hybrid pairs, a cock Linnet and a hen Bullfinch; Mr. W. Binns' magnificent 1st prize buff Yorkshire cock; the lovely yellow Norwich hen, one of the best Plainheads in the show, which secured 1st and special prizes for Mr. J. Hodder; Mr. C. Cubby's charming Border Fancy cock, 1st prize; Mr. C. F. Bosworth's fine 1st prize Broken-cap Gold Lizard; head of Mr. J. Broad's wonderful young Crested hen, winner of the members' cup; head of Mrs. E. Litchfield's clear yellow Crestbred, which won 1st in a strong class; one of the best Twites ever staged, 1st and special for Mr. P. McOuiston.

ULSTER O.A. (Belfast).

Twentieth annual exhibition held in Clarence Place Hall, December 6 and 7. The receipts at the gate were on a par with previous years, but entries were about 15 short of last year. This show boasted a few years back of being the largest in Ireland. It is remarkable (in recent years) that the society should never be favoured with an entry that can be described as a "bumper." We would venture to say that the classification has a lot to do with it, for instance, light Mules have to compete against Hybrids, and dark Mules against Canary Bullies. Why not classes for field moulted British birds? Then again, in specials the Scotch Fancy section claims the largest share, although there is always a loss on the classes. Norwich (the best paying in the show) have to take what they get, with the result that birds in open classes have to compete against birds in limit classes for specials. The president, Mr. James Stewart, an enthusiastic Plainhead breeder, was one of the hardest workers in the hall. The society once again had the invaluable assistance of Mr. Robert Trimble as secretary, and a more popular, genial, and hard-working fancier it would be hard to find. He was ably assisted by Mr. T. H. Smyth, who had everything at his finger tips, and saw to the despatching of the long-distance exhibits. Mr. J. F. Dewar, Edinburgh, judged Scotch Fancy, Mule, and British sections, and Mr. W. Vardy the Norwich and Yorks., their awards giving general satisfaction.

The Critique.

BELGIANS (5): 1, 2, 1, Ronaldson, grand shoulders and top, very nervy, nice droop, 2nd similar, not so well up a leader; 3, 5, Neill, taking exhibit, fine shoulders, good head and droop. SC. FCV., YELL CK., CL. OR FOUL (9): 1, R. Trimble, good top end, nice qual. feather, A1 subs., nicely staged; 2, 3, 4, Lavery, fine trio, leader in grand form, fine top and reach, 3rd lacks subs. a bit; 5, Gillespie; 6, Ronaldson; 7, Finlay. BUFF (10): 1, R. Trimble, nice head and neck, good shoulders, reach and droop; 2, Ronaldson, good one, slim, but full of nerve, good shoulders; 3, 7, Dunlop, stylish, good action, tail well under; 4, 5, Lavery; 6, Cloughley. YELL. PIED CK. (5): 1, 5, R. Trimble, capital exhibit, wins, good subs. and length of side, fine shoulders and nice snaky head, in grand condition; 2, Neill, good subs. and action, very nice top and reach; 3, Wm. Trimble, sweet and stylish, good reach and droop; 4, Hamilton. BUFF (9): 1, 5, Lavery, rare good one, plenty subs. and action, in good trim; 2, Dunlop, grand reach and droop, good lengthy body; 3, C. Hamilton, good neck and nice snaky head, very nervy; 4, Gillespie; 5, Ronaldson; 7, Trimble. GR. CK. (6): 1, 3, Dunlop, long side, good shoulders and drive, nice head, 3rd slimmer, good style, nicely shown; 2, 4, Lavery, good subs. and action, nice top and reach; 5, Trimble; 6, Williamson. YELL. HEN, CL. OR FOUL (8): 1, 6, Lavery, fine subs., plenty action, fine depth across; 2, Ronaldson, close up, hardly so good in reach, nice subs.; 3, 4, R. Timble, lacking a little in subs., good style and qual.; 5, Neill; 7, Kirkpatrick. BUFF (8): 1, Ronaldson, good reach and qual. of feather, nice depth throughout; 2, Lavery, good top end and reach, stylish; 3, Dunlop, good size and subs., nice droop; 4, Hamilton; 5, Neill; 6, Kirkpatrick; 7, Trimble. YELL, PIED HEN (5): 1, Lavery, good subs., nice reach and droop, snaky head; 2, Ronaldson, good shoulders and reach, nervy; 3, Hamilton, plenty of subs., and nice qual., not so stylish; 4, Neill; 5, Trimble. BUFF (7): 1, 2, 3, Lavery, a fine lot, well put down, leader better shoulders and reach; 4, 6, Neill; 5, Dunlop; 7, Gillespie. GR. HEN (5): 1, 5, R. Trimble, nice one, hard up on shoulders, nice reach and droop; 2, 3, Cloughley, two good ones, lacks subs. of winner; 4, Neil. CREST (9): 1, 4, Bowman, crest of great dimensions, magnificently drooped, wealth of rich texture feather, wins; 2, 3, 5, Adams, abundance of good qual. feather, good size crest, as round as a hoop, 3rd good subs., not far behind; 6, Creighton; 7, McCoy. HEN (7): 1, Adams, massive build, immense crest, well radiated, good one; 2, T. Creighton, good subs., large crest, sparsely packed; 3, 5, 6, McCoy, good qual. feather, fine subs., and neat crest. C.B. (8): 1, 2, Leacock, rare subs., great width, and nice rise of skull, lashed to perfection, 2nd good feather, and plenty of size, hardly the width of skull; 3, Adams, fine, broad skull, good subs., nicely lashed; 4, Montgomery; 5, T. Creighton; 6, Smyth; 7, McAlister. HEN (3): 1, Leacock, wonderful subs., great massive skull, lashed to perfection; 2, 3, McCoy, two nice ones, good width and rise of skull, lack lashing of leader. NOR. YEL. CK. (8): 1, Connell, massive in build, good shape and carr., teeming with col. and qual.; 2, Lavery, good type, qual., and col., fails a little in head; 3, 6, Thompson, rare size, grand head, neck, and chest, hardly so cobby as leaders; 4, 5, Stewart; 7, Faith. TKD. YELL. (6): 1, 2, Thompson, topping couple, leader massive build, rare col. and qual., short flights and tail, 2nd not far behind, just lacks the subs. of his companion; 3, Wilson, full of qual. and col., good subs.; 4, Gray; 5, McCagherty; 6, Lavery. CL. BUFF (11): A strong class: 1, Scott, marvellous subs., exquisite col. and qual., grand head and neck, nice deep chest; 2, 3, Faith, two toppers, not far behind, rare size, col., and qual., leader better qual. feather; 4, 5, Thompson; 6, Gilmour; 7, Foreman. TKD. BUFF (6): 1, Gray, superb feather and mealing, sound as a ball, red-hot; 2, Finlay, good subs., nice qual. and col.; 3, Thompson, good head, neck, and chest, bit loose behind; 4, Faith; 5, Foreman; 6, Wilson. VAR. (11): 1, 2, 3, Thompson, charming trio, wonderful col. and qual., leader better body and head; 4, 7, Teasey; 5, Wilson; 6, Faith. YELL. HEN, CL. OR TKD. (10): 1, Alexander, marvellous subs., good qual. and col., nice head and neck; 2, Stewart, good size, splendid texture of feather, grand col.; 3, 5, Thompson, good head and neck, neat wing and tail carr.; 4, Faith; 6, Teasey; 7, Houston. CL. BUFF (8): 1, Faith, a stormer, rare size, good shape and carr., delightful feather and finish; 2, 3, Stewart, good couple, capital feather, nicely frosted, cobby and neat; 4, Foreman; 5, Lavery; 6, Wilson; 7, Thompson. TKD. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Thompson, two nice ones, good subs., type, and carr., leader better qual.; 3, McConaghie, cobby, lovely qual. and col.; 4, Foreman. VAR. HEN (7): 1, Faith, monster, superb feather and col., round as a ball, lovely carr.; 2, 5, Thompson, another good one, plenty subs. and col., lacks qual.; 3, Connell, good col. and qual., typical; 4, Finlay; 6, Carleton; 7, Teasey. 40s. LIMIT CLASSES: NOR. YELL. CK. (7): 1, McCagherty, rare size and col., short wings and tail; 2, Grey, plenty subs. and col., well cut away behind; 3, Montgomery, fine col. and qual., splendid head and neck, tails subs., but unflighted; 4, Lavery; 5, Hart; 6, Teasey; 7, Graham. BUFF (11): 1, Lavery, monster, good head and neck, nice qual. and col.; 2, 5, Connell, nice type and feather, good round head and full eye; 3, McCagherty, plenty subs. and colour, just lacks qual. of leaders; 4, Finlay; 6, Boyd; 7, Graham. YELL. HEN (7): 1, McCagherty, fine size and qual., good deep chest; 2, Teasey, good qual. and col., fails head a bit; 3, Carson, nice size and col., good qual. feather; 4, 5, Montgomery; 6, Gilmour; 7, Connell. BUFF (7): 1, Connell, good subs., and nice type, nice head and neck; 2, Gilmour, lovely qual. and col., fine size, good action; 3, Teasey, nice size and shape, lacks qual. of leaders; 4, Graham; 5, Finlay; 6, McCagherty; 7, Carson. NOV. NOR. YELL. CK. (6): 1, McCammon, superb col. and feather, grand subs. and shape, good one; 2, McCrea, a blaze of col., rich texture feather, neat head and neck; 3, 5, Scott, silky feather, lovely body and carr.; 4, Loughlin; 6, Crawford. BUFF (10): A strong class: 1, McBride, monster, teeming with qual. and col., delightful shape and carr., could win in open classes; 2, 4, Scott, another good one, fine col. and qual., nice size; 3, Graham, shapely, good texture of feather, and nice col.; 5, 7, Loughlin; 6, McCrea. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Carleton, bouncing lady, teeming with qual. and col., good size; 2, 3, Scott, two nice ones, plenty col. and qual., lack subs. of leader; 4, Laughlin; 5, Kelso; 6, 7, Cassells. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Scott, a good couple, short and thick set, tight as wax, leader better subs. and head; 3, Carleton, good size and shape, feathered to perfection; 4, McCammon; 5, Loughlin; 6, 7, McBride. YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (5): 1, Fleming, wing mkd., straight as a gun barrel, lengthy, good back, flights, and tail; 2, 5, Woods, another rattling good one, fine back, good wing carr., good position, and nice front, we fancied; 3, Tansey, shooty, rattling length, lovely qual. feather, lacks subs.; 4, Birse. BUFF (2): 1, Fleming, good length and position, nice wings and tail; 2, Tansey, smaller, but lovely qual. and col., splendid wings and pipe tail. MKD. OR VAR. CK.: 1, Tansey, well-known cinn.-mkd. bull. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Tansey, wonderful length, neat and narrow, straight as a pencil, and full of nerve; 2, Fleming, lengthy and upstanding, beautiful head, back, and wings; 3, Devins, smaller, good type, nice feather and col. BUFF (7): 1, Mulligan, grand length, full of style, well filled back, good wing carr.; 2, Tansey, a shade smaller, A1 feather and col., perfect position; 3, Fleming, smooth as wax, nice length and good col., a little masterly; 4, Birse; 5, Woods; 6, Gorman; 7, Devins. MKD. OR VAR. HEN (2): 1, Tansey, wonderful length, straight and round as a pencil, delightful pos. and qual.; 2, Fleming, very lengthy, fine pos., neat head and neck. NOV. YORKS. CK. (11): 1, 3, Hunter, splendid length, great style, as round as a bottle, neat and finely drawn, 3rd smaller, but smart in appearance, nice feather and col., shade open in front; 2, 6, 7, Winkup, grand bird from end to end, rare length and style, beautifully drawn; 4, Verner, a typical exhibit, fine back and wings, splendid head, patchy in col.; 5, Henry, the best in class, wants a tubbing. HEN (9): 1, Henry, magnificent hen, could win in open classes, but could be staged to better advantage; 2, 3, Malcolm, two beauties, for position and type, leader better rounded; 4, Verner, a nice one, but small, lovely position; 5, Winkup; 6, McPeake; 7, Sands. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (10): 1, 3, 5, 7, Lavery, fine team, well put down, two leaders, lightly mkd. Goldie-Mules, gems of their kind, lovely col.; 2, Alexander, Goldie-Bullies, magnificent size, colours well defined, carry rare polish; 4, McKee; 6, Webb. DARK (7): 1, 3, 5, 7, Lavery, again a splendid team, in the pink of condition, leader Canary-Bullie, very large, and a blaze of col.; 2, Alexander, bonnie Linnet-Canary, best we have seen for some time, in rare trim; 6, Craig. GOLDFINCH (15): 1, Barclay, charming exhibit, expansive square cut blaze, rich tannings, in beautiful condition; 2, 4, Lavery, nice one, well cut blaze, fails in condition to winner; 3, Webb, nice large blaze, thought by some to be full size for a Britisher; 5, Birse; 6, Carleton; 7, Johnston. LINNET (10): 1, 2, Lavery, magnificent size and shape, perfect style, sound in col., 2nd hardly the size, plenty of work all over, grand polish; 3, Creighton, very rich and sound in col., good shape and style, a little deficient in pencilling; 4, Carleton; 5, Magee; 6, Magowan; 7, Griffiths, a topper, but unsteady. GREENFINCH (8): 1, Lavery, really good jonque, thick set, and tight as wax; 2, Barclay, very bold shape, plenty of yellow in wings and tail; 3, Walker, bonny buff, exquisite qual. and condition; 4, Carleton; 5, O'Neille; 6, Harvey; 7, Melling. BULLFINCH, ETC. (8): 1, Birse, Bullie, medium size, lovely cobby shape, dense, well cut cap and bib; 2, Alexander, Chaffinch, correct tone of col., splendid size and shape, well defined markings; 3, Devins, nice cobby Bullie, splendid bold head and front; 4, Black; 5, 6, Carleton; 7, Reid. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, O'Neille, very cobby Siskin, splendidly laced, good cap, not much bib; 2, Topping, splendid Redpoll, grand bib and col., fine condition; 3, Black, Siskin, not in the best condition; 4, Hart; 5, Mitchell; 6, Harvey. BUNTING (10): 1, 6, 7, McConnell, Yellowhammers, rare size and col., very steady; 2, Trueman, another Yellowhammer, hardly so steady or high in col.; 3, Carleton, Reed Bunting, rare size for a hen, in good order; 4, Montgomery, Snow Bunting, a topper, but soft; 5, Reid. A.O.V. (2): 1, Birse, beautiful Hawfinch, in the pink of condition; 2, Montgomery, another Hawfinch, larger, but lacks polish of leader. FOR. (3): 1, Birse, Sib. Goldie, medium size, good cond.; 2, Walker, another Goldie, not up in cond. or col.; 3, Williamson, pair Waxbills.



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FORRES O.S.

Twenty-sixth annual show held in the Mechanics' Institution, Dec. 4. A splendid hall, beautifully lighted and of fine size. The birds were nicely staged up and down the hall, with plenty of room left between the rows. Entries numbered 200, which were in excess of last year. Norwich turned out fairly well, as also Crests and Crestbreds, but the outstanding feature of the show was the British section, among which some grand classes were benched. The handsome silver cup presented by Mr. Wm. Smith for best pair of Norwich was won by Mr. J. A. Grant, Keith, with a grand pair, suitable for Crest breeding. The society's silver medal for best Norwich was won by Mr. Wm. Allison, Aberdeen, with a very typical yell. hen of good size and substance. CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE cup, presented by Mr. D. Ross, for best bird in show belonging to a member of the LEAGUE, brought out a large number of entries, and the competition was very keen. The judge had some little difficulty, but finally awarded the cup to Mr. J. A. Grant's dark crested cock, grand size, well formed crest of dense formation. The secretary, Mr. Cummings had everything up to date, and was well backed up by his committee, who all worked with a will to make the show a success. Mr. John Lyon, Aberdeen, made the awards, which were well received.

The Critique.

PAIRS (5): 1, cup, Grant, lovely pair of Crests, well matched, grand subs., well staged; 2, Baxter, Nor., nice bull var. and yell. hen, cock of good size and qual., hen grand type and col.; 3, Garden, two cl. birds, well matched; 4, McLennan; 5, Goodall. NOR. CK., BRED 1912 (4): 1, Allison, buff var. ck., A1 size and qual., best of col. and cond.; 2, Baxter, yell., grand col., very typical, a good second; 3, McLean, A1 size and qual., lovely wing carr.; 4, Dr. Alexander. HEN (7): 1, Allison, good type, best of qual., champion col. and cond.; 2, Stanford, buff, good head and neck, nice shape, well staged; 3, Reid, yell., fails a little in head, good col. and qual.; 4, Ross; 5, McDonald; 6, McLean. YELL. CK., CL., ETC. (4): 1, 4, McLean, 1st excels in col., grand size, shape, good head and neck, short, well packed wings and tail, stands well over perch; 2, Grainger, nice size and shape, good head and neck, fails only in qual. to winner; 3, McLennan, good size and shape. BUFF (7): 1, 5, Campbell, 1st grand size and shape, lovely qual. of feather; 2, Grainger, good size, very shapely, fine cond.; 3, Goodall, a cl., big bouncing bird, nice chubby body, good qual.; 4, Clark; 5, McLennan. YELL. HEN (8): 1, c, Ross, nice type, col., and qual.; 2, McLennan, good size, nice col., lovely wing carr.; 3, Campbell. BUFF (4): 1, Garden, grand type, good all-round, well turned out; 2, McLean, chubby bird, good size and qual.; 3, McLennan, crosses wings at times, good qual.; 4, Walker. GR. OR VAR., ETC. (3): 1, Goodall, yell. var., best of col., tip-top qual. and cond.; 2, Reid, buff var., not quite so short as 1st, A1 qual.; 3, Garden, typical, requires more substance. HEN (7): 1, 5, McLean, best of type and qual., good size and col.; 2, 6, Henderson, good shape, and cond.; 3, Stanford, very typical, well placed; 4, McLennan. YELL. FED CK. (3): 1, Baxter, sweet exhibit, grand col., and qual.; 2, Garden, red-hot col., typical, nice wings and tail; 3, Craigen, grand feather, col., and cond. BUFF (3): 1, Garden, cl., magnificent type, full chest, and col.; 2, Goodall, nice head, good back, wings and tail; 3, Dr. Alexander, feathered like wax, grand col. and cond. HEN: 1, Allison, gem for type and qual., rattling good col. BUFF HEN (5): 1, Allison, cl., nice full chest, well mealed, teeming in col. and qual.; 2, Garden, not quite so thick set as winner, good qual. and col.; 3, 4, Craigen, two smart hens, lovely feather; 5, McLean. CK. (4): 1, Allison, yell. var., great size, best of type, col. and qual.; 2, Reid, buff not so typical as 1st, good qual. and well staged; 3, Stanford, buff var., good size and qual.; 4, Garden. HEN: 1, Baxter, best of qual. and col. CRESTED: 1, Grant, cl. body D.C., great size, plenty feather, well rounded crest, coming well over beak; 2, 3, Craigen, leader gr. grand leafy feather, good size and qual. C.B. (3): 1, 2, Grant, both good size, well lashed, nice entrance; 3, Craigen, fair size, good head and well lashed. BORD. CL., ETC. (3): 1, Gentleman, little beauty, grand style, good head and neck, fine wing carr.; 2, Harcombe, very typical, a grand mover; 3, Gall, nice shape, well carried wings and tail. BUFF CK. (4): 1, Blackie, gem all over, fine jaunty carr., lovely qual., grand head, wings, and tail, wins; 2, Connachie, tight as a bottle, typical a good second; 3, Gall, rare style, waxy feather, A1 condition; 4, Harcombe. YELL. OR BUFF (3): 1, Gentleman, good head and neck, grand style, lovely wing and tail carr.; 2, Blackie, typical, A1 type, good second; 3, Gall, good style, nice feather. A.O.V. BORD. (4): 1, Connachie, nice yell green, wee gem, feathered like wax, neat head and neck, good wings and tail; 2, 4, Bruce, 2nd best of qual., good shape and style; 3, Gentleman, nice head and well filled in at neck. YORKS. (5): 1, 3, Wilkinson, both nice length, well drawn, good heads and front, 3rd fails a little in wings; 2, 4, 5, Junor, 2nd nice fed Yorkie, fine length, good wing carr., stands well on perch. A.O.V.: 1, Macdonald, Scotch Fancy, fair reach, good length of wings, fine style; 2, Craigen, cinn., fair size and cond. NOVICE: 1, 2, Dun McDonald, two nice exhibits, and well staged. PAIRS FOR HYB. BREEDING: 1, Gentleman, nice Goldfinch ck. and Bullie hen, in the pink of condition; 2, Main. MULE OR HYB. (4): 1, 2, Watt, 1st Bramble-Chaffie, shows cross well; 2, Goldie-Greenie, good col.; 3, Junor, Linnet-Bulie, pale in col.; 4, Cormack. 'POLL OR TWITE (3): 1, Gentleman, grand coloured Twite, not extra large, lovely marking; 2, Watt, Mealy 'Poll, grand Polish, nice cap and bib, fine lacing; 3, Borthwick, good size, fails finish. LESSER 'POLL (10): A grand class: 1, Main, bonnie wee chap, rare col., good cap, lovely lacing, wins; 2, Gentleman, rare fettle, not quite so rich in col., still a nice one; 3, Junor, well laced, nice cap and bib; 4, Fraser; 5, McLean; 6, Campbell. SISKIN (9): 1, Gentleman, nice cap, good col., lovely bars and nicely turned out; 2, Connachie, nice Siskin, grand cap and bars, not quite so well up in bloom; 3, Junor, dense Black cap, extra large bib, good col. and condition; 4, Harcombe; 5, Allison; 6, Campbell. SISKIN HEN (5): 1, c, Ross, lovely markings, tight as bottle, grand fettle, wins; 2, Gentleman, nice one, in the pink of cond.; 3, Clark; 4, Junor; 5, McLean. LINNET (6): 1, Main, fine size, rich col., lovely breast, markings; 2, Campbell, good shape and col., nicely pencilled, in grand condition; 3, C. Ross, good depth of col., grand front, nicely pencilled, well put down; 4, Watson Bros.; 5, Fraser; 6, McLean. BULLF. (10): 1, Watt, often described; 2, Anderson Bros., presses winner, grand size and col., A1 cap, lovely bars, may change places before the season finishes; 3, Gentleman, not quite so large, A1 col. and bars, little rough at thigh; 4, C. Ross; 5, Baxter; 6, Fraser. HEN (6): 1, 2, Gentleman, good size and col., in rare condition; 3, C. Ross, typical, good cap and bars, not so large as winner; 4, Craigen; 5, Law. A.O. HEN, BRIT.: 1, Gentleman, nice Hawfinch, good condition; 2, Anderson Bros. GREENFINCH (3): 1, 2, Anderson Bros., 1st best of col. and condition, 2nd not quite finished yet, good size and type; 3, Watson. CHAFFINCH: 1, Junor, fine shape, well up in size, nice pure whites, steady and well shown; 2, Clark, not in the same condition. GOLDIE (5): 1, 2, Harcombe, 1st easy win, grand cond., immense blaze, rare breast col., lovely size and markings, 2nd not quite so rich in col.; 3, Cormack, fine shape and body col.; 4, Walker; 5, Junor. A.O.S., SMALL: 1, Anderson Bros., nice Wagtail, lovely cond., well turned out; 2, Campbell. LARGE (4): 1, Gentleman, grand Hawfinch, lovely polish, staged to perfection; 2, 3, Thomson, 2nd nice Blackie, lovely col. and cond.; 3, Thrneh, good size; 4, Angus. NOV. (6): 1, Main, nice Goldie Mule, good col. and cond.; 2, 6, McDonald, 2nd nice Siskin, good cap and col.; 3, Fraser; 4, Ramsey; 5, McKenzie. FOR. (5): 1, Fraser, nice Amazon, not quite finished moult; 2, McKenzie, Plains Parrot, lovely plumage; 3, Cant, Cockatoo, a grand talker; 4, McPherson; 5, Ramsay. BOYS' AND GIRLS' CAN. (11): 1, McDonald; 2, McLean; 3, Watson; 4, Cumming; 5, Mary McLean; 6, C. Ross. A.O.V. (6): 1, Main; 2, Campbell; 3, J. Ross; 4, Clark; 5, Nan Cumming; 6, Alexander.

BEDFORD O.S.

Annual show, held in the Town Hall, Dec. 5th, the total number of entries reaching nearly 200. In the Norwich classes there were a number of very fine exhibits. The British classes were very well filled, and Mr. Timeaus, as usual, had a fine team of Foreigners on view. A special feature of the show was a large aviary containing a number of pure white Canaries, exhibited by Mr. C. H. Goodman, which were very much admired. The show was opened at 2 o'clock by G. Hargreaves, Esq.; the awards were made by Mr. J. Robson.

The Critique.

CL. YELL. NOR. (8): 1, A. Keech, good size for a yell., excellent type and col.; 2, J. Beanland, hardly the sub. of winner, but very nice type and qual.; 3, Wilmot, well made bird of good col., just a trifle long; res, Osborn; vhc, Bushby; hc, Beanland; c, Keech. CL. BUFF (10): 1, Millard, excellent type and full of bloom; 2, res, Goodman, excellent col., has capital head and body; 3, Bushby, longer than winner, otherwise good; vhc, Beanland; hc, Hunter; c, Keech. TKD., ETC., YELL. (9): 1, c, Keech, has rare body, of lovely col., and in prime cond.; 2, Bushby, hot col., very nice type, beaten in qual.; 3, Hunter, very smart, well made bird, beaten in qual.; res, Millard; vhc, Beanland; hc, Osborn. BUFF (9): 1, Webb, fine, massive bird, of correct type and qual.; 2, Cherry, excellent type, beaten only in subs.; 3, Notley, has rare body properties res, Millard; vhc, Keech; hc, Beanland; c, Bushby. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Osborn, nice, short bird, with good wings and tail, and warm col.; 2, 3, vhc, Keech, a lovely cl., has grand head and well proportioned throughout, a really very typical hen; 3rd, another good cl., short bird, with nice wings and tail; res, Beanland; hc, Notley; c, Millard. BUFF (12): 1, Millard, well made, put up in prime condition, has lovely meal, and tight as a Java; 2, Wilmot, very fine, big, bouncing hen, last year's winner; 3, Keech, another real lady, showing any amount of meal, and teeming with qual.; res, Pedder; vhc, Goodman; hc, Beanland; c, Osborn. (BRED 1912) (10): 1, 2, and cup winner, Keech, very typical yell., good col. and cond.; 2nd, excellent buff, rare size and full of qual.; 3, Wilmot, well made yell., with plenty of subs., no doubt will be heard of again in its new owner's hands, Mr. Goodman having bought it since the show; res, hc, Goodman; vhc, Bushby; c, Osborn. NAT. COL. (11): 1, c, Beanland, very fine cl. buff, with plenty of subs.; 2, res, Wilmot, smart cl. yell., of nice qual. (last year's winner); 3, Notley, mkd. head and wings, short, cobby bird, of nice type throughout; vhc, Osborn; hc, Keech. CREST AND YORKSHIRE CLASSES cancelled. MULES (12): 1, Wilmot, rare coloured Linnet Mule, in good cond.; 2, c, Notley, very fine, large Greenfinch-Can., of good col.; 3, Wright and Mayo, excellent Goldfinch-Mule, showing good blaze; res, Beanland; vhc, Armitage; hc, Finedon. NOV. YELL. (7): 1, 3, res, vhc, hc, Johnson, a very nice team for a novice, the first especially good; 2, c, Fowkes, a smart bird, could do with a bit more subs. BUFF (12): 1, Curling, well made bird of correct Nor. type; 2, Armitage, very nice cobby bird; 3, Fowkes, a good one, will improve; res, vhc, c, Johnson; hc, Fletcher. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH: 1, 2, Wilmot, lovely Bullie first, not a big one, but all there for col. and cond., not a feather awry; 2nd, rich coloured Goldfinch, excels in blaze and tanning; 3, Curling, very nice Goldfinch; res, Wright and Mayo, another Goldfinch, we liked; vhc, Notley; hc, Armitage. LINNET, ETC. (14): 1, Curling, extra good Greenfinch of rare size and col.; 2, Finedon, very smart Siskin, nicely pencilled; 3, Dimmock, good Greenfinch; res, Hunter; vhc, Finedon; hc, Wilmot. A.O.S. BRIT.: 1, 2, Timeaus, with a charming Waxwing and Bearded Tit; 3, Notley, good Snow Bunting; res, Notley; vhc, Wilmot. FOR. (Small): 1, 2, 3, res, vhc, hc, Timeaus, lovely Paradise Whydah, pair Black-faced Lovebirds, pair Green Budgerigars, Pekin Robins, Diamond Finches and Cordon Bleus. LARGE: 1, 2, 3, Timeaus, 1st, Glossy Starling, the sheen and various col. on this bird are simply marvellous, Brazilian Hangnest, and Scarlet Tanager.

HIRST UNIVERSAL.

Show held Dec. 7. NOR CK.: 1, 2, 3, Armstrong; vhc, Floyd; hc, Hancox; c, King. HEN: 1, hc, King; 2, Armstrong; 3, vhc, Floyd; c, Smith. YORKS. CK.: 1, 2, Charlton; 3, Anderson; vhc, hc, Hancox; c, King. HEN: 1, Charlton; 2, Hancox; 3, vhc, Anderson; c, King. BORD. CK.: 1, vhc, Anderson; 2, Charlton; 3, Kirkup; vhc, Armstrong; c, Floyd. HEN: 1, vhc, Anderson; 2, Armstrong; 3, Kirkup; hc, Floyd; c, Kirkup. A.O.V.: 1, c, Armstrong; 2, Dunn; 3, Kirkup; vhc, hc, Anderson; c, Armstrong. CINN. CK.: 1, Anderson; 2, Dunn; 3, Smith; vhc, Charlton; hc, Armstrong. MULE or HYB.: 1, 2, vhc, Hancox; 3, Floyd. NOR. PAIR: 1, Armstrong; 2, Eastham. YORKS. PAIR: 1, Charlton. BORD. PAIR: 1, 3, Kirkup; 2, Floyd; vhc, Anderson. HON. MEMBERS: 1, vhc, Woodmoss; 2, Innes; 3, Balsdon; hc, Wood. LINNET, H.M.: 1, Floyd; 2, Hancox; 3, Edwards. F.M.: 1, Armstrong; 2, Hancox; 3, Edwards; vhc, King. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, Floyd; 2, Charlton; 3, vhc, King; hc, Anderson; c, Edwards. NOV. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, Eastham; 3, hc, Dunn; vhc, Edwards; c, Smith. HEN: 1, vhc, Kirkup; 2, Smith; 3, Dunn. YORKS. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Edwards. BORD. CKS: 1, 2, Kirkup; 3, Eastham; vhc, Dunn; hc, Smith; c, Dunn. HEN.: 1, 2, Kirkup; 3, vhc, Eastham. MULE or HYB.: 1, 2, Smith; 3, Kirkup.

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ROTHERHAM.

Twelfth annual show held December 7, in the St. George's Hall, which has a nice light, is spacious, and free from draughts. The entry was a good one, being an improvement on last year's. Yorks. were a nice assortment; Nor., although not over numerous, were exceedingly meritorious; Yorkshire Greens and British especially were far away the best collection ever seen at this South Yorkshire fixture. Truly a superb array. Novice classes, both in the "long and slim 'uns" and the "short and thick 'uns," contained many exquisite specimens, and amongst the members' classes one saw some really grand birds. His Worship the Mayor (Alderman P. Bancroft Coward) officiated at the opening ceremony with a very appropriate and encouraging speech. President is Col. Sir C. J. Stoddart, J.P., with a capital list of vice-presidents. The committee are a band of well known and enthusiastic fanciers, who all lent a helping hand, utilising their efforts to an untiring degree, great praise being due to Messrs. T. Twigg, W. Ducker, W. Brotherton, A. Hunt, G. Stafford, R. J. Smith, W. Browning, J. W. Jones, J. E. Taylor, and G. Tupman, while Mr. B. Bailey, the worthy secretary, proves himself a capable and a very competent official, keeping top side of his work all through; courteous and obliging, a better man it would be difficult to locate to fill such an important office. He works like a Trojan. The show manager, Mr. W. T. Turner controls admirably, having at his finger tips, every detail appertaining to the correct manipulation of an open venture. He is certainly a great asset to the society. Staging was of a very neat description; every bird could be seen at a glance. Prize cards were displayed promptly, as each class was adjudicated upon. Judging was over in good time, and the show opened by about one o'clock. Attendance excellent. Management throughout superb. For care and attendance to exhibits our Rotherham friends are hard to beat. The members' cup for best young Yorkie went to Mr. W. Brotherton, with a very lengthy and stylish cl. yell. cock. Cup for best Nor. fell into the hands of Mr. W. T. Turner, his ticked buff cock doing the needful. Hyde's was captured by Mr. B. Bailey with a smart yell. Nor. hen; Ramsden's for hottest fed went to a cl. buff Nor. cock, full of fire, owned by Mr. H. J. Mennard; and Sandiford's to Mr. L. Havenhand, his cl. yell. Nor. cock possessing the "heat" necessary. Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

YORK., YELL. (12): 1, Norton, mkd. neck, wonderful length, straight as a gun-barrel, feathered to perfection, rich tone of col., well on leg, gem; 2, Dykes, beautifully clothed cl., slim and upstanding, full of nerve, grand back and wing carr., beaten in length only; 3, Bingham, very lengthy cl., capital pos., nice col., good legs, not the texture of feather, yet a smart exhibit; 4, Thomas, nicely fed cl., stands like a guardsman, clever leg, well filled back, shade short; vhc, Pyman; hc, Whitaker; c, Potter. BUFF (11): 1, Norton, el., of magnificent feather and col., straight as a pencil, rare length and style, grand back and wing carr., beauty; 2, Jefferys, lovely salmon col., delightful pos., full of nerve, shows well, hardly so lengthy; 3, Stobart, smartly moulded cl., tight as a Java, slashing pos., fine back and flights, clever legs, close up; 4, Dykes, mkd. wing and head, full of character, smooth as a bottle, not of the biggest but of the best; vhc, Potter; hc, Whitaker; c, Huddleston. HEN (12): 1, Dykes, yell., four-pointed, smooth as wax, straight up, rattling back and wing carr., plenty of leg, extremely bewitching damsel; 2, Sampson, very lengthy cl. buff, A1 qual., capital pos., little on the strong side, still nice specimen; 3, Stobart, yelk., lightly var., lovely col. and qual., and lengthy, appearing somewhat chilly, would not show, no doubt good one when in cond.; 4, Pyman, cl. buff, shooty, and of good col. and length, little patchy over beak, good back, flights and legs; vhc, Smith; hc, Huddleston; c, Norton. UNFLIG. (11): 1, Norton, with a superbly feathered cl. buff, slashing col., delightful pos., best of backs, A1 wing carr., true character; 2, Brotherton, cl. yell., rich tone of col, straight as a rush, full of swagger, 1912 bred, exceedingly promising, beauty (wins members' cup); 3, Dykes, very lengthy cap mkd., nice feather, good pos., well on leg, very close up; 4, c, Thomas, cl. buff, erect and of capital qual., lengthy and well on leg, crosses wings a little, which tells against it; vhc, Sampson; hc, Pyman. GREEN (11): Nice class; 1, hc, c, Walker, foul, rare length, neat and narrow, fine stand, lovely tone of col., superior feather, very stylish, wins; 2, Symonds and Son, self, even better col., A1 qual. and pos., nice back flights and tail, beaten in length and style; 3, Eason, foul, feathered superbly, rich tone of col., not overdone with size, yet sweet; 4, vhc, Dyett, self, good length and pos., nice back, neat wing carr., bit rough in feather. BUFF (9): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Walker, with a grand team, leading with one possessing superb col. and qual., neat and narrow, straight as a pencil, lovely back and wing carr., clever legs, gem; 2nd, pressed his stable companion very hard, if anything hardly so rich in col.; 3rd, full of col. and qual., grand outline, well on leg, hardly so stylish, yet a smart specimen; 4, c, Eason, stands well, A1 col. and feather, very lengthy, rather stronger. NOV. YELL. (13): 1, 2, Chew, with a brace of exceedingly neat exhibits, mkd. eye and cl. respectively, both of magnificent feather and col., capital pos., plenty of leg, winner has it in style; 3, Bishop, mkd. wing red hot, smooth as a Java, stands well, not overdone with length, otherwise as good as above; 4, Groom, green, rich tone of col., slim and upstanding, well gowned, good on leg, worth its place; vhc, Wood; hc (2 ab), Smith; c, Hibbitt. BUFF (20): Grand class: 1, Hall, mkd. neck, lovely feather, tight as a Java, grand head expression, very stylish, stands finely, well on leg, gem; 2, Bishop, mkd. wings and head, more lengthy, capital feather and position, nice back, clever legs, not quite so neat in general outline as winner, yet a grand specimen; 3, Chew, very lengthy cl., fine stand, well filled back, nice carr. of flights, trifle loose on front; 4, Priestley, rich coloured cl., straight up, A1 feather, beaten in character a shade; vhc, Shears; hc, Charlesworth; c, Chew. NOR., YELL. (6): 1, 2, Havenhand, former mkd. wings and head, ablaze in col., silky feather, lovely head and neck, bold fronted, capital wings and tail, clean sweep, gem; 2nd, well fed cl., plenty of subs., A1 qual., wee bit longer in barrel, flights and tail; 3, vhc, Parlett, cl., good in feather and col., sweet expression of head, thick neck, not quite so deep fronted, clean cut away, not far behind; 4, Dodd, cl., superb clothing, nice col., rattling shaped body, wanting in head and neck somewhat, jaunty carr., well worth its place; No. 6, Wilson, absent. BUFF (10) 1, 2, Wilson, bouncing cl., magnificent shape, col. and qual., neatly frosted, grand carr., all front, very choice; 2nd, cl., rattling subs., A1 col. and feather, good head and neck, little longer in build, yet close up; 3, Mennard, red hot cl., very shapely, not quite so massive, still true Norwich, and one greatly admired; 4, Hobson, cl., lovely feather and col., sweetly moulded, jaunty carr., beaten in size only, in the pink; vhc, Havenhand; hc, Waters; c, Dodd. HEN (9): 1, Wilson, cl. yell., wonderful subs., rare shape and carr., superior feather and col., extremely fascinating damsel; 2, Smith, buff, mkd. wings and head, tight as a Java, model for type, full of col., clean under, very close up; 3, Dodd, yell., mkd. wing, marvellous size, rattling shape, qual. and col., moves gracefully, tail feathers deficient, or might have won; 4, Hobson, grand bodied cl. buff, rich col. and feather, nice subs., not over strong in head points, yet a charmer; vhc, Parlett; hc, Tupman; c, Stafford. UNFLIG. (9): 1, 3, Wilson, cl. yell. and cl. buff, both of superb feather, winner ablaze with col., short and thick-set, lovely wing carr.; 3rd, very shapely and of nice size, clean cut away, good subs., not quite so rich in col. as 2nd; 2, Waters, teeming with qual. and col., nice shape and size, very promising, pressed hard for premier honours; 4, Millward, buff, mkd. head, true type, plenty of col., tight as wax, moves gracefully, on the small side; vhc, c, Havenhand; hc, Butler and Barlow. NOV. YELL. NOR. (6): 1, Atkinson, mkd. wings and eyes, cobby and of exquisite qual. and col., nice subs. and carr.; 2, Butler and Barlow, capitally fed variety., tight as wax, sweet shape, very close up; 3, Stafford, mkd. head and tail, full of col., A1 feather, neat head and neck, longer in body; 4, Harrison, mkd. neck, true shape, superb feather, hardly the size or col., yet one we liked; vhc, Gascoigne; hc, Wilshaw. BUFF (9): 1, Butler and Barlow, mkd. head, lovely col., close feather, grand shape and carr., not of the biggest but of the best; 2, Smith, nice shapely cl., good in qual. and col., neatly mealed, close on the heels of winner; 3, Stafford, red-hot variety., well clothed, nice head and neck, not so deep through, moves well, good 3rd; 4, Harrison, mkd. neck, A1 feather and col., nice subs., wee bit longer in barrel, flights and tail; vhc, W. Dyson; hc, Cawson; c, J. Dyson. GOLD OR BULLFINCH (20): Very fine class, and easily two sets of winners could have been selected, one of the best classes we have seen for some time; 1, Blanchon, with a lovely Goldie, superb col. and shape, good size, rich and large, well cut blaze, rattling buttons and bars, a picture, Doncaster winner; 2, Kelsey, Bullie, and a gem right through, fine subs. and shape, large, dense and well cut cap, magnificent breast col., grand carr., beauty; 3, c, Parlett, Goldie, superior col. and feather, not quite the expanse of blaze, yet of rich col., neat bars and buttons, very close up; 4, Poole, Bullie, plenty of size, A1 col., grand cap, just beaten in col. of breast by 2nd; vhc, Wright, exceedingly smart Goldie, in the pink; hc, Lee, charming Bullie. LINNET, ETC. (12): 1, 2, Parlett, leading with a slashing Linnet, grand shape and subs., rich tone of col., prettily and profusely pencilled, steady as a top, gem; 2nd, Twite, fine shape and size, magnificently mkd., topping col., one of the best; 3, Bearder, Linnet, even better col. than 1st, hardly the size or shape, yet of a very meritorious description, and not far behind; 4, Williams, Lesser Redpoll, capital subs., col. and qual., neatly mkd., well staged; vhc, Brown; hc, Haigh; c, Milne. A.O.S. BRIT. (16): Grand lot: 1, Poole, Hawfinch that commanded great attention from all present, wonderful size and shape, slashing col., not a feather wrong, grand bib, a topper, wins; 2, Lee, yell. Greenie, monster, superb clothing, best of col., fine shape and carr., treat to observe; 3, 4, hc, c, Falding, with a good team, Bramble of nice shape and size, A1 col., neat mkgs., worth its place; 4, Hawfinch, very shapely and in tip-top form, beaten by winner in subs. and col., yet a clinking specimen; vhc, Lockwood. SOFTBILL (9): 1, Falding, Waxwing, pretty as paint, not a feather misplaced, delightful shape, size and col., masterfully staged; 2, Milne, 'Gale, well up in size, nice shape, good col., looking in the best possible form, beauty; 3, Bescoby, Wagtail, fine size and shape, absolutely in the pink, lovely col., gem; 4, Darlow, Magpie, well up in size, good col., in capital trim, worth its place; vhc, Dobson; hc, Dean and Malpass; c, Brown. GIFT (7): 1, Tupman; 2, 3, no name; 4, Bailey; vhc, Bagnall; hc, Turner; c, Twigg. MEMBERS' YOUNG BIRDS.—CL. YELL. YORK. (4): 1, 2, Brotherton; 3, Stringer; 4, Bagnall. RUFF (3): 1, Brotherton; 2, 4, Stringer; 3, Bagnall. TKD. YELL. (3): 1, 2, Brotherton; 3, Stringer. BUFF (5): 1, wc, Brotherton; 2, 4, Stringer; 3, Bagnall. VARIEG (2): 1, 2, Brotherton. CL. YELL. NOR. (5): 1, Bagnall; 2, Turner; 3, 4, Hunt; vhc, Twigg. BUFF (9): 1, 4, Hunt; 2, Stafford; 3, Bagnall; vhc, c, Turner; hc, Twigg. TKD. YELL. (6): 1 Bagnall; 2, wc, Hunt; 3, 4, Twigg; vhc, Turner. BUFF (8): 1, Turner; 2, 3, Hunt; 4 vhc, Bagnall; hc, Bailey; c, Twigg. VARIEG. (4): 1, 2, Bagnall; 3, Hunt; 4, Twigg. NOV. NOR. (1): 1, Jones. OLD BIRDS. YORKS. (2): 1, Bagnall; 2, Brotherton. HEN (9): 1, Stringer; 2 Bagnall. NOR. (6): 1, vhc, Stringer; 2 Bailey; 3, Bagnall; 4, Turner; hc, Stafford. HEN, (6): 1 Bailey; 2 hc, Stafford; 3 Turner; 4, Stringer; vhc, Bagnall. BRIT. (5): 1, 3, vhc, Jones; 2, no name; 4, Turner.

ECCLESHILL C.B.A.

5th Members' show held at the Fountain Inn, Nov. 30; 79 birds were staged. Mr. Herbert Sutcliffe (Windhill) judged, and gave great satisfaction with his awards. J. Chippendale wins spl. for best bird champions, W. Sparks best novices, F. Studd best unflighted bird champions, W. Sparks ditto novices. J. Chippendale leads champions with 84 points. F. Stmld being close with 81. H. Fretwell leads novices with 64 points, J. Pullan 63, W. Sparks and H. Pearson 60 points each.

CHAMP. CL. TKD. YELL. YKS. (10): 1, 2, vhc, Chippendale; 3, Lee; 4, hc, Studd; c, Wilcock. BUFF (8): 1, Lee; 2, 3, hc, Wilcock; 4, vhc, Studd; c, Stebbings. YELL. HEN (10): 1, hc, Wilcock; 2, 3, vhc, Chippendale; 4, c, Studd. BUFF (7): 1, Stebbings; 2, Chippendale; 3, hc, Wilcock; 4, c, Studd; vhc, Lee. NOV. CL. TKD. YELL. YORKS. (9): 1, Close; 2, 4, Sparks; 3, vhc, c, Fretwell; hc, Pullan. BUFF (8): 1, hc, Fretwell; 2, Pullan; 3, Sparks; 4 Close; vhc, Shaw; c, Renton; r, Wheatley. CINN. OR GR. MKD. YELL. (2): 1, Close; 2, Pullan. BUFF (5): 1, 4, vhc, Pearson; 2, Simonett; 3, Shaw. YELL. HEN (9): 1, hc, Pullan; 2, Sparks; 3, vhc, Pearson; 4, Shaw; c, Close. BUFF (10): 1, 3, Sparks; 2, Close; 4, Simonett vhc, c, Pullan; hs, Pearson. NOR. HEN (3): 1, Simonett; 2, 3, Pearson.

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AINTREE, FAZACKERLEY.

The many beautiful exhibits at the Aintree, Fazackerley and Dis. Fanciers' show, afforded hours of quiet enjoyment to those who had the good sense and opportunity to be present. But, alas! how slow the public must be. Here, in the Church Hall, Long Lane, was a collection of birds, etc., the like of which had never before been gathered together in Aintree. Willing hands had laboured hard to complete the arrangements, and all for love. Pretty show bills had announced the event, and a tireless secretary had used his best endeavours to ensure a financial success. But the door of the Hall was never blocked with visitors! Still, there was a gentle flow, and no doubt "ends will meet." The new vicar of the parish, the Rev. R. G. Bell, M.A., made his debut. Introduced by the chairman of the society, Mr. Bell briefly addressed the company on the necessity and advantages of live-stock hobbies. (His happy little speech was frequently interspersed with the crowing of roosters, etc.). In the cage bird section there was a predominancy of Yorkshires, and some high-class birds. Mr. H. V. Deacon's (president of the Green Canary C.A., who was down to judge, but who was, unavoidably absent), special prize for best bird went to a charming buff cinn. mkd. Yorks., the property of Mr. Gregory. The Norwich were only sparsely represented, and a lamentable shyness was noticeable in the Border section, also several Britishers were on view. Somewhere near 100 birds were exhibited, and considering that the classes were confined to members, it is very satisfactory. The cage bird section will boom shortly. Mr. Geoff Benson (New Brighton) judged, and his awards were well received. Mr. C. Eaton made an excellent manager of the section, and there is nothing but praise for the gen. hon. sec., Mr. J. A. Anderson, supported as he was by a band of willing workers.

YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Gregory; r, Pye; vhc, Skilling; hc, Eaton. BUFF: 1, 3, Gregory; 2, vhc, Skilling; c, Woodcock. TKD., ETC.: 1, Gregory; 2, Skilling. VAR. BUFF: 1, Gregory; 2, Pye; 3, Eaton. GR. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Skilling; r, Eaton; vhc, hc, Molyneux. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, Eaton. FOUL YELL.: 1, Skilling; 2, Eaton. BUFF: 1, 3, SkiNing; 2, Green; r, Eaton. CL., ETC.: 1, Battersby; 2, Roughley. GR., ETC.: 1, 2, 3, Woodcock. BORD., YELL.: 1, Battersby. BUFF: 1, Battersby. GOLDFINCH: 1, Pye; 2, Tindall; 3, Battersby. BULLFINCH: 1, Green. GREENFINCH: 1, Pye. LINNET: 1, Pye. Mr. E. Skilling (Kirkdale) wins the challenge cup.

ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.

Seventh annual show held Nov. 23 in the Vestry Hall. The entry of 260 birds was considerably in advance of previous years, and the attendance throughout the day proved very satisfactory. The society is to be congratulated on being able to acquire such a suitable hall, the light being all that could be desired. Quality was far in advance of previous shows, some very fine birds being staged, and the competition for the cups being very keen. Mr. Walker staged a very fine team of Yorkshire Greens, notable amongst them being his last year's Crystal Palace winning Buff. Mr. Havenhand, the worthy president, staged a very fine lot of Norwich. Mr. Hailstone put down a grand team of British, winning a good number of prizes. Mr. Walker took silver cup for Yorkshires, also special for best Yorks in show, this bird securing a CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE Medal as well. Mr. Havenhand won the Norwich silver cup, this being twice he has won it; also special for best Norwich in show, along with CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE Medal. Mr. Hailstone won silver cup for British, also CAGE BIRDS LEAGUE Medal and special for best British with a charming Lesser Redpoll. Sandiford's medal for best colour-fed bird was won by Mr. Havenhand, and Rameden's medal by Mr. Hibberson. The following officiated as judges, their awards giving every satisfaction:—Mr. Browning (Yorks), Mr. Taylor (Norwich), M. P. Walsh (British).

The Awards.

MEMS.' YKS, Y.B. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (7): 1, vhc, Blunt; 2, hc, Webster; 3, 4, Perry. BUFF (6): 1, hc, Webster; 2 Blunt; 3, vhc, Perry; 4, Thornhill. MKD. OR HVY. VARIEG. (4): 1, Thornhill; 2, Webster; 3, 4, Perry. SELF OR FOUL YELL. GRN.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Walker. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, 4, Walker. HEN YELL. (5): 1, 3, Webster; 2, Thornhill; 4, vhc, Perry. BUFF (5): 1, Webster; 2, 4, Perry; 3, vhc, Thornhill. HEN GRN.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Walker. YORKS OLD BIRDS CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, Webster; 2, 3, Thornhill; 4, Havenhand. MKD. OR HVY. VARIEG. YELL. (4): 1, 2, 4, Webster; 3, Thornhill. SELF OR FOUL YEL. GRN.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Walker. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc, Walker. HEN YELL. (4): 1, Webster; 2, 3, Blunt; 4, Havenhand. BUFF (5): 1, Blunt; 2, Thornhill; 3, Walker; 4, vhc, Webster. GREEN: 1, 2, 3, 4, Walker. MEMBERS' NOR. YOUNG BIRDS CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, Smith; 2, Watson; 3, Grainger; 4 Havenhand. BUFF (4): 1, Smith; 2, Havenhand; 3, Watson; 4, Grainger. MKD. OR HVY. VARIEG. YELL. (5): 1, Havenhand; 2, Smith; 3 Blunt; 4, Watson; vhc, Grainger. BUFF (7): 1, Richinson; 2, vhc, Havenhand; 3, Grainger; 4, vhc, Smith. SELF OR FOUL GRN.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Smith. HEN BUFF (5): 1, 2, 4, vhc, Smith; 3, Watson. OLD BIRDS NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, Hibberson; 2, Havenhand; 3, Grainger. BUFF (5): 1, Havenhand; 2, Hibberson; 3, Blunt; 4, Richinson. MKD. OR HVY. VARIEG. YELL. (4): 1, Havenhaud; 2, 4, Richinson; 3, Hibberson. HEN BUFF: 1, 3, Hibberson; 2, Richinson; 4, vhc, Havenhand. GOLDFINCH (7): 1, F. Dyett; 2, Hailstone; 3, 4, Bearder; vhc, Smith. GREENFINCH (5): 1, Hailstone; 2, Perry; 3, 4, Green; vhc, Duce. LINNET (10): 1, 2, hc, Smith; 3, vhc, Bearnler; 4, D. Havenhand. LESSER REDPOLL (9): 1, Hailstone; 2, hc, Harrison; 3, Smith; 4, Duce; vhc, Green. MEALY, ETC. (4): 1, Eason; 2, 4, Hailstone; 3, Harrison. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFIE (4): 1, Green; 2, 4, Hailstone; 3, Harrison. A.O.V. (5): 1, 3, Duce; 2, Bearder; 4, Green; vhc, Perry. HEN (4): 1, 2, 3, Hailstone; 4, Green. MULE OR HYB. (4): 1, Duce; 2, 4, Smith; 3, Havenhand; vhc, Johnson. NOV. YOUNG B. YKS.—CL. OR TKD. BUFF (6): 1, 2, 4, Exton; 3, Goddard; vhc, Hammond. MKD. OR HVY. VARIEG. (4): 1, 2, W. Dyett; 3, Merrill; 4, Duce. SELF OR FOUL YELL. GRN. (7): 1, 4, c, Eason; 2, vhc, W. Dyett; 3, Duce. OLD BIRDS—CL. OR TKD. YELL. (5): 1, Merrill; 2, 3, Exton; 4, Hammond; vhc, Duce. BUFF (4): 1, Exton; 2, 3, Hammond; 4, Goddard. GRN. SELF OR FOUL (6): 1, Duce; 2, Eason; 3, 4, vhc, W. Dyett. HEN BUFF OLD BIRD (5): 1, Merrill; 2, Hammond; 3, Duce. NOR. YOUNG BIRDS—CL. OR TKD. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, Harrison; 2, Hollingsworth. MKD. OR HVY. VARIEG. BUFF: 1, 3, Harrison; 2, 4, Hollingsworth. OLD BIRDS—CL. OR TKD. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, 4, Hollingsworth. NON-FED: 1, vhc, hc, Walker; 2, 3, W. Dyett; 4, c Eason.—W. Hailstone, sec.

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Correspondence.

Alleged Borrowed Birds at Darlington Show.

Sir,—I should like to speak about the borrowed birds at Darlington show. I might say that when I visited the show I was surprised to see birds borrowed by members. When this is carried on, it is not fair to the other members.

Exhibitor.

The Points of the Exhibition Linnet.

Sir,—I should like to ask through the medium of your most valued paper, the proper points which constitute an exhibition Linnet. At the recent L.C.B.A. show, a bird with beautiful breast markings takes 1st, while the 2nd prize bird is absolutely void of breast markings. To my mind this seems ridiculous. I should like to know the opinion of other fanciers.

E. H. Hull.

The Rough Treatment of Birds on Railway Journeys.

Sir,—Sometime since I sent a bird away by G.W.R., and the person to whom I sent it, never received it. I wrote to the Company but have had no reply, and that is some weeks ago. I have made a claim for the amount, but still no reply. I received another lot of birds properly addressed and labelled, with one of the cages broken in, all the seed out and the water vessels empty. Fortunately, no birds were the worse. This week I received another lot, consigned via G.W.R. The Midland Railway Company picked them up, sent them round a longer way. When delivered and the package opened, every bird was wet through, one of the cages broken in at the side, and another pushed out of shape. The consequence is, one died next day, another is expected to, and all are hoarse and suffering from shock and cold. I should like to know if I can claim full compensation, as the birds must have been grossly ill-treated and handled to get in the state they were when received. I take it that reasonable care should be taken, and if gross carelessness can be proved, the Company should be made to pay full compensation. When are bird fanciers going to co-operate and get fair treatment for their birds? What are the hunmanitarians doing in this matter?

Hy. A. Batchelor.

[We are certainly of opinion that our correspondent can claim full value, providing he can prove that the package was delivered into the company's hands in good condition.—Editor.]

A Vexed Point.

The Half Prize Money Rule.

Sir,—It is evident by his letter, that Mr. John Andrews does not belong to any Cage Bird Society. He is like many more so-called fanciers, I am sorry to say, simply an exhibitor, and, I must say, a very poor one at that. He seems to be willing for others to work hard in connection with Society's shows, and take all the risk of a heavy deficiency after it has taken place. There is a large amount of work in running a show, and the number that have balances on the right side are few and far between. We know that the great majority of societies to-day are comprised of mostly working men. These men form a society, and decide to hold a show. They do not hold this show for the gain that they ever get out of it, but simply for the love of the Fancy. If their show turns out a failure, where does the money come from to clear off the debt? Too often from their own pockets, after devoting time and expense to try and make a success of it. There are several causes of these deficiencies—clashing of other shows, perhaps a very wet day, with the result that the gate is not half what they expected it to be. Yet such exhibitors as Mr. John Andrews cry out: "Do not support these shows unless they pay full prize-money," or, as he is willing to admit, half prize money on 5 and under—a small loss surely of 1s. 3d. But, as your entries are fewer, so is your loss greater. Take the six entries, when you pay full prize-money you receive 9s. and pay out 17s. 6d. That is, of course, entries of all outside the society. But, as the general rule is, members are allowed to enter at reduced fees, then the losses are greater. The members, after paying perhaps their 5s. subscription fee, and working hard during the show time, after all have to make up the deficiency out of their own pockets. Are you not, Mr. Andrews, as a fancier, prepared to make a little sacrifice and take a little of the risk? If exhibitors did, it would not be necessary to pay out half prize-money, as the classes would be filled. Again, let us look at it in another way. In many shows to-day the Committee withhold prizes in small classes. This is done, of course, to protect themselves, and rightly so. Which, therefore, is the better plan, not only to the society, but to the exhibitor as well? I maintain that the half prize money scheme is the fairer. We will take the class of four; and I should say all under this should be cancelled. On the half prize system under 8, you receive 6s., and pay out 8s. 9d., that is a loss of 2s. 9d. (that is, if there are no members in, or your loss will be greater). Every exhibitor gets his award cards, which the true fancier thinks more of than the money. You also pay prize-money to three exhibitors. Let us now take the other side: Four entries, you still receive 6s., and withhold 1st prize. You pay out 7s. 6d., less than what the society pays out in the former case. You also only pay two exhibitors instead of three. Perhaps you have shown this bird many times, and it has always taken a first, but you only receive a second card. This is hard, though you have received the same money, 5s., in each case. It is evident, therefore, that Mr. Andrews has not considered the question as, I say, a true fancier should. No matter where the money comes from as long as he is paid his prize-money! I am a secretary myself, but consider that exhibitors should take a little of the risk, and I am pleased to say that amongst the thousands of exhibitors with whom I have come into contact, they have with very few exception been thoroughly satisfied to accept a first prize card with less prize-money, where there have been small classes. Do not, therefore, Mr. Andrews, try and prevail upon exhibitors not to support these shows who give half prize-money under eight entries, but rather ask them to support these shows, and then it will not be necessary to give half prize-money at all. Form a society, Mr. Andrews, and help them to carry out successful shows—it is a glorious work for a fancier.

Another Secretary.

The Challenge Cup at Chichester Show.

Sir,—Kindly grant me a few lines respecting the challenge cup for best Canary in Chichester Show. Your reporter says it was won by Miss Townsend. This is not so, as it was awarded to my clear yellow Norwich, and because I had not been a member long enough before the show it was taken away and handed down to the 2nd prize Buff. I resigned last year, after being a member seven years, and then reconsidered it, but rejoined a bit too late. Still, honour to whom honour is due.

C. E. Silk (Emsworth).

The Treatment of Fresh-caught Bullfinches.

Sir,—In answer to Mr. Rogers re fresh-caught Bullfinches, I have caught these birds for the past fifteen years, and have had no difficulty in getting them on the hard seed by the following means: (1) Feed on canary, teazle, small sunflower, dock, forget-me-not, sorrol, privet, and other wild seeds available: (2) crush the sunflower and hemp for the first week, also scald the teazle. I have saved hundreds of birds with scalded teazle alone; this is a grand seed for fresh-caught birds; (3) always have a good sized cage, say two feet by twelve inches; (4) on no account put fresh-caught birds with birds that have been caged for some time, as the older birds will simply scalp them. If Mr. Rogers cares to write me, I will answer him more fully on the Bullfinch or any other British bird, he is in difficulties with.

James B. Clarke,
Ascogbank Lodge, Rothesay.

Sir,—Mr. A. Rogers is asking for advice and I have had some experience in these birds. What I do is as follows, and I very seldom lose a bird. Put them in a store cage 18 inches long and 8 inches high with perches. I find these birds are often lost for want of water, so I have a good row of drinking holes and a long drinker (say six inches long). Before putting them in the store cage, dip their bills in water. I give them whole hemp seed and a few bunches of privet berries. Also I put a small bag of fresh water sand, well soaked in clean water, over the top of the store cage, so as to let water continually drop into the drinkers. You will soon see the birds come and drink, and after that they generally look round for their seed.

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Mrs. Bullfinch: "However is it you weren't at the Show, Miss Goldie?"
Miss Goldie (tearfully): "I haven't a single costume to wear, dearie—I'm moulting!"

The Lizard Classes at Rochdale Show.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. House, I take great exception to his explanation as to why the bird was left out. The sentence is this: "He knows, as I know, that the bird was a feather short." Now I am quite aware when the tail feathers were counted by Mr. Naden there was a feather short, but I emphatically deny that previous to that examination being made there was a feather short in tail. When I caged the bird on the Thursday, previous to packing it up, I followed my usual course of examining each bird's tail and wing feathers, and there were twelve feathers in tail then; further, Mr. House if he has once again examined the bird, which has been judged by him at Bradford, can testify whether it was a white feather or not. I can assure Mr. House that to the best of my knowledge the bird was intact in wing and tail when it left my hands to be placed by the steward on the Thursday night, and I am quite within my rights in wondering did the feather get knocked out whilst being handled by Mr. House, as he confesses in his reply such a thing is easily done. Anyhow, I have not seen the missing feather yet. How were all the owners to know your reason for wrong classing their birds? There are other things besides broken caps being in clear cap classes—they might even be mistaken for golds under some judges. What I claim is this, Mr. House: Let everyone know your reasons, don't give it only in an isolated case. I see Mr. House accuses me of acting as censor for other exhibitors. Well, it is not the first time I have been accused of doing that. I am only surprised that Cage Birds was not full of grievances of these gentlemen concerned, as I fully believed they were all intending writing to this paper. However, I will take a case in which I have an interest, and which Mr. House has carefully evaded, that is: why he put a broken capped silver hen first in a clear cap class. I was third in this class, with a hen which, unfortunately for me, showed three or four feathers tipped at the ends. If so, my bird paid a heavy penalty in being put third for that reason alone. The former bird, as I mentioned in my other letter, was distinctly broken over beak and eye, and yet it wins in a clear cap class. Now, as regards the cocks in hen classes, Mr House perhaps forgets that such birds come from cold rooms, and I find that with any birds of mine, if they are as far advanced as the so-called hens were at Rochdale in their vocal attainments, the early morning is generally the time to hear them, although I admit in some cases heat and excitement also help. Does Mr. House seriously tell me he cannot form an idea of the sex of a Canary without hearing it sing; are colour, size, and general appearance no guide? If so, I consider that this vexed question is never likely to be satisfactorily settled, as some birds, either with heat or not, will not sing in a strange room, and a judge has not time to wait and see if they sing or otherwise. Mr. House says he never handles a Lizard unless forced to do so. Well, the general talk at Rochdale was that he was forced to handle a good many, and he might with profit have handled some of those doubtful damsels, and I am quite prepared to wager he would not have been long in being satisfied as to their sex. To hark back to the passing of my clear Gold, which he states he had made a winner, if he judges to the L. and L.F.A. standard, where does he get his authority in that for throwing the bird out of competition? I can find none. Can he at the same time justify himself in putting birds white in face (or, as we call them, bald-faced birds) at the top of the class, and this is a fault which under a breeder would be considered good reason for throwing out of competition? Mr. House tells us, if either myself or any other exhibitor had questioned him at the show, he would have given his reason fully for his action. I may tell Mr. H. that I have visited the show on the Friday night, but when asking for the judge, the reply has been: He never stops long after the judging is over. I have met Mr. House only once to my knowledge, and that was in my first year's showing at the Palace Show, when I was then a very raw novice. He put me a clear-cap Silver out of competition for being deficient in cap, and when tackled by Mr. F. W. Baker on the spot, he owned that he might have made a mistake. But when "Fur and Feather" (then one of our means of getting birdy information) was published, my cage number was published in that paper and the reason for being left out of the money. I can tell you, sir, it was a very narrow escape of my severing my connection with Canary breeding right there. Now, Mr. Editor, I am accused of accusing Mr. H. of deliberately hitting at myself. Am I to consider it a coincidence that if there is anything brought prominently before the fancy in Lizards, it always drops upon me? I may echo his remarks and also say there are more honest fools than himself, as I seem to be one of the same fraternity. But I do try to play the game, and if ever I meet Mr. House, I shall endeavour to stand by anything I may pen. If acting as censor will help him to judge a bit more consistently, there will be no one more pleased than myself, as it is not in the best interests of any breed for judges to indulge in their own particular fads. I am still a disappointed exhibitor.

John Rukin.

IF YOU LIKE THIS XMAS NUMBER, HELP US BY SHOWING IT TO YOUR FRIENDS.

What is a Novice?

Sir,—I notice in your correspondence the question is raised, what is a novice? As an exhibitor, I have always understood that it means all who have not won three firsts in novice, or £5 limit, classes. But to win a first in open competition would place the exhibitor out of his novice stage, though should he enter birds in novice classes at a subsequent show before the awards are made in the open show, then I should say he is eligible to compete in novice classes.

BREEDER OF BIRDS

The Date of the Crystal Palace Show.

Sir,—I should like to say how much I regret to notice that the dates of the Great National Crystal Palace show are Feb. 7, 8, 10 and 11. I am quite sure there must be hundreds like myself who have spare time only on Wednesday or Thursday afternoons, and who on other evenings do not finish work until after 8 p.m., thereby being deprived of a visit to the show. I also feel sure that the show would profit by extra gate money. I wonder if it is too late for Mr. Ramsden to get it altered for 1913?

H. C. PEERLESS.

A Failure at Linnet Catching Explained.

Sir,—In answer to "A Very Old Subscriber's" letter for information as to how flue nets or drop nets are used, I cannot answer that question, as I am only dealing with clap nets. If these are the nets he means, I can give him all the information he requires, but I do not know of flue nets or drop nets. What I can make out is that they are nets that stand up straight, instead of lying flat on the ground. If this is the case, no wonder "Old Subscriber" is not getting any Linnets, as they are likely to frighten them away. I may mention that with clap nets I would guarantee to catch a Swallow, as it flies across. I have an old cycle inner tube to act as a spring, so that it will pull them over sharp. The reason that the birds do not disentangle themselves immediately is because you have your nets too slack—what I call too much bagging. Stretch your nets out, say, a yard, and it will make a lot of difference. Don't stretch them too much or else it will not mesh them at all. Will "Old Subscriber" give me a slight idea what his nets are like? My nets lie flat on the ground, and when I pull, the nets come over in an opposite direction at the same time. When my nets are set (15 yards long, 6 feet wide) you can hardly see them at a distance of 30 yards. They are made of the very finest thread, at the same time being very strong.

H. PALFREY.

The Troubles and Trials of Exhibitors.

Sir,—After reading Mr. F. J. Wickham's letter in CAGE BIRDS, of last week, I should also like to ask some of the readers their opinions. Like Mr. Wickham, I keep a lot of birds, and have shown for several years. The vhc Redpoll-Greenfinch Hybrid at Tonbridge Show last week, was 3rd prize at Maidstone Show 1911, 2nd Maidstone Show 1912, and 1st prize Malling 1912. At Canterbury Show, Nov. 13th, with only 10 Hybrids and Mules, it came back without even a card. On turning up my CAGE BIRDS to see the report, I find that a Canary-Bullie took 1st, Greenie-Canary 2nd, Siskin-Canary 3rd, Goldie-Canary 4th, and others vhc, hc, and c. Now, although my Hybrid was not mentioned, in my opinion my bird was the only Hybrid in the class—any birds that have the Canary as one partner, must be Mules. Of course, it was a Mule and Hybrid class, but my reason for writing this is to ask what is the use of trying to breed the real Hybrid between two different species of British birds, when they have to take a back seat behind Mules, and are ten times as hard to breed. Then, again, I have sent to various shows, 1st prize and 1st and special winners at Maidstone Show, in classes with the same number of entries, those they have won at Maidstone (I am not a member of the Maidstone Fanciers' Society, so that I am not favoured for that, and they usually have a fresh judge each year from away), the birds have done next to nothing. I have sometimes even followed the Maidstone judge to other shows with the above birds, and they have come back cardless and not mentioned. Now working men cannot afford to support either the judges or the shows where they do not get better results, for the exhibitor is practically eaten-up with rail charges and show entries. Societies appeal for entries but neither judges nor shows will get any entries from me, unless I meet with better results. An exhibitor shows under a judge that awards him 1st and 2nd, and he follows him up to the next show about a week later, some distance up the line, and the birds don't get looked at! That's how I find it. I think that I know quite as well as some of the judges what is a good bird when I see one, as I usually keep a stock of about 50 of all kind of British. I catch all my own.

W. BENNETT.



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A Visit to Lurgan Show.

Sir,—I decided to spend a few hours at Lurgan C.B.S. annual show, and a grand show it was, too. Just as I entered the hall I met Mr. Joseph Lavery, and a good fancier he is. Just 43 entries he made, and won the Challenge Cup, too, with a grand Scotch Fancy. I next came across Mr. J. H. O'Neill, another good fancier. In the Secretary's office I found Mr. McCollum working as hard as a Weaver, and everything going like clock-work. Coming down the hall, I next met the worthy President. Mr. has a right to be proud at having such a Herbert Malcolm and the Lurgan Society gentleman at their head. Next I heard a motor-car stopping at the door. It was some of the Banbridge fanciers, Mr. McCammon (the Treasurer), also Mr. R. J. Hamilton, Mr. Harvey, and Mr. Woods. Mr. C. J. Faith was all smiles when he heard he had won the Society's Challenge Silver Cup for Best Norwich Plainhead in the show. Mr. Woods won the special for the Best Yorkie in the show. A look at my watch told me I had only half an hour left to catch my train. Just as I was going I met the Belfast contingent coming in—Mr. Trimble, Mr. J. Randleston, Mr. Teasey, Mr. J. Neill, and Mr. J. Barclay.

LIGHT MULE.

The Future of the Sheffield O.S.

Sir,—Sorry I have to again trespass on your valuable space in reference to the above, but seeing Mr. Dawn has broken his faithful promise to me on Dec. 3, I feel I am justified in replying to his second edition. To cut the matter as short as possible, I will keep to the financial parts, in which Mr. Dawn is most interested. In my letter I stated Mr. Dawn and his friends contributed £13 4s. out of the total donations of £28 towards our open show, and this I still hold is true. Mr. Dawn says he has a receipt from me for £17 15s., which I don't deny; but why does not Mr. Dawn say what it is for, as follows: £13 4s., donations towards total £28; £4 4s., for tickets sold towards total £21 10s.; 7s., entry fees towards total £65. He also contributed 1s. towards total £8 for catalogues and photos, a small item he has omitted. I don't mention these figures to contradict Mr. Dawn, but to comply with his first request that the Fancy should know it is not a one-man society. Mr. Dawn tells us his financial aid is over £40; the balance carried forward. I should like to remind him the members' contributions are £40, so they might claim the balance. He wishes to remind me a member gave a cup. This I well remember, as will the exhibitors and friends to whom I wrote soliciting entries. Mr. Dawn says: "Let there be no fear or favour." Fear, I have none, for what I have done has been straight and above-board. Favour—well, seeing I have not favoured the clique and its methods is the sore place. "Away with cant and humbug."—I am quite content to leave the members of the S.O.S. to judge who uses the cant, who are the humbugs, and who has done the work. Why did not Mr. Dawn read out the letters on Tuesday last? Why would he not allow the members to say what they had to say? What did he fear? In conclusion, I hope the new secretary will get fair play, and not be insulted and abused if his views and habits are not with the party.

T. BISHOP.

(Several letters on this subject held over.—Ed.)

The Forthcoming Scottish National C.B.S. Show.

Sir,—We have agreed to give two classes for Rollers at our show on Dec. 31 and Jan. 1 next, one confined to members of the S.R.C.C., and the other open to all comers, both being guaranteed against loss by that club. Mr. Bradfield, the founder of the B.R.C.C., is to place the awards. Exhibits are to be staged in a separate room, which will be made as comfortable as possible. Mr. Forrest, Hon. Secy., S.R.C.C., 11, Garrioch Quadrant, Glasgow, with myself, will be pleased to answer any enquiries anent these classes. We hope Roller Fanciers will rally round. The classes provided for foreign birds will again be under the management of Miss Peddie Waddell (Edinburgh). It is well-known the special care she bestows on them, and we would ask the foreign exhibitors to make Miss Waddell's work more arduous this year by increasing entries in their section. Mr. J. F. Dewar (Edinburgh) is supplying all seed, etc., needed by exhibits while in hall; and Messrs. Sykes and Hoyle (Musselburgh), whose services last year in the softbill section gave so much satisfaction, are again officiating. All rail work—the receiving and dispatching—is in the capable hands of Mr. R. Craig, our show manager, ably assisted by members of the committee. Schedules will be issued Dec. 14 (it speaks for itself). The Scottish National Exhibitions have always proved notable gatherings, and this year the committee hope to create a record in entries. We make a strong appeal to fellow-fanciers to give the needed support. (See adverts.).

J. R. MEIKLE, Sec.

51, Lothian Road, Edinburgh.

The Judging at Small Cornish Shows.

Sir,—In answer to Mr. Toy, calling attention to the 19 entries at St. Columb, I promised Mr. Salmon at Bodmin Show that I would give him a good entry, as their society was nearly "gone in." It was not through confidence in a local judge. Mr. Toy, have you been asleep for three years, as as I have been in the Fancy for six years as an exhibitor, and not a disappointed one at that. Who doesn't like their birds to have fair play? I do. I have won about 100 prizes besides specials since I have been a breeder, and not a purchaser of all exhibition specimens. I suppose Mr. Toy never bought a bird. Did he breed Canaries from Cochin fowls? What fanciers don't buy birds? What my birds did at Launceston under Mr. Payne has nothing to do with it. I don't expect to win where there are Crystal Palace birds. Mr. Payne has awarded me at an open to all England show first and special, also special for best Norwich in the show, besides other prizes. The birds I bred last year won at every show in Cornwall where they were shown under Judges House, Robson, Roe, and Poole, and were only back to third twice, and then they were judged by local judges. I have sent my hen to a judge who has got good sight, and he is satisfied that it is a cinnamon yellow. In conclusion, I wish all fanciers, and even judges, fair play; if it was not for the exhibitors there would not be any shows, nor any judges. Now, local men, don't sneer at exhibitors because you have the pleasure of being the judge.

J. P. ANDREW.

(Several letters on this subject held over.—Ed.)

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CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

CONTINUALLY DROPPING FEATHERS (A Novice).—If you are convinced the bird is free from draughts, make yourself equally satisfied that it is not exposed to extremes of heat and cold, such as may occur in the vicinity of burning lights at night. Give a staple diet of plain Canary. Every second day give separately half a teaspoonful of summer rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod-liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed. Twice a week give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, black rape, millet, and teazle. Dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in one ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this mixture in the water two days in every three for a week, and every second day afterwards until feathers cease dropping.

TWO QUESTIONS (Amateur).—(1) This query puzzles me. You say you have a cinnamon Crest-bred hen, but have a little doubt of its being so. What is your doubt about? The sex or the colour? If you doubt the sex, look up these replies for a few weeks backward for enlightenment. If it is the colour, and you wish to reproduce the cinnamon colour, your only course is to mate it with the soundest cinnamon, bred from cinnamons, at your command, and thereby make sure of the chance of your bird being cinnamon. You might have sent a few of the coloured feathers, or described the colour. If this is not interpreting your wish correctly, please write again and explain more fully what you wish to know. (2) The structure of your proposed outdoor bird-room is very well planned. See that it is properly ventilated, and you may confidently look for your birds to thrive there. As your stock is quite hardy and normally treated, you will not require any form of heat in the new room.

CROSS-BRED NOT SINGING (F.H.N.).—You do not say whether the bird has always made efforts to sing as now. If this feature is only of recent occurreuce, I should suspect it was now suffering from loss of voice through exposure to draughts. Otherwise I should doubt it being a cock. Try the treatment advised to "Watte" in this issue, for a month. Also make up a paste with a tablespoonful of honey, a small teaspoonful of cod-liver oil emulsion, as much chlorate of potash as will cover a shilling, and the same quantity of powdered grain of paradise. Place all on a heated plate, mix well together, and add sufficient finely crushed biscuit to make a paste about the consistency of soft cheese. When cold it will cut solid. Stick a oube in the wires for bird to peck at, and renew it as often as necessary.

HAS A KIND OF FIT (S.R.).—It is "stage fright," or nervousness pure and simple, which makes the bird act in this way when you run it in a show cage. When a bird is badly affected in this way there is always a certain amount of risk of syncope ending its career in a moment when any particular attention is paid to it, such as handling or moving from cage to cage. The bird ought to have been gradually trained to the show cage when quite young. Still, patience and gentleness will do much now. Let it learn that your presence near it generally means some pleasure to itself. Withhold some dainty, such as hemp, niger, and green food, from its bill of fare entirely. Then pay it frequent attention, and always contrive to leave it a grain or two of one or other of the seeds, or a morsel of green food, but never enough to satisfy its appetite for them. It will soon get to associate your presence with these good things, and forget to be afraid of you. Then go on to handling its cage, then to moving it to a slightly different position, then more, next place it beside a show cage, then ditto with doors open for it to pass voluntarily to the show cage, in which a pinch of tempting food or green salad may be placed as an attraction, then you may drive it in gently with a pencil or something similar, and close the door and keep it there a short time, then for an hour, then for a day, and so on. It is a rather tedious business, as you must progress very gradually, but by working along these lines you will eventually be able to show it to your admiring friends in its show cage, without any great risk of alarming it.

EXTERMINATING INSECTS (G.S.B.).—As you only mention cleaning insects away from Canaries I surmise you mean they live on the birds, in which case they are probably the common grey lice. Red mites live in the cages, and only frequent the birds' bodies at night. To clear out lice hand-washing is the best and quickest method, a teaspoonful of creolin being mixed in each pint of the first two waters used. Full details for dealing with both pests have been given several times just lately in these replies. To get the fullest information in a permanent form, get Parts II. and III. of "Our Canaries."

COCKS OUT OF CONDITION (Geo. Cartwright).—First I should advise you to separate the birds at once. Leave the hen in the flight, and cage each cock separately to bring them in song. In addition to the staple of plain canary, give the cocks a half-teaspoonful of summer rape, and a morsel of banana every second day. On the alternate days give, in turns, first a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with soft sugar, and next a spray of watercress and a half teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle. Add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn to the water for two days, and afterwards four drops each of tincture of gentian, tinct. of calumba and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a week.

RIDDING CAGE OF RED MITES (J. W., Notts).—As you have already made application of the spirit and camphor solution, your very best plan is to continue with it. Dissolve an ounce of camphor in half a pint of the spirit, and with a camel-hair brush apply a brushful to every joint, or likely harbour, of the insects twice a week for a month. Leave no possible harbour untouched, including the nails on which the cages hang, if they do hang. Wipe fluid off varnished parts of cage at once. At the end of the month you may confidently expect to be perfectly free from the pest. Then, if necessary, you can re-varnish cages. The solution may be quite safely applied whilst birds are in the cages, but it will, of course, be necessary to remove them for re-varnishing, if this is necessary.

CHANGING QUARTERS (J. F. P.).—It would certainly be most advisable to let the birds remain in their present quarters, but as that appears out of the question, you can only make the best of the proposed change. With careful attention there is no reason why the birds should not thrive very well in their new quarters. To make the best of circumstances, do not place the birds near the fireplace, but keep them as far away as possible consistent with freedom from cold draughts. When the fire is burning and the gas alight, you might also keep the top of window down half an inch or so, which will be sufficient, and put it up again the last thing before retiring in order to prevent too sudden a drop of temperature after lights are out. Leaving a very little fire to die out gradually in the early morning will be a good method, if you can do so with perfect safety.

A LEARNER'S STOCK (Nemo, Bfd.).—Your query is really too vague. I am not clear whether you are starting in business as a dealer or taking up Canary breeding as a hobby. Your query certainly suggests the former, and if this is correct, I am much afraid you have started at the wrong end to make it a success, as a would-be dealer above all else should know how to feed and manage his stock, as a preliminary to entering seriously on the financial stage. In a general way a dealer's stock should be fed the same as any other, and to get full details of this you cannot do better than invest in a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," 7d., post free, from our manager. You will find details there for feeding stock in winter. As regards what a learner's stock should be, if you are referring to starting breeding as a hobby, Rollers, Borders, or Norwich are about the best breeds to begin with to acquire some practical knowledge. If this is not what you require, write again, and say just what you wish to know, and I will do my best to help you.

PAINTING AND PAPERING BIRDROOM (Novice, Sheffield).—If you have any considerable amount of surface to paint it certainly will not be quite safe to do it without removing the birds. The fumes of drying paint, especially at night, when the room would doubtless be shut up, are very apt to prove dangerous to the health of birds. Papering also is not the best method of covering walls in a room devoted solely to birds, because unless very skilfully hung it is apt to afford harbours for red mites, which are exceedingly difficult to discover. I think you would be better advised to cover the walls with Sanitary Distemper, say, a light stone colour for upper part of walls, and a pea or electric green coloured dado around the bottom. If you wanted more decoration you could easily manage by stencilling some simple designs—a fleur de lys, for instance—in some other colour, on the stone coloured background, and a stencilled border design to separate the dado from the upper portion. Then you could paint door and window frames on a good drying day without much risk of harming the birds, if you keep the room nicely ventilated whilst these operations are going on. But do not attempt painting large areas without removing birds until paint is dry, even if you have to crowd them together somewhat and keep them in odd corners in other rooms for a few days.

POINTS ABOUT WASHING (G.B.F.).—I have not taken the actual degree of heat of drying cage during use, as I prefer to exercise some discretion in the matter. Probably somewhere between 80 and 90 degrees in the archway, and just below 80 degrees in the drying compartment, is about the correct thing. You should have the floor of the archway very warm, but not uncomfortably, so even when you hold the tender part of the front of your wrist flat on it for some time. From ten to fifteen minutes is long enough, as a rule, to leave birds in this portion. But here, again, discretion comes in very useful. Unwrap the bird in about ten minutes, and if the feathers seem inclined to separate and spread, and the tips here and there are opening out, put bird in drying compartment, but if the plumage still seems very damp, and shows no signs of spreading, wrap it up in a fresh, dry, warm cloth, and place it in archway a little longer. The actual time required in this section depends to a certain extent upon the thoroughness with which moisture is absorbed out of plumage after rinsing, to the absorbent nature of the cloths used for wrapping, and to some little extent upon vigour or activity of the bird. Leave them in drying compartment until the plumage is quite dry and the birds are preening themselves nicely. An hour is usually sufficient, if the cage is needed for other birds. When taking them out of drying cage, put them into scrupulously clean cages, and keep in a comfortable temperature free from cold draughts until next day.

THE BEST SONGSTER (Amateur).—(1) It is wholly a matter of individual taste whether a well-trained Roller or a Nightingale is the best songster. Both may be said to be masters in different phrases of bird music, and each incomparable in his own particular branch. But they can scarcely be compared with each other, and the question of which singer is best can only be decided by each individual for him or herself. The Roller, however, is much the easier to manage, and sings considerably longer each year than the average Nightingale. (2) As a staple diet a mixture of two parts canary to one part summer rape. Occasional luxuries the same as you may frequently see advised in this column. But for full details get the nutshell booklet, No. 10, 2½d. post free.

YORKSHIRE (Novice).—(1) The digestive organs of this bird were probably upset during its stay at the dealer's, most likely by the linseed, which should never form part of the regular diet of caged Canaries. Give a staple of plain canary only. Every second day give separately half a teaspoonful of summer rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut sprinkled with soft sugar. Twice a week give a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle, and on each of the remaining days a spray of watercress. In the drinking water give the rhubarb and soda aperient every second day for a week, and in the next week four drops each of tincture of gentian, tinct. of calumba and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day. (2) You might try putting these birds in a room where no fire is kept for a week or so, but see that it is free from draughts and damp. Beyond this, as they appear in quite good health, I do not advise you to interefere with the course of nature. The birds probably moulted last spring before you bought them.

BARE NECK (Sen).—It is a not uncommon, and a very obstinate trouble, and is not very amendable to treatment at any time other than the proper moulting season. Mix well together ten drops of glacial acetic acid and a teaspoonful of water that has been boiled and allowed to cool. Bottle this, and slightly moisten the bare skin with it by means of a small feather twice a week for a month. Give a plainer mixture, say, two parts canary to one part summer rape, as staple, and give a pinch of the more varied mixture twice a week, and a spray of green food or morsel of banana three times a week. Twice a week for a month give a morsel of bread and milk slightly dusted with flour of sulphur and sprinkled with soft sugar, and on two other days add to the drinking water as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece.

NOT SINGING (Watts).—(1) You give no idea about the age of the birds, nor whether you are certain of the sex or not. Most cocks ought to be in very good song now. See reply to "A.M.T." in this, remedy any faulty environment suggested in that reply, and treat the birds generally as therein advised for a month, except that in your case before giving the quinine mixture add 10 drops of syrup of buckthorn to the water for two days, then give the mixture for one week only. (2) You could, of course, save yourself trouble by keeping the birds altogether in the aviary for breeding. But in this case you must not put in an equal number of sexes, and must also be careful not to overstock it at the beginning of the season. You say nothing about size of aviary, so I cannot tell you how many birds you require to stock it. About the middle of March would be the best time to put in the cocks, providing they and the hens too, are in good condition.

SUCKING NOISE (Goldemith).—See that both Norwich and the Crest are kept quite free from cold draughts and damp. Keep them in a fairly comfortable and equable place, but do not overheat them, and let the place be quite free from foul or heated air. In addition to staple seed diet give the Norwich, each, a piece of bread the size of a hazel nut, soaked in cold milk, drained, two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on each, and sprinkled with soft sugar. Give this every second day for a fortnight. Give a spray of watercress four times a week when it is obtainable in good condition. In the drinking water add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn for two days, and afterwards 20 drops of whisky, five each of oxymel of squills and ipecac. wine, and two of eucalyptus oil, well shaken together, every second day for a fortnight if necessary. Give the Crest a little bread and milk as above, but omit the sugar, and sprinkle instead with maw seed, and on the intervening days give a pinch of summer rape and a morsel of banana. Add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece to the water every second day for a week, and in the next week give instead six drops of tincture of gentian and three of dilute sulphuric acid every second day. Report progress at end of fortnight, and give fuller particulars about the swelling you refer to, and the general condition of the bird.

THE DRAWBACKS (A Beginner).—(1) The drawbacks of breeding young by turning a cock and two hens into a double breeding cage and leaving them to take "pot luck" are not long in becoming apparent. The hens may not keep "on speaking terms" long when the desire to nest seizes them, then trouble is not far off; or they may rob or otherwise interfere with each other's nests and make a hash of things generally in this way; and the cock may assist in making confusion worse confounded. Very seldom will matters run smoothly to a successful issue in these circumscribed surroundings. Your best method of procedure is to keep a hen separately in each compartment of the double breeding cage, and when the nesting season arrives mate the cock with the most forward hen. When she commences to sit, remove cock and mate him with the second hen. When this hen commences to sit, remove cock, and cage him alone until the first hen is ready for him again, then repeat the above programme. You will, of course, leave hens to hatch and rear the broods by themselves. In using a three-compartment breeder keep the cock in centre and a hen in each end division, and proceed as above. (2) "Yorkshire Canaries," by H. W. Battye, post free 1s. 2d., from our manager, will give every information about breeding Yorkshires.

FREQUENT MOULTING (A.M.T.).—The cocks are not in the least likely to resume singing whilst these frequent moults are taking place. The birds being kept in the same room would have no effect whatever on keeping the cocks out of song, rather the reverse. The moulting is probably due to cold draughts, damp, or extreme and rapid fluctuations. You must see that these things are remedied; give a staple diet of plain canary. Every second day give separately half a teaspoonful of summer rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw. Twice a week give a small teaspoonful of mixture of equal parts hemp, millet, and teazle. Dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in one ounce of whisky, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this mixture in the water every second day for a fortnight, then omit it for a week, and give it again for another fortnight.

WHAT MATE? (A Beginner).—As a mate for the Norwich cock you had better get a healthy, active young hen of the same breed. You give no particulars at all about the cock, but the hen to mate with him should, as far as possible, excel in any typical points in which he is weak or deficient. If he is a yellow, the hen should be a buff, and if he is clear she should be ticked or lightly marked, and vice versa in both cases. A single breeding cage of the box pattern would be best for you to start with. A good size is 20ins. long, 10ins. deep, and 15 or 16ins. high, and a movable wire front made on punched bars is advisable. I am sorry I cannot go into detail of construction here through lack of space. Our manager could doubtless send you back numbers in which full details of cage making are given. Or you would find all necessary information and diagrams in the handbook "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages," 2s. 3d. post free, from this office. Of course, you would require a spare cage or flight for the young when ready to leave the parents.

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

WHAT ARE THEY? (George).—(1) It is a Queen (Racket-tailed) Whydah, worth 30s. to 40s., according to its condition, they are well known, but have never been plentiful on the market. (2) Impossible to tell you exactly without a proper detailed description of its plumage, but apparently you have one of the Serins (the genus *Serinus* is a large one), all of them are good songsters, as also are the various species of Siskins—and your bird may be one of these. Sorry I cannot be more definite, but I think it is some species of *Serinus*.

BICHENO'S FINCHES (F.M.L.).—You will not go far wrong if you treat them as Gouldian Finches, but Bicheno's are very susceptible to a changeable temperature, and during the cold months of the year keep them where the temperature is most regular, I should keep a millet spray continually in their cage, and during the winter season you can meet their wants by growing canary and millet seedlings in thumb-pots in your window; the seedlings after being picked pretty low by the birds soon grow again when the pot is returned to the window. A piece of a lettuce leaf (tender and fresh) can also be offered. If they care for them a mealworm per bird daily will not come amiss. Bicheno's have a way, unfortunately, of "going off" suddenly with no apparent cause.

BLUE-MOUNTAIN LORIKEET (Perplexed).—Change your treatment, and I opine the trouble will disappear. Let them have access to a tin of canary and millet seed, but the main dietary should be as follows:—Milk sop, made from condensed milk and sponge cake, with a pinch of Mellin's food is best, it should be rather sloppy; ripe fruit ad. lib. Also give it a leaf of tender and fresh lettuce after cutting out the centre rib. I expect your bird is tame, and if you can let it out of its cage occasionally, and while out it could have a bath in a large shallow dish. In the spring, as early as you can get it untainted by frost, supply liberally wild grass in flower (seeding grass). These birds can also have dry biscuit, figs, dates, sultanas—the above gives you ample opportunity to supply a changeable dietary, and the bird should soon improve under the altered conditions.

BOURKE'S PARRAKEETS, ETC. (C. W. P.).—These show themselves fairly ready to breed in roomy quarters, and they do so annually in a Berkshire aviary, but they are not numerous in captivity. I am sending you a sketch of a suitable log. Some Parrakeets favour small barrels. Red-headed Finches are notorious for laying eggs and rearing but very few youngsters, and some pairs of Ruficaudas suffer from the same complaint, but some few are reared annually. It is very probable you'll have some reared next season. Californian and Chinese Quail are also notorious for laying clutches and not incubating. However, do not lose patience—you'll bring a brood off yet. A hen Californian Quail in my aviary this summer laid four clutches of 19 or 20 eggs each clutch. She incubated the second clutch, hatched out 17 chicks, of which 12 were fully reared and are now in full adult plumage.

WHAT VALUE, ETC. (C. H., Tiverton).—If you really have a specimen of *Chloropsis malabarica*, it should be worth £5. I do not know of any previous instance of a specimen reaching here alive. I presume you know the difference between the two species, malabarica has the centre of the throat right up to the base of the lower mandible black, in aurifrons this area is blue, but many, if not all specimens of aurifrons have the throat black till after the second moult, I have had and seen several such, but they all proved to be aurifrons in the end. If your Grey parrot has been moulting in this irregular way during the past eleven years, there cannot be much wrong, at the same time how can I tell you if diet is at fault, when you do not say how you feed? Put half a teaspoonful of Byno-phosphates in the drinking water every other day for a couple of months.

WHAT PARRAKEET? (F. G.).—It is the Yellow-naped Parrakeet (*Platycercus semitorquatus*), an Australian species. It requires a diet of principally canary and white millet seed, with oats and a little hemp and sunflower seeds; also ripe fruit, greenfood, grit and cuttlebone. For such individuals as care for it, a piece of plain dry biscuit, or dry crust of household bread (stale) is wholesome and adds a little change to the regular dietary. The Platycercine are a hardy group, but like all species of birds must not be subjected to draught; the more exercise you can give it, the better it is likely to thrive.

INDOOR CAGE FOR LOVEBIRDS (Foreigner).—A plain box cage of the size you name will be the best. Do not waste time with fancy work, but make all the joints tight and sound. Do not have a draw tray, but a flap along the front (see sketch per post) divided into three sections, and use gritty sand for bedding them down on, line the back with twigy branches, and hang up any four hooks and a couple of small barrels. Also

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/19); *Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels"* (6d.); *Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit"* (7d.); *"Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages"* (2/3); *"Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants"* (1/2); *Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever"* (7d.); *Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping"* (1/1); *"Colour-feeding"* (3½d.); *or the "Nutshell" booklets* (2½d. *each*): *No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154 Fleet St., London, E.C.*

grow grass in pots, and put one of these into the cage every other day; if you have say, six pots, and look after well as to water, etc., these would last you some time, only letting each pot remain in two days, thus each pot would only be called upon to do duty every twelve days. If you get our Budgerigar Nutshell, 2½d. post free, this will tell you all details as to feeding, etc., and the treatment will be the same both for Lovebirds and Budgerigars. Black-cheeked Lovebirds are very handsome as to plumage, but as they often turn out very quarrelsome with Budgerigars, I think you had better have for your cage one pair each Green Budgerigars, Yellow Budgerigars, and Blue-wing Lovebirds. When the latter show signs of nesting give them branches from a tree, they will strip off leaves and bark and line log with them.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

PUZZLED OVER THE FITS (Worried).—As I have frequently explained in this column, "Fits," I have found, generally arise through improper or insufficiently nutritious feeding, and a consequent low state of health generally. If you immerse a bird's head in cold water for a moment it usually suffices to end a fit at once. Also drop into the beak three or four spots (not more) of a ten-per-cent. solution of potassium bromide, which any chemist will prepare for you. Give two or three drops daily for a time, and at once on any sign of a fit. If you are not an adept at handling birds, half a teaspoonful of the potassium bromide mixed with the drinking water (say every two tablespoonfuls) will doubtless answer as well. But you must feed correctly and well, or medicine will be of little avail. Mixing a small half-teaspoonful (not more) of tasteless cod-liver oil with the daily soft-food supply would greatly benefit the bird. If you find the fits do not yield to treatment, it would be a very wise plan to give the bird its liberty, and try another specimen.

THE BRAMBLE'S DISPOSITION (J. T. Fulcher).—The frequent references that you say you see to the Bramblefinch's quarrelsome disposition and noisiness are certainly founded on fact. In the first place, they are savage and treacherous by nature, unsafe companions for any birds (especially their own kith and kin) in a cage or small bird-place. The accuracy with which they manage to "hit in the eye" the bird attacked is something diabolical. And the force they put behind that powerful beak of theirs spells blindness, and even a gouged-out eye. They pitch into others (even the most inoffensive) with but little or no provocation; a dislike to see them come down to the food or water while they themselves are eating or drinking being all-sufficient. I have seen some piteous sights in the dealer's store-cages, when a number of these little demons have been lodged together therein; even when they have been each in a

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should consult Moulton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); *Norman's "British Bird Manual"* (2/3); *or Part 1 "Hardbills"* (1/1), *Part 2 "Softbills"* (1/1); *"Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages"* (2/3); *"Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants"* (1/2); *"Secrets of Hybrid Breeding"* (1/2); *Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping"* (1/1); *Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever"* (7d.); *"Colour-feeding"* (3½d.); *or the "Nutshell" booklets* (2½d. *each*): *No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.*

separate wicker cage, but able to reach their next-door neighbours through the bars. "Wicked" the dealers term them, and the word fits. Then, when kept in the bird-room, Mr. Bramble is apt to wake up in the night, start squalling "Ja-a-ack" at the top of his voice, and indulge in mad scrambles all over the cage, the racket he makes terrifying all other birds near, and bringing disaster by causing them to knock in their fright. However, I'm not denying that he has his good points—the two chief being his beauty of plumage and usefulness as an exhibition bird.

MANAGEMENT OF NUTHATCH (Young Novice).—You can show your bird with a fair prospect of winning if it is good in plumage, rich in colour, and reasonably steady. There is no regulation size and pattern of show cage. A box-pattern cage, about 14ins. long by 14ins. high by 8ins. or 9ins. wide, would answer well, with a piece of bark (as flat as possible) fixed to the back, so that the bird can not get behind it, and water and food vessels which fit inside, preferably swinging from the front. The inside and wires should be enamelled a warm cream colour. In the stock cage I strongly advise you to have two pieces of cork (or "bark," as some term it) and change them fairly frequently, thoroughly scalding the one last used with boiling water, or stoving it for a time in a fairly warm oven. This is necessary to keep down insect pests. The bird is very fond of bathing, and should be allowed to freely. Its main food should be good quality insectivorous mixture, such as is supplied to small softbill birds, moistened with grated raw carrot, or finely-chopped lettuce, or other greenfood. Several very good "soft-foods" will be found advertised in our columns. Suitable live-foods must also be given, according to season, and a few small nuts (cracked, if necessary) and sunflower and hemp seeds. One bird I had, possessed a wonderful appetite, and very varied tastes. He liked (in addition to the above things) hard-boiled eggs, bits of cake, currants and things, all sorts of nuts (especially the mixed shelled nuts from the grengrocers), mealworms, live ants' eggs, wasp grub, gentles, flies and tiny beetles, and many kinds of fruit, peeled grapes being considered a great delicacy, apparently.

BREEDING MULES (Anxious to know).—You are anticipating in good time next season's delights (as I hope they may prove). The proper time for running mating couples together depends almost entirely on the birds themselves. If one's British birds are proved breeders, it is unnecessary to run them with their future Canary wives through the winter; the pairing can be left until the latter show signs of being desirous of nesting. If the Britishers have never before bred in captivity, then it is an excellent plan to let them make the acquaintance of their future partners during the Winter. The absolute best method of achieving this end is to place the cock in one compartment of a double breeding cage, and the hen in the other, a wired slide being run down the centre. You are thus able to feed each bird on the seeds most suited to it. Further, if the cock is a likely breeder, and "takes to" his partner, when the proper season approaches he will commence to "talk to" and feed her through the wires, thus affording you some indication of your chance of success, and of when the couple are ready to be run together and given a nest box. Pairs for Hybrid breeding (two British birds) should be kept together as long as possible before the time for breeding comes round; most breeders keep them together right through the winter. This is not altogether necessary, however, for such couples are invariably very late breeders (late in starting) and if put together at the latter end of February, or during March, have ample time to "become acquainted" before any egg-laying is likely to take place. Still, to let would-be Hybridising couples fly together through the winter is not by any means a bad plan.

BACKWARD IN THE BLAZE (Hugh).—I expect your bird's slight lapse from health has had something to do with the "patchy" state of its blaze. The blaze will no doubt come up in colour with time, seeing that the bird's condition is again A1. Here is a little "dodge" that will help it along: Get a badger-hair tooth-brush and a small quantity of toilet ammonia (Scrubb's cloudy ammonia is excellent). Into an egg-cupful of fairly hot water, let fall two or three drops of the ammonia. Dip the tooth-brush into this, and brush the blaze over with it for a minute or so every day, in the morning. Keep the brush out of the bird's eyes, of course, and the water, too; in fact, don't let the brush be really wet, so that the water runs over parts of the plumage it is not required to reach. Another don't: Don't brush the wrong way of plumage, but only in the direction the feathers lie naturally. A good tonic is quite likely to be helpful.

FAILING IN POLISH (E. C. K., Croydon).—The "shining like silk," "good sheen," "grand polish," etc., which you read about in show reports is (for all mean the same thing) acquired in several ways, all, however, having some close relationship. The quality of feather possessed by a bird may, however, be said to govern the lot, for without it no bird can expect to possess polish, or bloom, or sheen—call it what you will. Thus a buff Greenfinch, or a buff Linnet, or a buff Goldfinch (or any species you like to name) can never be made to carry the same fascinating polish on its plumage as a jonque (or yellow) specimen of its kind. If you look over these classes at any of our large shows, it is quite easy to pick out the jonques and the buffs therein—even, I should think, for the little-experienced eye. A jonque bird can practically always be depended upon to moult out carrying a good sheen, providing he be intelligently fed and moulted, and allowed unlimited opportunity for bathing. This polish is improved after the moult by feeding the bird into high condition (show condition, as it is termed), and is brought to the highest pitch of perfection by skilful hand-washing (not too often), and the use of a few drops of best quality glycerine in the final spraying water, before he makes his appearance on the show bench. Don't use too much glycerine, or the result is disastrous.

THE SEXING OF GOLDFINCHES (T. Outram).—It is quite possible for the mistake to have been honestly made. To sex Greypates is a very puzzling job (well-nigh hopeless) for beginners. Bird-dealers do not often make a mistake (that is, buy hens as cocks), or catchers either; but even experienced fanciers get a bit "fogged" over some of the youngsters. Briefly, the cock Greypate has a longer, flatter head when viewed in profile, and the wing-butts are bright dense black, with a greenish tinge, as against dull greyish-black, with a brownish tinge, in the hen. A tinge of yellow on the breast is also a good sign, especially in connection with the above. When one sees a lot of Greypates together, as a rule it is not difficult to find one or two appreciably richer than the rest in tone of colour all over, and these can be bought with certainty as cocks. In the adult birds there are still the "henny" and the "cocky" shapes of head, as it were, one long and flat, and the other short and round, broadly speaking. But the best sign is the blaze. If it extends backward over the cheeks to the far edge of the eye (if beyond it better still, and this generally is the case on the top of the head), one can be practically certain one is buying a cock. The more blaze the greater the certainty. The cock, of course, will also have the same distinguishing characteristics on the wing-butts and breast, but these are not certain signs, for I have found old hens with the yellow tince on the breast, though slight, and also hens with dense black wing-butts. The blaze is the best test of all.

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ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Anfield, Everton C.B.S.—Dec. 16, instead of 17, Frankham's, 8. R. B. Wright.

Anfield Plain C.B.S.—Dec. 17, Mr. Hannigham's, 7. Business for annual show; important.—R. Peart.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Dec. 17, Onward Hall, 8. Final arrangements for the amalgamated show; entries taken.—J. Spencer.

Bankfoot C.B.S.—Dec. 17, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Distribution of tickets for social and dance; final show arrangements, etc. F. Gehler.

Bath F.A.—Dec. 19, Foresters' Hall, 8 p.m. Annual general. Committee, 7 p.m. Election of officers, etc. W. Eric Cotterell.

Bermondsey and Rotherhithe F.A.—Dec. 19, Jolly Gardeners, 8 p.m. General meeting and distribution of 1911 cup, medals, and annual show specials, etc. John Clark.

Birkenhead C.F.A.—Dec. 17, Ablett's Cafe, 8. Show of Canaries bred 1912. Classes for all varieties. Syllabus for 1913.—G. W. Morton.

Bishop Auckland C.B.S.—Dec. 18, Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7. Washing exhibition by Messrs. Elliott and Messenger, new members, etc., table show report; all fanciers invited.—R. Elliott.

Bolton Wood C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Victoria Hotel, during judging members' show. Birds staged 2.30. Judges, Mr. W. A. Cowgill.—M. Skirrow.

Bradford East O.S.—Dec. 17, Park Chapel Schools. Members' show. Judges, Messrs. J. Chippendale and L. Hodgson, Bradford. Birds staged 7.15. Entries Monday night and Tuesday.—H. Hill.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Dec. 14, Shoulder of Mutton, Girlington, 7. Nomination of officers, balance sheet for November show, arrangements of Xmas show, and pie supper, 1s. per head.—Kilburn and Western.

Cardiff C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Maskell's Hotel, 8. Payment of members' prize money, judges, and other business for 1913 show.—E. Thomas.

Chesterfield C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Welbeck Inn. Members' show; birds staged at 3 prompt. All subs. must be paid up at the time of entering point specials.—Chas. Jepson.

Crewe O.S.—Dec. 16, Brotherhood Institute, 8.—E. Jaycott.

Carlisle C.B.S.—Meeting of members usual place. Final arrangements re show. (No time or date given.—Ed.).—W. H. Wright.

City of Bradford O.S.—Dec. 14, Flying Dutchman Hotel, 8. Members' washing competition; good prizes. Entries for same close Dec. 14. Fanciers and friends specially invited.—F. Rhodes.

Colnton and Currie Parishes O.S.—Dec. 14, Higher Grade School, Juniper Green, 6. Payment of prize money; enrol new members.—Jas. Napier.

Cumnock C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Town Hall, 7. General business and report of show.—Alex. Wyper.

Darvel C.B.C.—Dec. 17, Town Hall, 7.30. General, paper by president, table show of British, 3 classes.—Jas. Robertson.

Edinburgh and Dis. C.B.S.—Dec. 17, Cairns Memorial Church Hall, Gorgie Road, 8. Financial meeting and annual report.—J. I. Mackie.

East Bowling B.F.A.—Dec. 14, St. John's School. Members' show; birds staged 2.45. Judge, Mr. W. Cruise.—Levi Booth.

Falkirk Good Intent.—Dec. 28, usual time and place. Prize money will be paid, and medals given out.—Walter Clarkson.

Glossop Hadfield C.B.S.—Dec. 17, Mr. J. H. Seniors, 8. Receiving entries annual members' show; last meeting before show. Subs' must accompany entries, otherwise will be rejected.—E. Thompson.

Grantham C.B.S.—Dec. 16, Brewers' Arms, 8. Lecture on British Birds, by Mr. Ratcliff, vice-chairman.—W. E. Allen.

Great Horton O.S.—Dec. 14, Butchers' Arms, 8. Dates, classification, judges, and all particulars concerning members' shows for next year.—J. Holroyd.

Greenock, Port Glasgow and Gourock O.S.—Dec. 18, Co-operative Hall, Port Glasgow. Fixing specials and receiving entries.—M. Service.—(No time given.—Ed.)

Gt. Horton (Good Intent) O.S.—Dec. 14, Wesley Place Schools, High Street. Members' show; birds staged 3; judge, Mr. J. Chippendale. Meeting during judging.—H. Gornall.

Grimsby O.S.—Dec. 19, Slatter's Rooms, 8. Speciale, etc., half-day show; business important.—Towl and Smith.

Highgate, Hampstead C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Spencer Hall, 8.30. Judging competition for members; will members please bring some birds with them?—J. Hyde.

Ilford and County F. and F.S.—Dec. 17, Headquarters, White Horse Hotel, 8. General meeting; members please settle for tickets annual show immediately. If unable to attend meeting, kindly post specials, or orders, for same also required. J. H. Priestman.

Jarrow, Hebburn C.B.S.—Dec. 18, Lockhart's Cafe, 7.30. Show business.—W. Ayers.

Lancs. and Lizard F.A.—Dec. 14, Church Inn, Oldham, 6.30. Arrangements for club show.—John Rukin.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Dec. 14, Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7. Fix a competition for Mr. McLean's special prize. J. Pollock.

Leeds Roller C.C.—Dec. 14, 55, Briggate, 7.30. Judging competition.—H. L. Davis.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Dec. 17, White Swan, 8.30. Unlighted hens, yell. or buff, green cock and Bullfinch.—A. Freestone.

Leigh C.B.S.—Dec. 18, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Arranging rules for 1913.—E. Charleson.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Greyhound Hotel, 7. To receive outstanding ticket money and subs., and other matters.—Daniel John.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Dec. 16, Deansgate Hotel, 7.45. Nomination of officers for 1913, etc.—H. Boothman.

Manningham C.B.A.—Dec. 14, headquarters, 8 Nominations of officers for 1913.—H. Grange.

Morley C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Sycamore Hotel, 7.30. Arrangements for Boxing Day show; judge, Mr. W. A. Cowgill, Bradford.—J. Rhodes.

North London C.B.A.—Dec. 18, headquarters, 8. Norwich judging competition.—P. N. Jefferies.

Oldham C.B.S.—Dec. 17, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. Table show of Lancs. and Lizards.—Jas. Cope.

Poplar C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Schoolroom, Allhallows Church, East India Dock Road, E., 8. Lecture on Norwich Canary by W. Morris, Esq. Fanciers and friends welcome. Will members please remit for tickets sold, in order that sec. can balance his show account.—H. W. Cook.

Portobello C.B.S.—Dec. 17, Masonic Hall, 8. Balance-sheet; election of office-bearers; tabling of motions.—J. Davidson.

Plumstead and Woolwich C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Trinity Schools, Beresford Street, Woolwich, 8. General business. Members are asked to return unsold tickets for the late show and concert, also outstanding subs.—E. Meades.

Rochdale O.C.—Dec. 16, at Club Rooms (no time given.—Ed.). Balance-sheet open show.—R. Blincoe.

Sandy Lane C.B.A.—Dec. 14, Victoria Hotel. Members' show. Judge, Mr. L. Dykes (Bolton Woode); birds staged 2.—Ratcliffe and Shaw.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Wharfe Hotel, 1. Annual show; judge, Mr. R. E. Hellawell (Halifax).—Sutcliffe and Walker.

Spen Valley C.B.S.—Dec. 16, Commercial Hotel, Cleckheaton, 8. Business important.—J. Bamford.

Springburn Possil Park C.B.C.—Dec. 18, Reid Hall, 8. Special prizes to be given out.—J. Waugh.

St. James-the-Less F.A.—Dec. 16, Ridley House, 8.30. Final meeting for 1912. Ticket money for annual show and subscriptions for the cage bird cup now overdue.—E. A. Snter.

Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—Dec. 16, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Boxing Day show arrangements.—J. Pitchford.

Wakefield O.S.—Dec. 14, Crown and Anchor Hotel, 8. Arrangements for next members' show.—J. Isherwood.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Dec. 17, Dartmouth Hotel, 8. Nomination of officers for 1913; balance-sheet show.—W. G. Andrews.

West of Scotland.—Dec. 14, Nelson's Temperance Hotel, 8. Distribution of specials and prize-money.—Wm. Hutchison.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Horse and Groom Inn, 8. Arrangements for Boxing Day show.—H. C. Crossley.

Windhill C.B.S.—Dec. 21, Blue Bell Hotel, 2.30. Members' show; judge, John Broadley. Entries taken Friday night, 8 to 11.—J. Taylor.

Wingate F.S.—Dec. 14, Literary Institute, 6. Arrangements for first open show January 1st, and other important business.—J. Burdett.

Wombwell B.F.A.—Dec. 21, Park St. School, 7.—Thos. Eames.

Yorkshire C.C. of Scotland.—Dec. 17, 122, Ingram St., Glasgow, 7.45. Nomination of office-bearers for 1913, etc. Special note: All nominations must be in hands of secretary in time for meeting.—R. B. Gibb.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

Rachel S. Hird.—There were no worms present, nor was there any contagious disease. The affection had its origin in weak and faulty digestion, and death resulted from inflammation of the bowels.

C. Barlow Massicks.—Pneumonia caused death of Bearded Tit. The remains were otherwise healthy. Travel, excitement, and change of surroundings were the exciting causes.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

A. Smithson.—We will try to struggle along. Your postcard would have been more convincing had you put your address on it—and correct name.

Newspaper Cuttings (N. Bourne, W. Pick, and others).—We are much obliged to you for sending the cuttings, which shall be utilised if space permits.

F. Litchfield—Your letter has been duly forwarded.

George Green.—The laws of libel stands in the way of the publication of letters such as yours. You should communicate with the police and ask them to make enquiries as to the whereabouts of the man, when it is quite likely they may secure the return of the money which you complain he holds. We will see if we can get any reply from him.

Enquirer.—It is always a nuisance when the classification is loosely drawn up, and often the judge is the person left to decide whether a bird is eligible to compete or otherwise. Why not write the secretary and ask whether the class headed "Mules" was intended to cover all crosses, no matter whether part Canary or between two British birds? In any case, we cannot decide, as there is no definite ruling upon the point.

BANKFOOT AND DIST. C.B.S.

Fifth show of the season held Nov. 30th at the Red Lion Hotel, Bankfoot. Owing to illness of the appointed judge (Mr. F. Allen), the services of Mr. L. Hodgson, sen., were sought, and kindly given. All fanciers will, we are sure, join with us in wishing Mr. Allen a speedy recovery. Some really fine birds were staged. Mr. E. Self's yell. hen (winner of its class and also of spl. for best hen) changed hands before the close of the show, as also did the winner in the hen-selling class. A keen struggle is sure to take place for the society's premier prizes at our next and final show of the year, to be held on Dec. 28. Messrs. F. Smith and C. Hardaker tied for first position with 79 pts. each; Mr. G. Hudson came next with 74 pts.; and others followed close on their heels.

CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Hudson; 2, Hardaker; 3, Crowther; 4, he, Lawson; vhc, Self; c, Mitchell. BUFF: 1, 2, Hardaker; 3, vhc, Smith; 4, Mitchell; hc, Lawson; c, Self. EVEN, ETC., YELL.: 1, Wilman; 2, Smith; 3, Lawson. BUFF: 1, Lawson; 2, Hudson. FOUL: 1, Self; 2, Wilman. A.V. CINN. MKD.: 1, 3, Mitchell; 2, Lawson. CL. OR TKD. YELL HEN: 1, spl, Self; 2, 4, Smith; 3, Hardaker; vhc, Lawson; hc, Mitchell. BUFF: 1, Wilman; 2, Lawson; 3, Smith; 4, Crowther. EVEN OR UNEVEN YELL.: 1, Hudson; 2, Wilman; 3, Lawson; 4, Smith. BUFF: 1, Mitchell; 2, Hudson; 3, Lawson; 4, Smith. CINN. MKD.: 1, 2, 4, Mitchell; 3, Wilman. Will all members kindly note that the next meeting of the society will be held on Dec. 17? Several important items are down for decision at this meeting.—F. Gelder, Sec.

HOLIDAY NOTICE: Advertisers should read the Notice on page 1088 this week and take advantage of our Special Xmas Offer.

Through a Bird-room Window

This article on the Common Avadavat is No. 32 of the new series of personal birdy experiences related by that eminent aviculturist, the Rev. C. D. FARRAR.

No. 32. My Avadavats.

I SUPPOSE it is not really good for anyone to be without troubles and worries, because then one begins to regard content as a right rather than as a blessing. I remember one summer years ago I was full of anguish because somebody had presumed to breed a certain species of bird before me; but I determined that, Fortune favouring, it should not occur again. Accordingly, I looked round for something that nobody had bred, so far as I could discover. I may say that this quest grows harder year by year, as now the most unlikely species go to nest and rear their young like common or garden fowls. Only last month I read in the "Avicultural Magazine" of the successful rearing of two young of the Grand Electus, a bird I never should have said would nest in captivity, as they seem to have such an objection even to living for any length of time.

An Economical Species.

This time I determined to try low down, so I selected Avadavats. They are cheap, for one thing, and like the poor they are always with us; and by buying a dozen you are fairly certain of getting some of either sex. I had a very nice compartment in my outdoor aviary unoccupied at the time, and I determined, with all the confidence and cocksureness of youth, that this should be the future cradle of the Avadavat family. I sent off a wire for a dozen Avadavats, and I asked that I might be told when they would be sent off. This is a very necessary precaution in the country when you live a mile from the station. When a man is going to be hanged, he prefers to know the date of his leaving the world; and so when birds are on the way I always like to know when they are likely to arrive. An hour or two at a cold draughty station makes all the difference, especially when porters are of an enquiring turn of mind and tear off the brown paper, just to see what is inside, and then forget to put it back again.

I must say that the porters here are very good, and display a truly laudable lack of interest about the inside of parcels. They usually approach the house with the laconic words: "A box with summat alive inside." I always tip them well, and so there is no delay. Indeed, I am credibly informed that there is such keen competition about bringing birds up, that it has before now almost ended in blows.

Not the First one, either.

When my dozen arrived, I put them at once into an empty compartment of my indoor birdroom. In doing so, I made a big mistake. I believe I have warned my readers on this point before. It never does to turn birds straight out of a warm travelling cage into a big place, even although it be indoors. The difference in temperature is too great. The birds take a chill and die. When you make a mistake, don't make a second one by keeping it to yourself. Own up, as I am now doing. The time to spot rotten eggs is in the nest. The deeper you hide them in the case, the longer they stay in circulation, and the worse impression they will make when they finally come to the breakfast table.

I regret to say that I lost the whole of that dozen Avadavats in the course of ten days. They behaved just like the "Ten little Niggers," till there was none. The loss was not very great from a pecuniary point of view, but I never like seeing anything die, more especially when I feel that I am morally responsible for their demise.

There was, however, nothing to be done but to look about for a new supply. My readers will quickly say that this would not be a very difficult task. That may be. You can always get Avadavats, but there are Avadavats and Avadavats. You will always find it a safe rule to take a good thing just as soon as it is offered—especially a bird. It is never easy to get one except when you don't want it, but when you have to get one and go after it with a gun, you find it is as shy as an old Crow that every farmer in the country has had a shot at.

A Spry Little Lot.

Tuesday is market-day at Leeds, and in the market is a bird department, to which I, of course, always betake myself in search of happy finds. This particular Tuesday I thought I would try some Avadavats. I could buy them by personal inspection, and save all the risk of the long journey from London. The Bird Market at Leeds is also the draughtiest place, I should say, in Creation; so I thought that if I could see any Avadavats looking spry, they must indeed be hardy annuals, and the sort I wanted. On putting my head round the corner I was at once conscious of the draught, and glancing at the stall, I soon saw what I was in search of—a cageful of Avadavats in really tip-top condition. Looking them over, I soon spotted out two healthy hens and a fine little cock, and, having transferred them to a brown paper bag for greater protection from draught, and offering up a fervent prayer that in a fit of absence of mind I might not sit down on them, I carried them off to the station.

How to Land A Good Thing.

My prayer must have been answered, for we reached home quite safely, and I put them for a few days into an ordinary box cage, to get used to things. On looking at them next day I did not regret my judgment, for they were as tight as wax, and hopping merrily about the cage. There's nothing comes without calling in the world, and after you've called, you've generally got to go and fetch it yourself. I had exemplified the truth of this saying in my own person. The birds I sent for all died (I allow it was *mea culpa, mea maxima culpa*) but that didn't alter the fact. The birds I went and fetched, lived and multiplied.

If you want to succeed in breeding a new species of bird, you want a place where you can put them all to themselves; we all know that young married folk like to be alone, however charming their mother-in-law may be, and it is just the same with newly-mated birds. Then you want an unlimited supply of patience. If you don't succeed at first, try, try, try again, and lastly you must put a curb on your curiosity. Birds won't have their nests looked at.

People are always writing me for advice about how to succeed. They seem to think I have some wonderful secret I carefully keep to myself, and when I send them my receipt they say I am dealing out commonplace generalities. Of course I am, but that's where the receipt comes in, and if anyone will take these commonplace generalities and knead them into his dough, the mixture will be cake.

The Next Best Thing.

Never having been to Africa, I know nothing about where Avadavats build in a state of nature, but I concluded that they probably built in the long coarse grass everywhere so common. As I hadn't got any and couldn't make any, I thought the next best thing would be a privet hedge. Accordingly, I planted a nice clump of privet close to the window of the aviary; and one glorious June morning I opened it wide, and out popped my Avadavats to view the land. They seemed delighted with their surroundings, and evidently thought from the heat of the weather that they must be back where, as the hymn tells us,

"Afric's sunny fountains
Roll down the golden sand."

They darted hither and thither and never seemed to grow tired of exploring their new home.

Not many days after I was charmed to see one of the hens carrying about bents of grass in her beak, and evidently seeking a place where she could make her nest. Eventually she selected a site at quite the bottom of the privet bush, and there constructed a wonderful ball-shaped nest, with a tiny hole towards the light. The nest was of dried grass, warmly lined inside with feathers I considerately plucked from one of my White Cochins. Some folks would have wanted to put a finger in that nest, just to feel if there was anything inside. I once did that in my school days, and thereby lost a fine chance of a brood. I had read in some idiotic bird book that birds didn't mind, and I believed it. There is no easier way to cure foolishness than to give a man leave to be foolish.

Everything went happily for ten days, and then it began to rain as if an angel was emptying buckets out of the sky. I said to myself: "This will never do; if that rain keeps on my Avadavats and their nest will be washed away." I was in a very awkward position. The hen had sat well, and I felt confident that she would bring off a brood, if only she could be kept dry; but how was it to be managed? I was rather in the position of the boy chased by the bull—open to congratulation because he reached the fence first—but to condolence because a fellow up a tree in the middle of a four-acre field is in a mighty bad fix.

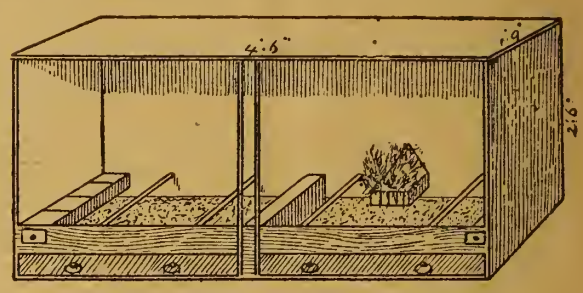
Not Yet out of the Wood.

I was open to congratulation, for I had got to the fence first, and had secured a nest; but, like the boy, I was in a mighty bad fix, because of the rain. How was I to keep that nest dry? It was a choice of evils. If I did nothing, the nest was doomed; if I did anything, the hen would probably forsake incontinently. Something had to be done, and done mightily quickly. I rushed up the garden, seized one of the garden "lights," and carefully fixed it over the nest. I thought glass would be better than a box lid, which would make everything so dark. Luckily the hen did not seem to mind—perhaps she did not notice the light; or fancied that the day was a bit darker than usual. Anyhow, she went on sitting.

One day, as I was looking out of the aviary window immediately above the nest, I detected the faintest little chirping; it was so faint that I had to listen hard to catch it, but I was lifted up with pride, for I knew that now, if nothing untoward happened, "on my arm hung victory."

Celebrating the Occasion.

About a fortnight later (I had religiously let that nest alone in the meanwhile) I heard a great excitement in the aviary. The Avadavats flitting anxiously about, and calling loudly and incessantly. At first I was full of fear, and my heart played postman's knock at my ribs. I needn't have been frightened, it was merely the Avadavats introducing their offspring to the world. There they were on the ground in front of the window, three queer little snuff-coloured mites with black beaks, and in full feather. My, but weren't their parents proud of them! They might have known that they had done something out of the common, as indeed they had. I can't tell you all I felt about them. A lady was once expatiating to Douglas Jerrold about the beauty of an infant. "I can't really," she said, "find words to convey to you even a faint idea of its beauty." "I see," said Jerrold, "it is a child more easily conceived than described." That was just my position. And that is the true story of the breeding of my first nest of Avadavats.



A CAGE FOR HYBRID BREEDERS.

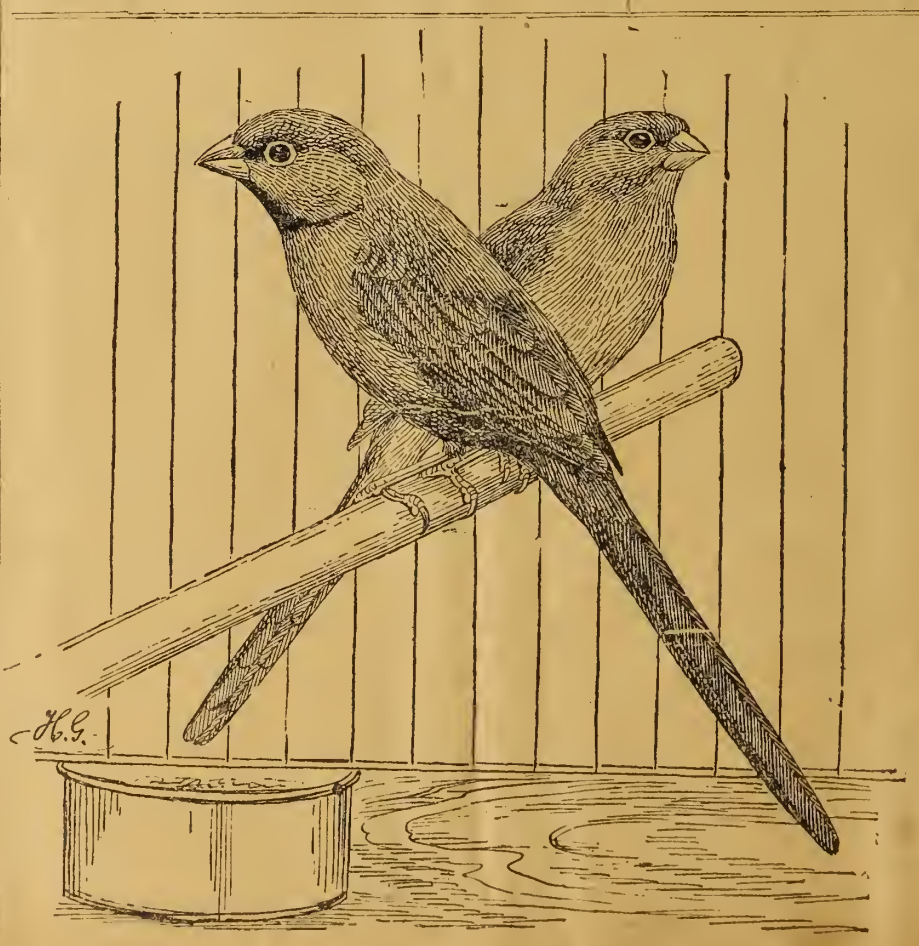
This is the type of cage used by Mr. E. Collins, of Barnstaple, a well-known and successful fancier. It will be noted that it may be divided into two compartments, that the perches are placed very low down, to safeguard eggs dropped on the cage floor, and that the nest-box is screened by means of bunches of dried grasses, or bits of fir, etc., branches.

A Fit of Bad Temper.

After a time, I had to take away the youngsters, as the cock turned spiteful towards them. Probably he wished to go to rest a second time. The hen was very angry at his proceedings, and turned as grouty as King Ahab when he turned his face to the wall and would eat no bread. However, after a few days she recovered her temper, and dutifully built a second nest near the first; but as I had done what I wanted, I ruthlessly pulled it out and hung it up in my study, and "it is there unto this day."

And now I think I had better end, or else you will be saying to me what Sydney Smith once said to a bore. On one of his visits to London he met Young, the actor, at Holland House, and after the actor had been monopolising the talk for some time, Smith turned to him and said: "Do you know, Mr. Young, I had much rather be listening to you than to the lowing of oxen or the bleating of sheep." As I shouldn't like you to say that: Good-bye.

(To be continued.)



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How Exhibition Canaries Should be Bred.

Two well-known Fanciers—one from the North and one from the South—give this problem their consideration.

The Views of Mr. Frank Cole, of East Dulwich.

A PROMINENT Exhibitor—words flattering to many, but how dear to all; dear in one sense because they are justly earned by much thought and careful breeding, dear in another sense because they have emptied pockets (which, by the way, they seldom fill). How soon the man with the full purse finds truth in the words, "there's no royal road to success," and 'tis well, for herein lies the opportunity of many. He pays his £8 or £10 for his show birds. You and I will be content with stock birds, and, although we cannot beat him this year, our time will come. First of all, he buys from the show bench, but knows nothing of how the birds are bred; and then show birds always have a tendency to breed smaller than themselves. Our "v.h.c." will give us more pleasure than his "first" because we have, as it were, made it, while his show bird is but "filthy lucre," after all. If he breeds a good one he deserves it—all honour to his selection. But enough; I want to give my views on how to breed winners.

Of course, what I am about to say will, in general principle, apply to any variety, but I think it better to adopt one in particular, and, for choice, the Norwich Plainhead. This, to my mind, is the poor man's bird, ever ready to sing, of good appearance, and full of life; an ornament to any exhibition, a companion in the drawing-room, and equally at home in the cottage.

In The Beginning.

First of all, get to know your variety. Study the drawings in CAGE BIRDS. They will show you what kind of bird is winning, therefore what you must breed. Then go to a good show, shut your eyes to the tickets and try and pick out the winners in your section, or try and find fault with the awards. Keep your thoughts to yourself, though, or you may hurt someone's feelings and be dubbed "disappointed exhibitor." Of course, there is no harm if you have a friend with you in saying "that is my choice," but be careful not to give offence, and try to make sure of your ground—that is, of the correctness of your critical views. Having learned something of the variety, now for No. 2 question: Where shall we buy our birds?

If you have not joined a society, do so. You will learn much that is useful at its meetings, and soon find the chief breeders of your variety—mind, breeders, not exhibitors. If you play your cards nicely you will soon be asked to "come and see the birds." You go; you may be pleased with the birds or not. If not, well, you thank him for the visit and try someone else. If you find there is plenty of "go" in his birds, that they are of good and uniform shape (not varying in type from a Border to a Lancashire), this is your man.

Of course, you have kept a pair or two before, and know something as to how to start in real earnest. Sell out all your old stock except one pair, which should be kept as foster-parents in case they are wanted, and if you can raise say, £3, well and good, and this should be sufficient, although even this amount is not absolutely necessary to buy one cock and two hens.

Now the third question arises, and we ask ourselves what we must look out for. Although you will allow the seller to assist in your selection, you must look after yourself. Let me describe the hens first. They must be unflighted. Old hens are never cheap. These can be either two yellows or two buffs, but must be the shortest and most typical you can get for your money. One can be heavily marked; or, if bred from marked stock, both clear or ticked. I like the green blood on the hen side, as it is then easier to work with. I like hens that are just too small for the show bench.

A Point Oft-times Overlooked.

Give as much attention to that part of the bird behind the perch as that part in front of it. A nice round skull—not flat, and not browy—thick neck and chest, short wings, and a tail sticking out, as it were, from the end of a pear—what is termed nicely filled in at the vent, not one of those that look as if the tail feathers were stuck in a plum. The latter only means "trousers." The tail should be carried quite stiff and slightly cocked up, if you can get it, not drooping down like that of a Lancashire. This latter is a serious fault, and will give you much trouble to breed out. You don't want to see daylight between the tail and wing tips. Good tail carriage means good wing carriage. Crossed wing-tips are an abomination, and must be carefully guarded against. In fact, as I have said, let your hens be small show birds. Small necessarily, because your money is not enough to buy good big ones. As a friend of mine often remarks, "the hen is the mould," so you cannot be too careful. Of course, if the hens are bred from good-sized stock, they will be the better.

Now for the cock. He must make up for the hens in size—be as big as possible. If your hens are buff, the cock must be yellow; if they are yellows, then get a buff cock. One a year old is best, if he has proved a breeder, with plenty of body, plenty of feather, and a good colour. Size and colour come from the cock, just as surely as type comes from the hen. One of those "surly-looking" beggars will do, but don't let him be too flat on the head. As your hens are clean in head, just a little brow is not a serious drawback, because it will help to make the skull look broader.

Let him be clear bred, or with the hens I have suggested you will get too many "circus horses." The acme of perfection is a clear yellow—a ball of fire—but dark blood cannot be ignored or your birds will soon become washy in appearance. Of course, type must be considered, but in the cock it is a secondary consideration, and if, as I have suggested, you went to a good breeder, type will have been inbred.

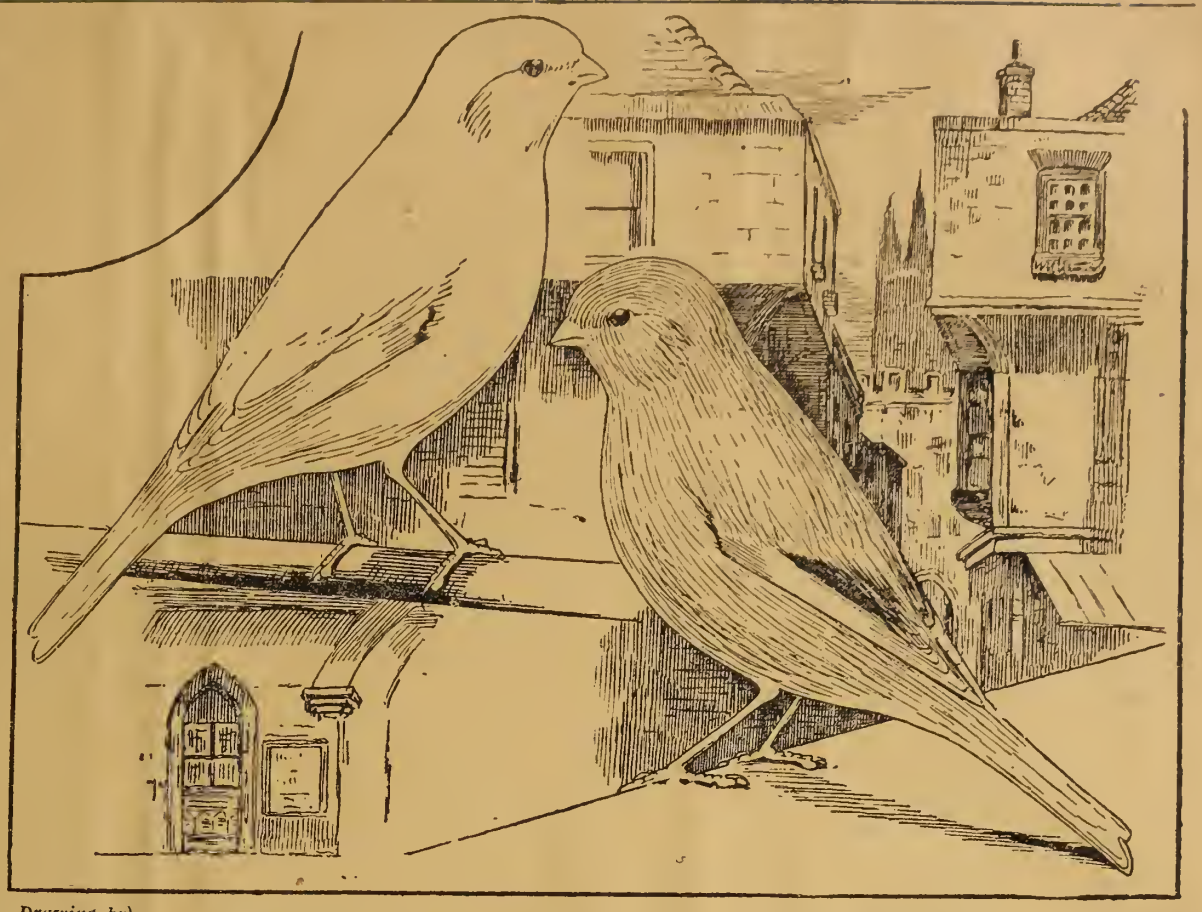
I hope the breeding season will be a good one. Result, perhaps 8 or 10, or even a dozen youngsters from those two hens. It may be more or it may be less; but don't take numbers into consideration—look at the quality. Like the man who was reminded that he took his wife "for better or for worse," you may be tempted to agree with him when he said "aye, but there's o'er much worse." Never mind, that young cock is an improvement on his father, and that young hen better than her mother. Or you may find that a cock from one hen and a hen from the other make a good pair. If so, next year—and, mind you, for one year only—pair father to daughter, son to mother, or half-brother to half-sister, and if your birds are in good health you will not lose either in size or stamina. This is, of course, in-breeding, but it is concentration, and concentration means success.

Sticking to the same Blood.

You can also in this, your second year, use the same pairs as in the first year, and you will find in all probability the youngsters will be larger. Why? Because the birds are more mature. While last season you had only two hens, in this you have 3 or 4. But don't overdo it. Unless there is a marked improvement in one bird, don't inbreed to save buying another hen. This is false economy.

In adding to your stock go first to the breeder who started you. If he has anything suitable to improve yours, buy it, even if you pay a shilling or two more. If not, don't rush to the show bench and chance spoiling all your work. If, say, yours are poor in head, or a shade long, look on the show bench or in CAGE BIRDS reports, and find someone whose winners are often stated to have "good heads," or are particularly "short and chubby." Write to that breeder if you cannot visit him, tell him what you want, and have on approval. Pay as much as you can afford; but don't be tempted to ride the hobby horse too hard.

Remember that in building up a strain the greatest care must be exercised not to lose one point in gaining another, as one may easily do in adding new blood. Let "here a little, there a little," be your motto, and in the words of the good old song, "something attempted something done" will eventually earn not a night's repose, but the title of "a prominent breeder and exhibitor."



Drawing by) *(H. Norman.*

WINNERS AT HISTORIC CANTERBURY.

These two grand Norwich Plainheads won first prizes. On the left is the clear buff cock exhibited by Mr. F. J. Wickham, of Chatham. On the right is the marked yellow cock exhibited by Mr. H. E. Taylor, of Canterbury.

WHAT A YORKSHIREMAN THINKS OF IT.

The Views of Mr. W. Wharton, of Bradford.

IN mating Canaries to breed exhibition specimens, the first consideration should be type, which should not be lacking in either of the two birds we intend to mate up, because without type we have not proper material to work with, and without the proper material we cannot build anything of any value. Therefore, in the first instance, we must have type.

What is type? To my mind it is the general outline of the variety, such as we see week after week depicted in CAGE BIRDS. That is type. Colour, quality, steadiness, size—you can have all the other good points that go towards making up the exhibition specimen, but without type they are of no use. Obviously, therefore, we must have type above all things.

The second consideration is quality, which, when combined with type, goes a long way towards making up the desired show specimen. What is quality? It is that waxiness of feather, that smoothness, that solid, boxwood-like appearance of the plumage, which we see on the show bench. Therefore these two things we must have, in the Yorkshire, the Norwich, the Border Fancy, and most other varieties.

The next thing to consider is steadiness. This to my mind is a very important factor. It is an old saying (which is very true), that Like Begets Like. We find that we cannot do without steadiness, therefore it will not pay us to ignore this point in our stock.

Next comes size, which is another important item to be taken into consideration. Therefore we must mate up with birds that are somewhere near the standard size. We may get over the standard if we can, a good point in our stock birds, without fear of the youngsters being too large. But we must not get much under, as the youngsters might be too small. For my own part, I do not care for the method which some fanciers adopt, that is, pairing a large cock to a small hen. I myself like them both to be about of a size; and that is the standard size.

Some Important Items.

The next item in our stock pair to consider is position which, in the Yorkshire, corresponds with action and carriage in the Norwich. Therefore without position in the Yorkshire and carriage in the Norwich, we shall be a long way behind. Next comes colour, which we are bound to consider to some extent, because we find that where two birds are equal in all points with the exception of colour, the best coloured bird takes precedence. In a Norwich colour is of even more importance than the Yorkshire.

Another very important item is the health (strength and robustness) of our stock birds. If we do not breed with healthy birds, we cannot expect to breed healthy youngsters, and without they are healthy we cannot expect them to stand the trials of the show bench.

Having all these items firmly rooted in our minds, we must also consider the pedigree of our stock birds, which is very important, because a show bird is seldom bred straight away—it takes years of judicious pairing to produce the necessary material to breed show birds.

We will suppose that we have the requisite stock birds, having taken into consideration all the aforementioned items, and proceed to consider the preparations for mating. A very good plan, which I have adopted and found successful, is to put the pair (or pairs) together during the winter is very important, because a show bird is seldom breeding condition. I find that this saves time and trouble when the pairing season comes round. I generally separate them again about the middle of January. From this time constant attention must be paid to them. You may give a little egg food about twice a week, also two or three drops of treacle in their drinking water once a week. Half a teaspoonful of mixed seed, too, about twice a week is good, but don't overdo the tit-bits or you may get your birds over-conditioned. If it is very cold weather, you can give about a dozen hemp seeds now and again, or a few rolled oats.

(To be continued.)

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A Good Enamelling Hint.
(Winner of Half-crown Prize.)

I have adopted the following plan when enamelling my cages: I get a half a cupful of ground glue and dissolve it by pouring boiling water on to it, and then give a thin coat to the cage. The glue has the effect of stopping up the pores of the wood, making one coat of enamel quite sufficient. Add a small quantity of petrol to your enamel, and you will get an even and glossy surface. I think this will be useful to all bird fanciers. —T. W. Johnson, 57, Morris Street, Birtley, Co. Durham.

Simple Cure for Diarrhœa.

The most simple cure I know of for diarrhœa in birds is to fill up the drinker with fresh brewed tea every morning. I have tried it with much success, with my Larks, and I find it work wonders with fresh caught birds, which are likely to be affected by the change of food.—Thos. Shannon, Belfast.

Rough on Red Mite.
(Winner of Half-crown Prize.)

A splendid insecticide for washing out cages can be made in the following way:—Get ¼-lb. carbon, half a pint of paraffin oil (in a pint bottle), 2lb. of soft soap, and 2 ozs. of powdered sulphur. Put the soft soap into an old saucepan with about a tablespoonful of water, and bring to a boil; dissolve the carbon in paraffin oil, and when dissolved stir into the soft soap, adding the sulphur at the same time, and well stir. Put into a tin, and when washing cages use two tablespoonfuls to half a gallon of warm water, stirring until dissolved. It will kill all red mite and other insects. It is also a grand remedy for blight on rose trees, used in the same proportions.—O. C. Smith, 77, Audley Street, Reading.

The Safe Heating of Aviaries.

As most lamps are not reliable without attention, I think the following simple idea will meet most cases of small aviaries. Heat bricks in the oven to a good heat, number of bricks put according to size of aviaries, and stand on cold bricks. This idea is cheap, safe, and clean, and takes the chilly air away.—W. Southgate, Parkstone.

The Getting of Fresh Caught Linnets on Food.

Procure half a cupful of the following seed mixture: Dandelion, thistle, dock, or any other wild seed mixture procurable at this time of the year. Dip the mixture mentioned in a little water, then mix it among the ordinary seed. Then place it in a shallow dish containing a little water, in a little corner of the cage. The Linnets will start picking among it very quickly, and I find they soon get into seed condition with this little hint. Further, it acts as water and food.—F. MacPherson, Oban.

Keeping Privet Berries Fresh.

Privet berries may be kept fresh for a much larger period if treated as follows:—Immediately they are gathered, take each bunch and push the stalk well down into some moist soil, in the garden, or in a flat box. Always take plenty of stalk with the berries, when gathering them. If the berries are bought from a collector, see they are gathered with as much stalk as possible, even if you have to pay a little extra postage. If treated as above, the berries will keep quite fresh for two or three weeks. —W. H. Teat, Grantham.

Tile Baths and Nest Boxes.

With some small sample tiles from a builder and a little plaster of Paris, or cement, you can make serviceable baths and nest boxes, to suit your own cages and bird rooms, and at very little cost. I have made one bath to fit inside a travelling cage (Hartz Canary) which I hang outside; but it could also be used as a nest box.—R. Spencer, Herne Hill, S.E.

Rolling Pin as Seed Crusher.

Crushed seed is an every-day necessity for young and fresh-caught birds, and possibly every housekeeper possesses a pastry rolling pin: so ask mother to lend it to you for a few moments. Then put required quantity of seed on the table and roll it with the pin, as mother rolls her pastry, and by this means you have fresh crushed seed, with little labour, and no extra cost.—Hy. Broom (Bridgwater).

Please thank all applicants for British birds advertised in "CAGE BIRDS" two weeks ago, as I would need a secretary to reply to them all. The advt. was 2/6 well spent, and could have sold double the stock easy.—J. Leach (Portobello).

The Young Naturalist.

Prizes of 1s. and two of 6d. each will be given weekly for the best three anecdotes about birds written on postcards. Competitors must be under sixteen years of age, and state whence stories are taken. Two stars indicate the Winning Contribution, one star the runners-up.

* A One-legged Husband.

I was staying with my grandpa for three weeks in August. He had a poor cock Sparrow with one leg, which had come into his garden in the winter. He put a box up for it under the roof, in which it used to sleep. In it he had a wife and four young ones, ready to fly when I was there, and they seemed so happy. Sent by Doris Pulsford (age 7), 5, Alfold Road, Cranleigh, Surrey.

* Lining the Horse Collars.

Last spring a man came to our door and asked father for a job at repairing any harness. Father had two collars in the carthouse that wanted re-lining, and went to get them. To his surprise he found a Wren's nest in each of them—one finished and the other being built. Father is a bird-lover, and he returned and told the man that birds were lining the collars, and with feathers this time! He said he thought it was only fair to leave them to complete the job, and that the man would have to call again.—Sent by Gladys Griffiths (age 9), Tyrhiw, Cnwes, Kilgerran, Pem.

* * Poor Old Snail!

A sober old snail was crawling along,
When up came a Mavis to find
Some trifle to eat, by way of a treat,
The fat old snail suited his mind.

But into his shell popped wise Mr. Snail:
"I'm not at home, Throstle, to you,"
"I don't wish," cried he, "to be eaten, you see,
"Though tasty I am, it is true."

Now this did not please the Mavis at all;
With sharp beak he picked up the shell,
And knocked it in vain, again and again,
On the stone at the edge of a well.

The house of the snail was certainly strong;
But then in went the roof with a crash,
The Throstle was pleased, as the dainty he seized,
And he gobbled it up in a flash.

[Sent by A. Green (14) 14, King Street, Leek.]

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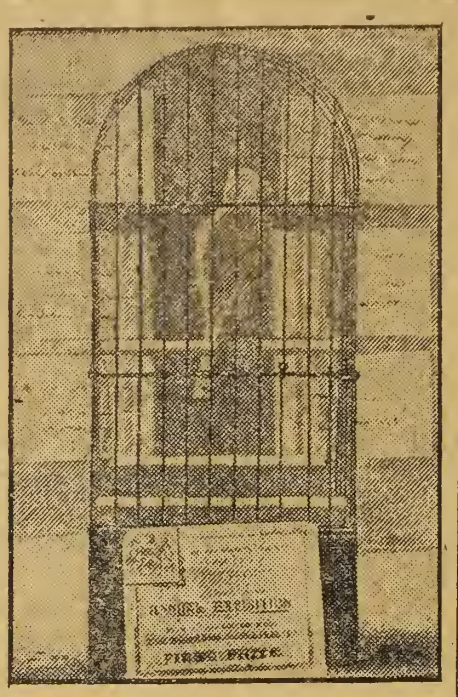
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The Stranger in the Syringa Bush.

An amusing instance of much ado about nothing.

IN the smaller towns in the United States the librarian is usually looked upon as a public official who is at the beck and call of the community, and it is quite the usual thing to telephone to him for information on all imaginable subjects. Here is a yarn, told by Mr. Edmund Pearson in "The Librarian at Play," which shows the result of one such telephone inquiry: Miss Patterson, the assistant reference librarian, was seated at the telephone, when the bell rang and the following conversation ensued—"Is this the Library?" "Yes. This is Mrs. Humphrey Mayo." "Have you any books on birds? I'm much interested in a large bird that's been perching on our syringa-bush for



LOADED WITH HONOURS.
This photograph, by Mr. J. Lane, of Bradford, is of Messrs. Ogden Bros.' noted buff Yorkshire Canary, which won so many special prizes (note the award cards on its cage) at the Bradford National Show, vide report in this issue.

the last half-hour. It's a very extraordinary bird. I do not dare to go nearer for fear of startling it. Now, if I should describe it, could you look it up in some of your books?" "Why, I think so!" "Well, it's a large bird, like an Eagle, nearly all black. Its feathers are rumpled up, and it has a ruff and a splash of scarlet on its head. It must be some tropical bird that's lost its way. Perhaps it's hurt." "I haven't any bird books right at hand. I'll send to the reading-room. Hold the wire, please!" After an interval the messenger returned from the reading-room. "He says it's a Crow." "A Crow!" exclaimed Miss Patterson. "A Crow?" echoed Mrs. Mayo at the other end of the wire. "That's impossible! I know Crows. Why this has a ruff and a magnificent red——"

A long wait ensued, but after fifteen minutes the assistant reference librarian and Mrs. Mayo were again in communication. "We think it may be a Californian Grebe—we can't say positively. But, if it has tufts behind the ears, it might be the White-legged Hoopoe. But Mr. Reginald Kookle happens to be in the library, and we've asked him." "What, the author of Winged Warblers of Waltham?' What does he say?" "He's not sure, but he's much interested. He has already started for your house." "Oh, that will be perfectly lovely! Thank you so much! Good-bye!"

Mr. Kookle, the eminent writer on birds, approached Mrs. Mayo's house carefully from the rear, since the mysterious stranger was on the front lawn. Mr. Kookle was dressed in his famous brown suit, in perfect harmony with the colour of dead grass, to render him as nearly as possible invisible against the snowless winter landscape. He had his field-glasses already levelled on the syringa-bush, when Mrs. Mayo greeted him, "Right there, do you see, Mr. Kookle?" "Yes, I see him all right." A light mist hung over the wet grass. The interesting stranger sat near the ground, with his feathers much ruffled and his back towards his observers. It was possible even at that distance to see the magnificent crimson crest. "I suspected it." "What? What is it?" asked Mrs. Mayo eagerly. "Madam, I envy you! You have the distinction of being the first observer of the only specimen of the *Bulbus clariscus giganticus* ever known to come north of the fourteenth parallel." Mrs. Mayo was moved nearly to tears. "Are you sure?" "If I could only get a nearer view of his feet—I will make a detour from your drive—you approach from the house."

The strategic movement began, stealthily, until they stood opposite, with the syringa-bush between them. The bird now took an interest in the proceedings. He raised his head, uttering a peculiar hoarse note that sounded like "Craw-w-w!" Mr. Kookle and Mrs. Mayo stopped, electrified. Then the bird hopped out of the bush, giving vent to this remarkable song—"Cut, cut, cut, cut, ker dar-cut! Ker-dar-cut!" It gave some more raucous squawks, flew over the fence, ran across the road, and joined the other Black Minorca fowls in Higgin's yard. Mrs. Mayo entered the house; Mr. Kookle returned his field-glasses to the case, turned up the collar of his famous brown coat, and walked rapidly away!

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If the cage-bird shows that have been held already this season are anything to go by, it is probable that after the great Crystal Palace show in February next we shall be able to look back upon 1912-13 as having been a record.

Certain it is that the splendid hobby of bird-keeping is on the up-grade; those who have studied CAGE BIRDS must hold this opinion strongly. The 1912-13 show season will be looked back upon with pleasure by those (and there are hundreds of new names) who have secured honours in the lists, and it is this that will secure for CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL for 1913 a huge sale, because, in the contents of this most handy reference book for bird-lovers will be included the only complete review of all varieties during the present show season, and the only list of winning exhibitors. Exhibitors of British, Mules, and Hybrids, and of every variety of Canary and of foreign birds will read this feature with avidity.

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A Rare Lot.

One of those zoological rarities—the egg of the long-extinct Great Auk—which occasionally find their way into the auction room, was recently offered for sale in London. At the present time there are not more than seventy specimens of this egg known to collectors, and the highest recorded price at which one of them has changed hands in recent years has been over 300 guineas. The history has been attended with a good deal of romantic interest. In 1865 the late Professor Newton, the famous naturalist, discovered a splendid set of ten in the rooms of the Royal College of Surgeons, and so little was known of them that the box in which they were contained was labelled "Penguin's Eggs." One also which fetched over 300 guineas some years ago was bought at a furniture sale in Kent by a youth, who brought it back to London with another strapped on the back of his bicycle, unaware that they were the valuable product of the long-extinct bird.

WHITBURN C.B.S.

Seventh annual show held Dec. 7 in the Town Hall. Unfortunately, owing to the dull day, the light was very bad; the judges, however, did their best under the circumstances. The executive are a splendid band of workers, and did their utmost to please all. Mr Lambie, the secretary, had everything in order, but we are sorry to say the entries were down somewhat from last year, particularly in the Norwich Section. British and Borders made a grand display, some fine exhibits being on view. Mr. R. Martin (Kirkintilloch) judged the Norwich Section; Mr. J. Thomson (Newtongrange), Borders; and Mr. James Strachen (Bathgate), Britishers. Very little grumbling was heard over their respective awards. The Ure Cup was won by Mr. H. Bennett for most points with six nominated birds, also the B.F.C.C. medal with a grand Border staged to perfection. Novice Border medal confined to the parish went to Mr. W. Lambie; Norwich ditto, Mr. Reid. Spl for most points over Nor. Section, Mr. Lambie; ditto British, Mr. R. Gentleman; runners-up, Stewart and Dalling; spl best nov. Brit. confined to parish, Mr. R. Allen. There were no catalogues of awards this year, which made the situation very awkward for visitors on the look-out for purchases.

The Critique.

CREST: 1, spl, Binnie, large varieg., great size and subs., in beautiful feather; 2, 3, res, Lambie, two grand birds in lovely order, well placed. C.B.: 1, Binnie, large varieg., rare size and subs., grand skull, well lashed; 2, 3, R. Lambie, just beaten in size and subs., still two typical birds. NOR. YELL. CL. OR TKD.: 1, Lawson, good size, fine col., nice head and flights, in the pink of condition; 2, Allan, falls in size to winner, very typical bird, good 2nd. HEN: 1, Reid, grand size and fine col., very typical, grand qual. of feather, wins on cond.; 2, Lawson, falls in size to winner, all there for qual.; 3, Smith, bit flat on head, good size, well placed; 4, Lambie, nice qual. of feather; 5, Wildridge. BUFF CK. CL. OR TK.: 1, Wildridge, fine size, nice qual., wins on cond.; 2, Barrie, grand bird, good head, nice flights, our choice; 3, Forrest, good size, nice head and frontal, little narrow in head; 4, Sharp, grand head, nice frontal, well put down, little wet when we saw it. HEN canc. YELL. CK. VARIEG., ETC.: 1, Sharp, fine size and shape, good head, nice col., rare good wings, in grand fettle; 2, Wildridge, another good bird, nice type. HEN: 1, Blackley, green mk., plenty of size, rare qual., wins; 2, R. Lambie, another good var. Nor., nice head and feather; 3, Wildridge, nice bird, grand qual., good size and subs. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, Simpson, nice size, good qual. of feather; 2nd much the same falls in head to winner; 3, Lambie, nice one, good size, little rough in feathers. HEN: 1, Barrie, fair size, good head and nice wings, nice qual. of feather, well staged; 2, Smith, neat wings, rare col., in splendid cond. A.V. UNFLIG.: 1, Simpson, leader lovely col., carries wings and tail well; 2, another good one neat wings and head, good second; 3, Barrie, another big one, very typical, in grand order. HENS: 1, Simpson, grand bird, nicely set up, neat wings and head, wins well; 2, Smith, nice boxy feather, inclined to be restless; 3, Reid, lovely col., very stylish, little narrow in head; 4, Lambie, grand size and sub., nice qual. of feather, could have gone up here. NON-FED: 1, Gordon, grand size and sub., good front, in shining order; 2, Reid, nice size, in good cond., slimmer in build to winner; 3, Dunlop, good qual. of feather, fails in size to winner. HENS: 1, Stirling, good one, nice head and wings, rare round front, well put down; 2, Wildridge, nice head and wings, good qual., much slimmer in build to winner; 3, Blackley, good size and subs., bit rough in feather; 4, Dunlop, good qual., rather on small side; 5, Gordon; 6, Reid. CINN.: 1, Reid, nice style and qual., neat head, good wing carr.; 2, 3, Lambie, not so pure in col., but all there for size and subs. BORDER YELL. CL. OR TK.: 1, Gilchrist, rich in col., clean shaped, jaunty in style and action, very neat all over; 2, Young, equal col., not quite so stylish, nice head, good wings; 3, Bennett, rich in col., nice round head, close up here; 4, Lambie, good col., hardly so fine in feather; 5, Smart; 6, Irons. HENS: 1, H. Bennett, grand col., neat shape, tight in feather, nice free style, wins; 2, Young, rich col., nice head, clean shape, good wings; 3, G. Bennett, lovely qual. of feather, smart and stylish, thicker in build to winners; 4, Gilchrist, hardly so neat as winners; 5, Johnston; 6, Lambie. BUFF CK. CL. OR TK.: 1, G. Bennett, rich col., fine texture of feather, neat wings and head; 2, H. Bennett, very fine qual., nice head, stylish; 3, R. Lambie, nicely feathered, hardly so neat as winner; 4, Smart, nice wings, neat carr., not so round in head; 5, W. Lambie; 6, Irons. HEN: 1, H. Bennett, excellent qual., neat wings and shape, nice free style, staged to perfection; 2, R. Lambie, wee bit heavier in build, nice qual., neat wings, fine head; 3, G. Bennett, tkd. head and neck, nicely got up, well placed; 4, Dodds, nice col., hardly so stylish as winners; 5, Irons; 6, Duncan. YELL. GREEN CK.: 1, 5, R. Lambie, grand col. and style, yet very bunchy when taking notes; 2, T. Duncan, shade slimmer in build, but all there for qual.; 3, G. Duncan, nice, stylish, good shape, well pencilled, we preferred for 2nd; 4, Dodds, nice mks. and col., loses qual.; 6, Campbell. BUFF: 1, Fisher, nice back lacings, good wing carr., fails in body col. to 2nd, W. Lambie, nice col., clean cut waist, neat head, close up; 3, Rowe, not quite so shapely as winner; 4, Dodds, good shape, wee bit rough in feather; 5, R. Lambie; 6, Campbell. HEN: 1, res, Lambie, nice shape, good wings, good col., well put down; 2, 4, Bennett, neat bird, good front, good wing carr., close up; 3, W. Lambie, capital shape, much longer than winners; 4, sp, Montgomery, fails in col., but very shapely body; 5, Lambie; 6, Campbell. CINN. CK.: 1, 4, three spls, R. Lambie, leader grand type, nice head, pure in col.; 4, Irvine winner, we thought could have gone up here; 2, Bennett, very typical Border, grand col. and qual.; 3, Dodds, good one, little restless; 5, W. Lambie; 6, Calder. HEN: 1, Rowe, nice tone of col., fine type and qual., well placed; 2, 6, R. Lambie, close on winner, well staged; 3, H. Bennett, very sweet exhibit, lovely qual. and cond.; 4, Johnstone; 5, Whitelaw. CINN. VARIEG.: 1, 4, W. Lambie, grand bird full of qual., nice head and wings, good carr., wins; 4th similar build, not so neat in feather; 2, Campbell, not so pure in col., nice style, very neat; 3, Bennett, nice qual., hardly so rich as winner; 5, Gentleman; 6, Montgomery. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Bennett, eye and wing mk., sweet exhibit, all there for qual. and cond.; 2, Harper, head and wing mk., fine stamp, nice round head, in beautiful feather; 3, Young, eye and wing mk., good shape and qual., much rougher in feather to winner; 4, Johnston, much the same in qual. and cond.; 5, Irons; 6, Andrews. A.V. CK.: 1, Gilchrist, eye and wing mk., good one, nice wing carr., staged in tiptop order; 2, R. Lambie, grand cinn. mk., fine eyes, well balanced wings, in lovely order; 3, Johnston, good qual. of feather, neat head, not so stylish; 4, W. Lambie, Cinn. mk., fails in qual. to winner; 5, Andrews; 6, Bennett. NOV. A.V.: 1, 2, Livingston; 3, W. Lambie; 4, Duncan; 5, 6, Allan. GOLDFINCH: 1, Stirling, nice size, good blaze, in rich col., nicely buttoned wings, wins; 2, Miller and Addie, smaller in size, good face, very nicely tanned; 3, McLean and Son, nice Goldie, scarcely the size of winners; 4, Gentleman, grand Finch, presses hard; 5, Crone; 6, Aitken. BULLFINCH: 1, Miller and Addie, grand Bullie for size, rich breast col., nice cap and good wing bars; 2, Small, large upstanding bird, massive skull, falls in col. to winner; 3, Sykes, much smaller in size to winner, well placed; 4, Gentleman, another good one for type, fine breast colour, presses hard; 5, Steele; 6, Calder. BULLFINCH HEN: 1, Stewart and Dalling, often described, large hen, nice shade of col., but a bit loose in feather, requires a rest; 2, Thomson, good col., nice bib, rather square headed; 3, 5, Gentleman, nice hen, very tight in feather, could have gone up here; 4, R. Watson, all there for size, bit rough at thighs; 6, D. Lambie. LINNET, H.M.: 1, Stewart and Dalling, big upstanding bird, full of qual., easy win; 2, Thomson, not the qual. of winner, trifle open in breast; 3, Craft, some preferred for second, cl. and distinct mks., very steady, well staged; 4, McKinley, nice nutty brown, wee bit unsteady; 5, Calder; 6, no name. F.M.: 1, A. W. Watson, great size, well pencilled, nice round head, will not move from bottom of cage; 2, McLean, similar in size to winner, much feather on skull; 3, Gentleman, good cond., rather open in breast mks.; 4, Calder, good bird, but requires steadying; 5, McKinley; 6, Craig. GREENFINCH, COL.-FED: 1, Stewart and Dalling, large Greenie, often described; 2, Sharp, Glasgow City winner again coming into cond.; 3, Messer, nice Finch, flights bit ruffled when taking notes; 4, Aitken, some preferred for winner, nice chest, grand shape, nice level col.; 5, Craft. H.M.: 1, Messer, great size, shows himself well, nice flights, grandly proportioned; 2, McLean and Son, much smaller, nice rich col., in tiptop cond.; 3, McKechnie, another good one, could be better staged; 4, Steven, grand col., steady, well placed; 5, Laing; 6, A. McLean. F.M.: 1, 5, Gentleman, grand size, in lovely bloom, wins; 2, Calder, not quite so good in colour; 3, Forrest, fails in col., good size, nice head; 4, A. McLean, nice tone of col., crouchy on perch; 6, Flood. HEN: 1, Sykes, fine size, good col.; 2, Laing, another nice Finch, close up; 3, Blackey, close up; 4, Aitken, well placed; 5, Thomson; 6, Taylor. LESSER 'POLL: 1, W. Lambie, nice size and col., perfect little gem, easy win; 2, McGillivray Bros., anothed good one, fails in size and col. to winner; 3, Calder, again on small side, still in good cond. F.M.: 1, McLean and Son, gem for col. and shape, in perfect cond.; 2, Gentleman, another big winner, nicely staged; 3, Flood, nice size and mks., in lovely order; 4, McGillivray Bros., grand 'Poll, rare cap and bib, in the pink of cond., close up; 5, Sykes; 6, Allan. MEALY 'POLL OR TWITE: 1, Scotland, Mealy, tiptop specimen, nice col. and lacing, often described; 2, Gentleman, Twite, nice col., shows himself for all he is worth; 3, Messer, Mealy, good size, nice head, well laced; 4, A. W. Watson, Twite, fails in col. to winner; 5, Calder; 6, Muir. SISKIN: 1, G. W. Watson, Glasgow City winner, a wee beauty, nat. col., in the pink of cond.; 2, Sykes, nicely fed Siskin, small bib, good flank mkgs; 3, Thomson, nice one, will do better later on; 4, Gentleman, close up; 5, Small; 6, Craig. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFIE: 1, Stewart and Dalling, good big Chaffie, nice head, pale in breast col., easy win to-day; 2, Gentleman, Bramblefinch, nice second, in grand order, very steady; 3, McKechnie, Chaffie, in nice bloom, fails in size to winner; 4, Sykes, Bramble, well placed. BUNTING, A.S.: 1, Stevenson, Yellowhammer, nice bird, bit pinched in neck and head; 2, 3, A. W. Watson, Yellowhammer, good one all over, grand size, lovely markings, nice col.; 4, Miller and Addie, Yellowhammer, fails in size and col. to those in front; 5, Sykes; 6, Oglethorpe. A.S. BRIT. HEN: 1, 3, Gentleman, Yellowhammer leading, put down in good cond., we liked the 3rd, tip-top Hawfinch, better for first place; 2, Taylor, nice exhibit, good col. and cond.; 4, Oglethorpe, Corn Bunting, in nice order; 5, Craig; 6, Muir. NOV. A.S. BRIT. OR MULE: 1, Allan, Goldie Mule, fine size and shape, well shown; 2, 3, 4, W. Lambie, Goldfinch, Greenfinch, and Linnet Mule, all staged in the pink of cond.; 5, 6, Livingston. HYB.: 1, A. McLean, nice Goldie Greenie, bit dull in col., very steady, DK. MULE: 1, Gilchrist, nice Mule, grand sub., rare col., wants claw; 2, Miller and Addie, big bouncing Greenie Mule, close up; 3, Muir, Goldie Mule, much smaller than winner, all there for col.; 4, Steven, Linnet Mule, could be better staged; 5, Miller and Addie; 6, Steven. LT. MULE canc.

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The six drawings seen above are pictorial representations of the names of six birds, Canaries, British, and Foreign, which are well-known to all our readers. We offer a cash prize of One Guinea to the reader who correctly fills in the names of these birds in the spaces provided underneath the pictures. All competitors must observe the following conditions or their efforts will be disqualified.

THE RULES TO BE OBSERVED.

(1) The names of the birds must be clearly written in the spaces provided.

(2) Only one name must appear in each space.

(3) Competitors can send in two or more attempts, but each attempt must be made on a separate form cut from a copy of CAGE BIRDS.

(4) The name and address of the sender must in all cases be given in full.

(5) In case of two or more competitors guessing the six birds correctly, their names will be written on slips of paper, the latter placed in a hat, and one slip drawn out by some independent person, and the name appearing on the slip so selected shall be the name of the winner of the guinea prize.

(6) All solutions must reach us on or before Friday, January 3rd next, or they will be too late to compete.

(7) Entries are accepted only on the understanding that the Editor's decision shall be final.

NOTE.—In the unlooked-for event of no competitor correctly guessing the six birds, the prize will go to the competitor whose form gives the greatest number correct (subject to rule 5 in case of ties).

HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Table Show, held Dec. 6. There was quite a nice display of Nor., Yorks., and Brit., and the quality was good. A large number of members and friends were present. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged. Special for best in show was awarded to Mr. P. Brooks, for a rattling unflig. yell. Norwich. NOR.: 1, 2, 4, Brooks; 3, res, vhc, hc, Titchmar. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, Clay; 4, Dendifield. BRIT.: 1, Brooks; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Griffin; 4, Bates; c, Dendifield.

OAKHAM.

Annual show held in the Poultry Hall. There were only five classes for cage birds owing to lack of classification, and there was a very poor entry. If the society would open out and provide more classes they would get far better results. Mr. O. Smart was down to judge, but owing to illness Mr. F. Martin officiated.

NOR. (11): 1, Edwards, cl. yell., nice head and col., but trifle too much tail; 2, Bielby, cl. buff, nice shape and size, neat head, and neat, lovely type, we liked for first; 3, Buxton, buff, tkd. eye and head, good type, nice qual. of feather; res, Else; vhc, Hawkes. YORKS. (cancelled). MEMBERS, A.V. (8): 1, res, Carter, winner a fair col. Bullfinch; res, neat Siskin; 2, 3, hc, Farmer, 2nd a very neat Bullfinch; 3rd, another good Bullie; vhc, Mrs. Needham; c, Clarke. A.S. BRIT. (12): 1, Bielby, Goldfinch, nice blaze, size and tanning; 2, Wilton, again a Goldfinch, nice col., larger, but not so bright in blaze; 3, Ireland, Bullfinch, nice size and col.; res, Thornton, Bramblefinch; vhc, Holden; hc, Cunnington; c, Hawkes.

HOLIDAY NOTICE: Advertisers should read the Notice on page 1088 this week and take advantage of our Special Xmas Offer.

ABERSYCHAN & DIST. C.B.S.

First show held at the Co-operative Hall, in a very cosy room, with good light, and free from draughts. Mr. Sweeting, the sec., had everything in apple-pie order, and with a capable band of stewards such as Messrs. Cleaves, Crouch, Parry, Walters, Sweet, Workman, and Cooper, the society is likely to prove a greater success in the future, as entries came up well for the first attempt. Mr. J. R. Houghton made the awards, which gave general satisfaction.

YORKS., CL. OR MRK. YELL. CK.: 1, Hillman and Broom, cl. yell., well up on leg, nicely drawn, good col; 2, Pritchard, cl. yell., stands well, good head and back; 3, Parry, cl. yell., good head and back, bit pale in col.; vhc, Cook; he, Brown; c, Thompson. BUFF: 1, Thompson, straight as a rush, nicely braced wings and tail; 2, Benyon, nicely moulded body, good pose; 3, Parlitt, nice bird, but not the finish of leader; vhc, Brown; he, Cook; c, Pritchard. VARIEG.: 1, Pritchard, variegated yell., stands well up on legs, neatly braced wings and tail; 2, Watkins, neat head, nice length; 3, Parlitt, nice exhibit, not so good in length; vhc, Hillman and Broome. CL. OR MKD. HEN: 1, Cook, cl. buff, nicely drawn neat wings and tail; 2, Hillman and Broome, nice length, well moulded body, pressed hard; 3, Brown, nice bird, fails bit in length; vhc, Griffiths; he, Thomas and Durham. UNFLIG.: 1, Pritchard, variegated buff, nicely drawn, neat head and neck, good wings and tail; 2, Hillman and Broome, variegated yell., nice length, stands well; 3, Parlitt, neat head, smart bird; vhc, Watkins; he, Griffiths; c, Cook. HEN: 1, Hillman and Broome, neat cl. yell., nicely drawn, straight as a rush; 2, Parlitt, cl. yell., neat head and neck, nice length; 3, Griffiths, cl. buff, neat exhibit, not quite the length of leaders; vhc, Brown; he, Cook. NON-FED: 1, 2, Cooper, former cl. buff, nicely moulded body, good length, latter cl.—yell., neat head, nicely braced wings; 3, Williams, nice bird, but fails in finish to leaders; vhc, Gingell. BRIT.: 1, D. Edwards, Goldfinch, good shape, nice full blaze, good qual.; 2, no name, Goldfinch, good blaze, nice bars and buttons; 3, H. Workman, nicely mkd. Linnet, good col.; vhc, House and Walkley; he, Ashman; c, Elms. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, 3, Edwards, fine team, leader Goldie-Bullie, in fine form, 2nd Bullfinch-Can., good exhibit, latter Goldie-Bullie, not the colour of leader; vhc, House and Walkey; he, Cooper. MEMBERS' YORKS.: 1, 2, F. Sweeting; 3, c, Morgan; vhc, Walter; he, Hough.

TONYPANDY.

The first show of the Mid-Rhondda C.B.S. was held at Tonypandy, December 11, in the large room of the White Hart Hotel. The quality in most of the classes was first-class, Yorks. and British especially, and the competition was keen. The exhibits were nicely staged, and were well looked after by a strong committee of keen fanciers. In the members' classes were some nice birds, but we would suggest that these classes be somewhat curtailed another year, and the system of duplicating entries be avoided. When birds are entered in two or three classes confusion is exceedingly likely to occur, especially where specials are concerned, and delay is inevitable. Mr. Legg, the hon. sec., had matters well in hand, and was most courteous to all. The awards were made by Mr. J. H. Payne to the satisfaction of everybody.

The Critique.

NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. (6): 1, sp best Nor., Maggs, neck tkd., good size and shape, rare head and neck, full of qual., and well up in col.; 2, Tedstone, good shape, nice flights and tail, full neck, not quite the qual. and col.; 3, Morris, head tkd., nice wing carr., level col. BUFF (6): 1, Maggs, tkd, head, full of col. and qual., good shape and size, full front, good flights and tail; 2, Crowley, rattling shape, good qual. of feather, nice head and neck, well carried flights, not quite the col.; 3, no name, nice shape and feather, good back and tail; 4, G. T. Jones, good shape and qual., full neck, just fails in col.; vhc, sp, Beese; he, Jones. HEN (7): 1, G. T. Jones, cl. buff, rare shape, col., and qual., well mealed, short, well packed flights, neat tail; 2, Maggs, heavily mkd. buff, good shape and qual. of feather, nice head and full short neck, good wings and tail; 3, Crowley, yell., mkd. eyes and wings, grand qual., nice back, good col., loses only in subs.; 4, Tedstone, wing mkd. buff, nice shape and feather, neat head; vhc, Morris; he, Caddy; c, Carpenter. UNFLIG. (8): 1, Pope, yell., mkd. eyes and wings, full of col. and qual., tight-fitting jacket, in good form; 2, Maggs, yell., good shaped cl., level col., wings well braced; 3, vhc, G. T. Jones, yell., well up in size, nice col., full neck, not quite the feather; 4, Lewis, buff, grand feather and qual., nice wings and tail, good col.; he, Tedstone. YORKS. CL., ETC., YELL. (11): 1, sp. best Yorks., Newell, magnificent qual. and co., grand wings and tail, good pos., nice head and back, clear, clean waist; 2, Pritchard, mkd. head and cheeks, good length, nice position, long flights and tail; 3, Newell, cl., grand feather, nice position, neat head, well packed flights and tail; 4, Weeks, nice style and position, good wings and tail, pale col.; vhc, no name; he, Harries; c, Dugmore. BUFF (13): 1, Dugmore, mkd. cheek and winge, lovely feather, stands well, narrow shoulders, well braced wings and pipe tail, good col.; 2, Weeks, cl., good pos., nice feather, neat head and tail, good flights; 3, Newell, varieg., lovely feather, stands well, good wings and tail; 4, Phillips, good col. and feather, nice pos., shade stronger; vhc, Maidment; he, Watkins; c, Pritchard. HEN (16): 1, Newell, varieg. yell., gem for feather and col., well braced wings and neat tail, stands well up; 2, Phillips, cl., well on leg, good length, nice feather, qual., and pos.; 3, no name, varieg. yell., slim built, nice length and pos., fails bit in col.; 4, Watkins, buff, capital feather, nice flights and tail, neat head; vhc, Richards; he, Dugmore; c, Ricketts. UNFLIG. (12): 1, Weeks, slim built cl. yell., stands well up, good col., well on leg, pipe tail; 2, Pritchard, eye, neck and wing mkd. buff, grand feather, nice flights and tail, good stand and style; 3, Beese, cl. yell., nice length and col., good pos., shade flat on head; 4, Weeks, breast and wing mkd. buff, hot col., good back, wings and tail, stands well, just beaten underneath; vhc, no name; he, Dugmore; c, Challenger Bros. BORD., CL., ETC., YELL. (3): 1, D. Jenkins, good shape, col. and feather, nice carr., neat wings and tail; 2, Hughes, mkd. eyes and wings, nice shape and feather, neat head, wings, and tail; 3, Watts, neck tkd., nice feather, not the shape. BUFF (3): 1, sp, best Bord.; 2, D. Jenkins, feathered like boxwood, good shape, nice head, wings and tail, good action; 2nd, good col. and shape, neat wings and tail, not quite so tight and short in feather; 3, no name, eye and wing mkd., nice feather. HEN (5): 1, 2, D. Jenkins, cl. buff, lovely little lady in her Sunday best, sweet shape, nice wings, tail and carr; 2nd, buff, grizzled on head, lovely feather, neat wings and tail, nice back; 3, he, Edwards, shapely cl. yell., nice col. and feather; vhc, no name. A.O.V (8): 1, 2, J. H. James, brace of good Scots, winner nearly green, bull, grand drive, neat head, good shoulders, and well cleaned out front CL., ETC., CAN. MULE (5): 1, sp, Lewis, buff Goldie-Can., mkd. eye and right wing, good size and shape, lovely col. and feather, grand wings; 2, Lee, mkd. head and cheek, nice feather, beaten in size and colour; 3, Bridges, nice feathered varieg.; vhc, Bridges; he, Legg. DARK (2): 1, Jefferys, good coloured and feathered jonque Goldie-Can.; 2, Harries, nice feathered bull. HYB. (1): 1, Jones, J. H., Gold.-Bullfinch, good col. and shape. GOLDF. OR BULLFINCH (13): 1, 2, Jefferys, Bullfinch, grand coloured breast, nice cap and back, wing bars, well defined, very steady, 3rd Goldfinch, grand buttons and tanning, nice back and bars, a slight break in under blaze; 2, Jones, J. H., Goldie, good blaze, nice size and shape, good cheeks; 4, Holborrow, Bullie, good size and shape, nice cap; vhc, Harries; he, Nicholas F.C.; c, Reese. LINNET (9): 1, Jefferys, beautifully pencilled, grand col., nice shape, lovely back, steady; 2, Holborrow, equally well pencilled, nice col., good Whites, loses in size here; 3, vhc, Evans, grand col., lovely back, nice feather and clear whites; 4, Nicholas, nice shape and pencilling; he, Harries; c, Morris. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, Nicholas, Twite, lovely col., beautifully mkd., feathered to perfection, in the pink; 2, Jefferys, Lesser Redpoll, grand size, feather and markings, good bib and cap; 3, 4, Bancroft, Siskin, good size, col., and well mkd. flanks, nice cap, 4th Mealy Redpoll, good col. and side marks, nice bib; vhc, Harries; he, Morris; c, Curtis and Son. A.O. HARDBILL (7): 1, Jefferys, Chaffinch, one of the biggest we have seen, good shape, col., and feather; 2, Bancroft, Crossbill, grand col. and feather, good size and shape, in fine order; 3, 4, Legg, good feathered and mkd. Snow Bunting, nice col.; 4, Hawfinch, nice body feather and col., good bars, bit loose in feather on head; vhc, Watkins; he, Curtis and Son. SOFTBILL (3): 1, sp, Curtis and Son, Pied Wagtail, rare size, shape, and feather, in full bloom, and very steady; 2, Legg, nice feathered Shore-lark, very steady; 3, no name, good feathered Pied Wagtail. FOR., LARGE (1): 1, sp, Davies, H. S., King Parrot, lovely colour and feather. SMALL (1): 1, Challenger Bros., Siberian Goldfinch, good blaze, collar, and bars. LOCAL, A.V. NAT. COL. (9): 1, sp, Beese, nice feathered varieg. yell. Yorks., good stand, nice back, wings, and tail; 2, Legg, good shaped varieg. buff Norwich, rare size, good front; 3, vhc, Curtis and Son, varieg. buff Yorks., nice position, good feather, pipe tail; 4, Powell, neck and wing tkd. buff Yorks., stands well and straight; he, Beese; c, Rowlands. MEMBERS' NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (3): 1, Legg; 2, Hughes, S.; 3, Morris. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Beese; 3, 4, Hughes, S. HEN (4): 1, 2, Hughes, L.; 3, Morris; 4, no name. UNFLIG. (3): 1, 2, Hughes, L.; 3, Legg. YORKS., TKD., ETC., YELL. (6): 1, Beese; 2, 3, Jones, J. H.; 4, Hoare. BUFF (3): 1, 2, Morris. HEN (7): 1, Jones, J.; 2, sp, Jones, J. H.; 3, he, Hoare; 4, Player; vhc, Morris. UNFLIG. (7): 1, 2, sp, Beese; 3, he, Morris; 4, no name; vhc, Player. BORD., TKD. OR MKD. YELL. (3): 1, sp, 2, 3, Hughes, L. BUFF (4): 1, 3, Hughes, L.; 2, Thomas; 4, Morris. HEN (4): 1, 2, Hughes, L.; 3, Morris; 4, Thomas. A.O.V. (3): 1, Thomas; 2, 3, no name. MULE OR HYB. (2): 1, sp, Beese; 2, Legg. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (6): 1, Player; 2, 3, Beese; 4, Jones, J.; vhc, Hoare; he, Jones, J. H. LINNET (2): 1, Beese; 2, Morris. SISKIN, ETC. (1): 1, Morris. A.O. HARDBILL (5): 1, sp, 2, 4, Legg; 3, Hoare; vhc, Jones, J. H. SOFTBILL (2): 1, sp, Legg; 2, Beese.

SWANAGE.

The cage bird Fancy is not strong in Dorsetshire, therefore we did not expect to see many entries at Swanage on Dec. 11th; but we were pleased to find an improvement on last year's quality. The show was held in the Drill Hall, the cage birds being staged in one of the ante-rooms, and very comfortable and happy they looked. Mr. R. E. Cann made a most efficient and courteous secretary, and he was ably backed up by a strong committee. Mr. C. A. House judged, and his decisions gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. (8): 1, vhc, sp, Mrs. Goodland, grand shaped, close feathered buff, tkd. on neck; 2, res, Jupe, cl. yell., lovely col., very nicely feathered, not so chubby; 3, Allen, good shapely, stylish bull, not so tight at thighs; he, Stead; c, H. Goodland. YORKS. (7): 1, Corbin, very neatly feathered, stylish buff, grand head, back, wings, and tail; 2, res, Maidment, eye tkd. buff, more length, very stylish, good wings and tail, but not so smooth in front; 3, vhc, he, Miss Cardew, good, stylish, nice feathered buff, rather stout in body. NON-FED (12): 1, vhc, Allen, neatly centred wing mkd. Crest, grand front and droop, beautiful qual.; 2, vhc, he, Miss Onslow, nice wing mkd. Crest, not quite so neat in centre, good front and droop; 3, Baker, tkd. headed buff Belgian, capital shape and style; res, Jupe; he, Mrs. Goodland, Miss Bushell. MULE (6): 1, Collins, grandly mkd., rich coloured, beautifully feathered Lin.-Bullie, in grand form; 2, Corben, rich coloured, shapely Jonque Lin.-Can., fine silky feather; 3, Davis, large, shapely, close feathered, good coloured varieg. buff; res, No. 6, no name; he, White. A.O.S. FINCH (10): 1, sp, Collins, grandly mkd., rich coloured, beautifully feathered Hawfinch; 2, 3, vhc, he (2), Davis, rich coloured, grandly mkd. Linnet, lovely feather, and a charming Greenfinch of splendid feather and shape; res, Maidment. FOR. SMALL (5): 1, Davis, handsome pair of Yell. Budgerigars, nice shape and size, capital col., beautifully feathered; 2, withheld; 3, res, Edmunds, grand mkd., large, shapely Green Budgerigars; vhc, Ellis. LARGE (5): 1, 2, 3, vhc, sp, Edmunds, a splendid team, 1st handsome, rich coloured Many-coloured; 2nd, fine pair of Port Lincoln Parrakeets; 3rd, gorgeously coloured Barnard, all in the best of form; res, Turner.

SMALLBRIDGE AND DIS. C.B.S.

Annual Back End Members' Show, held Dec. 14. Judge, Mr. H. W. Battye, of Huddersfield, who placed the awards as follows:—YELL. YORK (4): 1, Atkinson; 2, 3, Miller; 4, Hartley. BUFF (5): 1, Hartley; 2, J. Coupe, sen.; 3, J. T. Smith; 4, Hollows. YELL. UNFLIGHTED (6): 1, 3, J. Coupe, jun.; 2, Hollows; 4, J. T. Smith. BUFF (6): 1, J. Coupe, sen.; 2, 3, Tonks; 4, Cryer. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Hartley; 2, Howarth; 3, Law and Johnson; 4, Tonks. BUFF (7): 1, 2, J. Coupe, jun.; 3, Atkinson; 4, Lanyon. YELL. NOR. (5): 1, Howarth; 2, Hartley; 3, Cheetham; 4, Bamford. BUFF (4): 1, Howarth; 2, J. Coupe, jun.; 3, Hartley; 4, Cheetham. BUFF, UNFLIGHTED (6): 1, Howarth; 2, Bamford; 3, Hartley; 4, Law and Johnson. HEN (10): 1, 4, Hollows; 2, Howarth; 3, J. Coupe, jun. A.O.V. (4): 1, 2, Cheetham; 3, Tonks; 4, Hartley. BRIT. (2): 1, Hartley; 2, Tonks. Special for most points in show was won by Mr. E. Hartley; most points Yorks., Mr. J. Coupe, jun.; 2nd, E. Hartley; Norwich, Mr. A. Howarth; 2nd, J. R. Hollows' best bird and Fry's special, Mr. A. Howarth; Ramsden's, Mr. J. T. Cheetham.—W. Lanyon, sec.

CARNARVON.

North Wales C.B. Society's second annual show held December 7, in the Assembly Rooms, Market Street. The room was well adapted for the purpose, and the attendance very fair. The entries totalled 315 in the 25 classes, 44 Canaries A.V., nominated for the challenge cups, 19 for the Mule or Hybrid cup, and 26 for the British cup. Yorkshires opened the show, and a grand lot were on view, competition being very keen in this section. Norwich mustered well, and the winners were of exceptional merit. Borders were also a neat lot, and fairly well filled. The Goldfinch classes were an excellent lot, also the British and Mules. The Foreign made a good class, and some cheap ones were in the Selling classes. Novice classes were also well to the fore. The arrangements were excellent. The officials are a hard-working body. President Mr. H. R. Brown, Vice-President Mr. J. L. Pyke, who were present, took a great interest in the society; also Chairman Mr. James Jones; vice-chairman, Mr. George Jones; treasurer, Mr. R. E. Griffiths; committee, Messrs. R. Angel, R. Green, J. W. Jones, Edward Jones, J. O. Parry, J. L. Sweeney, R. W. Taylor, and the energetic secretary, Mr. J. Wynne Parry, all being worthy of their positions, and seemed to work very well together. The Canary challenge cup was won outright by Mr. W. Nolan, with his well-known Yorks. and Norwich Mule or Hybrid, cup by Mr. R. E. Griffith, with "Carnarvon Hero" and "Welsh Prince." Mr. W. A. Cowgill, Bradford, made the awards, which were well received.

The Critique.

YORKS., YELL. CL. OR TKD. (14): 1, sp, Jones, wing and cheek tkd., fine head and neck, good shoulders, capital wings and tail, well on legs, beautifully feathered; 2, T. Owen, nice cl., slim, and leggy, smart wing carr., well piped tail, nicely finished; 3, J. B. Jones, good lengthy cl., grand back, wings, and tail, silky feather, lovely cond.; r, J. O. Williams.; vhc, Pike; he, R. Jones; c, J. Jones. BUFF (14): 1, sp, c, Nolan, splendid length, finely drawn, grandly feathered, right through, gets well up on legs, and shows to advantage, t nice length and qual. of feather, wants steadying; 2, H. Jones, mkd., good length and pos., fine and sleek in feather, rare qual.; 3, Pike, cl. buff, nice length and qual., good pos., exquisite feather, rich level col.; r, T. Owen; vhc, Nolan; he, J. O. Williams. HEN (15): 1, sp, Pike, cl. buff, a gem, nice length, well tapered hen, rare head, neck, and back, full of style and qual., nicely rounded, as lively as a cricket; 2, J. Kershaw, clear cap and wing mkd, buff, good length and qual., nice feather; 3, Griffith, thigh tkd. yel., good length and pos., rich level col.; vhc, H. Jones; he, G. Pritchard; r, c, T. Owen. YORKS., A.O.V. (7): 1, 4, H. Jones, neck, eye, and wing mkd., full of style, magnificent feather, well braced wings and tail; 2, c, T. Owen, mkd. buff, full of style and qual., rare boxy feather, c wing tkd. buff, very fair; 3, Nolan, mkd. buff, shapely, full of qual., good wing and tail carr.; vhc, Nolan; he, R. Angel. BORD. YELL. (8): 1, sp., 2, H. Jones, eye and wing tkd. yell., grand type, sweet head and body, well carr. wings and tail, 2nd head and wing tkd., grand head, fine neck and chest, boxy feather; 3, H. Roberts, neat yell., typical, nice carr., good feather, shade flat on head; r, he, H. Williams, neat yell., sweet, jaunty, nice head and wings, he nice type and col.; vhc, R. Green. BUFF (9): 1, sp, 4, H. Jones, wing and eye tkd., tight as a bottle, rare wings and tail; r, no name, wing tkd. buff, lovely head and wings, good feather; 2, M. Jones, cl., nice type, boxy feather, good carr.; 3, c, R. Green, neat cl., typical, nice head and cond., c another cl., very fair; vhc, he, H. Williams. A.O.V. CAN. NAT. COL. (15): 1, sp, W. H. Williams, variegated, Crest, good size and qual., nice leafy feather, good radiated crest; 2, Nolan, tkd. buff Yorks., lengthy and stylish, stands well on a good pair of legs; 3, E. J. Jones, good yell. self green Nor., grand type and qual., plenty of subs., in good form; r, vhc, Green; he, Taylor; c, Evans and Roberts. BRED 1912: 1, sp, E. D. Owen, even mkd. Nor., a gem, full of qual., rare shape and style, good head and neck, well over the perch, in faultless cond., also won in the Buff class, and 2nd in the gen. challenge, often noted; 2, R. Jones, noted Yorks. yel.; 3, W. H. Williams, good yell. Nor., typical, good head and neck, nicely cut away, close up; r, H. C. Nolan; vhc, G. Jones; he, Rowlands; wrong classed, No. 5, H. Jones. NOR. YELL. (13): 1, sp, 3, W. H. Williams, two cl. yell., of rare type and qual., broad skull, neat wings and tail, hot col., very even all through, the winner a shade cleaner in head; 2, Nolan, another good cl., grand col., rare head, well carried chest; r, J. Jones, good type, rich level col.; vhc, Evans and Roberts; he, E. D. Owen; c, G. Jones. BUFF (12): 1, sp, r, E. D. Owen, even mkd., already noted; 2, W. H. Williams, a grand cl. buff, rare head and neck, immense size, good boxy feather; 3, Aitken, cl. buff, ideal type, nice round head, good wings, exquisite feather; vhc, c, George Jones; he, G. Jones. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (including Canary-Bullfinch) (8): 1, sp, he, Evans and Roberts, Can.-Bullie, good size and qual., lustrous col., in good cond.; 2, faultless condition, 3rd dk. Twite, good size, qual., 3, r, Griffith, Twite-Can., very neat, good feather; r, Carnarvon Hero, 4-pointed buff, Goldie-Can.; vhc, c, D. E. Williams. DK. MULE (not including Can.-Bullfinch) (12): 1, sp, 3, r, Griffith, 1st "Welsh Prince," Siskin-Can. Mule, good size and qual., faultless condition; 3, dk. Twite, good size and qual., neat feather, 4th Jonque Goldie, rich col., good cond.; 2, he, J. Jones. Greenfinch Mule, good size and col., tight feather; vhc, Hughes Bros.; c, Parry. GOLDFINCH (24): One of the best classes we have ever seen, a grand lot; 1, sp, r, Evans and Roberts, 1st fine, big bird, grand type, capital blaze and mkgs., will take some beating, well polished, res typical Finch, rich tanning, good wing bars, beaten polish; 2, Griffiths, grand Goldie for size and shape, fine width of face, rich col. and polish, nicely shown, close up; 3, David Williams, a very taking Finch, lovely col., blaze, very richly tanned; vhc, J. E. Roberts, another grand Finch, neat size, good blaze, flight and tail feathers missing; he, M. Jones; c, Hughes Bros. GOLDFINCH (Greypate) (16): 1, Hughes Bros., a grand stamp of a Co'die, good size, richly tanned, well polished; 2, sp, 3, Griffiths, rare size and shape, grand width of skull, immense blaze, nicely cut away, must have pressed the winner hard, 3rd good blaze and col., rich tan and wings, tight as wax, shade lighter; r, Evans and Roberts; vhc, O. Davies; he, W. H. Williams; c, Evans and Roberts. LINNET (12): 1, sp, J. W. Pritchard, extra fine shape and col., rare size and qual., good pencilling, hard to find fault with; 2, E. Jones, lovely type, nice mkgs., good shade of col.; 3, W. R. Roberts, grand size, fine pencilling and ground col.; res, vhc, J. O. Parry; he, J. Rowlands; c, G. D. Green. TWITE, ETC.: 1, sp, r, J. Jones, 1st grand size, lovely type, rare good head and beak, large bib, beautifully laced, res same variety, nice type, beaten mkgs.; 2, Griffiths, Siskin, good size and lacings, neat bib, good col, well staged; 3, Evans and Roberts, Mealy Redpoll, grand type, lovely col., well laced; vhc, he, c, Parry. BRIT. HEN, A.S. (19): 1, sp, Evans and Roberts, Bramble, very large, well laced, grand carr. and cond., stood well out; 2, Owen Jones, good size and col., Rollie hen, lovely feather and cond.; 3, O. Davies, Chaffinch, a really fine exhibit, well up in col., and steady; r, J. Hughes; vhc, O. Davies; he, R. Roberts; c, Green. BRIT., A.S. (not before mentioned, birds of prey excluded) (11): 1, sp, 3, W. H. Williams, Hawfinch, very fine bird, grand size and shape, good bib, deep, rich col., in fine feather, like marble, well known, 3rd capital Bramble, rich col., fine spangle, lovely cond.; 2, r, Hartle and Berry, lovely Waxwing, wonderful feathered, excellent form, and a good Magpie, well staged; vhc, J. Jones, Yellowhammer; he, Pritchard; c, W. R. Roberts. BULLFINCH (7): 1, Evans and Roberts, grand size and type, deep, rich col., breast, good dense, black cap, in shining cond.; 2, vhc, W. H. Williams, steady as a rock, rich col., good mkgs., 3rd Manchester, vhc another good one, beaten type; 3, J. Thomas, fine size and col., rich and even, not quite so chubby; r, R. E. Griffith; he, T. Roberts; c, Roberts. FOR. (8): 1, sp, Nolan, grand col. Australian Parrakeet, lustrous col., excellent tail, in superb form; 2, J. B. Jones, good size and col. Bullie; 3, G. W. Jones, Blue-fronted Amazon, rare size, good col.; r, Miss M. Jones; he, Angel; vhc, J. R. Rees; c, D. E. Williams. NOV. CAN., A.V. (17): 1, c; M. Jones, Border, noted in open; 2, he, H. Roberts, variegated, D.C., very fair; 3, W. Williams; r, R. N. Lloyd; vhc, J. H. Williams. BRIT., A.S. (21): 1, D. Williams, 3rd open good Goldie; 2, G. D. Green, good Border; 3, vhc, Roberts, good Greenie, nice feather, Thomas; he, W. Jones; c, Mrs. Edwards. CAGE BIRD, A.V.: 1, W. Williams, Hyll., Linnet-Goldie; 2, Capt. T. Williams; 3, R. Davies; r, J. E. Roberts. NOMINATION CLASSES FOR CHALLENGE CUPS (members only, most points, two birds to be nominated in each section): CAN., A.V. (44): All noted in open classes: 1, H. Jones, Yorks. yell.; 2, E. D. Owen, even mkd. buff Nor.; 3, r, Nolan, Yorks. buff, res yell. Nor.; vhc, M. Jones, Border, buff; he, T. Owen, Yorks. hen, mkd.; c, Pike, Yorks. hen. MULE OR HYB. (10): 1, vhc, R. E. Griffiths, Siskin Mule, the 4-pointed Goldie Mule; 2, Evans and Roberts, Can.-Bullie; 3, J. Jones, Greenfinch Mule; r, c, Hughes Bros., Light Mule. BRIT., A.S. (26): 1, 3, Evans and Roberts, Goldfinch; 3, Bullfinch; 2, vhc, W. H. Williams, Hawfinch, vhc Bullfinch; r, he, Hartle and Berry, Waxwing, he Magpie; c, R. E. Griffiths.

HYSON GREEN (Notts.) C.B.S.

This society wound up its show season successfully at headquarters, "Cricket Players," Lindsay Street, December 7. A nice array of birds was on exhibition. Norwich were a fine lot, whilst Crests, British, etc., though poor in numbers, excelled in quality. The gift class provided fine sport, as eight useful prizes were generously given by enthusiastic members and friends, for which there were 11 entries, the birds being sold for the benefit of the society. Mr. T. Pyatt kindly obliged again as hon. auctioneer, and though the company was small, this talented gentleman drew forth a goodly sum. The cup winners are as last year, viz.: Nor. Mr. Sharpe, Crests Mr. White, Brit., etc., Mr. Hayter. Messrs. Sharpe and Hayter tied for top special, with Mr. Barnes a good third. Mr. T. Barker placed the awards, which were generally satisfactory.

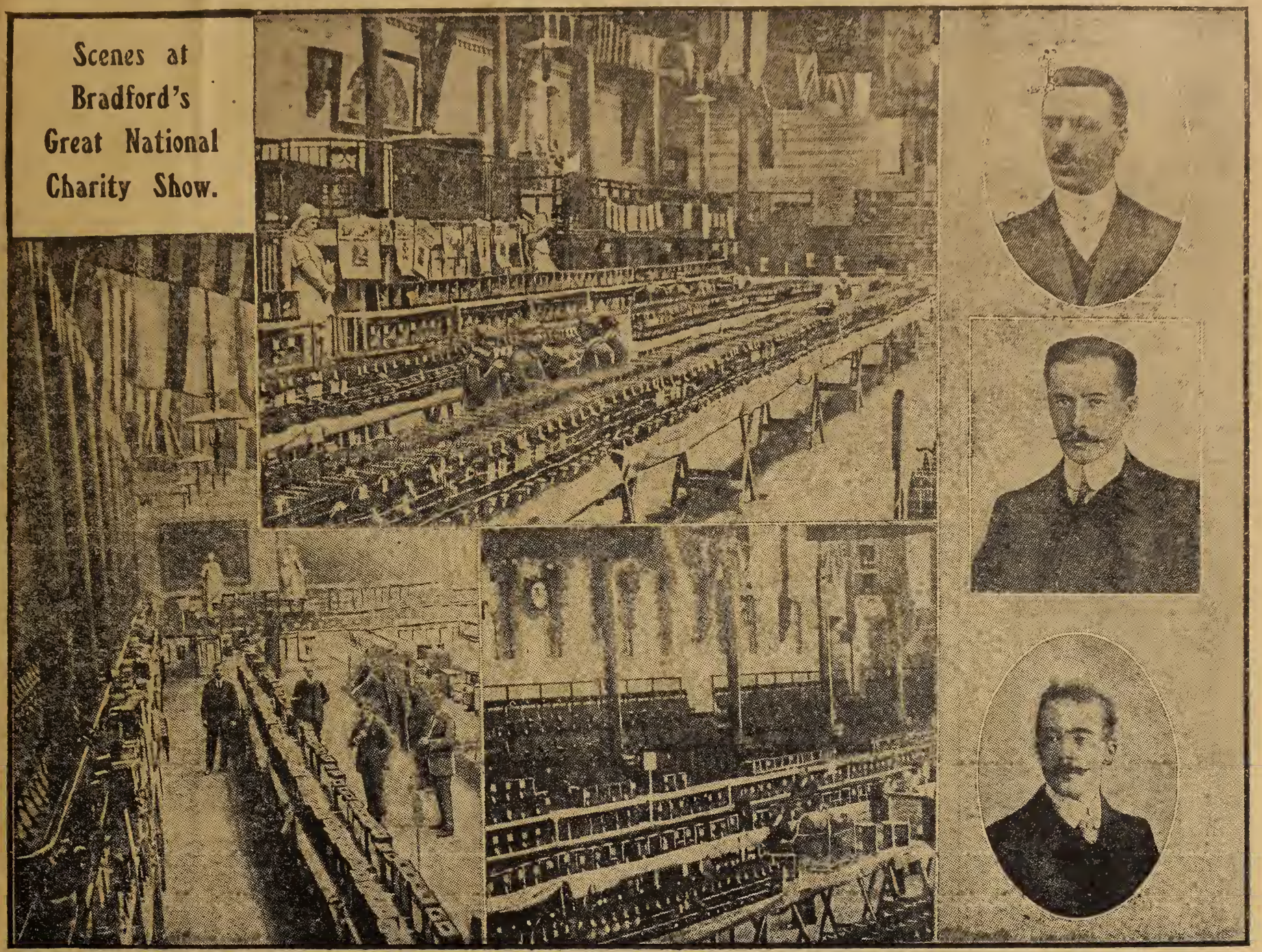
NOR., CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, Sharpe, big bouncing cl., easily 1st; 2, Boaler, good sized, well mkd. bird, some thought should have given way to 3, Royce, good big cl., better in head and neck. BUFF: 1, Barnes, grand cl., smooth as a bottle, grand col.; 2, Royce; 3, Birch; vhc, Sharpe; he, Drinkwater; c, Brewer. HEAV. MKD. OR GR.: 1, Bown, good big yell., fine qual. and col; 2, Sharpe, nice, typical buff; 3, Hodkinson; vhc, e, Drinkwater. YELL. HEN: 1, Boaler, gem, hard to find fault with; 2, Barnes, longer, not so well finished off; 3, Sharpe; vhc, Drinkwater; he, Boaler; c, Deverill. BUFF: 1, Boaler, easy win; 2, Sharpe; 3, vhc, Birch; he, Willis. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Sharpe; 2, Deverill; 3, Boaler; vhc, Barnes; he, Drinkwater; c, Bown. BUFF: 1, Sharpe, good looking cl.; 2, Boaler, another good bird; 3, Bown; vhc, Drinkwater; he, Barnes; c, Deverill. UNFLIG. HEN: 1, Bown, really fine bird; 2, Barnes; 3, Sharpe; vhc, Brewer, patchy in col., or would have been closer; he, Boaler; c, Drinkwater. STOCK PAIRS: 1, Barnes; 2, Sharpe; 3, Bown; vhc, Deverill. YELL CREST: 1, White. BUFF: 1, White; 2, Wolfe; 3, Tayler. YELL. C.B.: 1, White, much admired exhibit. BUFF: 1, White; 2, 3, Tayler. C.B. HEN: 1, White; 2, vhc, Tayler; 3, Wolfe. UNFLIG. CREST: 1, Tayler; 2, White. UNFLIG. C.B.: 1, White; 2, Wolfe. STOCK PAIRS: 1, Hodkinson; 2, White; 3, Wolfe. MULE: 1, 2, Hayter. HYB.: 1, Hodkinson, Greenie-Goldie, shows cross to perfection; 2, Hayter, Goldie-Redpoll; 3, Hayter, Linnet-Bullie. GOLDF. OR BULLFINCH: 1, Neville; 2, Hayter. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Neville; 2, 3, Hayter; vhc, Neville. A.O. SEED-EATER: 1, Hayter; 2, Neville. HEN, BRIT.: 1, Hayter. PAIRS FOR HYB. BREEDING: 1, Hayter; 2, Cottingham; 3, Hodkinson; vhc, Neville. FOR., SMALL: 1, 2, Cottingham. LARGE: 1, Cottingham. GIFT CLASS: 1, Hodkinson; 2, Bown; 3, Moult; 4, White; 5, Birch; 6, Royce; 7, Drinkwater; 8, Willis.

WALSALL AND DIST. C.B.S.

Second annual show at the "White Harte" Hotel, Nov 30. Nearly 100 birds were staged and competition was very keen, especially in British classes, and grand teams were staged by Messrs. Barrett, Platt, Lines, Gibbons, Onions, Spencer, and Price. Mr. F. J. Weaver (Wolverhampton) judged, and his awards were well received. The capable secretary, Mr. F. Price had his work well in hand, and the show proved a great success.

NOR. (7): 1, sp, Gibbons; 2, 3, vhc, Barrett; he, Hinton; c, Record. HEN (4): 1, sp, Barrett; 2, Spencer; 3, Gibbons; vhc, Hinton. YORKS (5): 1, 2 spls, Gibbons; 3, vhc, he, Butler. HEN: 1, Gibbons. LINNET MULE (1): 1, Barrett. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, sp, Price; 2, Roberts; 3, Platt; vhc, Onions; he, Reeves. LINNET (10): 1, sp, Platt; 2, Price; 3, Spencer; vhc, he, Roberts; c, Reeve. GREENFINCH (5): 1, sp, Lines; 2, Platt; 3, Price; vhc, Record; he, Hinton. REDPOLL, ETC. (9): 1, sp, Spencer; 2, Lines; 3, Rollins; vhc, Barrett; he, Price; c, Gibbons. A.O. BRIT. (16): 1, sp, Lines, Yellowhammer; 2, Onions, Bullfinch; 3, Price, Chaffinch; vhc, he, Onions; c, Roberts. FOR. (4): 1, sp, best Grey, 3, Price, Siberian Goldfinches; 2, vhc, Onions, Budgerigar and Siberian Goldie. ROLLER (2): 1, sp, Hinton; 2, Record. NOR. (6): 1, sp, 2, Hampton; 3, vhc, he, c, Lench. YORKS. (6): 1 sp, 2, 3, vhc, he, c, Hall.

Kirkintilloch and Lenzie O.S. Dec. 21, Temperance Hall. Judge, Mr. Chas. Campbell. 25 open classes: Scots 2, Crests 2, Nor. 6 (Nov. 1), Bord. 5 (Nov. 1), Brit. 6, Hyb. 1, Sell. 3. Prizes, 8/, 5/, 3/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. Close Dec. 16th to Mr. R. L. Patterhausen, Boghead, Leadie.



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The views convey an excellent idea of the spaciousness of the hall and the manner in which the exhibits were staged. On the right are seen Mr. H. Hill, the indefatigable secretary (at top); Mr. H. H. Towers, the chairman (in centre); and Mr. F. Hammond, the treasurer.

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What Working Men Can Do.

Of the immensity of the task undertaken by the committee some idea may be gained when it is remembered that the entries only closed four days before the opening of the show. That the work was all done, and done successfully, without a hitch, proves that the organisation must have been as perfect as human thought and skill could make it. In considering how great this achievement really was, it must be remembered that it was not accomplished by a staff of trained and skilled clerks, not by a band of business men, but by earnest, enthusiastic working men fanciers, many of whom leave home at five o'clock in the morning for the mills, factories and warehouses, and do not return till six or seven at night. One hardly knows which to wonder at the most, the workers, or the result of their labours. The whole thing is indeed astounding, and we can but look and wonder. No words of ours can convey what we feel, or what we should like to say about such self-sacrificing efforts, such wonderful organisation, such attention to detail, and such enthusiasm. All honour to such men.

Who were they? How did they bring about such results? These are questions which many of our readers will ask. We give their names, and in giving them show how by division of labour, by concentration on the work allotted to each, they achieved such a striking success. At the head of the executive, as chairman, was that good fancier Mr. H. H. Towers, and his colleagues who attended to the different sections of the work in connection with this unequalled, and altogether magnificent event were as follows:—Executive Committee: Messrs. W. A. Cowgill, R. Halliday, F. W. Norris, W. Crabtree, F. Hammond, H. Simonett, H. J. Chittenden, H. Hill, H. H. Towers, S. Dean and J. Lane. Show Stewards: Messrs. W. B. Atkinson, J. Chippindale, W. Laycock, Crabtree, F. Archer, L. Dykes, W. Stahles, Lane, Chittenden, J. Greaves, J. A. Taylor, G. R. Rushworth, C. Cowgill, Halliday and J. Overend. Railway Committee: Messrs. J. Farrar, J. W. Kaberry, L. Ogden, J. R. Taylor, T. H. Inman, H. Gornall, H. Grange, F. Rhodes, G. White, T. Ogden, A. Huddleston, Lane, J. Rhodes, R. Wilkinson, W. Long, J. Holroyd, A. Morley, G. Riley, C. E. Walker and H. Long. Sales Committee: Messrs. W. B. Atkinson, C. Cowgill, Dean, Hammond, H. Martin, Rhodes. Staging Committee: Messrs. W. Crabtree, J. Rhodes, F. Rhodes, C. Cowgill, T. Tidswell, J. W. Kaberry, Chittenden, J. W. Whitwham, Inman, R. Wilkinson. Advertisement Committee: Messrs. W. E. Dent, T. Ogden, Farrar, Simonett, Grange, F. Rhodes, Gornall, White and Lane. To these must be added the good "slave" of the Yorkshire Fancy, Mr. F. Hammond, who acted as treasurer, Mr. H. Simonett, the assistant secretary, and Mr. H. Hill the secretary. A noble band, a splendid crew, one and all worthy of the highest encomiums that may be lavished upon them.

The Central Baths is a magnificent building for such a show; it is lofty, has a good top light, is beautifully warm and free from draughts. It was gaily decorated with flags and bannerets, and presented quite a festive appearance. Staged at a most convenient height, the exhibits were as happy and comfortable as in their own cages at home. No less than 343 exhibitors supported the show, and in connection with this we may say that every exhibitor, as well as each exhibit, was numbered, and as the exhibits arrived and were unpacked the exhibitor's number was affixed to the case or hamper and it also appeared opposite his name in the catalogue index. Ten judges were engaged. Messrs. J. C. Barnes, H. W. Battye, W. A. Cowgill, F. Finn, A. Hirst, C. A. House, J. Maddison, W. Massey, W. Mundell and J. Robson. Their selections seemed to be received with general approval.

Distinguished Guests at the Opening Ceremony.

The opening ceremony was performed by the Lord Mayor (Ald. Fred Foster, J.P.). Sir George Scott Robertson, K.C.S.I., M.P. for Central Bradford, had kindly consented to take the chair, but owing to the pressure of Parliamentary duties was unable to get away from London, and his place was taken by Mr. H. C. Derwent, the chairman of the Bradford Cinderella Club Committee, who was supported on the platform by the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, Miss Hilda and Miss Gladys Foster, Mr. H. H. Towers (President of the show Executive), Mr. W. Gill (Secretary of the Cinderella Club), Mr. H. Hill (Secretary), Mr. H. Simonett (Assist. Sec.), Mr. R. Halliday and Mr. C. A. House.

Mr. Derwent, in introducing the Lord Mayor, referred in appreciative terms to the support given by the Society to the Cinderella Club, which existed to help the poorest children of the city, irrespective of creed, and to alleviate their suffering. When the show was inaugurated last year the Society kindly contributed £50, and on behalf of the officers of the Club he thanked them for that gift. The money could not be given to a more deserving institution, and whatever the balance this year—he understood they were more ambitious—it would be put to good uses. In conclusion he said the inauguration of that exhibition in Bradford was a progressive step, and they hoped the show would grow year by year. (Applause.) He had been privileged to attend one of their meetings, and more wholehearted enthusiasm he had never seen, whilst as to their methods the success achieved told its own story.

The Lord Mayor, in declaring the show open, said that was the first exhibition of the kind he had visited, and he was delighted with it. He had been simply amazed with the variety of birds. He was told it was the finest show outside London, and those who visited it could quite believe it. He was astonished at what he had seen, and he could not understand how such diminutive objects as cage birds could be kept in such wonderful condition. Their owners must brush and comb them—small tooth comb them—very carefully. His knowledge of such subjects was very limited. He had learnt much that day of the care and attention bestowed upon cage birds by the working men fanciers of the city, and he was delighted to come there, and by his presence assist them in the good work they had undertaken. The object of their show was a very commendable one, and he was sure that any money subscribed to the Cinderella Club was very well spent. Were the rich people of Bradford to send £5 or a £10 note to the funds of the Club this Christmas they would gladden the hearts of scores of poor children and be no worse off themselves.

Secretary's Tribute to his Colleagues.

In moving a vote of thanks to the Lord Mayor, Mr. C. A. House said he was proud to know that Bradford fanciers were the first in England to do something for that cause which the Cinderella Club had so much at heart. He had never seen in any show outside London such quality of exhibits as was being shown that day, and so far as the foreign section was concerned they had birds which had not even been seen at the Crystal Palace. Mr. Finn had expressed himself as being astounded at the wonderful quality of the birds. He hoped that although this was the first bird show the Lord Mayor had visited it would not be the last, but that for many years he would continue to visit the show, and bring past and future Lord Mayors with him to encourage the fanciers of the city in continuing the good work in which they were engaged. Mr. H. H. Towers seconded the vote, and it was carried with acclamation. Mr. R. Halliday proposed, and Mr. Gill seconded a vote of thanks to Mr. Derwent. In supporting it Mr. Hill spoke of the energy, enthusiasm, and loyal-hearted way in which the members of the Show Committee had supported him in his labours. He, personally, had done his best, but the large measure of success had been achieved by the self-denying manner in which the Committee had taken up the work, and had laboured to bring it to a successful issue.

On the Saturday, before a crowded audience, the exhibition was opened by Lady Priestley, wife of Sir W. E. B. Priestley, when the chair was taken by Ald. J. Arnold. Saturday's gathering assured the venture of success, and we hope to hear that the

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efforts of the promoters have resulted in an even larger sum than last year's £30 being handed over to the deserving charity in whose interests the show was run. A great crowd of well-known fanciers was to be seen in the show-room and we noticed that the popular manager of the Crystal Palace exhibited, Mr. J. W. Runnalden (who had with him Mrs. Runnalden) was taking a keen and sympathetic interest in the proceedings.

Our final note must be a personal, a very personal, one. In all such efforts there must of necessity be one strong personality at the head of affairs, one who has the power of organising, directing, and controlling. That man in this case was Mr. H. Hill. To him are fanciers indebted for the National Show; but for him the movement would not have been started. We hear much nowadays of the commercial side of the Fancy, but that the true fancier's spirit still exists is shown by the work which Mr. Hill does for his fellows, and that under great difficulties. He leaves home every morning about five o'clock, and it is often seven or eight before he is back at night. Yet under such circumstances he does the secretarial work of the Bradford East O.S., a society with a membership approaching the century, and which holds three or four meetings a month; he is secretary of the Yorkshire Union of Cage Bird Societies, the work of which is no light task; and in addition to all this he boldly tackles and brings to a successful issue the largest show ever seen in the county of Yorkshire. How does he do it? By working strictly to method, leaving nothing to chance, and by great concentration of energy. On Friday morning after superintending the in checking of the exhibits, seeing that the stewards were all at their posts, he at once began to make his preparations for the payment of prize money, making up his totals as the judges' slips reached him. On Saturday the prize money was ready for those who chose to take it. It is in no spirit of fulsome flattery that we speak of these things, but only to give honour where honour is due. If ever a man deserved well of his fellows that man is Mr. H. Hill. His work speaks for itself.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES.
Mr. J. C. Barnes' Classes.

Champion Yorks. were the great feature of the show; and truly a glorious collection, the most superb and unique array ever seen. The "cracks" were present in full force, and fought great "bloodless" battles. Those who were lucky enough to attend the function saw the "cream of grace and beauty," birds of wonderful character, of great length, magnificently gowned, standing like Guardsmen, and staged by master hands, faultless in condition and of most marvellous order. It required a great effort to tear oneself away from creatures so beautiful, so fascinating and so bewitching. Competition bang through the whole section was as keen as "Colman's," and many birds amongst the "also ran" were quite capable of being voted heroes at the majority of shows. What a difficult task to be sure had Messrs. Barnes and Mundell, in separating them. Nevertheless they came up smiling appearing quite happy and content with their selections. Championship Diploma for best in classes 1-10 went to Messrs. Ogden Bros., with near on the best unflighted buff cock (thigh tick) seen benched for ages, shall we say the "Ideal" and leave it at that? This same wonder also accounted for spl. best unflighted, silver cup for best in show, spl. best in champion classes, and championship diploma for best Yorkie, quite a field day of highest honours. Mr. J. Bailey once again won well with his noted yell. cinn. mkd., without doubt the best living, and looking as well as ever and fit to fight for a kingdom; capturing the diploma. Mr. E. Clegg won well with a very smart unflighted buff hen, a most promising damsel. Special winners are as follows:—Best green mkd., Mr. L. Dykes, best opposite colour to spl. winner in open or novice, Mr. W. Broughton, best hen (open or novice) Mr. J. Thomas.

YORKS. CL. BUFF (23): Grand class. I, Radley (A), exquisite qual., delightful position, wonderful length, lovely back, fine wing carr., pipe tail, eye opener; 2, Bailey, straight as a gun barrel, feathered to perfection, long sided, beaten little in length only; 3, Tidswell, pos. and qual. all one could wish, full of style, best of backs, delightful car. of wings, real beauty; 4, Atkinson and Firth, capital feather and col., erect, good length plenty of leg, beaten a little in style here; vhc, Dykes, hc, Broughton; c, Clegg; No. 9 Simonett ab. TKD. BUFF (17): 1, Dyson, mkd. head and root of tail, charming position, marvellous length, as though chiselled out of marble and highly polished, gem of gems; 2, Radley, mkd. head, superbly clothed, stands like a guardsman, lengthy and full of nerve, clever legs, hardly the col.; 3, Whiteley, mkd. wing, straight as a rush, smooth as a bottle, capital col. and feather, plenty of thigh, not far away; 4, Dykes, cheek mkd., not a feather misplaced, beautiful back flights and tail, not of the biggest, but of the best; vhc, Sutcliffe and Son; hc, Shaw Bros.; c, Broughton. HEN (18): 1, Thornton and Bower, very bonny cl., perfect in position, fine length, lovely back, flights and tail, well on leg, staged to the moment; 2, vhc, c, Ogden Bros., trio of beauties, mkd. wing, good length and qual., delightful position, best of backs, neat car. of flights, wee bit thicker in waist; 3, Clegg, very stylish cl., superior feather, rare length, well up and on good legs, draws a little thin in neck, yet a gem; 4, Bailey, mkd. wing position, feather and style all one could wish, not overdone with size; hc, Brown and Son. UNFLI. BUFF (26): Rare class. I, and five spls. Ogden Bros., thigh tick, unique in position, neat and narrow, feathered to perfection, shows delightfully, magnificent back and wing carr., closely folded tail, a knock out; 2, Sutcliffe and Son, thigh tick, beautifully clothed, rich in col., dashing position, shade longer than winner, not quite so neat in waist, yet another "topper"; 3, vhc, Charlesworth, mkd. wing, sweetly moulded, clinking position, perfect back and wing car., not far behind; 4, Towers, more length, A.1. qual. and col., stands well on clever legs, loses a little in style; hc, Thomas; c, Lunn. HEN (22): 1, Clegg, cl., wonderful outline, tight as a Java, rare length, rattling back and wing carr.; 2, Robertshaw, cl., smooth as wax, splendid position, capital back, neat wings and tail, well on leg; 3, Ellis, mkd. wing, qual. superb, very lengthy, grand type, plenty of leg, full of style, hardly so neat in expression of head; 4, Sutcliffe and Son, cl., shade shorter than those above, yet of fascinating character, and well worth its place; vhc, Thornton and Bower; hc, Ogden Bros.; c, Crabtree. YELL. GREEN MKD. (20): 1, Craven, mkd. wings and eyes, slim and upstanding, marvellous length, superior qual., and col., fine legs, quite a dandy; 2, Morrison, mkd. wing and cheeks, smooth as polished metal, lovely col., grand position, beaten in length only, gem; 3, Ogden Bros., mkd. wings and eyes, marvellous length, warm col., A.1. feather, well on leg, when handled pulls bit thin in neck, still a beauty; 4, Thomas, mkd. wing, breast, and eyes, full of fire, superior feather, delightful stand, capital back, flights and tail, shade less length; vhc, Chittenden; hc, Farrar; c, Thornton and Bower. No. 10 Dykes, soft, no doubt good one when right. EVEN. ETC., YELL. HEN (13): 1, Stobert, mkd. wing and eyes, rich tone of col., sweetly drawn, capital length, smooth as a Java, pretty as paint; 2, Dykes, mkd. wings and head, lengthy, superb feather, delightful position, well on leg, pressed hard; 3, Wilkinson Bros., mkd. wings and eyes, lovely condition, long sided, rattling back and wing carr., not quite so good in expression of head; 4, vhc, Ogden Bros., mkd. wing and head, capital length, straight as a gun barrel, clever legs; hc, Towers; c, Thomas. CINN. TKD. YELL. (14): 1, Bailey, mkd. wing and eye, ablaze in col., smooth as marble, perfect in almost every detail, admitted by experts to be the best living, truly a stormer; 2, Towers, mkd. wing and head, position, qual., length and style all that one could desire, hardly the richness of col., yet close on the heels of winner; 3, c, Ogden Bros., mkd. wing and head, wonder for length, straight up, well filled back, wing carr., neatness itself, beaten slightly in qual.; 4, Pickup and Son, mkd. wing and eyes, marvellous length, rattling qual. and col., nice stand, not far away; vhc, Thomas; hc, Brown and Son. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Allen, mkd. wings and eyes, feathered to perfection, lovely col., grand position and length, delightful style; 2, Ogden Bros., mkd. wings and eyes, teeming with qual. and col., slashing position, lovely back, flights and tail, good legs, not quite the size; 3, Towers, mkd. wing and head, capital feather, good length, nice back, neat carr. of flights, hardly so stylish, yet fine exhibit; 4, Mallinson and Son, mkd. wings and eyes, red hot, tight as a Java, true type, not so lengthy, worth its place; vhc, Moss; hc, Thomas; c, Morrison. EVEN YELL. (5): Poor class, this we were sorry to see, as the even mks. are perhaps the most handsome of all the varieties. 1, Armstrong, mkd. wings and eyes, longest in class, slim and upstanding, good markings, well on leg, bit thin in neck; 2, 3, King, cinn. mkd. wings and eyes, capital col. and feather, nice stand, on the short side, 3rd mkd. wings and eyes, again not the length, but nice outline, col., and feather; 4, Edmondson and Son, mkd. wings and eyes, A.1. qual. and col., fair size and markings; vhc, Farrar. FOUL MKD. (19): Good class. I, hc, Bennett, yell. green pied tail, superb feather, lovely col., slim and upstanding, rare length, plenty of leg, gem; 2, Clegg, buff var., smooth as wax, full of nerve, lovely col. and frosting, A.1. back and wing carr., well shown; 3, Crabtree, yell. var., well clothed, rich in col., stands like a soldier, not of the longest, but of the smartest; 4, Priestley, buff var., smooth as glass, stands well up, not overdone with length, yet all there otherwise; vhc, Walsh; c, Dykes. A.O.V. (5): 1, 2, 4, vhc, Radley and Son, choice quartette, leader magnificent buff green pied tail D.C., wealth of feather, capital subs., crest large and thickly thatched, delightful radiation, beautiful droop and centre, gem, 2nd buff mkd. C.B., abundance of feather, fine size, grand cushioned skull of rare width, finely lashed, 4th buff mkd. wings D.C., plenty of A.1. qual. feather, crest of good back and frontal, runs wee bit narrow, neat droop and centre; 3, Hattersley, White Canary, Border type, capital qual., nice condition, put down well, greatly scrutinized.

Mr. W. Mundell's Classes.

CL. YELL. (15): 1, 3, Ogden Bros., 1st lovely head, grand wing and piped tail, well up on leg, full of qual., well drawn, grand pos., very steady, 3rd rich col., nice qual., very stylish, good head, nice wings and tail; 2, Bailey, feathered like glass, pos. A.1., rich level col., well on leg, tips wings at times must have pressed winner hard; 4, Wilkinson Bros., very stylish, long flights and tail, well up on leg, neat head, position A.1., level col.; vhc, Tidswell; hc, Denby; c, Cruise. TKD. YELL. (14): 1, Broughton, thigh tkd., well up on leg, feathered like wax, good head, grand wing carr., piped tail, rich level col., rather unsteady when we saw it; 2, Bailey, noted thigh tick, lovely con., grand wing and tail, well up on leg, rich level col; 3, 4, Burdekin Bros., 3rd long flights and piped tail, rich col., full of qual., well on leg, 4th nice type and qual., well placed wings, piped tail, good head; vhc, Cruise; hc, Dyson; c, Towers. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (16): 1, Thomas, noted winner, looking well, grand pos. and feather, long flights, well placed, piped tail, good head, rich level col; 2, Bailey, tkd. on head, feathered like wax, pos. A.1., wings perfect, piped tail, fails only to winner in length; 3, Dyson, rather pale col., grand wings, piped tail, neat round head, clean on breast, good position; 4, Clegg, full of qual., grand wing carr., nice stylish lady; vhc, Hodgeon; hc, Self; c, Cruise. UNFLI. YELL. OR VARIEG. YORKS. (11): 1, Allen, a gem, grand head and neck, lovely wing carr., piped tail, rich level col., lovely feather, pos. A.1.; 2, Broughton, grand pos., lovely qual. of feather, piped tail; 3, Pickup and Son, nice silky feather, good head, piped tail, nice carr., stands well up on leg; 4, Morrison, rich col., great length of flights and tail, stands well up, a bit loose in feather; vhc, Thomas; hc, Dewhirst; c, Dykes. UNFLI. YELL. HEN (19): 1, Crabtree, tick on head, grand back, lovely qual., stands well on a pair of good legs, nice wings and piped tail, fails a little on breast; 2, Mason, very breedy, pale col., boxy feather, neat head, grand wings, piped tail; 3, Radley, showing a lot of breed, neat head, nice wing carr., piped tail, not so long, boxy feather; 4, Dykes, fine hen, we liked, rare length, full of qual., level col., good head, might have gone up; vhc, Clegg; hc, Hodgson; c, Elsegood. EVEN. ETC., BUFF (11): 1, Dykes, the old champion, looking in the pink of con., eye, wings and breast marked, blaze of col., wins spl. for best uneven marked bird; 2, c, Ogden Bros., 2nd eye and wing, rich level col., boxy feather, nice type, good head, piped tail; 3, Dewhirst, grand bird, not so well put down, lovely feather and position, neat head, grand wings and tail; 4, Bailey, eye and wings, rich col., boxy feather, well up on leg, good head, nice wings and piped tail; vhc, Morrison; hc, Hall. HEN (11): 1, Towers, cap, eyes and wings, rich col., full of qual., neat head, nice wing carr., piped tail, position A.1.; 2, Mason, eye and wing, pale col., teeming with qual., neat round head, very typical, long flights, nicely placed, piped tail; 3, Brown and Son, level col., boxy feather, nice wedge shape, clean on breast, well placed wings, piped tail, very stylish; 4, c, Ogden Bros., rich col., eye and wings mkd., boxy feather, very typical, good head; vhc, Dykes; hc, Lister. CINN. TKD. BUFF (10): 1, vhc, Grayshon, eye and wing marked, lovely qual. of feather, neat head, level col., compact wings and tail, very typical; 2, hc, Allen, cap, eyes and wings, rich level col., boxy feather, nice wing carr., piped tail, pos. A.1.; 3, Cooper, cheek and wings, lovely qual. of feather, rich level col., nice pos., piped tail; 4, Brown and Son, rather pale col., but lovely feather and very stylish piped tail; c, Bailey. HEN (15): 1, hc, Aden, eye and wing, lovely qual. of feather, well placed wing, piped tail, pale col., good head, shade strong; 2, Myers and Lunt, eye and wings, very breedy, neat head, lovely wing carr., piped tail, boxy feather, level col.; 3, 4, Morrison, 3rd cap, eyes and wings, boxy feather, well on leg, nice wing carr., piped tail, 4th eye and wings, rich level col., good head, well braced wings, piped tail; vhc, Bailey; c, Wilson. EVEN MKD. BUFF (7): 1, Helliwell, buff, nice wings, good length hen; 2, Overend, 16 year old buff, grand eye and wings, looking in the pink of con.; 3, Towers, buff, good eye and wings, full of qual.; 4, Simonett, cinn. mkd., nice eye and wings, lovely qual. of feather, nice type; vhc, Charlesworth; hc, Holroyd; c, Wood and Stark. FOUL MKD (12): 1, 4, vhc, Bennett, yell., cheek, wings and breast, full of qual., true to type, neat head, grand wing carr., piped tail, stands well up on leg, 4th foul yell., very stylish, full of qual., piped tail, rich col.; 2, Miller, cinn. mkd. yell., lovely qual., nice type, piped tail, well on leg; 3, Priestley, foul yell., boxy feather, rich col., nice head, good wings, and piped tail; hc, Naylor; c, Ludbrook.

GREEN YORKSHIRES.
Judge, Mr. C. A. House.

The quartette of classes provided for these Northern favourites brought the good entry of fifty-eight, and a really grand lot they were. Competition was exceedingly keen, and there was very little between the first and last of the birds which caught the judge's eye. Messrs. Rowlands, McNulty, Metcalfe, Robinson, Walker, Simpson, Morement, Benson, and Riley all staged exhibits of most excellent type, combined with style, and richness of colour. The Buffs, cocks, pleased as more than any, and we were delighted to notice the freedom from bronziness and smokiness.

YELL. (17): 1, 4, Rowlands, fine head, neck, and shoulders, beautiful carr. of wing and tail, rich, bright col., grand shape and style; 4th, splendid rich, bright col., capital body feather, long, stylish, well-tapered body, not so smart in wing carr.; 2, Walker, long, slim-bodied bird, pied tail, neat head, splendidly coloured wings and tail, rich, sound col., hardly so silky in feather; 3, Benson, capital head, shoulders, and back, well piped tail, trifle slack in wing carriage, sound grass green col.; vhc, Robinson; hc, Morement; c, Moore. BUFF (16): 1, and Champ. Diploma, McNulty, wonderfully sound in col., free from smokiness and bronze, beautifully feathered, grand shape and length, gets well up on his legs, grand carr. of wings and tail, in rare form; 2, Simpson, pressed hard, grand length and shape, tapers well away, grand wing and tail carr., rich col., very nicely feathered, shows well; 3, vhc, Walker, hardly so bright in col., showing just a suspicion of bronziness, very nice head, wings, and tail, grand shaped and well feathered body, gets well up on leg; 4, c, Rowlands, splendid length and shape, fine head, grand back, wings and tail, gets well hold of perch, shows for all he is worth, just a shade stouter; hc, Handley. HEN, YELL. (14): 1, Metcalfe, wonderful length for a yell. hen, fine head, rare back, wings and tail, splendid, rich, grassy col., full of qual., gets well up on her legs, pied wings and tail; 2, Morement, not so much length, finely drawn, beautiful feather and col., neat head, grand wing and tail carr., in rare fettle; 3, McDermott, gem for col. and feather, grandly modelled, beautifully balanced wings, inclined to open tail, gets well up on a good pair of legs; 4, Robinson, nicely drawn body, capital head, wings and tail, splendid col., full of qual., does not stand quite so well when handled; vhc, Benson; hc, c, Handley. BUFF (11): 1, Robinson, pied wing and tail, grand shape and style, rare col., rich, deep, bright green, full of qual., neat head, good shoulders, nice clean run over back, stands well; 2, Riley, superior to winner in richness and brightness of colouring, grand head and neck, well-balanced wings and tail, very nicely feathered, not quite so stylish; 3, Benson, rather stouter in body beautifully feathered, lovely rich col., gets well up on a good pair of legs, shows well; 4, Simpson, splendid length, shape, and style, brilliantly rich in col., grand back, wings and tail, not quite so tight in front; vhc, Rowlands; hc, Townsend; c, Metcalfe.

OPEN NOVICE YORKSHIRES.
Judge, Mr. C. A. House.

In this section was found the largest class in the show, thirty-four unflighted birds, and a grand lot they were. But the two classes for Hens were even better, and from amongst them came the winner of the Championship Diploma—Mr. Crabtree's beautiful Ticked Yellow. By this win Mr. Crabtree loses his right to remain amongst the novitiates. Mr. Crabtree shou'd prove next season a thorn in the side of some of the older breeders. The weakest class of the section was that for Buff cocks. In this many of the exhibits showed a tendency to stoutness somewhat foreign to what is required in a high-class Yorkie. The five classes gave an average of over twenty two per class, so that the Open Novices made a good section, and the breeders are to be congratulated upon the birds.

YELL. (22): 1, G. Midgley, mkd. head, neck, and vent, not a handsomely mkd. bird, perhaps, but streets ahead in outline and slimness of body, grandly feathered, and nice col.; 2, Sutcliffe, slim and lengthy, heavily mkd. bird, fine head, splendid back, well-balanced wings and tail, gets well up on a grand pair of legs, just a bit thin in neck; 3, Brook and Oldfield, finely feathered clr., beautiful col., lovely head, grand back, wings, and tail, full of style, gets well up on legs, not quite so finely drawn in shoulders; 4, Lee, very long, racy, stylish clr., good; vhc, Farnish; hc, S. Midgley; c, Walker. BUFF (17): 1, Anderton, rather pale in col., but grand length, very fine and silky feather, grand head and back, capital carriage of wings and tail, stands well up on a good pair of legs, and handles well; 2, Naylor, not so much length of side, but very compactly carried wings and tail, magnificently feathered, carries more col., nice head and back; 3, Linford, smart and stylish, good head and shoulders, nice level back, well-balanced wings and tail, splendid position; 4, Sutcliffe, capital shape and style, fine head, neck, and shoulders, gets well up on leg, smart wing and tail carriage; vhc, Riley; hc, Shackleton; c, Fowle. HENS, YELL. (19): 1, and Championship Diploma, Crabtree, long, racy, wing tkd., beautiful head and neck, nicely moulded shoulders, grand level back, round and level in colour, light, compact, silky feather, in rare form; 2, Anderton, warm-coloured, thigh mkd., grand head and back, splendid car. of wings and tail, grandly feathered, stands like a soldier, not quite so slim; 3, Walker, charming cinn.-mkd., capital head and shoulders, beautifully balanced wings and tail, nice level back, very tight in feather, but not so well burnished; 4, Smith Bros., beautifully feathered, gets well up on her legs, hardly so rich in col., and a trifle shorter in body; vhc, Peace; hc, Sutcliffe; c, Pearson. BUFF (19): 1, Beaumont, fine head and neck, beautifully tapered wings and tail, tightly braced, and grandly carried, stands well, plenty of nerve, in A 1 form; 2, Craven, grand shape and length, good head, nice level back, capital wing and tail carr., but takes a bit of handling to get into position; 3, Fowle, smart, firm feathered, nicely drawn Cinn.-mkd., grand top end and well piped tail, not so smart in wings as she might be; 4, Sutcliffe, very long-sided, nicely tapered, cheek-mkd., beautifully feathered; vhc, hc, Ireland; c, Gregson. UNFLIG. (34): 1, Crabtree, long-sided buff wing-tkd., grand head and neck, very fine shoulders, rare wings and tail, beautiful, fine, silky feather, nice length of leg, stands like a soldier; 2, Ingham, very heavily mkd. yell., grand type, quality from end to end, full of col., grand shoulders, wings and tail, rare legs and position, but not quite tight in front; 3, Naylor, rare shaped clr. yell., capital head and neck, finely braced shoulders, nice level back, splendid position, full of quality, and grandly shown; 4, Pearson, wonderfully built Buff, magnificently feathered, neat head, grandly piped tail, but would not get up so well as others; vhc, Fowle; hc, Snead; c, S. Midgley.

Y.U. NOVICE CLASSES (Limit £5 5s.). YORKS SECTION.
Judge, Mr. W. A. Cowgill.

YORKS, CL. or TIC. YELL. (27): 1, Midgley, grand length and shape, nicely cut away, rattling head, back, and wings, leggy, good style, smart feather; 2, Cockroft, rare type, and shows well, leggy, fully of col. and qual.; 3, Helliwell, nice long sided bird, straight as a rush, good shoulders, neat wings, nice qual.; 4, Mountain, good length, correct type, and very stylish, leggy, lovely qual., gem; vhc, Barnes; hc, Brook and Oldfield; c, Saville. DITTO BUFF (25): 1, Firth, grand length, shape, nice head, very clean front, teems with qual., beauty, claimed at catalogue price; 2, Padgett, one of the shooty sort, rattling length, leggy, straight as a ramrod, lovely feather; 3, Lee, cap mkd., red hot col. and marvellous qual., good shape and position, nice length, fine bird; 4, Naylor, good type and size, good back, grand qual.; vhc, Radley; hc, Nicholls; c, Rhodes. DITTO. YELL. YKS. HEN (29): 1, Beaumont, grand shape, extra fine position, leggy, rattling back, wings, and tail, neat head, perfect feather, and full col.; 2, Hainsworth and Son, great length, fine position, stands cleverly, good head and back, nice type, and teeming with qual.; 3, Naylor, neat shape, good shoulders, and well cut away, rattling qual.; 4, Bennett, good shape, straight as a rush, rare back and wings, lovely feather; vhc, Crabtree; hc, Binns; c, Stebbings. DITTO, BUFF HEN (22): 1, Rhodes, grand shape, stands cleverly, lovely rich col., perfect in feather, as though moulded of wax, gem; 2, Leather, grand length and shape, nicely drawn out, shows for all it is worth, rattling qual.; 3, Beaumont, lovely type and style, grand head and back, good qual; 4, Mountain, tic. wing, grand length and shape, very clean cut, leggy, good qual., smart; vhc, Barnes; hc, Crabtree; c, Naylor. GREEN MKD. YKS. (20): 1, Helliwell, buff, mkd. wings, eyes, head, tail, marvellous type and position, nice head, good back, grand feather, all in one piece, gem; 2, 3, Binns, 2nd buff, mkd. wings, eyes, grand shape, very well up, leggy, lovely qual. and col.; 3rd, yell., mkd. wings, eyes, neat type and very stylish, splendid head and back, rattling col. and qual; 4, Western, yell., mkd. wings, eyes, and cheek, lovely shape, straight, well up in position, neat wings and tail, grand qual. and col.; vhc, Tasker; hc, Grange; c, Butler. DITTO, HEN (17): 1, vhc, Binns, buff, mkd. wings, eyes, head, grand shape, very erect, splendid back, wings, and tail, lovely qual., beauty all through; 2, Nichols, buff, mkd. wing, eyes, tail, head, great length and shape, fine position, straight, teems with qua..; 3, Naylor, yell, slim and grand type, stylish, nice length, rare qual.; 4, Moore, buff, mkd. wings, eyes, grand shape, shows well, very compact, gem; hc, Saville; c, Western. CIN. TIC. ETC., YKS. (12): 1, 2, 3, c, Binns, grand team, leader buff, mkd. wing, eye, grand shape and position, rattling qual. and col.; 2, yell., mkd. wings, eyes and cheek, great length, good shape, leggy, lovely col. and qual.; 3, yell, mkd. wings, cheeks and head, extra position, shows well, good shape, leggy, nice feather; 4, McLaughlin, buff, mkd. wings, slim, neat type, very showy, good qual., soiled; vhc, Woad; hc, Helliwell. DITTO, HEN (14): 1, Binns, yell., mkd. saddle, eyes, nice length, good shape, leggy, rattling qual.; 2, Leather, foul yell., grand length, slim, typical, very leggy, smart feather; 3, Ward, yell., mkd. wing, eyes, head, grand shape, stylish, very clean made, rare qual.; 4, Moore, buff, mkd. wings, eyes, head, slim, rattling type, grand qual.; vhc, Swaine; hc, McLaughlin; c, Naylor.

NORWICH SECTION.
Judge, Mr. A. Hirst.

NOR. A.V. YELL. or BUFF (13): 1, Kaberry, buff, tic. wing and head, great size and substance, rare shape, good head, marvellous col. and qual.; 2, 4, Birbeck, both buffs; 2, grand sub., marvellous chest, bonny feather, and nice col.; 4, fair sub., very clean made, ex. col. and qual.; 3, Airton, unfligh. yell., grand shape and sub., good head, rattling col. and qual.; vhc, Lord; hc, Marsh; c, Watson. DITTO, HEN (13): 1, Cawthra, yell., grand shape and substance, very cobby, rare chest, full of qual. and col.; 2, Birbeck, yell., good size and substance, bonnie feather, very compact; 3, Ingham, buff, gem for shape, nice sub., extra qual. and col.; 4, Watson, mkd. buff, extra sub., good shape, rare head, fair qual.; vhc, c, Lord; hc, Clark.

YORKS. SELLING CLASSES, Pair £3 (13): 1, Ludbrooke; 2, Helliwell; 3, Bennett; 4, Murgatroyd; vhc, Walsh; hc, Elsegood; c, Hodgson. YELL. YKS., £1 10s. (20): 1, Atkinson and Firth; 2, Huddleston; 3, Priestley; 4, Casey; vhc, Hodgson; hc, Powell; c, Seaife. BUFF, £1 10s. (26): 1, Walsh; 2, Craven; 3, Drake; 4, Hodgson; vhc, Naylor; hc, Lingley; c, Helliwell. HEN, £1 (17): 1, Mitchell; 2, Dyson; 3, Fawcett; 4, Myers and Lumb; vhc, Marsh; hc, Atkinson and Firth; c, Naylor. NORWICH CK., £1 (10): 1, Tose; 2, Birbeck; 3, Bull; 3, Roe; vhc, Clark; hc, Midgley; c, Bennett. HEN £1s. (6): 1, Marsh; 2, Chambers; 3, Tose; 4, Dormer; vhc, Pickles; hc, Pickles.

BORDER FANCIES.
Judge, Mr. H. W. Battye.

Lovers of the neat and natty Border Fancy did not give that support to the exhibition which had been expected, and five of the nine classes had to be cancelled, amongst them, strangely enough, four which should have filled the best—those for Yellow and Buff cocks and hens—and the Evenly Marked. Mr. Johnstone's team of Greens and Cinnamons were much admired, and deserved to be, as was Mr. Pearson's almost four-pointed buff, which won the Championship Diploma. We hope that next year the Border men will see to it that this section is more adequately and generously supported.

VARIEG. (5): 1, vhc, and Champ. Diploma, Pearson, very handsome four-pointed buff, with a run on shoulder, lovely feather, splendid shape and style, full of qual.; 2, 3, Davidson, 2nd, eye, head, and wing-mkd. yell., very slim and stylish, grandly balanced wings and tail, beautiful, silky feather; 3rd, four-pointed buff, cheek and silky, grand shape and style, not quite so steady; 4, Large, nice head

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and wing mkd. yell. CINN. (7): 1, c, Johnston, very stylish, good positioned yell., splendid wings and tail, beautifully feathered, sound, level col.; 2, Large, showy, nice shaped buff, grandly feathered, nice col., rare wings and tail carr.; 3, Williams, grand headed buff, capital wings and tail, does not stand up quite so well, very nice silky feather; 4, vhc, Montgomery, very smart and stylish, not quite so rent in outline; hc, Middleton. GREEN YELL. (5): 1, 2, Johnston, 1st, grand head, back, wings, and tail, lovely col. and feather, full of style; 2nd, sound col., very finely drawn, rare shape and style, lovely wings and tail, not quite so fine in body feather; 3, Middleton; beautiful col. and feather, rare wings and tail, very showy and stylish, little stouter in chest, in grand form; 4, Hay, grand shape and style, beautifully feathered right through, splendid wings and tail, bit light on thighs; vhc, Williams, absent. 1, Pope; 3, Ellwood. BUFF (6): 1, hc, Johnston, bonnie little bird, sweet head, grand back, wings and tail, lovely col., grand qual., in rare form; 2, Montgomery, rather stouter, grand head, back, wings and tail, rich, grassy col., beautiful feather and style; 3, vhc, Ridley, sweet head, capital wings and tail, beautiful col., grand feather, more of the old fashioned type; 4, Hay, splendid carr., good back, wings, and tail, in grand fettle.

NORWICH PLAINHEADS.

Judge, Mr. J. Robson.

The Norwich were a very charming lot; symmetry and quality of a delightful order, wonderful substance, and colour of the hottest nature were to be observed in most of the classes. What an eye opener was the clear buff cock, the property of Mr. J. E. Davies! We never remember seeing a buff so hot in colour before, lovely feather shining like satin, perfect in shape, and "oh, the size," and of the most dainty carriage; one to be remembered for many a long day. The tkd. buff cock owned by Mr. W. Jonnson, found hosts of admirers, being "hot enough to set his happy home on fire," and of marvellous merit all over, a gem of gems. The unflgn. yell. and buff, staged successfully by Messrs. W. Wrigley, and W. E. Seed, respectively, are "knock-outs," and another year with luck will be hard nuts to crack. Mr. S. Cock once again took premier honours in the yell. hen class, with his noted dainty damsel; and Mr. J. Thomas placed on view a most charming little lady in the buff hen class. Amongst the novices were some rattling exhibits. In fact, many possessed merit quite sufficient to gain the "top pegs" in very keen competition. Greens although not over numerous, contained some "good uns." Specials were gained as follows: Championship diploma, best Nor., Mr. J. E. Davies, also best in show; diploma, best Nor. green, Mr. V. H. Deacon; best amateur's, Mr. H. Kitchen; best Nov., Mr. J. A. Kerberry.

CL. YELL. (8): 1, 4, Davies, fine brace, former like a ball of fire, magnificent feather, grand symmetry, lovely carr., real eye opener; 4, rattling qual., extremely bonny; 2, Proctor, very shapely, capital subs., A1 qual., not so warm in col., good carr.; 3, Humphries, teeming with qual. and col., good size, neat head, neck, and chest, smart wing carr.; vhc, Mallinson and Son; hc, Vardy; c, Thomas. BUFF (14): 1, sp, Davies, well nigh unbeatable hero, looking better than ever, many envious eyes were cast upon this most amazing beauty, truly a topper; 2, Thomas, superb feather, rich in col., delightful shape and carr., not quite so bold in build, yet fascinating, and close up; 3, Heap, beautifully fed and clothed, lovely head and neck, shade longer in harrel, smart carr. of flights, clean sweep; 4, Proctor, smooth as wax, A1 col., nice subs., moves well; vhc, Wrigley; hc, Ball; c, Chambers. TK. YELL. (10): 1, Wrigley, mkd. wing, marvellous size, ablaze with col., rattling shape, graceful movement; 2, Raynes, thigh and wing mkd., even more col., delightful feather, well up in subs., hardly so chubby, yet a gem; 3, Heap, tkd. eye, hot as a stove, plenty of size, capital qual., loses a little in outline, nice carr., worth its place; 4, Davies, mkd. wings and head, ablaze with col., silky feather, grand head, neck, and chest, somewhat square behind to-day; vhc, Mallinson and Son; hc, Humphries; c, Thomas. BUFF (14): 1, Johnson, mkd. wings and head, round as a ball, wonderful subs., slashing feather, neatly frosted, best of carr., gem of gems; 2, Vardy, mkd. eyes, Ilkeston winner and Preston 2nd, pressed very hard, a delightful specimen, in the pink; 3, Humphries, mkd. wing and head, full of fire, superb feather, A1 type, crosses wing sometimes, which tells against it; 4, Simonett, lightly var., sweetly moulded, superior qual. and col., jaunty carr., worth its place; vhc, Wrigley; hc, Davies; c, Cook. YELL. UNFLI. (16): 1, Wrigley, well know cl., close on the best out, truly a "knock out," and a stormer, wins well; 2, Proctor, cl., beaten in head character slightly, equal or thereabouts in all other points, absolutely perfect condition, a treat; 3, Miss A. Scott (Bravo the ladies), cl., superb feather and col., very shapely, delightful carr., not quite the subs.; 4, Parlett, bouncing cl., fine qual. and col., very promising; vhc, c, Thomas; hc, Pickles. BUFF (10): 1, Seed, giant of a cl., exquisite qual., gorgeous col., gem for shape, dainty carr., found many friends; 2, Wrigley, beautifully moulded, cl., brimful of col. and qual. richly frosted, beaten in size only; 3, Hirst, lightly var., short and thick-set, capital feather, not overdone with subs. or col., should make up all right with a good moult; 4, Parlett, cl., rare size, A1 col. and qual., good head, neck, and chest; vhc, Heap; hc, Crawshaw; c, Hayhurst. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Cook, cl., giantess, not a feather misplaced, symmetry of the very best, lovely col. and carr.; 2, Thomas, lightly var., heaps of col., grand shape and size, capital carr., clean cut away; 3, Hirst, mkd. wing and head, delightful feather, light as a Java, not quite so large; 4, Clegg, very shapely, grand qual., cl., lovely carr. of flights, neat tail, clean cut, falls a little in col.; vhc, Ball; hc, Vardy; c, Heap. BUFF (16): grand class: 1, 2, Thomas, brace of clinking clears, leader, magnificent feather and col., beautiful shape and carr., well up in size; 3, short and thick set, rich col., sweet movement, not quite so massive in stature; 2, Vardy, mkd. wings and head, smooth as wax, rare shape and subs., capital col. and creating, Ilkeston winner, looking a picture; 4, Cook, grand model of a cl., feathered to perfection, plenty of subs., lovely col. and frosting, very charming; vhc, hc, Heap; c, Pickles. NAT. COL. CK. (7): 1, Wrigley, cl. yell., wonderful subs., splendid shape, qual., and col., great carr.; 2, Davies, var. buff, a monster, delightful shape, superbly clothed, richly fed, in the pink; 3, 4, Thomas, cl. yell., of good size and shape, A1 col., not so tight in feather as might be, but nice carr.; 4, yell., mkd. wings and eye, not quite so thick through, but good subs., qual., and col., moves well; vhc, c, Hayhurst; hc, Raynes. HEN: void. NOR. GREEN SELF or FOUL YELL. (12): 1, Lawson, self, well up in size, shone like satin, grand shape and carr., delightful col.. 2, Walker, foul, sweetly moulded, rattling subs. and col., A1 feather, neat carr., very close up; 3, 4, Harding, foul and self; 3, shapely, capital col. and qual., not one of the biggest, but one of the best; 4, rare subs., col., and feather, good shape, not put up high a condition as might be; vhc, Metcalfe; hc, Deacon; c, Bloor. BUFF (15): 1, Hankey, foul, full of col. and qual., rattling shape and size, grand carr.; 2, Harding, foul, shapely, A1 qual., rich col., nice size, hardly so thick in front, yet close up; 3, c, Walker, foul, smaller, teeming with qual. and col., neat carr., full of true character; 4, Lawson, self, A1 qual. and col., well up in size, loses a little in symmetry, longer in barrel, wings, and tail; vhc, Seed; hc, Walker. YELL. HEN (6): 1, sp, Deacon, self, round as a ball, magnificent qual. and col., rattling subs. and carr., real stormer; 2, Malone, tightly feathered, self, good subs. and col., not so cobby, but clean cut away; 3, Handley, self, shapely, delightful col. and qual., light as a Java, neatness itself; 4, Lawson, foul, A1 col and size, capital qual., good head, neck, and chest, little loose behind; vhc, Metcalfe, hc, Walker. BUFF (10): 1, c, Lawson, self, a bouncer, teeming with qual., superb col., grand shape, graceful mover; 2, Dormer, self, wonderful col. and qual., very shapely, A1 carr., hardly the size; 3, vhc, Harding, self, capital qual. and col., well up in size, not so deep fronted, yet bonny lady; 4, Walker, foul, rare feather and col., true type; hc, Malone. AMAT. NOR. YELL. (7): 1, Blease and Son, capitally fed, cl., smooth as glass, cobby in build, nice size and carr., well staged; 2, Fielding, finely feathered, cl., full of col., good head and neck, rather longer in barrel flights and tail; 3, vhc, Grey, cl., rare substance, full of col., nice feather, little heavy behind, yet good one; 4, Wilford, red hot cl., tight as a Java, sweet carr.; hc, Kitchen; c, Jones. BUFF (12): 1, sp, Kitchen, massive var., lovely qual. and col., neatly frosted, jaunty carr., capable of winning many champion classes; 2, Barton, mkd. neck, richly fed, well up in subs. and nicely clothed, moves grandly, wee bit longer; 3, Bailey, cl., full of fire, A1 qual., nice size, hardly so good in shape, wants bit more chest; 4, Fielding, very fine, lightly var., rare subs. and col., sweet shape, clean sweep, some thought might have gone up one; vhc, Worthington; hc, Stafford; c, Roe. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Fielding, mkd. eyes, short and thick set, not a feather misplaced, rich tone of col., beauty right through 2, Hattersley, well fed. cl., good subs., silky feather, neat head and neck; 3, c, Stafford, very shapely, cl., A1 qual., col., and carr., not far behind; 4, Worthington, cobby, thigh tick, rattling col. and feather; vhc, Huggins. BUFF (14): 1, Bennett, charming, cl., superb feather and col., slashing shape, well up in size, 1912 bred, extremely promising; 2, 4, Barton, cl., gem for shape, feather, and col., not the subs. of winner, grand carr.; 4, var, plenty of subs., A1 col. and qual., neatly frosted, good shape, bit wanting in head and neck; 3, Fielding, lightly var., cobby, and jaunty in carr., full of qual. and col., nice size, one we liked; vhc, Blease and Son; hc, Roe; c, Rhodes. UNFLIG. YELL. (12): 1, Harris, grandly fed cl., delightful feather, rare shape, and carr., should make up into a very fine specimen; 2, Fielding, richly clothed cl., sweetly moulded, not the size, yet neatness itself, worth its place; 3, vhc, Huggins, hy. mkd., short and thick set, ablaze in col., A1 qual., graceful mover, very close up; 4, Kitchen, mkd. wing, head, and neck, good in col. and qual., grand shaped body, wanting a little in head and neck; hc, Rhodes; c, Midgley. BUFF (10): 1, Fielding, tkd. eyes, superb qual., col., well up in subs., rattling shape, full of true character, beauty; 2, Worthington, var., rich col., A1 feather, nice size and shape, not quite so full fronted; 3, Stafford, lightly var. short and thick set, superior feather, nice tone of col., not the biggest, but of the best; 4, Grey, cl., plenty of subs., good in col. and qual., vhc, Blease and Son; hc, Midgley; c, Plowright.

CINNAMONS.

Judge, Mr. H. W. Battye.

Cinnamons made a good display, one of the best we have seen for some time, and they were well handled by Mr. Battye. Mr. Dormer's old champion Yellow easily secured the Championship Diploma, an award that admitted of no cavilling. Mrs. Deacon staged a grand team, and it did not go empty away. The Unflighted class contained a lot of most promising youngsters, birds of good type and excellent colour properties, and the tussle for the leading positions was very close indeed. We much admired Mr. Hartup's winner, also his exhibits in the Hen class, in which that good old lover of the breed, Mr. E. Godley, won with a most charming Buff. Messrs. Proctor and Smalley both staged some capital birds in the Novice section, and we look forward with interest to the future career of these young fanciers.

YELL. (9): 1, hc, and Champ. Diploma, Dormer, fine big bouncing bird, wonderful depth of col., grand head and back, splendid feather and style, in the best of form; 2, 3, Mrs. Deacon, 2nd not so large as winner, magnificent col. and feather, grand head, full of style, not quite so solid at thighs; 3rd, larger, but not so neat in wings and tail, lovely col. and feather; 4, vhc, Godley, very hot, grand quality and shape, not so tight in wing; c, Roberts. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Mrs. Deacon, 1st, fine big bird, splendid shape, bold head and neck, nice level col., beautifully feathered, very stylish, in the pink; 2nd, very massive, longer in flights and tail, good head and neck, capital col.; 3, c, Dormer, bold, upstanding bird, not so clever in wing carr., but lovely col. and feather, shows well; 4, Godley, good shape and style, nice head, grand, rich col.; vhc, Roberts. UNFLI. (13): 1, Hartup, handsome yell., grand shape and size, rich, sound col., beautifully feathered, very stylish; 2, Mrs. Deacon, bouncing Buff, grand shape, stands well, good head and neck, most excellent feather, level col., very fit; 3, 4, Dormer, hot-coloured Jonque, not quite so large as winner, but full of quality, grand shape, beautiful feather, very stylish; 4th, good-coloured Buff, big and massive, not quite so stylish; vhc, hc, Roberts; c, Godley. HEN (12): 1, Godley, very smart, stylish Buff, lovely colour, rare feather, grand shape, splendid wings and tail; 2, 3, c, Hartup, yell., rare col., nice feather, splendid shape, good carr.; 3rd, lovely feathered buff, level, sound col., neat body, carries herself well, very nicely shown; 4, Mrs. Deacon, sweet yell., not so stout in head, beautiful feather, plenty of col.; vhc, hc, Dormer. NOVICE (9): 1, and Champ. Diploma, Smalley, bouncing yell., magnificent col., hot, and deep, grandly feathered, rare shape and size, splendid carr.; 2, 3, hc, c, Proctor, rather square-headed buff, plenty of size, good body feather, very rich, sound col., stands well; 3rd, hot-coloured yell., capital shape and style, nicely feathered, good form; 4, vhc, Mrs. Tweddle, grand coloured yell., bit rough at thighs, and not quite so short in wings and tail. HEN (8): 1, 2, vhc, Proctor, very finely feathered buff, beautifully sound and rich in col., stands well, in first-class fettle; 2nd, rich col. yell., rather fine in head, but rare, sound, deep col., beautifully feathered and very stylish; 3, 4, c, Mrs. Tweddle, grand shaped buff, not quite so much col., good body feather, hardly so neat in wings and tail; 4th, smaller headed yell., plenty of col., in very showy and stylish; hc, Smalley.

LIZARDS.

Judge, Mr. C. A. House.

For a show outside the confines of Lancashire the "dark 'uns" made a nice display. Most of the exhibits met at Rochdale and were fighting their battles over again. Naturally the differences of light and place made some changes in the awards, but between such high-class exhibits this was not to be wondered at. As at the great Lancashire fixture, Messrs. Ollerenshaw and Hamer were the most successful exhibitors, and every credit is due to these two gentlemen for staging such grand teams. The honour of winning the coveted Championship Diploma fell to Mr. Hamer's magnificent Broken-capped Silver, but it was a tight race between it and Mr. Ollerenshaw's Broken-capped Gold. A very near thing indeed!

GOLD, CL. CP. (8): 1, 2, Hamer, lovely, rich, sound col., clear and distinct in spangle, capital wings and tail, good legs and beak, in rare form; 2, rather better shaped cap, magnificent col. and feather, plenty of work, but not quite so distinct in rowing, and hardly so good on chest; 3, hc, Barnes, not so rich in col., but full of fine, clean, bold spangling, which shows up well on a good level back, grand shape, size, and feather; 4, Rukin, beautiful col., grandly feathered, full of rich, sound col., wealth of spangle on nice level back, not quite so neat in wings; vhc, Ollerenshaw; c, Lord. SILVER (7): 1, hc, Ollerenshaw, neat, well-shaped cap, level back, distinct black spangling on rich ground, nicely frosted, full of qual., grandly shown; 2, 4, Hamer, not quite so large in body, grand cap, splendid clear spangling and plenty of it, lovely col. and feather; 4th, nice shapely cap, good shaped back, plenty of well formed spangles, not quite so well creeled on chest; 3, Rukin, very nice head, grand shape and size, a mass of spangling, but not quite so sharp and distinct as leaders; vhc, Lord; No. 6, Barnes, passed as wrong class. BROKEN CAP GOLD (7): 1, 4, Ollerenshaw, magnificent col., rich, bright and sound right through, grand shape, size and style, wealth of spangling, finely put on; 4th, grand shape and size, sound col., but not quite so bright, carries a lot of work; 2, 3, Hamer, smart and shapely, rich, sound col., grandly feathered, grand rows of spangling on back, not quite so well creeled on chest; 3rd, better on chest, but not quite so good on shoulders, lovely col., and feather, beautifully rowed, with bold, distinct black spangles; vhc, Bosworth; hc, Barnes; c, Rukin. SILVER (9): 1, 4, Championship Diploma, Hamer, wonderfully sound and rich in col., plenty of size, grand shape, broad, level back, well defined rows of rich, bold spangling, grand feather and frosting; 4th, almost as good, but not quite so sharp and bright in spangle, and one feather in tail was only partly grown; 2, vhc, c, Ollerenshaw, looked like Rochdale 2nd, fine, bold bird, plenty of work on a good level back, capital shoulders and chest, not quite so bright as winner; 3, Barnes, grand shape, not quite so large, and thus, though beautifully spangled, not so imposing as leaders, nice feather and style; hc, Rukin.

ROLLER CLASSES.

Judge, Mr. W. Massey.

Young Bird Champion (12): 1, 23 points; 3, 21 points; vhc, 18 points, Turner; 2, 22 points, Percival; 4, 19 points; c, 15 points, Waring; hc, 15 points, Wirth. Young Bird, Novice (7): 1, 20 points, Eaton; 2, 18 points, Smith; 3, 14 points; 4, 14 points; hc, 1, point, Fouls; vhc, 12 points, Firth. Open, any age (13): 1, 25 points, Turner; 2, 23 points; 3, 22 points; 4, 21 points; Kremner; vhc, 21 points, Allsop; hc, 17 points, Waring; c, 14 points, Mawhood.

MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Judge, Mr. J. Maddison.

The Hybrids created admiration with their "mixtures of variety," and were voted a capital assortment. Messrs. Martin and Archer's "stable" did its usual share of winning, the noted clear buff Linnet-Can. and grizzled neck buff Greenie-Can, and Greenie Chaff., being greatly admired; truly a trio of toppers. A magnificent Can-Bullie successfully shown by Mr. J. M. Walsh found many friends; and the well-known yell. Greenie-Can, now the property of Mr. R. D. Parlett once again added to his very long list of 1st prizes. Diplomas for best Mule or Hyb., best Light and best Hyb., Martin and Archer.

CL. ETC. (8): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Martin and Archer, unique team, leader well-known cl. buff Lin.-Can, often described as a gem, and rightly named "Perfection," the picture of health, 2nd buff Greenie-Can, griz. on neck, the best of its kind known, in the pink of condition, and shown in masterly fashion, 3rd unevenly mkd. buff Goldie-Can, fine substance and shape, capital feather, showing parentage distinctly, greatly admired; 4, Durston, cl. buff Goldie-Can., good in col., qual., and size, when taking notes appeared not well; hc, Poole. In this class the judge passed Nos. 6, Jowett, and 7, Fisher, as being, in his opinion, Canaries. CAN. HYB. HY. VAR. (6): 1, 3, Inman, buff var. Goldie-Cans., former fine size and shape, rich col., of delightful qual., capital face; 2nd, full of col. and qual., sweetly moulded, nice carr., good head points, not of the biggest; 2, Pitchford and Stocker, buff, Lin.-Can., mkd. wings and tail, shapely, good size, nice col., mixture very pronounced; 4, Alexander, buff Siskin-Can., nice col. and qual., good size, capital trim; No. 1, Jowett, and 4, Durston, alleged as Canaries. BULLF. HYB., ETC. (10): 1, J. M. Walsh, magnificent Can.-Bull., rare size and shape, magnificent qual., rich col., a topper; 2, Inman, Gold.-Bullie, sweet shape, A1 qual. and col., good face, in absolutely best possible form, a gem; 3, Martin and Archer, Greenie-Bullie, very shapely, capital qual. and col.; 4, Lamb, Lin.-Bullie, fine shape and subs., delightful qual. and col., fine carr., well worth its place; vhc, hc, H. Walsh; c, Dr. M. A. Wilson. DARK GOLD.-CAN. (9): 1, Martin and Archer, yell., marvellous subs. and shape, slashing col., shone like satin, mag. face, topper; 2, Williams, buff, well up in size, rich col, grand shape, beautiful face; 3, Lamb, yell., wonderful col., A1 feather, nice well cut blaze, smaller yet neatness itself; 4, H. Walsh, yell., sweet shape, superior feather and col., again on the small side, in the pink; vhc, Mays and Allinson; hc, Wilson; c, Hattersley. A.O.V. DARK (11): 1, Parlett, well-known yell. Greenie-Can., winner of upwards of 50 firsts, looking capable of adding many more; 2, Pickles, yell. Lin.-Can., good size, grand shape, col. and quality, in fine fettle; 3, Middleton, buff Sis.-Can, very shapely, capital feather and col., worth its place; 4, Brunskill, buff Greenie-Can., rare size and shape, not a feather misplaced, good col. and car.; vhc, Taylor, hc, Martin and Archer; c, England. A.O.V. BRED FROM TWO BRIT. (4): 1, Martin and Archer, the much talked of Greenie-Chaff., a very difficult "mixture," and in the best possible condition, 2, Lamb, very smart and stylish Goldie-Redpoll, rich col., neat markings, tight as wax, gem; 3, Dr. M. A Wilson, Greenie-Goldie, shapely, nice subs., good col. and feather, capital bloom; 4, Durston, yell. Gold.-Sis., nice shape and size, superior col and qual., very taking.

BRITISH BIRDS.

Judge, Mr. J. Maddison.

Never again can it be said that British Bird exhibitors will not support Yorkshire shows. The excellent response to the appeal of the Bradford National executive proves that, given a popular classification, and the knowledge that their birds will not be in the hands of the railway authorities on the Sabbath, British men will support Yorkshire shows. Thirteen classes were provided, one, that for Blackcaps and Nightingales, had to be cancelled, but the other twelve yielded an entry of 126, an average of over eleven per class, which but for the poor support given to the Albino and A.O.S. classes would have read very much better. The honour of being selected as the champion bird of the section fell to Messrs. Pitchford and Stocker's Goldfinch, a bird most gorgeous in colouring, and whose coat fits him as though it has been waxed. Greenfinches were a very level lot, and in making his awards, Mr. Maddison evidently paid the greatest attention to quality of feather, and did not heed size. Goldies were indeed splendid. We have already referred to the winner, but the exhibits of Messrs. Lane, Wilson, Kilner, and others, although beaten, were by no means disgraced. Mr. Pickles' winning Twite certainly had size, and that probably pulled it home, but we much admired the colouring and marking of Mr. Morley's representative, whilst another bird we liked much was Messrs. Woodhead and Son's Mealy Redpoll. Chaffinches were good, without being super-excellent, and the London pair were well up, though, given a bit more size, Dr. Wilson's second would have walked home. Linnets were a very level lot, and as good as they were level. A most interesting class were the Bullies, and such colour and finish is seldom seen as that possessed by the magnificent pair shown by Mr. Woods. This gentleman only had these two birds in the show. Lucky man! Mr. Marley's Hawfinch was in the pink of condition, and greatly admired, as was Mr. Walsh's beautiful Corn Bunting, which kept up a serenade whilst the judges and committee were at luncheon. Beautiful indeed was the winning Thrush of Messrs. Hemmings and Brereton, and it was followed by other grand exhibits. Larks were just a nice class. Of Mr. Walsh's Waxwing we cannot say more than that we have rarely seen a better. Albinos were interesting, but few.

GREENFINCH (14): 1, P. Walsh, rather dark col. jonque, great depth of col., grandly feathered, nice shape and carr., good wings and tail, very fit, a beauty; 2, vhc, Marley, grandly feathered and mealed buff, sound, rich green col., magnificent wing bars, feathered like wax, very steady; 3, c, Brade, fine, large, silky feathered buff, magnificent bird, rather to hotly fed; 4, Parlett, lovely bird for size and shape, splendid col., grand wings and tail, not quite so fine in feather; hc, Blincoe. GOLD (12): 1, and Championship Diploma, Pitchford and Stocker, magnificently bright, rich coloured, well cut blaze, lovely collar, beautiful back, sound and rich in tan, splendid bars and buttons, pink of condition, good winner; 2, hc, Lane, hardly so well finished, but a really tip-top Finch, grandly cut, rich col. blaze, nice, sound, nutty-brown chest and back, splendid bars and buttons, bit more condition would have made all the difference; 3, D. Wilson, very bright, rich-coloured blaze, but not so much of it, the best cheeks in the class, grand collar, very distinct buttons, pink of condition; 4, Kilner, plenty of size, nice blaze, good back and bars; vhc, Mays and Allinson; c, England. SISKIN, ETC. (15): 1, Pickles, large, good shaped, well feathered Twite, capital col., very distinctly mkd., in nice form; 2, Brade, large, good coloured, well mkd. Siskin, capital back, wings, and tail, lovely feather, very steady; 3, Marley, magnificent Twite, richer in col., and more quality of feather than the winner, but not quite so large; 4, Woodhead and Son, grand coloured Mealy Redpoll, capital markings, very nicely feathered, shows well; vhc, Dormer; hc, Forster; c, Parlett. CHAFF. (10): 1, 3, Marley, very rich coloured breast, beautiful cap, grandly mkd., in

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the pink of condition; 3rd, larger, and more showy, very nicely mkd., not quite so much col.; 2, vhc, Dr. Wilson, magnificent col., very tight and compact in feather, splendid cap, not so stout and robust in body, nicely mkd., in grand form; 4, P. Walsh, rich, bright coloured bird, nice shape and size, not quite so clean cut in his markings; hc, Lane; c, Shaw. LINNET (18): 1, 4, Parlett, grand shape and size, rich nutty brown col., grandly mkd., good head, lovely feather, full of style; 4th, grand col., beautifully mkd., not quite so stylish; 2, Inman, splendid all-round exhibit, full of rich col., clearly and distinctly mkd., grand full chest, and broad back; 3, Marley, wonderful qual., lovely col., rich, bright and even, neatly mkd., in rare form; vhc, Woodward and Son; hc, Kliner; c, Bell and Nelson; a magnificent class, and well judged. BULLFINCH (14): 1, 2, Woods, two of the finest Bullies we have seen this season, magnificently rich and deep in colouring, large, deeply cut, glossy cape, beautiful soft coloured backs, well defined bars, not a feather out of place, of the two we liked 2nd the better, it being, we thought, rather more shapely; 3, Dr. Wilson, larger, magnificent col. and feather, splendid cap, very nice back and bars, not quite so shapely, looked over fat; 4, Hattersley, grand, rich-coloured breast, splendid shape and feather, not so glossy in cap; vhc, Blincoe, looked like Rochdale winner, good bird, but beaten here; hc, Mays and Allinson; c, Inman. A.O.S. HARDBILL (9): 1, c, Marley, very finely mkd. Hawfinch, beautifully rich in colouring, sharp and clear in marking, good head and bib, in rare form; 2, P. Walsh, large, rich coloured, nice shaped Corn Bunting, splendid feather, in the pink of condition, and singing away most merrily; 3, Lane, very rich coloured Yellow Bunting, grand shape and size, beautiful silky plumage, lovely markings, looked like the Great Horton winner; 4, vhc, Parlett, very large, rich bright coloured Bramble, beautifully spangled, grandly feathered, and another topping Hawfinch; hc, Blincoe. THRUSH, etc. (7): 1, Hemmings and Brereton, very rich coloured Thrush, splendid shape and size, beautifully feathered, very large distinct moons, in rare form; 2, hc, Middleton, rich, deep, lustrous coloured Blackie, lovely crocus bill and cere, fine bold eye, magnificent feather, grand form; 3, Wilkinson and Danby, finely mkd. Thrush, grand shape, feather and col., not quite so large; 4, Isherwood, lustrous, grandly spangled Starling, bold showy bird, in rare form; vhc, Blincoe; c, Lane. LARK, ETC. (7): 1, Bishop, handsome Tree Pipit, large and shapely, beautiful col. and feather, grandly mkd., in rare form and very steady; 2, vhc, P. Walsh, grandly mkd., good coloured, shapely Skylark, in grand feather; 3, Fletcher, very pretty Meadow Pipit, beautiful col., very evenly and distinctly mkd., shows well; 4, hc, Dr. Wilson, nicely mkd., good coloured, well feathered Wood Lark, in good form, and very steady; absent, No. 1, Mackwell. BLACKCAP, ETC.: Cancelled. A.O.S. INSECTIV. (11): 1, Fletcher, very handsome Redstart, large and shapely, grandly feathered; 2, Miss Smith, pretty Grey Wagtail, lovely col., very tight and sleek in plumage, shows well; 3, Hattersley, nicely mkd., sound coloured, well feathered Lesser Whitethroat; 4, Wilkinson and Danby, nicely feathered, well mkd. Wryneck, in good form; vhc, Dr. Wilson; hc, Miss Fishburn; c, Elliott. ALBINO, ETC. (5): 1, Martin and Archer, well known self Yellow Bunting, in the pink of condition; 2, Dr. Wilson, cream coloured Skylark, capital shape and size, in grand feather; 3, P. Walsh, very large, nicely feathered Silver Starling; 4, Tupholme, large, shapely pied Blackbird; vhc, Lane. A.O.S. (4): 1, P. Walsh, one of the largest, richest coloured, and most superbly mkd. Waxwings we have ever seen; 2, Dr. Wilson, another Waxwing, magnificent bird, but lacks the size and polish of winner; 3, Blincoe, shapely, well mkd. Waxwing, grand feather; 4, Hattersley, large, well mkd., nice coloured Jay.

THE FOREIGN BIRDS.

Judge, Mr. F. Finn.

Never before in the history of the Fancy has such a magnificent collection of rarities been seen at a Yorkshire show, and considerable was the wonderment expressed by visitors at the magnificent and unique specimens staged by Lady Kathleen Pilkington. This enthusiastic lover of birds sent a team which held quite a levee during the show. Apart altogether from their intrinsic value, the exhibits from the Chevet Park aviaries were the cynosure of all eyes by reason of their great rarity and the beauty of their plumage. Richly, indeed, did they deserve all the honours which fell to their share, and these included the championship diploma, the Foreign Bird Club medal, and a cup for the best exhibit in the section, all of which fell to that handsome Loo Choo Robin which headed the A.O.V. class. Mr. Fletcher's Parrakeets came in for much appreciation, as did Mr. J. M. Walsh's Sugar Bird and Wood Swallow. Visitors to the show will long remember the Foreign section.

PARRAKEETS, ETC. (9): 1, 2, Fletcher, very handsome Barraband, gorgeous frontal and throat markings, splendid wings and tail, in the pink of condition, as lively as a cricket; 2nd, magnificent King Parrakeet, lovely head and body col., capital wings and tail, in the best of feather, a charming exhibit; 3, 4, Edmunds, very handsome Many-coloured, beautiful frontal, neck, and shoulder markings, very gorgeous on belly, superb body col., lovely feather, neat wings and tail; 4th, very fine, large, grandly mkd., well feathered, rich coloured Barnard; vhc, Pickles; hc, Fawcett; c, Hollins. SHORT-TAILED PARROTS: Cancelled. AVADAVATS, ETC. (10): 1, 2, 4, Howe, grandly mkd. Diamond Sparrow, lovely bills, beautiful feather, full of vivacity; 2nd, most beautiful pair of Orange-breasted Waxbills, the cock the most gorgeous coloured bird we have seen, in grand condition; 4th, fine pair of St. Helenas, very large, most excellent col., grandly feathered; 3, Hattersley, charming pair of Zebra Waxbills, clearly and distinctly mkd., capital col., good bills, in nice fettle; vhc, Miss Dooly; hc, Inman; c, Beatty. FINCHES, ETC. (8): 1, Lady Kathleen Pilkington, most charming Rainbow Bunting, most lovely colouring, splendid head, neck and back, rare wings and tail; 2, 4, vhc, Beatty, very fine Yellow-backed Whydah, beautiful rich col., well mkd., hardly so steady as we should have liked; 4th, Black-checked Waxbills, very handsomely mkd., grandly feathered, very showy and steady, in the best of form; 3, hc, Simpson, rich coloured Black-headed Gouldian, beautifully mkd., and shown in the pink of condition; c, Fletcher. TANAGERS, ETC. (10): 1, 2, 3, hc, c, Lady Kathleen Pilkington, very large Black-capped Green Sugar Bird, quite the largest we have seen, beautifully mkd. cap, wings, and tail, very rich lustrous plumage, in grand form; 2nd, very handsome, superbly feathered, beautifully mkd., gorgeous coloured Festive Tanager; 3rd, showy, large, rich coloured, grandly mkd. Black-backed Tanager, wonderful head and chest colouring; 4, vhc, J. M. Walsh, another magnificently coloured and mkd. Black-capped Green Sugar Bird, not so large as winner, but in wonderfully fine feather; vhc, handsome Black-throated Tanager, a living picture, splendid col. and feather, grandly mkd. A.O.S. (7): 1, 2, champ. diploma, cup, and medal, Lady Kathleen Pilkington, rich coloured Loo Choo Robin, magnificently coloured, very nicely mkd., splendid feather, and full of life and vivacity; 2nd, handsome large White-capped Black Redstart, magnificent colouring and feather, beautifully mkd., in grand form; 3, J. M. Walsh, very fine Wood Swallow, beautifully soft and refined in its colouring, grandly mkd., in splendid condition; 4, Dr. Wilson, most charming Shama, rich brilliant colouring, grandly mkd., rare tail, splendidly feathered; vhc, Simpson; hc, Hattersley; No. 2, Watson, a Green Cardinal, was passed as "wrong class." LOCAL PARROT (5): 1, 2, Wilson, large, rich coloured and grandly mkd. Blue-fronted Amazon; 2, Lee, large, rich coloured, well mkd. Budgerigars; 3, Rayner, another good Blue-fronted Amazon, nicely mkd., good colour and feather; 4, Overton, nice pair of Budgerigars; vhc, Hattersley. A.O.S. (4): 1, Hattersley, magnificent Long-tailed Glossy Starling, very rich col., grand feather; 2, Mackwell, pretty little pair of Zebra Waxbills; 3, Hattersley, nicely feathered pair of Bronze Mannikins; 4, Overton, nice Java Sparrows.

USHAW MOOR.

First members' show held in the Workmen's Hall, Dec. 7, one of the finest halls in the county of Durham for a bird show. There was a good attendance all day, and some very nice birds staged. The judge, Mr. Stanger, gave a pair of Borders for three nominated birds, which W. Turnbull won with 19 points, J. Hanson gaining 18, H. Briggs 17; it was a good race. Owing to the strike, the trains were not running, and the judge had a stiff day before him; he had to walk 16 miles at the least. All details were nicely arranged by a hard-working committee, and the hon sec., Mr. H. Briggs, and the assist. sec., had a busy time. Chairman T. Hanson is one of the old fanciers.

NOR. CK., TKD. OR VAR.: 1, 2, Briggs, buff, varieg., grand size, good head and neck, wins on size, 2nd another good buff bird, with a black tail; 3, Foster, nice yell., lowers on perch; 4, Russell; 5, Ruggles. NOR. HEN: 1, Calvert, yell., grand feather, well shown; 2, Turnbull, buff, grand wing carr., like wax; 3, 4, Briggs, grand yell., fine size, drops flights a bit; hc, c, H. Russell. YORKS. CK.: 1, Turnbull, yell., grand col., good length, wins easy; 2, Bell, green, grand length, looking well; 3, 5, Farrer, nice bird; 4, 6, Foster. HEN: 1, Turnbull, buff, grand feather, grand length, wins easy; 2, Walker, yell., fine length, might be better in col.; 3, Farrer, nice one; 4, Bell; 5, Foster. CREST: 1, 3, Scorer, nearly gr., nice centre, good all round crest, wins on size of crest, 3rd another nice bird, wee bit thin on back of head; 2, Hanson, cl., body, very neat crest, pressed winner hard; 4, 5, Hanson. C.B.: 1, 2, J. Hanson, grand skull, and turnover, will be heard of again, wins easy, 2nd not the head feather of lot; 3, 6, T. Hanson, green, nice bird; 4, 5, Scorer. LINNET: 1, 4, 6, Walker, nicely pencilled, very steady, good nut brown col.; 2, 3, Foster, 2nd good bird, little bit wild, good markings, 3rd not so good in markings. MULE: 1, 3, Briggs, Goldfinch, yell., grand col., wins easy, 3rd buff Goldie, not the blaze of winner; 2, Farrer, Linnet, grand size; 4, Foster; 5, Smith; 6, Ruggles. BRIT.: 1, Foster, Goldfinch, grand blaze, nice wings, steady; 2, Bell, Greenfinch, grand feather, very steady; 3, 4, Walker, Bullfinch, nice bird; 5, Briggs. PAIRS: 1, Hanson, Crest hen, green and cl. C.B., nice pair, a good win; 2, Turnbull, nice pair of Nor., grand col. yell. var. cock and buff hen; 3, Calvert, buff cock var. yell. hen, bit faulty in tail; 4, Hanson; 5, Russell.

PELTON FELL.

Sixth annual show held Dec. 7 at the Colliery Inn; 155 birds were staged, and there were some grand ones among them. Notwithstanding the railway strike there was a good attendance, but without it there would have been more birds and more visitors. The birds were very nicely staged, and with Mr. J. Stanger as chairman, Mr. W. Foster sec., and a very painstaking committee, everything went well. Mr. Riseborough (Sunderland) judged, and everyone seemed satisfied.

NOR. CLEAR TKD. OR VAR. YELL.: 1, 4, Stanger, yellow clear, Chester winner, good size; 2, 3, Foster and Son, leader wing and eye mkd., both set down in good form; 5, 6, A. Foster. BUFF: 1, 4, Foster and Son, grand bird, but not the best of col.; 2, 3, Stanger, big bird, good col.; 3rd, grand feather, not the size of winner. HEN: 1, 2, Stanger, cl. Yell., wins, Shildon winner; 2, buff, eye mkd., nice shape, good head; 3, Redpath, grand bird, loses on size only; 4, Foster and Son; 5, A. Foster. YELL. BRED 1912: 1, 3, Stanger, cl., nice thick made, wins; 3rd, nice head, bit long; 2, A. Foster, grand bird, nice col. and carr. BUFF: 1, 3, Stanger, cl., nice thick made bird, wins; 3rd neck and wing mkd. yell., not up yet; 2, 4, Redpath, leader neck mkd., nice head and neck; 5, 6, Foster and Son. HEN BRED 1912: 1, 2, Stanger, two nice yellows; 3, 4, Foster and Son; 5, Redpath. YORKS CL. ETC. YELL.: 1, Elliott, grand bird, wins well; 2, 4, Ward, 2nd another nice one, runs winner hard; 3, Foster. BUFF: 1, Stanger, grand feather, bit short in tail; 2, S. Foster, grand bird, good length; 3, T. Elliott; 4, A. Foster; 5, Ward. YORKS. HEN: 1, 2, Foster, two grand ones, well set down; 3, 5, Ward, leader, Chester-le-Street winner, bit down to-day. YELL. BRED 1912: 1, Stanger, yell., grand feather, bit short on tail, grand col., wins Gift class, 31; 2, 3, Ward, 2nd another grand bird, bit longer, not quite the qual. of winner; 3rd nice length; 4, 5, T. Elliott. BUFF: 1, 2, Ward, two grand young birds; 3, T. Elliott, grand length, crouches on perch, or might have gone up. HEN BRED 1912: 1, 2, Ward, two grand hens; 3, T. Elliott, extra good one, some thought might have gone up. CREST: 1, 2, Bewick, leader grand Dk. Cr., easy win. C.B.: 1, 3, Bewick, 1st variegated, grand head feather, wins; 2, Stanger, Gr., grand head feather, looked well against a champion. CREST OR C.B. BRED 1912: 1, 3, Bewick, leader best bird, shown in grand form; 3rd, C.B., another topper; 2, Stanger, Gr. C.B., grand head feather, fair size, gives way to winner. BORD. YELL. OR MKD. CK.: 1, 5, Stanger, yell., three marked grand col., well known winner; 2, 3, 4, J. H. Elliott, Cl., grand team, like wax, leader ran winner hard; 6, Bewick. BUFF OR MKD.: 1, 2, 3, J. H. Elliott, at it again, a grand team, set down in show form; 4, Stranger; 5, A. Foster. YELL. OR MKD. HEN: 1, 2, 4, J. H. Elliott, the old firm to the front, leader a gem, in the pink, wins easily; 2nd, 4th, both good ones; 3, T. Elliott, cl., grand bird, good col., some thought might have changed places with 2nd. BUFF OR MKD.: 1, 3, 4, J. H. Elliott, leader a little gem, cl., grand col.; 2, Stanger, runs winner hard. HEAV. MKD. ETC.: 1, 2, 3, J. H. Elliott, a nice team of variegated ones, Greens and Cinnamons; 4, 5, Stanger. A.O.V.: 1, 4, Stanger, yell. Cinn., grand col., wins; 2, Bewick, buff cinn., nat. col., very nice bird; 3, 5, Redpath, 3rd remarkably fine coppy, many liked for 2nd place. MULE: 1, Davison, Lin.-Can., wins easily, grand col.; 2, T. Elliott, Goldie Mule, grand col., nice size; 3, J. Redpath, Linnet-Mule, grand col., loses in size. LINNET, H.M.: 1, 2, 4, hc, Davison, grand team, well set down; 3, A. Foster, very nice one, bit behind in size; vhc, Boyd. F.M.: 1, 2, Boyd, two grand ones, set down in extra form; 3, c, T. Elliott, grand bird, not shown at the best or might have changed places with 1st; 4, Redpath. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, 2, Davidson, Goldfinch, a grand one, wins easy; 2, Bully, nice bird, fine col., good cap; 3, Boyd, Bullfinch, grand col., must have run hard for second place. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Davison, Twite, grand col.; 2, McDonald, Redpoll, ran winner hard; 3, Hedley, nice Redpoll; 4, T. Elliott; 5, Stanger; 6, Boyd. A.O. BRIT. SEED-EATER: 1, Davison, grand Bramblefinch, very steady; 2, 3, Boyd, Snow Bunting, grand feather, very steady; 3rd, Chaffinch, extra steady one, grand col., some liked for first. SOFTBILL: 1, 3, Davison, leader Waxwing, set down in grand trim; 2, Boyd, the well-known Cornish Chough in grand trim. FOR.: 1, 3, vhc, McDonald; 2, 4, Foster and Son. GIFT: 1, J. Stanger; 2, J. H. Elliott; 3, Foster and Son; 4, Bewick; 5, Redpath; 6, A. Foster. GREENFINCH: 1, 2, R. Boyd, 1st very steady, good size, 2nd good bird, lovely feather; 3, A. Foster, loses on size only; 4, Davison.

COALTOWN OF WEMYSS

Annual show held Dec. 7, a very successful fixture. Canaries were a shade low in numbers. Norwich were on the whole a good turn out, and what were there were hard to separate. However, after Mr. Bishop finished, he left nothing to be desired. Borders (judge, Mr. Arnot) were a shade disappointing, but the competition was very keen, many winners being forward and having their turns for coveted awards. A splendid team of 22 was put forward by Mr. Henderson, and we were pleased to see him among the winners. Mules and British were the feature of the show, such an array being seldom drawn to a country show; many well-known winners were forward, and some young fanciers had teams which upset calculations at times. Mr. A. Anderson's Goldfinch won spl for best Brit., and it was a gem; seldom, if ever, has such a Brit. Goldie been seen with such a blaze. The award was a very popular one indeed. Mr. J. W. Bruce judged, and his awards were well received. The show was well patronised, and grumbling was conspicuous by its absence. The committee deserve every encouragemnt, as they are an enthusiastic body of workers, and did their utmost for the welfare of the exhibits, all being carefully seeded and watered, and many were being packed for the return journey by 4.30. Mr. Clelland is an idcal secretary, and had everything in apple pie order. The hall is a shade on the dark side when arranged, but judging took place at the windows, and all had the benefit of the light.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FCY. and C. OR C.B. cancelled. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YEL. CK. (5): 1, Murray, tiptop bloom, sound in col., grand shape, well moulded; 2, Dempster, good head, rare front, nice qual. of feather, shade longer in side; 3, Christie, sweet cobby shape, well rounded, good qual., fails a bit in head; vhc, Cummings; hc, Steele. HEN (6): 1, McCabe, lovely headed one, bold front and grand taper, sweet qual. of feather, good all round; 2, Scott, nice short body and good flights, fails a little in size; 3, Dempster, grand col. and qual. of feather, nice front; vhc, Thomson; hc, Steele; c, Boag. CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK. (6): 1, Gibson, an old face looking as fit as ever, grand size, extra well burnished, good one; 2, Christie, neat, fine short wings and tail, A1 body, good qual. throughout; 3, Steele, grand col. and qual., good shape, neat head, beaten in size only; vhc, Murray; hc, McCabe; c, Dempster. HEN (3): 1, Scott, grand head and neck, slashing, heavy front, well cut, good wings and taper, a shade soft to-day; 2, Dryburgh, good qual., fine shape, beaten in front; 3, Steele, nice short one, good head and wing carr., sweet feather. YELL. VAR. (3): 1, 2, Gibson, leader good hen, rare type and qual., well staged; 2nd neat cock in full bloom; 3, Steele. BUFF VAR. (6): 1, Thomson, good sub. and shape, grand head and neck, in full bloom, hot one; 2, Gibson, similar in build, good head, scarcely so well polished up; 3, Logan, almost a Green, grand shape; vhc, Thomson; hc, Ross; 3, Steele. UNFLIG. CK. (6): 1, 2, Dempster, yell., grand col., splendid shape and finish, lovely order; 2nd tkd. buff, short and cobby, good qual. of feather; 3, Steele, cl. yell., rare shape, good head and neck, scarcely finished yet, will improve; vhc, Henderson; hc, Saunders; c, Weir. HEN (6): 1, Ross, cl. buff, in grand trim, lovely feather, sweet head, grand front and taper, well put down; 2, c, Dempster, heavy var., rare head and neck, grand front, close up; 3, Steele, lightly var., grand qual. of feather, shade long in side, good headed one; vhc, Saunders; hc, Cummings. NON-FED CK. (4): 1, Thomson, nice broken gr., well up in size, good shape and qual.; 2, Dempster, cl. yell., good shape, fails a little in front; 3, Robinson, buff var.; vhc, Culross. HEN (3): 1, Gibson, nice cl. yell., A1 head and front, lovely order, good size; 2, Boag, light mkd. yell., grand shape, fails a little in wing carr. and size; 3, Culross, buff var., very neat. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Peters, good stamp, fine head, grand body, well drawn, sweetly got up, nice one, well placed; 2, 3, Henderson, good feathered birds, slimmer than winner and longer behind, grand style; vhc, Hutchinson; hc, Symons; c, Coventry. HEN (6): 1, G. Bennett, sweet hen, rare shape and style, shade thin in front, but grand head and wing carr., wants a wash; 2, Symon, good one, stronger built and warmer in col., good head and wing carr.; 3, Henderson, nice feathered one, grand style; vhc, Hutchinson; hc, Peters; c, Frew. CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK. (4): 1, medal, Hutchinson, in full bloom, good head and front, fine taper and style, grand weight, well placed; 2, Henderson, splendid shape, good head and front, finely drawn; 3, G. Bennett, good qual. of feather, nice head and neck; vhc, Brown. HEN (3): 1, Hutchinson, wins, a beauty for shape, grand style, sweet head and neck, finely drawn, well balanced wings; 2, Peters, better feather and good front, inclined to lie over perch; 3, Henderson. UNEVEN OR VAR. YELL. CK. (5): 1, vhc, Henderson, a hot one, grand shape, correct weight, well drawn, rare head and wing carr., nicely mkd., in fine trim; 2, Rae, good qual., fails a little in head and front to winner; 3, Peters, sweet shape and nice order; hc, no name. HENS (5): 1, 2, vhc, Henderson, 3rd grand hens, little to choose, all in grand order and fit for the highest competition, leader well known winner; 3, Peters, sweet qual. of feather and very nicely drawn, good head and wings. UNEV. OR VAR. BUFF CK. (5): 1, Hutchinson, well known winner, outstanding here to-day; 2, 3, vhc, Henderson, fine lot, good shape and qual. of feather, leader the best in head. HEN (4): 1, 3, Henderson, leader grand all round Bord., neat head, well filled on back, nicely balanced, in rare trim; 3rd beaten in neck and not so well rounded on front; 2, Hutchinson, neat head and front and fine weight. EVEN-MKD. YELL. (3): 1, 2, Henderson, leader easy winner, grand eye and wing marks, put down in rare order; 2nd not so shapely in eyes, good type; 3, Frew. GR. OR CINN. (5): 1, 3, Lambie, good yell. green leading, fine shape, grand col. and lacing; 3rd sweet Cinn., grand shape, lovely lacing, in full bloom; 2, vhc, hc, Henderson, tiptop Gr., close up on winner, A1 qual. CL. OR YELL. YORKS CK. (5): 1, Reilly, good one, hard up, rare shape, splendid colour, well put down, wins; 2, Christie, another sweet one, not so good in wing carr., nicely drawn and good pose; 3, Clelland, grand qual., but fails a bit in front and length; vhc, Low. HEN (1): 1, Low, good shape, fine clean cut one and grand qual. CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK. (5): 1, 2, Reilly, leader a gem, hard up, length, fine shape and lovely weight, rare order; 2nd similar qual. of feather, not so good in length; 3, Clelland, good head and pos., sweet front; vhc, Low; hc, Christie. HEN (1): 1, Clelland, good shape, very sweet mould, nice order. VARIEG. (2): 1, 2, Reid, pair of hot ones, grand pos. and lovely qual., well drawn. COM. CAN. (9): 1, 3, c, Bell; 2, hc, Nicol; vhc, Weir. GIFT (8): 1, Smart; 2, Herbert; 3, Nicol; vhc, McGraw; hc, Whitbrook and Allan; c, Nicol and Roughhead. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, vhc, Bell, leader sweet Goldie-Bull., nice size, grand blending of colours, in lovely order, wins; 2, Turner, good large buff var. Goldie, nice markings, good qual. of feather; 3, Nicol and Roughead, sweet Redpoll-Siskin, good size, well marked; hc, Sutherland. DARK YELL. (10): 1, spl, vhc, Bogie, clinking Siskin, grand col. and shape, well up in size, splendid markings and head, nicely finished; 2, Taylor, good Linnet, grand size, fine lacing, splendid back, rare polish and finish, good one; 3, Storrer, sweet Greenie, nice size, A1 shape and col.; vhc, Nicol; c, McGraw. BUFF (3): 1, Storrer, large Siskin, fine size, A1 markings, good flights and shape; 2, McGraw, nice Greenie, shade small, but lovely qual. of feather; 3, Kilpatrick, sweet Siskin. LINNET, F.M. (14): 1, Nicol, good one, lovely markings, nice back, extra fine qual. of feather, steady and well shown, looks like a hen; 2, Anderson, lighter on breast markings, grand back and flights, not so well burnished up as winner; 3, Lister, good shape, fine tone of col., nice breast, fails on back markings, grand trim, well placed; vhc, Black and Lumsden; hc, Christie; c, Leach. H.M. (10): 1, Bell, grand col., sweet tone, good head and well laced on breast and flanks, good back and flights, slightly rough on back of neck; 2, Hodge, grand size and shape, lighter on breast markings, good one, must have pressed; 3, Dryburgh, good stamp, nice markings, just fails in finish; vhc, Adamson; hc, Nicol and Roughhead; c, Leach. GOLDFINCH (12): 1, spl, best Brit., Anderson, old champion, now coming into bloom, extraordinary blaze for size, great square underblaze, and grand tone of col., pure throughout, fine size, A1 body markings; 2, Mackie, a demon for face, deep shade and good, grand body and flights, sweet one; 3, Turner, nice face, scarcely up, good body and flights, a grand class, well judged; vhc, Hillier and Morrine; hc, Nicol and Roughhead; c, Thomson. BULLF. (11): 1, Thomson, good one, grand shape, good pure breast col.; well carried down, rare wing bars, extra broad cap and bib, grand trim, well staged; 2, Lister, good one for shape, col. and qual., fails in cap and bib to winner; 3, Turner, good pure dense col., nice cap, rather slim in build, extra good finish; vhc, Bell, noted winner, showing had fluff at sides (give him a rest, Tom); vhc, Mackie; c, Mackie. GREENFINCH NON-FED (12): 1, A. Bell, good all round yell., nice size and A1 shape, fine trim; 2, Black and Lumsden, A1 size and shape, fails in finish only; 3, Weir, sweet shape, small, but A1 quality of feather; No. 2, Thomson, best bird in class for size and quality, passed for being high colour; vhc, Palmer; hc, Coventry; c, Dryburgh. FED. (10): 1, Dryburgh, good one, grand shape, rare qual. of feather, nice tone of col., good one; 2, Kiddie, beaten in head, but A1 col., grand flights and tiptop bloom; 3, Logan, good one, rare shape, grand col., fine flights, blowing a bit; vhc, Russell; hc, Sharp; c, Clelland. SISKIN (9): 1, Storrer, good one, monster for size, grand lacing, fine cap and bib, good col., A1 order; 2, Dryburgh, nat. col., sweet lacing, neat cap, smaller in bib and body; 3, Smart, sweet all round bird, fails a little in size, good trio; vhc, Hope; hc, Graham; c, Bell. LESSER REDPOLL (10): 1, Hope, good size, sweet cap, nice sized bib, well marked, shade light in col., good quality of feather; 2, Bell, beaten col. and bib to winner, good back, well up in size; 3, Leach, sweet laced bird, nice size, well worth its place; vhc, Anderson; hc, Black and Lumsden; c, Poulter. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (6): 1, c, Leitch, sweet Twite, grand flights, lovely col. and lacing, good head, A1 qual. of feather, nice one; 2, Campbell, good all-round Mealy, fine size, grand bib and lacing, rare order; 3, hc, Bell, Twite, plenty of lacing, shade smaller and not so high in finish; vhc, Palmer. HEN HARDBILL (11): 1, Mackie, grand Bullie, rare broad cap and bib, fine breast col., lovely bars, full bloom, wins; 2, Poulter, ideal Yellowhammer, lovely size, splendid col. and markings, well staged; 3, Barclay, tiptop Bullie, grand shape, an interesting class; vhc, Nicol; hc, Lister; c, Clelland. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE (4): 1, Bell, nice Bramble good size, sweet col. and lacing; 2, no name, Chaffie, pure in col., A1 wing flights, nice size, well staged; 3, Dryburgh, Chaffie, good col. and qual., fails in size to winner; vhc, Christie. LARGE BRIT. (6): 1, vhc, Anderson, good all-round Missel, grand size, ideal markings, wants a back claw, grandly staged; 2, Nicol and Roughead, sweet marked Song Thrush, good qual. of feather, wants a little more weight of body; 3, vhc, Lister, good Waxwing, plenty size, grand order; c, Storrer. BUNTING (6): 1, Frazer, nice Corn, fine head, good body, well marked, steady, well put down; 2, Haxton, stylish Yellowhammer, good head, grand back, nicely fed, well up in size; 3, Sharp, sweet Ortolan, good shape and col., steady and well put down; vhc, Nicol and Roughead; hc, Poulter; c, Sutherland. FOR. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (6): 1, Lister, tiptop Bullie, grand col., fine cap, good bars, lovely shape, extra good in finish, well staged; 2, Robertson, sweet Goldie, nice flush face, good bars, grand tannings, inclined to be loose in feather; 3, Gray, Goldie, plenty size, a shade dull in col., yet good face; vhc, hc, Steven; c, Poulter. FOR. LARGE (2): 1, 2, Storrer, good pair of Parrakeets and a sweet Myuah, both well staged.

GLASGOW & WESTERN COUNTIES.

Annual show, held in Good Templar Hall, Ingram Street, Glasgow, December 7th. The hall is an ideal one for a show, being well lighted from the roof, and well protected from draughts; altogether a very cosy room. The executive is a set of good fellows, and grand workers, from the President, Mr. Knox, vice presidents, Messrs. Edwards and Rankin, and treas., Mr. McFarlane, while the committee, Messrs. Bannerman, Young, Cathcart, Munro, Adams, Martin and Campbell, and were very active in their duties, and had the whole work well in hand. The stewards, whose names we did not catch, deserve a special vote of thanks for the great help they rendered the judges in their work. The secretary, Mr. Walter Connelly, is the right man for the work, and had all his arrangements well in hand, and was very courteous and obliging to all with whom he came in contact. The entry was good, fully 60 up on last year, and totalled about 300, and quality, especially in Norwich and British, was very good, many of the birds being capable of winning in any company. Mr. A. McFarlane had forward a grand team of Norwich, and was a big winner, having cup for best bird in show with a grand variegd. buff cock, one of the right sort; also Silk's cup, and the Malcolmson's cup for best unflighted Nor., with a dandy cl. yell. cock. Ramsden's goblet for best colour fed bird was also won by Mr. McFarlane, with a cl. yell. cock. The Border cup was won for the second year in succession by Mr. W. Hamilton, with a nice buff cock. Cup for best young Mule or Hybrid was won by Mr. J. M. Edwards, with a stylish Greenie Mule, and Mr. Adams' gold medal for best Brit. went to Mr. A. C. Findlayson, with a grand Redstart, which was also runner up for best in show. The show was well patronised during the afternoon, and everything passed off well, and the society is to be congratulated on such a grand turnout. A feature of the show was a beautiful collection of seeds and grasses, nuts and berries, neatly labelled and described, in several cases, kindly lent for exhibition by Mr. Clarke, Rothesay, which took the attention of the visitors, and was very much admired. Mr. R. V. Raine, Cathcart, judged Brit., and Mr. Jas. Kerr, Perth, Canaries, and their awards seemed to please, very little grumbling being heard.

The Critique.

YOUNG BIRDS, NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (6): 1, 2 cups, 2, McFarlane, winner grand size, good front, rare short wings and tail, grand quality of feather, nice col., 2nd, good one, hard up, either could have won; 3, 4, 5, Roulston, leader, nice one for size and substance, good feather, fails slightly in qual. to winners; 6, Rankine. BUFF (9): 1, 4, Liddle, nice size and substance, good head and wings, nice style; 2, Edwards, good style, nice car., fine head and front; 3, Knox, not so clean cut, good size and quality; 5, McNeil; 6, sp., Roulston. VAR. YELL. CK. (3): 1, McNeil, good head and wings, rare qual., on the slim side; 2, 3, Roulston, both nice ones, good col. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (8): 1, 4, McFarlane, good size and substance, nice head and wings, fine quality of feather; 2, 6, Roulston, good size, fine wings, good col.; 3, McNeil, good size, nice qual.; 5, Edwards. BUFF (8): 1, McFarlane, good one for size, rare head and wings, grand qual.; 2, 3, 4, Roulston, trio of good birds, leader fails head to winner; 5, Connelly; 6, Rankin. VARIEG. YELL. HEN (3): 1, 3, Roulston, good size and substance, fine head, good qual., 3rd, slimmer got up; 2, Edwards, good size, fine quality, rare head, fails slightly wing carriage. BUFF (6): 1, McFarlane, grand size, nice head and wings, rare qual., and sub., in shining condition; 2, sp., 6, sp., Campbell, good one, rare head, fine wings, capital condition; 3, 4, sp., 5, Roulston, 3, good one for size, nice qual. NON FED CK. (6): 1, Roulston, fine size and sub., good feather, nice head; 2, sp., McFarlane, nice one, rare bead and wings, slightly wet when judged; 3, Edwards, nice head and wings, good size, fine col.; 4, sp, Connelly; 5, Jones; 6, Begg. HEN (3): 1, McFarlane, beauty, rare head, short wings and tail, grand front, in beautiful order, put up a good fight for unflighted cup; 2, Jones, good one for size, good head, nice col.; 3, Roulston, good head and wings, nice front. BORD., CL. CK. (9): 1, Cathcart, rare good style, good head, nice close wings and tail, wins; 2, 3, Hamilton, both good ones, in fine feather; 4, 5, Edwards; 6, sp., Adams. VARIEG. (4): 1, cup, best young Bord., Hamilton, a wee dandy, nice size, good col., fine fitting wings, rare pipe tail, well put down; 2, John Campbell, nice one, fine head and wings, grand condition; 3, Adam, good size and col., nice wings; 4, McGowan. CL. HEN (4): 1, 4, sp., Hamilton, fine size, rare qual., an old winner; 2, sp., J. Campbell, nice head and wings, good style; 3, Adam, good one for type, nice qual. VAR. HEN (6): 1, Adam, nice size and col., good head and wings, fine condition; 2, 3, 4, Hamilton, trio of nice birds, 2nd, most typical, rare wings and tail; 5, Cathcart; 6, McGowan. A.O.V. (2): 1, Adams, nice Lizard, in good order; 2, Rankin. MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, cup, 2, Edward, nice Greenie Mule, fine size, good type and col., nice wings, 2nd, similar, not quite so big; 3, 4, 5, 6, Halbert, 3rd, nice Greenie, in fine order. YORKS. (2): 1, Jeffrey, nice one, rare slim body, takes fine position; 2, Liles, good one for size and type, well put down. OLD BIRDS, NOR., CL. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Ramsden's sp., McFarlane, grand size, fine bold head, rare wings and tail, grand level col., wins; 2, 4, Rankin, both good ones, leader fine head and wings, good quality of feather; 3, Liles, nice one for size and substance, good wing car.; 5, 6, Roulston. BUFF (11): 1, 3, McFarlane, 1, rare size, fine head and wings, good qual., typical, 3, similar, in grand order; 2, Liddle, nice size, good wings and tail, not so good in head; 4, Jones; 5, Roulston; 6, Campbell. VAR. YELL. CK. (7): 1, McNeil, grand head and wings, good front, nice quality; 2, 3, McFarlane, 2, rare size and qual., good col., fine head and wings, presses, 3rd, similar, not so stoutly built; 4, Edwards; 5, Riddle; 6, sp., Roulston. BUFF (7): 1, cup, best in show, 4, sp., McFarlane, one of the best, rare good head, nice short wings, well carried, grand round front, in first-rate order, wins easily; 2, McNeil, good size and substance, nice head and front, well put down; 3, no name, good one for size and substance, nice short wings; 5, Roulston; 6, P. Campbell. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, Jones, good size and substance, nice short wings, good col.; 2, 5, 6, Roulston, nice one, fine head and wings, feather; 3, McFarlane, nice size and col., good front, wet when judged; 4, sp., Campbell. BUFF (6): 1, McFarlane, grand size, good head and wings, nice front, rare condition, wins; 2, Edwards, still a good one, fine size and substance, good front, in good order; 3, Connelly, good size, nice col.; 4, 5, Roulston. VAR. YELL HEN (6): 1, 2, McFarlane, fine heads and wings, either could have won; 3, 4, 5, Roulston, 3rd, nice one for size and col.; 6, Edward. BUFF (10): 1, 2, sp., McFarlane, another good pair, outstanding; 3, Campbell, nice head and wings, good round front, nice condition; 4, sp., 5, Edwards; 6, Begg. NON-FED CK. (8): 1, McFarlane, good size and substance, nice head and wings, shining; 2, sp., 3, Campbell, a good pair, 2nd, fine size, grand col., good head, well put down, 3rd, similar, scarcely so round; 4, 5, Connelly; 6, Cathcart. HEN (10): 1, 3, 4, Connelly, leading with a good yell., fine head and wings, nice front, good col., well put down, 3rd, another good one, not so good in head; 2, 6, Cathcart, nice one for size, good front, nice col.; 5, Liddle. BORD., CL. CK. (1): Adam, nice one, good size and col. VAR. (2): 1, Adam, dandy style, rare good head, nice close fitting wings, well laid down; 2, sp., Cathcart, another nice one, good front and wings, nice type. CL. HEN (4): 1, 2, 4, sp., Cathcart, fine trio, good heads and wings, very typical; 3, Adam, stylish, fine head and front, well staged. VAR. HEN: 1, Adam, a good one, well shown. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 4, Adam, Lizards, in good order; 3, Edward, fair P.H. YORKS. (3): 1, 2, 3, Liles, good birds, well shown. CREST OR C.B. (6): All McGowan, leading with nice Green Crest, others C.B. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, 2, 5, McFarlane, 1, nice light variegd. Goldie, rare order, fine size and col.; 2, Linnet Bullie, fluc size, good wings, well mkd., 5, well-known Goldie Bullie, soft to-day, a good bird; 3, Connelly, nice Greenie, fine size and good col.; 4, Edwards. GOLDFINCH OR LINNET MULE (3): 1, Connelly, nice Linnet, good size and col., rare condition; 2, Munro, Goldie, nice one, good col. and fine wings; 3, McClymont, good one, well put down. DK. MULE (3): 1, 2, McFarlane, both Greenies, leader good one, grand size, good front and wings, in rare order, 2, smaller, still a good one; 3, Bannerman, good one, well shown. GOLDFINCH (9): 1, Jeffrey, F.M., good size and qual., nice wings, good moons and buttons, very nice face, of good col.; 2, Begg, nice house-moulted, fine size, good tannings, nice wings and tail, good rose of nice col.; 3, Cathcart, rare good face, nice wings, smaller; 4, 5, Edwards; 6, Roulston. LIN. H.M. (6): 1, Findlayson, good size, and nice col. well pencilled; 2, 3, Edwards, both good, leader best size, good head and wings, well staged; 4, Bannerman; 5, 6, Halbert. BULLFINCH (4): 1, Jeffrey, F.M., good size, rare black cap, well defined, nice breast col.; 2, Finlayson, fine size, good back and breast, rare wings; 3, Connelly, fine head and wings, nice breast colour; 4, McClymont. SISKIN (2): 1, McFarlane, nice wee Finch, grand wings, well marked, good cap; 2, Rankin, still a good one, rare good colour, nice shape. LESSER 'POLL (8): 1, 5, Edwards, F.M., dandy little bird, rare size and shape, good head and wings; 2, McFarlane, H.M., good size, nice bib and cap, in fine order; 3, Knox, good for size and qual., nice head and breast; 4, Connelly; 6, Cathcart. TWITE (3): 1, Jeffrey, fine size, good markings, well put down; 2, 3, Connelly, both good, fine size and col. GREENFINCH, H.M. (7): 1, McFarlane, grand size, fine col., rare good head, fine wings; 2, Campbell, good size and substance, nice bold head, good wings; 3, Edwards, nice one, good size and col., fails slightly in head to leaders; 4, Cathcart; 5, Roulston; 6, Rankine. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE (5): 1, Knox, Bramble, nice one, good size, nicely spangled, good whites; 2, Rankine, nice Chaffinch, fine size, good wings; 3, Bannerman, Chaffinch, nice one, well shown; 4, 5, Connelly. BUNTING (4): 1, 2, 3, Connelly, Blackhead, Yellow and Blackhead, three good ones, in grand condition; 4, Knox. LINNET, F.M. (9): 1, McFarlane, good one for size, rare warm col., well pencilled, fails slightly head; 2, Jeffrey, bigger, not so good col., nice wings, small head; 3, 6, Rankine, fair good bird, nice breast and wings; 4, Jones; 5, Munro. BULLFINCH HEN (4): 1, Rankinc, fine size, good head, nice wings; 2, Jeffrey, nice one, good breast and back, fine size; 3, Cathcart, fine size, not condition of leaders. HEN FOR HYB. BREEDING: 1, Jeffrey, good Mealy 'Poll, well put down. MEALY 'POLL (4): 1, Connelly, nice size; 3, McFarlane, very shapely, good col; 4, Munro. GREENFINCH, F.M. (5): 1, Jeffrey, rare good yell., fine size, good bold head, nice col.; 2, Roulston, fine size and shape, good col.; 3, Connelly, good buff, bold head, good front and wings; 4, Edwards; 5, McFarlane. SMALL BRIT. (2): 1, cup, best Brit.; 2, Findlayson, winner fine Redstart, in grand order, 2nd, nice Lesser Whitethroat. GOLDFINCH ,FOR. (3): 1, McFarlane, good Siberian, fine size, good rose of grand col., good wings and tail, well tanned on chest; 2, Edwards, good size, nice blaze, fine col.; 3, Liles, fine size and col., well put down. GIFT: 1, sp., Rankine; 2, sp., Connelly; 3, sp., McFarlane; 4, sp., 5 spl., 7, sp., Edwards; 6, sp., Adam.

ILFORD AND COUNTY F & F.S.

Annual show, held at the Skating Rink, Ilford, Nov. 28th and 29th. Entries did not come up to expectations, being nearly ninety short of last year, owing to the L.C.B.A. and other societies holding their shows on the same day. Mr. H. Norman judged to the satisfaction of all. Mr. E. J. Reynolds won the Golding memorial bowl for best cage bird, with a Yorkshire hen, also special for 2nd best Yorkshire. Mr. H. Stevens was runner up for the bowl with a Border Fancy. Special prizes were also won by Mr. J. W. Lawrence for best Norwich, Mr. H. Stevens with Borders, Mr. H. Brown with Yorkshires, and Mr. H. Reed Softhills. YORKS., CK.: 1, sp., H. Brown; 2, E. J. Reynolds; 3, H. H. Lock. HEN: 1, bowl, and sp., vhc, E. J. Reynolds; 2, H. H. Lock; 3, G. Oliver. UNFLIG.: 1, E. J. Reynolds; 2, H. H. Lock. NOR.: 1, sp., 3, J. W. Lawrence; 2, G. Oliver. UNFLIGHTED: 1, sp, 3, J. W. Lawrence; 2, vhc, Mrs. Curd. BORDERS: 1, sp., 2, H. Stevens; 3, Mrs. Curd. MULES: 1, sp., G. Oliver; 2, G. Oliver; 3, Mrs. Curd; vhc, G. Oliver; hc, G. Oliver. BULLIE OR GOLDIE: 1, 2, Mrs. Curd; 3, vhc, G. Oliver. BRIT., A.O.S.: 1, 2, 3, G. Oliver; vhc, hc, J. Reed. FOR.: 1, sp., 2, 3, J. Reed.

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HETTON-LE-HOLE.

Eighteenth annual show held December 7th in the large club room above the Crown Inn, a very nice place for a show, with plenty of space and very good light. Entries came up well, totalling 96, just about the same, we understand, as last year. As is usual in this district, Norwich were well to the fore, this section being quite the feature of the show, the quality of the exhibits being really tip-top and several of the birds well-known winners. The other sections, though smaller, contained some very creditable exhibits, while the British, from the quality point of view, were excellent. The silver cup for best young bird was won by Mr. H. Wilson, with a very nice yell. Norwich, the cup now becoming his own property. Mr. J. Appleby also staged a splendid cl. yell. unflighted Norwich, but the bird had unfortunately broken some of its flights. The genial and obliging secretary, Mr. A. J. Notley, had everything well in hand, and he got through his work in grand style, everything passing off without the slightest hitch. Mr. Notley informed us that he was seriously contemplating resigning the secretaryship, but we sincerely hope he will stick to it, as he is a man they can ill afford to lose. The society is well favoured in the matter of officials, the President, Mr. F. Piper, being one of the best, and we understand he is already prepared to give another silver cup to replace the one won outright by Mr. Wilson. The workers are all grand fanciers, Mr. H. Wilson heading them as chairman, with Mr. R. Lawson as vice-chairman, and Mr. G. Vipond as treasurer. The committee consist of Messrs. J. Appleby, R. H. Dixon, M. Dixon, H. Kilner, C. Kilner, R. Lawson, G. Vipond, and G. Gowland. The whole of the members are strong CAGE BIRDS LEAGUEITES, and each one was displaying his badge. The gate was fairly satisfactory, and we understand the show will prove a financial success. Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland) judged.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (4): 1, Wilson, cl., grand shape and subs., massive head, neck and chest, short, full fronted bird, well-known winner; 2 Gowland, cl., nice shape, neat bead, good chest and back, good col., loses to leader in subs.; 3, Vipond, red hot col., scarcely so short and cobby as leaders, neat head, good carr.; vhc, R. H. Dixon. BUFF (6): 1, Vipond, var., good one all over, short, thick-set bird, good head and neck, grand chest and back, good col., well car. wings and tail; 2, Wilson, cl., good col., longer body than leader, and scarcely so deep in chest, neat head, good wings and tail; 3, M. Dixon, varieg., not the subs. of winner, yet a nice one for shape and col.; vhc, Appleby; hc, Gowland; c, Lawson. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Wilson, cl., lovely shape, short and thick-set, grand col., nice head and neck, short neat wings and tail; 2, Lawson, cl., nice shape, but hardly the subs. of leader, neat head and neck, good col. and qual.; 3, Gowland, cl., good shape and col., nice size, neat head, loses in finish. BUFF (6): 1, Vipond, cl., good one, short and thick nice head and neck, deep chest, good col. and qual., neat wings and tail; 2, Gowland, cap and neck mkd., another good one for shape, short and cobby, nice col., neat head, scarcely the subs. of leader and a bit slack in feather; 3, Appleby, cl., smaller, but very neat, nice shape, clean cut, nice col. and qual.; vhc, Lawson; hc, Gowland; c, R. H. Dixon. GREEN OR VARIEG. (3): 1, H. Kilner, non-fed foul tail green, nice size and shape, close tight feather, neat head, neck and chest, nice col.; 2, Gowland heavily var. plenty of subs., good head, nice col., but a bit rough in feather; 3, Lawson, var., fine size and col., neat shape, crosses wings a bit. UNFLI. YELL. (6): 1, 3, Wilson, two good ones, leader takes cup for best young bird, nice size, hot col., thick head and neck, good deep chest, good carr., 3 scarcely so deep in chest as leader, yet nice shape neat head and neck, nice col. and qual.; 2, vhc, Appleby, real good col., lovely shape, short and cobby, hot col., nice head and neck, unfortunately has some damaged flights; hc Vipond; c, Gowland. BUFF (5): 1, Gowland, tkd. neck, very shapely, short and chubby, nice head, thick full neck and chest, good col. and qual.; 2, Kilner, cl., nice size and shape, scarcely so chubby as leader, nice head and neck, good carr., nice col. and qual.; 3, R. H. Dixon, cl., good shape, nice size and col., not quite so good in head as leaders; vhc, Appleby; hc, Wilson. YELL. HEN (6): 1, vhc, Wilson, cl., good all over, fine size, rare shape, good head and neck, nice chest and back, grand col., good wings and tail; 2, Appleby, scarcely the same cobby type as leader, yet a nice one, neat head, good wing and tail carr.; 3, Vipond, var., good size, nice shape, neat bead and neck, but rough in feather; hc, R. H. Dixon; c, Gowland. BUFF (5): 1, R. H. Dixon, shade weak in head perhaps, but lovely qual., close tight boxey feather, grand shape, clean cut, lovely wings and tail; 2, Gowland, bigger, hot col. rare head, neck and chest, but too rough in feather; 3, H. Kilner, cl., smaller and scarcely so chubby, neat head, nice col., good wings and tail; vhc, Vipond; hc, Wilson. NOR. PAIRS (4): 1, Wilson, big hot col. yell. cock, grand shape, and cl. buff hen, fine size and shape, good qual., well matched; 2, Lawson, cl. buff cock and yell. hen, nice pair for size and col., the cock scarcely so shapely as leader; 3, C. Kilner, var. buff cock and yell. hen, good col. and size, scarcely so chubby as leaders; vhc, R. H. Dixon. CINN. YELL. (3): 1, M. Dixon, grand shape and subs., lovely col., thick head and neck, grand polish; 2, 3, R. H. Dixon, not the size of leader, nice shape and col. very level in tone, 3 nice shape and size, paler col. BUFF (4): 1, 3, R. H. Dixon, big hot col. bird leading, fine shape, well polished, 3 nice shape and size, not the rich col. of leader; 2, Gowland, fine size and shape, nice col., though scarcely so rich in tone as leader, nice polish; vhc, M. Dixon. BORDER (3): 1, 3, Appleby, leader, wing tkd. yell., nice col., grand shape, well rounded body, neat head, wings and tail, 3 buff, shade long in body, neat head, nice wings and tail; 2, Wilson, buff, nice shape, good col. and qual., nicely rounded, good carr. YORKS. YELL. (3): 1, M. Dixon, nice length, good pos., slim and well drawn, hot col., nice qual.; 2, 3, R. H. Dixon, leader nice stylish Yorkie, gets well up, neat head, loses to winner in col., 3 var., fine length, good pos., but lacks the good finish of leaders. BUFF (3): 1, 3, R. H. Dixon, leader grand length, well drawn, neat head, grandly braced wings and tail, 3 nice length, neat head; 2, M. Dixon, smaller than leader, neat and well drawn, well braced wings and tail. BRED 1912 (3): 1, 2, M. Dixon, cinn. mkd. leading, grand one for style and pos., very neat and slimly drawn, neat shoulders, grand wings and tail, grandly finished, 2 var., another good one, nice length, good pos., neat head, nicely tapered body; 3, R. H. Dixon, good lengthy cl., nice style and pos., but bit rough in feather. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, R. H. Dixon, both yell. cinn., nice size and shape, grand col., leader excels a bit in polish; 3, M. Dixon, Silver Lizard, nice size and shape, bit cloudy in back work. PAIRS (3): 1, R. H. Dixon, nice pair of Yorkies, both good length and pos., neat heads, nice col., well matched; 2, Appleby, Borders, very sweet and typical nicely rounded bodied good col. and qual., nice pair; 3, M. Dixon, pair of Broken-cap Lizards, nice birds, but not properly mated. MULE, ETC. (1): 1, H. Kilner, dk. yell. Greenie Mule, medium size, lovely col., nice shape, grand bloom and cond. GOLD OR BULLFINCH (3): 1, Appleby, Goldie, nice size and shape, lovely expansive blaze, rich and pure in col., good body col., nice wings, extra fine cond.; 2, Wilson, Goldie, lovely square cut blaze, nice size, wee bit guttered below, nice pure col., good tanning; 3, Lawson, Goldie, lacks the rich blaze col. of leaders, but beautifully tanned body, nice con. LINNET (4): 1, 2, Appleby, leader, nice one all over, nice size and shape, profusely pencilled, distinct and clear, nice whites, 2 not much behind leader, nice shapely bird, well pencilled, but trifle unsteady; 3, M. Dixon, nice size and shape, bit pale in col., neat pencilling, nice cond.; vhc, Wilson. A.O.C. BRIT. (5): 1, Wilson, Chaffie, nice size, good shape, grand col., nice deep col. cap, good wing bars, in lovely cond. and steady as a rock; 2, Lawson, Greenie, medium size, fine shape, lovely col., grand polish and cond., pressed winner close; 3, vhc, c, Kilner, Mealy Redpoll, fair size and mkge., nice cond.; hc, Gowland.

SHEERNESS.

30th annual show, held in the Hippodrome Assembly Rooms. The birds were staged in a large room, and proved quite an attraction. Some very nice Norwich and Yorks. were shown by Messrs. Ost, Ditch, and Hayes. The society has a most obliging secretary in Mr. C. Murphy, well backed up by an enthusiastic committee, which promised well for the success of the show. F. J. Wickham judged. MEMBERS' CUP CLASS, Bred 1912 (7): 1, cup, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Ost, 1st, marked buff, nice all-round, good head, neat wings, very compact, but on small side, 2nd, wing and eye mkd. buff, very similar, 3rd, cl. yell., really good, fails a little in wing car.; c, Hayes. NOR., CL. YELL. (5): 1, 2, Ost, splendid type, good size, good wings, short and compact, could do with more col., 2, not quite the type or feather, splendid col., wins sp. best fed bird in show; 3, vhc, hc, Ditch, neat, nice size, compact type. BUFF (6): 1, 3, hc, Ditch, most typical, grand size and wing carriage, well over perch, best Nor. in show; 2, vhc, Ost, good one, but not size or qual. of winner. TKD. OR VAR. (4): 1, 2, vhc, Ost, 1st, nice var., but on small side, 2nd, larger, but not the shape, bit too long for a typical Nor.; 3, Ditch, very neat varieg. hen. YORKS., YELL.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Hayes, all nice Yorkies, very little between them. TKD., ETC. (5): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Hayes, good team, 1st, extra good, nice wings, good length, typical, others close up, not much to choose. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, Hayes, good Linnet Mules, medium size, little to choose. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Hayes, nice Belgians. BRIT.: 1, Heaton, good Bullfinch, nice size and col; 2, Hayes, very similar, not much to choose; 3, Hills. GIFT: 1, Hayes; 2, Murphy. STUFFED SPECIMENS (8): This was one of the attractions of the show, some grand cases being on view: 1, 3, Turker, a grand case of mixed birds, 3rd, another hard to choose, both very interesting; 2, Crosby, two King birds of Paradise, stuffed to perfection; vhc, hc, c, Walters.

ADWICK-LE-STREET.

First Inter-club competition for the Thellusson C.B. Challenge Cup, kindly presented by C. Thellusson, Esq., Brodsworth Hall, for competition between Doncaster, Hemsworth and Adwick, to be won on points gained at the three shows, held at the "Forester's Arms," a splendid room for a cage bird exhibition, well lighted, spacious, and quite suitable for staging an open show. Competition was very keen in Yorkshires and British, several open winners putting in an appearance. In Yorkshires there were some smart exhibits put back, no doubt owing to the severe weather. Mr. Lee is an enthusiastic fancier, and has done much to bring about this competition, and the forming of this society. Mr. Robinson, Sec., though a trifle new to the business, had things nicely in hand, and great credit is due to him for the grand display that resulted. Mr. Vardy (Hucknall Huthwaite) judged, and his awards gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

YORKS. YELL.: 1, Edmondson, nice col. and qual., fails only in pos.; 2, Middleton, fine qual., col. and pos., should have gone up; 3, Hunt, good bird, but fails in wing carr.; vhc, Blanchon; hc, Knowles; c, Lee. BUFF: 1, Hall, a clear win, well worth its place; 2, Blanchon, rare length, col. and qual., crosses wings a bit; 3, Middleton, very nice, well placed; vhc, Knowles; hc, c, Truman. YELL. HEN: 1, Tomkinson, rather thin in neck; 2, Middleton, good qual., not much to choose; 3, Carter, good, we make 2nd; vhc, Hall; hc, Taylor; c, Knowles. BUFF: 1, Carter, neat stylish Yorkie, fine col.; 2, Edmondson, loses in col.; 3, Crow, nice bird, but could do with a wash; vhc, Lee; hc, Hunt; c, Middleton. VARIEG.: 1, Taylor, good carr. and length; 2, Edmondson, good all round; 3, Tomkinson, nice bird; vhc, Middleton; hc, Tomkinson; c, Brookes. BUFF: 1, Edmondson, fine, we think hen, if so, a clinker; 2, Blanchon, nice in every way; 3, Brooks, nice type, on the small side; vhc, Middleton; hc, Truman; c, Baxley. NOR. (classes 8 and 9 amlgtd.): 1, Truman, nice cobby type, rare qual.; 2, Scrivener, nice exhibit; 3, Flint, nice bird, but rather too slim; vhc, Truman; hc, Grainger. HEN: 1, Truman, fine sub., col. and qual.; 2, Grainger, loses in col.; 3, Scrivener, not quite sub. of leader; vhc, Robson; hc, Kendrick; c, Cooper. UNFLIG.: 1, Graham, nice qual., col. and carr.; 2, Grainger, fine sub., loses in wing-carr.; 3, Robinson, not sub. of winners; vhc, Graham; hc, Flint; c, Kendrick. CREST: 1, 2, 3, Baxby, good size; 2nd, small in body, good Crest; 3, good body, fails in crest. C.B. (unflig.): 1, 2, Baxby, good all round; 2nd, very nice, rather long behind; 3, Hodgson, fairly good body, rather poor crest; vhc, hc, Wilkes; hc, Baxby. GOLDFINCH: 1, Blanchon, noted winner, in fine trim; 2, Knowles, grand blaze, not the type of winner, should improve; 3, Truman, rare fine square blaze, rich col., small in body; vhc, Pogmore; hc, Beecoby; c, Davis. BULLFINCH: 1, Kelsey, fine Bullie; 2, Truman, pale col., but good type; 3, Lee, the old champion, well beaten to-day, age will tell; vhc, Edmondson. GREENFINCH: 1, 2, Lee, grand col., nice size; 2nd, the old warrior left behind; 3, Wade, small, rare wing bars; vhc, Bradshaw. LINNET: 1, hc, Scrivener, nicely pencilled, col. A1; 2, Bradshaw, not so good in col. or qual.; 3, Pogmore, fine size, trifle pale in col.; vhc, Edmondson; hc, Scrivener; c, Lee. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, Pogmore, a bouncing Twite; 2nd grand Mealy; 3rd, Bradshaw, small; vhc, Mottram. A.O.S. HARDBILL: 1, Truman, Bramble, fine body col. and spangling; 2, 3, Lee, Yell. Bunting, fails in head mkgs.; 3rd, very large Snow Bunting, needs another moult. MULE or HYB.: 1, Spittlehouse, a grand Goldie, rare type, face and back, with a little more body col. would take some stopping; 2nd, very good Linnet, but wild; 3rd, not type of winner.

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BRISTOL CHARITY SHOW.

The third annual charity show was held under the auspices of the Crecker United Fanciers' Society, Dec. 7, at the Old Library, Trinity Road. The cage bird section made a good show, most of the local fanciers supporting. Under the able management of Mr. G. H. Lane, Sec., and Messrs. Greenslade, Pace, and Williams, Superintendents, it should turn out a financial success. Proceeds will be devoted to the poor of Trinity Parish and Postman Brown, who lost his eyesight while on duty in the Soundwell shooting affray. Mr. Isaac Haynes judged and gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. (7): 1, sp, 4, Pace and Williams, 1st, cl. buff, good substance, bold front; 4th, nice col. buff, lacks condition; 2, Greenslade, good cobby shape, nice feather, bit on the small side; 3, c, Cozens, cl. yell., nice col. and shape; vhc, he, Hudd. BRED 1912 (5): 1, Rogers, splendid var. buff, good size and feather, wins; 2, 3, Pace and Williams, 2nd, nice buff; 3rd, yell., good qual. both, but might have more substance; vhc, Cozens; he, Hudd. YORKS. BUFF (2): 1, Yorke, good col. and feather, nice flights and tail; 2, Cozens, good length of side shows bit rough in feather. BUFF, BRED 1912 (9): 1, sp, Kendall, big cl., splendid condition, well tapered, nice wings and tail; 2, Greenslade, good col., bony feather, good wings and pipe tail, not the substance; 3, F. Nott, nice Yorkie, good position and size; 4, Yorke, head thd., good size and col., not steady, wants more handling to win; vhc, Hale; he, Pace and Williams; c, Norman. ANY VELL.: 1, sp, 3, Yorke, 1st, splendid Yorkie, feathered like glass, good upright position, well up on leg (best in show); 3rd, larger and better col., long wings and tail, lacks style and position; 2, 4, Greenslade; 2nd, long and racy, stands well, good legs and feather; 4th, good Yorkie, splendid position, rather short in tail; vhc, c, Cozens; he, Hill. BRED 1912, YELL.: 1, Greenslade, good position, col. and feather, well filled in, nice wings and tail; 2, 3, Yorke, 2nd, good col. and feather, longer than winner, fails in neck a bit; 3rd, nice Yorkie, hot col., good length, not steady; 4, Norman, splendid shape and qual., bit small; vhc, he, Cozens; c, Pace and Williams. HEN (10): 1, 4, Yorke, 1st, var. buff, feathered like wax, nice length and position; bonny lass; 2, Pace and Williams, heavily marked green, good length and position; 3, res, Greenslade; 3rd, cl. yell., stands on good pair of legs, nice style and feather; vhc, he, Cozens; c, Kendall. MKD. or VAR. (13): 1, 2, Greenslade; 1st, neck mkd., good length of side, stands well on legs, good col. and feather, wins; 2nd, head mkd., smart upstanding Yorkie, good qual., bit pale in col.; 3, 4, Kendall, 3rd, good sized buff mkd. on shoulder, good stand, just a bit slack at thighs; 4th, thd. yell., good subs.; res, Hale; vhc, he, Cozens; c, Hudd. MULE (9): 1, Stone, light Goldie of Yorks. type, feathered to perfection, very steady; 2, Tilley, heavier mkd. Goldie, nice type and condition, presses hard; 3, vhc, Coggins, both dark Greenie Mules, good type and subs.; he, Pound; c, Collard, nice class all through. NAT. COL. (3): 1, sp, Greenslade, well known yell., nice col., length and feather; 2, Pace, good yell., but lacks condition; 3, Hale, good sized buff, bit slack in chest. NAT. COL., 1912 (1): 1, Yorke, good yell. green, would score in good class. GOLDIE (6): 1, Belstein, good blaze and buttons, nice col.; 2, Tilley, nice Finch, good blaze and size; 3, Rogers, good distinct markings and col., close together; vhc, Wiltshire; he, c, Coggins. BULLFINCH (1): 1, Tilley, splendid Bullie, grand col., size and condition, hard to beat in good company, well known. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, 2, Coggins, 1st, lovely Redpoll, good and cl. markings, well shown; 2nd, bouncing big Greenie, wonderful col. and size; 3, Tilley, another good Redpoll, extra large bib, well laced, must have pressed; vhc, Belstein; he, Hudd; c, Cozens. LINNET (1): 1, Coggins, good Linnet, well pencilled, nice colour. A.O. BRIT. (7): 1, 3, vhc, Coggins; 1st, splendid Blackstart, put down in faultless condition (special best Brit.); 3rd, Pipit, nice exhibit, well shown; 2, 4, he, Tilley, well known Yellow Wagtail, splendid cond. and feather, very steady; 4th, another nice Pipit, grand condition, close up; c, Collard; a good class. BRIT. LARGE (2): 1, Bond Bros., Peewit, good plumage and condition, hardly a suitable cage bird; 2, Tilley, splendid Corn Bunting, good size and markings, exceptionally steady, many thought should have won. Cup for most points, J. A. Greenslade, total 67; special for 2nd most, F. J. Yorke, 45.

DERBY C.B.S.

Annual members' show, held at the Derwent Hotel Dec. 7. This show proved to be quite as successful as previous shows, and the type and quality of the birds were excellent. In the challenge cup for the best young Norwich, Mr. J. H. Sharman won with a grand buff bird, teeming with type and quality, Challenge cup for the best young yellow crest went to Mr. G. Colledge with a typical yellow dark crest: the same exhibitor put down the remarkable young buff dark crest, the sensation at the late Bristol show, and without doubt the finest young crest in Great Britain to day. Medal for the richest coloured Canary was won by Mr. J. Pegg. Mr. J. H. Roo (of Birmingham) judged the 260 birds with great satisfaction to the fanciers generally, and the arrangements for the show were in the hands of an energetic body of fanciers, headed by the organising secretaries, Messrs. Wharam and Bamsey.

The Awards.

Y.B. NOR., CL. or TKD. YELL.: 1, vhc, medal, Pegg; 2, Tongue; 3, Baker; he, Watts; c, Thompson. BUFF: 1, Sharman; 2, he, Baker; 3, Tongue; vhc, Watts; c, Bamsey. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, c, Sharman; 2, Watts; 3, Hodgkinson; vhc, c, Pegg. BUFF: 1, cup, Sharman; 2, Thompson; 3, Bamsey; vhc, Hodgkinson; he, Pegg; c, Roberts. HEN. YELL.: 1, Colledge; 2, Sharman; 3, Hodgkinson; vhc, Pegg; he, Roberts; c, Johnson. BUFF: 1, Roberts; 2, Sharman; 3, Tongue; vhc, Drakeley; he, Colledge; c, Hodgkinson. PAIRS: 1, Watts; 2, 3, Sharman; vhc, Tongue; he, Baker; c, Pegg. CREST, YELL.: 1, cup, Colledge; 2, 3, Stevens; vhc, Foley. DARK BUFF: 1, Colledge; 2, Stevens; 3, vhc, Foley. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Colledge; 3, Osborne. C.B. YELL.: 1, 2, Colledge; 3, Foley; vhc, Stevens; he, Eley. BUFF: 1, Osborne; 2, Stevens; 3, Colledge; vhc, he, Eley; c, Foley. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Yorke; 2, c, Cockeram; 3, Pass; vhc, he, Elkins. BUFF: 1, 3, Pass; 2, he, Elkins; vhc, c, Cockeram. HEN: 1, Cockeram; 2, Pass; 3, vhc, York; he, Elkins. STOCK PAIRS: 1, Pass; 2, Cockeram; 3, Elkins; vhc, York. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Drakeley. MULE or HYB.: 1, Thompson. NOV.: 1, Wheeldon. OLD BIRDS, NOR. CL. or TKD. YELL.: 1, Pegg; 2, c, Tongue; 3, Baker; vhc, Bamsey; he, Bull. BUFF: 1, Johnson; 2, Bamsey; 3, Tongue; vhc, Pegg; he, Sharam. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Thompson; 2, Bamsey. BUFF: 1, Pegg; 2, Wharam; 3, Watts; vhc, Bull; he, Johnson. HEN, BUFF: 1, Pegg, 2, Johnson; 3, Watts. NOV.: 1, Tongue. NAT. COL.: 1, 3, Watts; 2, c, Bamsey; vhc, Bull; he, Thompson. CREST, DARK: 1, Colledge. A.O.V.: 1, Stevens; 2, Colledge. C.B. YELL.: 1, Colledge; 2, Stevens. BUFF: 1, Osborn; 2, Stevens. STOCK PAIRS: 1, Stevens. MULES: 1, 2, Barton; 3, vhc, Ramm. GOLDFINCH: 1, 2, 3, Thompson. BULLFINCH: 1, Watts; 2, 3, vhc, Bull. LINNET, ETC.: 1, he, Barton; 2, 3, Ramm; vhc, c, Bull. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, Bamsey; 2, Barton; 3, vhc, Ramm. YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, Barton; 2, Cockeram. BUFF: 1, Cockeram; 2, Barton. HEN: 1, Barton. NOV.: 1, Barton.

CUPAR O.S.

Twenty-fifth annual exhibition held December 7th. This year the society launched out in new lines, engaging a separate hall for the cage bird section, but unfortunately this did not have the desired effect. The entries showed a sad drop in numbers from last year. The whole of the Scotch Fancy classes had to be cancelled, and several of the Norwich, which is very discouraging to the management, but we hope another year to see the Fife fanciers rallying at the Cupar show. The birds which did put in an appearance, however, were of very high quality, a fact which will be readily understood on glancing at the names of the prize winners. The Corn Exchange, in which the show was held, is an exceptionally fine place in every way, the birds being staged in an upper room. The committee and officials did their level best for the exhibits under the circumstances, which were well calculated to depress them. The Committee was all that could be desired, a class of energetic workers who always take a keen interest in their show, and are blessed with two most capable and painstaking secretaries in Messrs. Ritch and Westwood. The judges were: For Norwich, Mr. A. Dickson (Kelty); Borders, Mr. J. Hutchison (Dysart); British, etc., Mr. J. Goodfellow (Edinburgh), whose awards seemed to meet with general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR., CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK. (4): 1, spl. (Hyde's), Kirk, grand size, wonderful type of qual., rare head and neck, fine wings and tail, Nor.; 2, Anderson, fine size and qual., good head, shape and col.; 3, Young, smaller, fine head and neck; 4, Summers, good exhibit, not so well finished as leaders. C.B. CK. (3): 1, spl., Whitton, fine bird, immense size of body, a credit to the exhibitor; 2, Summers, another good Crest, put down in rare trim; 3, Wyse, fine bird, not so large as leaders. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (7): 1, Craig, real typical Border, very stylish and jaunty, good head and wings, in faultless con.; 2, Grubb, another good one, very typical, hardly so fully moulded as winner perhaps, but very rich col. and qual.; 3, Munro, fine jaunty bird, travels well, splendid wings, lovely cond.; 4, Smart, very stylish, beautifully moulded, hardly in the cond. of winner; 5, Yule; 6, Peel. HEN (6): 1, Arnot, topper for type, rare pos., well cut and nicely rounded, rare style, in pink of cond.; 2, Craig, very nice wing carr., neat bodied bird; 3, Auderson, sweet all round bird, nicely got up and shown to perfection; 4, Spence, round as a marble, good one; 5, Munro; 6, Lawson. CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK. (7): 1, spl., Arnot, grand type, lovely wing carr., good head and tail; 2, Munro, well moulded, nice tone feather, like wax, correct size, splendidly drawn; 3, Spence, good exhibit, grand size, not so clean in feathers as winners; 4, Craig, good body, well drawn; 5, Anderson; 6, Grubb. HEN (8): 1, spl., Anderson, best ben in show, clinker and no mistake, rare feather, the correct size, splendidly drawn, fine head, nicely rounded shoulders; 2, Peel, good exhibit, grand size, not much behind leader; 3, Arnot, taking one, good body, well drawn; 4, Yule, grand stamp, and size; 5, Craig; 6, Spence. UNEVENLY MKD. ETC. (4): 1, 3, and 4, Nelson, gems, grand style, lovely bodied birds, leader has grand wing car., very neat in head; 2, Arnot, nice type, round and nicely tapered, grand wing car., staged to perfection. UNEVENLY MKD., ETC. (4): 1, B.F.C.C. medal, Spence, fine shaped one, very nicely tapered, splendid car., well cleaned out and stylish; 2, Arnot, close up, lovely moulded bird, fine quality; 3, Craig, fine rounded body, similar in type to the leaders; 4, Berwick, good shape and style. GREEN (3): 1, Nelson, teeming with qual., fine tone of col. throughout, rare style and car., well staged; 2, Lambie, fine size, rare qual. of feather; 3, Munro, gem for shape and col. MEMBERS' (4): 1, spl., 2, Sutherland, 1 fine reach and droop, good style throughout; 2, good one, well up on top end, fine droop and drive, nice length of side, well packed in back; 3, 4, Speed. A.O.V. (3): 1, 2, Hamilton, two good exhibits put down in fine trim; 3, Speed, Greenie, in fine feather. GOLDFINCH (4): 1, spl., Pringle, fine size, good bars and buttons, rare blaze, good cheeks and tan; 2, Livingston, another clinker, even denser in face, might have took a step up; 3, Smart, nice Finch all through; 4, Black and Lumsden, good one, just a little unsteady. BULLFINCH (3): 1, McDonald, fine Bullie, grand dense col. throughout, lovely crimson breast, nice cap, good wings, very steady; 2, Jamieson, good body and cap, hard up; 3, Miller and Eadie, good exhibit. LINNET (4): 1 Harrower, grand size, lovely pencilling, nice and steady; 2, 3, Crichton, two good ones, nice flights and good col.; 4, Livingston. GREENFINCH (5): 1, McLean, rare size bird, fine deep yellow-green, teeming with qual.; 2, Miller and Eadie, nice size and good shape, close up; 3, Sykes, well up in size, in fine trim; 4, Black and Lumsden, good one, a little unsteady; 5, Sutherland. A.S. BUNTING INCLUDING HAWFINCH (6): 1, spl., 2, Sykes, 1st Hawfinch, fine size, shown in the pink of con., 2nd Chaffinch, beauty, grand size and mkgs.; 3, Livingston, Yellowhammer, grand shape and plenty size, lovely qual. of feather; 4, McCall and Henderson, similar, in fine feather; 5, Storrar; 6, Millar and Eadie. A.S. HEN (5): 1, spl., Sykes, good exhibit, put down in fine trim; 2, McCall and Henderson; 3, Robb; 4, Colville and Son; 5, Millar. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (2): 1, spl., Jamieson Junr., Light Goldie Mule in fine feather; 2, McHolme, similar to 1st. DK. (4): 1, Craig, Greenie, fine size, in lovely feather; 2, 4, Jamieson Junr., two good exhibits; 3, Millar and Eadie, Goldie, in fine feather. FOR. (Single or pairs) (4): 1, spl., 4, Colville and Son, first pair Yellow Budgerigars, put down in rare trim; 2, 3, Robb, Pintail and Gouldian, two lovely birds, well shown.

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BANNOCKBURN C.B.S.

First annual show held in the Public Hall, Nov. 30. This is one of the finest lit halls we have ever seen for an occasion such as this, being well lighted from the roof and also from both sides. There is nothing in the way to mar the light from the exhibits in any part of the hall, staging being round the hall, and one tier up the centre. In the centre of the hall was a splendid array of show cages for exhibition made by Mr. Anderson, a crippled boy. We believe the cages only need to be seen, and he would be well advised to take the advantage of advertising in CAGE BIRDS columns to make his occupation of cage making a success. The show is confined to a twenty mile radius, and conducted by a well known body of fanciers, such as President Mr. Geo. Hamilton, secretary and treasurer Mr. Jas. Auld, who seems to be master of the situation, and an enterprising committee composed of Messrs. Henry Wilson, Wm. Stevenson, Wm. Clubb, Wm. Ritchie, Andw. Baxter, Jno. Jeffrey, and Wm. Hunter. Some well known faces we met at this show such as our old friend, Mr. Moreland, whom we were glad to see in good health. Many more, too numerous to mention, were also present. The principal prize winner in the Scotch Fancy section was a buff cock, shown by Mr. A. Hamilton, taking two specials and medal for best Scotch Fancy. Mr. F. Strathearn took medal for best hen in section. In Norwich young birds Mr. David Smart's clear yellow hen carried away the medal for best Norwich, this being the fourth time this bird has won the chief honours around this district. Mr. Jno Moreland gained the medal in the Crest or C.B. section with a grand crested cock, Mr. Jas. Auld medal for best Border, with a clear yellow cock, a real wee model: medal for best British bird or Mule went to a nice natural coloured Siskin, exhibited by Messrs. Jeffrey and Stevenson. One very curious remark passed by the Judges was that it is getting quite common now to see "field moulted" colour fed Linnets and Twites, Siskins, and Greenfinches, appearing on show benches, and Bannockburn is no exception to the rule, as we saw several here. The judges were Mr. Jos. Higgins, Hamilton, Scotch Fancies; Mr. G. Martin, Hamilton, Norwich; Mr. M. Craig, Glasgow, Borders; British being judged by Messrs. Martin and Craig, and the awards seemed to give general satisfaction, as we heard no grumbling whatever.

The Awards.

YELL. CK.: 1, 4, Hamilton; 2, Strathearn; 3, Maxwell; 5, Young. BUFF: 1, 5, Hamilton; 2, 6, Muirhead; 3, Maxwell; 4, Strathearn; 7, 8, Young. YELL. HEN: 1, Strathearn; 2, Maxwell; 3, Hamilton; 4, Muirhead. BUFF: 1, Strathearn; 2, Hamilton; 3, 5, 8, Young; 4, Maxwell; 6, 7, Muirhead. OLD BIRDS, COCK: 1, sp, Maxwell; 2, Young; 3, Strathearn; 4, 7, Hamilton; 5, Richardson; 6, 8, Muirhead. HEN: 1, Strathearn; 2, Maxwell; 3, Richardson; 4, 8, Muirhead; 5, 6, Hamilton. YOUNG, CL. or TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Smart; 2, 3, sp, Bishop; 4, Ritchie. BUFF CK.: 1, Blewitt; 2, 4, Smart; 3, Ritchie; 5, Morris. A.O.V. CK.: 1, sp, Smart; 2, sp, 3, Bishop; 4, 6, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 5, Ritchie. CL. or TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, sp, medal, Smart; 2, Bishop; 3, same; 4, Morris; 5, sp, Ritchie; 6, Jeffrey and Stevenson. BUFF: 1, 2, Bishop; 3, sp, Clubb; 4, Sharp; 5, Morris. A.O.V. HEN: 1, Smart; 2, Clubb; 3, Sharp. NON FED: 1, sp, 5, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 2, Morris; 3, Clubb; 4, 6, Ritchie. OLD BIRDS, CK.: 1, sp, 5, sp, Bishop; 2, 3, 7, Ritchie; 4, Smart; 6, 8, Jeffrey and Stevenson. HEN: 1, Smart; 2, 4, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 3, sp, 6, Bishop; 5, 7, Ritchie; 8, Clubb. NON FED: 1, sp, 2, Clubb; 3, 8, Bishop; 4, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 5, 6, Moreland; 7, Ritchie. YOUNG, CREST CK.: 1, sp, medal for best Crest or C.B., J. Moreland. HEN: 1, Sharp; 2, Smart. C.B. HEN: any variety, 1, Smart. OLD CREST.: 1, 2, Moreland; 3, sp, Smart. C.B.: 1, sp, 3, Moreland; 2, Smart. YOUNG, BORD. CL., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, sp, medal, best Bord, 5, Jas. Auld; 2, McCormack; 3, 4, 6, Wilson; 7, Hislop. BUFF: 1, 3, sp, Auld; 2, Reid; 4, 7, Wilson; 5, 6, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 8, Hislop. A.O.V. CK.: 1, sp, 3, 5, sp, Wilson; 2, sp, Auld; 4, 7, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 6, Ramsay. CL. TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Hyslop 2, 3, 6, Auld; 4 5, 7, Wilson; 8, Reid. CL. BUFF: 1, sp, McCormack; 2, Reid; 3, Farish; 4, 5, sp, Auld; 6, Wilson; 7, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 8, Ramsay. A.O.V. HEN: 1, 2, Auld; 3, 6, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 4, 5, 7, 8, Wilson. OLD BIRDS. CK.: 1, 3, 8, Auld; 2, Hislop; 4, 5, Wilson; 6, 7, Jeffrey and Stevenson. HEN: 1, sp, 2, 8, Auld; 3, Reid; 4, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 5, Wilson; 6, Hislop. COM. CAN.: 1, sp, 2, 3, Flood; 4, Moreland; 5, 6, 8, Muirhead; 7, Auld. MULE or HYB., YOUNG: 1, sp, Wilson. OLD: 1, sp, Bishop; 2, McGregor. GOLD. and BULLFINCH: 1, sp, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 2, Sharp; 3, Wilson and McAulay. GREENFINCH: 1, sp, Rennie; 2, McGregor; 3, Moreland; 4, Flood; 5, Wilson; 6, Morris. LINNET, GREY: 1, sp, McGregor; 2, 4, Morris; 3, Blewitt; 5, Flood; 6, Wilson; 7, Hislop; 8, Jeffrey and Stevenson. SISKIN or TWITE: 1, sp, medal, best Brit., Jeffrey and Stevenson; 2, 3, Morris; 4, 7, McGregor; 5, Farish; 6, 8, Wilson and McAulay. REDPOLL: 1, sp, Bishop; 2, Flood; 3, Wilson and McAulay; 4, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 5, Cowan; 6, Morris; 7, Rennie; 8, Auld. CHAFF. or BRAMBLE: 1, sp, Wilson and McAulay; 2, 3, 4, Rennie. A.O.V. HARDBILL: 1, sp, Morris; 2, Rennie. 4, Ritchie; 3, Wilson and McAulay. SOFTBILL: 1, McGregor; others were wrong classed. HEN, BRIT.: 1, sp, Farish; 2, Johnstone; 3, Rennie; 4, Morris; 5, Blewitt; 6, Wilson; 7, McGregor; 8, Flood. FOR.: 1, sp, 2, 3, Johnstone.

PENDLETON AND SALFORD O.S.

Annual show held Nov. 23, at headquarters, Irwell Castle, Lr. Broughton. Mr. J. Beswick, Stockport, judged, and gave every satisfaction. Best bird sp. in each section was won by: J. Whittle (open Yorks.), T. Butler (Nov.), J. Critchley (open Nor.), H. Lewis (Nov.), S. Oldham (Brit.), H. Lewis (Mule). Mr. J. Critchley's bird also won for best bird in show a position it was well worthy of. It was considered to be an ideal Norwich, and no doubt will be heard of again. There was a large attendance of visitors at the show, amongst whom we noticed were Messrs. A. G. Davis, H. Boothman, Fulcher, Royle, Spencer, F. Mort, Furness, and other well-known fanciers. A great attraction to the show were a very rare Indian bird and White Albino Linnet put on view by Mr. R. G. Metcalfe. These were greatly admired by the visitors.

The Awards.

OPEN YORKS. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Durnford; 2, Whittle. BUFF; 1, sp, Whittle; 2, Durnford. MKD. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Whittle; 3, Durnford. BUFF: 1, Whittle; 2, Durnford. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Durnford; 3, Whittle. BUFF: 1, 2, Durnford; 3, 4, Whittle. YELL., 1912: 1, 2, Durnford; 3, Whittle. BUFF, 1912: 1, 2, Durnford; 3, Whittle. NOV. YORKS., CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Slowley; 2, Parr; 3, Chorley; 4, vhc, Cheetham and Massey. BUFF: 1, sp, Butler; 2, Slowley; 3, Parr; 4, Chorley. MKD.: 1, Chorley; 2, Slowley. MKD. BUFF CK.: 1, Butler; 2, Chorley; 3, Cheetham and Massey. YELL. HEN: 1, Parr; 2, 4, Butler; 3, Slowley. BUFF: 1, Parr; 2, Butler; 3, Slowley. YELL., 1912: 1, 3, Parr; 2, Slowley; 4, Butler. BUFF, 1912: 1, 3, Parr; 2, Slowley; 4, Butler. OPEN NOR., CL. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Turner. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Turner; 2, 4, Critchley. MKD. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Turner. BUFF: 1, sp, Critchley; 2, 3, 4, Turner. YELL. HEN: 1, 4, vhc, Turner; 2, 3, he, Critchley. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Turner; 4, Critchley. YELL., 1912: 1, 2, 4, vhc, Turner; 3, Critchley. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, 4, Turner. NOV. NOR. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Chaloner. BUFF: 1, sp, 2, 3, Lewis; 4, Almond; vhc, Chaloner; he, Eite. MKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Parkinson; 2, Lord; 3, Chaloner; 4, Eite. BUFF: 1, Chaloner; 2, Lewis. YELL. HEN: 1, 4, vhc, c, Lewis; 2, Chaloner; 3, Almond; he, Eite. BUFF: 1, Chaloner; 2, 3, Parkinson; 4, Eite; vhc, Lewis. YELL., 1912: 1, Chaloner; 2, Almond; 3, Lewis. BUFF: 1, Almond; 2, Lord; 3, Cheetham and Massey. A.O.V.: 1, 3, Turner; 2, Lewis. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH: 1, Thornton; 2, Lewis; 3, Oldham. LINNET: 1, Oldham; 2, Chaloner; 3, Birch. GREENFINCH: 1, Oldham. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Oldham. CHAFF. OR BRAMB.: 1, Oldham; 2, Birch; 3, Lewis. F.S.: 1, 2, Birch; 3, he, Thornton; 4, vhc, Oldham. A.O.V. BRIT. OR FOR.: 1, 2, Oldham; 3, Thornton; 4, Birch. DARK MULE: 1, Birch; 2, 3, c, Thornton; 4, Oldham; vhc, Eite; he, Lewis. HYB.: 1, Lewis; 2, Oldham.—Critchley and Metcalfe.

LINCOLN C.B.S.

Annual show held at the Central Hall, Lincoln, and again proved very successful. Entries numbered 120, which easily beats previous years. The quality as a whole was much better than that of previous years, the Yorkshire yellow class being exceptionally good. The judge was Mr. G. Browning, of Rotherham, and his awards were very well received.

NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Sindell; 2, c, Pickering; 3, Cordwell; 4, he, Sisson; vhc, Lowis. HEN: 1, 4, Pickering; 2, vhc, c, Sisson; 3, Foley; he, Willerton. BUFF: 1, 2, he, Sisson; 3, vhc, Pickering; 4, Foley. HEN: 1, he, c, Sisson; 2, Conlson; 3, vhc, Pickering; 4, Willerton. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, Sindell; 2, he, Cordwell; 3, Boucher; 4, Shelley; vhc, Willerton; c, Harris. HEN: 1, c, Willerton; 2, Pinchbeck; 3, Speakman; 4, Harris; vhc, he, Rawding. BUFF: 1, Harris; 2, vhc, he, Pinchbeck; 3, Harris; 4, Pickering; c, Cordwell. HEN: 1, 2, he, Pinchbeck; 3, Rawding; 4, Boucher; vhc, Willerton; c, Speakman. CINN. MKD.: 1, 2, 4, Willerton; 3, Boucher. NON FED: 1, Shelley; 2, 3, Harris; 4, Foley; vhc, Johnson. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Lowis; 4, Willerton. MULES: 1, Shelley; 2, 3, Pinchbeck; 4, Willerton; vhc, Pickering; he, Lowis. GOLDFINCH: 1, Shelley; 2, Townhill; 3, Johnson; 4, Cordwell; vhc, Willerton; he, Conlson; c, Pickering. BULLFINCH: 1, Shelley; 2, 3, Sisson; 4, Pickering; vhc, Speakman; he, Foley. LINNET: 1, vhc, he, Foley; 2, Shelley; 3, Townhill; 4, Pinchbeck. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, Sisson; 2, vhc, he, Foley; 3, Newton; 4, Sisson. Cup, best in show; R. W. Sisson; medal, best colour fed bird: W. Sindell; sp, best buff York. hen: Pinchbeck; gold medal for member gaining most points at all shows: Sisson.

MACCLESFIELD.

Eighth annual show, held Dec. 7th, at the Assembly Rooms, Chestergate. About 176 exhibits were staged in the different classes, forming a varied and most interesting show, which was visited during the afternoon and evening by a considerable number of people. A high standard of excellence was reached, indicative of the progress made since the establishment of the Society, and especially was this the case in the Norwich classes. The principal prize was a challenge cup, presented by the President, Dr. McConaghey, for the exhibitor gaining the greatest number of points with four nominated birds. The winner on this occasion was Mr. William Lee, who had 21 points, compared with 16 for Mr. C. Oliver, the winner last year, and a similar number for Mr. W. Cundiff. The opening ceremony was performed shortly after three o'clock by Lady Hugh Grosvenor, who very kindly attended at considerable inconvenience. She journeyed especially from London in order to be present and returned to town the same day. Dr. McConaghey presided over a large attendance, which included, in addition to Lady Hugh Grosvenor, his Worship the Mayor (Councillor F. W. Adshead), Mrs. McConaghey, Alderman and Mrs. Frost, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brown, Mrs. J. C. Close-Brooks, Councillors W. M. Maughan and W. S. Williamson, Mr. W. Bowyer (Leek), who adjudicated, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Ware, Messrs. R. S. Compston, T. Brown, J. B. Kirkham, A. Ingham, J. Wellings, H. Corbishley, W. Lee, etc., with the Secretary, Mr. F. Broadhurst, and the Treasurer, Mr. J. Bunting.

LANC. COPPY: 1, sp., and ex-sp., Gosling; 2, Lee; 3, Bracegirdle. LANC. P.H.: 1, sp., Lee; 2, sp., Gosling; 3, J. Bracegirdle; vhc, Howarth. HEN: 1, sp., 3, Bracegirdle; 2, sp., Gosling; vhc, he, W. Kay. UNFLIG.: 1, sp., and ex-sp. Gosling; 2, sp., Lee; 3, W. Kay; vhc, Bracegirdle; he, c, Howarth. NOR. YELL., TKD. OR CL.: 1, sp., Oliver; 2, sp., Cundiff; 3, Oliver; ex-sp., Moon; vhc, Lee; he, Broadhurst; c, Cross. BUFF, TKD. OR CL.: 1, sp., Cundiff; 2, sp., Oliver; 3, Hunt; vhc, Broadhead; he, Swaine; c, Barrett. YELL. HEN, TKD. OR CL.: 1, sp., Cundiff; 2, sp., Broadhurst; 3, Bunting; vhc, Swaine; he, Moon; c, Collis. BUFF: 1, sp., Bracegirdle; 2, sp., Moon; 3, Cross; vhc, Collis; he, Hall; c, Broadhurst. UNFLIG. YELL., TKD. OR CL.: 1, sp., Lee; 2, sp., Barrett; 3, Cundiff; vhc, Bunting; he, Lee; c, Oliver. BUFF: 1, sp., Freeman; 2, sp., 3, Lee; vhc, Hall.; he, c, Cundiff. UNFLIG. HEN: 1, sp., Bracegirdle; 2, sp., Moon; 3, Freeman; vhc, Collis; he, Broadhurst; c, Swaine. NOR. NON-FED: 1, sp., 2, Lee; 3, Hy. Hall; vhc, Ht. Hall; he, c, Mollard. HEN, NON-FED: 1, sp., Lee; 2, Sherratt; 3, Ht. Hall; vhc, Mollard. YORKS. CK.: 1, sp., Collis; 2, Wellings. HEN: 1, sp., 2, 3, Collis. C.B.: 1, sp., 2, 3, Broadhead. CRESTS: 1, sp., 2, 3, Broadhead. BRIT. FINCH: 1, Collis. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, sp., 2, 3, Kay. SOFTBILL: 1, Cross. HY.: 1, sp., vhc, Kay; 2, sp., c, Cross; 3, Collis; he, Broadhurst. NOV., NOR. YELL., TKD. OR CL.: 1, two sps., Goodwin; 2, sp., 3, Cundiff; vhc, Wellings; he, Haye; c, Howard. BUFF: 1, sp., Cundiff; 2, sp., Haye; 3, vhc, Howard; he, Cundiff; c, Sherratt. HEN: 1, sp., Howard; 2, Cundiff; 3, Haye; vhc, Goodwin. YELL. UNFLIG., TKD. OR CL.: 1, sp., 2, sp., Cundiff; 3, vhc, Haye; he, Howard. BUFF: 1, sp., Howard; 2, sp., Haye; 3, Wellings; vhc, Cundiff; he, Howard; c, Henshall. HEN, UNFLIG.: 1, sp., Cundiff; 2, sp., Howard; 3, Haye; vhc, Wellings. HYBRID, AND A.O.V.: 1, Sherratt. BRITISH: 1, sp., Kirkham; 2, Henshall.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

QUEEN'S PARK AND DISTRICT (Glasgow).

Fourth annual show, held in the Victoria Rooms, Victoria Road, Glasgow, December 7th, with an entry of nearly 400 birds. Yorks were an outstanding feature, Nor. and Border coming close up, and the quality of the birds all over was excellent. Patrons were Capt. Gilmour, M.P., T. E. Byrom, Esq., James Wylie, Esq., etc.; president, Andrew Hunter; vice-president, Richard Thomson; secretary and treas., Robert Heggie; committee, Messrs. B. B. Cairns, E. Holliday, D. Wilson, R. Jeffrey, T. McCubbin, Wm. Rose, G. Morgan, J. R. Steel, J. Fulton, etc. Judges Norwich section, Mr. Allan Chalmers, Kirkintilloch; Bord., Yorks., Mules., Brit. and For., Mr. Charles Campbell, Glasgow. Secretary Heggie, assisted by a splendid working committee, had every arrangement made to ensure a successful show, and also won the cup and gold medal with his champion Yorks. yell. ck., a well-known winner this season. Mr. Colley, with a typical Nor. buff hen, won the rose bowl, and silver medal for the best in Nor. section, and for the best in Border section. Rose bowl and silver medal went to Mr. J. R. Steel, with a nice type of Border (a fair beauty). Secretary Heggie also won the rose bowl and medal for best in Mule, Brit. and foreign sections, with a nice even mkd. Goldie Mule. A lot of handsome specials were allotted to birds out of cash prizes. Marked catalogues were on sale by 2.30, and the gate will no doubt prove a good one, the hall being packed during the afternoon. Mr. Heggie, who is joint secretary with Mr. Young, of the City of Glasgow Show, is very popular in the Fancy, and deservedly so. The judges' awards gave general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (12): 1, vhc, Colley, a cl. yell., nice wings and tail, good chest and con.; 2, Cuthbert, lovely col. and qual.; 3, McCubbin, good shape and col.; hc, Jeffrey; c, R. B. Cairns. BUFF (8): 1, M. Stewart, tkd., grand shape, nice bold bird, fine shape; 2, J. Naismith, cl., another good one, and in lovely con.; 3, A. W. Naismith, cl., shade small, but neat; vhc, c, Hunter. HEN, YELL. (6): 1, Jeffrey, cl. grand col. and type; 2, Hunter, another cl., of equal merit to winner; 3, Stewart, nice size, wings and tail, good col.; vhc, R. B. Cairns; hc, Colley; c, Ross. BUFF (13): 1, Morgan, cl. buff, grand size and chest, good shape; 2, Cameron, another good one, not quite so good in head to winner; 3, Holliday, an all round good hen; vhc, M. Stewart; hc, Naismith; c, Steel. VAR. OR GREEN YELL. CK. (8): 1, Jeffrey, variegs., of grand points, good shape, nice wings and tail; 2, Naismith; 3, vhc, Hardie; hc, Cairns; c, Fulton. BUFF (5): 1, M. Stewart, var., grand size and shape, wings and tail, nice col.; 2, Morgan, fails a shade in size to first, but good shape; 3, Cameron, small, but neat, in rare con; vhc, Cairns. HEN, YELL. (4): 1, Fulton, variegs. hen, of all round merit, staged in lovely condition; 2, Hunter, green, fine shape, good chest, lovely col.; 3, Fulton, variegs., not so chubby as others, of nice shape; vhc, Cameron. BUFF (9): 1, Cairns, variegs., a real model, wins well; 2, Jeffrey, grand head and wings, in rare condition; 3, M. Cubbin, very nice head and chest; vhc, Fulton; hc, Cuthbert; c, Hunter. CL. OR TKD. YELL CK. (Bred 1912) (8): 1, Jeffrey, cl., of lovely qual. and good type; 2, Colley, nice bold bird, extra good head and type; 3, J. Naismith, excellent type, fine bird; vhc, hc, Cairns; c, Heggie. BUFF (9): 1, Jeffrey, cl., staged in grand condition, nice feather; 2, Cairns, nice body and wings, good shape; 3, vhc, hc, A. Naismith, nice type and condition; c, Hunter. HEN, YELL. (5): 1, A. Naismith, lovely col. and feather, grand shape, nice wings and tail; 2, hc, Cairns, good size and shape, nice bead; 3, Bryson, lovely col. and qual.; vhc, Hunter. BUFF (10): 1, sp., Colley, rose bowl, winner and medal, a real model for shape and qual.; 2, 3, Cairns, 2nd, good substance, nice shape, 3rd, nice shapely bird; vhc, Jeffrey; hc, J. Naismith; c, Holliday. VAR. OR GREEN CK. (7): 1, Cairns, variegs .buff ck., of excellent merit and staged in lovely con.; 2, Colley, 2nd, variegs. buff ck., of good type and feather; 3, vhc, Fulton, 3rd, variegs. yellow of all-round merit, nice bird; hc, Naismith; c, Colley. HEN (11): 1, 2, Bryson, variegs., nice size and feather, 2nd, nice feather and shape, lovely col.; 3, Fulton, nice type and qual.; vhc, Colley; hc, M. Stewart; c, A. Naismith. NON-FED (5): 1, vhc, A. Naismith, cl. buff, of all round quality; 2, J. Naismith, cl. buff, good shape and nice feather. Hen (10): 1, Steel, variegs. yell., of good col. and shape, grand sub.; 2, Morgan, marked buff, excellent type, close up on winner; 3, J. Naismith, cl. buff, nice size and grand shape; vhc, Hardie; hc, Fulton; c, Colley. UNFLIGHTED CK. (7): 1, hc, Cairns, cl. yell., rare bead and neck qual., nice col. and feather, wins; 2, c, A. Naismith, cl. buff, of excellent shape and sub.; 3, M. Stewart, tkd., nice qual. and condition, shapely bird; vhc, Peters. HEN (4): 1, M. Stewart, ticked buff, of good qual. all over, nice model; 2, Cairns, cl. buff, nice shape and feather, grand head; 3, vhc, A. Naismith; 3, tkd. buff, good one. CREST (2): 1, R. Thomson, nice even crest. C.B. (4): 1, Steel, buff tkd.; 2, 3, vhc, Thomson. BORD., CL. or TKD. YELL. (2): 1, 2, Thomson, 1st, eye mkd., 2nd, cl., nice pair of Borders. BUFF (7): 1, 3, vhc, Thomson, 1st, cl. buff, a charming exhibit, 3, very neat and natty, fails in size; 2, Steel; hc, M. Stewart; c, Morgan. VARIEG. GREEN OR CINN. (5): 1, 2, Thomson, 1st, variegs. green, grand front and moon, 2nd, cinn., fails a shade in front to first; 3, Steel, variegs., neat wing, carriage and grand style; vhc, Stewart; hc, Steel. CL. or TKD. YELL. (2): 1, 2, Thompson, both cl. yell., 1st, a beauty, good type. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Thomson, leader a good one, a real model, others very close up, all three nice birds; vhc, Johnston; hc, Steel. VAR. GREEN OR CINN. (Bred 1912) (7): 1, sp., hc, Steel, 1st, variegs., winner of rose bowl, very jaunty Border, in the pink of condition, feather very close; 2, vhc, Thomson, 2nd, Cinn., a nice, typical bird, very jaunty, nice carriage; 3, Stewart, variegs. buff, good type; c, Morgan. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. (11): 1, 2, c, sp., Heggie, cup winner, grand length and pose, very neat head and neck, a champion, 2nd, splendid length, well up, another good one; 3, Ross, grand length and qual.; vhc, hc, Johnston. HEN (8): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Heggie, leader well up for length and pose, 2nd, barely the size or so neat in head as first, but a good one, 3rd, very shapely and nice size. VARIEG. (8): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Heggie, leader a cl. yell., 2nd, cl. buff, 3rd, a cl., an excellent lot. CK., BRED 1912 (10): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Heggie, win their places, a rare lot. HEN: 1, 2, 3, vhc, c, Heggie, a lovely lot; hc, Steel. NOV. CAN. (9): 1, Cuthbert, 2, 3, hc, c, Hardie; vhc, Smith. BRED 1912 (2): 1, 2, Robertson. A.O.V. CAN. (2): 1, 2, Ross. MULES OR HYB. (7): 1, sp., vhc, hc, Heggie, 1st, Goldie Can., nicely mkd., a real good one, winner of rose bowl and medal; 2, 3, McGavin, 2nd, Redpoll-Siskin, nicely mkd., shows crossing, very neat; 3, Greenie Mule, grand size and feather; c, Jeffrey. BRED 1912 (7): 1, vhc, McGavin. Mealy Redpoll-Greenie, grand size and col.; 2, Ross, buff Golden Mule, a beauty for col., shape and feather, in fine condition; 3, hc, Peters, Buff Linnet Mule, nicely marked Mule, in fine feather; c, Cameron. LIN. (6): 1, A. Naismith, lovely shape and feather, well pencilled, wins well; 2, 3, Holliday, 2nd, another nice Linnet, lovely pencillings and col., 3rd, not quite so well up in markings; vhc, McGavin; hc, Hayes. GOLD OR BULLFINCH (6): 1, McGavin, fine shape, fine blaze, of good col, nicely shown; 2, 3, M. Stewart, 2nd, nice square cut blaze, nice col. and markings, 3rd, fine size and shape; vhc, McDowall; hc, Hayes; c, Morgan. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, 2, McGavin, 1st Siskin, nice cap and bib, well laced, in fine condition, 2nd, Twite, grand size and col., well barred wings, well laced sides; 3, M. Stewart, Lesser Redpoll, nice regular markings, rich col., very neat; vhc, Peters; hc, Cuthbert; c, Thomson. GREENFINCH (5): 1, 2, McGavin, col. fed, a nice couple, grand shape and col.; 3, Morgan, a well-conditioned Finch, fails a shade in col. to others; vhc, McDowall; hc, Holliday. HEN FOR HYB. BREEDING: 1, vhc, McGavin, 1st, Chaffinch, a beauty for finish; 2, Peters, Bullie hen, a nice one; 3, Holliday, another nice Bullie hen, nicely marked. A.O.S. BRIT. (2): 1, 2, McGavin, 1st, Hawfinch, in rare condition. FOR. GOLDFINCH (3): 1, McGavin, grand size and col., nice square cut blaze, nice moons and buttons; 2, Morgan, barely so nicely mkd. as winner; 3, Hunter, nice blaze, moons and buttons, barely so rich in col. as others. A.O.V. FOR. (3): 1, 3, Ross; 2, Morgan. GIFT: 1, 2, Heggie; 3, McCubbin; vhc, Cairns; hc, Cuthbert, Mule. CL., ETC., YELL. (1): 1, Hutchison. BUFF: 1, Hutchison.

BIDEFORD.

Annual open show, held in the Market Hall, December 4th, and proved a record entry. The exhibits were of a high-class order, and nicely staged in 3 tiers, and the apartment was comfortably warmed. Messrs. S. R. Sing and A. J. Bishop, hon. secretaries, were most obliging, and with a good staff of committee men, who were all fanciers, everything went off without a hitch. Mr. Geo. Dix judged, and his awards were received with the greatest satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. (10): 1, open and local sp., c, Shaddick, buff, beautiful qual., good deep chest, nice and cobby, good head and neck, wins; 2, res., Copp, yell., nice round head, good body, but a little gone in neck, through too small a drink hole; 3, vhc, West, buff, beautiful qual., little out of condition to winner, nice head and chubby body; vhc, Richards, Lewis; hc, Lemon. UNFLIGHTED (7): 1, Copp, yell., var., a bird of beautiful qual., not the largest, but an excellent model, good head and neck, fine depth of chest, nice chubby body; 2, 3, West, 2nd, yell. tkd. hen, a beauty, and no mistake, good head, full neck, nice chubby body, well compact wings and short tail, 3, buff, wing mkd., similar to 2nd; vhc, Richards; vhc, c, Shaddick; c, Lemon. YORKS. (13) Adult and 1912 amalgamated. Some grand birds in both classes, a pity for 1912 to compete with adults. 1, 3, res., vhc, T. Richards, 1st, yellow griz. head, a beauty, grand length, stands like a guardsman, straight as a rush, beautiful waist and finished off with a nice pipe tail, wins; 2, vhc (2), hc, Boundy, 2nd yell., lovely qual., nice length, beautifully drawn, fails only in general finish to winner; 3, vhc, T. Richards, buff, best feathered in class, like wax, of beautiful qual., fails only in length to winner, res., grand feathered, wing mkd. buff; vhc, Williams; hc, Williams; c, Copp and Oatway. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (10): 1, Lewis, Goldfinch, very nice bird, fair size blaze, good chestnuts, and nicely buttoned, and in nice condition, wins; 2, Southcombe, Bullfinch, another nice exhibit, good cap and nice pink breast and finish; 3, Halls, Goldfinch, larger than 1st, not quite the condition of winner; res., Potter, another nice Goldfinch, but very unsteady, which told no doubt against him, quite equal to any of above if steadied; vhc, Oatway, Goodman, and Boyd; c, Potter, and Southcombe. BRIT., A.O.S. (7): 1, sp., best Brit., 3, E. Collins, 1st Hawfinch, a stormer, in grand fettle, feathered like wax, and tight as a Java, put down in A1 style, 3rd, Chaffinch, a regular swell, shown in the pink; 2, Davey, Hawfinch, another fine bird, but outclassed here to-day with winner; res., Hughes, Tawny Owl, nice exhibit, had damaged tail, which no doubt went much against it, greatly admired; hc, E. Collins; c, Lewis. LOCAL CAN., A.V. (9): 1, 2, 3, vhc, R. Taylor, 1st, yell. Cinn., Nor. type, nice exhibit, wee bit rough at thighs, 2nd, yellow P.H. Nor., very good qual.; 3, N.P.H., similar to above; res., Oatway; vhc, Hughes; c, Oatway, Copp, and Williams. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (11): 1, Oatway, ck. Bullfinch, nice cap and rich shade of pink breast, good shape; 2, vhc, Potter, 2, hen Bullfinch, a grand hen, quite equal, 1st must have pressed; 3, hc, Barrett and Lake, 3rd, Goldfinch, good bird, but in poor con.; vhc, Stevens; c, Taylor.

WHITBY.

Twenty-seventh annual show, held Nov. 27, in the Market Hall. Entries in the Canary section came up very well, 68 in five classes. Brit. classes did not fill so well, 55 in six classes. The birds were very nicely staged, and their every requirement supplied by a very hard working lot of stewards, Messrs. Calam, Fletcher, Porritt, Stamp, and Watmough, while the section had a special secretary in the person of Mr. B. Harland, who saw that everything went well. Special for best Yorks. went to Miss Pyman with her well-known clear yellow. Mr. E. J. Freeman won special for best Norwich with a very typical and nice coloured clear yellow. Mr. J. M. Fletcher won cup for best bird, and also the Miss Coble cup, with a really good C.B. and an unfighted yellow Nor. Mr. H. W. Battye judged.

YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. (12): 1, 3, Miss Pyman; 2, Bennett; vhc, hc, Simeson; c, Simpson. BUFF (13): 1, 3, Simeson; 2, Miss Pyman; vhc, Prentice; hc, Rand; c, Thomas. NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (12): 1, c, Freeman; 2, Rand; 3, hc, Waller; vhc, Mallinson. BUFF (13): 1, sp, vhc, Freeman; 2, Bennett; 3, Waller; hc, Fletcher; c, Clayton and Smith. NOR. UNFLIG. (15): 1, Bennett; 2, Mays and Allinson; 3, cup, Fletcher; vhc, hc, Harland; c, Miss Coble. CREST OR C.B.: Cancelled. MULE (3): 1, Wilson; 3, Harland; 4, Plews. GOLDFINCH (8): 1, Mays and Allinson; 2, vhc, Inman; 3, Winterburn; hc, Stamp; c, Lane. BULLFINCH (11): 1, Mays and Allinson; 2, Winterburn; 3, Brewster; vhc, Hutchinson; hc, Inman; c, Wilson. LINNET, H.M. (6): 1, vhc, Stamp; 2, Inman; 3, Woodhead and Son; hc, Dickinson; c, Winterburn. F.M. (16): 1, Pearson; 2, Woodhead and Son; 3, Cowey; vhc, Lowe and Wesson; hc, Brewster; c, Hutchinson. GREENFINCH, ETC. (5): 1, hc, Stamp; 2, 3, Winterburn; vhc, Wilson. SISKIN, ETC. (9): 1, 3, Forster; 2, Mays and Allinson; vhc, c, Stamp; hc, Winterburn. FOR. (8): 1, Hall; 2, Hutchinson; 3, Clarkson; vhc, Dale; hc, Mrs. Sedman; c, Harding. DR. MITCHELL'S CUP CLASS (13): 1, Fletcher; 2, Calam; 3, hc, Miss Coble; vhc, c, Watmough.

FALKIRK (Good Intent).

Third annual show held Dec. 7 in the Oddfellows' Hall, a very suitable place for the purpose, being well lighted and free from draughts. Entries were slightly down from last year, the falling off being in the Border and British sections, the Norwich being up. The management was all that could be desired, and everything done for the comfort of the birds and visitors. What a pity it is that the fanciers of this district cannot see their way to combine and run an open show. There are plenty of fanciers in the surrounding districts. Mr. Walter Clarkson, the sec., had everything well in hand, and was ably backed up by a very obliging committee. Everything passed off well. The judges were:—For Norwich and Crests, W. Grewar (Lochgelly), Mr. Dan Hamilton (Hamilton); British, Mules, Mr. L. J. Arright (Edinburgh), and their awards seemed to give general satisfaction. Special for best young Norwich was won by Mr. J. Marshall; for best Border, H. Conner; Mule, W. Heard; best British, W. Robertson; and best For., R. Reid.

The Critique.

YOUNG BIRDS.—NOR. CL. OR. YELL. (13): 1, W. Heard, fine size, good head and neck, nice shape and col., crosses wings; 2, W. Moreland, fails in head a bit, chubby body, nice wings, fails qual.; 3, J. Milne, nice bird, but smaller and slimmer; 4, W. Moreland; 5, D. Smart; 6, J. Milne; 7, W. Sutton; 8, J. Milne. BUFF (19): 1, W. Heard, nice head, neck and wings fair body, bit loose at thighs; 2, D. Smart, hardly the size of winner, fine stamp and qual.; 3, J. Marshall, shimmer got up, fine qual. and wing carr., nice head and neck; 4, T. Hutton; 5, J. Burnett; 6, W. Moreland; 7, J. Ovenstone; 8, J. Milne. VARIEG. (10): 1, J. McNaughton, yell. var., nice size, good head and neck, wants a bit on front only, good wings and qual.; 2, D. Smart, heavy var. buff, on the small side, best of qual.; 3, Smart, yell. var., not finished moult, fine head, neck and body, fails qual. a bit; 4, J. Ovenstone; 5, Godfrey Bros.; 6, J. Stewart; 7, M. Baird; 8, W. Clarkson. CL. YELL. HEN (10): 1, D. Smart, grand head and neck, fine short body, wings and tail; 2, Hutton, sore foot, grand short chubby body, fine wings and tail, fine qual.; 3, McNaughton, fails head, hardly so stout, fine qual. and wings; 4, Sutton 5, 6, Heard; 7, Reid; 8, Moreland. CL. BUFF (10): 1, Marshall, fine one for type, not the largest, teeming with qual., grand body and wings; 2, J. Ovenstone, longer body, fine head and good qual.; 3, Clubb, fine head and neck, fails qual.; 4, Clarkson; 5, Condie; 6, Sharp; 7, McNaughton; 8, Burnett. VARIEG. (13): 1, Scaife, Buff, fine head and neck, deep front, good wings and qual.; 2, Scaife, presses hard, nice head and neck, grand qual. and wings too quick, cut away under buff; 3, Smart, almost green, fails head, fine front and wing carr., not so well cleaned out behind; 4, 8, Marshall; 5, Reid; 6, Clubb; 7, Leishman. NON-FED YELL. (10): 1, 2, Ovenstone, var. leading, grand short chubby body, fails head, fine wing carr., lovely qual., rather patchy in col.; 2nd mkd. on wing, longer in body, fine qual.; 3, Heard, fine head and neck, good qual., thinner in get-up; 4, Hutton; 5, Condie; 6, Milne; 7, Sutton; 8, Stewart. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Ovenstone, var., fine short chubby body, grand qual., fails head, well carr. wings; 2, cl., grand head, good qual.; 3, Hunter, mkd. tail, fine shape, short stout body, fails head; 4, Kemp; 5, Milne; 6, Sutton; 7, Liddle; 8, Muir. CREST (6): 1, Moir, dk. crest, fine centre, large massive body, large drooping crest of lovely broad leafy feather; 2, Daine, good dark crest, but not so neat in centre; 3, Paterson, fails bit centre and radiation; 4, Burnett; 5, Liddle; 6, McNaughton. HEN (7): 1, Moir, dark crest, best centre, fair droop, a bit short in front; 2, McNaughton, dark crest, fair length of feather; 3, Liddle, nearly green, fair length of feather, not so well formed; 4, Sharp; 5, Burnett; 6, Paterson; 7, Smart. C.B.: 1, McNaughton, var., fine wide entrance, well lashed, nice qual. feather; 2, Moir, var., rather pinched at back of skull, but good lashings; 3, Liddle, var., nice feather; 4, Davie; 5, Paterson. HEN (6): 1, Moir, grand dome skull, nice entrance and lash, of good qual. feather; 2, Smart, nice skull, fails length of feather to leader; 3, Paterson, fair width of skull; 4, 6, Liddle; (5) McNaughton. BORDER, CL. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Leitch, nicely drawn, fine mould, free action, good qual.; 2, Reid, not so well drawn as leader, but otherwise good bird; 3, Conner, fine mould and qual., crosses wing tips; 4, 7, Gray; 5, Berrie; 6, Reid; 8, Aitken. CL. BUFF (8): 1, 6, Reid, nicely moulded, fine rounded on back, fine qual.; 2, McDougall, not quite so well rounded; 3, Berrie, nice in action, crosses wing occasionally; 4, Aitken; 5, Conner; 7, Conner; 8, Jamieson. A.V. CK. (9): 1, 7, Conner, Cinn., well drawn, fine rounded, good qual. and pencilling, wins; 2, Leitch, Cinn., well rounded, but less distinct in pencilling; 3, Binnie, Green, hardly so well drawn, but free in action; 4, 5, 8, Gray; 6, Reid. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Reid, fine stamp and qual., fine action; 2nd chubby, fine qual. and wing carr.; 3, McDougall, not so well put down; 4, Conner; 5, Berrie; 6, Jamieson; 7, Penman. CL. BUFF HEN (6): 1, Reid, nice one for type and qual., well placed; 2, Berry, mkd. on head, fine size, nice qual.; 3, Connor, mkd. on head, fine style, hardly so well moulded; 4, Jamieson; 5, Leitch; 6, Gray. A.V. HEN (8): 1, 7, Reid, Green, lovely col., fine pencil mkgs., good qual., wins; 2, Gray, nice Cinn., fails in markings to winner; 3, Berrie, yell. var., fine stamp and qual., fails in style; 4, 5, Conner. MULE OR HYB. (11): 1, Heard, Linnet-Can., fine size, rich col., well pencilled, wins; 2, Baird, Linnet-Bullie, good bird, but rather pale in colour; 3, Thomson, Linnet-Can., good size, not so well pencilled; 4, 7, Aitken; 5, Bain; 6, Bain; 8, Ovenstone. OLD BIRDS.—NOR. CK. (15): 1, 3, Ovenstone, yell. var., lovely short thick body, wings and tail, fine col. and qual., fails head; 3rd, Buff, fails size and subs., fine quality, in grand order; 2, Smart, cl. yell., longer in body, fine head and neck, fails qual., romper for size; 4 Reid; 5, Marshall; 6, 8, Sutton; 7, Hutton. HEN (13): 1, Smart, grand size and subs., fine short body, fails head and wings, yell.; 2, Paterson, cl. Buff, fine head, neck and front, fails qual.; 3, Hutton, mkd. head, hardly so stout, fails qual.; 4, Moreland; 5, Scaife; 6, Marshall; 7, Ovenstone; 8, Sutton. NON-FED. CK. (12): 1, Clubb, cap marked Buff, fine head and neck, short chubby body, good qual., wins; 2, Gorrie, var. yell., fine head, fails in body sub., good qual.; 3, Godfrey Bros., heavy var. buff, fails head, fair qual.; 4, Penman; 5, Leishman; 6, Marshall; 7, Hunter; 8, Condie. HEN (11): 1, Clubb, fine stamp and qual., wins; 2, Penman, good type and qual., fails head; 3, Rennie, good bird but fails qual. to winners; 4, Sutton; 5, Kemp; 6, Leishman; 7, Marshall; 8, Condie. CREST (5): 1, McDougall, fine drooping crest, nice centre, good qual. of feather; 2, Sharp, neat crest, fails qual. to winner; 3, Davie fails crest; 4, Smart; 5, Burnett. HEN (5): 1, Moir, good crest, well spread, of nice qual. feather; 2, Paterson, nice length of feather; 3, Burnett, good fair crest; 4, Smart; 5, Hunter. C.B. (7): 1, 3, Paterson, grand top place, lovely entrance and lash, fine length of feather; 3rd good skull and frontal, fair lash; 2, lovely dome skull, presses hard; 4, 5, Sharp; 6, Smart; 7, Moir. HEN: 1, Smart, good skull and feather, fair lash; 2, Davie, almost green, nice skull and feather; 3, Paterson, good skull; 4, Smart; 5, Burnett. BORD. CK. (9): 1, Leitch, Green, fine style and qual., nice type; 2, Gray, Cinn., nicely moulded; 3, Sutton, Green, fails and qual.; 4, 5, Conner; 6, Aitken; 6, Reid; 7, Jamieson. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Reid, var., nice one, fine style and qual., wins; 2, 5, Aitken, cl. yell., fine type and qual., fails lacing carr.; 3, Leitch, Cinn., fine type, well rounded, neat; 7, Sutton. GOLDIE OR BULLFINCH (6): 1, Robertson, Goldie, fine blaze and tan, wing bars in fine bloom; 2, Hunter, Goldie, hardly so neat in blaze, fine col., presses; 3, Marshall, Goldie, fails in tramlines, not the same cond.; 4, Burnett; 5, Bell; 6, Gillespie. LINNET (13): 1, 2, Robertson, leader nice one for type, lovely mkd. breast and good whites, rich col.; 2nd hard up, fails pencilling, not so rich col.; 3, 7, Godfrey Bros., good col., beaten pencilling; 4, Bell; 5, McCulloch; 6, Marshall. GREENFINCH: 1, Stewart, not one of the largest, but good type and col., in lovely bloom; 2, Baird, fine size and type, fails col., nice bars; 3, Milne, good stamp, fails qual.; 4, Reid; 5, Jamieson; 6, Rennie; 7, Leishman; 8, Sutton. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, Sutton, Mealy Redpoll, fine size, in grand bloom, fine mkgs., wings; 2, Paterson, Siskin, neat cap, fair bib, fine flank lacing; 3, Baird, Twite, fine col., nice lacing, good whites; 4, 5, Bell; 6, McCulloch. LESSER REDPOLL (5): 1, Rennie, nice one, well laced, good col., wins; 2, Gillespie, fails lacing and col.; 3, 5, Rennie, fails lacing, dark in col., fails qual.; 4, Sutton. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLEFINCH: 1, 2, Rennie, Chaffies, fine size, nice col. on breast, lovely head, fine whites, wins; 2nd snaky head, not the same style; 3, Bain, Bramble, fails spangle and col., not the size; 4, Paterson; 5, Muir. A.S. HARDBILL: 1, Robertson, Hawfinch, good one, nice bib, fine size, grand col., put down in fine bloom; 2, 3, Baird, Corn Bunting, in fine order, well mkd., steady as a rock; 3rd Yell. Bunting, nice head and ear mkgs., fine col.; 4, 5, Rennie; 6, Bell; 7, Thomson; 8, Jamieson. SOFTBILL (1): 1, McPherson, Blackbird, in fine order. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, Ovenstone, Goldie-Bullie, nice size, but bit pale col.; 2, 3, 4, nnme omitted, var. Goldie, fine size and col.; 3rd Goldie-Bullie, larger and better col., fine order; 4, Linnet-Can., dk., fair size, good col.; 5, W. Thomson. FOR. (7): 1, Reid, Goldie, grand one, fine size, good blaze and bars, put down in grand order; 2, 3, McPherson, Whydah, in good order, might get a more suitable cage; 3, Orange Bishop, fair one; 4, Robertson; 5, McPherson; 6, Ovenstone; 7, Gillespie. HYB. PAIR, A.V. (6): 1, 2, 3, Ovenstone, a trio of clinking pairs, all in grand order, a credit to their fortunate owner, Siberian Goldie and Bullie leading, two beauties, win; Canary and Bullie, well matched; Goldie and Can., cl., fine size, all likely to do well; 4, Stewart; 5, Hunter; 6, Woodhouse. HEN BRIT., A.V. (9): 1, Heard, Corn Bunting, in fine trim, nice and steady; 2, Ovenstone, Bullie, short and chubby, nice col. and cond.; 3, Hunter, Greenie, nice size, fine markings and cond.; 4, McPherson; 5, Rennie; 6, Baird; 7, Aiken; 8, Bell.

ANFIELD, EVERTON C.B.S.

First annual members' show held in St. Cuthbert's Mission Hall, Burleigh Road, South, Anfield, Liverpool, Nov. 16, some very fine birds being staged, competition was very keen all round. Mr. Alston wins sp. for best Yorks, Mr. Young best Greene, Benson best yell. cl. unfligh., Wright best unfligh. buff, cl. and best unfligh. green, Mr. Hamilton's yell. (gr. mkd.); and Messrs. Leatherbarrow, Wilson, Kelly, Ritchie, Crow, and Benson, the stewards, worked hard to make the show the success it was. The show was visited by hundreds, and everybody enjoyed the grand display of birds; it was a great pleasure to see so many ladies present. The cups, rose bowl, medals, and other specials were all on view, and much admired. The hall is a grand place for a bird show, with two fine rooms, capable of staging 2,000 birds, and we expect it will be filled at our open show, December 26th, opened by the Lord Mayor. Points are now totalled up, including the nest feather show. Members are asked to note that if only two birds are in a class the points will counts. Champ. Yorks Greens: Parsons 44, Plunkett 37, Bell 25, Young 19, Benson 18, Walker 18, Folland 16, Steinart 14, Hamilton 13, Crowe 13, Wright 12, Gore 8, Rawthorne 12, Leatherbarrow 6, Malone 5, White 4, Corbett 2. Cl., Tkd. and Mkd.: Parsons 46, Plunkett 44, Wright 37, Crowe 34, Whiteside 30, Alston 28, Corbett 32, Hamilton 20, Rawsthorne 14, Davidson 13, Benson 12, Walker 3, Folland 1, D. Cooper 1. Norwich, Bord. and Brit.: Crowe 48, Cutts 43, D. H. Cooper 43, Bell 37, Barker 32, Cutmore 30, Redpath 25, J. Cooper 24, H. Kelly 15, Leatherbarrow 13, Whiteside 13, Frankham 11, N. Harrison 5, Poole 4, Ritchie 4, Hamilton 3, Foulkes 2. Novice Yorks Cl and Gr.: Redpath 55, C. Kelly 55, Holden 40, W. Harrison 37, N. Harrison 31, Draper 25, Mullens 22, Erentz 20, McLoughlin 18, Evans 14, Cross 17, Poole 13, Longmore 13, R. Williams 10, Winn Bros. 16, Tyrer 9, Ritchie 8, Foxloft 8, Thornley 5, Cutts 11, Bewley 7, Frankham 4. Should any member consider any of these points not correct please communicate with the secretary before the next show.—R. B. Wright, hon. secretary.

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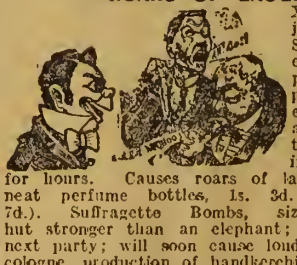
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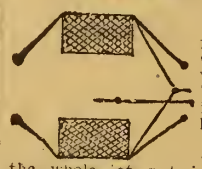
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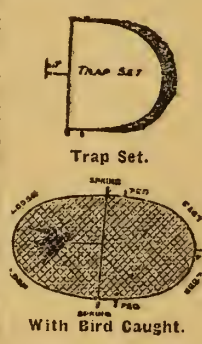
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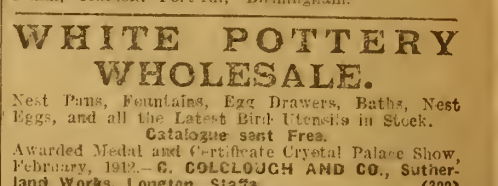
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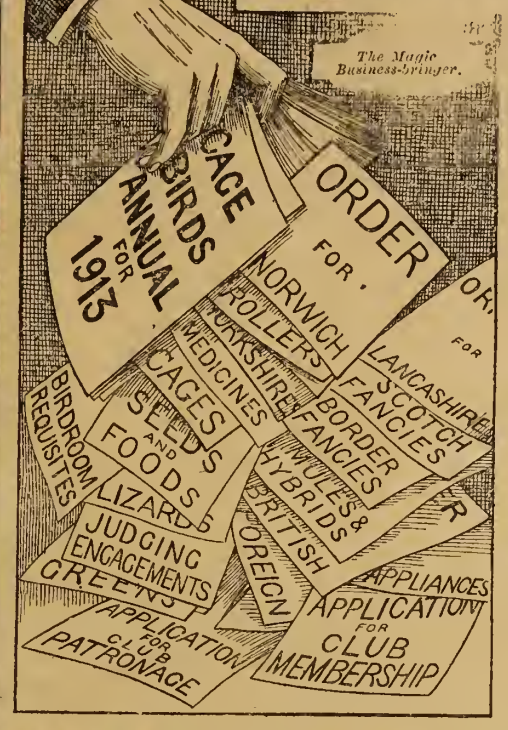
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Norwich.

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A FEW nice cocks, 6/6 upwards; hens, 2/6: Street, 69, Park-rd., Crouch End, N. See British. (317)

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GOOD quality Norwich cocks and hens for sale; look up Burnley, Liverpool, Preston, open classes: Lingard Bros., 35, Marlboro'-st., Burnley. (314)

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HARRY Hitchen, few good Norwich for sale, see reports Huddersfield, Burnley, Nottingham, Bradford shows; approval: 17, Cedar-st., Burnley. (295)

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CHAMPION Norwich, unflighted typical birds, cold room bred, cocks 5/6, 6/6, 7/6; hens 2/6, 3/6, 4/6, sex guaranteed, approval; cash or deposit: Jones, 29, Grafton-st., Stockport. (278)

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MONSTER exhibition Yellow cock, large head and full neck, grand depth of chest, rare type and quality, sure winner in keenest competition, only 50/-; honestly worth £5 for stock alone; also massive exhibition Buff cock, grand type, colour, quality and substance, rare head and neck, feathered like silk, only 35/-; cheap at £3; also grand exhibition Yellow hen, large head and neck, deep chest, lovely colour, type and quality, sure winner, only 35/-; honestly worth double; also extra choice exhibition Buff hen, real model for type and quality, feathered like silk, perfect gem, win anywhere, only 30/-, worth £3; also several other monster exhibition Yellow and Buff cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/-, to £6 each; massive exhibition Yellow and Buff hens, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 21/-, to £4 each, including many winners; many unsolicited testimonials received from the leading breeders and exhibitors, and for size, type and quality I defy competition; state your requirements fully and I will guarantee to give you fullest satisfaction; all cold room bred; approval: Leonard Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (320)

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WANTED portable bird house, about 9ft. long, 7ft. high, 5ft. broad; must be in first-class order; full particulars: Henry Fleck, 6, Sunningdale avenue, Wallsend. (316)

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WANTED, house-moulted British, hard or softbills, in exchange new lady's or gentleman's silver-mounted umbrella to value: A. Edgeley, Umbrella Manufacturer, 491, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (321)

WANTED, Seifert Roller cock, 1912 bird, singing, and sound, in exchange for 87 2d. editions Black and Whites (Boer War), good condition; bird first: Almond, 3a, Aston-st., Blackburn. (310)

WANTED large 1912 yellow or marked Crestbred cock, or green Crested hen, give good pair Yorkshires in exchange for either; mutual approval: Goldsmith, Stationer, Maidenhead. (313)

NOTICE, will give 6/- per pair for colour-fed Norwich or Yorkshires, 10/- per pair for Crests; also wanted Scotch Fancies, cock Mules, reasonable: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (270)

WANTED offers in cash for lot: 3 clear yellows and 1 buff hens, 2 buff cocks, and 1 yellow Norwich, colour-fed, also 5 cocks and 3 hens, inbred for light muling, 1912 birds; room wanted: Steele, Fieldfoot, Grasmere. (318)

WANTED Canaries, poultry, small birds; exchange pink and white Cockatoo and cage, 25/-; pedigree Bull Terrier bitch, 30/-; wavy-coated Retriever, 20/-; show Homer, 20/-; Dutch buck, winner, 7/6: J. Leacroft, Winscombe, Somerset.

WANTED Canaries, exchange magnificent rough-haired Fox Terrier dog, whole black tanned head, black tail, 15 months, cost 25/- puppy and 21/- training, parting through death, worth £4; what offers; particulars: Ellis, 1, Mill-rd., Kettering. (313)

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SALE or EXCHANGE.

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EXHIBITION cock Bullie, 7/6; Goldfinch 3/6; Greenfinch 2/6; Linnet 1/6; exchange Norwich hens: L. Arnold, High-st., Raunds. (313)

EXHIBITION cocks: Jay, 7/6; Magpie, 7/6; Bullfinch, 5/-; Siskin Muler, comes on hand, 3/6: Douglas, Bridge-st., Brechin. (321)

PAIR young Yellow Budgerigars, 2 young cock Linnets, exchange for a large Siberian hen Bullfinch: Prentice, Hazeleigh, Maldon, Essex. (Q)

SELL or exchange 4 cock Goldfinch Mules, Finch note, for exhibition British, to moult; mutual approval: Bescoby, Pavilion-st., Doncaster. (320)

WHAT offers, cock Golden Pheasant, Bullfinch, Greenfinch, two Chaffinches, all cocks, pair Redpolls: Riley, Dean House, South-avenue, Stourbridge. (310)

IN exchange, will give four warranted cock Linnets, for one cock Mule or four hen Mules: J. Flower, 4, Southampton Cottages, Hackney-rd., London. (322)

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TWENTY red-breasted Linnets, singing, 1/- each; Thrushes, Blackbirds, Larks, 1/- each; wild bird seed 2/- gall. carriage paid; exchange disc records: G. Frith, Crowle, Lincs. (322)

REAL good large Welsh cock Goldfinch, sure winner; exchange for large yellow Norwich hen, must be short wings and tail; approval; yours first: Jones, 3, Mountain-st., Carnarvon. (319)

THREE cock Goldfinches, one cock Linnet, one cock Bullfinch, show birds; Greenfinch mule took one 1st, three 2nds; sell cheap, or exchange Coppy or C.B. hen; or offers: Fountain, Aylesbury. (318)

PAIR hand-made clapnets, 8 yards by 6ft., nearly new, 12/-, everything complete; 4 cock Linnets, full song, 2/6 each; cock Bullie, 2/-; hen, brace bird, 1/- all used hatching: Gaute, 4, Queen-st., Maidenhead. (322)

SALE or exchange, Siberian Goldfinches, 5/6 to 8/6; English Goldfinches, 2/6 to 5/6; cock Linnets, 1/6 to 2/6; and other kind of British for muling and singing: for any kind of Canaries and Mules; approval both ways: Simpson, 36, Lancashire-hill, Stockport. (318)

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Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE Yorkshire cock for large Norwich hen; yours first: Merson, Portessie. (314)

EXCHANGE pair unflighted Norwich for good gas lamp, or sell 7/6; approval: E. Cook, 46, High-st., Eastleigh. (312)

EXCHANGE young German cock, singing, for common pigeons or toy dog: Wood, 19, Hope-st., Hanley, Staffs. (318)

TWO pairs 1911 Borders and 2 show cages and case, 15/- lot, or exchange offers: Renwick, High-st., Berwick. (315)

EXCHANGE a pair of Yorkshire stock birds for drapery, or sell £1 1s.; offers: T. Brown, Foxhouses-rd., Whitehaven. (312)

YORKSHIRES, 2 pair prize-bred, prize hen 25/; exchange or part anything; offers: Ansell, 9, South Market, Leeds. (320)

TWO H.M. Goldfinches, 8/-; 4 hen Canaries, 1912, 8/-; exchange genuine Rollers: Roach, Victoria Cottage, Burghfield, Reading. (312)

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EXCHANGE prize-bred Borders for exhibition British or foreign, or sell cheap; overstocked; approval: Wilson, Wybrow-ter., Workington. (315)

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EXCHANGE four cinnamon Border hens and one common hen for good whistling Seifert Roller cock: William Graham, 31, Kirkgate, Cupar, Fife. (315)

WILL exchange 2 pairs of Norwich, from good strain, for gramophone records, or will sell 12/6 pair: T. Dunn, 186, Kent-st., Preston, Lancs. (318)

WILL exchange cock Goldfinch and hen Canary, bred Mules, for good Norwich yellow hens; offers: W. Cattell, 2, Well's-yard, Sheep-st., Northampton. (314)

EXCHANGE 1912 Seifert Roller cock, full rolling song, beauty, for two 1912 Yorkshire cocks; no rubbish; offers: Danford George, Tailor, Pentre, Rhondda. (312)

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WHAT offers in Canaries, Foreign, or British birds for suit length good tweed, or sell 35/-, or lady's dress length or sell 12/6: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (270)

SPECIAL, Owing to lack of time am compelled to clear about forty pure Yorkshire and Norwich cocks, colour fed, perfect health, from 6/-; useful exchange: Williams, 19, Copper Works-rd., Llanelly. (322)

PRIZE Norwich, 4 cocks, 10/6 each, 2 hens 7/6 each; 6 Border cocks, 5/-, 6/-; 6 hens, 2/6, 3/-; exchange blankets, sheets, curtains, or good gramophone: Wesley McFarlane, 8, Richardson-st., Carlisle. (316)

JOHN ROBSHAW, Marton-cum-Grafton, York, breeder over 50 years, Yorkshires, cinnamons, green Norwich, 7/6 cocks; hens, 3 winning hen, 5/- pair; White Rosecomb Bantams, best blood, 8/-, Christmas, cheap. (311)

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SIX Crestbred Canaries, 2 cocks, 4 hens; Greenfinch Mule, cock Chaffinch, hen Bullfinch, hen Greenfinch, all Canary reared, 23/- lot, or sell separately; exchange music for flute or anything useful to value: Pettit, Foxhunt, Waldron, Sussex. (315)

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HIGH-CLASS Borders; a few pairs or single for sale; also a good big clear Buff Crest-bred cock, 10/-; also two dark cock Greenfinch Mules, yellow and Buff; 3/- each; exchange any for Goldies (B. or F.) or Yellow Norwich hens: Robert Dyer, Haystoun, Peebles. (322)

Mainly Foreign.

THREE Lovebirds, pair Cutthroats, 4/- lot; 2 hen Bullfinches, 2 hen Canaries, 3/6: Hawkins, 11, Denstone-rd., Nottingham. (318)

TWO hen aviary-bred Californian Quail, what offers, cash or exchange; wanted Blossom-head Parrakeets: Phillips, Boatbuilder, Rye. (311)

BEAUTIFUL acclimatised young Blue-fronted Amazon Parrot and cage, exchange gramophone and records, value £3: Garthwaite, Postman, Bishop Auckland. (314)

SPLENDID plumaged yellow shouldered Amazon, not yet 2 years old, thoroughly acclimatised, started talking, don't scream, tame, promising, with good cage, 55/-; or exchange, offers: Marshall, Vallance Villa, Beeston, Notts. (311)

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EXCHANGE Jones' treadle sewing machine, value 35/-, for Canaries or Parrot: Hayes, 5, Canton-st., Liverpool. (314)

PAIR show Homers, 12/6; 3 hen Canaries, 9/-; lady's cycle, new tyres, tubes, 50/-; 15, Frome-ter., Dorchester. (315)

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KIRRIEMUIR.

After a lapse of seven years, Kirriemuir held a show on Dec. 14, and brought together a very sweet collection. Norwich opened the programme, and although a shade low in numbers, quality was A1. We never saw such keen competition at a country show, many noted winners being forward, and after Mr. J. Adams selected his winners very little could be commented upon. Borders were a grand array, some gems being forward, many well-known exhibitors again doing battle for coveted honours. The sp. for best was secured by a good all-round buff hen, well put down by Mr. Gilchrist, while the runner-up was a sweet yell. hen, grandly staged by Mr. Stevenson. British were a good lot, the winning Goldfinch and Linnet being outstanding specimens. Mr. J. W. Bruce judged all except Norwich, and his awards were well received. The officials are composed of a band of workers, everyone trying to excel another in getting through work. The worthy president, Mr. Lawson, was prominent as show manager, and he was ably seconded by Mr. Buttars. Mr. J. Stevenson held the secretarial reins, and right well did he do his duty, having everything in apple-pie order, while the finance was under the charge of Mr. Ewart, who proved to be able to uphold his reputation as a pay-master. The hall is an ideal one for a show, being well lighted and free from draughts. The show was well patronised by fanciers, and many sales took place. Kirriemuir, although in an out of the world position geographically, has a splendid railway connection, and the exhibits were well looked after, many of the birds being returned at 4 o'clock in order to reach their destinations that night. Fanciers should note this for future shows.

The Critique.

BORD. CL. or TK. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Irons, grand shape, splendidly rounded, good head and lovely wing carr., grand col., stylish exhibit, inclined to be a shade on the strong side and soft in feather; 2, Davidson, sweet bird, lovely position and well drawn, fails a little in front, and not so well rounded, good wing carr.; 3, Hutchison, good head and front, nicely moulded, rather long behind, in full bloom; vhc, Craig; hc, Crabb and Finlayson; c, Campbell. HEN (12): 1, Stevenson, extra good one, gem for shape, lovely head and body, as round as possible, good front and tip top wing carr., correct weight and grand qual. of feather, a hot one, could be improved with a small cage; 2, Bennet, well known winner, rare position and finish, grand feather and wing carr., fails in front a bit; 3, Gilchrist, taking hen, rare style, good qual. of feather, shade thin in build, well placed; vhc, Crabb and Finlayson; hc, Craig; c, Irvine. BUFF (10): 1, Hutchison, good one, rare qual., correct weight, fine head and front, sweet wing carr., put down in lovely order, well drawn; 2, Hampton, grand shape, good head and front, well drawn, not so fine in feather as winner; 3, Craig, good feather, shade stronger below, nice head and wing carr., rare bloom; vhc, Paton; hc, Stevenson; c, Irons. CL. or TICK BUFF HEN (9): 1, B.F.C. medal, Gilchrist, good one, fine weight and free action, A1 wing carr. and well drawn, good head, in grand trim; 2, Schooler and Briggs, again a good one, rare qual. of feather, grand head, scarcely so well drawn; 3, Welsh, sweet wee hen, on the small side, rare style and grand qual. of feather, well placed; vhc, Hutchison; hc, G. Bennet; c, Irons. YELL. VAR. CK. (6): 1, Davidson, wins, sweet one, grand style, rare head and wing carr., very sweetly drawn, good feather; 2, Stewart, close up, not so stylish, but all there for feather and finish; 3, Fairweather, sweet shape, fails a little in head, good body and carriage; vhc, Craig; hc, Irons; c, Foreman. HEN (6): 1, Irvine, nice one all over, grand head and sweet front, stylish and well drawn; 2, Irons, good stamp, full fronted bird, nice quality of feather, good shape and style, in tip top order; 3, Crabb and Finlayson, sweet make, good position, not so well cleaned out, good feather; vhc, Stewart; hc, Craig; c, Hampton. BUFF VAR. CK. (9): 1, Lumsden, good one, A1 head, grand body and wing carr., sweetly drawn, lovely pipe tail, staged in rare bloom, easy win; 2, Bennet, grand feather and finish, wants the pose of winner, grand head, splendid wing carriage; 3, Hutchison, noted winner, grand pose and lovely feather, shade plain in front, splendid wings and head, well placed; vhc, Baird; hc, Robertson; c, Davidson. HEN (6): 1, Hastings, not a large one, but a gem for shape, sweet head and front, A1 wing carr., in good order; 2, Lumsden, longer behind than winner, good wing carr. and head, not so well rounded in front; 3, Hutchison, tip-top wee hen, grand shape, fails in qual. of feather; vhc, Craig; hc, Hampton; c, Welsh. EVEN MKD. (5): 1, Gilchrist, good one, rare eye and wing markings, shade slim in get-up, nice order; 2, Davidson, stronger and better in body than winner, fails in eye markings; 3, Schooler and Briggs, A1 qual. of feather and shape, fails slightly in eye marks; vhc, Lumsden; hc, Hampton. GR. or CINN. (6): 1, 3, Lambie, good yell green leading, grand pencilling, A1 type; 3rd, sweet Cinn., grand shape and col., both well put down, noted winners; 2, Gilchrist, good solid green, fine pencilling and col., just fails in body, rather slim; vhc, hc, Lawson; c, Stevenson. NOV. CL. or TICK YELL. CK. (5): 1, Mitchell, romper, grand size, rare head, sweet wing carr., gem for col. and finish, outstanding; 2, Lumsden, sweet, fine head and front, not so bold in neck, good taper and style; 3, Smeaton, good body and shape, lacks the front and finish of winner; vhc, Boath; hc, Kidd. HEN (4): 1, Anderson, sweet shape, rare qual., very stylish, extra well staged; 2, Kydd, close up, good body and wing carr., fails bit in head; 3, Boath, nice qual. of feather, beaten in size. CL. or TK. BUFF CK. (3): 1, Mitchell, plenty size, all there for shape and qual.; 2, Kennedy, good head and front, beaten in size a little. HEN (3): 1, Boath, A1 shape and size, good front and sweet quality of feather; 2, 3, Paton, 2nd good one, leader the best in size, both grand type and qual. YELL. VAR. CK. (4): 1, Allison, grand all over, plenty of size, extra good in qual., sweet head and rare front, well put down, good one; 2, Lumsden, all there for qual., neat in head, fails to leader in front; 3, Sontar, strong made bird, good head, fails a shade in wing carr.; vhc, Paton. BUFF VAR. or GR. CK. (5): 1, Mitchell, grand size and A1 shape, splendid made bird, and extra fine in feather, sweet one; 2, Steven, close up, scarcely so bold in front, but all there for head and style; 3, Kydd, good stamp, beaten in substance; vhc, Masterton; hc, Taylor. HEN (3): 1, Lumsden, good stamp, fine full headed bird, A1 qual. of feather; 2, Boath, nice one, grand shape, fails in size only; 3, Taylor, sweet head, nice front, longer behind than winners. UNFLIG. CK. (5): 1, Mitchell, romping yell., great subs., grand head and body, close in feather, well cut, in grand trim; 2, Allison, sweet size, good shape, nice head, beaten in build by winner; 3, Steven, close up, good head and front, longer in feather, vhc, Taylor; hc, Masterton. HEN (5): 1, Allison, good buff, grand shape, lovely head and front, rare feather and finish; 2, Mitchell, close up, plenty of size, not so shapely in front, A1 wing carr.; 3, Lumsden, good feather and finish, beaten in subs.; vhc, Kennedy; hc, Masterton. NON-FED (3): 1, Mitchell, romping yell. variegated, sweet head and plenty of size, full bloom; 2, Kydd, nice shape, grand qual.; 3, Smeaton, almost green, fails in size and substance. LIGHT MULE or HYB. (1): 1 Fyfe, a sweet Siskin-Greenie, well up in size and col. DARK CAN. MULE (3): 1, 3, Fyfe; nice yell. Greenie, well up in size and good shape and col., 3rd, yell. Siskin, sweet shape, on the small side; 2, Hendrie, nice Linnet, well laced and good col., wants more size, nicely staged. GOLDFINCH (4): 1, Anderson, grand Finch, rare order, splendid blaze, noted winner; 2, Mackie, sweet, dense faced bird, good tannings and wing bars, beaten in size; 3, Brown, larger, good order, rather dull in feather and face, will improve; vhc, Muir and Heenan. BULLFINCH (8): 1, Laidlaw, good one, fine size, A1 cap and bars, good breast col., in grand condition, 2, Law, a shade small, but gem for colour and qual., sweet one; 3, Irvine, good dense col., fine cap and bib, fails in qual. of feather to winner; vhc, Lawson; hc, Greig; c, Douglas. LINNET (5): 1, Myles, good one, plenty of size, grand markings, fine breast and back, good flights, wins; 2, Greig, shade lighter in markings, but grand head, A1 shape, in lovely order; 3, Muir and Heenan, good stamp, well pencilled, fails in size to winner; vhc, Robertson; hc, Nicol. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, vhc, Hope, good Lesser, grand size, well laced on flanks, nice cap and bib, in tip top form; 2, Buttar, good nat. Siskin, rare size, lovely cap and bib, could be better staged, still well worth its place; 3, Leitch, sweet Twite, grand col. and size, looking a shade soft in morning, well staged; vhc, Law; c, Brown. GREENFINCH (6): 1, Keddie, large one, grand body, lovely wing flights, big bold chest, A1 qual., full bloom; 2, Law, sweet tone of col., well up in size, good head and neck, fails in position to winner; 3, Fyfe, also good, grand shade of col., fails bit in position, but in lovely order; three good ones; vhc, Anderson; hc, Greig; c, Kerr. A.O. BRIT. (4): 1, Law, sweet Yellowhammer, grand head, tip-top shade throughout, nice markings, well shown; 2, Colville and Son, large Bearded Tit, great size, well marked, well put down; 3, Robb, also a Bearded Tit, smaller than winner, good quality; vhc, Douglas. FOR. BIRDS: (4): 1, 3, Robb, grand Pin-tail Nonpareil, in lovely order, and a clinking Crimson Weaver, in full bloom, both well staged; 2, vhc, Colville and Son, pair of Yellow Budgerigars and a Whydah.

INVERURIE.

Annual show held in the Drill Hall, Dec. 14, and turned out, we regret to say, a poor affair. We heard it suggested that the Canary section at this fixture should be done away with (as it seems to be more of a poultry and pigeon show), which would allow the Canary fanciers to carry on their own show, as Inverurie is too small a village to run two Canary shows in one season, and it causes some friction. Mr. T. L. Morrison, the Town Chamberlain, carries on the duty of president, and as this gentleman has had a vast and wide experience in connection with shows, it is bound to be well conducted. He is well backed up by the vice-president, Mr. J. Philip, and the clerical work is in the able hands of Mr. A. Mackie, who makes an ideal sec. and treas. He is well supported by a large committee, who all work with a will to make the show a success. Norwich were the outstanding feature of the show, some very good specimens being forward. The two best birds in the show were Mr. W. B. Mackie's yell. ck., a bird of grand substance and qual., and Mr. A. Shearer's cl. yell hen, rare type, grand col. and qual. This hen won the sp. for best bird in show. Mr. A. Wood, Aberdeen, judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (5): 1, Mackie, grand type, good head and neck, well filled in, nicely rounded chest, well cut away, very cobby, short, well carried wings and tail; 2, 3, 4, 5, Dressel, 2nd var. of good size, rare col. and qual., 3rd another good stamp of a Norwich, very typical, 4th longer in shape. HEN (5): 1, 3, Shearer, 1st excels in size, grand type, fine bold head and short thick neck, good front and col., wins, 3rd not quite so bold in head; 2, Simpson, very typical, rare col. and qual.; 4, W. Mackie, short cobby hen, rare finish and well turned out; 5, Dressel. CL., ETC., BUFF, CK. (6): 1, 5, 6, Dressel, leader nice var., champion size, good head, grand rounded body, nice, short in leg, and well balanced, A1 qual. and col., 5th not so good in qual., very typical, and nicely staged; 2, Shearer, also a var., splendid shape, most beautiful qual. and cond.; 3, Simpson, very cobby, good size, short wings and tail; 4, Mackie. HEN (5): 1, 2, 4, 5, Dressel, 1st an old winner, looking well, 2nd cl., nice style, good col. and qual.; 3, Simpson, var., best of type, grand front and qual. YELL. VAR. CK., UNFLIG. (5): 1, Dressel, splendid size, shape, and carr., qual. of the best; 2, Simpson, cl., very sweet, lovely col., and teeming with qual., nice head and neck, good wing carr.; 3, Shearer, sp best col. bird in show, red-hot col., fails in type to 1st, good qual.; 5, Cummings. HEN (3): 1, Shearer, cl., grand type and qual., nice nice full chest, A1 col.; 2, Mackie, best of type and qual., nicely finished; 3, Cummings, var., not so shapely as winner, fine texture of feather. BUFF CK., UNFLIG. (7): 1, 2, 5, Dressel, 1st cl., grand size and subs., nice silky feather, good col., 2nd typical, good qual. and col., crosses wings a little; 3, Mackie, cl., good type, rare qual. and cond.; 4, Cummings; 6, Shearer. HEN (4): 1, Simpson, lovely shape, stout full chest, most beautiful qual. and col.; 2, 3, Dressel, 2nd very cobby, good size, nice head and neck, good wing carr., 3rd not quite so full in head and neck, A1 front, grand col. and qual.; 4, Shearer. BORD. CK.: 1, Gall, nice shape and qual. HEN: 1, Gall, lovely Border, rich qual., very jaunty, grand mover. GREEN (2): 1, 2, Dressel, 1st yell, good size, nice shape, A1 col. and qual., 2nd buff, very typical, grand head and front, good wing carr. A.O.V.: 1, Dressel, Roller, in nice song. BULLFINCH (4): 1, Stewart, splendid size and shape, grand breast col., nice cap and wing bars, very steady, in rare form; 2, Philip, good size, rich breast col., fails a little in cap, good bars and cond.; 3, Dressell, nice breast col., good cap and bars, very steady; 4, Sinclair and Son, not quite so large, A1 cap, and breast col., good condition and steady. GOLDFINCH: 1, Simpson, grand size and shape, good square cut blaze, rich col. and tanning, in the pink of condition. A.O. BRIT. (2): 1, 2, Stewart, in best of plumage, nicely staged.

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SELKIRK.

A very successful show, held Dec. 14. Borders were a very nice collection, all the classes being very keenly contested, and the winner of the medal was a grand yell. cock, sluged by Mr. J. S. Wilson, while we were pleased to see Mr. J. Arnot (late of Arnot and Jamieson) again to the front with some like his old former winners. The show was judged by Mr. H. Bennett, and his awards were well received, grumbling being conspicuous by its absence. The committee are a hard-working band, and were skilfully headed by an ideal secretary, Mr. Emond, while Mr. J. Pringle had the show arrangements in good order.

The Critique.

NOR. CK. (6): 1, Wilson, gem, var. buff, rare size and qual, of feather, grand head and full front, sweetly staged; 2, 3, D. Wilson, hard to separate, var. yell. and foul buff, lovely pair, close up; 4, vhc, Cameron, sweet bird, falls a shade in head, grand feather; vhc, Thomson. CL., ETC., YELL. (8): 1 B. & C. medal, J. S. Wilson, gem and no mistake, lovely size, perfect head, and grand body and wing curr., sweetly drawn, looks like medal winner at Cockermouth; 2, Patterson, very stylish, a shade longer than winner, grand front, not so good in head, well balanced wings; 3, Buchanan, sweet shape and qual., rather nervous, will improve, a likely bird; 4, McKenzie, good stamp, sweet feather, all there, beaten in taper; vhc, Voy; hc, Johnston; c, Irons. BORD., CL., ETC. HEN (10): 1, Halliday, taking one, grand head and lovely front, splendidly drawn, sweet all round, well placed; 2, Wilson, rare body, lovely wing carr., good head and front, beaten in finish; 3, McKenzie, good stamp, rare head and front, not so well drawn; 4, Thomson, stylish, inclined to be a shade thinner in front, sweet all over; vhc, Lambie; hc, Voy; c, Patterson, jun. CL., ETC., BUFF CK. (8): 1, McKenzie, wins, lovely shape, grand front and correct weight, sweet head and nicely balanced, in full bloom; 2, Briggs, not so shapely and a shade stronger across, neat head and lovely finish; 3, Shields, stylish and well drawn, lacks the bloom of winners; 4, Patterson, all there for style, inclined to be softer in feather, sweet cut below and free pose; vhc, Torrie; hc, Egerton; c, Linton. HEN (8): 1, Arnott, sweet one, lovely shape, rare body, grand head and wing carr. and extra well drawn, a wee gem, well placed; 2, Lambie, fuller in front and not so shapely in head, nice qual. of feather; 3, Egerton, good stamp, not so stylish as winner, fails in pose, sweet wing carr.; 4, Halliday, good head and front, but a shade plain in body, nice size and qual.; vhc, Torrie; hc, Reid; c, Buchanan. EVEN MKD. (8): 1, vhc, hc, Watson, jun., leader well known, ideal eye marks and splendid wings, fine qual. of feather, well staged; 2, Patterson, jun., another good one, close up, fine mkgs., not so good in front of eyes; 3, Arnot, sweet taking yell., falls in type, but well mkd.; 4, Briggs, good body and shape, falls a bit in eye mkgs., grand class; c, Murray. UNEVEN (13): 1, 4, Arnot, two nice ones, leader the best in type, grand head and front and finely balanced, 4th a shade longer in feather; 2, Lambie, sweet Cinn. tkd., grand pose and well drawn, not so well finished as winner; 3, J. S. Wilson, good stamp, lovely pos., nice front and wing carr., falls a shade in head; vhc, J. Buchanan; hc, Thomson; c, Hamilton. CINN. (9): 1, Patterson, sweet yell., grand tone of col., rare mkgs. and fine stamp, in tip-top form; 2, 4, Arnot, two good ones, leader best in mkgs., splendid shape and grand finish; 4th nice bird, but fails in lacing; 3, R. Lambie, good one, fine weight and well spangled, beaten in finish only, pure cinn. throughout; vhc, Blackie; hc, W. Lambie; c, Watson, jun. YELL. GREEN (4): 1, J. Thomson, needs no comment, old champion in full bloom, deep colour throughout and well laced; 2, Murray, close up, a good one, fine tone of col. and plenty of spangle; 3, R. Lambie, grand col. and lacing, rather thin in body; 4, W. Lambie, sweet, but fails a trifle in ground col. BUFF (5): 1, R. Lambie, good one, correct size and well drawn, fine free pose and grand lacing, pure col.; 2, Thomson, all there for col. and lacing, inclined to be a shade short in taper, rare bloom; 3, Arnot, sweet col. and mkgs., slimmer got up in body; 4, Murray, nice type, beaten in lacing; vhc, W. Thomson. BRIT. SMALL (4): 1, Craig, a tip-top Bullie, grand cap and breast col., wins; 2, Beattie, sweet Goldie, scarcely up in face yet, good tanniugs and buttons; 3, Hughes, sweet Greenfinch, wants more col.; 4, Reid, a very nice Siskin.

KEITH C.B.S.

First annual show held in the Longmore Hall, Dec. 11, when 156 entries faced the judge, Mr. Sandison (Aberdeen). The hall is one of the best for a cage bird exhibition, being well lighted on both sides, and the birds were staged to advantage. For a first venture the association is to be congratulated, and but for the fact that colour-fed birds, save in one class, were debarred, a very much larger entry would have been secured, especially in the Canary Section, as Mr. Sandisou is one of our best judges. We understand that this is to be remedied another year. We hope the venture has turned out a financial sucess, although the gate did not appear to be so large as it should have been. The officials are:—President, Mr. Isaac Sharp, the well-known and very successful breeder and exhibitor of sporting dogs; vice-presidents, Messrs. George Murray and Alexander Wilkirson; sec., Mr. Alex. Rhind, who, along with the treas., Mr. William Geddes, worked hard in the interests of all concerned. The birds were carefully fed and watered on arrival. Mr. Sandison's awards were very well received.

The Critique.

BORD. YELL. (4): 1, Blackie, nice variegated, closely pursued by 2nd, Gentleman, sweet Green in lovely order, very distinct markings on back; 3, Connachie, good, not far behind; 4, Bain. BUFF (6): 1, Smith, good bird, very shapely, wins; 2, Connachie, close up, in rare order; 3, Blackie, on large side, otherwise all there; 4, Gentleman; 5, Dey; 6, Bain. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (3): 1, Ironside, fine size, in splendid trim, whis well; 2, Shearer, not the subs. of winner; No. 3, Christie, grand Buff, wrong classed, could have won in its own class, hard lines. HEN (2): 1, Clark, good bird; 2, Bain, fine fettle, but hardly so shapely. BUFF (2): 1, Clark, easy win; 2, Shearer. HEN (4): 1, Kerr, easy win, rare substance and fine shape; 2, McLean, smaller, does not show to advantage; 3, Geddes; 4, Bain. VARIEG. YELL. (1): 1, Findlater, only fair. BUFF (8): 1, Kerr, again leading, grand Green, great subs.; 2, Ironside, another good one, beaten shape; 3, 6, Walker, fails size, but in good order; 4, 5, Clark. FED NOR. (9): Splendid class, the best in the show: 1, Bird, clear win, in faultless condition, beautifully fed, a credit, takes spl over seven classes; 2, 3, Kerr, good, beaten though not disgraced; 4, 6, Ironside; 5, Shoolbraid, really good bird, wanting a few of the tail feathers, appears as if some had been cut. FED YORKS (10), a grand class: 1, 3, 4, Rhind, wins well, cinn mkd. hen, lovely shape, A1 colour, one of the best going the Northern shows; 2, 6, Junor, another very good bird; 5, Wilkinson, good but outclassed to-day. YORKSHIRE UNFED (1): 1, Junor. CRESTS (4): 1, spl best bird in show, 2, Mackie, well known faces, need no comment; 3, Grant, another well known winner, centre of crest slightly open, otherwise might have gone up one, its crest was slightly wet when judged, which no doubt was against it, hard lines; 4, Pirie. C.B. (5): 1, 3, Mackie, great subs., but with a damaged foot, not a "club foot," as we heard some say; 2, 4, 5, Grant, Inverness, etc., winner, might, we think, have gone up. PAIRS BRED 1912 (1): 1, Rhind, lovely pair of Yorks, these should breed some grand stuff. A.O.V. (1): 1, Findlater. BOYS' OR GIRLS' CLASS (12): 1, McLean, jun.; 2, Anderson, jun.; 3, Pirie, all fairly good Norwich; 4, Rhind, jun., Yorks, shown in a cage not suitable, which no doubt told against it; 5, Walker; 6, Stuart, Border, again badly staged in a box cage. This class was quite a credit to the youthful exhibitors, but they should use proper show cages. CL., ETC., CAN. HYB. (1): 1, Bird, Inverness winner, looking better than ever. DARK HYB. (2): 1, Watt, yell. Goldie, we heard a youngster four months old, tremendous blaze and col., should be a stormer with another moult; 2, Shoolbraid, Siskin, not a bad bird at all, but outclassed to-day. A.O.V. HYB. (5): 1, Bird, Bramble-Chaffinch hen, lovely shape, showing parentage distinctly, lovely Chaffinch shape, minus a claw; 2, Junor, Linnet-Bullfinch hen, small, might be in better bloom and shown in a cage with perches lower down; 3, 4, Watt, 3rd another Bramble-Chaffinch hen, the Buckie and Forres winner, inclined to be wild, better marked than winner and in perfect order, some thought might have gone up; 4th, Goldie-Greenie cock, unfed, in splendid order, on small side; 5, Strachan. HYB. PAIR (2): 1, Gentleman, Goldie-Bullie, very nice indeed; 2, Milne, Goldie-Bullie, not far behind. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, spl Watt, lovely house-moulted, perfect order, well shown, very steady, wins easily; 2, 3, Harcombe, Inverness winner, but outclassed to-day. BULLF. CK. (5): 1, Anderson Bros., Inverness winner, feathers round eyes seemed completely gone; 2, Watt, the Glasgow winner, one of the best house-moulted Bullies going, last year's winner here, excels in breadth of cap, bars, colour and condition; 3, Gentleman, nice Bullie; 4, Watt, another H.M. bird, lovely col., fails cap; 5, McAdam. HEN (4): 1, 2, Gentleman, well known pair of winners often described; 3, Rev. Kissick, good one; 4, Angus. LINNET (4): 1, Watt, bit too open in breast for liking of some, but well marked, good in col., very steady; 2, 3, Hird, Inverness, Buckie, and Woodside Linnet, polished like marble, pity so light in col., otherwise would take some stopping in the best of company; 4, Johnstone. SISKIN (5): 1, Junor, sweet exhibit, showing a few light feathers in cap; 2, Cowie, good one, grand cap and mkgs.; 3, Gentleman, lovely lacing; 4, McAdam; 5, Cowie. GREENFINCH (3): 1, Gentleman, Inverness 2nd, needs no description; 2, Strachan; 3, McAdam. REDPOLL OR TWITE (8): 1, Watt, one of the best Mealy Redpolls we have seen, nice size, marvellously laced, easy win; 2, 3, Gentleman, Twite leading, nice one; 3rd beauty of a Lesser Redpoll; 4, Milne; 5, Junor; 6, Johnstone. The only full class in the British section, and a really good one. BRAMBLE, CHAFFIE, AND BUNTING (5): 1, Watt, lovely Bramble, very steady, well marked, will hold its own in good company; 2, Junor, nice Chaffinch; 3, Rev. Kissick, good Yellowhammer, hard lines to meet the former birds; 4, Thomson, really good Chaffinch, one of the best we have seen, excels in whites and size, but very wild; 5, Langlands, good Corn Bunting. SOFTBILL (SMALL) (1): 1, Anderson Bros., Grey Wagtail, winner at Inverness, Buckie, etc., not looking so well to-day, takes spl for best small Brit. and spl for best Brit. LARGE (5): 1, Watt, one of the best Hawfinches we have seen for many a day, tremendous bill, steady as a rock, in full breeding condition; 2, 3, Thomson, lovely Blackbird and Missel Thrush, two really good birds, fit to win in good company in softbill classes; 4, Gentleman, Hawfinch; 5, Watt, Missel. FOR. GOLDF. OR BULLFINCH (5): 1, 2, Watt, grand Bullies, former very large; 3, Junor, fine Goldie, in good order; 4, Pirie; 5, Shoolbraid. PARROTS, ETC. (1): 1, Simpson. FOR. SMALL (1): 1, Rev. Kissick. BRIT. SHOWN BY BOY OR GIRL (9): 1, Angus, good shaped Bullie; 2, Cowie, very nice Siskin; 3, Thomson, nice British Goldie; 4, Stewart, Redpoll; 5, McLean, Bullie; 6, Strachan, Bullie; an interesting class, again some very poor show cages, which did not show the birds to advantage. WAXWING (1): 1, Langlands, not looking so well as we have seen it.

NORTH-WEST LONDON F.A.

Annual members' show, held at the Stag's Head, Camden Town, Dec. 14. Entries were excellent, and quality, especially in Mule and British, good. Special for best in show was won by Mr. A. King with a topping little Goldie, in fine colour and feather. The management, under Mr. J. R. Young's secretaryship, was excellent, the specials well worth competing for, and the attendance of fanciers large. NOR.: 1, sp best Nor., and Barnes' sp, res, vhc, c, McConkey; 2, Dillingham; 3, Stierle; hc, Brown. YORKS: 1, sp, best Canary and sp, 2, res, vhc, King; 3, Clewley. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Crown; 2, 3, Clewley; res, Foster. MULES: 1, sp, 2, Smith; 3, res, Clewley. MULES, 1912: 1, c, Foster; 2, King; 3, Smith; res, Smith; vhc, King; hc, Dillingham. LINNET: 1, sp, Shepherd; 2, Trafford; 3, Stierle; res, Clewley; vhc, Foster; hc, Walters. A.O.S. HARDBILL: 1, sp, King; 2, 3, res, Trafford; vhc, Dillingham; hc, Smith; c, Neale. SOFTBILL: 1, McConkey; 2, Critcher; 3, res, Thompson. SELL. 20s.: 1, Smith; 2, Shepherd.

BOLTON WOODS C.B.S.

Final members' show of season held Dec. 14; 48 birds were staged for Mr. W. A. Cowgill to judge, which he did in his usual admirable manner. The cause of the low entry was the fact that the cup was practically won last show. Mr. L. Dykes was again the winner, this being the second silver cup to become his own property to add to his magnificent collection of prizes. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Dykes; 2, Goodwin; 3, Taylor; 4, Bryant; vhc, Fretwell; hc, Hall. BUFF: 1, Oldreive; 2, hc, Shepherd; 3, 4, Fretwell; vhc, Pullan; c, Ellis. TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Dykes; 2, Bryant; 3, Cotteril; 4, Taylor. BUFF: 1, Dykes; 2, Taylor; 3, Goodwin; 4, Hall. YELL. HENS: 1, Pullan; 2, Ellis; 3, Fretwell; 4, Shepherd; vhc, Boocock; hc, Taylor. BUFF: 1, Oldreive; 2, Dykes; 3, Pullan; 4, Shepherd. UNEVEN MKD. BUFF CK.: 1, Goodwin; 2, Bryant; 3, 4, Shepherd; vhc, Oldreive; hc, Cottrell. HENS: 1, Dykes; 2, Boocock; 3, Pullan; 4, Shaw. FOUL MKD. CK.: 1, Pullan; 2 Shaw; 3, Boocock; 4, vhc, Ellis. HENS: 1, Oldreive. The total number of points won throughout the season are as follows:—Professional—Dykes, 96; Shepherd, 82; Goodwin, 74. Novice—Boocock, 75; Bryant, 58; Fretwell, 53; Pullan, 47; Ellis, 43.—M. Skirrow, sec.

Singing Contests.

LEIGH.

General meeting, held December 13. Decided to have a contest on Dec. 21 for time and quality for members only, entrance 6d. There was a special committee meeting, December 15, arranging contests for next year. Will every member kindly take notice that there will be a special general meeting on December 22, at 1.15 prompt; this is giving all our members that cannot attend on Friday night a chance to come to the Globe Inn and know the business. Anyone wishing to become a member can do so by applying to me. Now then you Salford chaps.—R. Holcroft.

KING'S CROSS.

We had Mr. Moxey, one of the men of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, pay a visit at The Swan, Caledonian Road, N., the other evening, and examine the singers, and he found them every one thoroughly clean, and everything correct. We hope we shall have a few more of the society's visitors, as they are always welcome. We have had several Linnet and Chaffinch handicaps during the week, Tom Hooker being the winner on Dec. 14 with a Chaffinch, and also with his Linnet on Dec. 15.—"Pony."

PENDLEBURY.

Linnet contest held Dec. 14, at Butcher's Arms, Union Street, when 20 birds entered. 1, Siddall; 2, Bate; 3, Marshall. Timekeepers, J. Hyde and G. Bate. Minutes, J. Green. Birdkeeper, J. Jackson. Next contest, open to Manchester and Dist. for time, Dec. 28. First pair up at 2.30. On Jan. 1 we are holding an open contest for time. First pair up at 1.30. Mr. J. Siddall is giving a copper kettle for first prize; other prizes will be as usual. On January 4th we are holding an open contest for field-moulted birds only for time. On this occasion Mr. G. Clarke, of Pendleton, is giving a special prize; first pair up at 2. We specially invite Tyldesley and Leigh members.—E. Hickman, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS.

Weekly contest for quality singing Linnets, was held at Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, December 15th, when 19 birds sang for 3 good prizes. Result: 1, 2, Clarke; 3, Binns. Judges, Messrs. C. Lorriman and A. Turner.—A. Lorriman, Hon. Sec.

Weekly contest for quality, held at the old bird house, King's Head, Shannon Street, December 14th, when 11 birds sung for 3 good prizes. 1, Johnson; 2, Ward; 3, Wigfield. Judges, Madden, Johnson. Also December 15, when 25 birds sung for 4 good prizes. 1 and 2, shared by Stead and Johnson; 3, Lacy; 4, Wigfield. Judges, T. Hardcastle, Naylor, Sissons. Open contest, for Rollers, held December 15th, when 19 birds sung for 3 good prizes. 1, 2, Buttery; 3, shared by Hayes and Johnson. Judges, Lacy and Naylor. Open contest for Rollers will be held December 22, when our host, Mr. Wm. Tillotson, will give a good substantial prize. First pair to be hung at 8 p.m. prompt.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Linnet sing, December 14th, Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe. Fourteen birds were hung. 1, Sellers; 2, Birch; 3, Sellors and White. Judges, Clayton and Lorriman. Also December 15, 16 birds were hung. 1, Sellers; 2, Birch; 3, Sellers and White. Next Linnet contest, Dec. 21st and 22nd. Canary contest, Dec. 15, 20 birds were hung. 1, C. W. Smith; 2, 3, Chippendale and Dean. Some excellent singing took place. Judges: T. Summers, Lorriman and Sellers. There will be contests Dec. 21st and Christmas night. Open to all. Welcome to all new and old faces. Don't forget to rally round the above address. Good prize-money will be given. —C. W. Smith, Sec.

Club Reports.

CHESTER-LE-STREET C.B.S.

Meeting, held 14th Dec., when prize-money and specials were paid out; each exhibitor at our annual received a special. Seeing that we are contemplating running an open show next year, we extend to all local fanciers a hearty welcome to join us. Those desirous of doing so please come to our next meeting, to be held January 25th. We had six new members nominated on Saturday.—Jas. Hedley, Hon. Sec.

WELSH C.B.C.

I should like to remind all members that the club show is to be held at Swansea, and the date will be decided upon shortly. You will find in the columns of this week's CAGE BIRDS the result of the ballot for club show judge, of which ballot our worthy Editor kindly consented to act as scrutineer. Mr. S. H. George is appointed club show secretary, and I trust that every member will give him all possible assistance, and if any member will give specials of any kind, will they please let Mr. George know as early as possible.—A. E. Brown, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY C.B.A.

Meeting, held at the Barton R.A. Boys' School, December 11th, Mr. Raynor, chairman, and several members present. Correspondence was read, and points counted that members had gained at shows, that had received patronage of the society. Following are the points gained; and the winners of the different cups: Norwich, Mr. F. J. Wickham, winner, 65; Mr. Taylor 31; Mr. Meades, 3. Yorks.: Mr. Lockett, 43, winner; Mr. Johnson, 37; Mr. Raynor 27. British, Mr. F. J. Wickham, winner, 37; Mr. Austin 32; Mr. H. Wood, 8; Mr. Webb, 6. Borders, Messrs. Burton Bros., winners, 42; Mr. H. Wood, 33; Rev. Soames, 22; Mr. Maycock, 3. Lizards, Mr. H. Wood winner, 32; Mr. E. J. Wood, 31. Mules: Messrs. Soames, winner, 19; Mr. Webb, 6; Mr. Ward, 5; Mr. Reeves, 4.—H. Wood, Hon. Sec.

COLINTON AND CURRIE O.S.

Monthly meeting held Higher Grade School, Juniper Green, Dec. 14, Vice-President, Mr. Jas. Michie, in chair in the absence of President Bigbie, he having met with an accident. The members expressed the hope that he would soon recover and be amongst us at next meeting. Mr. Alex. F. R. Scott was appointed treasurer in room of Mr. J. P. Rodger, who resigned his post owing to pressure of business. It was decided to have a smoker on January 14th, and the secretary, Mr. Michie, Mr. Johnstone, and Mr. Dickson, were appointed to make the arrangements. Two new members were admitted to the society, namely, Joseph McCrum, Weirs Cottages, Currie, and Alex. Johnstone, Annfield, Juniper Green. Decided to have no meeting in January. At the close of the meeting the prize money for our first show was paid out.—J. Nonier, Sec.

HALIFAX O.S.

The members of the above society held a pie supper and smoker at their headquarters, Plummit Line Hotel, Dec. 12, when about 30 members sat down to a good spread, provided by the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Harwood. After all had done justice, the evening was spent in a social manner. Mr. T. Pilling, President, occupied the chair. Some capital songs were contributed by the following artists: Mr. Mac Andrews, Mr. Dale, Mr. H. Cundall, Mr. Wilson Bottomley, and Mr. H. Tasker. Mr. Bancroft gave a few humorous recitals in capital style. Mr. J. E. Priestley accompanied on the piano in his usual efficient manner. A hearty vote of thanks to the host and hostess, and also to the artistes was proposed by Mr. J. J. Dunn, and seconded by Mr. Haigh. The singing of the National Anthem brought an enjoyable evening to a close.—H. Clegg.

BEDFORD AND BEDS. C.B.S.

A very interesting and instructive washing exhibition was ably given at headquarters, 16, Hasset-st., on December 11th, by Mr. Martin, of Battersea, who instructed the members how to wash birds in a very skilful and workmanlike manner, and judging by the attention given, was appreciated by everyone present. Questions were fired at Mr. Martin, who answered them in an admirable fashion. After Mr. Martin had washed some birds he invited those present to try their hand, and Mr. Corrie and Mr. Osborn went through the performance very well. A vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Martin for his very instructive evening. The committee are endeavouring to arrange monthly meetings for members' benefit, and full advantage should be taken by them and friends of these opportunities to show their appreciation of the efforts on their behalf. New members were enrolled, and there is every indication of the old society having a prosperous New Year.—T. Wiggins, Sec.

WALLSEND & MID-TYNE C.B.A.

Meeting held Station Hotel, Dec. 11, Mr. J. Hislop in the chair. Several items regarding the show and allotting of specials were severely commented upon, before finally being adopted. The report of accounts and balance by the Assist. Sec., Mr. J. Evans, given in the unavoidable absence of Mr. Macdonald and the Auditor's report were received and passed as most satisfactory, showing a clear balance of £6 to carry forward for next year. Five shillings was added to each class, averaging ten for all the classes, with forty specials, nearly every member winning a special and prize-money. The number of classes, fifty-two, was an extra large number for a members' show, and the entries more than at many open shows. Decided to have an annual supper on the same lines as last year, similar menu and price, in the club room, and that the President be invited to present the cups and prizes, the supper to be held on last Wednesday of January next. Decided to have all cups, and as many specials on view at next show, to save trouble in handing over to winners. Secretaries were especially requested to call a full meeting for next month, for the election of officers, and to confirm supper.—John M. Macdonald.

TARBRAX (Lanarkshire) C.B.S.

A meeting of this newly formed society was held in the Institute, Tarbrax, on Dec. 5. Show date was fixed for 18th January, 1913, and as it is our first venture, it is looked forward to with great anxiety. The following gentlemen were appointed on committee, and all are staunch fanciers: Messrs. T. J. Millar, Jas. Jarvis, G. McGhee, A. Powley, A. McLean, D. Agnew (late of Broxburn Society), J. Gilmour, W. White, R. Brown, and C. McKinven. There will be seventeen classes, viz.: 6 Bord., 3 Nor., 5 Brit., 1 Sell., 1 A.O.V., and 1 Singing. All confined to a five miles' radius, with the exception of the last mentioned, which will be open. Prize money (for the first year), 1st 4/-, 2nd 2/-, 3rd 1/-. Fee, members 3d, per bird, non-members 6d. Annual subscription, 2/6.—Alexr. Dickson, Sec.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Annual general meeting, held December 5th, at the Wentworth Cafe, Pinstone Street, Mr. F. Jones (President) in the chair. There was a good attendance of members, and an interesting meeting was held, the business being chiefly election of officers and alterations to rules. Final arrangements for our open show were also made. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: President, Mr. F. Jones; vice-presidents, Messrs. T. Hemming and J. Thorpe; secretary, Mr. A. Hobson; assist. sec., J. Woolhouse; treasurer, Mr. W. Oxley; auditors, Messrs. J. Thorpe and J. G. Cowley; committee, Messrs. G. Drabble, P. Walsh, J. G. Cowley, W. H. Champion, T. Tow, W. T. Furniss, W. Bingham, J. Memmott, C. W. Hobson, W. Kelly, C. Tomlinson, A. Balley, and J. Curley. Several alterations to rules were made, which will be printed on the new syllabus. The question re novice rules, after a lot of discussion, was again referred to a delegate meeting. The four members elected to attend were Messrs. A. Hobson, J. Woolhouse, J. Curley and W. H. Webster. The question re the annual dinner was left to the committee, to be reported at next meeting. The final table show of young birds was also held, and made a very fine turn-out, 70 birds being on view, amongst which were some very good ones. The winners of the points specials in the various sections are as follows: CHAMP. YORKS.: 1, W. H. Champion; 2, Drabble and Bennett. NOR.: 1, A. H. Waters; 2, J. Woolhouse. CRESTS: 1, J. Memmott; 2, A. Hobson. BRIT.: 1, L. Falding; 2, P. Walsh. NOV., YORKS.: 1, W. Simmonite; 2, Sorsby and Billard. NOR.: 1, J. Curley; 2, L. Marcroft. The winners in the various classes were: CHAMP. YELL. YORKS.: 1, c, Drabble and Bennett; 2, Furness; 3, vhc, Butler; 4, Champion: hc, Jones. BUFF: 1, 3, Furness; 2, hc, Champion; 4, Butler; vhc, Blunt; c, Tomlinson. NOR. YELL.: 1, 3, Waters; 2, 4, Cowley; vhc, Woolhouse. BUFF: 1, A. Hobson; 2, 3, Waters; 4, Woolhouse; vhc, hc, Cowley. NOV., YELL. YORKS: 1, J. Smith; 2, Chadwick; 3, 4, Simmonite; vhc; hc, Sorsby and Billard; c, W. H. Webster. BUFF: 1, 2, Chadwick; 3, W. H. Webster; c, c, Sorsby and Billard; vhc, hc, Simmonite. CRESTS: 1, 2, vhc, Memmott; 3, 4, Hobson. NOR.: 1, 3, vhc, hc, Curley; 2, c, Marcroft; 4, L. Woolhouse. BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, 4, hc, Falding; vhc, Farnell; c, Lockwood. The attraction for January meeting is a matched pair show. All fanciers are heartily invited. Mr. J. Carr was elected a new member. A vote of thanks to the judges, Messrs. T. Ridal, T. Tow, and J. Mace ended a successful meeting.—J. Woolhouse, Assist. Sec.

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STRATFORD & E. LONDON F.A.

Meeting held Dec. 12, a good muster of members being present. Schedule for 25th annual show, Jan. 8, 1913, drawn up. Messrs. J. F. Entwisle and Geo. Gardiner to judge. The hall has been engaged for two days, so that pens can be erected ready to receive exhibits night previous to show; and the secretary will be glad of any help members can give him at the hall day prior to show. Balance-sheet for young stock show read to meeting, showing a nice balance on the right side. New members elected: Messrs. W. R. Sherman and W. Angell.—W. Maxey, Hon. Sec.

NORWICH PLAINHEAD CLUB.

The list of winners of the club specials for 1912 is as follows:—CHAMPION SECTION—SERVICE: 1, Mr. J. E. Davies, 89 points; 2, Mr. W. Wrigley, 62; 3, Mr. W. Vardy, 51; 4, Mr. R. Whittaker, 39; 5, Mr. A. Hirst, 22; 6, Mr. H. F. Marsh, 21. DAVIES CUP: 1, Mr. S. Cook, 74 points; 2, Mr. J. Thomas, 59; 3, Mr. W. H. Howe, 22. AMAT. SEC.—DAVIES CUP: 1, Mr. T. Proctor, 55 points; 2, Mr. T. Barton, 34; 3, Mr. H. Hitchin, 32. GREY CUP: 1, Mr. J. Fielding, 49 points; 2, Mr. H. Huggins, 35; 3, Blease and Son, 30. Winners of the club gold medals at Preston, J. E. Davies and W. Lee. If not correct, kindly write to Mr. F. Cunliffe, sec., 19, Lark Street, Burnley.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Fortnightly meeting held December 7th, Mr. J. Farrer presiding over a very good meeting. The question of section specials for our open show on January 17th and 18th was considered, and it was decided to give, in addition to 2s. 6d. per class: 5s. most points Nor., 2s. 6d. Crests, 5s. Yorks., 5s. Bords., 2s. 6d. Lizards, 5s. British, 5s. Foreign, and a fine pair E. and L.S. fish carvers for most points in Mules and Hybrids, presented by F. W. Goldstone, Esq., M.P. There is also a skin rug value 21s. for most points in open show. With 40 open classes and specials as above we are looking forward to having a record show. H. Greenwood, Esq., M.P., was elected a vice-president. We can still do with a few more donations, which I will be glad to acknowledge.—J. Jeffrey, Sec.

BORDER FANCY C.C.

The annual general meeting will be held in Scottish National Show Rooms (Ediuburgh), Jan. 1. The time of meeting will be advertised in hall. The following is business to be transacted: Minutes of previous meeting, balance-sheet for 1912, election of president, secretary, and treasurer, also district delegates and auditors. The following motions have been tabled: That all drinking glasses in show cages be of the small pattern. Also that rule regarding birds wearlug rings be rescinded, or leave it an open question. That all cage bottoms should be covered with sawdust or rough seed, one material only. That when a judge is judging a class the numbers on the cages should be turned away from him so that he cannot see the numbers. That no club holding a confined show be granted the patronage unless there be eight members of B.F.C.C. in the said club. That colour feeding in Borders be allowed, and rule relating to same be withdrawn from club rules. That two members in partnership be allowed to win six medals in one show season, seeing they are each paying usual member's subscription.—M. Jamieson. Hon. Sec. and Treas.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

Annual Prize Distribution.

Annual distribution of special prizes won by members at club shows during the year, took place at the Reindeer Hotel, December 10. A good number of members and friends were present. Mr. F. Cole was unanimously elected to the chair, and after a few remarks proceeded to distribute the prizes to the fortunate winners. Mr. H. E. Tringham won the challenge cup for the second year in succession. Mr. E. Baker (I.O.W.) took the "News of the World" challenge shield, and the club's young bird bowls; and Mr. D. Reeks the novice cup. Other winners of specials were Messrs. Gant, Tebbs, Gillard, Fairman, Crawford, Clarke, Botting, Hazell, Tomsett, Bullen, Coombs, Austin. The proceedings were enlivened with music and song, and many thanks are due to Mrs. Reeks for so very kindly presiding at the piano, and to Mr. Richardson and Mr. Reeks for their songs. Mr. F. J. Martin, in well-chosen words, proposed a vote of thanks to the show managers for the able manner in which they had carried out their duties. Mr. Cranford seconded, and the vote was carried unanimously. Mr. Richardson replied thanking the members, and added that he was very pleased to inform them that the show had proved a financial success, and that he had a balance on the right side of over £2. Much applause followed this announcement. Mr. Fairman also replied, and thanked the members for the support they had given to Mr. Richardson and himself as show managers; he would also like to propose a vote of thanks to Mr. Tomsett, who had given them very much help in the show work. This was unanimously carried. Vote of thanks to the many friends who had so generously contributed to the special prize list and show fund. The chairman, on calling the meeting to a close, reminded the members that the next time they met would be at the annual general meeting in January. In the meantime, they would receive voting papers for the election of their committee for 1913. He wished to impress upon them the importance of voting the men they thought best fitted to serve them in this capacity, and also the importance of attending this annual meeting. Incidentally, he mentioned that the probability was that the club would have an open autumn show in 1913. Vote of thanks to the chair closed the meeting.—W. Hodson, Hon. Sec.

WALKLEY AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Annual general meeting held December 12th, Westmorland Street Mission Hall. Election of officers, etc.: Chairman, Mr. T. Ridal; vice-chair, J. Woolhouse and J. G. Cowley; treasurer, J. Kelsey; auditors, G. H. Cowley and A. Wardley; committee, W. T. Furnies, Smith, R. Hogan, Bailey, Sisson, J. Smith. The next business was the arrangements for our first tea and prize distribution. Decided that the tea take place in the Doncaster Street Friends' Room, Doncaster Street, on January 9th. Tea on tables at 6 o'clock sharp; tickets 9d. Committee were picked, also the ladies' committee—Mrs. Tomlinson, Mrs. Lawton, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Hogan. Each member is allowed four tickets. Now, members, rally round and let this be a big success. We shall have upwards of 30 special prizes to distribute. A concert will intersperse this. Dr. Jones is expected to attend to distribute prizes. The next business was alterations to rules, several coming in for a lot of discussion, particularly the one relating to novices. Eventually it was decided to let the rule remain as it is. The only alteration is that we have seven cards—that is, a fourth prize card extra. The donation to room was next discussed. It was decided to pay £2 a year. The next was that the entrance fee be abolished, but it was thought that this would not increase the membership, so it was resolved to let it remain. Catalogues were given to each member at annual show, which cost the society £1 2s. 6d. It was a dead loss, so it was decided that at future shows to lessen the loss that we charge for them. The next was considered the most important arrangement yet made: That we purchase three cups—one Yorks., one Nor., one Brit.—the same to be competed for at annual show for four highest awards, each competitor to pay 1s. for either medal or diploma. In case of a tie, the judge to re-judge the candidate's birds, and in the event of any member winning same three times, not necessarily in succession, it becomes his own property. We have also at a previous meeting decided that point special winners be allowed to choose their own prize. Will those who won same, and were not present at meeting, let me know by post. The winners of point specials table shows are as follows: MEMBERS' YORKS.: Messrs. J. Thorpe and T. Ridal. MEMBERS' NOR.: J. G. Cowley and J. Woolhouse. NOV. YORK.: J. Carr and P. Chadwick. NOV. NOR.: J. Curley and R. Smith. BRIT.: J. C. Scott and A. Bailey. The special winners were for nest feather and annual show points. YORKS.: 1, Furniss; 2, Ridal; 3, J. Carr; 4, C. Marshall. NOR.: A. Lawton, R. Smith, J. G. Cowley, J. Woolhouse. BRIT.: J. and C. Scott, A. Bailey, A. Simpson. The January meeting night is the tea, arranged for February meeting night, pair show, 4 classes—one Members' Yorks, one Nov. Yorks., one Members' Nor., one Nov. Judge, W. H. Champion. March meeting lecture on Norwich by Mr. Taylor (Attercliffe). Bring your new members February meeting.—C. Tomlinson, Sec.

LONDON & PROVINCIAL O.S.

Annual general meeting, held at the Raglan, St. Martin's-le-Grand, Dec. 12, when the following were elected as officers for the coming year: President and treasurer, Mr. G. Crabb; auditors, Messrs. Mortlock and Matthes; committee, Messrs. Bamber, Ramsden (chairman), Pretty, Salter, Couzens (vice-chairman), Lathleiff, Graham, Thurling, Day, Hodder, Bullen, Law, Cooper, Kiesel, Harris, Ward, and Graves, and Mdme. M. A. Feist Madewell; hon. secretary, Mr. Law; asst. secretary, Mr. J. Oldaker. Mr. G. H. Boaler was elected a vice-president. The following have joined the society: Messrs. W. Shearer, A. J. Clarke, and Allison, also Mrs. Tatten and the Misses A. B. and J. A. E. Smyth.

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17th Annual Open Show, will be held on Boxing Day, Thursday, Dec. 26th, under patronage of the Yorkshire County B.B. and Mule Club. Good classification. 7 classes for British Birds. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, and 2/-, and specials, for 1/- entry fee. Judge: W. Mundell (Bradford).

Entries close Saturday, Dec. 21st (certain).

For schedules, apply: Jas. Wilson, Secretary, 31, Sutton Street, Norton, Malton, Yorks. (278)

WINGATE

(Co. Durham), 1st Annual Show, January 1st, 1913. Entry fee, 1/-; Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Judge: J. Stanger.

Class 38: Norwich Yell., A.V. Cock; 39: Do. Buff A.V. Cock; 40: Norwich Hen, A.V.; 41: Norwich Unflig A.C.; 42: Yorkshire A.V. Cock; 43: do. Hen; 44: Yorks. Unflig. A.C.; 45: A.O.V. Canary; 46, Linnet, British; 47: A.O.V. British; 48: 10s. Selling; 49: Novice Members'.

Entries close Dec. 27th,

to: J. Burdett, Sec., 3, Todd St., Wingate, Co. Durham. (311)

WISHAW Open Show, January 1st, 1913. 44 Classes. Entries taken till morning of Show. Schedules from: Jas. Watson, 16, Young Street, Wishaw. (314)

Forfar Poultry, Fur, Pigeons, and Cage Birds, January 1st and 2nd. 41st Annual Show. Good Classification, with four Money Prizes. Judges: Messrs. Wm. Ewen and P. Gentleman. Schedules from: A. Low, 63, West High Street. (297)

KILMARNOCK January 1st and 2nd, 1913. Challenge Cups and Specials galore. Judges: Scotch Fancies, R. Prentice; Norwich, Borders, etc., John McLay; British, R. V. Raine. Prize Money paid at show. Entries close Dec. 23. —J. Blane, Sec., 10, Hill Street, Kilmarnock. (315)

WAUNARLWYDD

and Dist. C.B.F. Annual Show, in the Shepherds' Hall, on Thursday, Jan. 2nd, 1913. Judge, J. H. Payne, Esq. First prize given if only one in class, no matter about its merit. The only show in Wales that's doing so. Schedules will be sent to all applying for same; send now. Entries close Dec. 26th, 1912, to—Jack Walters, Sunny Bank, Westfield Road, Waunarlwydd, nr. Gowerton, S. Wales.

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C.B.S. Show, Saturday, January 4th, 1913. Fine Classification. M.C.Y.C.C. patronage. Judge, J. C. Barnes (Sheffield).—V. A. Harris, Sec., Leicester Rd.

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F. and F.C.B.S.

Jan. 4th, 1913.

(separate Hall). Good Classifications. Entry fee 1/-. Entries close Dec. 28th. Apply: J. W. Christon, New Kyo, Annfield Plain. (292)

EPSOM Open Show, January 7th. Pitry., Pgs., Rabbits, Cats, Cage Birds. Write for schedule or enter from this: Cage Birds: Judge, Mr. Geo. Gardner. Entry fee 1/6, members 1/3. Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-. Class 72: Canaries, Nor., C. or H.; 73: Yorks., C. or H.; 74: Selling, 12/6.—A. W. Breeden, Hon. Sec., 71, Hook Rd., Epsom.

Royal Tunbridge Wells

Annual Open Show of Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cavies, and Cage Birds, on

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Grand Classification (132 Classes). Popular Judge.

Entries close December 30th, 1912.

Splendid Hall (opposite Station). Highest praise received at previous shows. Spratts' Patent per and feed exhibits. Schedules from: Harry G. Whibley, Hon. Sec., 56, Beulah Road, Tunbridge Wells.

HONLEY (nr. Huddersfield), Saturday, Jan 11th, 1913; has included Canaries, Novice Yorkshires, £3 3/- limit. 6 Classes. Schedules from: Fred Castle, Thirsten, Honley, Yorks.

YARM

Eaglescliffe and Dis. C.B.S., the coming show of the North, January 11th, 1913, under patronage of the Y.C.B.B. and M.C. Judges: C. Houlton and W. Cowgill. 36 Classes. Good Specials. Entrance 1/- Prize Money paid day of show to those present; 12 hours after to others. Exhibitors, give us a bumper. Entries close Monday, January 6th (Tuesday's post in time). Schedules: Wilson and Wilford, Yarm-on-Tees, Yorkshire.

BURTON - ON - TRENT

Jan. 18th.

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Twitterings.

Mr. G. Denham, hon. sec., Metropolitan C.B.A., has removed to 112, Cowley Rd., Mortlake.

We hear that Mr. J. W. Metcalfe (Liverpool) is judging Nantwich Show on Feb. 7 next.

R. A. Newley is "the" man for show cages. Order early. Address: 24, Stockwell Green, London, S.W.—(Advt.).

We are asked to notify the following change of address: Mr. G. Sharp, from Sherwood, to 121 Berridge Road, Hyson Green, Nottingham.

Mr. Robert Bruce, sec, Fraserburgh F.S., writes that in view of the late despatch of schedules, entries bearing Saturday's post mark, Dec. 21, will be accepted.

Mr. W. Stainton (2, Earlsgate, Winterton, near Doncaster) would be glad if Mr. Williams, who some 18 months ago gave an illustration of a hot-water radiator in our columns, could send him his address.

We have fixed our cage-bird show for Jan. 11, writes Mr. T. E. Jones, sec. Brandon Colliery C.B.S. Mr. Wm. Reid, Pallion, Sunderland, will judge. Schedules ready shortly. Show manager, Mr. Geo. Reed, the well-known Linnet judge.

We are informed that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Anyone who may have been overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries: Abersychan, Dalton, Wandsworth, Gravesend, Uddingston, Frome, Irvine.

Crystal Palace Cage Bird Show, February 7th to 11th.—A new limit class has been provided for pairs for Mule or Hybrid breeding, price not to exceed 30s. Breeders' cards inserted in catalogue, 2s. 6d. each. A cheap and lasting advertisement.—(Advt.).

Kindly inform prize winners at Gateshead show, writes Mr. Greason, sec., that prize-money will be paid as soon as possible. We have had a lot of hard work attending to birds, so hope all will be patient with us until we can attend to their wants.

The winning numbers in the Oldham and Dis. C.B.A. recent draw, are:—1st, 13,477; 2nd, 10,019; 3rd, 14,583; 4th, 11,629; 5th, 11,589; 6th, 13,036; 7th, 13,391; 8th, 12,975; 9th, 10,052; 10th, 12,980; 11th, 11,590; 12th, 11,406.—Jas. Cope, sec. (Advt.)

All my exhibits were absent from Gateshead show owing to the N.E. Railway strike, writes Mr. A. J. Marley. I should like to have had a run for my money, but the railway company would not insure or guarantee anything, so I had no alternative but to keep them at home.

The advertisement of Yarm, Eaglecliffe and Dis. open show on Jan. 11, 1913, was inadvertently held over from last issue. Exhibitors should note it this week, and also the review of schedule. Entries close Monday, Jan. 6 (Tuesday's post in time). We hope fanciers will respond with a bumping entry.

I was agreeably surprised on opening [illegible] CAGE BIRDS of last week to find one of my winning Lizards depicted. It has only been exhibited once previously to the L.C.B.A. show, when it was placed 2nd at Rochdale O.C. show. I think the drawing a very good one and thank you for the honour.—C. F. BOSWORTH (Rawtenstall).

HOLIDAY NOTICE.

Important to Advertisers, Secretaries of Societies, and all our Correspondents.

Owing to the Christmas Holidays this year falling on Wednesday and Thursday (December 25th and 26th), advertisers, correspondents, and our readers generally, should note that any communications for insertion in our issue dated December 28th should reach us not later than FIRST POST TO-MORROW, SATURDAY (Dec. 21st), as our December 28th issue must go to press on the Monday afternoon, December 23rd. Any communications arriving after Saturday, the 21st, (unless bearing Saturday or Sunday's post-mark), MAY HAVE TO BE HELD OVER.

We are having two open British and two open Foreign classes at our annual members' show on Dec. 28th, with Mr. J .C. Barnes (Sheffield) as judge, writes Mr. G. L. Sampson, hon. sec., Stocksbridge and Dist. C.B.S. (Bracken Moor, Deepcar.) I shall be pleased to send schedule to anyone. Prize money 8s., 4s., 2s., and special each class, entry fee 1s. per cage.

Very many thanks for the beautiful portrait of my yellow Norwich hen, 1st and sp., Horticultural Hall Show, depicted in your Christmas issue. It is a very true picture of the bird, and does your respected artist, Mr. Norman, very great credit. The whole issue is simply splendid. I wish CAGE BIRDS the abundant success it deserves.—J. Hodder (St. Lukes, E.C.).

In sending the report of the prize distribution of the Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S., Mr. W. Hodson, hon. sec., writes: May I take this opportunity of thanking you for the valuable assistance and for the many excellent reports of our shows and meetings, during the year, now closing, in the columns of CAGE BIRDS. I must also thank you for the charming calendar with this week's paper. Wishing CAGE BIRDS every success for 1913.

The members of my society, writes Mr. G. Broome, sec. Abertillery C.B.S., wish me to thank the Abersychan society for their promptness in paying out prize money. They all received it within less than a week. I hope the show turned out on the right side. This speaks well for a young society, and I am sure they will get the support of the Abertillery C.B.S. members at their next show.

OBITUARY.

Mr. C. Whiting.

It is with deepest feeling of regret, writes Mr. F. Rhodes, Secretary City of Bradford O.S., that I have to announce the death of one of our oldest members, Mr. Charlie Whiting, who died suddenly, on Dec. 13th. I am sure the sympathy of all fanciers will be extended to Mrs. Whiting and family in their sudden and sad bereavement.

I must say, writes Mr. Wm. Cumming, Sec. Forres O.A., that our show was a great success, mainly due, I believe, to our advertising in Show Dates Fixed of CAGE BIRDS. We had an increase of over 70 on last year's show. The gate was also beyond our expectations. I am getting specials and prize money out as fast as possible. Wishing CAGE BIRDS the success it deserves.

Schedules have been sent to all last year's exhibitors, writes Mr. James Wilson, Sec. Malton, Norton and Dis. F.C., 31, Sutton Street, Norton, Malton, Yorks., and all who have applied. If anyone who has not got one will send their entries on I will classify. At the time of writing entries are coming in very steadily, and I should be pleased if fanciers would send them in good time, so as to help us to get our catalogues printed in good time.

I shall be much obliged, writes Mr. J. W. Norris, hon. sec. British Roller C.C., if you will call attention to the fact that the B.R.C.C. have given their patronage to the Roller classes at the forthcoming Scottish National show, and have allotted a large silver and bronze medal for the best and second best bird shown by a member of the B.R.C.C. in the open class. Unfortunately it is too late to insert same in schedule.

Re Abersychan show, I am sorry, writes our reporter, that I did not send on to you the report of the Norwich classes. I tore them out of my book and unfortunately put them in a wrong envelope. The Secretary drew my attention to it by post to-day, and I wrote and told him the mistake, and said no doubt you would publish them next week. Sorry to have given you this trouble. (These classes are reported under this show this week.—Ed.)

At our next meeting, Dec. 21, writes Mr. Stubbs, Sec. London and Counties Assn. of Canary Breeders, all arrangements will be made for our pair show, 1913. Fanciers wishing to join us should do so at once, as we hope to have a most successful show, several old breeders having promised to fall in again. A table show of Norwich Plainheads will be held on Saturday, Dec. 21st. Will those unable to be present at our last show kindly bring along some good entries.

Exhibitors who have not received a schedule can post entries to me with particulars, and I will classify for our open show on Boxing Day in Yorks, Norwich and Borders, writes Mr. R. B. Wright, hon. sec., 15, Worcester Drive, Clubmoor, Liverpool. Members are requested to note this show is the last for season's specials, and that prize-money in gift class will be 6s., 3s., and 1s. (omitted from schedule). The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress will open the show at 2 p.m., Boxing Day. Members are asked to sell all tickets.

Wandsworth Fanciers' Society has moved its headquarters from the Red Lion, to Sutton's Hall, Spread Eagle Yard, High Street, Wandsworth, a spacious and suitable room, writes Mr. W. Lightfoot, hon. sec., 86, Heythorp Street, Southfields, S.W.

In your report of Whitburn Show, writes Mr. Gilchrist, Coldstream, I notice your reporter says my Dark Goldfinch Mule (Border King) is minus a claw. I beg to inform him he has made a mistake, as the bird is complete in the feet, having all his claws, and now is looking as fit as ever. I should not have paid much attention to this, but some judges put great stress on a bird being complete, especially in the feet. Thanking you for your splendid reports of Scotch shows.

New Society for Abertillery.

Mr. Broome, writes that his address which he sent us last week as 19, Powell Street, Abertillery, should be No. 30, not 19.

At Workington Show.

An error has crept into the schedule of Workington show, held Jan. 1, writes the sec., Mr. H. Hyde. Classes 44 to 51 inclusive (Borders and Yorks) should read "Clear ticked or unevenly-marked."

Welsh C.B.S. Judges.

The voting papers for the election of Club Show judge have been duly counted, and the following is the result. Papers received, 20:—D. A. S. Longden 8 votes, G. L. Harber 7, Ben Davies 5.—The Editor, "C.B."

Thanks from Sheffield.

The officials of the Sheffield C.B.S. desire to thank those fanciers who helped with their entries at the open show, writes Mr. J. Woolhouse, the assist. sec. We trust they all received their birds back in the pink of condition. The attendance at the show was capital and everything went off without a hitch.

True Sportsmanship.

To make absolutely certain that all birds from Gateshead show were put on the right trains, the management made a request to the railway officials, to grant them permission to act in the capacity of "porters." We did not hear whilst at the show whether this request had been acceded to. Nevertheless, whether it was or was not, the good-will was there. Besides all the members, many outsiders had proferred their assistance, determined to leave nothing to chance.

Future of the Sheffield O.S.

Mr. T. Dawn (chairman of the Sheffield O.S.) during a conversation with me at the Sheffield C.B.S. show, informed me, writes our representative, that as regards further correspondence, on the controversy that has been going on over various matters appertaining to the secretaryship, etc., of the Sheffield O.S., he has finished. This, I consider, is a wise course to take, as "hitches" like this, do not improve matters. Let harmony prevail.

The L. and P O.S. Annual Dinner.

This will be held in "The Queen's Saloon" Holborn Restaurant on Thursday, Jan. 9th. The committee, writes the hon.sec., Mr. C. W. Law, Brinkley House, Woodhouse Road, N. Finchley, will be pleased to welcome any friends or brother fanciers from kindred societies. Tickets, 4s. each. Ladies are specially invited. An extensive musical programme has been arranged. It is hoped that our New Year's party will exceed last year's, and also see the reunion of many old friends.

What Can It Be?

The room for difference of opinion as to whether a bird is a clear Mule or a clear Canary appears to be as wide as ever. At the Bradford National show, Mr. J. Maddison, the well-known Newcastle Mule breeder and exhibitor, "wrong-classed" as being merely a Canary a bird shown by Mr. H. G. Fisher as a clear Linnet Mule. This week, the same bird was marked "very highly commended" by Mr. John Robson (also a well-known judge) in the light Mule class at Sheffield show.

Xmas Bumper for Poultry-Keepers

Those of our readers who are interested in poultry-keeping, should not fail to secure this week's double-number of THE POULTRY WORLD, on sale to-day (Dec. 20) at all newsagents and bookstalls. This great treat includes a superb calendar for 1913—in colours, a beautiful Art Plate, and a charming Coloured Plate. In addition there are many interesting and additional features, illustrations, etc. If you have any friends residing in the Colonies who have a liking for fowls, you should certainly send them a copy of this Xmas bumper.

Corrections in Show Reports.

We are asked to correct the following errors in Show Reports: In Cinn. Bord. at the Bradford Nat. Mr. Middleton won 3rd, not Williams. At Whitburn, there was not a Novice Border medal in competition; Mr. Fisher won the B.F.C.C. medal, and Mr. Lambie won special for best Border confined to novices of the parish, and also specials for most points in Borders and in Norwich.

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To Secretaries of Societies and others willing to distribute copies of CAGE BIRDS' coloured Calendar for 1913, or place same where they will be seen by the general public, we shall be pleased to forward a supply if they will kindly make application to our Publisher: CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.; a postcard will do.

A Bird's "Fortress."

One of the most curiously constructed bird's nests ever seen is on exhibition at the home of the Denver Dumb Friends' League. It was picked up by Dr. John M. Gower on the sidewalk in front of the court-house, where the wind had evidently blown it. The nest is a Sparrow's, and its maker evidently preparing against the attack of his inherent enemy—man. It might be called a fortified nest. It is made of sweepings, with hairpins and nails woven in at the sides. The points of the pins and the nails stick outward, and remind one of rifles sticking through the portholes of a fortification.

An L.C.B.A. Show Record.

I have read with interest the letters from various fanciers over the able manner your staff got the report of the L.C.B.A. exhibition published in CAGE BIRDS the same day as the show was held. It may interest many to know that I had a copy of CAGE BIRDS in Cardiff the same day as the L.C.B.A. Show (Thursday) before 11.30 p.m. — 165 miles away from London. Thus the report was in my hands ten hours before I received the catalogue of awards. I think this may well be termed a record.—A. Shellam, Cardiff.

Gateshead's Plucky Fight.

Our Gateshead friends were badly hit by the N.E.R. strike, but the entry might have been far worse under the circumstances, was the general opinion. The officials right nobly faced the difficulty and are to be heartily congratulated on the manner in which their show was conducted. We heard from several sources that cancelling of the fixture would most likely come about. Not so; the Tynesiders are too full of grit. They stuck to their guns, "win or lose." Fanciers should make note of this, and when another Gateshead show comes around, send them a bumping entry. They are almost certain to be down on this occasion, so see that their next venture proves a huge success.

The Scottish National New Year Show.

The schedule of the Scottish National C.B.S. Show, to be held, as usual, at the Corn Exchange, Grassmarket, Edinburgh, Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, is to hand, and also, as usual, discloses a magnificent classification. In all, 133 classes are provided; Nor. have 23, Crests 10, Scotch Fancy 14, Belgians 3, Bord. 20, Cinn. 5, Yorks. 12, and Rollers 2. Nine classes are given to Mules and Hybrids, and British have 21, including classes for non-fed Greenfinches and Siskins and Field-Moulted Linnets. The insectivorous birds seem, however, to be somewhat neglected, only two classes, large and small, being provided; the birds in them will have the careful attention of Messrs. Sykes and Hoyle. The Foreign birds have nine classes, and once again Miss Peddie Waddell will kindly attend to the wants of the birds in the section, so that exhibitors may be assured that nothing will be left undone to administer to the comfort of their birds. Twelve judges will apportion the prizes: Mr. H. W. Battye, Nor. and Nor. Greens; Mr. A. Chalmers, limit Nor., Crests, and Crest-breds; Messrs. Stewart, Maxwell, Black, and Carson, Scotch Fancies; Mr. J. F. Dewar, Belgians; Messrs. W. C. Duncan and J. Watson, Borders; Mr. A. Hirst, Cinnamons and Yorks.; Mr. Bradfield, Rollers; Mr. W. C. Duncan, Mules and Hybrids; and Messrs. J. Maddison and J. F. Dewar British and Foreign. No less than 264 special prizes are offered, including shields, cups, medals, etc. Prize-money, 15s., 10s., 5s., 3s., 2s., for an entry fee of 2s. Entries close Dec. 24th to Mr. J. R. Meikle, 51, Lothian Road, Edinburgh.

I might tell you that I have had good results through advt. in "Cage Birds." Nearly all my stock is sold; speaks well for "C.B."—J. B. Rogers (Afonwen).

Allow me through your columns to thank the many correspondents for offers in answer to my advt. in last issue, writes Mr. Currall (Wednesford). I had replies from Ireland and Scotland as well as England, which shows the popularity of "Cage Birds."

DON'T OVERLOOK OUR

XMAS COMPETITIONS

During Your Holiday Hours.

Particulars of three very interesting competitions —"Painting," "Hidden Birds," and "Picture Puzzle"— appeared in last week's great 'Xmas Double Number. Useful cash prizes for the successful competitors.

GATESHEAD SHOW HARD HIT.

Despite the Knox, however, the exhibits made a glorious display, and the management was always superb.

THIRTEENTH Annual Show, held Dec. 13 and 14, by the Gateshead and Dis. C.B.S. The Burt Terrace Drill Hall, which is well lighted, spacious, and lofty, absolutely void of draughts, and comfortably heated, was the venue. Truly a most capital rendezvous for such a function. At the opening ceremony Miss M. Ellis, daughter of the first Lord Mayor of Newcastle, officiated. Her exceedingly appropriate speech was full of encouragement to the members. That well-known Yorkshire fancier, Mr. T. C. Crawhall (Newcastle) voiced a few very complimentary remarks, in a true sportsmanlike fashion; as also did Mr. J. Mackenzie, the local naturalist. Mr. J. Rischorough and Mr. J. Swann came through specially from Sunderland to assist, their additional help being greatly appreciated by the Society, and the Chairman (Mr. R. Tindale) wishes to express thanks on behalf of his colleagues. The patronage of the following Specialist Clubs was in evidence:—English and Welsh Bord. F.C., Nat. B.B. and M.C., Bord. F.C.C., Northern Counties N.P.C., N.B.M. and F.B.C. F.B.C., N.Y.C.C., Northern Bord. and S.F.C. and Northern Liz. C.

Was it an Unlucky Number?

The entry, we are exceedingly sorry to record, was not up to the usual standard associated with this well-known Northern carnival. The North Eastern Railway strike told its tale, and the "Palace of the North" suffered greatly. Eight short of 1,000 was the total entry. The schedule issued was very liberal, with good prize money (guaranteed), and a host of specials, and under normal circumstances it would have drawn a far greater response. Naturally, fanciers were loath to risk their treasures. We tender our sympathy to the Society in the misfortune attending its 13th show (unlucky number).

The President of the Society is Ald. Gillies, J.P., and he is supported by the nobility and gentry of the neighbourhood, as vice-presidents. The Chairman and show manager, Mr. R. Tindale, is a fancier to the core, not solely a figure head, but a real worker and a wonderful manipulator. His efforts were strenuous and many, and a finer controller and organiser it would be most difficult to imagine. Mr. T. Almond acts as his understudy, in praiseworthy and practical manner. A couple of rare assets. The committee is composed of many well-known fanciers, who know to a nicety the duties expected of them. Energetic and untiring in their attention to the various items that an open venture entails were Messrs. W. Longstaff, A. T. Hodson, J. Moor, R. W. Smith, D. E. Kent, J. W. Reed, F. F. Hawkins, J. Mackenzie, T. Tomlinson, G. C. Pettereon, H. Wellsbury, R. Hope, J. Davidson, J. Maddison, J. W. Lawson, A. Holden, A. W. Lord, W. Curry, J. Scott, J. Brown, J. W. Laidlow, and J. Liddle. With such a list as this there can be no wonder that the management throughout the entire show was so superb. The auditors are Messrs. R. W. Smith and A. Holden, a brace of very useful officials. It was Mr. J. G. Greason's first appearance as a show secretary, and from the method in which he handles every detail, his most courteous manner, and business like ability, it is certain that Gateshead has unearthed the right man to strengthen its future carnivals—he has undoubtedly all the essentials. On the eve of show day four tier staging was being erected, saws were grating, hammers were making their presence heard, and under the guidance of Mr. R. Tindale (chairman), were Messrs. Holden, Patterson, Cattell, Laidlow, Cotam (assist. sec., Newcastle Society), Topping, A. W. Lord, Hawkins, Davison, and R. Hope, all giving of their best help, all was being done to have every thing in "apple-pie" order previous to the judge's commencing their work on Friday morning. The night stewards were Messrs. A. Holden, A. W. Lord, J. Brown, R. Hope, and G. Ellis, a capable band of "watchers." Mr. G. Ellis, who officiated so efficiently at Newcastle show as receiver and dispatch clerk, kindly obliged in the same capacity at this show.

Amongst the Birds.

Yorks were a superb collection, and rightly voted the feature of the show—near on the best array ever seen. Competition was red hot, and we did not envy Mr. J. C. Barnes his task in separating the exhibits. Charming creatures were those staged successfully by Messrs. J. Stewart, L. Dykes, S. C. Dix, G. W. Cuthbertson, E. Deighton, T. Mirley, and J. Petch. Messrs. Ogden Bros., had entered a team, but these were absent, held back presumably on account of risk over the strike on the railway. Norwich were not so good as might have been expected; yet although not over numerous, some very meritorious specimens were amongst them, notably the clear yellow ck., owned by Mr. A. Holden, Mr. J. Thomas' very fine marked yellow cock, and Mr. W. T. Mattinson's marked buff cock and clear yellow hen, both unflighted and exceptionally promising. Border Fancies were a fair lot, but might have been much better considering that they had 11 classes set apart for them. Was it the instruction to the judges to disqualify any bird that had been colour fed, or what, that held them back? Hybrids contained some difficult "mixtures." Gems were put down by Dr. M. A. Wilson, Messrs. McVittie, Gilchrist, C. Tarn, J. Johnson, and others. Unfortunately Messrs. Martin and Archer's team did not turn up. British were exceptionally good; our national songsters with their tight-fitting costumes, their magnificent condition, staged by master hands, captivated to the fullest extent. Crests and C.B., contained some eye openers, but were down in numbers. Anyhow one saw representatives from notable stables, such as Messrs. G. H. Hugill (new name to us; the more the merrier), R. S. Bewick, with his noted "Duchess" C.B. hen, and "Prince of Wales" (good enough for a king) also "Young Duchess" quite a Venus; Rev. G. W. Joyce, Y. L. Martin, and Mrs. T. Taylor. Mr. V. W. Laithwaite's birds were absent. Cinnamons; what has become of them? ten birds in two classes (six absent). Scotch Fancies were good, many grand "bent backs" providing a treat to those who swear by the bird of circle. Lizards were nice; the largest "plums" were captured by Messrs. W. P. P. Barnes and W. Reid. Foreign were few, yet gave a touch of tone to the show, and as usual drew the feminine visitors to them.

Stewards, who officiated expeditiously and efficiently, attending to every detail, were Messrs. Kent, Brown, Lord, Robson, Laidlow, Swann, Rischorough, Hawkins, Hope, Petterson, Almond, and Thompson. The house was kept in capital order, and everything went as smooth as wedding bells. When we left, the show room was fairly well crowded, and when the auditors have done their work we hope to hear of the balance being on the right side, after the efforts of the officials to face and fight so very strenuously against the unforeseen railway strike.

Special winners are as follows:—Mrs. T. Taylor's three diplomas went to Mr. L. Dykes (Bradford) best Canary, his noted unevenly mkd. buff Yorke, cock. Mr. McQuiston, best Brit., with a Corn Bunting, a stormer, and Mrs. Taylor, best Hyb. or Foreign, with a magnificent Sugar bird. Silk's cup, for best Nor. (open) went to Mr. Holden, for a massive and grandly shaped cl. yell. cock. Members, dinner set for best bird, Mrs. T. Taylor, with the Sugar bird noted above, second best, Mr. G. H. Hugill, a topping buff D.C., spl. best var. Yorks., Mr. T. C. Crawhall. Cattell's, Mr. J. Petch, very smart cl. yell. Yorkie hen. Ramsden's for best young bird, Mr. S. C. Dix, with a stylish unflighted cl. buff Yorkie, of grand colour.

The judges were Messrs. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield), J. Robson (London), W. C. Duncan (Coldstream), J. Maddison (Newcastle). Mr. Geo. Harland (Hull) was unable to attend through illness. Norwich P.H. had been apportioned to him, and these were adjudicated upon by Messrs. J. C. Barnes and J. Robson, the former taking the odd numbers, and the latter the even. The awards of the above gentlemen were well received.

THE NORWICH PLAINHEADS.

Mr. J. C. Barnes's Classes.

CL. YELL. (9): 1, sp, Holden, exquisite qual. and col., well up in substance, grand shape and carr., clean cut away; 2, Butler, very shapely, capital size, lovely feather and col., moves well, not quite so full in head and neck; 3, Forbes, teeming with qual. and col., neat expression of head, good neck, hardly so thick through, yet a good one; 4, Mattinson, short and thick set, nicely clothed, rich in col., not of the biggest, but of the smartest; vhc, Pierson; hc, c, Davison. TK. YELL. (5): 1, Thomas, mkd. wings and head, ablaze with col., delightful feather, slashing shape and subs., graceful wing carr., a gem; 2, Thompson, mkd. wings and head, full of col. and qua., very shapely, tight as a Java, not quite so massive, beauty; 3, Riseborough, thigh tick, plenty of subs., A1 col. and qual., fails a little in shape to above, yet nice; 4, Walker, mkd. wing, good tone of col., silky feather, neat head and neck, longer in barrel flights and tail; vhc, Anderson. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Thomas, sweetly mounded unflighted, cl., richly fed., stylishly gowned, not a giantess, but most bewitching damsel; 2, Richardson, mkd. head, silky texture of feather, nice tone of col., good size, not quite so cobby in build, still one we liked; 3, Couchman, mkd. wings and head, most subs. in class, grand shaped body, neat wings and tail, bit patchy in col., and rather heavy over eye; 4, Wellsbury, cl., capital col. and size, good head, neck, and chest, neat wing carr., a little free in feather behind; vhc, Birkett; hc, Pickles; c, Mattinson. YELL. UNFLIG. (13): 1, 3, Wellsbury, exceedingly smart brace, leader, cl., lovely shape and col., not a feather misplaced, well up in subs., best of carr., 3, cl., full of col. and qual., A1 type and size, moves nicely, very little behind its stable companion; 2, Holden, thigh tick, shapely, capital qual. and col., good subs., clean cut away, close up; 4, Wyndham, warmly fed, cl., short and thick set, superb feather, deficient in tail, which told against it; vhc, Lumley; hc, Smith; c, Fletcher. HEN (20), Grand class: 1, Mattinson, cl., yell. beautiful symmetry, richly fed, and magnificently clothed, good subs. and carr.; 2, Armstrong, buff, mkd. wing, sweet shape, superb qual. and col., neatly frosted, well up in size, graceful in movement, real charmer; 3, Lumley, finely shaped cl. yell., A1 co.. and subs., not quite so close in texture; 4, Thomas, cl. buff, true type, tight as a Java, rich tone of col.; vhc, Butler; hc, Miss H. E. More; c, Holden; No. 14, Wilson, absent. NOV. YELL. (17): 1, 2, Lawson, couple of beauties, former, cobby, cl., smooth as wax, good size, delightful carr., clean cut away; 2, mkd. neck, fine subs. and shape, lovely feather and col., but for being moulty of head would have won; 3, Armstrong, mkd. head, possessing superior feather, rattling col. and size, good head and neck, longer in barrel flights and tail; 4, Wood, mkd. head, soft silky texture of feather, superior col., neat head, neck and chest, little loose behind; vhc, Pape; hc, Turnbull and Calvert; c, Newton.

Mr. J. Robson's Classes.

CL. BUFF (10): 1, hc, Robson and March, bouncer, full of col. and qual., grand head, neck, and chest, fine wing carr., clean cut away; 2, Carr, best of shape, good subs. and carr., fails a little in feather and col. to winner, yet one we liked, 3, Thomas, rattling shape and size, teeming with qual. and col., jaunty carr., must have pressed; 4, Lumsden, short and thick set, capital undercolour, smart wing carr., not overdone with size; vhc, Davison; c, McKay. BUFF (7): 1, Pierson, mkd. head, fine tone of col., well clothed, very shapely and of good subs., carries itself neatly; 2, Wilcock, mkd. neck, all type, tight as a Java, richly fed, not so massive, still one of the best; 3, Butler, mkd. wing, head, and neck, teeming with qual. and col., fine subs., not so finely drawn, yet worth its place; 4, McKinn, mkd. wings and eyes, A1 qual., capital type, nice carr., less in build, and paler in col; vhc, Laidlow; hc, Pickles; c, Smith. BUFF HEN (20), Fine lot: 1, Thomas, delightfully gowned, cl., glorious col., slashing shape and subs., quite up-to-date; 2, Hope, grand moulded, cl., superb feather and col, not the size, but a charmer from tip to end; 3, Wellsbury, wing mkd., teeming with qual., richly fed., grand shape and subs., again real beauty; 4, Carr, cl., capital col. and qual., nice carr., not the subs. and little open in feather, yet good one; vhc, Pickles; hc, Smith; c, Pierson; No. 1, Cuss, absent. BUFF, 1912 (20): 1, Mattinson, wing and head mkd., smooth as wax, superior tone of col., grand carr., model for shape, should make a gem; 2, Hermeston, cl., even hotter in col., silky feather, well up in subs., capital body, nice neat expression of head, exceedingly promising as Mast rich feather and col., good shape and size, beaten a little in finish; 4, Pierson, shapely, cl., well feathered, moves nicely, not subs. or col. of those; vhc, McGinn; hc, Glass; c, ditto. NOV. BUFF (11): 1, 2, Holden, leader, bouncing buff bird, eye, slashing shape and feather, best of carr., tight under; 2, buff mkd. neck, capital feather, good subs., rattling shaped body, not quite so meritorious in head and neck characters as his mate yet a gem; 3, Hetherington, nicely clothed, cl. buff, good shape, clean cut away, not so massive in build, but worth its place; 4, Richardson, nicely fed, cl. yell., A1 qual. and size, good head and neck, longer in barrel and flights; vhc, Butler; hc, Wilford and Edward; c, Wyndham. NOV. BUFF (10). Rare class, two sets of winners could be selected: 1, Huxham, richly fed and [illegible] cl., wonderful size, best of [illegible] of yard ing high honours in open competition; 2, bi...ett, lightly var., ablaze with col., capital feather, nice head and neck, good body, neat wing carr., close up; 3, Liddell, grandly feathered, cl., plenty of subs., lovely shaped body; 4, Hodson, cobby, cl., tight as a Java, rare col. and frosting, on the small side rather, yet very catchy to the eye; vhc, Duke; hc, Fryer; c, Slack; Nos. 4, 5, Wade; 6, Walker; 11, Cass, absent.

THE YORKSHIRE SECTION.

Judge Mr. J. C. Barnes.

YORKS. CL. YELL. (11): 1, Stewart, smooth as a bottle, straight as a pencil, wonderful back and wing carr., full of nerve, clever legs, gem of gems; 2, Dykes, very lengthy, delightful qual., slim and upstanding, best of backs, grand carr. of wings, neatly folded tail, well on leg, pressed hard; 3, vhc, Crawhall, capital feather and col., stands like a guardsman, rare length, wee bit stouter in waist, yet a lovely specimen, good 3; 4, Lyall, superb feather, plenty of length, capital position, not quite so neat in head expression; still very bonny exhibit; hc, Hutler; c, Cattell; No. 2, Ogden Bros., absent. BUFF (9): 1, Dykes, as though chiselled out of marble and highly polished, straight as a gun barrel, beautiful back and wing carr., pipe tail, clever legs, wins; 2, Crawhall, rich salmon tinged col., rare length, best of position, tight as a Java, wee bit stronger, yet a real gem, in the pink; 3, Stewart, magnificent feather and col., neat and narrow, nice position, well on leg; 4, Huntington, lengthy, A1 qual., nice back and wing carr.; vhc, Tweedle; hc, Cattell; c, Cuthbertson. TKD. YELL. (14): 1, Dix, mkd, wings, eyes and neck, elegantly dressed, rich level tone of col., wonderful length, perfect position, superb back and wing carr., full of style, staged to the moment, a topper; 2, Dykes, mkd. neck, marvelous length, smooth as glass, shone like a mirror, captivating position, lovely back, neat flights and tail, close up, real gem; 3, Cuthbertson, mkd. neck, full of breed, fascinating qual. and position, good tone of col., smart legs, not the longest but extremely choice; 4, Cook and Hood, mkd eye, feathered to perfection, erect of A1 col., neat back, flights, and tail; vhc, Crawhall; hc, Cattell; c, Kent; No. 4, Ogden Bros., absent. BUFF (10): 1, sp, best Can., Dykes, well-known, unevenly mkd., often described, in absolutely best possible form, treat to observe; 2, Cuthbertson, mkd. wings and head, not a feather misplaced, gorgeous col., rattling length and position, perfect back, magnificent wing carr., very close up; 3, Stewart, mkd. wing, smooth as a bottle, straight as a rush, full of true character, shows thighs well, beaten a little in length; 4, Hutler, mkd. neck, stands like a guardsman, A1 col., very lengthy, not quite so rich in texture of feather; vhc, Coomber; hc, Addison; c, Crawhall; Nos. 2, Ogden Bros.; 4, Dix, absent. HEN (13): bevy of beauties: 1, Dykes, yell. mkd. wing and head, for qual., col., outline, length, and position, all one need desire, delightful back and flights, pipe tail, shows to perfection; 2, c, Crawhall, beautifully drawn, cl. buff, very lengthy, slashing position, tight as a drum, clever legs, grandly put down; 3, Wigglesworth, mkd. wing and head, yell., very lengthy, capital stand, good flights and tail, well on leg, bit strong, still very charming; 4, vhc, Cuthbertson, good brace, leader, cl. buff, A1 qual. and col., lengthy and leggy, stands nicely, inclined to be shade wavy in feather; hc, Tomlinson; Nos. 1, 2, Ogden Bros., absent. YELL., BRED 1912 (23), Slashing lot, several out of the cards fit to win in keen competition: 1, Cuthbertson, finely drawn and very lengthy, cl., superb position, fine shaped body, solid fronted, best of backs, flight, and tail, well on leg, should make a name; 2, Dykes, mkd. head, wonderful length, slashing col. and qual., well filled back, capital carr. of flights and tail, beaten in position slightly, extremely promising; 3, Mock, cl., tight as a drum, superior col. and qual., straight as a pencil, beautiful back and wings, well on leg; 4, Lyall, cl., ablaze with col., silky feather, not quite so good in position or so lengthy; vhc, Wigglesworth; hc, Hutler; c, Cook and Hood; N. 5, Ogden Bros., absent. BUFF (20), Rare collection: 1, Stewart, mkd. wing and eyes, exquisite qual., marvellous length, delightful position, lovely back and wing carr., closely folded tail, clever legs, gem of gems; 2, Mock, mkd. wing and head, great length, stands like a guardsman, slashing feather, very stylish, very close up; 3, Huntington, cl., full of swagger, good back and wing carr., well on leg, capital length, hardly so tight in feather; 4, Dix, cl., good position and length, A1 feather and col., well on leg, worth its place; vhc, Hutler; hc, Pyman; c, Crawhall; No. 6, Ogden Bros., absent. HEN, BRED 1912 (23): 1, Dix, neat and narrow, beautifully clothed, cl. yell., rich in col., magnificent position, very nervy, capital length; 2, Crawhall, cl., buff, smooth as a bottle, straight as a gun barrel, very lengthy, best of backs, flights, and tail, clever legs; 3, Stewart, buff mkd. wing, feathered to perfection, wonderful length, delightful position, well on leg; 4, Leck, smartly moulded, cl. buff, good length and position, rich col. and feather, not quite so stylish, yet a beauty; vhc, Mock; hc, Wigglesworth; c, Mrs. M. E. Gill. NOV. YELL. (22): 1, Deighton, cl., teeming with qual. and col., slashing position and length, well filled back, neat wing carr., very bonny; 2, Thurston, eye tkd., straight as a pencil, tight as wax, capital position, very lengthy, clever on leg, soiled, or might have won; 3 Petch, lengthy, cl., well clothed, good back flights and tail, capital legs, not so neat in neck; 4, Smith, cl., shooty, fine length, A1 qual. and col., bit wanting in head and neck, yet a good one; vhc, c, Witherly; hc, Moore Bros.; No. 22, Addison, w.c.; a cl. buff; Nos. 11, 12, Bostock; 18, Charlton and Anderson, absent. BUFF (18): 1, Mirley, mkd. wing, rare length and position, grandly feathered, rich tone of col, nice back and wing carr., bonny exhibit; 2, Petch, lovely salmon tinged, cl., full of style, smooth as wax, smart; 3, Sayles, cl., good in col., feather, and position, very lengthy, well on leg, has a habit of lapping tips of flights, which tells against it; 4, Deighton, cl., A1 qual. and col., good stand and length, neat expression of head, thicker in waist; vhc, Boggan; hc, Topping; c, Ridley Bros.; Nos. 8, 9, Bostock; 16, Charlton and Anderson, absent; No. 18 Addison, w.c., a yellow. HEN (28). Keen class, hardly a waster amongst them: 1, Petch, neatly drawn, and lengthy col. yell., exquisite feather and col., fine back and carr. of flights, clever leg, very choice; 2, Smith, very smart and stylish, cl. buff tight as a drum, good length, and well on leg, in the pink, close up; 3, Hedley, yell., mkd. eye, not a feather wrong, capital position and col., and nicely shown; 4, vhc, Deighton, cl. buff, well clothed, and rich in col., upstanding, good nerve, rather short but smart and catchy to the eye; hc, Mirley; c, Studholme; Nos. 15, 16, Bostock, absent.

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THE BORDER FANCIES.

Judge Mr. W. C. Duncan.

BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (18). 1, Dixon, good one, lovely quality of feather, correct shape, grand tone of colour, and A1 head and wing carr., very well put down, wins; 2, Brown, good qual., shade longer behind, nicely drawn, very good in head, sweet wing carriage; 3, Smart, lovely feathered one, sweet style, very genteel, plainer in front, good back and wings, well placed; 4, Gilchrist, nice body and grand pose, inclined to be a shade squatty at times, not quite so well moulded, grand form; vhc, Johnston; hc, Purvis; c, Pearson. HEN (18): 1, Gilchrist, head tick, real good one, grand weight, sweet rounded body, A1 wing carriage and well drawn, nice short feather, in full bloom, wins; 2, Smart, good feather, not so well moulded as winner, neat head and good front, well placed; 3, Smith, A1 size and weight, lovely style, inclined to cross wings at times, otherwise good; 4, Pearson, shade plainer in front, but a good one for finish, nice feather, and well balanced wings; vhc, Watson, hc, Johnston; c, Purvis. CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK. (17): 1, Smart, real stylish exhibit, grand weight and well finished, good head and nice front, and sweet wing carriage, showing a slight fluff at thighs when taking notes; 2, Purvis sweet, wee wing tick, in the pink, tight as wax, grand body and head, and A1 wings, shade small in size; 3, Gilchrist, nice bird, sweet quality of feather, fails in body to winners, grand style; 4, Halliday, stylish, and well moulded, and grand head, and neck, shade loose at thighs, well worth its place; vhc, Smith, jun., well-known head tick, fails in condition; hc, Watson; c, Smith, a good class. HEN (17): 1, and B.F.C. medal, Smart, sweet all round, grand weight and rare style, lovely wing carriage and A1 qual. of feather, grandly put down, Irvine winner; 2, Gilchrist, boxy feathered bird, nice size, A1 taper, grand wing car., fails a shade in head; 3, Johnston, good one, grand shape and ideal head and neck, well drawn, inclined to be a shade thin in front at times, rare quality; 4, Dixon, splendid feather and very neat head; vhc, Wilson; hc, Irvine; c, Halliday. EVEN MKD. (8): 1, hc, Nicholson, good one, grand shape, lovely rounded body, grand head, splendidly tapered, extra fine quality of feather, grand balanced wing carriage, good wing marks, very neat on eyes, wins; 2, 4, Chapman, good one, fine quality of feather, well up in markings, grand eyes and wings, 4, shade lighter on eyes, both in form; 3, Smart, heavier eye marks, well drawn, but a shade heavy behind, good shape and quality, well judged class; vhc, McVittie; c, W. C. Dickenson Bros. UNEVEN, ETC., YELL. (9): 1, Nicholson, sweet yell. cinn. mark, lovely style and texture of feather, very showy, well drawn, lovely wing carriage, good one, well placed; 2, Brown, nice body, a shade smaller, just lacks the style, but sweet head and taper, fine trim; 3, Smart, nice style, good front and wing carriage; 4, Roberts, sweet, grand head and front, nice style, showing a shade soft when taking notes; vhc, Nicholson; hc Peel; c, Pape. BUFF (12): 1, Gilchrist, good all round, nice size, splendid feather, grand head and extra well drawn, looks like Newcastle winner; 2 Brown, close up, grand style and weight, sweet head and front, and well put down, in good order; 3 Purvis, stylish bird, a shade longer in side and stronger in build, but grand feather, good wing carriage, fine quality of feather; 4, Halliday, very stylish, good stamp and position, sweet head and front, a little soft when taking notes; vhc, Pearson hc, Browell; c, Pape. GREEN (17): 1, Montgomery tip-top buff, lovely back and flank lacing, and grand type, sweet head and wing carriage, a real good one well put down; 2, 3, Christer, 2, yell., leading the better in shape, both grandly mkd., pure in lacing and ground, hard to separate; 4, Parker, also a yell., very sweet shape, all there for markings, a grand lot, well judged; vhc, Johnston; hc, c, A. and W. Thomson. CINN. (9): 1, 3, Johnston, leader yell., extra good in ground colour, splendid lacing shape and quality of feather, A1, 3rd, grand body and sweet lacing, good pure col., both extra good in type; 2, Montgomery, Buff, sweet size and grand shape, plenty of back lacing, well drawn, put down in grand order; 4, Hawkins, nice yell., good ground col., and well up in lacing, shade slim and long in feather, good stamp; vhc, Roberts; hc, Reed; c Christer. YELL., NOV. (19): 1, Purvis, cl., good stamp, grand front and style, and A1 quality of feather, nice weigbt, well staged; 2, Heslop, ticked yell., nice style, very well drawn, sweet head and front, inclined to be a shade unsteady at times; 3, Wray, varieg., longer in feather, but good shape and finish, very sweet head, nicely drawn; 4, Little, good stamp, grand head and neck, well placed; vhc, Greasron; hc, Sayles; c, Tallantyre. BUFF (17): 1, Purvis, A1 shape, grand quality, good one, in full bloom, nicely put down, wins; 2, Wilson, close up, grand head and front, not so well balanced on wings; 3, Little, again A1 quality of feather, shade plainer in appearance, nicely balanced; 4, hc, Brown, good all over, nice size and grand shape, fails a shade in feather, well placed; vhc, Smith; c, Grearson.

LIZARDS, CINNS., CRESTS, AND SCOTCH.

Mr. Robson's Classes.

LIZ., CL. CAP. (8): 1, Reid, gold, a good one, lovely sized clear cut cap, and grand shape, lovely body and tone of col., extra good in spangle, real good one; 2, 3, Barnes, silver leading, grandly laced, all there for cap, and a good gold, fine cap and size, fails in spangle to winner; 4, bc, Riseborough, silver, sweet shape and quality, very nice cap, little indistinct in lacing; vhc, Hyslop; wrong class, Hislop. BROKEN CAP (8): 1, 3, hc, Barnes, leader in rare form, well spangled and slightly broken cap, 3, close up, fails a shade in body, good markings; 2, Reid, nice one, grand shape, not so pure in lacing, but all there for quality; 4, vhc, Hislop, beaten in front and finish, well up in spangle. CINN., YELL. (3): 1, Deacon, good yell., nice size and rare tone of col., well pencilled, in full bloom, well put down; 2, Pickles, shade slimmer in front, good quality of feather, well up in size. BUFF (7): 1, Deacon, we could not find; 2, Thompson, plenty of size and nicely laced, a shade rough in feather. CREST. (5): 1, Hugill, outstanding, real good one, fine headpiece, grand size, good dense feather, well carried down at sides and front, nicely put down; 2, 3, Rev. Joyce, both a shade thinner in feather, leader best in frontal; 4, Mrs. Taylor, again beaten in front, nice length of feather; vhc, Dickinson Bros. C.B. (6): 1, vhc, Bewick, monster green, great body and bold head, grand rounded skull, rare entrance and lash, hot one, in full bloom; 2, 3, Joyce, beaten in entrance, but well lashed and grand body, 3, good all-round, sweet head; 4, Hugill, nice size, but loses here in head properties; hc, Taylor. CREST, 1912 (7): 1, 2, Bewick, leader real good one, fine length of feather, well carried down on side and front, splendid centre and back crest, slightly raised one one side, a coming champion, 2, good top piece, close

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up to winner, beaten in radiation of feather; 3, Hugill, very nice one, good all round head, nice sides, fails in frontal; 4, Martin, sweet headed one, but shorter in feather; vhc, Dickinson Bros. C.B., 1912 (3): 1, 3, Bewick, "Young Duchess," well mmed, good skull, fine entrance, well lashed, A1 top, plenty of substance, 3rd, sweet cl., good head and substance; 2, Martin, hot one, fine wide entrance, grand bold head, fails a shade in lashing, still a good one. CREST OR C.B., NOVICE (9): 1, Duke, good all round Crest, fine top piece, A1 qual.; 2, 3, Richardson, good Crests, little to choose between them, leader the best in frontal; 4, Reed, sweet C.B., shade narrow at entrance, but well lashed; vhc, c, Lawson; hc, Tate.

Messrs Robson & Duncan's Classes.

SCOTCH FANCY, YELL. (9). 1, Thompson Bros., wins, grand trim, rare top end, grand length of side, sweet quality throughout, plenty of size, very stylish; 2, Lawson, good one, close up, fine quality, plenty of go, prominent top end and reachy, fails in length of side; 3, 4, Chapman, stylish pair, full of action, and prominent in shoulders, shade slimmer in build, grand quality of feather; vhc, c, Harvey; hc, Little. BUFF (12): 1, Thompson Bros., topper for size, prominent in shoulders, A1 length, fine depth across, very reachy, gets to work well, in fine order; 2, Lawson, close up, good shape, grand style, fine top end, scarcely so snaky in head as winner; 3, Little, gem for style, free and rare drive, good side, very prominent in shoulders, well rounded, good across, lacks the feather of winner; 4, Craig, good quality, fails in shoulders, but nice substance throughout; vhc, Chapman; hc, Harvey; c, Sloan. HEN (12): 1, Chapman, taking, good style, A1 thickness, very nice length, good shoulder; 2, Willison, rare action, scarcely so thick across, good quality of feather; 3, Lugton, splendid mover, prominent on top, fails a bit in size; 4, c, Thompson Bros., plenty of length, just a shade thin, lovely quality; vhc, Craig; hc, Little; good class.

THE HYBRID SECTION.

Judge, Mr. Duncan.

A.V. HYB., OR CAN. BULLIE (8): 1, Wilson, nice Can.-Bullie, well up in size and col., nicely spangled, in good trim; 2, Butler, Linnet-Bullie, fine size, sweet tone of colour, very good cap and wings; 3, Curry, Goldie-Greenie, good size, shade dull in face and wing bars, will improve; 4, Petterson, Goldie Bullie, fair size, good feather; vhc, McWilliam. CL., ETC., MULE (3): 1, McVittie, good 5-point Buff Goldie, grand size, nicely marked, shade dull in face. VARIEG. MULE (9): 1, McVittie, hot faced yell. variegated Goldie, good stamp, very nice quality of feather, well up in size, good one; 2, Bruce, large Linnet, good markings, a gem for size, in nice order, shows cross well; 3, Butler, Buff Goldie, good shape, sweet face, nice size and quality of feather, well put down; 4, McQuiston, good Linnet, shade small, but very lightly marked, nice exhibit; vhc, McPartling; hc, Milburn and Hauson. DARK GOLD OR LIN. (8): 1, Gilchrist, outstanding in class, well known "Border King," the best dark in Scotland, great face and lovely wing bars, sweet polish, topper for size, greatly admired; 2, Roper, nice Linnet, good col., well laced, fine bold head, well put down; 3, vhc, Bowerbank Bros., nice Goldie, grand size, fine col., fails in face, good shape of body; 4, Johnston, Linnet, all there for markings, good qual.; hc, McWilliam. A.O.V. DK. MULE (8): 1, Johnston, well-known yell. Siskin, good size, A1 cap, sweet tone of col., good wings and lacing, in nice order; 2, Carr, well conditioned Greenie, fine tone of col., well up in size, grand head, splendid shape; 3, hc, McQuiston, romping Buff Greenie, plenty size and col., good bold head, not so well burnished up as winner; 4, Nicholson and Son, Buff Greenie, shade smaller than winner, good quality of feather; vhc, Robinson; c, Cuthbertson; all Messrs. Martin and Archer's birds absent. NOV. MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, Farn, nice Linnet, good size, well pencilled, fine lacing; 2, O'Neil, Linnet, close up, good quality of feather; 3, 4, Owen, again Linnets, just beaten in size, all sweet feathered exhibits; absent, Hancox.

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN SECTIONS.

Mr. Maddison's Classes.

GOLDFINCH (17): 1, Almond, in good order, fine face, deep tone of col., good nap and cheeks, nicely buttoned, not too large in build, grand bloom; 2, Brown, close up, nice blaze, larger if anything in under blaze, but scarcely so neatly cut on nap, and cheeks, good buttons and tammings, in nice form; 3, Dr. Wilson, fine feather, good col., nice tammings, not so dense in face; 4, vhc, Butler, sweet all round, in grand bloom, fails a bit in density of blaze; hc, Browill; c, Duke. BULLFINCH (16): 1, 2, Woods, outstanding, leader the larger, deep tone of col. throughout, fine wing bars, sweet cap and bib, in nice order, 2, splendid shape, tight as wax, lovely tone of breast col., clear cut cap and bib, good bars, pure in col., scarcely so bold in head as winner, two gems; 3, Curry, shade smaller, good cap, nice tone of col., shade rougher in finish; 4, Dr. Wilson, all there for col., just lacks size and finish of winners; vhc, Wilcock; hc, Dixon; c, McQuiston. GREENFINCH (16): 1, Butler, good shape, strong head, bully neck, nice qual. of feather and tone of col., good flights, A1 front and taper, all over a good one; 2, Dunn, grand style, bold, free carriage, sweet wing flights and col., shade weaker in head and neck than winner; 3, McVay, good quality of feather, grand shape, shade thin compared to winners, in fine order; 4, Dr. Wilson, good col. and qual., grand head and shape; vhc, Heal; hc, Robinson; c, Telford. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE. (9): 1, McQuiston, good Bramble, fine size, A1 spangle, nice deep breast colour, good whites, steady and well shown, good bird; 2, Nicholson and Son, sweet Chaffie, plenty size, good depth of col., fine wing bars, A1 head and breast, well shown; 3, McVay, Chaffie, smaller, but grand shape, nice head, bit duller in breast colour; 4, Dr. Wilson, also Chaffie, good col. and shape, beaten in size here; vhc, Dixon and Son; hc, Coachman; c, Glass. LINNET, H.M. (12): 1, 3, McQuiston, leader a very good one, not large, but a gem for col., grand back, very sweetly marked on breast, nice flights, well put down, 3rd, large one, full of life, grand tone of col., sweet breast markings; 2, Heal, hot one, lovely tone throughout, exquisite lacing, grand breast, lovely back, good in flights, rare size and shape, grand bloom, inclined to face back of cage at times, must have pressed hard; 4, vhc, Hunter, lovely flights and well laced, good shape and quality, rather dark in ground col.; hc, Kaye and Cook; c, Dunn. LINNET, F.M. (27): 1, Pearson, lovely shape, grand rounded body, nice bold head, good pencilling, grand flights, steady as a rock, fine quality of feather, well put down; 2, McQuiston, rare size, good tone of col., fine flights, well up in lacink, shade untready, well placed; 3, Fletcher, good shape and nice tone of col., very steady and fine form, good; 4, vhc, Bertram, same shape as 3rd, and equal in qual., scarcely so good in head, a grand class, very carefully handled; hc, Handley; c, Bruce. SISKIN, ETC. (17): 1, McQuiston, good Twite, grand lacing, A1 size, splendid flights, a gem, well put down; 2, Heal, mealy, good bib and lacing, rather thin on front, nice size and qual. of feather; 3, Scott, sweet wee Siskiu, nat. col., neat cap and bib, well up in size, good lacing, well placed; 4, Milburn and Hanson, Twite, good size and markings, beaten in col. and finish; vhc, Lindsay; hc, Robson and March; c, Wilson. A.O. FINCH OR BUNTING (5): 1, McQuiston, good Corn, grand size, A1 markings, sweet tone of col., well put down, steady as a rock; 2, Millar, Corn, with white feathers in wing flights. HEN (11): 1, McQuiston, good Corn, fine size, very well marked, steady, well put down; 2, McPherson, sweet Bullfie, grand breast col., A1 cap and wing bars, lovely whites, in full bloom; 3, Wilson, sweet Greenie, well up in size, A1 shape, sweet tone of col., good one; 4, Scott, a Hawfinch, nice tone of col., good bib, well staged; vhc, Heal; hc, Curry; c, Millar. NOV., LINNET (18): 1, Tarn, outstanding, good one, grand shape, A1 markings, lovely qual. of feather, sweet tone throughout, good win; 2, Carr, grand flights, A1 front, good shape, taking exhibit; 3, Reed, nice stamp and col., falls in size to winner; 4, Kaye and Cook, close up, not quite so shapely, but well pencilled, a good lot, hard to divide; vhc, Boggan; hc, Bainbridge; c, Rahne. A.O. FINCH OR BUNTING (15): 1, Mrs. Hall, sweet Goldie, nice dense face, A1 cheeks, and tammings, splendidly staged; 2, Storey, sweet Corn, nice size, A1 quality of feather, in good trim; 3, Locker, sweet Hawfinch, nice size, good cap and bib, fine body col., in good feather; 4, McGuire, nice Yellowhammer, rather broken on head markings, but grand body and shape, nat. col.; vhc, McGuire; hc, Heslop; c, Hetherington. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (8): 1, Bruce, "Border Queen," well-known Song Thrush, looking better than ever, clinker for size and markings, well put down, wins; 2, Addison, sweet Blackie, good body, A1 beak and eye erre, dense jet, in full bloom, well placed; 3, Robinson, Starling, grand metallic sheen, well spangled, well up in size, good exhibit; 4, Telford, another good Blackie, rare col. and bill, fails a little in size here; vhc, Roper, hc, Parnaby; c, McKie. SMALL SOFTBILLS (12): 1, Nicholson and Son, nice Grey Wagtail, well up in col., good size, nicely staged; 2, Woodhouse, tip-top Wryneck, rare size and markings, and in grand order, must have pressed; 3, Butler, Bearded Tit, fair size, good moustache and body col., steady, nicely shown; 4, Holden, sweet wee Redstart, grand col., good head and breast, little more size, and a hot one; vhc, Jackson; hc, Woodhouse; c, Young. LARGE (4): 1, 2, Scott, a Chough and Magpie, good specimens, fit for keen competition; 3, Parnaby, could not find when taking notes; all Mr. Marley's birds absent.

Mr. Robson's Classes.

PARROTS, ETC. (6): 1, Hamilton, very fine yell. naped Lory, in grand order; 2, vhc, Scott, lovely King Parrot; 3, Christer, good red naped Lory; 4, Butler, Ceram, Lory, in full bloom, grand class of lovely birds; 4, hc, Davison. AVADAVATS, ETC. (7): 1, 2, 4, hc, Almond, graud lot, pair of lovely Waxbills leading; 3, Winter, pair of Cordon Bleus, good size and well marked; vhc, Petterson; c, Scott. PARSON FINCHES, ETC. (9): 1, 2, Young, leader a pair of nice Parsons, 2, Diamond Finch, both in good order; 3, Almond, nice pair of Bib Finches; 4, Nicholson and Son, pair of Parsons, scarcely so large as winners; vhc, Christer; hc, Winter; c, Scott. A.O. SEED-EATING, ETC. (8): 1, 3, Almond, sweet pair of Cuban Finches, and pair of Ruticaudas, in good feather; 2, Christer, nice Whydah, in rather small a show cage to show to advantage; 4, Scott, Black-headed Siskin; vhc, Taylor; hc, Davison; c, Petterson. FRUIT-EATING, ETC. (2): 1, sp., best in section, Mrs. Taylor, well-known yellow-winged Sugar Birds, really grand exhibit, a marvel for col. and qual. of feather, well put down and greatly admired.

Members' Classes.

Judges: Nor. and Yorks., Mr. J. C. Barnes; Crests and For., Mr. J. Robson; Borders, Mules, Mr. W. C. Duncan; Brit., Mr. J. Maddison. Quite a galaxy of talent presented itself in this section; members being allow to show in both the open and members' classes with same exhibits. NOV., NOR. YELL. (7): 1, vhc, Lawson; 2, c, Lumley; 3, hc, Topping; 4, Coutts. BUFF (13), nice class: 1, Lumley; 2, F. Lawson; 3, Topping; 4, hc, Hodson; vhc, e, Reed. HEN (12): 1, Lumley; 2, Coutts; 3, Foster; 4, vhc, Reed; hc, c, J. W. Lawson. YELL. YORK. (5): 1, 2, Petch; 3, vhc, Witherly; 4, Smith. BUFF (3): 1, 2, 3, Petch. BOR. YELL. (5): 1, 4, Greason; 2, vhc, Reed; 3, Brown. BUFF (4): 1, Brown; 2, 4, Reed; 3, Greason. A.O.V. (2): 1, 2, Reed. BRIT. and FOR. (4): 1, 2, Reed; 3, Petch; 4, Greason. CHAMP. NOR. YELL. (9): 1, 3, Wellsbury; 2, hc, Holden; 4, Smith; vhc, Pierson; c, Kent. BUFF (6): 1, Moore; 2, 3, McGinn; 4, Smith; vhc, hc, Wellsbury. HEN (7): 1, c, Holden; 2, vhc, Smith; 3, McGinn; 4, hc, Wellsbury. CREST or C.B. (6): 1, 2, 3, hc, Bewick; 4, vhc, Martin. SCOTCH FANCY (5): 1, 2, Chapman; 3, 4, vhc, Harvey. YELL. YORK (11): 1, Hutler; 2, 4, Mather; 3, Cattell; vhc, hc, Crawhall; c, Kent; No. 4, Jordan, absent. BUFF (11): 1, Dix; 2, Butler; 3, vhc, Crawhall; 4, hc, Mather; c, Cattell; No. 3, Jordan, absent. HEN (12): 1, Dix; 2, Crawhall; 4, ditto; 3, Butler; vhc, Cattell; hc, Coomber; c, Mather; Nos. 4, 5, Jordan, absent. YELL. BOR. (7): 1, 2, c, Nicholson; 3, 4, Smith; vhc, hc, Chapman. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Chapman; 3, vhc, Smith; 4, Jordan; No. 1, Hawkins, absent. HEN (9): 1, 3, Nicholson; 2 No. 7, Smith, absent; 4, hc, Hawkins; vhc, c, Chapman; No. 5, Jordan, absent. MULE (1): 1, Moore. LIN. (2): 1, 2, Petterson. FINCH (9): 1, Almond; 2, 4, vhc, c, Scott; 3, Butler. SOFTBILL (4): 1, 2, Scott; 3, Butler; 4, Holden. SMALL FOR. (17). Rare collection: 1, 4, vhc, c, Almond; 2, 3, Young; hc, Scott. LARGE (2): 1, 2, Scott. SOFTBILL (2): 1, Mrs. Taylor; 2, Butler. GIFT (3): 1, Lawson; 2, Hawkins; 3, Holden.

NELSON AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Members' show, held December 14. There was only a poor entry. YELL. YORKS., CK.: 1, Wharton; 2, Watts; 3, C. Gill; vhc, Green; hc, King. BUFF: 1, Green; 2, hc, Gill; 3, Wharton; vhc, Watts; c, Bailey. YELL. YORK, HEN: 1, Greenwood; 2, Wharton; 3, Holgate and Aldridge; vhc, King; hc, Gill; c, Bailey. BUFF: 1, 2, Greenwood; 3, King; vhc, c, Gill; hc, Holgate and Aldridge. UNFLIG.: 1, Bailey; 2, vhc, c, Gill; 3, Smith; hc, Holgate and Aldridge. CL., ETC., YELL. NOR., CK.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Fulton; hc, Hardman; c, Aspden. BUFF: 1, Watts; 2, vhc, hc, Fulton; 3, Cunliffe; c, Aspden. YELL., HEN: 1, Hardman; 2, Cunliffe; 3, vhc, c, Fulton; hc, Huggins. BUFF: 1, Hardman; 2, 3, Bolton; vhc, c, Fulton; hc, Speak. UNFLIG. YELL. NOR.: 1, vhc, Fulton; 2, Huggins; 3, hc, Hardman; c, Wallace. BUFF: 1, vhc, Hardman; 2, hc, c, Fulton; 3, Speak. A.O.V.: 1, vhc, Bolton; 2, Huggins; 3, Cunliffe; hc, Fulton; c, Speak. PAIRS: Cancelled. BRIT., MULE OR HYB.: 1, 3, vhc, hc, Holdon; 2, Smith. Cup for best bird, also Hyde's Special, H. Greenwood, a very fine Yell. York hen. Sandiford Medal, W. Hardman.—J. Speak, Hon. Sec.

WINSFORD.

First open show, held in the Co-operative Hall, December 14. The Midland Counties Yorkshire C.C. patronised this show, and a very good entry resulted, and a relief judge was secured to assist Mr. Houlton, in the person of Mr. Royle, who took Selling, Gift, and Novice classes. Mr. Houlton judged champion Yorks., Nor., Hybrids, and British birds. The Yorkshires all through were excellent for type and qual., and Messrs. Wells and Clempson, Atherstone, secured special for best Yorks. cock, with a really superb Green variegated Yell. The hen and unflighted specials were won by novice birds in both instances, beating the champions, Mr. Elks, of Crewe, winning with a grand yellow hen, and Mr. J. W. Jones, Runcorn, the unflighted, with a lovely marked yell. ck. Norwich were few in number, but good in champion section, but in novices both quality and quantity were present. The Dark Mule class was a very fine one of 29 entries. Borders were a very choice lot (27 in 3 classes), not bad for a start. British were a treat. The Goldies were headed by the notable champion of the season. Linnets were very grand, 23 of them. Twites, etc., were also a fine class, and Bullfinches were very good, and turned up well. Some class Yellow Buntings and Hawfinches were here, and the Softbills were few, but champion. Taken altogether, it was a very successful first venture. The officials are: President, S. Davies, Esq.; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. W. Dean, J. J. Darlow, E. B. Russell, B. Andrews, S. Oaks, A. Stubbs, F. W. Jones; chairman, W. A. Bennett, Esq.; committee, Messrs. E. Weedall, Hemmings, Perry, Brereton, L. Perry, Tomkinson, Davies, A. Weedall, Hatton, Robinson, Spilsbury, J. Taylor; hon. sec., Mr. S. S. Brooks. The latter carried out his duties admirably, and with such a good first open show he was wearing a rare broad smile that certainly did not come off all that day. He was most ably assisted by his committee. The judging was very well received all round.

The Critique.

YORKS., CL OR TK. YELL. CK. (6): 1, 2, Lane, a grand pair of tkd. birds, both fine length, style, position and carriage, first big and very clean through; 3, Hemmings and Brereton, very long and stylish, finely drawn and clean through, tight condition; 4, Tomkinson, good qual. and stand, nice carriage and feather; vhc, P. V. Williams; hc, E. Perry. YELL HENS (8): 1, Wells and Clempson, tk. shoulder, well up on legs, fine length, clean cut, tight, grand position and quality A1; 2, hc, Lane, tkd. wing, bit nervous, rare length and style, etc., when in position; 3, E. Weedall, shade more body, fine stand, and A1 qual. and finish; 4, Tomkinson, tk. cap, grand length, well on leg, neat head and wing and tail, car. good; vhc, c, Williams. CL. OR TK. BUFF CK. (7): 1, 3, P. V. Williams, tick behind right car, standard typical bird all over it, 3rd, finely drawn, grand carriage, neat wing and pipe tail, well on leg; 2, 4, Lane, grand quality pair, former best and neatest all through, carriage, stand, and condition very good; vhc, Wells and Clempson; hc, E. Weedall. BUFF HENS (9): 1, Wells and Clempson, beautiful silky quality, rare stand and car., neat head, good wings and pipe tail; 2, vhc, Williams, tick cheeks, former has it in finish a little to-day; 3, 4, Lane, fine pair of clears, all there for style and qual., runs very close up; hc, E. Perry; c, J. Perry. UNFLIGHTED YELL. (8): 1, Wells and Clempson, lovely fine drawn el., A1 stand, neat and well rounded, well up on leg; 2, Lane, finely drawn, not quite so small and round on head as first, A1 for position and condition; 3, E. Weedall, tkd. head, neat in shape, well on leg, good position and feather; 4, J. Perry, tick wing, very breedy, stands up well, fine carriage and condition; vhc, J. Potts; hc, Tomkinson; c, Hemmings and Brereton. BUFF (6): 1, vhc, Lane, tkd. on left wing, a real big, good one, in the pink of condition; 2, J. Potts, fine type, clean and well rounded, rare stand and condition; 3, E. Weedall, well on leg, good wings and neat tail, nice quality and position; 4, E. Perry, big, long bird, nice stand and good bloom, etc.; hc, J. Perry. VARIEG. (5): 1, sp., best Yorks. ck., Wells and Clempson, dark back, yell., very finely drawn, exqnisite, clean cut type, carriage, grand, A1 colour and lovely feather and neat all through; 2, 3, P. V. Williams, yell and buff respectively, former best type and carriage, etc., both well on leg; 4, vhc, Lane, a good pair, of nice stamp, vhc, beaten in condition. NOR. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Cooper, tkd. eye, fine head, good body shape, fine col., carriage and condition; 2, hc, Rathbone, mkd. head, beaten in width skull a little, fine shape, condition and full of col.; 3, vhc, P. V. Williams, nice cl., A1 type, and a fine, big, bouncing variegated, loose in tail and only 10 feathers there to-day. BUFF (5): 1, Field Bros., good big, thick-set, grand back, wings and tail, fine bloom and meal, good condition; 2, Nelson, variegated, dark breast, lovely col., neat shape and carriage; 3, Williams, cl., fine head, on a good type body, nice col., bloom and carriage; 4, Bixter, cl., very like 3rd, was inclined to get down on perch a little to-day; vhc, Rathbone. GOLDFINCH (22): A really fine class. 1, Pitchford and Stocker, a bird of the season, remarkable outstanding bird, blaze so well cut and profusely expansive, in the pink of condition; 2, 4, Evans and Stocker, 2nd, shade smaller than first, but runs well up in all other points, a real good one, 4th is a larger bird, fine face and moonings, gives way a little in body tan, A1 condition; 3, Jos. Davies, lovely blaze, nice moons and bars, do with more profusion in tanning, fine bloom and condition; vhc, Leicester, rare, well balanced Finch in blaze, moons and bars, fairly good tan, and nice con.; hc, Potts; c, Peake, both well up to vhc. LINNET (23): Magnificent lot, and all birds in the pink of condition. 1, Lovatt and Mason, perfectly balanced bird, for shape, markings, col. quality of feather; 2, Tams and Son, best of shape, size and markings, in superb condition; 3, hc, Jos. Davies, fine bold head and very showy bird when taking perches, rare mkgs., col. and feather; 4, c, S. Potts, very finely built, grand size, markings, and A1 condition; vhc, J. W. Johnson, grand gloss, col. and markings, shade narrower in body than leaders. BULLFINCH (13): Most of them very smart. 1, Latham, a grand one, cap, wings, tail, etc., all in their proper colours and glossy bloom; 2, Morgan, equally good, except a wee bit in breast to-day, A1 when breast perfect; 3, G. Hatton, fine size, cap, back, wings and tail, shade paler in breast; 4, S. Potts, deep col., bit narrower through, A1 feather, etc.; vhc, J. R. Hatton; hc, J. Davies; c, Brooks and Robinson. REDPOLL, ETC. (15): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, very good shaped Twite, col., markings, and condition, all there; 2, Jos. Davies, smart Siskin, fine cap, bib, col., markings, and condition; 3, Brooks and Robinson, very perfectly feathered Lesser Redpoll, fine markings and shape; 4, Lawton, another very good Twite, fair up against an extra one to-day; vhc, A, Weedall, finely mkd. Mealy Redpoll, hardly so solid in feather as 3rd; hc, Clarke, nat. col. Siskin; c, Hemmings and Brereton, Lesser Redpoll. A.S. HARDBILL (8): 1, hc, Johnson, most perfect Yellowhammer out this season; 2, Mort, fine Hawfinch, well balanced all through, good solid condition; 3, Hough, medium sized Bramble, fine lacings, col. and condition; 4, E. Weedall, larger, robust Yellowhammer, fine shape, feather and condition, only beaten very slightly in colour and head markings; vhc, A. Weedall; c, J. Davies. SOFTBILLS (6): 1, 3, 4, P. V. Williams, such a fine, perfect Waxwing as is seldom seen, 3rd, very fine Chough, 4th, a very good Magpie, all in splendid condition; 2, Hemmings and Brereton, the grand old champion Thrush, in superb condition; vhc, Abbott, another grandly spotted Thrush, remarkably fine, and runs well up to the old champion; hc, Patton. DK. MULE (20): All leaders very fine indeed. 1, 2, Morgan, about the finest Buff Greenfinch-Canary on the show bench, in the pink of condition, 2nd, very brilliant coloured yell., Goldie-Can., in grand condition; 3, Tichard, very sound, good shaped glossy yell. Linnet-Can., good rich col. and markings; 4, Middleton, large, perfectly shaped and conditioned Siskin-Can., good col. and markings, and glossy feather; vhc, Leigh, very nicely col. yell. Greenfinch-Can., not the largest yet, but young looking, and ought to grow into a real good one, wants time; hc, Evans and Roberts, about the largest and longest Redpoll-Can. seen out for a very long time, in fine condition; c, Brooks and Robinson, remarkably good buff Goldie-Can., in very hot company to-day. GIFT (8): 1, E. Perry; 2, Spilsbury; 3, Tomkinson; 4, T. Weedall; vhc, hc, Hemmings and Brereton; c, Furber. CLR. ETC., YELL. BORDER (9): 1, 2, Bayley, variegated, and a cl., former best type, etc., all through, both stylish, jaunty carriage and condition; 3, Mrs. Harrison, very compact, fine carriage and style, grand type and smart condition; 4, Burton Bros., cl., bit soft condition, grand type, etc., when tight; vhc, Lawton; hc, G. Bennett; c, Nelson. BUFFS (6): 1, 3, Bayley, small, compact, cl., fine carriage, feather and tight form, 3rd, tick nape, fine type and car., etc.; 2, hc, G. Bennett, larger cl., bit more head than first, fine style and feather; 4, Hancock, eye, wing and neck mkd., very good type, neat all through, in fine form; vhc, Burton Bros. BORD. GREEN (12): 1, G. Bayley, very smart, typical buff, grand shape, carriage, quality, style and condition; 2, Mrs. Harrison, yell., exquisite condition, equal in all points practically to buff, only matter of choice, both gems; 3, Hancock, very compact yell., grand gay style, car. good, and in good sound col. and condition; 4, Stovin, another very smart yell., rare col. feather and type; vhc, Croft; hc, Lawton. NOV.: YORKS., YELL. CK. (9): 1, J. W. Jones, tick on wing, lovely type, position and neat carriage, finely drawn; 2, Ratcliffe, marked, long drawn, typical, fine position; 3, Barlow, long raking cl.; 4, Philpot, cl., thicker through, good qual.; vhc, Furber; hc, Greef; c, Pardoe. YELL. HENS (7): 1, sp., best Yorks. hen in show, over champions, Elks., grand bird all over it, and well deserves its honour; 2, 3, J. W. Jones, smaller, fine type and carriage, 3, thicker, grand quality, inclines to overlap wing flights at times; 4, Hawkins, good type and other points; vhc, Farrall; hc, Atherton; c, Helsby. BUFF HENS (5): 1, Ratcliffe, fine quality and type, cinn. mark buff, lovely bloom and carriage, all there; 2, Thorpe, faint tick on wing, fine type and A1 form; 3, J. W. Jones, finely drawn cinn. mkd., in grand order; 4, Philpot, fine long drawn out, good carriage and tight condition; vhc, Parr. UNFLIGHTED YELL. (8): 1, sp., best unflighted Yorks. in show over all classes, J. W. Jones, mkd. bird, in the pink of condition, most typical and stylish; 2, Hawkins, finely drawn cl.; 3, Ratcliffe; 4, Harrison and Rodgers, both good type, carriage and position; vhc, Helsby; hc, Farrall; c, Ratcliffe. BUFFS (6): 1, J. W. Jones, cl., typical, neat and clean through, fine position and A1 bloom; 2, Helsby, pale col., fine bloom, good silky feather and rare stand and car.; 3, Barlow; 4, Harrison and Rodgers, both good cls., in fine feather, etc.; vhc, Elks; hc, J. R. Hatton. NOR. YELL HENS (6): 1, Furniss, grand cobby type, fine col., etc.; 2, Worthington, very fine head, good type, A1 condition; 3, Parker, grand col. and feather, smaller; 4, Woods, all these four good birds; vhc, Flint; hc, Siddall. BUFF CK., CL., ETC. (13): 1, Flint, fine big, bold cl., full of bloom, good head, etc.; 2, Hayward, also fine head and good body, bloom and condition; 3, Furniss, grand col., nice type, on the smaller side; 4, Latham; vhc, Such; c, Kenyon. BUFF HENS (9): 1, Flint, a bouncer, A1 form; 2, Parker; 3, Bailey; 4, Ratcliffe, all in fine order and little in them; vhc, Collings; hc, Fenton; c, Siddall. UNFLIGHTED YELL. (9): 1, Flint, mkd. wings and cheek, of the best for type, etc.; 2, McAndrews, tkd. eye and cheeks, grand bird; 3, Bailey, fine head, cl., A1 con.; 4, Thorpe, beaten in head; vhc, Such; hc, Rainford; c, Alker. BUFFS (16): 1, Flint, cl., A1, cobby type; 2, Hayward, tkd. head, rather long, A1 col.; 3, McAndrews, grand, typical spangled backed bird; 4, Siddall, tkd. head, fine type, etc.; vhc, Rowley; hc, Sutton; c, Worthington.

GT. HORTON (Good Intent) O.S.

Members show held Dec. 14 in Wesley Place Schools, Mr. J. Chippendale judged, and seemed to give every satisfaction. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORK.: 1, 2, Brook and Oldfield; 3, Worsnop; 4, Bartle; vhc, Wright. BUFF: 1, Ackroyd; 2, vhc, Holden; 3, Bartle; 4, hc, Stanson; c, Worsnop. EVEN, ETC., YELL.: 1, Hanson. BUFF: 1, Ketteringham. CL. OR TKD. YELL., HEN: 1, Holden; 2, Hanson; 3, Worsnop; 4, Bartle; vhc, hc, Pedder; c, Ketteringham. BUFF: 1, c, Bartle; 2, Holden; 3 Brook and Oldfield; 4, hc, Wright; vhc, Pedder. STOCK: 1, Pedder. NOR.: 1, vhc, Kaberry; 2, 3, Bartle; 4, hc, Jowett. BRIT.: 1, 3, 4, Kaberry; 2, vhc, Cawthra; hc, c, Jowett.—H. Gornall, Sec.

NARBERTH.

Annual show, held Victoria Hall, Dec. 11, a very nice hall for a show, plenty of light and comfortable. The entries came up very well, and some good exhibits were staged. The Secretary and Committee worked hard and had everything in good order. Mr. T. Owens judged.

NOR.: 1, Davies, lovely yell., in nice feather, good head and type; 2, Tallett, good bird, but fails to winner in type; 3, Muscott, nice shape and col.; vhc, Davies, Evans; hc, Tallett. YORKS.: 1, Smith, grand yell., very typical, long body, nice pipe tail; 2, Shears, slim, good feather and head; 3, Evans, moderate; res, vhc, East; hc, Davies. MULE: 1, Muscott, clinking body and rare form; 2, 3, Shee, two very useful birds; res, Davies. GOLDFINCH: 1, 2, 3, Richards, a grand trio, winner excelling in col., buttons and bars; vhc, Davies; hc, Richard. A.S. BRIT. (SMALL): 2, Richards, topping good Linnet, in nice form; 3, Butt, very useful Bullfinch; res, Griffiths. LOCAL CAN.: 2, hc, Rowe; 3, Carr; vhc, Williams.

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FROME.

A Splendid Record Show.

Fourteenth annual show held December 12th in the large Temperance Hall, an almost ideal room for the purpose, being spacious, cosy, and well lighted. The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion, and looked really well with its bunting and plants among the exhibits. The entry was a record, and, although the Roller classes were cut out, numbered 540. Nearly all the classes were well filled, some, such as yell. Norwich, Nov. Yorks, Nov. Bords. and Goldfinches coming up "Jumpers." The quality all through was magnificent. Not a bad bird was staged in the yell. Nor. cock class, the winner, owned by Mr. Banbury (Yeovil) being a bird of wonderful size and quality; so is Mr. Silk's (Emsworth) clear buff, a truly grand exhibit and much admired by the lovers of the chubby ones. Mr. Houghton (Glos'ter) had out a rare team, and annexed a big share of the prizes. Yorks. were grand, some very fine birds being staged. Borders comprised four well-filled classes, the pick of the West Country. That old enthusiast, Mr. D. Jenkins (Swansea) sent in a fine team, staged in his usual inimitable manner. There was a good class of Dark Mules, and the Goldfinch class was a real eye-opener twenty-six charmers and not a bad bird among them. There was little to choose between the first half dozen, Mr. Richards (Narberth) staging the winner, a perfect specimen, that will require something unusual to stop it. The management was all that one could desire, Mr. C. I. Young being once again at the helm; he has had many years of show management and knows all the details that make for success. Mr. A. S. King undertakes the secretarial work, and very thoroughly he does it, assisted by Mr. P. Edwards. The committee of workers consists of Messrs. Dodge, Tricker, Kelley, G. and R. Pinnell, Payne, Elliott, H. and J. Yeo, Jelly, Hobbs, and Keay. Mr. C. Glass makes an efficient chairman. The show was opened by Vice-Admiral Arbuthnot, who made a few remarks in favour of our hobby. Mr. H. Norman judged. He had a hard day's work, but was so well served that he got through in capital time. Members' entries were not over large, but the quality was quite equal to many in the open.

The Critique.

CREST OR C.B. (7): 1, 2, Allen, nearly green crest leading, fine big bird with good thick crest, nicely formed, capital spread and droop, 2nd var. C.B., big bold bird, grand skull and feather, well lashed, good pair; 3, Routh, good Crest, fine size, very neat head, good shape and droop, but hardly so well thatched as winner; 4, he, Lane, fine bold cl. C.B., grand skull, well domed and lashed; vhc, Edwards; c, March. NOR. YELL. CK. (21): 1, Banbury, rare size and sub., just a wee bit fat, which spoils the outline, but grand silky feather and good col.; 2, Rowley, another beauty, size and shape, good head and back, nicely braced wings, fine qual.; 3, Saunders, lovely type, well proportioned all through, grand wings, qual. and col., well shown; 4, Killy, fine bold green, well known, in good trim; vhc, Noyce; he, Silk; c, Chidgey. BUFF (15): 1, sp, C. J. Silk, a stormer for size, type and sub., beautifully proportioned and rounded, grand head, back and wings, a clear win; 2, Houghton, another beauty for size and type, grand front and wings, neat, well-carried tail; 3, Kirby, good bold bird, nice size and sub., good head, back and wings, fine condition; 4, Saunders, bonny typical bird, not the largest but real Nor., lovely qual. and condition; vhc, Folwell; he, Silk; c, Laurence. HEN (11): 1, Saunders, tail mkd. buff, lovely type, neat head and neck, beautifully rounded front, nice style, well across the perch, A1 qual.; 2, Houghton, bonny yell., nice bold head and neck, good chest, capital wing and tail, nice condition; 3, Folwell, bonny buff, grand size and shape, well filled neck and fine, neat wings; 4, Chidley, smart yell., stands well, neat head, good back and wings, nice carr. of tail, lovely qual.; vhc, Spillman; he, Silk; c, Scholes. UNFLIG. YELL. (9): 1, Houghton, bonny bird grand sub. and style, good bold head and cheeks, well filled all round, a good win; 2, Chidley, another beauty, close up, grand type and sub., lovely qual., neat wings; 3, Mrs. Scholes, big bold bird, good head and neck, capital front, nicely tapered, close silky feather; 4, Saunders, fine typical spec., neat head, good wing carr., hot col.; vhc, Mitchell; he, Stephenson; c, Pope. BUFF (10): 1, 2, Houghton, two beauties, grand size and type, beautifully proportioned, rare necks and chest, fine wing carr., little between them; 3, c, Stroud, big bold bird, nice type, neat head and neck, good wings, grand condition; 4, Banbury, another beauty for size and shape, good full head and neck, well shown; vhc, Hill; he, Folwell. NOV. (17): 1, Priddle, lovely yell. leading, grand type, good bold head and front, well filled all round, sound qual.; 2, Allen, fine bold buff, grand size, good typical spec., nice head and neck, good wings, nice tail carr.; 3, Mrs. Scholes, another good one, capital size and type, good front, nice qual.; 4, Tanner, typical spec., hardly so nicely put down as winner, but still a good one; vhc, Mrs. Williams; he, West; c, Viney. YORKS YELL CK. (9): 1, Bousfield, long slim spec., grand pos. and style, neat head and neck, good shoulders, grand wings, A1 qual.; 2, Heath, lovely typical spec., well filled head and neck, nice smooth front, good shoulders, A1 wings; 3, Coffin Bros., another good one, fine length, good position and style, neat wings, grand condition; 4, Hawes Bros., big bold var. spec., hardly so clean in front as winner, but nice type and qual.; vhc, Cook; he, Yorke; c, Webster. BUFF (9): 1, Mrs. Holliday, smart typical bird of fine length, nice head and shoulders, good colour and beautiful qual., well shown; 2, Fulford, another good one, nicely moulded, grand length and style, good wings, A1 condition; 3, Yorke, nice length and position, neat head and neck, capital length of wing; 4, Hawes Bros., smart bird, good size and type, capital shoulders and back, fine qual.; vhc, Coffin Bros.; he, Harrison; c, Heath. HENS (12): 1, Richards, very fine head, grizzled yell., nice size and type, well all round, grand head and wings, lovely qual. and soundness as glass; 2, Cook, fine buff, lovely type, good head, nice bit of shoulders, good wings and tail, A1 qual.; 3, Hawes Bros., a very good specimen, hardly so well filled as leader, but grand wings; 4, Heath, neat head, fine bird, wee bit long at back, but lovely; vhc, Mrs. Holliday; c, Webster, grand long bird, lovely, good position, neat head, [illegible] Hawes Bros., smart bird, [illegible] evenly drawn, good [illegible] as winner; 3, Mrs. [illegible] hardly so long, but fine [illegible] 4, Milsom and Co., [illegible] neat wings and tail; vhc, [illegible] Coffin Bros.; c Heath. [illegible] Hawes Bros., a grand team, wing [illegible] typical spec., lovely head, [illegible] 3, Spark, clear, [illegible] type and style, all in perfect condition; 2, vhc, Richards, smart wing mkd. bird, rare style and type, nicely filled in, neat wings; he, Heath. NOV. CK. (26): 1, Curtis and Son, lovely tkd. buff, grand length and position, plenty of nerve, neat head, good shoulders and wings, capital condition; 2, Gardner, grand clear yell., fine length, well filled front and back, good head, A1 wings, lovely qual.; 3, Clarke, fine long cl. buff, capital style and position, well up on leg, neat tail; 4, Maidment, nicely drawn yell., capital length, good shoulders; vhc, Fawle; he, Olding; c, Harris. HEN (12): 1, Maidment, grand yell., magnificent type, good head, back and wings, nice shoulders, stands well on good legs, A1 qual.; 2, Pinnell, a bonny buff, good length of wing, nicely braced, capital shoulders, nice qual. pipe tail; 3, Milsom and Co., racy yell., fine length and nerve, neat head, good back and wings; 4, Harris, a capital typical buff of good length, bit unsteady, A1 qual.; vhc, Raymond; he, Adams; c, Fawle. LANCS. (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, he, c, Minty, a magnificent team of Coppies and Plainheads. The leader a grand yell. Coppy, wonderful length and sub., very fine headpiece, with good frontal, 2nd a lovely Plainhead, rare cut, and length of wing, grand position, all well shown, in very fine fettle. BORD. CK. (21): 1, 2, Jenkins, two charmers, a lovely buff leading, nice size, sweet type, full of qual. and col; 2nd a lovely yell., shade stouter in build, but magnificent boxy feather, staged to perfection; 3, Madagan, another fine buff, beautiful typical spec., smooth as wax, neat head and wings, in very fine form; 4, Barton Bros., charming yell., sweet head and nice free neck, well modelled, fine qual.; vhc, Pratt; c, Dodge. HEN (14): 1, 2, Jenkins, beautiful yell. leading, sweet typical lady, smooth as wax, smart nervy bird, with well braced wings and neat tail; 2nd charming buff of lovely qual., quite the correct Border type, a fascinating pair; 3, Saunders, smart breedy bird, lovely position and style, sound col. and qual.; 4, Sampson, a good buff, nice size, typical, sweet head, perfect wings, in fine trim; vhc, Ellwood; he, Dodge; c Madagan. A.O.V. (17): 1, Dr. Laurie, with a beautiful self Cinn., grand type, plenty of nerve, moves well, sound in col., in A1 condition, a charming exhibit; 2, Edwards, a lovely buff green, grand shape, good head, nicely modelled, clean run to a good tail; 3, 4, Jenkins, a sweet yell. green leading, smart typical spec., lovely col. and qual.; 4th beautiful Cinn. mkd., as smooth as wax, shade stout, but faultless condition, deserves its place; vhc, Burton Bros.; he, Wine and Co.; c, Bobbett and Wall. NOV. (22): 1, c, Peppernell, a lovely buff of perfect type, sweet head, nicely rounded, grand wings and tail, in very fine condition; 2, 4, Williams, a brace of typical spec., yell., leader slightly better moulded and filled in, both of grand qual., in nice condition and well staged; 3, Hands, jun., a charming buff, neat type, sweet head, good wings and tail, fine qual.; 4, vhc, Unwin, a very typical yell., neat, well braced wings, sound col. and qual.; he, Smith. A.O.V. (5): 1, Pope, a grand bold yell. Cinn., typical, very sound in col., A1 quality, well staged; 2, March, fine Scotch Fancy, capital size and type, very nervy, moves well, in fine trim; 3, Col. Routh, fine bold buff Cinn., spoilt by being over-fat, otherwise grand bird with good head and wings, sound col. and qual.; 4, Allen, a good Belgian, nice depth and comes quickly into position. HYB., CL., ETC. (5): 1, 4, Lamb, leader a charming bird, lightly wing mkd. Goldie-Can., good size, very shapely and smart, a fascinating exhibit, much admired; 4th eye-ticked Goldie-Can., shade small, but shapely, and in fine fettle; 2, Dr. Weekes, fine bold 4-point yell., grand size and type, beautiful col. and qual, looks like the Portsmouth winner; 3, Raby, another good 4-pointed bird, hardly so large, but A1 qual. and well put down; vhc, Ball. DK. (17): 1, Harding, charming yell. Goldie Can., capital size and shape, brimming with qual. and polish, staged to the minute; 2, Parlett, bold Greenie, magnificent sub., looking a wee bit tired, but still worth his place; 3, Miss Bousfield, very fine bold buff Goldie, rare head and body, good blaze, sound col. and qual.; 4, Lugg, good Linnet, big bold bird, very shapely, nicely kd., wants a bit more col. to be a topper; vhc, Poole; he, Bowler; c, Leavers. A.O.S. (6): 1, Edwards, good Can.-Bullie, capital size and type, rich even col., dense wings and cap, put down in perfect condition; 2, he, Lamb, very fine Goldie-Bullie, graud size, good shape, rare flush of col., shows himself to perfection, a charming exhibit; 3, Collins, lovely Goldie-Linnet, beautiful shape and colour, nice silky texture of feather, in perfect condition; 4, Edmunds and Co., Redpoll-Greenie, one of the best, nice size, shapely, and good flush of col., in A1 condition; vhc, Meek. BRIT. GOLDFINCH (26): 1, vhc, he, Richards, leader a magnificent bird, as near perfection as possible, grand face, wings and tanning, polished like satin, a perfect gentleman; 2, Cheney, another beauty, close up, hardly the top of winner, nor quite the sheen, but lovely qual. and shown for all it was worth; 3, Jones, rare size and faultless shape, grand face, although not quite so clean-cut as winner, still a wonderful exhibit, tight as wax; 4, Poole, another beauty, grand col., perfect tanning, beautiful wings, A1 condition; ex 4, Webber, close up, little between them; c, W. G. Poole. BULLFINCH (15): 1, Cheney, bird of wonderful sub., rare cap, grand col. for a house-moulted one, lovely tone of grey on back, perfect wings, a real topper; 2, Tilley, field-moulted, rare size and sub., grand cap, shade darker in breast col., but not quite the wing bars of winner, nor the polish, but a very fine specimen; 3, 4, Jones, lovely hen leading, a real charmer, absolute perfect shape, rich col., full of qual.; 4th another good cock bird, grand cap and breast, not quite the polish of winners; vhc, Poole; he, Edwards; c, Routh. GREENFINCH (5): 1, Winstone, good size and type, nicely proportioned, sound col., fine qual.; 2, Gerrey, another good one of nice size, very shapely, good head and wings; 3, Curtis, nice qual. bird, good sub., capital wings; 4, Chivers, hardly the size of winners, but capital shape and col., nice qual. LINNET, ETC. (34): 1, Parlett, magnificent bird for size and sub., well proportioned, grand col., richly mkd., in very fine condition; 2, Miss Bousfield, smart Twite, very shapely, good size, rich col. and beautifully laced; 3, 4, c, Jones, jun., another grand Linnet, hardly the size and sub. of winner, but lovely type, full of work, and put down in A1 condition; 4, a charming Siskin, good size, shapely, nice cap and bib, and rich breast col., in very fine fettle; vhc, Hudd; he, Bull. HAWFINCH, ETC. (6): 1, Poole, grand Hawfinch, good size and shape, rich sound col. throughout, clean cut bib, fine wings; 2, Lugg, very fine hen Hawfinch, wonderful col. and size, grand bib, in tip-top cond.; 3, Miss Bousfield, lovely Snow Bunting, charming bird, faultless shape, steady as a rock, well shown; 4, Parlett, yet another Hawfinch, hardly so cleanly cut bib as winner, otherwise equally good, lovely qual. feather; vhc, Plainer; he, Pearce. SOFTBILL (7): 1, 2, Miss Bousfield, charming Dartford Warbler leading, good col. and condition; 2nd perfect Blackcap, grand size, very shapely, in fine feather and well shown; 3, Edmunds and Co., still another Blackcap, hardly the size of winner, but a good bird, in fine form; 4, Hawkins, good Skylark, grand size and shape, well mkd.; vhc, he, Stent; c, Curtis Bros.. FOR. (7): 1, Mrs. Sage, magnificent Senegal Parrot, grand size and col., a real beauty, shown in perfect condition; 2, Lanham, very fine Blue Bonnet, perfect col. and condition; 3, Mrs. Bowden, big bold Amazon, wonderful sub., grand col., perfect condition; 4, Miss Brimson, lovely Grey, grand tone of col., rare qual. and condition; vhc, he, c, Miss Biss. A.O.V. (7): 1, Miss Bousfield, a charming Black-headed Gouldian, wonderful col. and qual., tight as wax and beautifully staged; 2, Leavers, nice pair of Waxbills, grand col. and qual.; 3, Edmunds and Co., big Copper-headed Tanager, not in the best condition, but A1 col.; 4, Muscott, lovely pair Red-headed Gouldians, grand col. and beautifully put down; vhc, Jenkins; he, Mrs. Scully. MEMBERS. YORK: 1, 4, c, Pinnell; 2, vhc, he, Payne; 3, Davis. LANCS.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, he, c, Edwards. BORDER: 1, 4, he, Pope; 2, 3, Dodge; vhc, Hobbs. NOV.: 1, vhc, Hobbs; 2, Edgell; 3, Jelly; 4, King. NOR.: 1, Young; 2, 3, Pinnell; 4, Kelley; vhc, he, Davis. HYB.: 1, 2, Yeo; 3, Edwards; 4, vhc, Elliott. BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Ginnell; 4, Webb; vhc, Elliott; he, Kelley; c, Pinnell. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, Miss Biss.

SANDY LANE AND DIST. C.B.A.

Second show of the season held at the headquarters on December 14th. Entries totalled 64. Mr. L. Dykes officiated as judge, and his awards gave satisfaction. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL: 1, Drake; 2, Shaw Bros.; 3, Whitwham. BUFF: 1, 2, Shaw Bros.; YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Shaw Bros.; 3, Whitwham. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Thornton and Bower. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Drake; 3, Whitwham. EVEN, ETC.: 1, Thornton and Bower; 2, Shaw Bros.; 3, S. Moore. NOVICE: CL. or TKD. YELL.: 1, Ratcliffe; 2, Holdsworth; 3, J. Hanson. BUFF: 1, Holdsworth; 2, Ratcliffe; 3, A. Hanson. YELL. HEN: 1, M. Moore; 2, J. Moore; 3, A. Hanson. BUFF: 1, 3, M. Moore; 2, J. Moore. UNFLIG.: 1, M. Moore; 2, Hardaker; 3, A. Hanson. CINN. MKD.: 1, M. Moore.—Ratcliffe and Shaw, Secs.

AYR AND DISTRICT C.B.C.

Annual members' table show, held in the Academy Hall, Fort Street, December 14th. Mr. Thos. Cowan, Troon, judged to the general satisfaction. The classes were not filled to expectations, but the birds shown were of A1 quality, especially Yorks. and British. Mr. W. Conkie won spl. for most points; Mr. C. C. Irvine, best Greenfinch; Mr. A. Telfer, best Yorks. Mr. A. Hainey won novice spl.

SCOTCH FANCY: Cancelled. C. or C.B. (3): 1, French; 2, 3, Forbes. NOR., YELL.: 1, 2, Mackay; 3, Irvine. BUFF: 1, 4, Mackay; 2, Murray; 3, F. Saunders. YORK., CK. YELL. (3): 1, 3, A. Telfer; 2, R. Telfer. BUFF (2): 1, Cameron; 2, Sloan. HEN, YELL. (3): 1, Cameron; 2, A. Telfer; 3, Sloan. BUFF (5): 1, 2, 4, A. Telfer; 3, Cameron; 5, Bell. BORD.: Cancelled. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, W. Lyall, Linnet Mule, and Siskin Mule; 3, 5, Bell, variegated Greenie Mule buff; 4, J. Murray. GOLDFINCH (4): 1, 2, Conkie; 3, Lyall, field moulted; 4, French. BULLFINCH (5): 1, Irvine; 2, Wason; 3, Lyall; 4, Conkie; 5, Boyd. GREENFINCH (3): 1, Irvine, fed; 2, Wason, non-fed; 3, spl., Hainey. LINNET, H.M. (6): 1, Conkie; 2, Irvine; 3, Lyall; 4, Bell; 5, Wason; 6, Boyd. F.M. (2): 1, Conkie; 2, Wason. TWITE, ETC. (4): 1, 2, 3, Conkie, 2 a non-fed Siskin, 3 Mealy Redpoll; 4, Wason, we hear that a protest was lodged against the winner. LESSER POLL (2): 1, Lyall; 2, Wason. HEN, BRIT. HARDBILL (5): 1, Lyall, Linnet; 2, Conkie, Bullie; 3, Bell, Greenfinch; 4, Irvine; 5, Hainey. A.O. BRIT. (3): 1, Conkie, Yellowhammer; 2, Irvine, Chaffinch; 3, Bell, Chaffinch. FOREIGN: Cancelled.

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BOWHILL.

5th annual show held Dec. 14, in the Gothenburg Hall. The weather was very wretched throughout the day, so that the light was not of the best. We were sorry to note the very poor entry, there being a big decrease from last year. The Secretary, Mr. A. Spence, had everything well in hand, and is a most obliging and painstaking official. He is very ably backed up by a willing staff of helpers. The judges were: Norwich and Borders, J. Holmes, Edinburgh; Crests; and British birds, G. Arnott (Kirkcaldy), whose awards seemed to give general satisfactiou.

The Critique.

CREST HEN (1): 1, Summers, dark crest of good formation, nice qual. of feather, well centred. C.B. CK. (1): 1, Summers, good cushion, clothed with nice qual. feather of good length. NOR. CL. YELL. (5): 1, 3, 4, Spence, fine size and sub., nice type and qual., round head, full neck and good wings; 3rd larger, extra strong head, fine stamp, good qual., fails wings; 2 Mathieson, not so large, lovely qual., fine type, close up; 5, Fisher. HEN (2): 1, Fisher, smart typical one, fine qual., neat wings; 2, Spence, neat one, even, chubbier, fails in head to winner. CL. BUFF CK. (3): 1, Barrie, fine qual., not chubby enough, rich col.; 2, Bell, larger, fails qual., a bit thin in neck; 3, Young, our choice for 2nd, splendid qual. and typical. HEN (2): 1, Ramsay, fine stamp, lovely type, short and chubby body, fine rounded head, wins; 2, Pratt, fails type and qual., nice head and neck, fine wings. VARIEG. YELL. (4): 1, Ramsay, on the long side, but fine head and neck, good qual., rich col.; 2, Grewar, splendid type, fails col.; 3, Paterson, fine type and qual., fails head; 4, Finnie, fails neck, fine qual. and col., not so well rounded. HEN (3): 1, Dickson, good qual., fine wings and col.; 2, Kirk, good bird, very typical, fails head a bit owing to extra depth of chest, finely rounded; 3, Mathieson, fine large hen, nice qual. and col. VARIEG. BUFF CK. (2): 1, Finnie, sweet one for type and qual.; 2, Duff, fails stamp, fine col. HEN (4): 1, Ramsay, well-known, fine head, neck and well rounded body, fine wings and qual., wins; 2, 3, Dickson, nice one, fails head, good body, fine qual. and wing carriage; 3rd not so stout, fine qual., fails wings; 4, Barrie. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (2): 1, Grewar, fine stamp, good qual., fine short wings; 2, Duff, longer in body, lovely qual., fine col., in good order. HEN (5): 1, Finnie, fine head and neck, good qual. and col.; 2, Spence, fine head and neck, well rounded body, good wings; 3, Grewar, larger, fine short body, wings and tail; 4, Dickson; 5, Young. UNFLIG. BUFF CK. (4): 1, Finnie, good stamp, fine head, neck, fine body properties, grand qual., wins; 2, Ramsay, variegated, fine top end and body subs., nice col., fails qual., short flights in one wing; 3, Kirk, good head, fine type; 4, Young. HEN (3): 1, Dickson, in fine bloom, nice type, grand qual., wants a bit more sub.; 2, Smith, fine top end, chubby body, fine qual., lacks finish; 3, Mathieson, nice exhibit. NON-FED (3): 1, Kirk, tkd. buff, neat head, fails neck, a bit long-sided, fine qual; 2, Finnie, fine, short chubby body, a little high on leg, nice qual. var. yell.; 3, Grewar, yell. green, good stamp, fine qual. and col. HEN (2): 1, Barr, cl. buff, fine type and qual.; 2, Simpson and Baxter, yell. var. BORD. CL. YELL. (3): 1, Peters, well-known winner, gem for shape, lovely rounded body, nice taper, wins; 2, Cunuingham, close up, fine style, well rounded, nice qual.; 3, Muir, fails in taper and finish, well balanced wings, stylish. HEN (4): 1, H. Bonnet, nice one, shown to perfection, fine style, well rounded, sweet all-round bird, wins; 2, Peters, fine style, well rounded, nice taper, fine free action; 3, Cargill, well drawn, lovely qual., lacks finish, No. 1, Stewart, wrong class, Green. CL. BUFF CK. (3): 1, Peters, fine style, good position rare head and shoulders; 2, Bennet, feather like boxwood, fine style, well rounded, fine position, fails taper; 3, Peel, good qual. and finish. HEN (6): 1, Peters, fine free action and nice position, lovely style, well staged, wins; 2, Bennet, fine position, lovely qual., grandly rounded, well shown, close up; 3, 4, Yule, fine type and qual., nice position, grand qual.; 5, Peel; 6, Seath. EVEN MKD. (1): 1, Stewart, fine type and qual., nice balanced mkgs. UNEVEN (2): 1, Bennet, beauty, lovely position, grand qual., splendid type; 2, Cunningham, fine type and qual., not the same finish. COMMON CAN. (5): 1, 4, Bell; 2, 5, Ewenson; 3, Seath. YORKS. (6): 1, Wishart, fine length, nice position, well up on leg, fine quality; 2, Clelland, close up, well up on leg, fine type, qual.; 3, King, fine qual.; 4, R. Yarley; 5, Paterson; 6, J. Yarley. HEN (2): 1, Wishart, nice one, well up on leg, nice qual., 2, King, fails trifle pos., fine length. DK. MULE (4): 1, Taylor, largest, best col. and mkgs., fine condition and qual.; 2, Nicol, fails col. but nicely pencilled; 3, Rankins, non-fed, well laced, all Linnet-Can; 4, McDonald, Siskin. GOLDFINCH (6): 1, Rankine, fine blaze and nice tannings and lovely moonings, in grand order; 2, Harrower, fine tannings, good wing bars and buttons; 3, Barclay, nice wing bars and blaze; 4, 5 Kinnear; 6, Black and Lumsden. GOLDIE OR BULLFINCH, FOR. (5): 1, Lister, well-known Bullie, often described; 2, Clelland, Goldie, big one, fails a bit in size of blaze, in fine trim; 3, Stewart, Bullie hen, nice mkgs. and col.; 4, M. Stewart; 5, Simpson and Baxter. BULLFINCH (5): 1, Thomson, well-known, needs no comment; 2, Lister, nice breast col., fine stamp and good condition; 3, McDonald, not so large as winners, equal in other respects; 4, Colville; 5 Black and Lumsden. LINNET (4): 1, Lister, fine stamp, shows nice whites, fine pencilled, pale col.; 2, Barclay, slim, fine col., and mkgs.; 3, Nicol, nice distinct markings; 4, Black and Lumsden. GREENFINCH, NON-FED (5): 1, Bell, yell., fine col. and qual., nice flights; 2, Adamson, too tame, won't show, fine stamp, grand qual.; 3, 5, Black and Lumsden, fine type and qual; 4, Colville. GREENFINCH, FED (1): 1, Thomson, nice one, fine type and qual., fine bars. SISKIN (1): 1, Nicol, fine cap and col.., nice lacings. MEALY REDPOLL (1): 1, Adamson, fine type, good lacings, fine order; 2, no name, F.-M., fine bib and lacing, not steady yet. LESSER (3): 1, Black and Lumsden, tidy one, in fine order; 2, 3, Colville, fails a bit mkgs., good type. BRIT. LARGE (1): 1, Nicol, Thrush, fine size, fine bloom, run a bit in markings, still nice one. SMALL (1): 1, Rankine, Yellowhammer, dense mkgs., fine col.

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How Exhibition Canaries Should be Bred.

The Views of Mr. W. Wharton, of Bradford.

(*Continued from page* 1101.)

Another very useful thing about this time is half a teaspoonful of linseed twice a week, which is excellent in warding off that most serious trouble, egg-binding. To attain our object, we must try and steer clear of egg-binding, of which I have had some little experience. 'Tis often said that experience is a great teacher, so my readers may forgive me if I quote a little of mine.

Up to 6 years ago I used to have sometimes five or six hens egg-bound every year. I tried all the various remedies advocated for this complaint, but still they came, until I was advised by an old and esteemed fancier to give them plenty of linseed, which I did, and have done every year since. I might mention also that I have never used any inga seed with the exception of what is in the mixed seed. I have never had an egg-bound hen since. Therefore I have naturally formed an opinion that there is something beneficial in linseed. Another thing we shall require at this particular time is a good supply of cuttle fish bone. I myself save all the shells of the eggs, that have been used for the making of puddings, etc., dry them, and roughly grind them up and throw some into the cage bottoms occasionally for the hens to pick up to help them to shell their own eggs.

We will suppose that all has gone well so far, and that the hen has laid the ordinary clutch of eggs. If she is a young hen (bred the season previous), I should advise you not to disturb her more than is really necessary during the first round, because it is at this time when they get, or lose, confidence in their master. And if once they get this, you can rely on them doing their work providing you do yours in giving them good, clean, fresh food at the necessary time.

When we have a nice brood of, say, four healthy youngsters just about to leave the nest, we shall have to keep a sharp look-out, for fear the parents are wanting to re-line the old nest, or line a new one. I think it is safest at this time to move the young. If they are not picking for themselves, it will be better to hang them in a Yorkshire show cage, or a nursery cage, in front of the breeding cage, so that their parents will be able to feed them through the wires. Keeping in mind that we are dealing with exhibition specimens, we must try to avoid them getting plucked, or this will tell against them during the show season. Sometimes they do not seem to get on so well after they have been plucked, therefore we avoid it if possible.

When we have them doing for themselves, this is the time we should train them up in the way they should go; then when they grow old they will not depart from it. Let them have plenty of baths, so that they may learn to keep themselves clean. We must not forget the show cage. Spare moments spent in training them to this will never be wasted. I maintain that it is at this particular time you are making them into exhibition specimens, for, however good they may be, if they are not trained for their work they are not of much use on the show bench.

The next consideration will be the moult. This, to my mind, is one of the most trying times for young birds. You will find in many cases that birds which have gone on well up to now seem to start going the wrong way. These are the ones that require some help to make them break into the moult. I find myself that cochineal is a very good thing to use; it helps them on wonderfully. You can get it at nearly any chemist's shop, and it costs very little. I generally put about a dozen of the small insects (or pellets, whichever you like to call them) into a breakfast cup and pour a cupful of boiling water on them. Let it go cold, and give this as drinking water until the birds break into the moult.

The Colour-food and the Moult.

Another thing to be considered is the colour food. Don't be tempted to buy any "cheap." Just think for a moment: you have an ideal bird and you go and throw your chance away for the sake of a few coppers. You must have a good and reliable colour food to bring your specimens up to date.

As to the system of moulting, I generally put two birds together in a cage, a cock and a hen; they don't fight as much as if you had two cocks together, and they eat the colour food better. But you will have to keep a sharp look-out, as some birds have a nasty habit of plucking; so keep your eyes open for fear you might have one of this kind to deal with. If so, put it in a cage by itself.

A few drops of Parish's Chemical Food in their water, now and again, is very good while they are in the moult. Keep your birds as clean as possible as long as you can, so that you will be able to do without washing, because they must be properly through the moult before you venture to wash them. If washed too early it is liable to throw a bird into a second moult. I consider now that we have got our specimens ready for the show bench.

Hints from a British Bird Enthusiast

Both Hybrid-breeders and Keepers of British Birds will find many useful "tips" in this Lecture, given by Mr. W. Clark (Larkhall), before the Burnbank and Hamilton West C.B.S.

At a recent meeting of the Burnbank and Hamilton West C.B.S., held in Burnbank Co-operative Hall, a lecture was given on British birds, Mule and Hybrid breeding, by Mr. William Clark, of Larkhall.

Mr. Clark said: It is advisable to have British birds in an outside house, as I believe that if plenty of fresh air is available there will be healthier birds. Wild seeds should only be given as ripe as possible, otherwise they are little or no use. They should be introduced to your birds in small quantities at first, as they come in season. In the early spring give the buds from hawthorn hedges and from yellow plum trees to Bullfinches, if you can get them. A week or two later you will be getting young dandelion leaves; but be careful about the frosty mornings. Next comes the coltsfoot, which is the earliest seed you will get.

After this fanciers are looking out for the heads of dandelions, which I know to be a great favourite with Mule breeders, and I know of nothing better for getting birds into breeding condition. At the same time I don't like to over-do them, as I have lost some of the best Finches I have had through giving them too many. I gradually increase the quantity till the birds are in high breeding condition—that is, fertilising eggs. Then I give about six heads to each bird every day, and keep it up till the heads "blow."

You will then be getting chicken-weed, shepherds-purse, mouse-ear, which will see you through the breeding season, I then run all my birds into an aviary and introduce groundsel, as it is a great favourite of mine at that season of year. After that your birds should be breaking into the moult. Any that are not moulting should be shaded down with a thin cloth, providing they are healthy.

The Moulting Dietary.

It is best to have the birds in different sections, so that you can feed the different species on the different wild seeds to suit them, such as "queen of the meadow" for Bullfinches, shepherds-purse, rat-tails (plantain) for Linnets, thistles, hardheads (knapweed) for Goldfinches and Siskins, and the many other seeds. After the birds are about finished with the moult, I introduce bought seeds, such as getting plain canary with a little linseed for the last hemp, sunflower, teazle, and rape, as they have only been month or two. This will make them plump and fat, and they will be showing any good points they have. During cold weather keep their water from freezing, and given a good piece of mutton suet, they should pull through the winter all right.

Before going in for Softbills one should study insect life a little; that is, likely places to search for them, how to breed maggots of different kinds, and the best way to keep them after you have got them. About the summer and autumn I know of nothing better than a Softbill to keep down earwigs in your outhouse, if it is a wooden one, the bird being allowed to fly up and down it.

In breeding for dark Mules, only good pairs should be put up, so that if you breed any you will have something to look at. Large yellow hens, with good heads, crossed from Norwich and Lancashire are grand; the Norwich will put in type and colour, and the Lancashire will give size and long-sidedness and ensure the young being strong on their legs, to enable them to stand well up. The hens should be paired to large bright coloured Finches. Light Mule breeding has wonderfully improved this last two or three years. No doubt most of you will have read the correspondence in Cage Birds "Do Mules breed." If I were trying for Light Mules I would not be backward in putting up two variegated Mules of different sex to two clear yellow Canaries of different sex—just for experiment. But all Light Mules I have seen bred have come from a Finch that had been breeding a lot, the owner generally losing him after he had bred his lightest Mule!

In Hybrid breeding, like Dark Mule breeding, only good pairs should be put up, Siberian hen Bullies with either Canary, Goldie, Greenie, or Linnet. British hen Bullies should only be paired with Redpoll, or Siskin, or some other British, so that would make a rare cross. For instance, I had a yellow cock Wagtail which paired up with a hen Bullie of his own accord (when flying loose with others in an aviary). I might mention that the act of pairing was not done in the usual way, that is, as with two ordinary Finches. When the Bullie hen "called," the Wagtail would walk round her once or twice, with his feathers puffed out, carrying his head high in the air, and then he would step on to her back. I often wonder why there are not more Bullie eggs fertile. I believe if more insect food was given such as silkworms, grasshoppers, blight (smother fly) from rose trees, and live ants' eggs there would be more fertile eggs.

Is this why the hen Canary fails?

Talking about Hybrid breeding reminds me of an old friend of mine, who was very successful. The last time I saw his bird room, he had his bed situated in it, so that whenever he opened his eyes in the early mornings he could look into all his cages and see how the breeding couples were going on. His opinion is that if you get any young Hybrids to hatch out, you should not always depend on a hen Canary to feed, as he had seen the best of feeders fail to rear them. The youngster, with its long thin neck and its heavy head, when it opened its mouth for feeding, would wriggle from one side to another—never for one instant could it hold its head steady—while the hen stood over the nest striving hard and doing all it could to get the opportunity to pop something into its mouth. Hence the reason so many young Hybrids die at the age of about three days. It is best, therefore, if you are able to hand feed. I have been successful in hand rearing both Hardbill and Softbill birds, but I have failed to hand-rear three Redpoll Bullie Hybrids on different occasions.

Often in the summer I have found myself in some of the woody glens watching the birds fly to and from their nests feeding their young. One would wonder whence they get the insects; but if you turn up the branches of the heavy-leaved trees you will see them in abundance. At other times I have found myself sitting on the banks near to the water watching the Swallow, the Wagtail, and some of the wee creeping beasts locally known by fishermen as the "carr." The latter disport themselves in the shallow water, darting from under one stone to another. Occasionally one would rise to the surface of the water and creep on to a dry stone, till the wings grew. At this stage the Wagtail is always on the lookout for them, but should they miss his keen eye and be allowed to remain until the wings are full grown, they then rise into the air. In an instant the Swallow, gliding up the river, gives one half-turn on the wing, and the insect disappears. Fine slips by quickly while one is watching with keen interest and pleasure the ways of nature.

Mr. Clark answered many questions in a very satisfactory manner. The Chairman, Mr. Morrison, moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Clark on behalf of the meeting. This brought a very enjoyable evening to a close.

John Williamson, Sec.

The Xmas Message of a Sparrow.

Sent by "Jenny," from Under the Eaves, Brixton.

Dear Mr. Headitor: My friend read out of Cage Birds' that you want to know all sorts of things about British birds, so I thought as it was Christmas-tide I would just send to you about one or two little things that concern us. I'm not a cage bird, true, though I have had a speaking acquaintance with a good many. But British?—nobody can deny me that. Just a "common Sparrow," somebody said contemptuously the other day. There's plenty of "common people" about too, and seems to me it's the common folk mostly that do all the work—and then get more kicks than half-pence for their share.

But, never mind that; what I wanted to ask you about was these motor car things that's running all over the place now—what's the good of 'em? They're no good to *us* anyway. We can't live on petrol, or the smell of it. There used to be plenty of good fat horses about London, in vans and things, and a horse was generally good natured enough to shake a good meal for us out of his nosebag. And a good meal is a blessing very often when you've got a large family to provide for. I had eight last summer, and how I struggled through I don't know, but they are all doing well now thank goodness What we shall do this year I can't think.

The Murderous Motor.

And they are so dangerous, too. I nearly got caught the other day when I was in the road picking up a little dainty. A precious taxi came whizz round the corner and how I cleared it I don't know, but I managed to get on the railings and put my feathers straight after a minute—it is so upsetting! Philip (that's my mate) says, "Serve you right; you shouldn't go poking about road-ways in the middle of the day. Why don't you keep to the back gardens?" Now, isn't that unreasonable? Those gardens are swarmed with cats and they are worse than motors, or quite as bad. Ah! me, many a promising chick of mine have they had, and caten it before my very eyes. That's trouble, if you like.

Some of the people are not much better, either. In the summer one man actually got up just after sunrise and asked his wife how she thought he could sleep with those blessed Sparrows pecking his beans all to pieces. And we wasn't doing nothing of the kind—only just picking up insects for the youngsters. Mind, I don't say we didn't have a mouthful off the pea shoots occasionally, but then we earned it, didn't we? He couldn't expect us to clear his garden for nothing, and they were that mean they wouldn't even give you a handful of crumbs. "It makes the place so untidy to put bread outside, and encourages those beastly birds."

We can manage to get a few caterpillars and that sort of thing in the park just near in the early morning, but the Starlings take a good share of what's there and there's a good many Robins too, and they're just imps if they catch you on their ground. They look so nice and "Christmas-cardy," you wouldn't believe how they can double you up when they set about it—greedy little pigs!

All in the Point of View.

I don't think much of Chaffinches, either, with their everlasting "Pink, Pink," but some people call them singing birds! I had a brother who could sing quite as well, I'm sure, quite accomplished he was—but, then, he lived in a house nearly all his life; slipped out of the nest into a hole in the roof, so they took him and put him in a cage and fed him up. He grew quite handsome. Every day he had a bath of water and a fly round the room, and one of the people used to say she owned him. Just fancy! He used to think he owned *her*, for if he didn't get what he wanted he led her a terrible life. If she went to eat an apple he would carry on if he wasn't allowed to sit on her hand or shoulder and have bite for bite. He picked up a bit of Lark song from somewhere and used to sandwich it in amongst our own talk. Very often his people were asked what bird it was and when they said "a Sparrow," the folks used to say "Oh, it can't be a common Sparrow, you can't keep them in a cage; besides it's such a pretty bird." Just as if we aren't all pretty!

Now, what I want to know is, why birds shouldn't have a share of the fruit and other good things when they have done their share of the work in keeping the insects down? The parson in the church near here says, the other Sunday, when I was sitting on the window edge, something about the "labourer being worthy of his hire." But the farmer folk seem to think the birds can work hard to clear his trees and fields, and then not want to have any pay for it. That ain't fair is it?

Philip says "What that to do with motors?" Well, it's just this: If there isn't any horses, how are we going to get a living in London, and if we go into the country the farmers and Sparrow Clubs are going to shoot us. So what are we to do? Please, Mr. Headitor, find some way out for us. (Philip says I ought not to put H to your name, but you are the head man, ain't you?).

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CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

IMPROVING (Crest).—Thanks for your letter. Glad to hear the birds have improved so much, and the cocks resumed singing. You will do quite right to continue the treatment in each case until the birds have been apparently quite recovered for some days—a week or so. In the case of the hens continue the treatment until they are reduced to quite normal conditions, but give the rhubarb mixture only in alternate weeks.

MATE FOR CREST-BRED (J. W., Nottingham).—The age of the bird, three years, is certainly not too old for it to breed successfully. Indeed, if it remains healthy and active it is good for several years' good breeding yet. You speak of the bird as being "part Crest-bred," by which I take it you mean it is bred from a Crest-bred and a bird of some other breed, but not a Crest. If I am correct in this it would be wasting good material to mate it with a "good bred Crest," in order to breed singers, which you say is your object. If you can get a first-cross Roller-Norwich hen this is the mate I should advise as a first choice. Failing this, mate it with a nice plump Norwich hen. In either case train the young cocks under a good singing Roller if you have one available.

GROWTH ON WING (W.W.S.).—Dissolve a crystal of sulphate of iron the size of a small pea in about two teaspoonfuls of water that has been well boiled. Keep this solution in a small phial, and just moisten the growth with it by means of a camel-hair pencil or tip of a small feather every second day for a week, and continue afterwards twice a week for a month, or until the growth disappears, which may be in a shorter, or perhaps a longer period than a month. Be careful of solution or trouble may ensue with the powers that be, as it causes iron mould stains to appear on all linen it comes in contact with.

TENANTS IN OCCUPATION (W.B.C.).—(1) The small grey insects in cages are almost certain to be immature red mites. I suspect this from your remark about them running very quickly, though it is quite possible they may be grey lice from the game feathers. This you might easily ascertain. In the grey louse the head and body are very plainly seen as separate sections, joined by a narrow ligature, the head almost half as big as the body; in the red mite the head part is only discernible to pretty good eyesight in the absence of optical aid. Red mites live in cages for months without the presence of their feathered hosts, but in this case they become very small in size—smaller than lice—and quite liquid grey in colour. In either case the treatment advised to "J. W., Notts," in last issue will be a complete cure. (2) If the cottage is reasonably free from damp, and from cold cutting draughts—in short if it is reasonably fit for human habitation—there can be no reason why it should not make a very good birdroom, and if you go in for hardy normally raised stock there should be no necessity whatever for heating it. Norwich would be a good breed for your purpose and thrive well under such conditions. As regards caging them, if you can devote the necessary time to look after the separate cages properly, by all means do so. It is by far the most satisfactory method if you wish to exercise any control over the breeding.

WILL NOT BATHE AND WHEEZES (H.I.F.).—The bird is suffering from chronic bronchial trouble and the outlook in such cases is rarely very favourable. Its refusal to bathe is more advantageous than otherwise, as free bathing in inclement seasons would undoubtedly aggravate the trouble Offer it a bath about twice a week, when the weather is quite mild, and always early in the day during the winter and spring, and if it does not voluntarily bathe let it go "unwashed." Keep it in a just comfortable temperature, not too warm, but just off the chilly cold side. Let it be fairly equable and above all free from impure heated air, such as may prevail near the ceiling or near or over burning lights in the evening. For a fortnight give a diet of plain canary only, and a liberal supply of watercress. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb, and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a three-penny-piece every second day during the first week. At the end of the fortnight give the usual seed diet recommended in this column, and every second day for a month add half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake, with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and sprinkled with maw. On the alternate days, during same time, add 20 drops of following mixture, which any chemist will compound for you, to the drinking water. Mixture:—Two drachms each of oxymel of squills and glycerine, one drachm each of ipecac. wine and chlorodyne, and eight grains of iodide of potassium.

TO GET HIM TO SING (Avi.).—It is only taking a longer rest than usual after moulting. I have no doubt he will resume his song without interference in a short time now, anyway towards the end of January you may expect him to "open out." It would hurry him up a little to cage him alone in a single cage. Give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with a mixture of equal parts maw and gold of pleasure every second day for a week, and on the alternate days a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, and mustard. Keep a little of the paste recommended to "F. H. N." in last issue stuck in the wires for a fortnight.

OUT OF SONG (W. F., Ashton-under-Lyne).—You omit to say whether the birds are caged together or separately, and apparently in good health or otherwise. If they appear in good health the reply to "Avi" in this issue will fully apply to your case. Cage the birds separately, keep in a comfortable and equable place out of cold draughts, and keep floor of cage strewn with clean gritty sand, and feed as advised in reply to "Avi" in this issue for a month. That will, I think, put matters right.

ROLLERS IN OUTDOOR AVIARY (P. P.).—Providing only you take precautions to start with birds which have been brought up under normal conditions of temperature, Rollers are very well adapted for life in a cosy and well-sheltered outdoor aviary, as you say of yours. One thing you omit to say is whether you intend the birds to be caged or fly loose. In the former case you might succeed with ordinary trained singers in just the same way as you would if the birds were kept in a cold room indoors. But in the latter case the promiscuous flying about and mixing up with each other would most likely cause the song to deteriorate, so that although you might reasonably expect to keep up a strain of good average singing qualities, you could scarcely expect anything to equal a well-trained caged songster, and high-class song, such as required in contest singers, would be conspicuous by its absence. This superior type of song is purely the outcome of training under human control and selection, and this is out of the question with birds flying promiscuously together. Thus you will see that in a case of this kind a good average type of ordinary song is about all one can reasonably hope for. You could, of course, breed birds in the aviary, and cage up the cocks for training when they were able to do for themselves, and thereby get a much higher type of singing abilities. About three cocks and eight or nine hens of the Seifert or St. Andreasberg type of song would be the best stock for your aviary, and quite sufficient for a start.

CURIOUS EFFECT OF WASHING (E. G. or T.).—I am not quite sure what your second initial is. I am sorry I cannot tell you, on the facts given in your letter, what causes your birds to lose their claws after being washed. It is quite a curious circumstance, and the first of its kind I have heard of, I believe. I should, therefore, be obliged if you would send along the fullest particulars of the case. What is about the heat of the water you use for washing, and about how far from a nice clear fire would you dry them, and how long after being washed do the toes begin to turn black, and how long afterwards before the claw is lost? The loss seems to be a rather common occurrence with you. Is this so, and are the claws reproduced after a few months? I am strongly inclined to think that the loss is due to some violence to the claws, which, of course, may be quite accidental, and pass unnoticed at the time. For instance, if you use a piece of coarse flannel or woollen, or anything of a knitted description, to wrap the birds after rinsing, the birds may get the claws embedded in its surface whilst wrapped up, and the claws thereby get a wrench when you are unwrapping the bird, and a wrench of this kind, though not very perceptible to a man in a hurry, or full of suppressed excitement or enthusiasm, is quite sufficient to injure the claw at the base in such a way that it sloughs off in a short time. Again, you might accidentally give the claws a wrench if you use a piece of sponge or coarse flannel for washing, instead of a camel-hair brush, as some do. In some way I believe the cause must lie in the manner of washing, and if you are not an expert at the job I would advise you to get a more skilled friend to give you a lesson or two. You might also read up the part of "Our Canaries" dealing with washing.

JAUNDICED CANARY (J. S. B.).—Keep the bird in a quiet, comfortable temperature, but do not overheat it. See that it is free from cold draughts, but do not hang it high up near the ceiling, nor near or over burning lights in the evenings, and see that the place is well supplied with fresh pure air. As a staple diet give plain canary seed only. Each day for a month give a piece of bread the size of a hazel nut soaked in cold milk, drained, and well strewn with a mixture of equal parts maw and gold of pleasure seed. Every second day give half a teaspoonful of scalded rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days a pinch of a mixture of equal parts millet, black rape, niger, and teazle, and a spray of some green salad. Adhere strictly to this dietary for a month, and keep cage and perches very clean, and the cage floor strewn with clean, gritty sand. In the water add six drops each of syrup of rhubarb and dandelion juice every second day for a week, and afterwards in each two tablespoonfuls of drinking water dissolve a crystal of sulphate of soda, the size of a small pea, ditto of sulphate of iron, half as big, and add six drops of dilute sulphuric acid. Give this in place of plain water every second day for a fortnight.

NOT MOULTED (A. A. E.).—Certainly there could be no harm in writing and asking the breeder's advice about your bird, if you enclosed a stamped addressed envelope for his reply, but if your object is any other than advice it seems to me not very reasonable to expect anything more after this lapse of time. The cause of the bird's condition is undoubtedly the consequence of the moult being checked and stopped, and this is more than likely to arise from causes which originated long after you purchased the bird. You may try the following treatment pending hearing from breeder if you write him. Keep it quite free from cold draughts and impure air, and if you can move it to a dry and equable room where no fire is kept for two or three days or so, then move it back to a place where the temperature is about 60 deg., but still as equable as possible. In addition to the staple diet of canary seed give a half-teaspoonful of summer rape and a morsel of banana or spray of watercress every second day. On the alternate days give a piece of bread and milk slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur and sprinkled with maw, and a pinch of a mixture of equal parts niger, black rape, millet, and teazle. Add to the water every second day, on the days when you do not give bread and milk, 20 drops of whisky, five of syrup of saffron, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece, You may continue this treatment for two or three weeks.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

SICK BUDGERIGAR (Twitter).—Catch this bird and give it about two drops of tasteless castor-oil direct to the beak; if this does not give full relief, repeat the dose the next day. Follow this by a course of byno-phosphates, half teaspoonful daily in the drinking water. Budgies are small drinkers, and a small vessel containing about two tablespoonfuls will be ample. Diet: Canary and white millet, a few crushed oats and a millet spray, also a small lettuce leaf with the centre rib cut out. Do not omit cuttlebone and grit. You do not supply sufficient data for me to diagnose cause.

VIRGINIAN NIGHTINGALE (V.A.G.).—As a rule during the spring and summer their song is the fullest, but I still hear my bird (in outdoor aviary) singing. In a cage this species is not anything like so free with its song as in the aviary. He will probably sing with more freedom when he has been longer with you. Diet: Canary, and with millet, hemp, oats, and sunflower seeds in smaller quantities. Supply ripe fruit liberally, any kind he will take, also two or three mealworms or other insects per diem. Use twiggy branches as perches, these will assist in keeping the feet in good condition. It should be given opportunity to take a daily bath. They are hardy birds and only need protection from draught.

BUDGERIGARS (Leigh-on-Sea).—I should dust this bird with insect powder, blow it into the feathers; the boiling water ought to keep them out of the cage, if you thoroughly search all crevices with it. Cuttlebone and bird grit are very essential for all hard-billed birds. You must also supply green food, a leaf of lettuce with the centre rib cut out, and give it a millet spray occasionally. For, say a month, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in its drinking water once a week, and for the other portion of the week half a teaspoonful of byno-phosphates. Budgies are small drinkers, and a small crock drinker holding two tablespoonfuls will be ample for it. Our Nutshell, "Budgerigars," 2½d., from our manager, would help you.

RING-NECKED PARRAKEETS (Ring-neck).—I presume you have a true pair, the neck ring is very sharply defined in the male, and only very faintly indicated in the female. It may be that your birds are young, and that you'll get good results next season. What kind of a nest receptacle have you? It must have a concave bottom; if the bottom is flat the eggs roll about and get spoiled. A small barrel or natural log is the best for such birds. Collect, either yourself, or per some friend, some rotten wood that will pulp in the hand, and put a handful of this in the barrel or log. Fruit, seed, dry biscuit, and a few nuts, with grit (not sand), and cuttlebone, will be all they require.

BLACK-CHEEK LOVEBIRDS NOT BREEDING (S. R.).—There is a good deal of individuality with respective pairs of this species, some pairs being really prolific, others only hatching and rearing an occasional youngster. Your box is about right for depth, but it should not be less than six inches square. Put in your cage two twiggy branches for them to climb about and perch on. As nesting material give them some dry leaves, straws, and stiff pieces of hay cut into about 18in. lengths; they will also cut up the empty millet sprays and use this as building material. You will have to exercise patience; this species often takes a season to settle down, and yours will most probably nest and rear their young all right next year. When they are feeding young let the supply of spray millet be limited.

BUDGERIGARS AND AVIARY (H. North).—You should get our Nutshell "Budgerigars," 2½d. post free, from our manager, which would give you all details. When in breeding condition the cere round nostrils is blue in the male and brown in the female. Re aviary: Of course, even the small outdoor flight you propose to give is better than none, but it seems a pity spending time and money on a flight only 30 inches wide, but if you can do no better, **make it the full height of the wall, and let it consist** of all wire netting on light wood framing, but the top should be double netted, with a space of six to nine inches between, this will keep cats, etc., at bay. I should keep the ground turfed, renewing it as required, line the back wall with twigy branches. You could have, say, five pairs of Budgerigars, selling the young as soon as able to fend for themselves, for two pair Budgies, and one pair each Cockatoels and blue-wing Lovebirds. All would thrive under the treatment given in the Nutshell "Budgerigars." The nest receptacles, should have concave bottoms—natural logs, husks, or small barrels are best. For four pairs of birds I advise a dozen nest receptacles. Yes! take out a pane or make a small door in the woodwork. I should advise another window in the front or a large pane in the door, all glass must be covered with wire netting on the inside. Cover floor of shed with two inches of gritty sand or gravel, and rake over occasionally. Line the walls with twiggy branches. If you care to send me a stamped addressed post-card per the editor, I will send you diagrams of suitable nest receptacles.

SILKY COWBIRD (Florence).—(1) The Silky Cowbird is a native of Argentina. (2) The male is glossy blue-black, the female a uniform umber-brown. (3) Canary, millet, rape and hemp, green-food, a few mealworms or other insects, fruit if they will take it. (4) It ought not to be less than 24 x 18 x 18 inches high, with twiggy branch for perching. (5) Show cage 15 x 11 x 12 inches high, enamelled pale sea-green inside, with a black exterior. Lavender Finches are African birds, practically alike in plumage, requiring canary, millet, and spray millet, and greenfood. A stock cage ought not to be less than 18 x 12 x 15 inches high. A show cage about 12 x 8 x 9 inches high should suffice, same colour as the former.

AN AILING AMAZON (J. B. Wilson).—It is a Blue-fronted Amazon. It is quite natural for a Parrot to regurgitate its food and then swallow it again; all do it more or less, some individuals being more prone to it than others. Your diet appears all right unless "similar food" includes tea, coffee, or milk slops or sops. An Amazon will thrive on seed mixture, ripe fruit, dry biscuit, and a few nuts, with boiled maize two or three times a week; a very young bird must have the latter daily. Cuttlebone and grit must be regularly supplied. But this bird on a course of Dinneford's Magnesia (one teaspoonful) and Byno-phosphates (half-teaspoonful) in the daily supply of drinking water, the former sufficiently often to keep the bowels moving freely, but not watery-loose, and the latter when not giving the magnesia. I should also lightly dust the boiled maize with flowers of sulphur.

AMAZON PARROT (Novice, Rossendale).—(1) Your description appears to be incomplete. If there is any blue on the front of the head, it is a blue-front, but if the blue is lacking then it is a mealy, or miller as its often called. (2) You must tell me how you are dieting and treating it before I can be definite, in the meantime for one day make its drinking water just saline with Epsom salts, and follow this by putting a half-teaspoonful of Byno-phosphates into the daily supply of drinking water for a time; spray twice weekly with quassia solution. (3) Our Nutshell "The Grey Parrot" would be a sufficient guide, in addition to what is stated there, give a little maize, boiled and dry, two or three times a week, otherwise their treatment is the same. The Nutshell is 2½d. post free from our manager.

OVERGROWN BEAK (T. Morgan).—The beak is chafing the tongue and you must get some experienced local fancier, dealer, or vet. to cut it back to the normal size, and if it becomes abnormal again, it must be again cut, but keep cuttlebone, wood, and a lump of old mortar rubbish in its cage, it will probably keep its beak ground down to normal proportions without further aid from you, once it has been cut properly back. For a time, put a little honey and borax into its mouth daily, If you cannot do it any other way smear it on a piece of stick, the bird will readily take this and thus the mixture will be introduced into its mouth.

SEXING PARRAKEETS (F. D. S.).—In sexing Psittaci generally, it must be borne in mind that any comparison given only applies (mostly) to adult birds. The female Quaker is a little larger than her mate, her beak also is heavier than that of the male. Re rose-breasted Cockatoos, the male has a longer hooked tip to his beak, and it is fuller at the base, also the iris of his eye is darker than that of the female. In a roomy aviary such as you describe, they should do well and breed, but they may tax your patience greatly first. For the Cockatoos supply a hollow log or roomy barrel say 12 inches dia., by 18 inches deep. A similar barrel or a platform, or two, must be arranged for the Quakers, but as these build a nest of twigs, you must throw in a heap of pea sticks and birch twigs, for them to cut up and utilise as nesting material. It would be wise to cover in the front of the covered portion with wood and glass outside the netting so as to provide adequate winter shelter. If you care to send me a stamped addressed post-card, per the editor, I will send you a diagram of suitable platforms and barrels.

FIRE FINCH WITH SORE FEET (F. M. L.).—The small ornamental Finches frequently get sore and diseased feet from having perches in the cage of only one thickness. A small twiggy branch is far better; the varying thickness of the twigs gives gripping exercise to the muscles of the feet. As regards present treatment, it all depends on the nature of the sore or growth. If it contains pus it must be soaked daily in hot water (not hot enough to cause discomfort) daily, and the pus exuded as soon as possible by gentle pressure; if the substance is a sort of yellowish cheesy matter and solid then foment or soak it as above, and after a time the growth will come away almost at a touch. However, if the growth is the result of an injury or dislocation of some kind then I fear nothing can now be done for it. I fear it will lose several of its toes, but the above treatment will give some relief. If the skin breaks after cleansing use a little healing ointment.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet St., London, E.C.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

FEEDING A GOLDFINCH MULE (T. E. Procter). We haven't a "Nutshell" booklet dealing with the management of Mules. I have frequently mentioned the dietary in these columns, however. Practically all Canary Mules can be fed on the following lines, so far as the general feeding is concerned, and should thrive admirably. I feed my own Mules in the same way. A good seed mixture at this season of the year is:—Canary three parts, teazle two parts, hemp one part, summer rape and linseed half-part each. In the hot weather reduce the hemp and linseed, and increase the teazle. If they waste (knock out) the seed looking for the hemp, leave this out of the stock mixture and give separately. Any of the special Finch or wild-seed mixtures advertised in our columns will make a good and acceptable change, given twice or so a week. A little sunflower seed twice or thrice a week would also be sure to be appreciated; crack it if necessary. Any of the usual green foods may be given, flowering groundsel (not coarse leaves), chickweed, shepherd's purse, dandelion, lettuce, watercress, etc. The three first-mentioned may be given practically ad libitum during the season. All Mules are very fond of shepherd's purse. See the reply given Miss Turner this week.

RAPE SEEDLINGS, ETC. (Miss Turner).—Personally, I always give my Linnets a little hemp right through the moult, and continue it right through the cold, wintry season. If anything it helps to darken their coats, usually a desirable point, and it certainly helps to keep them up during the strain of the moult, and to get them into song afterwards. It is, as you say, not always easy to get green-food out of doors in the winter, but it may easily be provided by the fancier himself, in his own house. All that is needed is a shallow box (a chocolate or sweet box from the confectioner's answers well) which should be lined with light soil, or even bird-sand will do. Damp this well, then sow it thickly with summer (German) rape seed. Kept in a warm room, and always moist, the rape soon sprouts, and the seedlings can be cut off with the scissors when an inch or two long, and given to the birds, who appreciate same highly. By having one or two boxes a constant supply can be ensured.

FRESH-CAUGHT GOLDFINCHES (G. F. Wells).—It is decidedly not advisable to keep many fresh-caught Goldfinches together—for long, at any rate—as they are terrible fighters. If kept together (when they should be in a long, low cage), I should put in a pot each of cracked hemp (not crushed), teazle, and niga seeds, and a pot of mixed maw, linseed, and canary; some advocate coarse oatmeal as well. In addition, I would offer ample sunflower and summer

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rape which had been soaked in cold water until it burst, or had just commenced to sprout, dabbing it as dry as possible with cloth before offering it. Or a good substitute is a supply of the stock seed mixture which has been soaked for at least 24 hours in cold water, and well rinsed and dabbed dry. Soaked teazle seed is also a grand thing, but I like to rely on this more as a "pick-me-up" for any birds which show signs of going soft. Then there are the wild seeding weeds and grasses, thistles, hardheads, plantains and the like. The change on to the ordinary dry seeds can be made gradually, and without harm accruing. Should they seem to go a little "soft," the drinking water should at once have some sulphate of soda dissolved in it (as much as will just lie on a shilling to every three tablespoonfuls). A gentle dose of saline, if given in time, is, in my experience, the best medicine; in fact, I never found anything else of much use.

SCALES ON THE LEGS (Beaufort).—The Yellow-hammer seems peculiarly liable to develop the ugly scales on the legs, which you say your bird has acquired. They should be removed. It is quite simple, providing one has confidence in the handling of birds; and it need cause the bird but very slight pain, but rather bring great relief in its train. Probably the best of all methods is to heat a little oil fairly hot (enclose it in a suitable vessel and immerse the latter in boiling water), soak the legs well in this, and then pick off the scales with your finger nails; or curved nail-scissors and a pair of nail clippers occasionally come in handy. Afterwards I wash the feet and legs in warm water, dry them and anoint them with a little healing ointment—Zambuk, boracic, or mild carbolic. Often I have scaled a bird's legs easily after soaking them in a lather made with carbolic soap and hot water. It is quite easy, if common care is exercised, so as not to violently wrench a leg or a toe, which, of course, may spell dislocation. If any blood be inadvertently drawn from one or other of the toe joints, touch the spot (after washing) with Friar's Balsam, or "New Skin."

Owing to pressure on space several answers are unavoidably held over.—Editor.

LEGAL QUERIES.

Answered by a Barrister.

J. M. W.—The facts in your case are these. A buys the birds from B, who lives at a distance, and telegraphs B to send them by train. In the same message A telegraphs the money to be paid for the birds. B accepts the money and sends the birds by the train as requested. On the arrival of the train at the place where A lives the birds are found to be dead. The question arises, who must bear the loss?—Were the birds B's property at the time of their death, or A's? It is quite clear that A must bear the loss. He must bear the burdens of the bargain as well as enjoy its benefits. As soon as the property in the birds passed to A, the risks incidental to that property passed to him likewise.

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GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

"E. Butcher."—We cannot deal with your letter. The address you give is insufficient, and we do not see your name in the list of members of the society in question.

J. H. Watson.—We give it up. Have sent your letter along to the Rev. Farrar.

Fancier, Cardiff.—Our rule is never to take notice of anonymous letters. Why do you keep back your name and address?

W. Stainton.—We have no trace of the address, but will put your enquiry amongst the "Twitterings" this week.

D. V. Wolverson.—Your letter has been duly forwarded.

ABERSYCHAN

(Continued from last week.)

NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, Hitching, neat head and neck, nicely moulded body, well filled in back, neat wings and tail; 2, c, Cleaves, short, thick-set bird, neat wings and tail, not quite the finish of leader; 3, hc, Hill, good head and neck, neat wings and tail; vhc, Simons. BUFF: 1, Hitchings, short, thick-set bird, good head and neck, wins; 2, Hillman and Broome, neat head and neck, nice wings and tail; 3, Hill, good feather, not so bold in front as leaders; vhc, Thomas and Durham; hc, Powell. VARIEG.: 1, Capt. Collier, yell., good subs., short compact wings and tail; 2, Hill, buff, good, and neck, neatly braced wings; 3, Thomas and Durham, cheek mkd. buff, good col., beaten a trifle in subs.; vhc, Walters. HEN: 1, vhc, Cleaves, former wing mkd. buff, nice subs., neat wings and tail, wins; 2, Hill, good head and neck, neat wings and tail; 3, Simons, cl. buff, nicely feathered, beaten here in subs.; hc, Perry. UNFLIG., CK.: 1, Hill, cl. buff, good head and neck, nicely braced wings and tail; 2, Groome and Hillman, nicely-finished buff, good head and neck, pressed hard; 3, Hitchings, good head and neck, neat wings, looking rough at sides to-day; vhc, Sweeting; hc, Cleaves; c, Collier. HENS: 1, Hitchings, cl. yell., nicely finished bird, of good subs.; 2, R. Cleaves, mkd. yell., good head and neck; 3, J. Simons, cl. buff, good bird, but not the subs. of leaders. NON-FED.: 1, Collier, wing and eye mkd. buff, neat head and neck, nicely braced wings and tail; 2, c, Crouch, var. buff, good head, neck, neat wings tail; 3, R. Cleaves, mkd. buff, not quite the finish of leaders; vhc, Amphlett; hc, Cooper. HENS: 1, Crouch, variegated buff, good bold head, neat wings and tail; wins well; 2, c, Crouch, yell., nice front, neatly cut away behind; 3, Collier, mkd. yell., nice exhibit; vhc, Cleaves; hc, Amphlett.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

Last monthly show of the year held at the headquarters, Cheapside, Dec. 11, when close on 50 birds faced the judges, Messrs. J. Roast (Canaries) and W. Cadman (British). Some good exhibits were staged, Mr. Owen Plummer winning the special offered by Mr. F. Dandridge for the best Yorkie, donor not competing, also the special for best Brit. offered by Mr. W. Cadman. CAN. (CHAMPION) (12): 1, vhc, F. Dandridge; 2, sp, 3, O. Plummer; hc, H. T. Gibb; c, W. Wall. NOVICE (2): 1, 2, E. Holley. GOLDFINCH (7): 1, O. Plummer; 2, 3, H. James; vhc, H. Bignell; hc, G. Absalon; c, W. Wall. LINNET, ETC. (11): 1, hc, H. James; 2, vhc, c, A. Goble; 3, O. Plummer. A.O. BRIT. (10): 1, sp, 3, O. Plummer; 2, A. Goble; vhc, c, H. T. Gibb; hc, W. Wall. The final judging for points during the year also took place, making the total: A. Goble, 203; H. Akehurst, 191; H. Bignell, 190; E. Holley, 160; W. Cadman, 118; F. Dandridge, 115; G. B. Absalon, 128; A. Flook, 106; S. Sparks, 95; E. Foot, 73; W. Miles, 70; R. Williams, 58. Messrs. A. Goble and H. Akehurst thus win 1st and 2nd respectively.—Will H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Monthly meeting held Dec. 11, at Headquarters, Sydenham Hotel, before a good gathering of members. Mr. A. Stone and Messrs. Wells and Clempson were elected members. The members' Christmas show business was the chief item on the agenda, Messrs. Adcock, Hughes, Greenup, Swinden, and Kidner were elected stewards, and must be in attendance not later than 9, on Dec. 26. A good deal of discussion was held over the best and fairest way to give the dinner service for competition, and it was finally decided to make same a draw, two chances to the first winners, and one to the lowest card in class, no member to have more than two chances. The members' special cash fund was a success; decided to allot same in 2s. 6d. cash specials. Before closing the meeting Chairman Willmott spoke very strongly on several matters; he said it must be pleasing to all when they knew that the number of members on the books was 69 (applause) but a rather serious thing was creeping in amongst them, and that was unnecessary tittle-tattle. The members must not think he went about with his eyes and ears closed. He had heard that perhaps at the next meeting we should have several resignations; he should say accept them, as the member that had not the society at heart, or who has lost all interest in them, or, perhaps, far worse, had not been successful in his endeavours to smash them, could get out and do it quickly, if such had joined with that intention. (Loud applause.) Members knew that he himself was in that chair to see fairness, and as long as he was chairman he should see everyone receive same. The South Birmingham Society was progressing with leaps and bounds, funds good, members good (thank goodness, the great majority were), and he hoped the entries would be a record. (Applause.) The room has been wonderfully improved. It is unfortunate that since the meeting no less than four fanciers have written to be proposed. We meet the second Wednesday in the month, and next month is the general meeting.—J. Sheppard, secretary.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Annfield Plain F. & F.C.B.S.—Dec. 21, Mrs. Pears, Catchgate, 7.30. Schedules will be given out.—J. W. Christon.

Bradford Nat. Show Committee.—Dec. 23, Market Tavern, 8. Will all members of committee and those who have sold tickets or held subscription cards please return them at this meeting?—H. Hill.

Bramley and Dis. O.S.—Dec. 21, Bramley Carnival Committee Rooms, 2.30. Old Bird Show. Mr. S. Wilcock, judge. Entries up to time of show.—W. H. Steel.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Dec. 28, Shoulder of Mutton, Girlington, 2.30. Members' show birds staged 2.30. Judge, Mr. R. Garnett. Entries taken night prior, 8 to 11.—Kilburn and Western.

Barrington and Choppington C.B.S.—Dec. 21, Social Club, 7. Payment of prize money.—Thos. Grilliths.

Bingley O.S.—Dec. 26, Co-operative Assembly Rooms. During judging final arrangements for tea and social evening and presentation of prizes.—Asa Livesay.

City of Bradford O.S.—Dec. 26, Flying Dutchman Hotel. Members' show: Yorks, Norwich, and Brit. classes. Judges: Mr. R. Halliday (Shipley) and Mr. F. Hamond. Birds staged 11 a.m.—F. Rhodes.

Dubmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Dec. 22, Club, 10.30 a.m.—B. Robinson.

East Bowling B.F.A.—Dec. 26, St. John's School, 10 a.m. Judge, Mr. S. Dean (Gt. Horton).—L. Booth.

Gt. Horton O.S.—Members show on Boxing Day, Dec. 26, at the Butchers' Arms. Judge, Mr. F. Benn. Birds to be staged in good time (see schedules).—J. Holroyd.

Glasgow and Western Counties C.B.S.—Dec. 28, Good Templars' Hall, 6.30. Handing over special won at annual show.—Walter Connelly.

Huddersfield O.S.—Dec. 23, White Hart Hotel, 8. Table show unflighted birds, yellow and buff Yorks., cock or hen, ditto Norwich.—F. Sykes.

Houghton-le-Springs C.B.S.—Dec. 21, White Lion, 7.30. Business important. Fanciers wishing to join for 1913 please attend. Officers will be elected.—R. H. Dixon.

Kelty and Blairadam C.B.A.—Dec. 24, headquarters, 6. Club show, etc.—A. Dickson.

Longton C.B.S.—Dec. 23, Castle Inn, 8. Very important business. Winter show, etc. H. George.

Leeds C.B.S.—Dec. 26, St. George's Schools (near Infirmary). Members' show. Birds staged 9.30 a.m. Show open 1 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Admission 2d. Judge, Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield).—W. A. Wilson.

Metropolitan C.B.A.—Dec. 21, 8 sharp, All Saints' Parochial Hall, Prince of Wales Road, Battersea Park. G. Denham, Hon. Sec.

Midland Roller C.C.—Usual monthly meeting postponed until Jan. 9th, 1913, owing to Xmas holidays.—T. J. Smith.

Oldham and Dis. C.B.S.—Dec. 23 instead of Christmas Eve. Jas. Cope.

Pudsey, Stanningley C.B.S.—Dec. 23, Fleece Hotel, 8. Entries for show on Boxing Day, 8 to 10.30. Other business. Judge for show, Mr. W. Mann. Birds staged 10 a.m.—Hugh Ralstrick.

Pendleton and Salford O.S.—Dec. 23, Irwell Castle, Lr. Broughton, 8. January show business. Annual show, ticket money to be bought in.—Critchley and Metcalfe.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—Committee meeting cancelled Christmas Day, Temperance Club, also general meeting, New Year's Day; annual meeting announced later.—Thos. Holt.

Stockbridge C.B.S.—Dec. 23, headquarters. Annual show. Judge, Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield). Birds staged 10 a.m., open classes 11 a.m. Entries close Dec. 24. Schedules from G. L. Sampson.

Stockport B.F.A.—Dec. 23, Boar's Head Hotel, 8. General business. Note change of date.—W. Stafford.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Dec. 21, Fawcett Street Cafe, 7.30. Open show business. Please report donations and specials.—J. Jeffrey.

Tong and Dis. C.B.S.—Members' show, Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill, Dec. 26. Birds staged at 1. Judge, Mr. F. Allen (Clackheaton). Subscription now due.—W. Walker.

Wakefield O.S.—Dec. 26, Crown and Anchor. Members' show. Birds staged 11 a.m. Officers for coming year nominations.—J. Isherwood.

Windhill C.B.S.—Dec. 21, Blue Bell Hotel, 2.30. Final members' show. Judge, J. Broadley. Entries Friday night, 8 to 11. Subs. now due for 1912.—J. Taylor.

Windhill C.B.S.—Dec. 28, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Nomination of officers for next year. Balance-sheet for members' show and other important business. Subs. now due.—J. Taylor.

STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.

Meeting held Dec. 16, when final arrangements were made for annual members' show on Boxing Day at headquarters. Mr. Henry Tams has been appointed judge. A nice lot of special prizes has been promised, including a half tea service for most points in the show given by Mr. Walton. Interest in the cup competition is very keen, several members being very close together, and as Mr. T. Hawley, who was regarded by many as the probable winner, has withdrawn from the competition, and Mr. Pitchford will not compete for the cup or any point specials, the novice members have every inducement to make a liberal entry. Birds are to be staged at 10 a.m., and the show open at 1 p.m.—J. Pitchford, Hon. Sec.

BUGLE AND DISTRICT F.A.

Meeting held Dec. 12th in the Lecture Hall. Col. Sir W. Serjeant, Kt., C.B., presided over a good attendance of members. After the correspondence was read by Mr. A. L. Pearce, Hon. Sec., a sub-committee was appointed, viz., Capt. R. Thomas, Messrs. E. Ball, Ford, James Thomas, F. Thomas, with A. L. Pearce and A. C. Gregor, ex-officio, to draw up rules, etc., to be presented at the next meeting, January 8th, at 7, when we hope to see a large number present. Our meetings are sociable, and all are welcome. Anyone wishing to join send on sub., 2s. 6d. early so as to be in good time for competing for the valuable specials that will be offered, confined to members. Fanciers join up and give us a good start; we will treat you well.—A. C. Gregor, Assist. Sec.

EAST BOWLING B.F.A.

Members' show, held in St. John's School, Pudsey Road, Dec. 14, when Mr. W. Cruise had to judge some 83 birds. His decisions were very popular. OPEN SECTION.—YELL. CK.: 1, Clark; 2, Padgett; 3, Casey; 4, Hall; vhc, Helliwell; hc, Varley; c, Gledhill. BUFF: 1, c, Gledhill; 2, Atkinson and Firth; 3, Padgett; 4, Helliwell; vhc and c, Clark. YELL. HEN: 1, Gledhill; 2, vhc, Helliwell; 3, Casey; 4, hc, Hodgson; c, Clark. BUFF: 1, Bleazard; 2, Hodgson; 3, 4, Helliwell; vhc, Hall; hc, Calloway; c, Casey. EVEN OR FOUL MKD.: 1, Casey; 2, 3, Bleazard. NOV.—YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Hinton; 3, c, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 4, hc, Cheshire; vhc, Wilkinson and Son. BUFF: 1, 3, Hinton; 2, Cheshire; 4, hc, Wilkinson and Son; vhc, Hodgson and Holdsworth. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 4, Cheshire; vhc, Wilkinson and Son. BUFF: 1, 4, Hinton; 2, hc, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 3, vhc, Cheshire; c, Wilkinson and Son.—L. Booth, Sec.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

A large and enthusiastic crowd of members attended at Headquarters, Rose and Crown Hotel, Waingate, Dec. 10, for election of officials for 1913. The Chairman, Mr. T. Down, presiding. The first item of importance, and one which we all looked forward to was the balance sheet of our All England Show, this the second venture of the society since its formation has been most successful: last year we had a balance of over £12, this we are looking for again. It gave the greatest satisfaction when the secretary announced that we already show a profit of over £10 on the venture, and he has a good many tickets yet to come in, so that we can congratulate ourselves that we shall practically have another £12 profit. This, of course, is due to the hardworking officials and committee, everyone doing a lion's share. The Chairman, Mr. T. Down, has always been on top when work was about, he has the happy knack of keeping in touch with all the officials, and getting every one to his right quarter, and gives to each the class of work which suits him best. The next item on the agenda, and a very important one, was the foundation for 1913: namely, election of officials. The first office to be filled was naturally the chairman. Mr. T. Down, the finest chairman, the hardest of workers, and the most genial of men a Cage Bird Society ever possessed, was unanimously re-elected with great acclamation, the members knowing when they have a good man. Mr. J. A. T. Woodall, the retiring vice-chairman, was again unanimously re-elected. Our late secretary, Mr. T. Bishop, had informed our chairman that he would not take charge of pen and pencil for another year, so the chairman had been looking round for a successor. It was decided to have a paid secretary, so that the society would be perfectly free to have all the wishes and instructions of committee carried out. The individual selected was Mr. Edwin C. Job, a man that has had very great experience in secretarial duties of various fanciers' societies in the past. He has always been one of our supporters and a man we were pleased to recognise as such. We are looking forward to having very great results from Mr. Job, and the assistant secretary, Mr. R. Colton. The treasurership was the next office to fill. This was taken over by Dr. W. Craig, promoted from the committee. He is the right man in the right place, and his keenness for the society's welfare is excelled by none. Press correspondent, Mr. J. Woodall, re-elected. The majority of the old committee were re-elected as follows:—Mr. G. Fletcher, J. Mace, G. Moore, J. Memmott, C. Marshall, J. Milne, T. H. P. Walsh. The new names were as follows: Mr. Towe, Mr. Waters, Mr. Baxley, Mr. J. Richardson, Mr. Sampson, and Mr. Spencer. The Secretary reported having booked the following judges for our All England Show, to be held Nov. 7 and 8, 1913:—Mr. J. Robson, C. Houlton, W. Mundell. Secretaries please note date so as to avoid clashing; don't forget next monthly meeting, Jan. 7, very important.—John A. T. Woodall, Press Correspondent S.O.S.

COWDENBEATH C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held in the Raith Arms Inn, Dec. 11, Mr. J. C. Murray (President) in the chair. The Secretary gave a report of the open show, which showed a big advance on the previous year, and, best of all, was again coming out with a good balance on the right side. The balance-sheet, though hardly complete, would no doubt meet with the approval of the members. Mr. John Kirk and Mr. And. Simpson were appointed auditors. Two special prizes in dispute were properly adjusted. It was moved that we again fix the same date for our open show, but in view of the altered circumstances through other Fife shows changing dates, it was agreed to delay fixing date till the annual general meeting. Unanimously agreed to hold our second club show 25th Jan. The following committee were appointed to make the necessary arrangements and report to next meeting: President, Secretary, Treasurer, with Mr. J. Fotheringham and Mr. J. Holmes. Agreed to pay annual subscription to West Fife C.B. League. The annual general meeting was fixed for 28th December, all members to be summoned by postcard. After the usual business had been got through, Mr. J. C. Murray was formally presented with the members' cup won at the open show. Mr. Alex. Anderson made the presentation and in a neat speech advised Mr. Murray that strenuous efforts would be made to change the custody of the cup at the next open show. Mr. Murray having suitably replied, the evening was spent with song and sentiment, the following contributing to a programme of more than average merit: Mr. And. Simpson, Alex. Bereridge, W. Robertson, J. R. Reid, J. Paterson, J. C. Murray, A. Harris, and T. Cowan. A very enjoyable meeting, which augurs well for the future of this society. Two new members joined.—Joseph Reid, Sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Epsom and Ewell F.A.—January 7th, Lecture Hall, Station Road, Epsom. Judge, Mr. Geo. Gardner. 3 open classes: Nor. 1, Yorks 1, Selling 1. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 3/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Dec. 27 to Mr. A. W. Breeden, 71, Hook Road, Epsom.

Workington F. & F.S.—Jan. 1, Covered Market, Workington. Judge, Mr. J. W. Ellwood. 21 open classes: Bord. 4, Yorks 4, A.O.V. Can. 1, Hyb. 1, Brit. 7, For. 2, Sell. 1, Gift 1. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Dec. 24, to Mr. Harold Hyde, 8, Havelock Terrace.

Annfield Plain.—Jan. 4, Co-operative Hall. Judge, Mr. T. Dixon. 26 open classes: Yorks 6, Nor. 6, Bord. 4, Brit. 7, Mule 1, Sell. 2. Prizes 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee 1/-. Ent. close Dec. 28 to J. W. Christon, New Kyo, Annfield Plain.

Kilmarnock.—Jan. 1-2, Agricultural Hall. Judges, Messrs. R. Prentice, J. M'Lay, R. V. Raine. 52 open classes: Scotch Fancy 12, Crest 4, Nor. 9, Yorks 2, Bord. 9, Mules 3, Brit. 10, For. 2, Sell 1. Prizes 12/-, 6/-, 3/-. Fee 2/-. Ent. close Dec. 24 to J. Blane, 10, Hill Street.

Yarm Eaglescliffe.—Jan. 11, County Council Schols. Judges: Messrs. W. Cowgill, C. Houlton, 28 open classes: Nor. 4, Yorks 4, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 4, Mules 2, Brit. 11, For. 1, Gift 1. Prizes 8/-, 4/-, 2/-, 1/-. Fee 1/-. Ent. close Jan. 6 to T. Wilson, High Street, Yarm.

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

In reference to my note of last week I have received a letter, as follows:—

Sir,—I read with great interest your correspondence with Mr. Hunt. I am a bird-keeper in a very amateurish way myself, and have had arguments innumerable on the subject, and my rivals, in this respect, appear to be not only people who are unable to distinguish a Robin from a Wagtail, but with their dust-raising motors, which most of them can afford to use, do more to deteriorate bird life along our lanes and around our towns than the whole of bird-keepers together. These humanitarians, who read paragraphs now and again in the papers, of a stray bird-keeper who is fined for neglect of his feathered charges, are absolutely ignorant of the scrupulous care and expense that we go to to make our birds comfortable. It was only the other day I persisted in showing one of these persons round my cages, which were in their usual state, clean and well cared for, and no fault was to be found until we reached my favourite Lark, who was singing merrily and running to and fro. After careful scrutiny from top to bottom, the visitor exclaimed, "Why, you've got no perch for the poor thing." What are we to do with these folk?

F. GROOME.

This is only what I have said again and again. The people who cry the loudest against the hobby of bird-keeping are those who know nothing whatever of the subject, except what they read from isolated cases reported in the police news, and of which the utmost is made by the "humanitarian" journals. I have many times suggested that they should visit one of our bird shows, and profit by the object lesson there to be gained. Birds which have been taken from their natural freedom, and their natural fight for existence and which have been kept and tended with such care that no wild bird could compare with them in beauty of plumage, are to be seen by the hundred at any bird show, and by the thousand at the larger exhibitions.

And yet there are people who say that a wild bird caged can only beat out its heart in misery against the bars of its prison, until death mercifully releases it from its sufferings. Was there ever such sublimated ignorance? Do these people know during this past week, at Broxburn Show, a Goldfinch won his fifty-fourth prize? Does this look as if it had been "beating out its heart against the bars of its prison"?

It is a happy circumstance that the hobby of bird-keeping was never so strong as now. It has for many years been looked upon as a working man's hobby, and although in numberless cases the working man's wife had her heart in the innocent occupation which kept her husband at home in his non-working hours, yet it was not a frequent occurrence to find a bird exhibited by one of the gentler sex. Nowadays lady exhibitors are quite a strong force at any exhibition, and this must all make for good.

It is also becoming more and more the practice for people holding high social positions to associate themselves with our hobby, either by giving special prizes at our shows, or attending personally to open them with due ceremony. No one could read our show reports without remarking upon this fact. One supporter of this kind will counteract the opposition of a score of shrieking fanatics, and the professional humanitarians are beginning to learn that they are alienating the sympathies of people who would subscribe to the funds of their societies if only they would confine their efforts to legitimate purposes.

I should like to call the attention of members who may like to take a bird for themselves, and of those who catch a few birds as a means of adding to a slender income, that they should make a point of enquiring at the local Town Hall or Police Station, whether an extension has recently been made to the schedule of protected birds. In several places the Act has been extended for local purposes, and everyone must find out for himself whether any particular bird is specially protected in his own district.

For particulars of membership, badges, etc., see page 1086 of last week's issue.

HENRY J. FULLJAMES,
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How to become an Associate.

Many readers of CAGE BIRDS have written to say that they would like to join CAGE BIRDS' LEAGUE, but cannot afford the subscription. To meet their wishes we have decided to form, in connection with the LEAGUE, a body of Associates. All we ask of these Associates is that *they will promise to give every possible attention to the wants of their birds.* And they must induce others to see that their birds are kept happy and contented.

All that the intending Associate has to do is to sign the coupon herewith, get five of his or her friends to sign each a similar coupon, and send the six, together with a penny stamp, to the Secretary of CAGE BIRDS' LEAGUE, who will forward by return an enamelled Button Badge of the LEAGUE. There will be no other charge. **NOW, THEN, BIRD LOVERS!—USE YOUR BEST EFFORTS IN THIS SPLENDID CAUSE.**

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I hereby promise to take every care of my feathered pets and to induce others to do the same

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The Norwich Relief Fund.

The Recipients Return Thanks.

With regard to the sum of £13 5s. 6d., so kindly contributed by our readers for the Norwich breeders who were unfortunate enough to lose the whole or part of their stocks through the late floods, Mr. R. Roll, the secretary, writes under date, Dec. 17: "The committee entrusted with the distribution—Messrs. W. W. Freestone, Chairman of the Norwich Alliance C.B.A., Mr. F. Cullingham, and myself—met last evening at Mr. E. Clarke's, The Rose, St. Augustines, Norwich, to investigate the claims submitted, and after full consideration had been given to all, it was decided not to entertain any claims outside the flood area (several having been received where the rain got through the roof, and not for damage by the flood). I also enclose you a list of breeders compensated, together with their expressions of thanks. I am desired on their behalf to express their hearty and sincere thanks for the trouble you have taken in organising a fund for their benefit, and to assure you it is very much appreciated. They also desire to thank Miss Hall for her kind gift of birds, most of which have been distributed amongst the breeders named, one or two having been sold for songsters, the amount realised being added to the fund, which altogether amounted to £15 10s. I shall be glad if you will allow me, through your columns, to thank my colleagues, Messrs. Freestone and Cullington for their valuable advice and assistance, and also Mr. E. Clarke for the loan of his room for interviews and payment of the fund. I may say that a good many breeders who only lost one or two pairs declined to make any claim."

WE, the undersigned, beg to return many thanks to CAGE BIRDS for the valuable assistance rendered through the fund opened for the benefit of the Norwich breeders who unfortunately lost the whole or part of their stocks through the late floods, this timely assistance enabling us to make a fresh start for the next breeding season. We also desire to thank Miss Hall for her kind gifts of birds, which is much appreciated—(Signed) R. Wigger, J. Tyrrell, W. Wones, W. G. Wilkinson, A. Harvey, C. Hobart, Geo. Gilmore, J. Goodings, W. J. Thorpe, J. Ashworth, W. Howes. (Signed) W. W. Freestone, F. Cullington, R. Roll—Committee.

I am sorry that I cannot reply to all the friends who answered my advertisement in "Cage Birds" last week. I have had letters from all over England. Allow me here to thank them, as I hope my birds will do some one a good turn, as I am trusting to those who have sent me theirs to do me a good turn also. I always look forward to "Cage Birds."
—Geo. Simmins (Walsall).

Correspondence.

Date of Crystal Palace Cage Bird Show.

Sir,—In reply to your correspondent, it is too late to consider any alteration of date. The dates have been about the same for many years past, and I believe suit the great majority of fanciers, especially those living in the country, who are able to visit the show at low fares by means of week-end excursions.

J. W. RAMSDEN.

Dark Mules at Blairgowrie Show.

Sir,—I notice in your issue of 30th ult., Mr. Strachan asking why I wrong-classed his "dark" Mule at Blairgowrie show; simply because it has a light throat, also upper part of chest, which put it out of competition in a dark Mule class, where birds must be all dark. It might be interesting to know if this bird has been shown previously in a dark Mule class; if so, where, who judged it, and what prizes has it won in a dark Mule class? If Mr. S. is not satisfied with it being wrong-classed, let him send it to the Scottish National show under Mr. Duncan, in the dark Goldfinch Mule class, and see what he makes of it.

JAMES F. DEWAR.

Liverpool Fanciers' Cycle Club.

Sir,—It was suggested at the Liverpool B.B.A. social that there were plenty of fanciers in the district that were cyclists, and it was mooted we start a cycle club, the objects being runs in the evening to the country, where can be gathered the various seeds, etc., for our pets; also runs on Saturday to the nest feather shows held by the Lancashire and Cheshire societies. I should be glad if those that are interested in this movement would kindly send their names to me, so that we can get things in order before the spring of the year. Mr. Dick Malone, Captain of the S.B.C., has kindly promised to put us in running order. J. W. METCALFE.

68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool.

New Cage Bird Society for Craghead (North Durham).

Sir,—A meeting was held at the Punch Bowl Inn, Craghead; a good company was present. After opinions had been expressed as to the desirability of forming a cage bird society at Craghead, it was put to the meeting and carried unanimously that we start one; to be known as the Craghead and Dis. C.B.S., and open for membership. The election of officers was next proceeded with, and resulted as follows: Chairman, Mr. M. Davison; vice-chairman, Mr. J. Emmerson; treasurer, Mr. S. Collicott; secretary, Mr. A. Dawson, 4, Garden Terrace. Decided that entrance fee for membership be 1s., and 6d. per month afterwards. It was decided to look up a few local gentlemen with an invitation to act as presidents. It is the intention of the society to run a few first feather shows next season. Now, there are many good fanciers in the surrounding districts, and I hope they will roll up at our next meeting, and try to make this society a success. Next meeting called for Dec. 21, at 7 p.m. sharp, at the Punch Bowl Inn.

ALF. DAWSON, Sec.

Good Work at Gateshead Show.

Sir,—I cannot help writing to express my appreciation of the splendid manner in which the officials of Gateshead show worked on Saturday last to enable exhibitors to have their birds returned to them in good time, in face of the great difficulties consequent upon the railway strike. I know that on Saturday morning the popular chairman, Mr. R. Tindale, in his capacity of show manager, made it his special business to go and interview the railway people in regard to despatching the exhibits to their destinations. He was told by a subordinate that the despatch of live stock that day was absolutely out of the question. This, however, would not do for Mr. Tindale. He sought out the head superintendent, and having stated the object of his visit, that gentleman replied: "Tut, tut; it is taking us all our time to deal with the ordinary traffic, without bothering about the despatch of birds." Mr. Tindale, however, quietly replied that the railway company had taken the responsibility of bringing the birds to the show, and he thought they were morally bound to take them back. Having the matter put to him in that light, the superintendent, who is evidently a gentleman, agreed with Mr. Tindale, and he promised to do all he could to facilitate the despatch of the exhibits. How grandly the members worked, getting them off to the station to meet the most convenient trains—the long-distance birds first, and so on. When I left the hall, about six, I believe the only birds there were those belonging to visitors at the show, who were taking their birds home with them. How different it might have been with a less thoughtful body of fanciers than the Gateshead officials. Under the peculiar circumstances, there is no doubt that many of the birds would have gone astray, but I feel confident that, thanks to the care and foresight of the Gateshead committee, every exhibitor received his birds safely, and in good time. I am afraid that our Gateshead friends have been rather badly hit in consequence of this strike, but I hope that next year, in acknowledgment of the good work done this, exhibitors will rally round them, and give them a big, bumping entry. W. REID.

Sunderland.

A Secretary's Thanks.

Sir,—At a meeting of the Cramlington and Dist. C.B.S., to-night, Dec. 4, I was requested to convey to you our best thanks for the excellent report of our show, and to state that all prize-money was paid within three days after show. The report keeps up to the excellence of last year, and we will look forward to the meriting as good, and if possible more excellent, than this; and with this object in view we are determined to do all that we can for its fulfilment. I may add, it is satisfactory to note that a number of exhibitors, when sending us receipts for prizes, have also sent letters of thanks for prompt payment, and for the manner in which birds had been packed, and care taken of generally. The advert. in your paper was the means of getting us a number of entries from exhibitors, to whom we had not previously sent schedules.

J. R. CHESTNEY, Hon. Sec.

Alleged Borrowed Birds at Darlington Show.

Sir,—I see someone has accused our members of showing borrowed birds at our Darlington C. and B.B.F.A. annual show. We had a similar case at our show last year, which caused a great amount of trouble. I take the liberty to ask you to invite the accuser to correspond with me on the subject as I am desirous of putting a stop to such practices if possible. I presume you are ever ready to help a society to conduct its shows on a sound footing.

H. C. CARTER, Chairman.

13, Portland-place, Darlington.

Sir,—I am very pleased to see someone has taken the matter up about borrowed birds at Darlington show. I visited Darlington show and was in company with three exhibitors, and this was pointed out to me. I overheard that it was an official who had them. I consider it very unfair to the other members. If you can't win without borrowing, give over showing and give all members a chance.

FAIRPLAY.

Some Remarks on Selling Classes.

Sir,—May I ask why selling classes are not reported at all bird shows, the same as open classes are? As a rule, selling classes pay better than open classes, and many people visiting shows are more interested in selling classes than open classes, especially new beginners. Many fanciers I know, also myself, often enter birds in selling classes to help to make a good show, and would much rather have their birds home again than have them claimed. In open classes, many Greenfinches, Red-Polls, etc., worth about 3d., are reported, while many good birds in selling classes, worth as many pounds, are not reported. I say—either discontinue having selling classes, or report them. During the last six weeks I have won 1st prizes and 2nd prizes in good selling classes at many leading shows in England: 1st Grantham, 2nd Nottingham Great show, two 2nds Doncaster, 2nd and 3rd Ilkeston, 2nd Birmingham, two 1sts Rotherham, and 1st Sheffield. None of these prizes have been named in CAGE BIRDS—and all full classes. I, for one, think such birds are worth a mention, and will probably cease showing in selling classes, if they are not reported. ROBERT HOLMES.

Nottingham.

[We do not know that it is the practice to report upon the exhibits in the selling classes at livestock shows. So far as we are concerned, selling classes are not reported on account of the severe pressure upon our pages right through the show season, when it is a terribly difficult matter to get all the show reports in, and every inch of space is extremely valuable.—EDITOR.]

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Sea Gull Wearing a Marking Ring.

Sir,—While shooting at the sea-banks at Port Clarence on Dec. 2, my friend shot a Seagull wearing a ring with the inscription—"Witherby, High Holborn," and numbered 27743. A. CATTERMOLE.

An Alleged Clear Mule at Bradford National Show.

Sir,—You report at Bradford National show, in clear Mules, No. 7, Fisher, passed as a Canary. Several fanciers here have coupled my name with this exhibit. Would you kindly make it clear through your valuable paper CAGE BIRDS, that I was not an exhibitor at the Bradford National show?

T. FISHER.

Lancaster.

The Strike and Gateshead Show

Sir,—I was sorry to see several lots of exhibits marked "absent" in Gateshead catalogue. But whether they were sent or not I cannot say. If any got delayed through the strike I hope the owners got them home all right. I am pleased to say mine got through all right, and I had them back home again on Saturday night, and must thank Mr. Tindall, the show manager, and the officials for the splendid way they were packed. They deserve every praise, as I feel sure the strike must have caused them a lot of extra work.

L. DYKES.

How Can We Make Our Shows Pay?

Sir,—If we may judge by the continual progress made by our paper, CAGE BIRDS, it is evident that there are ever fresh bird-lovers joining the Fancy—and, of course, a lot of "new hands." Now it is to the interest of show committees to encourage these new beginners, and to retain them in the Fancy, and not give them the "needle" or "hump" at their first attempt at showing. I am not going to tell the show committee what to do, but only just hint to them to give a class or two at their shows for novices of the first year and novices of the second year, and provide for them classes of, say, Norwich and Yoryshire, non-colour fed. This would at once encourage them to start showing, and each exhibitor would have a good chance against his fellow novice. Beginners have not the knowledge to enable them to compete against the older hands at the first time of asking. There are, too, a great many beginners who have not the chance to join a club or society. I hope show committees will do all they can to give the first year novice a chance at their shows. A child (school) class might also be added with advantage to encourage children, even if it was only in British Birds. It would teach them how to keep and show birds, which would no doubt stimulate the successful ones to go one further and become keen Fanciers. Committees must also remember that if they establish these classes, as I hope some of them will, they should be satisfied with a small entrance fee, say, one shilling each entry, or even less for children.

NIMROD.

The Future of the Sheffield O.S.

Sir,—No wonder at the Sheffield fanciers falling out amongst themselves when they cannot be trusted to return exhibitors' wrappers on their birds as they get them. We heard from a Bradford exhibitor that he lost—or it was not returned to him—the wrapper that he sent his birds in to Sheffield Show, Nov. 1 and 2, but he was agreeably surprised to find a Sheffield bird sent to Bradford Show last week with his wrapper on it. What are fanciers to do? A well-known fancier who lost some Mules a little while ago, always says they are somewhere round Sheffield, and that he is keeping a keen look out for them in that neighbourhood.

OLD BIRD.

Sir.—I was indeed surprised to read that Mr. Dawn takes the entire responsibility on to his own shoulders for what appeared in "Twitterings." Now as Mr. Bishop had not at that time actually resigned his position as secretary, but had only mentioned it in confidence to a few friends, I still consider it a "dirty trick," but I shall never be made to believe for one moment that Mr. Dawn was "solely" responsible for such. I have too good an opinion of him for that. He says my remarks re the "Clique" are absolutely untrue, and that had I attended the meetings, I would not have written such. Now the very reason for my not attending the meetings is that I had seen enough of the clique, and seeing is believing. Therefore, I still adhere to what I wrote in my last letter, and there are others of the same opinion. Mr. Dawn says: "Away with cant and humbug. Let there be no fear or favour but equal rights and fair play to all." Now if this should be his true opinion, why does he attend the committee meetings; or, further still, why does he have anything to do with the society at all? Does he forget what happened at the conclusion of the 1911 open show, when the birds were being packed up ready for their return? Fair play was dealt out wholesale, and the cant and humbug followed in the morning. If he has forgotten, I will excuse him. The sooner one forgets such things, the better.

JAS. W. DRABBLE.

The Shows in Ireland.

Sir,—It is regrettable to find, considering the few shows held in Ireland, that the first show of the Kingstown C.B.S. should have received such poor support. Fanciers, to my mind, should be only too eager to welcome a new addition to the ranks of C.B. shows. I was pleased to see the support accorded them from Cork—108 entries out of a total of 377. It is to be hoped that the show will turn out a financial success, and that their next effort will receive better support from the Irish fanciers. What has come over Sligo C.B.S., also Cork Provincial C.B.S., neither of which has as yet advertised its show; announcements from their respective Secretaries are anxiously awaited by fanciers in general. Cork P.P. and C.B.S. intend holding their show the second week of January, 1913.

INTERESTED.

The Judging at Small Cornish Shows.

Sir,—I do not desire to trespass at any length in your columns, but would like to bear out some of Mr. Andrew's statements, re judging at Cornish shows. Not only those he mentions, but many older established shows, employing quite local men to award the prizes. Referring to the bird shown at St. Columb by Mr. Andrew, and wrong-classed by Mr. Toy, it was shown to me by gaslight by another exhibitor to express my opinion (not knowing it had been "W.C.") as to its colour. Without any hesitation, I replied "Yellow." I also notice Mr. Toy claims establishing a record for St. Colomb under his judging, but if he will look up old catalogues for 1906 and 1907 when Mr. Cheney and the late Mr. Dennithorne were advertised to judge he will find a far larger entry than 148; in fact in 1906 there were over 200 entries. I admit the classification was larger, but it was their first show. St. Columb would do well when giving cups for specials for most points not to award extra vhc cards. Otherwise, the management is A1.

NOT AN EXHIBITOR.

A Failure at Linnet Catching Explained.

Sir,—In answer to "Novice's" letter in your valuable paper, asking how to teach Linnets to sit the stick, I would not recommend a brown Linnet. I recommend a Redpoll or a Twite. I find Sparrows very good. First of all, brace them, leave the brace on for a day or two, so that they get used to it, then get a brace peg and a brace stick and start preparations. I should advise "Novice" to teach them in the house before he takes them to a field. Give the brace birds about three inches of string, that is, from brace to end of brace stick. He will find that the bird will hang on to this string. Then get about four yards of string fastened to the brace peg, and pull your bird up; give a slight jerk, not too quick. Then, if he does not get on the stick, put your bird on, get to the end of your brace line and pull up gently. As you drop your bird down, you will find that he will flutter his wings so as not to fall off the stick. Repeat this a time or two, and you will find your bird will find the stick without any trouble. Do not give your bird too much training at a time. When you have taught one bird, one will teach another. Get a "stragle" to hold two sticks instead of one. Put the bird that is trained on one of the sticks and a fresh one on the other, and pull your birds up gently, when the one that is trained will teach the other. Leave your brace on your bird, as it will not hurt it if it is put on properly. In answer to how many call birds are required, that depends on quality, not quantity. If your Linnets are singing well two are plenty, but if your birds do not open their mouths, 22 will not be enough. I should advise "Novice" to get a couple of Linnet Mules, but get them with Linnet notes; if he gets them with Linnet notes he can then depend on catching Linnets. Put the call birds outside your nets, as when you put them in the middle your cages hold your nets up and then the birds can fly from one end of your net to the other, and will require a lot of running after; I am dealing with the so-called clap nets.

H. PALFREY.

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THE PASSING OF A NOTED JUDGE.

Death of Mr. Joseph Bexson (Derby).

It is with the deepest regret that we have to announce the death of Mr. Joseph Bexson, of Derby. Some twelve months ago he had a stroke, and had not really got over the effects of it when, on Wednesday morning, December 11, he had the stroke which proved fatal; he only surviving the attack just over an hour. Mr. Bexson was in his 71st year,



THE LATE MR. JOS. BEXSON.

being born at Castle Donnington, near Derby, in 1842. Very early in life he demonstrated that fondness for live stock which proved so characteristic of him throughout the rest of life. In business circles Mr. Bexson was a Silk and Yarn Agent and till his retirement some years ago was a familiar figure about Derby, enjoying the friendship and esteem of all he came in contact with. Mr. Bexson's favourite hobby was cage birds, and he joined the Derby Cage Bird Society. In 1863 he was elected secretary, a position he most satisfactorily held for a number of years, and on his retirement from that office, in recognition of his valuable services the members presented him with a silver tea and coffee service.

Mr. Bexson was one of the most successful breeders and exhibitors of Canaries of his generation and in former years was invincible with Cinnamons. It was almost by accident that he manufactured this variety, by mating a buff variegated cock and a heavily variegated yellow hen (the latter having a little Belgian blood in her). The progeny were Cinnamons, a rarity in those days. This circumstance led to Mr. Bexson devoting a great deal of his attention to this variety, which well repaid him on the show bench, for one year in particular he came off with first every time he exhibited in the Jonque class and was only once beaten with the Mealy, which stood "equal second" at the Palace show with a bird shown by Mr. Vine, of the Isle of Wight, a famous rival in those days in that variety. The late Mr. Blakston said once, that he thought secretaries of shows where Mr. Bexson exhibited ought to have his name stereotyped as he was sure to take all the firsts. After many years of exhibiting, the Cage Bird Fancy thought that they would do well to enlist Mr. Bexson amongst their judges. Accordingly he was asked to act in that capacity and between the years 1879 and 1909 we believe he judged well on for 1,000 shows, including all the big fixtures in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, Channel Isles and Isle of Man. For 30 years he adjudicated at the Crystal Palace show, whilst every large show during his career has engaged him to judge many times. In 1904 Mr. Bexon was the recipient of a purse of gold and an illuminated address, subscribed for by all the leading fanciers in the country. He made mistakes, but was always ready to acknowledge them, and his hearty, genial manner made him generally liked wherever he went. Mr. Bexson was also closely identified with the Derbyshire Agricultural Society, being one of the stewards of the poultry section for many years.

Mr. Bexson leaves a widow and grown-up family, and we are sure all those who knew him in the past will sympathise with them in their sad loss. We, of the Derby Society, have suffered a great loss and we shall treasure his memory whilst the Society exists. Mr. Bexson's kind, fatherly advice on all matters, endeared him to the hearts of all true fanciers, both old and young. The hand of death has been laid heavily upon the stalwarts of our Society this last few years, and it is with difficulty that we keep the old Society in its position of years ago. But the memory and deeds of our departed members will spur us on to lift the Society once again into the high position their efforts placed it.—WHARAM AND BAMSEY, Secs. Derby C.B.S.

A Norwich Plainhead Missing from Pontypridd Show.

Reward Offered.

Sir,—Unfortunately we have not yet heard any tidings with regard to the missing Norwich cock at our show of Dec. 4th., and would like you to insert the following. Mr. S. H. George, 32, Fisher Street, Swansea, is offering £1 reward for the recovery of the Norwich cock that was missing from his box on arriving home from Pontypridd show of the 4th inst. Information can be sent to Mr. George, or the Secretary of the Pontypridd Society.

A. A. GORDON MCLUCAS.
48, Rosser Street, Maesycoed, Pontypridd.

The Popularity of the Scotch Fancy Canary.

Is the Price Too High?—Present Classes Neglected.

Sir,—Your correspondent asks in last week's CAGE BIRDS: How it is the Scotch Fancy is not more popular. I believe a great many more of these graceful birds would be kept but for the high price that is asked for them, which puts them out of the reach of the working class. Still, no matter what variety of Canary we take up as our choice, if we want good birds we have to pay a decent price for them. There are many fanciers round about here (Lancashire), who would like to take up this beautiful bird, but the majority of the working class cannot really afford to pay the high price demanded for them. That, in my opinion, is why they are not so popular as they otherwise would be. I am a working man myself, and have kept, bred and exhibited the Scotch Fancy for many years, and I find it takes no more to keep them, nor do they require any more attention than any other variety. They are hardy, prolific, require no colour-feeding, and the cocks are splendid songsters. Nothing gives me more pleasure than to see a good specimen placed in the show cage. There you have something to look at, something to admire. Watch his graceful movement to and fro; it will ofttimes bring a smile on your countenance and make you feel proud you are the owner of such a fine specimen. The Scotch Fancy is a bird of position and action, and I myself consider him the most noble bird we have. I wish CAGE BIRDS the success it certainly deserves.

CHAS. KELSEY.

Sir,—I think the fault generally lies with fanciers themselves that show committees do not provide classes for Scotch Fancies, for although there has always been controversy about the decline of the "Bird of Circle," the breeders have only themselves to thank, as they do not exhibit even when an occasional opportunity occurs. At the recent Barnstaple show, I was instrumental in getting a class provided for Scotch Fancies, with two specials, and am sorry to say I was the only one who entered; result, Class cancelled. Now, sir, Wimbledon is not too far for me to exhibit, so distance is no excuse, and the review of our schedule appeared in your valuable paper. So I really think show committees are to be defended somewhat, for it is absolutely useless giving classes and awarding special prizes to get the same continually cancelled.

Now, then, breeders of Scotch Fancies, buck up, and wherever a class is provided within reasonable distance, give it your support. If too late this season, remember Barnstaple show next year for a start, and you will soon find shows providing classes for you, if it is true you really want to exhibit.

CHARLES F. DART.

The Troubles and Trials of Exhibitors.

Sir,—When a judge judges a class of Mules and Hybrids—the only one in the show—he should judge the birds as to their nearness to perfection for the cross they represent, so as to give the common ones an equal chance. If a rare cross is badly staged, or is in bad condition, he is quite right to pass it. Does Mr. Bennet always show his bird in good condition, and has he ever compared it with a real good one of the cross. I may state I have seen his bird.

G. SANKEY.

KILSYTH.

Annual open show, held Dec. 14, in the Drill Hall. The hall is well adapted for such an exhibition, being well lighted from top and sides. Unfortunately the weather conditions were of the worst, still there was a grand muster of well-known fanciers from the district. The society is conducted and managed by a body of well-known and respected fanciers: Pres., Mr. Wm. Irvine; Vice, Mr. J. Whyte; Treas., Mr. J. Brown; Hon. Sec., Mr. A. D. Duncan; Executive, Messrs. McAulay, McGreachen, Shillinglaw, Barrie, Hardie, and Dunlop, who did their utmost for all concerned. Nor. classes contained some grand specimens, notably the teams shown by Mr. J. Noble, Kilmarnock, also Mr. Martin, Kirkintilloch, and our old friend Mr. J. Morehand, Talkirk. Messrs. Walker, Lennoxtown, Mr. Dodds, Edinburgh, and Mr. Middleton, Sale, Cheshire, supplied the Border sections with some grand specimens which were much admired. British, Mules and Foreigners were grand. Non-fed Greenfinch class was the best we have seen this season, some grand birds being cardless. Messrs. Stuart and Dalling gained special for best Greenfinch in show with their fed Greenfinch, Palace winner, etc., etc., one of the best going; sp. for best Mule, Lockhart and Bell, with grand dark Linnet Mule. Best Foreign, G. McRobbie's Gouldian Finch; Softbill (small), Mr. Arnott's Wagtail; Bunting or Hardbill, large, Mr. Robertson's Hawfinch; small Hardbill, Mr. Sharp's Goldie; Mr. G. Henderson gained special for best Linnet and Large Softbill, the latter with his champion Waxwing, one of the best out. Mr. J. McLay, Kirkintilloch, judged Norwich; Mr. D. Hamilton, Hamilton, Borders; Mr. W. Sharp, Bathgate, Brit. and For., and their decisions left little room for grumbling. We were informed that the secretary had to return a large number of entries, being too late for entry in catalogue; it is impossible to understand why fanciers hold up their entries till the last minute; they really seem not to know the great amount of work this entails.

The Critique.

CREST CK. (6): 1, Noble, green, massive body, dense leafy crest, very neat bird; 2, McClement, variegs., fine subs. and qual., nice head, in lovely order; 3, McDougall, big massive bird, nice quality of feather well placed; 4, Young; 5, Shillinglaw; 6, Moreland. HEN (5): 1, Tweedie, big neat bird, dense crest, well centred, in beautiful feather; 2, Young, D.C., fine feather, good body, loses in top piece to winner; 3, M'Clement, hardly the build of winners, coarser in feather; 4, Webster; 5, Shillinglaw. CREST, 1912 (7): 1, sp, Noble, large green, good body, nice leafy feather, well groomed; 2, Thomson, another good one, lovely feather and condition; 3, Young, grand substance, nice feather, close up; 4, 6, Shillinglaw; 5, Donaldson. C.B. CK. (8): 1, Noble, green, grand massive body, good skull, nice entrance, well lashed, grand bird; 2, Moreland, scarcely so big in head, heavily lashed, in nice order; 3, Donaldson, well up in subs., nice qual. feather, beaten in head points; 4, 6, M'Clement; 5, Young. HEN (7): 1, Noble, large bird in nice order, grand skull, well lashed; 2, Young, nice qual., scarcely so massive as winner, neat exhibit; 3, Thomson, grand size, well domed, splendid lash; 4, M'Clement; 5, Whyte; 6, Shillinglaw. C.B., 1912 (2): 1, 2, Shillinghaw, green and eye mkd., both fine size and good qual. feather, in rare order. NOR. YELL. CL. or TKD. CK. (3): 1, Gallacher, fine size and qual., neatly got up, nice carr., wins; 2, Chalmers, well up in size and subs., nice feather, good qual.; 3, Pirrett, good body, not so well filled in chest as winners. HEN (3): 1, Chalmers, good size and qual., nice cobby body, well filled in front; 2, Martin, nice tick Nor., grand size, nicely moulded body, a real good one; 3, M'Laggan, good one for feather, bit unsteady. BUFF CL. or TK. CK. (5): 1, Hutton, grand size, good qual., nice glossy feather, well put down; 2, Chalmers, good one for size, clean cut, all there for quality; 3, M'Laggan, hardly so typical as winners; 4, 5, Thom. HEN (6): 1, Thom, cl., grand size and qual. of feather, neat carr., in lovely order; 2, Hutton, tkd. head, nice qual., not so shapely as winner; 3, Patterson, nice size, fine qual., follows closely; 4, Pirrett; 5, King; 6, Dunlop. VARIEG. CK. (4): 1, Martin, grand col., nice shape, good qual., staged in lovely condition; 2, Thom, nice size, good shape and qual., not quite so typical as winner; 3, Houston, nice qual. feather, good col., nice head, well placed; 4, Dunlop. HEN (4): 1, Gallacher, good cobby Nor., nice qual. feather, nicely got up; 2, Pirrett, nice size, well moulded body, sweet head, close up; 3, McLaggan, well up in size and col., nice wings, good one; 4, McGreachen. NON-FED CK. (4): 1, Martin, nice thick set, cobby Nor., grand wings, good head, in lovely condition; 2, Pirrett, well up in size, nice qual. of feather, barely so sweet in mould as winner; 3, McGreachen, shapely and typical, fails to others in qual. of feather; 4, Donaldson. HEN (4): 1, Martin, grand head, nice thick-set body, sweet shape, full of qual.; 2, Dunlop, nice type, good qual., inclined to cross wings a little; 3, Gallacher, good size and shape, well filled in front, somewhat unsteady; 4, Baird. BORD. CL. or TK. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Walker, very shapely, neatly tapered, grand quality of feather, tip top condition, well staged; 2, 4, Munro, another of the right kind, much the same style as winner, close up; 3, Watson, lovely qual., neat and compact in shape, tight as wax; 5, Welsh; 6, Whyte. HEN (8): 1, Dodds, lovely little exhibit, in fine order, neat style, well got up, little to find fault with; 2, Walker, beauty, grand carr., fine shape, hard on heels of winner; 3, Auld, nice one for qual. and type, neat wing carr., sweet head; 4, Watson; 5, Gentleman; 6, M'Auslin. CL. or TK. BUFF CK. (13): 1, Munro, nice qual. feather, jaunty little chap, feather like silk, good one; 2, Walker, well up for type and qual., nice wing carr., sweet head, grand condition; 3, Smith, fine exhibit, grand shape, nice round head, close up; 4, G. Bennett; 5, McDougall; 6, McAuslin. HEN (14): 1, Walker, shapely, fine carr., sweet head, nice mould, in grand order; 2, G. Bennett, lovely style, grand qual., fine waxy feather, all there; 3, Dodds, good one for condition and type, nice exhibit; 4, Tierney; 5, Whyte; 6, Smith. EVEN MK. (4): 1, Walker, fine markings, lovely qual., nice wing carr., wins all the way; 2, McGreachen, nice one for qual. and condition, beaten in type here; 3, 4, Nelson, fine condition, a little restless when we saw it. UNEVEN OR VARIEG YELL. CK. (9): 1, Baxter, taking exhibit, nice jaunty car., sweet type, grand feather, in the best of order; 2, Walker, grand qual., neat head, very stylish, in the pink of cond.; 3, Collins, neat shape, rich in qual., bit unsteady; 4 Auld; 5, Davidson; 6, Irvine. HEN (3): 1, Watson, charming little damsel, grand col., neat type, full of qual., nice one; 2, Gentleman, beaten in front, splendid head, jaunty carr., good feather; 3, Graham, fails a little in head, good wing carr. UNEVEN, ETC., BUFF CK. (9): 1, Walker, in grand bloom, nice model, fine qual feather, spotless condition; 2 G. Bennett, neat style, smart carr. good head, in lovely order, close up; 3, Dodds, nice shape, lovely head, hardly so nice in feather as winners; 4, Tierney; 5, Cunningham; 6, Dunlop. HEN (5): 1, Walker, grand bird, full of qual., nice head, good wings, spotless condition; 2, Gentleman, not so fine in feather, but good type, sweet head; 3, Brown and Whyte, fine feather, grand typical bird, must have pressed here; 4, Irvine; 5, no name. GR. YELL. (13): 1, Dodds, grand col., nice style, neat wings, nicely moulded, wins; 2, Johnston, good one for shape, sweet jaunty style, all there for qual; 3, Campbell, stylish, typical, equal in qual. to winners; 4, A. and W. Thompson; 5, Middleton; 6, Irvine. GR. BUFF (10): 1, Campbell, nice one, grand even col., put down in the best order; 2, Johnston, another good one, nicely packed wings, good head, well placed; 3, Middleton, grand even col., neat tapered body, good in carr. and cond., close up; 4, Forrest; 5, 6, A. and W. Thompson. CINN. YELL. (8): 1, 3, Middleton, leader smartly got up, typical shape, good size, nice level col., grand qual., neat head, wins; 3rd much the same in style, shade slimmer; 2, Baxter, grand col. and qual., neat wings and tail, well placed; 4, Young; 5, Lambie; 6, Baird. BUFF (13): 1, 4, Middleton, winner very smart typical Buff, grand shape, nice size, extra good col, wins all the way; 2, Baxter, much the same in type and qual., shade weaker in front; 3, Young, smart jaunty exhibit, full of style, nice one; 5, Walker; 6, Dodds. COMM. CAN. (6): 1, 5, 6, Brown and Whyte; 2, Sandiland; 3, 4, Bell. A.O.V. (3): 1, McDougall; 2, McRobbie; 3, Muirhead. VARIEG. MULE (6): 1, Reid, Goldie Mule, grand col., nicely marked, in lovely bloom; 2, Lockhart and Bell, Goldie Mule, another nice variegs., in grand order; 3, Arnott, Goldie Mule, in nice order, rather on small side; 4, Boslem, Goldie Mule, close up; 5, Nelson; 6, Martin. DARK (5): 1, Lockhart and Bell, Linnet, nice size, good head, grand tone of col., very steady, lovely condition, wins, 2, McWatt, Goldie, yell., grand face, nice body col., rare size, rather loose in feather to-day, not looking so well as formerly; 3, A. D. Duncan, Siskin, nice bird, grand form, good markings, perfect order; 4, Boslem, Linnet, fails in size and condition to winner; 5, Allan. A.O.V. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, 2, A. D. Duncan, Goldie and Greenie Mules, spanking condition, nicely placed; 3, Haldane, Greenie Linnet, in rough feather; 4, 5, we could not find. BULLFINCH (6): 1, Wallace, A1 cap, lovely bars, nice cobby shape, grand size, shows himself well; 2, Arnott, nice Bullie, shade smaller all over than winner, nicely staged; 3, Gentleman, nice cobby Bullie in grand condition, close up; 4, McGillivray Bros., paler in colour; 5, Ferns; 6, no name. GOLDFINCH (8): 1, spl, Sharp, grand Finch, expansive square cut blaze, rich tannings, nicely marked, wins; 2, Graham, fine size, nice flights, fnils in blaze and tannings to winner; 3, Raine, another good one, nicely staged; 4, McRobbie, grand Finch, bit drowsy to-day; grand class for quality; 5, McGregor and Boyd; 6, Allan. SISKIN (6): 1, McGregor and Boyd, big one, col. fed nicely laced, fine cap, steady, well shown; 2, Gentleman, good one, nat. col., stands up well on perch, tight in feather; 3, McGillivray Bros., sweet little fellow, fails a little in size only; 4, Dunlop, nice order, steady; 5, McPhie; 6, A. D. Duncan. FED GREENFINCH (3): 1, spl, Stuart and Dalling, tiptop, grandly feathered, splendid shape and carr., beautiful condition, wins; 2, McGregor and Boyd, nice feather, grand flights, good col., very steady; 3, Richardson, good shape, nice col., smaller than winner. NON-FED (14), grand class: 1, McLean (Larkhall), good all-round Finch, grand size, beautiful col, shows himself to perfection; 2, Struth, another good one in the pink of cond., fails in size only to winner; 3, Campbell, good size and subs., nice head, good wings, in nice order; 4, Pearson, lovely bird for size and shape, nice col., good wings, not so fine in feather; 5, McWatt; 6, Arnott. LINNET (14): 1, spl, G. Henderson, grand shape and size, good head, lovely feather, full of style, well shown; 2, Graham, nice shape and colour, a little soft when taking notes; 3, Esplin, nice qual., good col., nicely pencilled, well beaten here; 4, Cummings, grand col., nice mks., neat head, good one; 5, McLean; 6, Lockhart and Bell. TWITE OR MEALY 'POLL (6): 1, Gentleman, Twite, wins well to-day, grand flights, lovely colour and lacing, in nice feather; 2, Boslem, good all round Mealy, fine size, nice bib, in rare order; 3, Patterson, Twite, nice size, not so rich in col. as winner; 4, A. D. Duncan, Mealy, good size, bit rough in feather; 5, Lockhart and Bell. LESSER (12): 1, 4, McLean, good size, sweet head, nice bib, grand qual. of feather; 4th not so distinct in markings; 2, Raine, beaten in colour and size to winner, sweet little 'Poll, well placed; 3, Lambie, fine shape, but fails in front and head to winner; 5, McGillivray; 6, Wallace. BUNTING (9): 1, Clubbs, Corn, grand head, good body, well mkd., grand col., well staged; 2, Smitb, Snow, stylish big bird, steady as a rock, not a feather out of place; 3, Richardson, Yellowhammer, nicely fed, also well marked head, in good order; 4, Allan, Ortolan, good shape, bit dull in col., steady; 5, Morris, Corn, very interesting class; 6, Dunlop, Yellowhammer. A.O. HARDBILL (4): 1, spl, Robertson, Hawfinch, in lovely bloom, often described, easy win; 2, 3, A. D. Duncan, Bramble and Chaffie, both in nice condition, nicely placed. SOFTBILL (SMALL): 1, spl, Arnott, beautifnl Wagtail, staged to perfection; 2, McLean, same species, not so well finished; 3, A. D. Duncan, we could not find. LARGE (5): 1, spl, G. Henderson, Waxwing, grand bird, beautiful polish, steady, staged to perfection, often described; 2, Esplin, tiptop, Fieldfare, great size, beautiful markings; 3, Anderson, Magpie, nicely feathered, in grand bloom; 4, 5, McKirdy, Jay and Magpie, in nice condition. HEN FINCH FOR HYB. BREEDING (6): 1, Stuart and Dalling, Bullie, noted winner, nice broad cap and bib, fine breast col., nice bars, grandly staged; 2, Gentleman, another topping Bullie, presses winner hard, in full bloom; 3, Hunter, Greenfinch, nice col. and size, grand feather and cond.; 4, 5, 6, A. D. Duncan, Bullie, 'Poll, and Twite, all in nice order. FOR. (SMALL) (10): 1, spl, McRobbie, nice Gouldian Finch in lovely order, well staged; 2, Reid, grand conditioned Siberian Goldie, good blaze and body col., steady; 3, Johnston, red crested Cardinal, nice feather and cond.; 4, 6, Arnott; 5, Smith.

EALING, HANWELL F.S.

Annual show held at St. John's Memorial Hall, West Ealing, Dec. 11. Nearly 100 entries were put down and enormous interest was taken in the show, over 200 visitors in the evening, which speaks very well for the future of the club. Mr. Dewhurst judged and his awards were very well received.—Rowland Bamber, Hon. Sec. and Treas.

(From the catalogue received we gather that the principal winners were: YORKS: Wright, Neal, Smith, Crockett, Huxley, Ward, Jeffries, Fletcher, Bamber, Carr. NOR.: Nicholls, Withers, Huxley, Thursby, Phipps. MULES: Thursby. BRIT.: Thursby, Smith, Huxley. FOR.: Bamber, Smith, Phipps. Special for best in show, Ward, variegs. Yorks cock; best hen, Jeffries, buff Yorks.—Ed.)

CLEATOR MOOR.

Show held in the Market Hall, Dec. 14. Entries all round were rather disappointing. The best turn-out was in the Yorkshire section, which contained many exhibits capable of winning at shows of much greater pretensions. An unfortunate and purely accidental occurrence took place in this section, the cage containing the winning yellow hen belonging to Mr. E. Clegg being knocked off table immediately after judging, and the hen apparently lamed. Borders were down in numbers, though several birds of high quality were present. British were only moderately represented, the outstanding specimen being the Hawfinch belonging to Mr. J. Wilson (Workington). The Market Hall is a fine roomy place for an exhibition of this kind, and was taxed to its utmost to accommodate the whole of the entries. The secretarial duties were carried out by Mr. J. Skillicorn, who worked assiduously for the success of the show, ably assisted by other members of the committee. The judges for Canaries were Mr. J. Stewart, Whitehaven; for British, Mr. G. Wilson, Prizington.

The Critique.

YORKS. CL. YELL. (8): 1, Dykes, upstanding, grand col. and qual., well car. wings and tail; 2, Thomas, good col., fine qual. and reachy; 3, Woodward, fine stamp, good carr., capital pos..; 4, Mackereavier built, good feather and type; 5, 7, Mackereth; 6, Seward and Biggar; No. 3, Bostock, absent. BUFF (7): 1, sp, Clegg, beautiful qual., rare col. and pos.; 2, Thomas fine pos., capital qual., reachy; 3, 6, Richardson, good pos., stylish and fine qual.; 4, Woodward, built on similar lines; 5, Seward and Biggar; No. 2, Bostock, absent. TK. or UNEVEN YELL. (11): 1, Dyke , th. tk., fine col. and qual., rare pos., excellent carr.; 2, Coulson, th. tk., shade paler in col., fine pos. and feather; 3, Thomas, variegs., rare col., fine pos. and carr.; 4, 5, Douglas and Glaister, hot col. head and neck mark, good style; 6, Rennicks, 7, Richardson. BUFF (7): 1, sp, Dykes, slight tk. on cheek, wonderful qual., fine pos. and col., well fitting wings; 2, Coulson, th. tk., little stouter, fine qual. and pos.; 3, Thomas, neck tk., rare col., fine stand and good finish; 4, Richardson, wing tk., good pos., little behind in quality; 5, Barrie; 6, Rennicks; 7, Moffat. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Clegg, bird mentioned in introductory notes, lame when taking notes; 2, Thomas, uneven, rare col., good pos.; 3, 4, Douglas and Glaister, cl., former nice carr., showy, fails in qual., latter similar stamp, fails in size; 5, Dykes; 6, Coulson; 7, Woodward. BUFF (10): 1, sp, Clegg, cl., beautiful qual., well carr. wings, smooth as glass; 2, Conlson, fine bird, close up; 3, Bell, good pos., fine qual. and well drawn; 4, Thomas, rare pos., reachy; 5, Rennicks; 6, Douglas and Glaister; 7, Seward and Biggar. No. 2, Bostock, absent. BORD. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Wilson, shapely, good qual. and col., neat wings and tail; 2, Davies, good pos., fine col., neat head and wings; 3, 5, Moore and Son, fine col., nice qual.; 4, Walker, good type and qual., nice col. BUFF (9): 1, sp, Ellwood, beauty for qual. and type, neat head, well carr. wings and tail; 2, 3, Levason, both good qual., fine type, neatly moulded; 4, Wilson, fine col. and qual., shade stouter; 5, Egerton; 6, Davies; 7, Walker; No. 2, Smith, w.c. UNEV., ETC. (9): 1, sp, Wilson, unev. yell., grand type, beautiful col. and qual.; 2, Davies, almost even buff, fine qual. and good shape; 3, Levasou, unev. buff, good feather, nice shape; 4, Walker, buff, almost even, rich col., fine qual.; 5, Smith; 6, Wilson; 7, Watson. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Wilson, cl., rare good type, col. and qual.; 2, Walker; 3, Ellwood, both unev., nice shape and feather; 4, Moore and Son, cl., neatly made, sweet head, capital qual., trifle pale in col.; 5, Egerton; No. 3, Smith, w.c. BUFF (9): 1, sp, Davies, cl., sweetly made, nice col. and qual., cl. the small side if anything; 2, Wilson, tk. head, good type, fine qual., well balanced; 3, Levason, cl., fine col., nice shape and qual.; 4, Smith, wing tick, good pos., fine qual.; 5, Moore and Son; 6, Reid Bros.; 7, Watson. NOR. CL. YELL. and CL. BUFF, both cancelled. TKD., ETC. (10): 1, sp, 2, 4, Sumpton Bros., head tkd. yell., neck, tkd. buff, and wing tkd. buff, in order named, all possessing size, col. and grand Norwich properties; 3, Davies, real good type, fine head and good feather; 5, Bell; 6, Younghusband; 7, Davies. UNEVEN. (6): 1, 2, Davies, yell. and buff, leader grand type, well feathered, latter good massive build, rare col.; 3, Bell, good col., fine stamp; 4, Seward and Biggar; 5, Younghusband; 6, Freeman. HEN (7): 1, 2, 5, Sumpton Bros., cl. buff and massive yell., both well fed., grand bodies and good feather; 3, Davies, buff tkd., grand col., well feathered; 4, Bell, cheek mark, good type; 6, Younghusband. LIGHT MULE cancelled. DARK: 1, 3, 5, Sumpton Bros., both Linnet-Can., former easily first, grand col., well mkd., and grand size; 2, Kearton, buff Goldie, fair size and blaze, nice feather; 4, Seward and Biggar. GREEN GOLDIE (6): 1, Kearton, good size, grand col., well defined mkgs., capital blaze; 2, Reay, nice and shapely, behind in col.; 3, Dawson; 4, Robinson, both nice, fine qual. of feather, good mkgs., behind in blaze; 5, Sumpton Bros.; 6, Wilkinson. BULLFINCH and GREENFINCH both cancelled. LINNET, H.M. (7): 1, 2, Douglas and Glaister, former shapely, good col. and mkgs., capital size, latter little behind in depth of col., but good mkgs. and shape; 3, Reay, sound in col., fine shape and well mkd.; 4, 6, Bell and Nelson, fine col. and mkgs.; 5, Robinson; 7, Corkill and Lowrey. F.M. (13): 1, Park and Son, fine rich col., grand shape and capital mkgs.; 2, 6, Bell and Nelson, fine shape, good size, beautifully mkd. and well polished; 3, 7, Carlyle, good mkgs. and fine shape and size; 4, Stewart, well rounded body, good col.; 5, Kearton. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, 3, Reay, Mealy Redpoll and Twite, former good size, shapely and nicely mkd., latter fair size, nice col.; 2, 5, 7, Wilson, John, Siskin, nice col. and shape, good cap; 4, Sumpton Bros., Twite; 6, Bell and Nelson. A.O.S. BRIT., SMALL (8): 1, 5, J. Wilson, Hawfinch, fine plumage, well defined mkgs., fair size and very steady; 2, 4, Bell and Nelson, Bramble and Chaffie, former shapely, good and well cut mkgs. and spangling, latter good size and tail; 3, Douglas and Glaister, Yellowhammer, nice size, good head and cheek marks; 6, no name; 7, Hetherington.

AUCHTERARDER.

Ann. exhibiton, Dec. 14, Aytoun Hall, which is admirable one for the purpose, cage birds being staged along one side in a good light and away from draught. The entry was down from last year, but contained some very good birds, especially in British and Mules. Mr. Nicholson (Bathgate) carried off cup for most points over show, but was hotly presed by Mr. W. C. Smith (Balquhidder), only one point separating them—a very close result. Mr. Smith had special for best Nor. with his yell. var. ck.—an easy win. Mr. H. Wilson (Bannockburn) won special for best Border with a nice mkd. ck., and McCall and Henderson had special for best in Crest Section, with a good Green Crest-bred hen. Mr. David Roy won medal for most points by a local exhibitor. The executive is a good one, and are:—Pres., Mr. Haxton; vice-pres., Mr. Scott; and a committee, Messrs. Hoey, Menzies, Cairns, A. Dow, and Lawrence; while Messrs. Roy and Cranna were especially active in the cage bird section, and had a lot to do in making the show a success. The sec., Mr. Dow, jun., is a grand worker, and had all his arrangements well made, and was very courteous and obliging to all with whom he came in contact. The show was well patronised during the afternoon, and the birds came in for a large share of the visitors' attention. Mr. Wm. Bishop (St. Ninians) judged the whole show, and his awards seemed to give general satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. ETC. YELL. (2): 1, 2, W. C. Smith, leader rare head and neck, capital front, nice and round, rare quality; 2nd similar, good one, nice col. HEN (3): 1, Clubb, nice size, good head and wings, very clean cut; 2, Jeffrey and Stevenson, fair size, good wings, nice col.; 3, Smith, good size, nice head and front, very good qual. and col. CL. BUFF CK. (6): 1, 3, Smith, 1st fine size, good bold head, fine wings, good front, nice qual.; 3rd good size and qual., nice wings; 2, Clubb, good size and subs., nice head and wings, well staged; 4, Drummond; 5, Barr; 6, Herd. BUFF HEN (5): 1, Mitchell, nice type and qual., good head and wings, well carr., nicely shown; 2, 3, 4, Smith, good trio, leader fine size and subs., good head, grand front, rare good style; 3rd similar, scarcely so good bead, fine qual.; 5, Clubb. YELL. VARIEG. (4): 1, spl best Nor., Smith, an old winner, looking as well as ever, a clear win; 2, Jeffrey and Stevenson, good size and sub., nice wings and tail, well put down; 3, D. and W. Mitchell, good one for type, nice qual.; 4, G. Mitchell. HEN (2): 1, Parker, fine size and sub., rare good head and wings, nice front, well put down; 2, Smith, another good one, fine style, grand qual. BUFF VAR. CK. (3): 1, D. and W. Mitchell, good size and subs., nice col., good qual. of feather; 2, Parker, fine type, good head and neck, nice cobby front; 3, Gray, good one for size and type. HEN (2): 1, Jeffrey and Stevenson, good shape, plenty subs., fine head and wings; 2, Clubb, fair size, good qual. of feather. BORDER, CL. YELL. (4): 1, Shields, nicely moulded, rare close feather, grand style, very jaunty carr., wins; 2, Wilson, fine col., good type, nice bead; 3, Gentleman, good size and type, nice head and wings; 4, Smith. HEN (3): 1, Smith, sweet wee lady, feathered like wax, rare good head and wings, well put down; 2, 3, Wilson, pair of nice ones, fine style and col. BUFF CK. (2): 1, Wilson, good type, nice head, very neat wings and tail; 2, Smith, fine size, neat head, good wings, well carr., hard up. HEN (3): 1, Wilson, nice size and qual., plenty of style, well shown; 2, Gentleman, good size and type, nice wing carr.; 3, Anderson, fair size and qual., good head and wings. MKD. YELL. (2): 1, spl best Bord., 2, Wilson, both nice birds, well shown. BUFF (1): Wilson, nice type and qual. CREST (2): 1, Cameron, cl. Buff D.C., good size and substance, good crest; 2, Drummond, Green, fair size, good big crest, nice leafy feather. HEN: 1, Cameron, heavy var., good size, fair crest, nice qual. of feather. C.B. (2): 1, Drummond, good Green, good size and subs., broad skull, well lashed; 2, Cameron, var., fair size, good head feather, nice entrance. HEN (2): 1, spl best Crest (2), McCall and Henderson, good Green, fine size and subs., massive skull, rare good head feather, well lashed; 2, Cameron, good var., fine size, good shape and size of skull, nice feather. GOLDFINCH (2): 1, spl, Nicolson, nice square cut blaze of good col., good moons and buttons, fine size and cond.; 2, Cranna, another good one, rare good tanning, nice face, well cut cheeks, in fine cond., presses hard. BULLFINCH (9): 1, Miller and Eadie, good one for size, nice breast col., good wings and back, good cap; 2, Dunlop, good size, fine cl. cut cap, good back and breast, nice wings; 3, Small, not quite size of leaders, nice col., good wings, nice cap; 4, Shields; 5, Parker; 6, Jeffrey and Stevenson. GREENFINCH (7): 1, Nicolson, good one for size and qual., good head and wings; 2, Parker, fine size, good bold head, showing plenty of col.; 3, Miller and Eadie, still a good one, fine style, good head and wings, rare col.; 4, McIntosh and Son; 5, Roy; 6, McGregor. LINNET (6): 1, Nicolson, H.M., good size, nice head and wings, good col.; 2, F. M. Cranna, good size, nice warm col., well pencilled, rather restless; 3, Parker, fine size, good col., well mkd., very shapely; 4, Gentleman; 5, Roy; 6, McAulay. SISKIN (8): 1, spl, 2, Nicolson, 1st neat size and shape, nice cap, well laced on flanks, good wings; 2, a good one, also fine size and col., grand cond.; 3, Dunlop, good size, nice wings, rare good col.; 4, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 5, McGregor; 6, Gorrie. LESSER REDPOLL, F.M.: 1, Gentleman, dandy wee chap, nice col. and mkgs., rare polish; 2, 6, McAulay, fine size, good cap and bib, well staged; 3, Nicolson, another nice one; 4, Cameron; 5, Gentleman. REDPOLL OR TWITE (5): 1, McGregor, nice Twite, good cond.; 2, Jeffrey and Stevenson, Mealie 'Poll, good size, fair col.; 3, Gardiner, dandy wee Lesser, H.M., rare warm col., nicely laced, rare polish, in shining cond.; 4, McIntosh and Son; 5, Cairns. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE (6): 1, 2, Nicolson, 1st good Bramble, fine size and shape, rare good col., nicely spangled, well shown; 2nd good Chaffinch, fine size, nice shape and carr., nice head and wings; 3, 4, Cameron, good Bramble, fine size and style, well marked; 5, Gentleman; 6, McAulay. BRITISH (SMALL) (5): 1, spl, 4, Miller and Eadie, 1st Bearded Tit, good size and col., nice moustachios, shown in rare order; 2, 3, Nicolson, 2nd fine yell., nice col., good shape, rare cond.; 3rd good Corn Bunting, fine size, nice breast mkgs.; 5, McAulay. HEN (SMALL) (7): 1, McGregor, Bullie, fine size, very good cl. cut cap, nice back and breast; 2, Gentleman, another Bullie, similar, not quite size of winner, in rare cond.; 3, Cranna, Greenie, rare size, good head and wings, in grand order; 4, McCall and Henderson; 5, Dunlop; 6, McLaren. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (1): Gardiner, Linnet-Redpoll (Lesser) hybrid, nice size and cond., fine col., shows parentage well, well shown. DK. MULE (8): 1, spl, 2, 4, 5, Roy, 1st well-known Greenie, rare size and qual., good col.; 2nd nice Goldie, good size, nice face, rare good col.; 3rd Parker, rare good Buff Linnet, grand size, good qual., fine cobby shape, in grand order; 6, Mrs. Dow. GOLDFINCH (FOREIGN) (4): 1, 3, Nicolson, 1st good size and shape, nice face, of good col., well tanned; 3rd fine size, rare wings, good shape, nice rose; 2, Parker, good size, nicely tanned breast, good wings, nice buttons; 4, Roy. BRIT. A.S. (CONFINED TO PARISH): 1, Gardiner, good Bullie; 2, 3, Roy, nice Siskin and Linnet; 4, Cairns. GIFT (10): 1, Miller and Eadie; 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, Roy; 4, Small.

Capital Entry at Sheffield C.B.S. Show.

Grand Exhibits. Good Attendance. High-Class Management.

The Sheffield C.B.S. held their 33rd annual show on Dec. 14. The Montgomery Hall, which is nicely lighted, spacious, free from draughts, and centrally situated, was the rendezvous. The schedule issued was capital, with excellent prize money (22s. per class guaranteed), and points specials for every section. This brought together an entry of 530 upwards, a satisfactory total considering the rather late date. Whispers were abroad that on the next occasion the date would be an earlier one; and if such comes about we think the "entlers" will benefit. The hon. pres. is H. Barber, Esq. The hon. vice pres., Messrs. J. C. Barnes, P. Walsh, and H. Jinks—a trio of well-known enthusiasts. The president, Mr. F. Jones, is a true sport, one who has the welfare of the society at heart, courteous and a worker of the strenuous order—a valuable asset. Vice-pres., Messrs. T. Hemming and J. Thorpe, are also a brace of excellent officials, ever ready to give assistance. The committee are a band of well-known, practical, and highly efficient fanciers (many of old standing, so far as open show management is concerned). By the manner in which they attend to every detail with judgment and tact, in the correct working successfully of an open venture, our Sheffield friends are hard to beat. Our compliments to Messrs. Champion, Furniss, Kelley, Walsh, Bennett, Memmott, Lawton, Cowley, Hobson, Drabble, Tow, and Tomlinson. With such a list of all willing helpers and workers, the "entlery capital" is well served. No wonder their shows always run smoothly. One face we missed was that of Mr. W. Oxley, the highly esteemed treasurer. His unavoidable absence was due to being at the bedside of his beloved wife, who is most seriously ill. We, along with all the members of the society, wish to tender our fullest sympathy to him and his family, while hoping that a turn for the better will be quickly forthcoming.

Two "Old Hands" and one You: g.

Mr. A. Hobson, the secretary, is made of the right metal, sound as a bell. He is most courteous and obliging, does the right thing at the right time, always keeping top side of his duties. A better handler of the reins or a better organiser one would find it most difficult to locate. Stick to him, Sheffield C.B.S.; you have a "good 'un." His understudy, Mr. J. Woolhouse, is also untiring in his efforts, nothing being too much for him to do, and he proves himself worthy of the confidence placed in him as assistant sec. We must not forget the very useful help rendered by Master Hobson, only a lad, but more advanced than many double his age—most reliable in all he undertakes, and quite enterprising in his views.

Yorkshires provided a treat for those who swear by the "Gentlemen of Canarydom." Magnificent specimens, full of "check and swagger," were staged by Messrs. J. Bailey, J. Thomas, C. Morrison, and E. Norton, while Dr. W. Craig (local) won well with a most bewitching cl. buff hen, 1912 bred. In the novice section, Messrs. F. Radley, S. Binns, S. Knowles, Sorsby and Billard, and W. H. Tansey, held their hands out for the "biggest plums." Norwich were voted a capital collection, such "stables" being represented as those of Messrs. T. Proctor, S. Cook, J. Thomas, A. H. Waters, H. F. Marsh, and J. E. Cowley. Successful novices were Messrs. J. Atkinson, W. Birchmshaw, G. Hallett, A. Cadman, and A. Lawton. Crests and C.B. were good, but not over numerous, in the four classes provided (curious coincidence that in each class were eight entries). Messrs. Radley and Son staged a fine team, gaining no less than three firsts, three seconds, third, and a fourth, and other mentions, with ten birds. Mr. E. Barker put down a grand young C.B. (buff green) that with luck should be one of the "nuts" another year. Mules contained rare "mixtures," Messrs. Martin and Archer doing the greatest execution. British captivated wonderfully, and well they might. Envious eyes fell upon the Goldie owned by Mr. A. P. Hurst, and the Greenie the property of Mr. G. J. Brade. Mr. R. D. Parlett benched four Linnets, taking 1, 2, 4, and vhc, the leader a gem. Mr. P. Walsh stood 1st in the A.O.V. Hardbill (Hawfinch), and in the Softbill (Waxwing) with a brace of eye-openers. Mr. G. Fletcher put down a champion Black Redstart, while amongst the novices, Messrs. W. Bingham won well with a very smart Linnet. The foreign were carefully looked after by Mr. G. Fletcher, the local expert, and contained some superb exhibits.

Every Bird had a "Run."

Claimed birds were numerous, an outstanding purchase being the £5 5s. novice cl. yell. unflighted Nor. winner, by a Long Eaton firm. The show was very well patronised, and during the day we had the pleasure of chatting with Mr. and Mrs. W. Vardy (Hucknall), S. Cook (Manchester), Dr. A. M. Deane, and W. Hirst (Dewsbury), H. H. Towers (Crosshills), E. Fox (Long Eaton), Brotherton, Browning, Twigg, and Ducker (Rotherham), Waters (Wombwell), J. Bailey (Bradford), and others. This being only a one-day show, it was really essential that all birds should have arrived early, but many cases came in rather late, which did not allow the judges to get at their work as soon as they would have liked. Anyhow, the officials of the society rose to the occasion, and with careful manipulation no bird had to be labelled "Too late for judging." All got a run for their money, and credit is due to those responsible. Special for best true pair of foreigners went to Mrs. F. E. Rice's Red-collared Lorrikeets. The stewards, who officiated in a very practical manner, were Messrs. C. W. Hobson, W. H. Furniss, C. Ellis, L. Falding, F. Jones (chairman), J. Memmott, and J. Farnell. The seeding and watering were attended to judiciously by Messrs. G. Fletcher and C. W. Hobson. The despatch clerk for getting "early birds" away, was Mr. W. T. Furniss. The show was opened in good time, and catalogues with awards sold well. Everything went off A1; no hitch whatever. The birds were got off by most suitable trains, and the show room cleared at an early hour. The judges were Messrs. H. W. Battye and J. Robson.

Mr. H. W. Battye's Classes.

YELL. YORKS. (7): 1, 2, Bailey, topping brace, leader straight as a pencil, nice length, good col., well on leg, in the pink, 2nd we thought better qual., equal in all other respects, and might have won, both very near in merit; 3, Norton, mkd. neck, wonderful length, stands like a guardsman, capital col., just beaten in finish, Rotherham winner; 4, Towers, beautifully feathered cl., finely drawn, rich level col.; vhc, Sampson; hc, Bingham; c, Pike. BUFF (8): 1, Thomas, gem of a cl., slashing col. and feather, neat head and neck, fine shape, lengthy body, stands grand, greatly admired; 2, Norton, very shapely cl., good length, nice back and wing carr., capitally clothed, well on leg, stood 1st Rotherham week previous; 3, Radley, cl., A1 qual. and col., erect, good length, when handled all right, but bit down in coud.; 4, Pike, very lengthy cl., fine pos., superior feather, nice back and wing carr., thicker in waist; vhc, Jefferys; hc, Towers; c, Morrison. UNEVEN (7): 1, 2, Bailey, again a couple of swells, the noted cinn. mkd. taking precedence, and looking as well as ever, truly a stormer, 2nd buff, mkd. wings and head, rare pos. and length, perfect back and wing carr., clever legs, staged by a master hand; 3, Morrison, yell., mkd. wing and eyes, slim and upstanding, elegantly dressed, rich tone of col., beaten slightly in length; 4, Hedworth, yell. mkd. head, neat and narrow, straight up, smooth as a bottle, not quite so lengthy; vhc, Thomas; hc, Jones; c, Jefferys. YELL. UNFLIG. (13): 1, Morrison, richly fed cl., marvellous length, tight as a drum, grand pos., best of backs, flights, and tail, gem; 2, Dr. Craig, very lengthy cl., rattling col. and feather, delightful pos., wee bit bulky in waist; 3, Thomas, cl., capital col., good pos. and length, neat back and wings, pipe tail, not so boxey in feather; 4, Jones, nicely drawn cl., A1 qual. and length, stands well; vhc, Brotherton; hc, Butler; c, Pike. BUFF (12): 1, Norton, beautifully fed cl., smooth as a bottle, straight, grand pos., clever legs, Rotherham winner, beauty; 2, Pike, mkd. wing and neck, A1 col., very lengthy, grand back flights and tail, beaten in tightness of feather; 3, c, Dr. Craig, lengthy cl., full of col. and qual., stands nicely, habit of crossing tips of wings tells against it; 4, Brotherton, cl., straight up, very lengthy, superb feather, well filled back, neat wings, might have gone up one; vhc, Sampson; hc, Champion. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Thomas, cl., glorious qual. and col., lovely pos., fine back and flights, closely folded tail, most bewitching; 2, Bailey, mkd. head, stands nicely, capital length, back, and flights, not quite so rich in texture, yet another charmer; 3, Norton, cl., tight as wax, slim, good col., lengthy and leggy; 4, Priestley, cl., good length and pos., capital feather and col., not the style; vhc, Furniss; hc, Hedworth. BUFF (7): 1, Bailey, mkd. wing, real beauty, most bewitching, eye opener all over; 2, Parkes, cl., delightful pos. and qual., lengthy and leggy, neat wing carr., wee bit stouter in waist; 3, Drabble and Bennett, cl., feathered to perfection, capital pos. and col., well on leg; 4, Towers, very lengthy cl., straight up, neat and narrow, good back, flights, and tail, loses little in style; vhc, Symonds and Son; hc, Thorpe; c, Sampson. HEN, UNFLIG. (11): 1, 4, Dr. Craig, charming brace, magnificent cl. buff leading, tight as a Java, straight as a pencil, narrow, delightful col., 4th thigh tkd. yell., full of qual. and col., stands straight, good length, wee bit low on leg; 2, Radley, very lengthy and slim cl. yell., grand pos. and toue of col., perfect back, flights, and tail, pressed hard; 3, Bingham, buff, mkd. eye, good feather, pos. and col., not so slim; vhc, Sampson; hc, Priestley; c, Furniss. YELL. OR BUFF (Limit £3 3s.) (15): 1, Radley, F., cl. buff, wonderful length, rattling pos., grandly gowned, nice tone of col., worth the money; 2, Jones, red-hot cl. yel., slim and upstanding, rare length, fine back and wing carr., very close up; 3, Bingham, shooty cl. buff, smooth as wax, stands like a soldier, not over lengthy; 4, Parkes, very lengthy cl. yell., capital qual. and col., well on leg, fails pos.; vhc, Hadfield; hc, Thorpe; c, J. Radley. NOV. YELL. (£5 5s. Limit) (9): 1, vhc, Binns, mkd. wings and eyes, A1 col. and feather, straight as a gun barrel, plenty of worse birds have won in open competition; 2, Tasker, cl. yell., capital pos. and col., well clothed, close on heels of winner; 3, 4, Chew, warmly fed cl., stands well, very lengthy, nice feather, 4th mkd. neck, tight as wax, A1 position; hc, Webster; c, Gill. BUFF (14): 1, Knowles, cl., exquisite feather and col., upstanding, excellent length, fine back, neat wings; 2, 4, Tomlinson, smart and stylish brace, cl., even more length than 1st, capital qual. and col., good wings and tail, clever legs, not quite so nice in neck as winner, 4th cl., lengthy and leggy, open a little in throat; 3, Tasker, mkd. wings and eyes, smooth as wax, stands beautifully, stouter waist; vhc, Hirst; hc, Binns; c, Gill. HEN (10): 1, Sorsby and Billard, very nicely drawn cl. yell., good length, feather, and col., nice wings and tail, plenty of leg; 2, Cuttiug, buff, feathered to perfection, mkd. wings and eyes, A1 col., lengthy and leggy, full of style, must have pressed; 3, Tomlinson, cl. buff, straight as a rush, nicely clothed, rich col., lengthy; 4, Hirst, cl. buff, very stylish, tight as wax, could do with more length; vhc, Gill; hc, Ranston; c, Wadsworth. UNFLI. (7): 1, Tansey, yell., mkd. wing, slim and upstanding, richly fed, beautifully clothed, lengthy, charmer; 2, Gill, lovely cl. buff, neat and narrow, capital pos., good back and wing carr., well ou leg; 3, Bradshaw, cl. yell., good length and pos., A1 col., not so tight in feather; 4, Tomlinson, buff, mkd. eye, fine length, superior feather and col; vhc, F. Radley; hc, Chew; c, Webster. NORWICH YELL. (8): 1, Proctor, short and thick set cl., hot, well up in subs., silky texture, jaunty carr., beauty; 2, Thomas, very shapely cl., rich feather, good size, clean cut, not quite so warm in col.; 3, Raynes, cl., capital col. and qual., good subs., nice head and neck, moves gracefully; 4, Mennard, mkd. neck, sweetly moulded, exquisite qual., not the subs.; vhc, Edwards; hc, Hobson; c, Havenhand. BUFF (12): 1, Cook, cl., marvellous subs., teeming with qual. and col., grand shape and carr., one of the best; 2, Critchley, very good shaped cl., rattling feather, A1 qual., moves nicely; 3, 4, Wilson, leader a bouncer, nice tone of col., capital feather, not so neat in wings, 4th cobby, superb col. and qual., clock-like in action, close up; vhc, Hobson; hc, Growdridge and Son; c, Proctor. UNEVEN (7): 1, 4, Cowley, neat couple, yell., mkd. wings and head, ablaze with col., grandly clothed, shapely, good subs., 4th mkd. head and root of tail, well up in size, good head and neck, bold front; 2, Havenhand, yell., mkd. wings and head, red hot, wonderful subs., very shapely, pressed hard; 3, Growdridge and Son, yell., mkd. wings and head, grand shape, qual., and col., rare carr., beaten in subs.; vhc, Thomas; No. 1, Critchley, "w.c.," ticked. UNFLIG. (15): 1, Marsh, yell., mkd. head, wonderful subs., rattling shape and carr., ablaze with col. and rich in qual., real beauty; 2, Parlett, cl. buff, marvellous size, clinking col. and qual., grand shape, moves well, not far away; 3, Proctor, red-hot cl. yell., very shapely, jaunty carr., not one of the biggest; 4, Hemming, very shapely cl. buff, good subs., not so hot in col., neat exhibit; vhc, Waters; hc, Wright; c, Wilson. HEN (14): 1, Thomas, his well-known mkd. yell., lovely col. and feather, rattling shaped body, neat wing carr., not the best of heads; 2, Pickering and Wright, very massive cl. buff, magnificent shape, exquisite col. and qual., neatly frosted, dainty damsel; 3, Cook, excellent shaped cl. yell., grand feather and col., well up in subs., many favoured this as the winner; 4, Wilson, cobby cl. yell., smooth as box, A1 qual., rather on small side; vhc, Cowley; hc, Critchley; c, Wright. HEN, UNFLIG. (18): 1, 4, Waters, very massive cl. buff, grand shape, teeming with qual. and col., clean cut, bit weak on pins, 4th yell., mkd. head, smooth as glass, rare col., delightful symmetry, not overdone with subs.; 2, 3, Thomas, smart brace, former gem of a cl. yell., lovely col. and qual., true shape, well up in size, jaunty carr., our choice, 3rd cl. buff, superb feather and col., grand shaped body, nice wing carr.; vhc, Hobson, true type, A1 col. and qual., neatness itself; hc, Millward; c, Cook. YELL. (£5 5s.) (19): 1, Atkinson, mkd. wings and eyes, hot as a stove, wonderful subs. and qual., true type, rattling carr.; 2, Mellor, mkd. wing and eyes, full of qual. and col., nice head and neck character; 3, Cadman, warmly fed cl., A1 feather, neat head and neck; 4, Dean, mkd. wing and head, short and thick set, capital body, nice head, crosses wings somewhat at times; vhc, Mallinson; hc, Page; c, Summerton. BUFF (16): 1, Bircumshaw, mkd. head, rare subs. and shape, superb feather and col., neatly frosted, fine carr., beauty; 2, Sharman, mkd. wing, magnificent col., qual., and mealing, very shapely; 3, Rhodes, cl., nice size and shape, silky texture, paler in col.; 4, Evans, mkd. wing, neck, and eyes, cobby, rich qual., good size, again requires more col.; vhc, Cadman; hc, Hattersley; c, Chilton. HEN (14): 1, Hallett, very shapely cl. buff, tight as a Java, nice size and carr.; 2, Bartram, cl. yell., grand shape and col., superior feather, well up in size, not shown quite as well as might have been, soiled; 3, Kelsall, cl. buff, good in shape and subs., A1 col., neatly frosted, bit free in feather; 4, Spencer, cl. yel., smooth as a bottle, ablaze with col., nice head and neck, wanting in chest; vhc, Chilton; hc, Mellor; c, Cross. UNFLIG. (19): Good class: 1, Cadman, delightfully shaped cl. yell., well up in subs., teeming with qual. and col., jaunty, claimed at price limit, £5 5s.; 2, Dunford, cl. buff, feathered to perfection, superb col., rare shape and size, beauty; 3, Hallett, well fed and well feathered cl. buff, good head and neck, deep fronted, nice carr.; 4, vhc, Terivener, cl. yell., like a ball of fire, sweet shape, on the small side; hc, Spencer; c, Sharman. HEN (12): 1, Lawton, finely clothed and well coloured cl. buff, true type, grand carr., not one of the biggest; 2, hc, Rhodes, yell heavy varieg., capital feather and col., rattling shape, size, and style, clock-like action, no one could have grumbled had this have won; 3, Dean, very shapely cl. buff, tight as a Java, delightful qual., well up in size; 4, Hunt, very cobby, lightly varieg., nice size, A1 col., bit free in feather; vhc, Bailey; c, Somerton.

Mr. J. Robson's Classes.

CREST (8): 1, 2, Radley and Son, magnificent pair, buff green pied tail, crest large deuse, and of beautiful radiation, delightful droop, correct centre, topper, 2nd buff, mkd. wings D.C., heaps of A1 feather, good subs., crest round as a rim; 3, Barker, buff, heavy mkd. pied tail, nice size, lovely frontal, neat back, wee bit narrow, still fine specimen; 4, Edwards, buff green pied tail, plenty of feather, crest round but not so large as those above; vhc, Farrow; hc, Dr. A. M. Deane; c, Colton and Dawn. C.B. (8): 1, 2, vhc, Radley and Son, very choice trio, buff green, pied wings and tail, abundance of clothing, immense subs., rare width and rise of skull, lashed to perfection, 2nd buff green pied wings and tail, wealth of feather, well up in size, nice rise of skull; 3, Evans, buff hy. mkd., great quantity of feather, good subs., massive in skull; 4, Farrow, buff hy. varieg., rich qual. feather, neat skull and lash; hc, c, Colton and Dawn. CREST (eurrent year) (8): 1, 2, 4, Radley and Son, team of exceedingly promising "babies," 1st buff mkd. wings D.C., capital subs., crest large, clinking radiation, nice droop and centre, 2nd buff mkd. wings D.C., fine size, crest of delightful shape, large and thickly thatched, rattling droop, bit penny in centre, still our choice, 4th buff hy. mkd. D.C., plenty of feather, A1 texture, crest rare size and shape, not the density; 3, Memmott, buff, lightly mkd. D.C., plenty of size, rich veiny feather, beautiful frontal, grand back, fine youngster; vhc, Farrow; hc, Dr. A. M. Deane; c, Evans. C.B. (current year) (8): 1, Barker, buff green, with luck another year should be one of the "nuts," wonderful subs., superb feather, skull of rare width and rise, grandly lashed, greatly admired; 2, Evans, buff green pied tail, heaps of clothing, rattling size, nice cushioned skull, neatly browed; 3, hc, Radley and Son, buff, almost green, plenty of feather, nice build; 4, Farrow, buff varieg., rich veiny feather, well up in size, rather narrow in entrance; vhc, Dr. Deane; c, Memmott. LIGHT MULE (5): 1, 2, 4, Martin and Archer, trio of wonders, noted buff Greenie-Can., slightly grizzled on neck, leading, so often described as "unique," needless for further comment, 2nd buff Goldie-Can., mkd. wing root of tail and eye, very shapely, nice size, capital qual. and col., good face; 3, Colton and Dawn, Goldie-Can., mkd. wing, rare shape and qual., capital col., good size, in the pink, some thought might have gone up one; vhc, Fisher, cl. buff, Border type, many seemed to think just an ordinary Canary, was marked "w.c." at Bradford last week, we heard. DARK (6): 1, vhc, Parlett, with the well-known yell. Greenie-Can., wonderful specimen, captured more first prizes than any other Mule on the bench at the present time with perhaps the exception to the clear buff Goldie-Can. (late Colton and Dawn); 2, Martin and Archer, yell. Gold-Can., exquisite qual., magnificent col., fine contour, delightful face, gem; 3, Somerfield, fine, deep and bright well. Lin.-Can., well up in size, very shapely, should gain many honours; 4, Walsh, buff Gold-Can., capital subs. and shape, beautiful face, richly fed.; hc, Edwards. HYB. (7): 1, 3, Martin and Archer, the much-talked-about Greenie-Chaff., looking as happy as could be, 3rd magnificent Greenie-Bullie, rare qual. and col., capital shape, shows parentage distinctly, gem; 2, Edwards, Can.-Bullie, lovely shape., qual., and col., not a feather misplaced; 4, hc, Walsh, Lin.-Redpoll, very shapely, superb col. and feather, nice size, in rare cond.; vhc, Metcalfe; c, Havenhand. BULLIE (6): 1, Kelsey, well up in subs., fine shape, highly polished, capital breast col., shown in faultless trim; 2, Edwards, shapely, not a feather wrong, rattling cap, hardly so rich in breast colour, but very close up indeed; 3, vhc, Hull, nice shape, lovely col. and qual., smooth as wax, beaten in size; 4, Walsh, rare subs. and shape, bold cap, bit bricky in breast col. GOLDIE (18): Fine lot: 1, Hurst, fine size and shape, superb, large square cut blaze, rich in col., rattling bars and buttons, capital feather; 2, Allen, "King Dick," beaten slightly in expanse of blaze only, treat to observe, shown for all he was worth; 3, Miller, another beautiful Finch, nearly equal to 2nd, may be hardly so rich in tanning; 4, Metcalfe, nice shape and size, neat bars and buttons, not quite so massive in blaze, but very bright in col.; vhc, Blanchon; hc, Parlett; c, Wright. LINNET (13): 1, 2, 4, vhc, Parlett, very fine quartette, leader, wonderful subs., fine head and neck, grand broad chest, superb qual. and col., clear and very profuse in pencilling, wins; 2, even better col., not quite the size, good shape and carr., neatly marked; 4, very shapely, nice pencilling, 3, Traill, rattling col., smooth as wax, delightfully marked, far'o a little in shape to first two; hc, Nicholas; c, Walsh. GREENIE (15): 1, Brade, exquisite feather, superb col., rare size and shape, grand carr., one of the best we have seen for many a long day; 2, c, Walsh, more subs., A1 qual., very shapely, perhaps just beaten in richness of col.; 3, Hurst, teeming with col. and qual., rattling shape and cond., not quite so massive; 4, Parlett, rare subs. and shape, light as a bottle, good in col., well worth its place; vhc, Metcalfe; hc, Lee. SISKIN, ETC. (11): 1, Forster, Twite, well up in size, splendid tone of col., grand shape, delightfully laced, gem; 2, Nicholas, Lesser Redpoll, marvellous col., fine shape and qual., pressed hard, L.C.B.A. winner; 3, Brade Siskin, slashing shape and size, superb qual. and col., grand cap, profusely pencilled; 4, c, Parlett, Twite, good subs., capital col. and qual., well mkd., appearing bit soft; vhc, Whomey; hc, Metcalfe. A.O.V. (10): 1, 2, P. Walsh, Hawfinch, massive in build, exquisite shape, delightful col., beautiful bib; 2, Corn Bunting, well up in size, capital shape and col., grandly mkd.; 3, Lane, Yell. Bunting, plenty of subs., A1 qual. and shape, superb col.; 4, vhc, Parlett, Bramble, very shapely, good subs. and feather, rich col., profusely ticked; hc, Falding. SOFTBILL SMALL (12): 1, Fletcher, gem of a Black Redstart, in full bloom, staged in most fashionable style, credit to owner; 2, hc, Hattersley, Lesser Whitethroat, absolutely perfect condition, and put down in delightful manner; 3, Saywell, Greater Whitethroat, looking a picture, fine specimen; 4, Dyson, Blackcap, in rare order, good size, shape, col., and feather; vhc, Bescoby, lovely Wagtail; c, Whomey. LARGE (7): 1, Walsh, one of the finest Waxwings seen on the bench for many a long day; 2, Darlow, Magpie, in beautiful form, shown well, very fine size; 3, Abbott, jun., Thrush, superior col., not a feather misplaced, rattling moonings; 4, Evans, Blackbird, grand size and shape, lustrous col.; vhc, Fletcher; hc, Falding. NOVICE, BRIT. (£2 2s.) (20): 1, Bingham, very smart and highly coloured Lin., neat mks., steady; 2, Wragg, Redstart, shapely, nice size and markings, damaged tail, or might have won; 3, Cockerill, "Thistle King," very nice Goldie; 4, Johnson, jun., nice Hawfinch, very neat; vhc, Hattersley; hc, Jones; c, Spencer. PARRAKEETS, ETC. (7): 1, Colton and Dawn, with their well-known Eclectus, in full bloom, treat to observe; 2, 3, 4, c, Fletcher, magnificent team, Parrakeet, Rosella, King, in the order named, all in capital costume, well staged; vhc, Mrs. F. E. Rice; hc, Baxby. AVADAVATS, ETC. (10): 1, 2, Beaty, St. Helena, Waxbills and Weaver, in lovely dress, put down in masterly style; 3, Fletcher, Weaver, in nice order, and greatly admired; 4, vhc, Hattersley, Zebra Finches, in perfect trim, pretty as paint; hc, Bailey; c, Evans. SEED EATERS, ETC. (14): 1, 3, Beaty, Golden Backed Whydah, that captivated many present, and pair Backheaded Gouldians, in rattling form; 2, Colton and Dawn, good Crimson Finch, well up in col., staged well; 4, Bainbridge, Cuban Finches, looking the picture of health, extremely choice; vhc, Meadows; hc, Lawton; c, Watson. INSECTIV. ETC. (5): 1, Hattersley, long tailed glossy Starling, in finest condition possible, beautiful gloss, perfect tail; 2, 3, Saywell, Necklace Tanagier and Blue-Winged Tanager, in lovely bloom; 4, Fletcher, Brazilian Hangnest, in good form, graudly shown; vhc, Mrs. F. E. Rice. GIFT (16): 1, Waters; 2, Drabble and Bennett; 3, Hemming; 4, Woolhouse; vhc, Thorpe; hc, Furniss; c, Falding.

CARDIGAN.

Show held Dec. 12th. The numbers were below the average, but the quality was on the whole very good. Yorks. were a fine lot. Two sets of winners could be got here and no one could have cause to complain. The Goldie class was not up to the usual standard, only five being in the section provided for them. Unfortunately the show was not advertised to the extent it ought to have been, and it will pay to do so in the future. Mr. D. Morgan Jones, the Sec., was most courteous and obliging. The exhibits were well looked after in the hands of Messrs. D. J. Thomas and John Davies, and all birds were despatched from show in good time (5.30). Mr. Bowker, Nantwich, judged, and we heard no complaints.

The Critique.

NOR. (6): 1, Price, hot fed yell., nice type and qual. of feather, wins; 2, Davies, equal to leader in all points, not quite so big; 3, Muscott, griz. mkd. buff of nice size, short and cobby, good neck and head; res, Portman; vhc, Muscott. YORKS. (14): 1, Portman, beautiful well fed yell., nice even tone of col., medium build, good length of leg, grand type; 2, East, good type and qual., not so neat in wing, still a good one; 3, Price, very similar to 2nd, perhaps not so large, neat head and neck; res and hc, Dicks; vhc, Smith. DK. MULE (9): 1, hc, Portman, big Greenie, grandly fed, in A1 order; 2, Betty, buff Goldie, nice size and cond., could have given way to 3rd, Davies, better bird in all points; res, vhc, Portman. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Ray, grand Finch for type and cond., very pure in collar, wins; 2, Price, good col. and qual., not the type of leader; 3, hc, Davies, as good as either for col., not quite so wide in face perhaps; res, Thomas. BULLFINCH, ETC. (11): 1, Davies, bold upstanding Greenie, nicely fed, grand shape and quality, a good one; 2, Price, equally grand Bullie, nice breast and back, fine bold front, nice head, in good order; 3, vhc, Thomas, nice Chaffie, beautiful colour, nice whites, in fine order, steady; res, Portman, Bullie hen, lovely size and shape, very good in head. A.O.S. BRIT (5): 1, Ray, really fine Waxwing in grand bloom, put down in fine style; 2, Thomas, grand rich coloured Corn Bunting, grand mkgs., carrying a wealth of polish, very steady; 3, Ray, Hawfinch, grand depth of col., nice defined markings, in fine order; res, Thomas, Yellow Bunting, good bird, nice head marks, rich col. back. vhc, Thomas.

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BROXBURN.

Annual show, held December 14th, in the Public Halls, Broxburn. Entries were a shade below previous years, the reason being the large amount of shows held on the same day, but what was lacking in numbers was amply made up in quality, many well-known winners being forward. Scotch Fancies and Norwich were the most disappointing classes considering the good classification which was provided. In Crests Mr. Wm. Paul, Uphill, had a grand team forward, and was successful in winning the Broxburn cup for most points, and right well he deserved it. The Ure cup for most points in Scotch and Border sections was captured by Mr. Robert Menzies, Edinburgh, who had forward a nice lot of Scotch Fancies. Border Fancies were a grand lot, some rare quality birds being staged. The chief honours were carried off by that veteran, Mr. John Craig, of Brechin, who won the B.F.C.C. medal with his buff cock, a gem all over, staged in faultless order; he also secured the Toronto medal for best team of three birds, a very popular win. The British section contained the cream of this season's winners, and most of them repeated their previous successes by heading their respective classes. The committee are all well-known fanciers, and did everything in their power to make the show a success. Mr. Murray, the President, we noticed, lent a helping hand, acting as a steward to the judges, and had a smile for everybody. The popular secretary, Mr. Wm. McLaren, is the right man in the right place, getting through his work without the least flurry, a great asset to have in holding such a post. The hall is an ideal place, the staging being nicely arranged up two sides, and down the centre, which enables the exhibits to be well seen. The judges were: Scotch Fancies, Mr. John McLennan, Edinburgh; Plainheads and Crests, Mr. Allan Chalmers, Kirkintilloch; Borders, Mr. Gollan Hislop, Stirling; Mules and British, Mr. R. V. Raine, Glasgow, and Mr. John Goodfellow, Edinburgh, and their awards gave every satisfaction, as no grumbling was heard during the afternoon.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY., CL OR FOUL YELL. CK. (10): 1, Menzies, grand top end, fine depth through chest, stylish; 2, Howden, capital size, good reach and style, fine length of wing; 3, Hamilton, well set up, rare substance, grand reachy neck, close up; 4, Kinnear; 5, Hutchinson; 6, Tait. HEN (2): 1, Menzies, clinker for size, fine neck and back, capital drive; 2, Boag, neat head and neck, good back. BUFF CK. (2): 1, Wilson, grand head, neck and top end, splendid drive; 2, Tait, good size, nice drive and position, gets tail well under. HEN (3): 1, Menzies, good head and neck, fine shoulders, grandly filled back; 2, Hendry, good body and wings, rare head, neck and shoulders; 3, Hamilton, splendid drive and position, grand substance, capital pose. PIED OR GR. CK. (7): 1, Menzies, nice size, hard up, gets tail well under, fine back and wing; 2, Hamilton, grent size and top end, fine reach, good depth through, fine pose; 3, Hendry, grand size and substance, fine erect position, very stylish; 4, Spittal; 5, Brydon, 6, Aitken. HEN (4): 1, Menzies, yell. pied, clinker for size, fine free neck, good top end, fine wing and back; 2, Hamilton, rare reach and droop, well set up, gets quickly into action, must have pressed; 3, Howden, grand substance throughout, good head, neck and shoulders, stylish; 4, Kinnear. CREST CK. (5): 1, Howie, leader wing mkd. D.C., nice width of frontal and droop; 2, 3, 5, Paul, 2nd, thick crest, nice formation and droop, fine leafy feather, 3rd, grand frontal crest, nice droop, nicely groomed; 4, Anthony. HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, Paul, leader large, well formed Crest, rare width of frontal, neat centre, 2nd wing mkd. D.C., beautiful droop, nice leafy feather, capital centre, third, nice length of feather, good back crest; 4, 5, 6, Paul. C.B. CK. (7): 1, 2, 4, 5, Paul, leader beautiful cushion shaped skull, grand entrance, fine substance, 2nd, good wide entrance, fine length of head feather; 3, Smith, eye, neck and wing mkd., slasher for size and substance, grandly lashed, must have pressed; 6, Anthony. HEN (3): 1, Sharp, green, grand length and density of head feather, well lashed; 2, Paul, mkd. eye, neck and wing, good entrance, grand length of feather, fine substance; 3, no name, head and wing mkd., grand shaped skull, capital head feather. CREST BRED 1912 (6): 1, Anthony, dark Crest, of immense size, rare width of frontal, fine leafy feather; 2, Lambie, nearly green, nice formed crest, grandly radiated from a small centre; 3, 5, Paul, clinking crest, beautiful droop, nice buff feather; 4, Burns; 6, no name. C.B., BRED 1912: 1, 3, Paul, variegated, grandly shaped skull, good entrance and lashing, 3rd, capital length of head feather, well browed; 2, 4, Burns, nearly green, massive skull, good entrance, dense feather, fine substance; 5, Smith; 6, J. Burns. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (4): 1, Lawson, grand shape, good head, full neck, well carried flights; 2, Moffat, nice size and shape, grand qual. and col., nice head; 3, Matthews and Milne, good head and neck, somewhat patchy in colour; 4, Watt. HEN (4): 1, no name, rich col. and qual., finely rounded front and head; 2, Lawson, lovely shape and col., well laid on wings, close up; 3, Gardiner, mkd. right wing, clean cut, fine level col., grand head and neck. BUFF CK. (7): 1, Stewart, clinker for shape and substance, fine quality feather, wins; 2, Matthews and Milne, head mkd., good shape, nice head and neck, rich col.; 3, Moffat, rattling cl., lovely head, good front and back, A1 qual.; 4, Thomson; 5, Watt; 6, Sharp. HEN (4): 1, Noble, nice shape and size, grand quality feather, good flights and tail; 2, sp., Moffat, finely rounded head and neck, fine cobby shape, excels in quality; 3, Gardiner, rattling shape, beautiful col. and quality, neat head; 4, no name. UNFLIGHTED CK. (7): 1, Naismith, beauty for shape and qual., well carried wings and tail; 2, Smart, good shape and size, full of qual., fine short flights; 3, Moffat, rare shape, grand chest and back, capital qual.; 4, Noble; 5, 6, Sharp. HEN (7): 1, Moffat, grand size and shape, fine short flights and tail, good carriage; 2, Thomson, head and wing mkd., grand feather and col., nice head and neck; 3, sp., Gardiner, variegated, excels col. and qual., grand frontal, well carried wings; 4, 5, Noble; 6, Smith. VARIEG. YELL. (4): 1, Smart, heavy variegated, rare size and shape, finely rounded head and neck; 2, Moffat, wing mkd., lovely qual. feather, A1 col.; 3, Gardiner, wing mkd., grandly rounded front and back, capital wings; 4, Sharp. BUFF (5): 1, Stewart, variegated, teeming with qual., grand substance and shape, lovely wings and tail; 2, Lawson, longer in body, nice qual. feather, grand bloom; 3, 5, Watt, fails head to winner, good shape and size, well put down; 4, Moffat. GRN. OR CINN. (4): 1, 3, 4, Aitken, leader nice shape, fine col. and quality, 3rd, similar stamp, good sound col., fine wings and tail; 2, no name, rattling good Cinn., fine texture of feather, must have pressed; 5, no name. NON-FED (6): 1, Naismith, clinking yell. leading, fine cobby shape, well laid on wings; 2, 6, Shields, lovely quality feather, nice size and shape, well placed; 3, Stirling, nice col., good head and neck, must have pressed; 4, Gardiner; 5, Matthews and Milne. YORKS. (2): 1, Showler, A1 quality, nice feather, well up on leg, good length; 2, sp., Harrower, capital length, nice close feather, good head, nice wing carriage. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (15): 1, Andrew, grandly rounded head and front, well filled back, very stylish; 2, Hamilton, sweet shape, finely rounded head and back, loses only in colour to winner; 3, Munro, grand head and body, lovely col. and wing carriage; 4, Little; 5, Timmons; 6, Dinsmore. HEN (16): 1, Dinsmore, good back, wing and tail carriage, lovely qual. feather; 2, Munro, capital size, grandly carried head, close packed tail; 3, Spence, fine front and back, nice weight, well packed wings; 4, Nelson; 5, Taylor; 6, Cray, best bird in class, but was looking soft during judging. BUFF CK. (11): 1, Craig, beauty, and no mistake, grandly rounded head and body, feathered to perfection, wins B.F.C.C. medal; 2, Stevenson, similar make, good head, back and wings, A1 col.; 3, Houston, grand head and front, well laid on wings, warm in col.; 4, Boag; 5, Patterson; 6, Williams. HEN (10): 1, Auld, grandly moulded hen, sweet head and neck, finely carried wings, just a shade strong in col.; 2, Murray, gem, fine feather and finish, fine weight, well staged; 3, Craig, also grand type, well laid on wings and taper; 4, Williams; 5, Munro; 6, Hamilton. EVEN MKD. (8): 1, Nelson, clinker for markings, good type and qual., in nice bloom; 2, Patterson, buff, stronger eyes., fine quality feather, very typical; 3, Auld, good one for markings and type, well placed; 4, Martin; 5, Smith; 6, Robertson. A.O.V. YORK. (9): 1, Little, mkd. head, neck and wing, lovely size and qual., grand, close feather, neat tail; 2, Spencer, similar markings, sweet size, finely rounded head, well laid on wings, rare bloom; 3, Hamilton, true Border type, correct size and weight, shown in lovely order; 4, Boag; 5, Taylor; 6, Williams. BUFF (7): 1, Craig, mkd. head, eyes and wings, gem for type and quality, fine close feather, grand carriage, stylish; 2, Robertson, similar type and markings, nicely moulded body, must have pressed; 3, Boag, stronger built, fine quality feather, well placed; 4, Taylor; 5, Patterson; 6, Stevenson. GREEN (8): 1, Boag, capital type and col., finely pencilled on back; 2, Nelson, clinker for col., grand grassy green, excels in pencilling, close up; 3, Stewart and Fairley, very sound col., distinct pencillings; 4, Lambie; 5, Williams; 6, Taylor. CINN. (3): 1, res., Lambie, rattling yell., clinker for col. and quality, typical; 2, Russell, fine close feather, warm col., in nice order; 3, W. Lambie, correct type and col., shown in lovely bloom. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, 3, Jamieson, well-known clear Goldie, looking very fit, staged to perfection, 3rd, Linnet-Bullie, nice size and shape, well placed; 2, Bell, clinking Golden-Bullie, grand flush face, shown in faultless order; 4, M. Holme; 5, Finnie. Dk. GOLDFINCH OR LINNET (8): 1, Crone, slashing Goldie leading, rare size and col., wins; 2, 3, Jamieson, 2nd, Linnet, plenty of size and col., well laced, 3rd, fine big Goldie, A1 feather and condition; 4, Turner; 5, 6, Stevens. VARIEG. MULE (4): 1, 2, Jamieson, leader nearly even mkd. Goldie, lovely feather and quality, rare bloom, 2nd, yell. variegated Goldie, fails size only, splendid col.; 3, Bell, rare size and shape, nice colour, close up; 4, Turner. A.O.V. MULE (7): 1, Turner, Greenie, slasher for size and substance, in fine order; 2, Craig, fails size to winner, excelling in col. and polish, well-known winner; 3, Watson, lovely Siskin Mule, fine size and shape, well placed; 4, Jamieson; 5, Finnie; 6, Staines. BULLFINCH CK. (10): 1, Turner, monster for size, grand cap, fine crimson breast, good wings bars; 2, Sykes, clinker for size and col., in rare bloom; 3, Christie, fine size and shape, fails only in breast col. to leaders; 4, Bell; 5, Combe; 6, Calder. GOLDFINCH (10): 1, Pringle, deep, square cut blaze, grand tannings, lovely bars and buttons; 2, Sykes, grand blaze, well tanned chest, fine wing bars; 3, Perrie, nice blaze, capital bars and moons; 4, Brown; 5, Livingston; 6, Stirling. BULLFINCH HEN (11): 1, Mackie, stormer for size, grand cap, A1 col., fine bars; 2, Jamieson, grand size and shape, lovely cap and feather, close up; 3, Perrie, another good one, fine dense cap, fails only in size to winners; 4, Farrish; 5, Stevenson; 6, Watson; grand class. LIN. (10): 1, Perrie, grand tone of col., very finely pencilled, nice whites; 2, 4, Leach, fine big, bouncing bird, excels in breast work, fine nutty brown col.; 3, Hodge and Haxton, lighter tone of col., nice back markings; 5, Watson; 6, McKinlay. GREENFINCH (10): 1, Aitken, fine big bird, bold head and front, nice tone of col., good wing bars; 2, Sharp, grand shape and substance, well up in col., rare polish; 3, McKinlay, rattling Greenie, fine shape, good col. and finish; 4, Cray; 5, McLean; 6, Messer. GREENIE, NON-FED: 1, Messer, great size and substance, noble head and front, all there for col. and condition, well-known winner; 2, Finnie, beaten in size, fine col and wing bars, good second; 3, Sykes, well up in size and col., rattling bloom; 4, McKechner; 5, Allan; 6, Steven. SISKIN (5): 1, R. Watson, nat. col., fine cap and wing bars, nicely laced; 2, Perrie, fails size to winner, well laced on flanks, nicely staged; 3, sp., McGregor and Boyd, good size and col., capital wing bars; 4, Jamieson; 5, Sykes. LESSER 'POLL (6): 1, Leach, grand sound col., lovely marking, nice bib, rare polish; 2, Bell, topper for col. and lacing, lovely sheen; 3, Kemp, rattling good col., nice breast markings; 4, Jamieson; 5, Palmer; 6, Watson. MEALY 'POLL OR TWITE (8): 1, Sykes, lovely Twite, grand size and col., in rare order; 2, Scotland, fine big, mealy, extra good in col. and markings; 3, Crone, grand tone of col., well laced on flanks, well placed; 4, Bell; 5, Galloway; 6, Messer. SMALL SOFTBILL (3): 1, 2, Taylor, lovely Redstart leading, shown in the pink, taking exhibit, 2nd, well-known winner, lovely plumage and condition; 3, Sykes, capital exhibit, grand col. and condition. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE (7): 1, 2, 4, Sykes, old champion, in fine plumage and condition, 2nd, noted Chaffie, rare breast col., capital whites; 3, McKechner, Chaffie, fine size, fails in breast col. to second, well placed; 5, 6, Barrie. BUNTING (9): 1, 2, A. W. Watson, rattling good Yellowhammer leading, clinker for size and col., rare bloom, 2nd, well-known Meadow, grand markings, fine size; 3, Stevens, grand size and markings, nicely staged; 4, Livingston; 5, W. Stevenson; 6, Hodge and Haxton. LIN., F.M. (15): 1, A. W. Watson, grand one, lovely breast markings, capital col. and polish, wins; 2, Waugh, good Linnet, finely mkd. back, very steady and well shown; 3, Bell, nice shape, fine tone of col., in nice bloom; 4, Liddle; 5, Reid; 6, McKinlay. GREENFINCH, HEN (10): 1, Sharp, bouncer for size and shape, nice col., fine bars; 2, Sykes, close up, fine substance and col., in nice bloom; 3, Laird and Matthew, fine head and frontal, capital wing bars; 4, Aitken; 5, Perrie; 6, Laing. BRIT. HEN (6): 1, 2, Taylor, leading with his hen Redstart, in faultless order, 2nd, fine big Bramble, in capital feather; 3, Waddington, capital Yellowhammer, nice markings; 4, Sykes; 5, Laing; 6, Gentleman. LARGE BRIT. (3): 1, 3, Sykes, brace of grand Hawfinches, leader excels in size and col., fine big bib, 3, shade smaller, but still a good one. FOR., GOLDFINCH (9): 1, Howie, his 54th first prize, immense blaze, rare tans, and huttons, grand wing bars; 2, McGavin, capital Finch, fine big blaze, capital tannings, good polish; 3, Adams, another clinker, lovely blaze and breast tanning, fine bars, moons and buttons; 4, 5, Pringle; 6, Steven. COM. CAN. (10): 1, Turner; 2, Aitken; 3, Murray; 4, Thomson; 5, Fennie; 6, Boag. GIFT (9): 1, Murray; 2, McLaren; 3, Sharp; 4, Boag; 5, Aitken.

LLANDUDNO.

Members' show, held December 11. About 100 birds were on view, a capital entry considering the society was only formed this year. Quality was grand, especially in Yorks., which were really smart. British were a very even lot. A truant from Siberia fell in with the Goldies; we heard it was caught in Llandudno, as it found the "Naples of the North" a bit warmer than Moscow. Norwich show great promise of becoming popular with the members. The worthy chairman, Mr. E. Nolan, put down some pepper corns. The President, Mr. Pike, takes a great interest in the society. He had some neat Yorks carrying red tickets; his financial help has been the backbone of the society. There is a good working committee, while Mr. Berry makes an ideal secretary. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, Liverpool, placed the cards, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (2): 1, G. W. Jones, rare bold head and neck, hot col., well put down; 2, W. Davies, heavy variegated, good size and condition, bit longer. BUFF (4): 1, E. Nolan, saddle mkd., real good one, full head and neck compact; 2, G. W. Jones, fine head and neck, capital wings, but longer; 3, Moss, cinn. mk., bit weak in skull, nice body, capital condition; 4, W. Jones. HEN (3): 1, Nolan, champion head and neck, rare front, bit long behind; 2, G. W. Jones, all there for style, close feather; 3, Wm. Jones, good head and wings, well staged. YORKS. YELL. (5): 1, Pike, straight as a rush nice size, good back and wings; 2, H. Thomas, not the biggest, but champion type, full of go; 3, D. Jones, smart chap, very racy, droops tail a bit. BUFF (5): 1, Pike, lovely feather and condition, erect and fearless, throws a wing; 2, H. Thomas, grand big stock bird, capital wings and back. UNFLIGHTED YELL.: 1, G. W. Jones, very stylish, topping wings and tail, well filled in; 2, 3, W. Williams, good bird, almost equal, just loses head properties, 3rd, another stylish bird, full of quality. BUFF (3): 1, Pike, real topper for style, full of swank, bit small this year; 2, 3, H. Thomas, shade bigger, good feather, crosses wings a bit, 3rd, good back wings. HEN (7): 1, sp. best in show, Pike, yell., a lady of the first water, exquisitely dressed, as near perfection as can be; 2, Thomas, buff, rare size and style, lovely back; 3, D. Jones, yell., paler, erect, good legs, evenly carried wings. A.O.V. (5): 1, W. Williams, foul cinn. yell. Yorks., rare carriage, good straight back; 2, 3, Woods, yell. green cock, fair pencilling, dull col., 3rd, yell green hen, better shape and style, but small. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, Griffiths, Goldie Greenie, fair size, well marked, wants feeding; 2, D. G. Jones, unflighted yell. Greenie Mule, small, but good, should make up; 3, E. Roberts, Goldie Mule, fair size and condition, good bars. GOLDFINCH (9): 1, Overton, square cut blaze of rich crimson tone, good in tanning; 2, W. Jones, nice face, fails in tanning to winner; 3, Relf, smart, not quite so good on top, rich in col. BULLFINCH (2): 1, Moss, grand cap and bib, nice back col.; 2, Hartle and Berry, blows a bit, capital bird all round. LINNET, ETC.: 1, 2, Hughes, well pencilled, nutty col., 2, not quite so good in work, unsteady; 3, Davies, nice shape and col., not a big one. A.O. BRIT. (3): 1, 2, 3, Hartle and Berry, leader good Waxwing, brilliant colours, capital condition, run very close by a nice Meadow Pipit, well marked and quite steady, 3rd, cheeky Magpie, not in the best of feather. BRIT. HEN (2): 1, W. Williams, Bullie, grand size and condition, good cap; 2, Moss, not quite so steady, equally good. FOR. (3): 1, G. W. Jones, champion Russian Bullie, steady, enormous cap and bib; 2, 3, Hartle and Berry, White Java leading, in fine form; 3, Grey Java.

HADDINGTON AND DIST. C.B.C.

Table show, held Dec. 13; a grand display of birds was staged. Special for best bird was won by Mr. C. Barrie with a fine yell. Nor.; best Bord., Mr. A. Grant with a smart yell. Most points, C. Barrie; 2nd, A. Grant. Mr. J. Wood, Newtown, judged, and his awards were very well received.

BORDER CK. (7): 1, sp. best Bord., Grant; 2, 6, Fairgrieve; 3, 4, Barrie; 5, 7, Steele. HEN (9): 1, 3, Fairgrieve; 2, 5, Barrie; 4, Grant; 6, Steele; 7, Porteous. EVEN or VARIEG. (7): 1, 3, Barrie; 2, Sanderson; 4, sp, 6, Ramage; 5, Fairgrieve; 7, Steele. GR. or CINN. (10): 1, 3, Grant; 2, Ramage; 4, Steele; 5, 7, Barrie; 6, Fairgrieve. NOR. (5): 1, 2, 3, 4, Barrie; 5, Steele. BRIT. (15): 1, 2, 3, 4, Grant, Goldie, a lovely Yellowhammer; fine coloured Bullie and Chaffie; 5, Stoddart; 6, Ramage; 7, Barrie. A.O.V. (4): 1, 2, Steele, lovely pair of Budgerigars; 3, 4, Stoddart.—Alex. Grant.

WAKEFIELD O.S.

Members' show held at headquarters, Crown and Anchor, Nov. 30th. One hundred birds were staged, and the show was the best of the members' shows this season, the birds being a grand lot. Mr. Chittenden judged. YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, 3, vhc, C. Parks; 2, Taylor; 4, Rollings; hc, Talbot; c, Slack. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Parks. YELL. HEN: 1, Parks; 2, Slack; 3, Rollings; 4, Taylor; vhc, Talbot. BUFF: 1, 3, vhc, Parks; 2, Rollings; 4, Taylor; hc, Parker. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, Parks; 2, Oldroyd; 3, Walmsley; 4, Taylor; vhc, Rollings; hc, c, Parker. HEN: 1, c, Oldroyd; 2, Rollings; 3, 4, Parks; vhc, hc, Parker. NOR., CL., ETC.: 1, 3, vhc, Atkinson; 2, Walmsley; 4, Talbot. A.O. NOR.: 1, 4, c, Parks; 2, Atkinson; 3, Bedford; vhc, Daniels; hc, Midgley. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, c, Parks; 3, Daniels; 4, vhc, Walmsley; hc, Atkinson. HEN UNFLIG.: 1, 3, vhc, Parks; 2, Atkinson; 4, Midgley; hc, Bedford. PAIR: 1, Parks. GOLDFINCH: 1, 4, Isherwood; 2, c, Midgley; 3, Daniels; vhc, Talbot; hc, Parker. LINNET: 1, Taylor; 2, 4, Talbot; 3, Isherwood; vhc, Midgley; hc, Slack. A.O.V.: 1, 3, vhc, c, Isherwood; 2, 4, hc, Daniels. J. Isherwood, Sec.

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ABERDEEN O.S.

Fifty-seventh annual show held in the Ball Room Music Hall Buildings, on December 13th and 14th, under the distinguished patronage of the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Town Council of the City of Aberdeen. In connection with this fixture the Scottish Nor. P.C. held their show. They were also fortunate in having the patronage of the Cinnamon C.C., which brought out some exhibits of the first water, such well -known fanciers as Messrs. Dormer, Hartup, Godley and Mrs. Deacon staging grand birds. Brit. and For. were a splendid collection, Mr. R. J. Robertson's team of small foreign being much admired. The Pres., Mr. Wm. Allan, did all in his power to make the show a success. The Vice-President, Mr. John Hector, who unfortunately is away in France, presented the Brit. section with a beautiful challenge cup for points, which was gained by Mr. John Sykes, Musselburgh; the runner-up being Mr. R. J. Robertson, with one point less. The Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. John Bryson, is a hard worker, and does his very utmost for the benefit of the exhibitors. He is well supported by a large committee of old and capable fanciers. Mr. Mitchell of Brechin, who was to take part in judging the Norwich section, with Mr. Alex. Thomson, Aberdeen, had to cancel his engagement, being indisposed. Mr. Geo. Davidson, Aberdeen, kindly consented to carry out Mr. Mitchell's duties, and both judges' awards gave general satisfaction. The gold medal for best cock, confined to members of the N.P.C., also Sandiford's medal for best fed yell., were won by Mr. Wm. Aitchison. Gold medal for best hen, by Mr. Wm. Grewar, Lochgelly, with a champion buff hen, the best we have seen in the north. Silver medal for best bird shown by a novice, Mr. John Bryson, Aberdeen; Ramsden's medal, Mr. A. Maxwell; S.P.C. silver medal for cocks, Mr. L. Will, Aberdeen, and for hens, Mr. Wm. Hampton, Brechin; and the Wilson medal, Mr. Wm. Rae. The show was well patronised by the public, and we have no doubt that it will turn out a financial success.

The Critique.

NOR. P.C. CLASSES, NOR. YELL, CL. ETC. (4): 1, Maxwell, grand col., nicely rounded head, well filled in neck, good shape, fails a trifle in wing carr.; 2, Simpson, best of type, tkd. on neck, lovely qual. of feather, best of wing carr., a good second; 3, Harris, grand subs., fine texture of feather, teeming in qual., well turned out; 4, Aitchison, fine type, deep level col. HENS (8): 1, 2, Smeaton, both cl., 1 excels in type, grand subs., lovely rounded body, grand head, well filled in neck, short and cobby, A1 col. and qual., 2 not quite so bold in head, still a good hen; 3, Will, very fine feather and cond., nice level col. throughout; 4, Simpson, very typical exhibit, feathered like wax, good col.; 5, Chalmers; 6, Maxwell. BUFF CK., CL., ETC. (5): 1, Barron, best of type, good head and nicely rounded chest, well balanced on perch, short wings and tail; 2, Fleming, longer in shape, good col. and qual.; 3, Chalmers, we liked for 2nd, short, thick, cobby bird, rare qual. and col., grand wing carr., only fault a little browed; 4, Camerou, good subs. and col.; 5, Aitchison. HENS (8): 1, Grewar, a gem and no mistake, tkd. on head, grand cobby shape, rare subs., lovely texture of feather, nicely mealed, a topper; 2, Kerr, good qual. and cond., fails in head to winner, nice type and A1 col.; 3, Cameron, good neck, nice head, extra qual. of feather, lovely rounded chest, good wing carr. and col.; 4, Aitchison, lovely qual. and nicely mealed; 5, Will; 6, Fleming. VARIEG., ETC., YELL. CK. (10): 1, Barron, red hot col., variegated, best of type, good subs., grand frontal, nice head and neck, and of good qual.; 2, Simpson, mkd. both wings and eye, very typical, grand col. and qual., short wings and tail; 3, Maxwell, good type, excels in qual., in lovely bloom, but trille wild; 4, Bishop, full of col. and qual.; 5, Smeaton; 6, Grewer. HENS (3): 1, 2, Martin, both good hens, 1 wins in col., short thick-set birds, of good qual.; 3, Simpson, a Green, grand type and qual. VARIEG. OR GR. BUFF CK. (6): 1, Aitchison, typical but small, very sweet qual., grand col.; 2, Smeaton, rare head and neck, grand frontal and qual.; 3, Miller, wing mkd., tip-top qual., in lovely cond.; 4, Yeates; 5, Martin; 6, Bryson. HENS (7): 1, Fleming, a wing mkd. well up in size, best of type and col., clean cut; 2, Grewar, short and cobby, variegated, rare type, good head and chest, grand back and nice wing carr.; 3, Miller, typical, good col. and qual.; 4, Cameron; 5, Barron; 6, Harris. NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (11): 1, 2, Aitchison, 1 tkd. on eye, a good all round exhibit, rare subs. and shape, good head and chest, A1 qual., 2 best of col. and qual., fails in subs. to 1st; 3, Sandison, grand head and neck, good type and col.; 4, Rae, nice feather, A1 qual.; 5, Yeates; 6, Smeaton. BUFF (6): 1, Grewar, fine subs., grandly shaped head, nicely rounded chest, wins; 2, Rae, well up in size, tip-top style, lovely under-col., rare qual.; 3, Kerr, very typical, good col. and qual., fails only in wing carr.; 4, Cameron; 5, Anderson; 6, Mouzon. VARIEG. YELL. (4). 1, Will, a variegated, cobby shaped body, grand subs., capital qual., rich col.; 2, Aitchison, very sweet exhibit, mkd. both eyes and one wing feathered like a Java, in grand cond.; 3, Yeates, a variegated, good type and qual., stands rather high of the perch; 4, Fleming, very shapely, good col. and qual., nice placed wings. VARIEG. BUFF (4): 1, Kerr, good type and qual., A1 col., crosses wings at times; 2, Bishop, also a variegated, typical, teeming in qual.; 3, Cameron, mkd. eye and neck, nice Bullie type, looked a little soft when taking notice; 4, Hampton. YELL. HENS (5): 1, Smeaton, rare subs., cobby build, grand col. and qual.; 2, Fleming, another grand hen, teeming in qual., very little between them; 3, Anderson, grand chest, lovely qual.; 4, Harris; 5, Hampton. BUFF (6): 1, Hampton, a cl., grand bodied hen, good head and neck, stands well across perch; 2, Smeaton, must have pressed, one of the Bullfinch type, short and thick set, in lovely coud.; 3, Aitchison, good type and qual.; 4, Barron, rich qual. of feather; 5, Bishop; 6, Taylor. VARIEG., ETC. YELL. (7): 1, Sandison, almost a green, best of type and col.; 2, Aitchison, variegated, good shape and qual.; 3, Bishop, mkd. wings and head, nice col. and qual.; 4, Morton; 5, Steele; 6, Harris. BUFF (3): 1, Sandison, variegated, rare shape and subs., lovely head and neck, nicely cut away; 2, Barrow, mkd. cap and both wings, very sweet, good size and qual.; 3, Hendry, silky feather, in grand bloom. YELL. CK., BRED 1912 (4): 1, Bird, grand type, champion col. and cond.; 2, Ewen and Anderson, rich col. and qual.; 3, Hector, on the small side, but grand cond.; 4, Kerr. BUFF (3): 1, Morton, good chest, nice wings and tail; 2, Anderson, grand qual., very chubby, well placed wings; 3, Hampton, variegated, good type and qual. YELL. HENS (4): 1, Hampton, tkd. on neck, grand head and front, good col. and qual.; 2, F. Anderson, a variegated, typical, rich col. and cond.; 3, Morton, cl., very stylish, teeming in qual. and col.; 4, J. Anderson. BUFF: 1, Stanford, fine silky feather, good type; 2, Sandison, close up, grand body, good col. NAT. COL.: YELL. CK.: 1, Smeaton, a clinking good yell., good front and A1 qual. BUFF (7): 1, Fleming, head, eye and wing mkd., grand subs., A1 qual. short wings and tail; 2, Hector, grandly rounded chest, clinking qual. and cond.; 3, 4, Gordon, 3 excels in type, good qual. and nice short wings; 5, Hendry; 6, 7, Noble. VARIEG. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Yeates, best of type and col., well staged; 2, Rae, nice exhibit, good subs. and cond.; 3, Lawrie, grand qual. of feather, in fine bloom. BUFF (8): 1, Kerr, clinker for size, grand subs. and qual.; 2, Bryson, very typical, good head and neck, nice front and wing carr.; 3, Taylor, good shape, teeming in qual., well staged; 4, Davidson; 5, Gordon; 6, Harris. GREEN, ETC. (7): 1, Grewar, rare size and subs., good head and chest, fine rounded front, wing nicely placed; 2, Kerr, another one of the right type, short and cobby, neat wing carr.; 3, Hendry, not quite so typical; 4, Will; 5, Ewen and Anderson; 6, Harris. NOV., CK. (15): 1, 4, Harper, 1 best of type, A1 qual., nice and short in leg; 2, Martin, very typical, nice head and neck, good front, grand col. and qual.; 3, 5, Ford, 3 best of type and col.; 6, Booth. HENS (13): 1, 4, Ford, 1 grand type, nice head and neck, good col. and qual.; 2, Grant, good head and neck, well rounded chest, true to type, best of col. and qual., some preferred for 1st; 3, Strachan, good size, nice col. and qual.; 5, Leaper; 6, Grant. CRESTED (3): 1, 2, Hector, both nice size and feather, good centre and droop; 3, Collie. C.B.: 1, Hector, great size, massive head(covered with feather of great length, well lashed, and grand entrance. HENS: 1, Collie, fair hen, good body. CINN.: YELL. CK. (6): 1, Mrs. Deacon, big bouncing bird, grand depth of col., lovely head and back, splendid feather and style; 2, Godley, champion col. and feather, grand head and neck, full of style, in the best of form and cond.; 3, Roberts, good col. and feather, neat in wings and tail; 4, Wilson, good size, fair col.; 5, Dormer, very stylish, nice level col; 6, Rae. BUFF (6): 1, Dormer, bold, upstanding bird of rich col., grand qual. of feather, well shown; 2, Mrs. Dormer, well up in size, splendid shape, sound col., nice texture of feather; 3, Roberts, not quite so large as winner, grand shape, sound in col., in rare cond.; 4, Rae, good size, nice head and neck, fine style and col.; 5, Godley; 6, Allardyce. HEN (11): 1, 2, Hartup, 1 bulf, rich col., good size, beautifully feathered, well staged, 2 yell., tip-top sound col., best of feather and cond.; 3, Dormer, grand head and neck, large upstanding bird, excellent feather, lovely wing and tail, might have gone up; 4, 7, Godley, 4 better col., in fine bloom; 5, 6, Roberts. UNFLI. (10): 1, 4, Hartup, 1 grand size and shape, good head and neck, stands well, col. sound throughout; 2, Dormer, a grand yell., magnificent col., deep and hot, splendid carr.; 3, Mrs Deacon, good size, full of qual., rich col., grand head and neck, lovely wing carr., stands well; 5, Roberts; 6, Rae; 7, Wilson. NOV.: 1, Allardyce, small, good col. and con. BORDER, YELL. (5): 1, Blackie, good shape, jaunty, nice wing and tail carr.; 2, Connachie, nicely drawn, lovely feather, a good second; 3, Strachan, typical, feather like a Java, grand mover; 4, Davidson; 5, Steven. BUFF (4): 1, Connachie, a gem, very sweet, jaunty and full of go, perfect wings and tail; 2, Blackie, A1 type, grand feather and cond.; 3, Davidson, not so nicely moulded as 1st, good qual.; 4, Steven. YORKS., YELL. (7): 1, 3, Junor, 1 grand shape and pos., nervy, lovely qual. and col., well fitting wings, neatly packed tail, 3 well up, grand qual., neat type, good length, nice level col.; 2, Reilly, fine qual., straight as a pencil, nice fittings wings and tail, good style; 4, Wilkinson, nice shape, good legs and pos.; 5, 6, Rhind. BUFF (3): 1, Reilley, tight in feather, neat, narrow shoulders, leggy, fine pos.; 2, Wilkinson, slim and stylish, good length and col.; 3, Junor, grand qual., rich col. and cond. A.O.V. CAN. (3): 1, Hector, Cinn. Crest, good size and feather; 2, Wilson, cinn. variegated, good type and qual.; 3, Steven. MULE (4): 1, Watson, Goldie-Can., good size, well broken in col., in fine con.; 2, 3, 4, Hector, all Goldie-Can. mules, in lovely feather and well fed. DK. (5): 1, Grewar, good bird, well known; 2, Duncan, nice Linnet Mule, good size and col.; 3, Park, Siskin Can., fair size and col.; 4, Mitchell and Greig; 5, Davidson. HYB.: 1, Watson, Goldie-Bullie, well up in size, best of col., shows cross well, in grand trim; 2, Bishop, Linnet-Bullie, good size and col., fine shape A1 trim. GOLDFINCH (4): 1, Harcombe, very brilliant rich col., well cut blaze, lovely collar, beautiful black, rich, sound tanning, grand bars and buttons, in the pink of cond., wins; 2, Davidson, good size and shape, fails in richness of col to 1; 3, Anderson, not so nice in shape, rich blaze and nice bars; 4, Hector. BULLFINCH (8): 1, Anderson Bros., good size, magnificent deep rich body col., large deeply cut, glossy cap, well extended down back, well defined bars, in the pink of cond.; 2, 3, Watt, 2 Glasgow winner, but beaten to-day, 3 nice size and col., grand bars, just a little rough at thigh; 4, 6, Rae; 5, Junor; 7, Johnston. LINNET (11): 1, 2, Bird, 1 we liked, good size and col., rich nutty brown, grandly mkd., steady as a rock, 2 not the same col. and trifle larger in mkgs,; 3, Colbron, we made a good 2nd, full of rich col., clearly and distinctly mkd., grand full chest, in rare form; 4, Mitchell and Greig, rich bright and even col., full chest and plenty work, splendid whites; 5, Mackercher; 6, Auld; 7, Anderson. SISKIN (7): 1, Morton, a grand Siskin, lovely black cap, rich col. and well fed, fine bars, in spanking con.; 2, Connachie, good size and col., well mkd., in nice form; 3, Junor, good cap, col. and bars, very sweet; 4, 6, Watson; 5, Mitchell and Grey; 7, Grant. GREENFINCH (9): 1, Stewart, good size, great depth of col., grandly feathered, nice shape and carr., lovely wings and tail, turned out in perfect cond.; 2, Morton, another good Greenie, A1 size and shape, not quite so rich in col.; 3, 5, Watson; 3rd, fails only in bloom, still a good one; 4, Gove; 6, Park; 7, Morris. REDPOLL OR TWITE (6): 1, Johnston, nice col. Twite, lovely mkgs. and con.; 2, Morton, 'Poll, grand size and col., lovely wings, well staged; 3, Sykes, Twite, lovely col. and lacing, nice size; 4, Junor; 5, Dormer; 6, Rae. BRAMBLE, ETC. (5): 1, 3, Sykes, nice Meadow Bunting, in the pink of cond.; 3rd, a nice Chaffie, good col. and very steady; 2, Ross and Duncan, Yell. Bunting, grand shape and size, beautiful silky plumage, lovely mkgs.; 4, Anderson; 5, Mackercher. HEN, BRIT. (6): 1, Junor, a sweet well marked Siskin hen; 2, Duncan, Chaffie, nice and steady, in good cond.; 3, Park, Greenie, good size and col.; 4, Auld; 5, Johnstou. SOFT-BILLS (7): 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, Robertson, Black Redstart leading, in lovely plumage and well turned out, a little gem; 2nd, nice Bearded Tit, looking quite happy, in rare feather; 3rd, Redstart, grand col. and cond.; 4th, Long-tailed Tit; 5, Anderson Bros., Grey Wagtail. BRIT.. LARGE (3): 1, Sykes, with his well known Hawfinch, looking well; 2, Ewen and Anderson, Cornish Chough, in fine order; 3, Johnston, Hawfinch. FOR. GOLDIE (4): 1, Davidson, fine square cut blaze, rich col., nicely tanned, wins, good wings and tail; 2, Gordon, also a nice one, not quite so rich in face; 3, Ross and Duncan, good size and col., in nice cond; 4, Rae. FOR., LARGE: 1, Ogilvie, lovely Amazon, quite at home and talking. SMALL (9): 1, 2, 3, etc., Robertson, with a beautiful pair of Diamond Sparrows; 2nd, Neck-laced Tanager, grand col. and cond.; 3rd, Cuban Finch. MEMBERS', YELL. CK. (3): 1, Will, good type, rich col., grand wings and tail; 2, 3, Sandison, 2nd, beautiful col., grand qual. and type. HEN (7): 1, 2, Will, two nice yells., good size and shape, lovely even col., and best of qual.; 3, Strachan, typical, boxey feather, well balanced on perch; 4, 5, Sandison; 6, Ewen and Anderson. BUFF CK. (3): 1, Sandison, well up in size, good shape and col., short wings and tail; 2, 3, Saddler, 2nd, best of feather and col. HEN (4): 1, 4, Will, 1st, excels in type, good head and neck, nice rounded chest, rich col. and qual.; 2, Sandison, lovely model, grand feather, must have pressed; 3, Ewen and Anderson, nice level col., good size hot col., best of type, nicely staged; 2, Rae, good and qual. VARIEG. YELL. CK. (4): 1, Will, red-hot col. and shape, well placed wings; 3, Ewen and Anderson, typical, and well balanced; 4, Hector, sweet qual., but small. HEN: 1, Saddler, good size and shape. VAR. BUFF CK.: 1, Will, grand type, short, full-fronted bird, best of col. and qual.; 2, Saddler, nice shape, fine head and neck, good col. HEN (5): 1, 2, Will, two gems of the first water, lovely shape, even col. and qual.; 3, 5, Saddler, 3rd, typical, short wings and tail; 4, Steven. CINN. YELL: 1, Rae, good size, grand col., fine-fronted bird, full of style. BUFF: 1, Rae, great size, grand head and neck, full chest, short wing and tail, a good one. GIFT: 1, Steele.

DAWLEY (Salop).

Fifth annual show held in the Assembly Room, December 10th, a splendid place for the purpose, the birds being well staged in a good light. Only three classes were provided for Canaries, the chief feature of the show being the British and Mule classes, of which a large number of the former are kept in the district, and competition in these classes is always very keen. The entry was a capital one, the best they have yet received, while the quality of the exhibits was of a very high order. Special for most points throughout the show was won by Mr. G. Potter with a fine team staged in excellent condition. Mr. Jas. Clayton again filled the post of Secretary in a very business-like manner, having everything in perfect order. Mr. Arthur C. Brotherhood judged.

The Critique.

NOR. (4): 1, 3, r, Campbell, leader cl. yell., nice qual., good head and carr., close feather, followed by a tkd. buff, good size, head and qual., bit longer; 2, Johnson, uneven buff, very cobby in build, loses in head to winner. YORK., BUFF (12): 1, 3, Ball, leader cl. of fine length and shape, grand pos., nice qual., wins, 3 cl., well drawn, nice head and shape, gets well up, bit open in feather; 2, r, vhc, Johnson, cinn. mkd., beautiful length, nice shape, good back and qual.; hc, J. Williams; he, c, Campbell. YELL. (10): 1, r, Lavender, cl. hen, fine length, well filled back, neat waist, good head, rare qual. and style; 2, 3, vhc, c, Johnson, not the length of winner, good col. and qual., nice shape and pos., followed by a well drawn cl., nice feather, hardly so stylish; hc (2), Campbell, GOLDFINCH (11): 1, Tomlins, grand size and shape, square cut blaze of rare col., nice body col., good wings and collar, very steady; 2, r, Potter, shade smaller, nice width of face, well up in col. of blaze, nice tan, carries grand polish, r rare qual. Finch, smaller, in fine trim; 3, G. Williams, splendid size and shape, nice width of face, grand body col., well buttoned, not the bloom of 2nd or would have gone up; vhc, hc, c, Campbell; vhc, Clayton. BULLFINCH (8): 1, Potter, house moulted, of medium size, nice shape, well cut cap, good breast and back col., in lovely bloom; 2, 3, J. Williams, leader bonny hen, well up in size, good shape, carries nice sheen, worth her place, followed by f.m. Finch of good size and col., bit loose at thighs; r, vhc, hc, Campbell; vbc, Roberts; hc, Butler. MULE OR HYB. (8): 1, 3, Butler, leader Greenie-Bullie, grand size and shape, rare good head, rather sombre in colour, we take for a hen, very steady and in excellent feather, good one for a baby, 3 Green-Can., nice size col. and con.; 2, Potter, Linnet-Bullie, shows the cross very distinctly, good breast col., nice con., bit small, still only a youngster, will improve a lot; r, Pickens, nice size Gold-Can.; vhc, G. Williams; hc, no name; c, Jones. LINNET, ETC. (10): 1, 3, c, Potter, leader bonny Lesser 'Poll, house moulted, good size and col., nice ticking, distinct in bib, followed by sweet Siskin, lovely col., well broken cap, showing bib, both shown in exquisite con.; 2, G. Williams, Linnet, grand size and shape, sound body col., grandly pencilled, in fine bloom; r, Butler, good Linnet, just beaten condition; vhc, Roberts, J. Williams; hc, Campbell. A.O.S. SMALL (6): 1, 3, Potter, Greenfinch, well up in size, grand shape and col., in good fettle, 3 good col. Bramble, nice spangle, but unsteady; 2, Butler, Yell. Bunting, good size and qual., head mk., well defined, in nice feather; r, Jones, good sized Lark, in rather poor feather; vhc, G. Williams; hc, Campbell. LARGE (2): 1, Campbell, Song Thursh, fine size and shape, very distinct in arrowing, good body col., in nice trim; 2, Potter, Hawfinch, of medium size, rather unsteady. BRIT. A.S. (BOYS) (11): 1, J. Potter, splendid Hawfinch, medium size, rare col and qual., well cut bib, in superb condition, easy win; 2, H. Lavender, very nice Goldie, rare blaze and body col., very steady, in excellent feather, well shown; 3, J. Williams, very shapely, well conditioned Greenfinch; r, J. Butler, good Linnet; vhc, A. Butler, Williams, Chilton; hc, Brooklands; he, c, Chilton.

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Annual show, held in Shand's Hall, Dec. 7th. Entries were open till morning of show, which necessitated a little delay in starting. However, with a keen and able hand (Mr. John Clark) holding the secretarial reins, and a most proficient and obliging set of office bearers and committee at his back, work was not long ere it was in full swing. Entries were slightly down in the Border section, but a class allotted to children brought the total almost up to the previous year. The gate did not come up to the usual average as a result of clashing Picts., J. Selkirk; Vice-pres., D. Watson, Sec., J. Clark; Treas., J. Boyle; Committee, Messrs. Macfadyen, Downie, Henderson, Cowe, Dick, and Way, Lanark; Hay, Birrell, and Boswell, Douglas Water; Swanson, Shand, and Telfer, Douglas; Somerville, Auchinheath, Muirkirk; Clark & Co., Muirkirk; Blair and Brown, Carstairs Junction; A. and D. Lawson, Biggar; Jackson, Kirkmuirhill. Quality of the exhibits was very good, each section being well represented in that respect. The weather was good, for the season of the year, and a well-lighted hall greatly aided the judges in the placing their awards. Not a murmur was heard against the awards, which means that everybody was well pleased. The only incident worthy of note that occurred was the difference of opinion expressed by the judges as to whose section the cup should go, each being in favour of his own choice. Ultimately the committee met and awarded it to the British bird, Messrs. Telfer Bros.' lovely Waxwing, Messrs. Macfadyen's Plainhead and Waye's Buff Border being the birds selected as runners-up. The judges were: For Scots Fancy, Crests, Plainheads, and Yorks., Mr. R. H. Livingstone, Rutherglen; Borders, Mr. W. Mossie, Annbank; and British and Foreign, Mr. P. McQuiston, Ayr.

The Critique.

SCOTCH, YELL., ETC., CK. (3): 1, 3, L. Jackson, leader not a monster, but all there for shape, fine top, well-filled shoulders, and good drive; 3rd, nice green, good shape, nice depth, side, fine reach; 2, T. Jackson, larger than leader, nice depth, fine length side, inclined to be rather restless. BUFF (6): 1, best cock, Kirk, real good pied, in lovely order, nice thickness through, grand reach and drive; 2, sp, Lawson, well up in size and length of size, fine style, not quite so reachy, 3, 5, L. Jackson, leader fair good size, nice qual., shape; 4, T. Jackson, nice one, well up, fine make, nice style, in good trim; 6, Watson. HEN (3): 1, 2 sp, best hen, 3, Lawson, leader grand cl., very nervy, capital shape and style, magnificent top end, wins well; 3rd, fine size and nice depth through, not quite so stylish; 2, T. Jackson, fine shapely pied spec., nice style and action, but not quite so decided in drive. PUFF (6): 1, Watson, nice stylish cl., rare top, nice shoulder and drive, fine thick got-up exhibit, in fine trim; 2, Lawson, may be a trifle larger, but not quite the reach or depth of leader, still good; 3, 4, T. Jackson, leader fine pied, in rare order, well up on run for points; 4th, fine size and thick through, looking a trifle soft when we made our notes. BORDER, CL. YELL., CK.: 1, Aitchison, 1st medal, lovely little gem, capital feather and shape, neat, wins; 2, Kerr and Smith, another fine spec., in clinking order, nice feather, good car.; 3, Sandilands, fine qual. feather, grand carr., neat head and shape; 4, sp, Ritchie, nice qual. and col., well-braced wings, fine tail, just a trifle too chubby; 5, Watson; 6, Campbell. BUFF: 1, sp, best Border, Waye, lovely spec., grand qual., neat head and neck, sweetly filled, neat shapely body, and perfect carr., wings, and tail, a beauty; 2, Aitken, another fine exhibit, staged in capital cond., well up on leader; 3, 4, Ritchie, leader lovely qual., cond., carr., only fault just slightly gripped at the throat; 4th, good qual., typical Border, inclined to be unsteady, otherwise presses hard; 5, Walker; 6, Watson. EVENMKD.: 1, sp, Lindsay, topping buff, lovely wings and eyes, rare qual., boxy feather, grand carr., fine style; 2, 6, Walker, leader sweet, shapely, got-up exhibit, full of life and go, neat jaunty shape, very little behind; 3, Campbell, fine qual. yell., nice silky feather, neat marks, good carr.; 4, Watson, nice qual., neat marks, fine head and neck, good shape; 5, Aitchison. VAR. YELL.: 1, 3, Walker, leader clinking good spec., staged in lovely bloom, neat, shapely, and best wings and tail, good win; 3rd, neat and grand exhibit, grand top, line shapely body, pressing hard for 2nd pos.; 2, Kerr and Smith, nice size and style, good type and qual., fails at head and neck; 4, Watson, again nice one, well up on 3rd; 5, Aitchison. BUFF: 1, 6, Walker, leader wee gem, full of qual., hard to find fault with; 2, sp, 4, Birrell and Boswell, leader topper for qual., neat shape, fine type, well up on winner; 4th, neat and taking little exhibit, in capital trim, presses hard; 3, sp, Aitchison, lovely qual., neat type, good wings and tail, not quite so sweet at top end. FOUL YELL.: 1, Birrell and Boswell, neat jaunty little exhibit, staged in perfect bloom, clean cut shapely body finely-braced wings and close tail, wins well; 2, Walker, trifle smaller, but very sweet, in A1 order; 3, Kerr and Smith, nicely cap mkd., good type and qual.; 4, Campbell, nice qual. bird but not quite so neat at top end; 5, Watson. BUFF: 1, 2, Walker, leader top qual., capital feather and type, neat full head and good neck, sweetly tapered body; 2 rather paler in col., check mkd., sweet and typical, makes fine 2nd; 3, Kerr and Smith, good qual., neat and finely balanced; 4, 5, Aitchison, leader neat, stylish, and typical specimen presses hard on; 6, Watson. GREEN OR CINN.: 1, 4, 5, 6, Kerr and Smith, with a typical quartette of real good Border exhibits staged in lovely feather, a credit to their owners; 2, 3, Campbell, leader, good qual., neat and shapely, good carr.; 3rd, fine buff green, good bird, in fine order. YELL., HEN. CL.: 1, best hen, 2, 3, Walker, capital trio, staged in lovely bloom, leader a real bonny exhibit, not far from the mark, one of the best; 2, tight up; 3, just behind in closeness of feather; 4, Aitchison, nice exhibit, in good feather; 5, Watson; 6, Blair. BUFF: 1, 2 Walker, two beauties, and not much between them, leader sweetest in head, but both real good specimens; 3, Aitchison, fair, nice qual., and type, in perfect cond.; 4, Kelly, nice exhibit, in fine trim; 5, Ritchie; 6, Watson. NOR., YELL., CK.: 1, medal best Nor., 3, 5, Macfadyen, leader lovely cl., in rare order, fine type and qual., neat and shapely, real good one; 3rd, sweet cheek mkd., in lovely order, capital feather, nice type, not so perfect in wing carr.; 2, Hyslop, nice var., fine hot col. and good qual. and subs.; 4, Dobbie, griz. neck nice qual., fine shape, neat carr., well up; 6, McNeil. HEN: 1, 3, Macfadyen, leader, shapely yell. green short-feathered, chubby, good qual. spec., one of the right sort; 3rd, fine qual. var., in nice order, grand shape and carr. bit unsteady; 2, McNeil, fine cl., in lovely order, well up on leader; 4, 5, Lawson, 4th good size and fine qual. feather, faulty neck and wing carr.; 6, Dobbie. BUFF, CK.: 1, Aitken, nice size, capital shape, good qual., neat, cobby, and well filled in specimen; 2, 4, Macfadyen, leader, cap mkd., nice qual., perfect carr., not quite so cobby as winner; 3, hot col. var., fine qual. feather, just shade long behind; 3, McNeil, nice qual. cl., good type and carr., bit inclined to frill at front, otherwise well up; 5, Dobbie; 6, Lawson. HEN: 1, Dobbie, very taking exhibit, real silky feather, neat and cobby, built in proportion, wins well; 2, Lawson, nice one for qual. and carr., cobby, but not quite so sweet fronted as leader; 3, 5, Macfadyen, leader neat col. var., in fine trim, nice qual and style; 4, Hyslop, nice shapely cl., good subs., fine carr. C.B.: 1, 3, Macfadyen, leader, clinking var., great head, fine dome shape, broad entrance, plenty feather; 3rd, more mass in body, plenty feather, but fails in breadth of skull; 2, Lawson, rather more subst. than winner, but trifle behind in head points, staged in nice cond. CREST: 1, 2, 3, 4, Macfadyen, fine team, leader fine var. in grand order, fine subs., neat top piece, well groomed; 2nd, even-wing, dk. crest hen, mass body subs., densely clad top, fine spread, nice leafy feather, fine youngster, will be heard of another year; 3, 4, both var., fine qual. and size, plenty subs. and good feather. YORKS., YELL.: 1, 2, 6, Cowe, leader capital var., fine hot col., neat, shapely, and well drawn, smooth as glass, wins well; 2, also var., not quite so hot, but lovely qual., fine bottle shape, neat carr., fine length and style; 3, Brown, fine qual. feather, clr., nice order, good length side, nice pos., not quite so sweet at front as leaders; 4, 5, Downie, leading with nice clr., nice slim build, well drawn, might be trifle better at front. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Cowe, again leading with nice var., grand shape, style, and qual., well rounded, clean, smooth front; 2nd, clr., very typical spec., neat, erect and shapely, not so close in feather as winner; 3rd, var., fine qual. feather, neat front, and top end; 4, 5, Henderson, leader sweet tek., in nice feather, good length, nice pos., and neat carr., open at front. BULLFINCH, ETC.: 1, spl, Lindsay, lovely exhibit, in rare bloom, fine expansive deep jet cap, pure col., and neat mkgs., wins well; 2, 3, 6, Selkirk, 2nd, nice order, fine mkgs., good feather; 3rd, grand col., fine feather, in fine cond., fails only in size; 4, Aitken, well up on leaders, but behind in steadiness; 5, Aitchison. HEN: 1, Aitchison, lovely lady, capital plumage, fine size, lovely col., neat cap and bars, A1 order; 2, 4, Telfer, grand, little if anything behind winner, neat and good qual. exhibit, fails only in size; 3, Kerr and Smith, fine Bullie, in capital trim, just behind a trifle in steadiness; 5, Lindsay; 6, Williamson. GOLDFINCH: 1, Telfer, grand sqr. cut blaze, deep crimson face, pure whites and tans, clean cut mkg., neatly buttoned wings, wins well; 2, Shearer, neat and well mkd., steady and good, fails only in depth of blaze; 3, Shand, neat spec., well up for size, fine pure col. and marks; 4, Aitchison, quite a sweet one, very similar to 3rd, and little to choose between; 5, Williamson; 6, Dick. LINNET: 1, Telfer, fine size, good nutty brown col., and neat pencilling, staged in fine trim; 2, McNeil, good one, but not quite the size, or so profusely pencilled as winner; 3, Downie, good size and rare cond., nice shape and neatly pencilled, well up; 4, Lindsay, good size, nice feather, neat pencilling, fine col.; 5, J. Lindsay; 6, Mackie. GREENFINCH: 1, McNeil, capital Finch, lovely col., grand size and cond., staged to win; 2, Telfer Bros., well up in size and cond., but not quite the depth of col.; 3, McColl, fine col. and cond., just behind in size; 4, Telfer, good order, nice staging; 5, Aitchison; 6, Shand. SISKIN OR TWITE: 1, Aitkin, lovely Siskin, staged in rare order, perfect feather, steady as a rock, nice cap and bib, grand deep yell.; 2, McCall, rare Twite, in perfect feather, nicely pencilled and steady; 3, J. Lindsay, Siskin, in splendid order, not so well up in col. as leader; 4, McNeil, nice Twite, good size and feather, not quite so nicely pencilled as forerunner; 5, Telfer; 6, Selkirk. REDPOLL: 1, McNeil, lovely Lesser in tip-top order, neat cap and bib, finely pencilled, good-sized exhibit, wins well; 2, Telfer, nice Mealy in good feather, pure col., and steady; 3, 4, J. Lindsay, two little beauties, in nice feather and steady, well up; 5, Shand. A.O.V.: 1, Cup best in hall, Telfer Bros., lovely Waxwing, beautiful feather and steady as rock, perfection itself; 2, Williamson, fine Bramble, rare order, large, steady, well spangled exhibit, right good one; 3, 6, J. Lindsay, leader nice steady Yellowhammer, in rare cond., nice size; 4, Kerr and Smith, nice Chaffie, in capital trim, steady, and fine col. and mkgs., must have pressed hard; 5, Aitchison. BRIT., HEN, A.S.: 1, Telfer, fine, large, good col. Bramble, in perfect order, and steady, wins easily; 2, McNeil, fair size, nice Wagtail, nice cond., 3, Telfer Bros., nice Greenie, wins her position here. DK. MULE: 1, Shearer, fine Goldie, in nice order; 2, Williamson, good Siskin, steady, and shows the cross well; 3, Rennie, another Goldie, very similar to winner; 4, Selkirk, nice Greenie; 5, Macfadyen; 6, Telfer Bros. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: 1, Aitken, nice var. Goldie, in capital order; 2, McNeil, taking exhibit, rare feathered Greenie-Siskin. FOR., A.V.: 1, 2, 4, Telfer Bros., leading with the best Pekin Robin we ever saw, simply gorgeous in col. and perfect in feather; 2, capital Goldie, staged in fine bloom, rare blaze and pure col. and mkgs., steady and well shown; 4th Orange Bishop, in nice feather; 3, J. Lindsay, Goldie, nice size and col., not quite so expansive in blaze; 5, Macfadyen.

STAMFORD & DISTRICT C.B.S.

Monthly show held December 14th; 98 birds were staged. Mr. M. Dawson (Peterborough) judged, and his awards gave satisfaction.

NOR. YELL.: 1, Sprigg; 2, Wright; 3, Fancourt and Harrison. BUFF: 1, G. Grimes; 2, B. Grimes; 3, Spriggs. VARIEG.: 1, Spriggs; 2, B. Grimes; 3, Fancourt and Harrison. HENS: 1, B. Grimes; 2, 3, Fancourt and Harrison. COCKS, 1912: 1, B. Grimes; 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Wright. HEN, 1912: 1, Welsh; 2, 3, Spriggs. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 3, Fancourt and Harrison; 2, Wright. BUFF: 1, 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Wright. HEN: 1, Laughton and Son; 2, G. Grimes; 3, Fancourt and Harrison. BRED 1912: 1, Fancourt and Harrison; 2, Wright; 3, Laughton and Son. CAN. MULE: 1, Baker; 2, 3, Shield. HYB.: 1, 2, Baker; 3, Fancourt and Harrison. GOLDFINCH: 1, Parker; 2, Giles; 3, Brown and Locke. BULLFINCH: 1, 2, Baker; 3, Lee. GREENFINCH: 1, Brown and Locke; 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Terry. LINNET: 1, 3, Baker; 2, Fancourt and Harrison. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFINCH: 1, Laughton and Son; 2, Ludlow; 3, Baker. A.O.S. BRIT.: 1, Brown and Locke; 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Terry. BULLFINCH HENS: 1, Fancourt and Harrison; 2, Baker; 3, Giles. A.O. BRIT. HEN: 1, 2, Fancourt and Harrison; 3, Baker. F.M. GOLDFINCH: 1, Welsh; 2, Parker; 3, Shield. F.M. BULLFINCH: 1, 3, Lee; 2, Shield. F.M. BULLFINCH HENS: 1, Lee; 2, Baker; 3, Parker.—A. Harrison, Sec.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

BOOTLE (Liverpool).

This old society held their annual show Dec. 14th, in the Parochial Hall, one of the best halls in the district. For some years this society has not flourished as it ought to have done, but this last year or so, the ship has been dismantled, new rigging put up, and this year's show was reminiscent of the good old days. Barring the Liverpool O.S. open show, better birds have not been staged in the district, and credit redounds to the fanciers of Bootle, who have put their shoulders to the wheel at the right time. Every praise must be given to the Hon. Sec., Mr. L. S. Hamilton, who has worked like a Trojan, aided by Mrs. Hamilton, who has hunted up and spent days buying specials worthy of the occasion. The Chairman, Mr. Rimmer, Vice, Mr. J. Lobb, Treasurer, Mr. Larkin, with Mr. Rawsthorne looking after the interests of the birds, backed up by a hard-working committee in Messrs. McNulty, Young, McLean, Knight, Skilling, Algie, Wall, Foster, Rawsthorne, and Fawcett, can feel justly proud of their efforts this year. The two warriors, Messrs. McNulty and J. Lobb, fought their usual battle, both staging some charming exhibits. Everyone we met seemed to have done well, each was carrying something home in the way of specials. It is a long time since we saw such a galaxy of serviceable specials. The judging was over in good time. Our friend Mr. Wellings had his usual smile; he had satisfied everybody.

The Critique.

YORKS. CL. YELL. (8): 1, c, McNulty, spl, best in show, hot col., long flights, good back, well filled in neck; 2, vhc, Lobb, very racy, a bundle of nerves; shows plenty of leg; 3, hc, Fawcett, pale in col., lovely back, grand pipe tail; No. 9, wrong class. BUFF (5): 1, 3, Lobb, rare length, good shoulders, topping wings and tail, bit wild; 3rd, full of swank, neat head and neck, throws a wing now and then; 2, McNulty, not the size of winner, exquisite feather, straight as a rush, near thing; vhc, Fawcett; hc, Young. TKD., ETC., YELL. (8): 1, 3, hc, Lobb, eye and wing mks., line length, bit narrow, rare wings, very compact; 3rd, cheek mk., good top end, full of go, not finish of above; 2, c, Algie, even longer, nice tone of col., good front, one flight uneven; vhc, Hamilton. BUFF (7): 1, 3, McNulty, cap and eye mks., boxy feather, round as a bottle, wedge shape, wins; 3rd, bit flat on back, otherwise really good; 2, Lobb, pale in col., shorty, charming feather; vhc, Hamilton; hc, Foster; c, Holden. CL. YELL. HEN (3): 1, 2, McNulty, real gem, charming feather, grand backs, correct type and well put down; 3, Hamilton, pale in col., neat hen, bit short behind. BUFF (8): 1, 3, Larkin, neat, typical, and exquisite feather, rather on the small side; 3rd, again rather small, but very neat, fails head to winners; 2, Algie, better length, and style, beaten feather; vhc, McNulty; hc, Lobb; c, Fawcett; No. 6 ticked. TKD. YELL. HEN (3): 1, McNulty, wing tk., wedge shape, straight as an arrow, rare legs and wings; 2, Algie, cap mks., stronger, grand top end, not sufficient behind; 3, Foster, racy, good shoulder. BUFF (6): 1, Lobb, ck. mkd., top notcher, fine length, a real lady, wins; 2, Young, racy, full of swank, bit weak at top end; 3, Algie, charming feather, neat wings and tail, well put down; vhc, McLean; hc, McNulty; c, Foster. UNFLIG. YELL. (6): 1, McNulty, gem of the first water, often described; 2, vhc, Lobb, racy, good flights, bit weak at neck, full of go; 3, Fawcett, paler, charming feather, shooty, well up on leg; hc, Algie; c, McLean. BUFF (8): 1, Lobb, grand style, fine front, straight as a gun barrel, neat win; 2, 3, Young, lovely back, wings, and tail, shows just a slight frill; 3rd, better pose, bit faulty at breast, neat head and neck; vhc, Holden; hc, Foster; c, Fawcett. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Knight, exquisite feather lovely back, and wings, good pins; 2, Hamilton, slimmer, well up on leg, sweet head and neck; 3, Lobb, long flights and tail, fails qual. to others; vhc, McNulty; hc, Algie; c, Hamilton. BUFF (5): 1, 2, McNulty, charming brace, very boxey feather, both straight, either could win; 3, Algie, bit shorter, nice feather, good wings, up on legs; vhc, Lobb; hc, Knight. CINN. MKD. YELL. (4): 1, Lobb, sharp as a razor, cut like a cameo, easy win; 2, Plunkett, stronger, good top end, fails a bit behind; 3, Hamilton, shooty, nice length and pose; vhc, Foster. BUFF (2): 1, Lobb, very smart, charming qual., well put down; 2, McLean, good stock bird, full neck, round as a bottle. HEN (3): 1, Young, long, racy, well filled in, somewhat unsteady; 2, 3, Larkin, rare big Buff, good shoulder, grand back; 3rd, very neat, good wings and tail, nicely put down. HEAV. VARIEG. HEN (3): 1, Young, charming lady, good pose and col., well up on legs; 2, Lobb, smaller, but better type, fine top end; 3, McLean, long flights and tail, nat. col., fine qual. YORKS. GR. SELF YELL. (10): 1, 2, McNulty, ideal col., shooty, grand wedge shape, a real topper; 2, McNulty, topping col., nice tone of grass green, good black wings; 3, Knight, topper for type, col., and markings, throws a wing somewhat badly; vhc, Hamilton; hc, Rimmer; c, Knowles. BUFF (4): 1, Knight, lovely shape, good pencilling, fine tone of ground col.; 2, vhc, Knowles, bit longer, nice col. and markings, droops tail; 3, McNulty, grand size, excellent col. and pencilling, bit weak in front. FOUL YELL. (7): 1, Algie, foul tail, storming qual., teeming with col.; 2, Canderland, topping length and style, good pencilling, and grand col.; 3, Knight, necklet foul, even col., marking bit blurred; vhc, Blundell; hc, Holden; c, Knowles. BUFF (6): 1, McNulty, real gem, grand pose, extra good col. and markings, straight; 2, Young, foul tail, lovely back and tail, nice col., markings bit blurred; 3, Knight, big one, long-sided, col. on the dark side; vhc, Knowles; hc, Foster; c, Blundell. YELL. HEN (6): 1, McNulty, charming, full of type, even tone of col., well filled in; 2, Malone, little gem, good col. and markings, would not keep off wires; 3, Knight, more racy, well up on leg, good pencilling, nice front; vhc, Plunkett; hc, Rimmer; c, Blundell. BUFF (3): 1, Plunkett, rare back, excellent pose, shows touch of Belgian; 2, Lobb, shooty, good shape; 3, Rimmer, wild, good col., and markings. FOUL YELL. HEN (2): 1, Rimmer, nice type and qual., good back and pencilling; 2, Knight, foul tail, lovely hen, must have pressed. BUFF (3): 1, Hamilton, topper for style, good back, even col. and pencil; 2, Algie, better back and shoulder, good front, fails legs; 3, McNulty, clean cut, charming qual., smaller. UNFLIG. YELL. (5): 1, hc, Knight, long, racy, well filled in, good col. and pencilling; 2, Holden, well put down, full of swank, extra good feather; 3, Plunkett, wedge shape, neat pencilling, wings carried well; vhc, Algie. BUFF (Good Class) (9): 1, McNulty, topper for style, round as a bottle, straight as a pencil; 2, Holden, charming feather, good work on back, bit short behind; 3, Plunkett, rare length of wing, nice top end, extra good col.; vhc, Hamilton; hc, Algie; c, Fawcett. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Knight, good length and style, topper for col.; 2, McNulty, grand style, full of go, nice shade of col.; 3, Canderland, very racy, good legs, falls col. to others; vhc, Rimmer; hc, Plunkett; c, Algie. BUFF (3): 1, Knight, fair size and col., well pencilled, nice front; 2, McNulty, longer, fine tone of col., well braced up; 3, Fawcett, racy, full of swank, good back, wedge shape. NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (2): 1, Malone, variegated, grand head and clrs., well cut away, clean at waist; 2, Algie, cl., longer sided, good wing and tail, carr. BUFF (2): 1, Plunkett, grand shape, bold head and neck; 2, Malone, better qual., good head, appears blind in one eye. GREEN YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Malone, grand team, good heads and necks, fine tone of col., put down in form. BUFF: 1, 2, Malone, well built Buffs, full of type and qual., leader has it in head only. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Malone, smart ladies, cobby and grand tone of col. BUFF: 1, 2, Malone, round as an apple, bold cheeks, boat shape, clean cut. NOV. YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. (8): 1, Handley, wings and head mks., knock-out for qual., straight as a rush; 2, Evans, Cl., neat head and neck, good wings and tail, well staged; 3, Owen, Cl., racy, full of swank, rare length; vhc, Rawsthorne; hc, Pilkinton. BUFF: 1, 3, Skilling, good one, grand top end, shooty, capital feather; 3rd, big one, rare stock bird, stylish carr.; 2, Rawsthorne, neat, well moulded, not a big one, but smart; vhc, Williams, hc, Wall; c, Rhodes. YELL. HEN: 1, Rawsthorne, sweet lady, erect pose, wedge shape, nice win; 2, 3, Skilling, two smart exhibits, full of go, excellent feather and style; vhc, Handley; hc, Williams. BUFF (8): 1, Rawsthorne, smart, boxy feather, stands away on neat legs; 2, Owen, longer, well drawn, hardly further of winner; 3, Williams, rare qual., full of style; vhc, Skilling; hc, Handley; c, Rawsthorne UNFLIG. YELL. (7): 1, Rawsthorne, Cl., very racy, framed like making a good 'un; 2, Eaton, sweet, small, but full of right type; 3, Skilling, fair size, good back and wings; vhc, Handley; hc, Evans; c, Stewart. BUFF: 1, Owen, variegated, well filled in, shooty, straight as a gun-barrel; 2, Rawsthorne, longer, but not quite so full as winner; 3, Eaton, variegated, very smart exhibit, well staged; vhc, Williams; hc, Skilling; c, Rhodes. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Owens, Cl., topper for style, v shape wings; 2, Skilling, variegated, all swank, very nervy, shows touch of Belgian, near thing; 3, Evans, racy, boxey feather, smart; vhc, Rawsthorne. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Rawsthorne, sweet, glorious feather, good top end, shooty; 2nd, round as a bottle, well up on legs; 3, c, Steinart, long, racy and full of nerves, good shoulders, well put down; vhc, Williams; hc, Skilling. YORKS. GR. YELL. (7): 1, 2, Skilling, spl. best novice, not a big un, but all there for qual., col. and type; 3, Steinart, grand back, good in pencilling and col., long-sided; vhc, Owens; hc, Rawsthorne; c, Lloyd. BUFF (10): 1, c, Skilling, Foul, good style, full of go, fair col. and markings; 2, Wale, smart, plenty of good rich col.; 3, Rawsthorne, bouncing exhibit, shows itself well; vhc, Rhodes; hc, Lloyd. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Rawsthorne, fair sized lady, exquisite feather and style; 2, Skilling, of the right stamp, plenty of legs, even col.; 3, Wale, smart style, well staged; vhc, Eaton; hc, Steinart. BUFF: 1, Skilling, fine tone of grass green tinge throughout, nice qual. and style; 2, Handley, better drawn, good wings and back, bit smoky; 3, Wale, fine col., neat shape; vhc, Eaton; hc, Rawsthorne; c, Lloyd. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Eaton, smart Foul, clean cut, as a cameo, full of col., easy win; 2, Skilling, nice size, grand condition, smart, rare col.; 3, Rawsthorne, topper for shape, stylish, good all-round; vhc, Owens; hc, Wale; c, Pilkinton. BUFF: 1, Wale, excels in shape, fine tinge, pencilling a bit heavy; 2, Pilkinton, neat, full of go, leggy; 3, Lloyd, fair size, well up on leg, v shape wings; vhc, Williams; hc, Rawsthorne; c, Eaton. YELL. HEN: 1, Owens, racy, topper for qual., staged to perfection; 2, Skilling, longer, capital wings and tail, shooty; 3, Lloyd, wedge shape, nice shade of col.; vhc, Rawsthorne. BUFF: 1, Handley, capital style, neat shape, smart appearance; 2, Evans, rare col. and markings, long-sided; 3, Steinart, extra in type, col., and even pencilling; vhc, Skilling. GIFT: 1, McLean; 2, Algie; 3, Hamilton; vhc, Rhodes; hc, Knowles.

SPRINGBURN (Possil Park).

Annual show Dec. 7, in the Reid Hall, with an entry of 333 birds, a slight increase over last year. Norwich formed one of the finest collections seen in the district, the cup being won by the Pres., Mr. A. Sloan. Crests, hybrids and mules were not so numerous, but both entry and quality in the Borders were good, the cup being won by J. Swan. Nov. cup for best young bird was won by A. Smith; special best old bird, J. McMillan's Crest cock. Linnets, Greenies, and Redpolls were good classes, and there was keen competition for the specials. The hall was well filled with keen fanciers and spectators, and all commented on the quality of the birds, and the good job the judges had made.—J. Waugh, Sec. and Treas.

From the catalogue received we gather the principal winners to be: NOR.: Messrs. Taylor, Fyfe, Downie, McLeod, M'Millan, Sloan, Hadley, Williams, Crawford, Smith, and Donaghy. CREST AND C.B.: Messrs. M'Millan and Lindsay. BORDER: Messrs. Crawford, Donaghy, Tierney, Swan, Hughes, Brownlie, Morrison, Hunter and Brown. YORKS.: Messrs. Penman, Fyfe, and Reid. OLD BIRDS, NOR.: Messrs. Waugh, M'Millan, Hadley, Donaghy, Taylor, Sloan, Downie, M'Leod, Smith, Gordon, and Brown. CREST OR C.B.: Messrs. M'Millan and Brown. BORD.: Messrs. Donaghy, Swan, Tierney, and Crawford. YORKS.: Mr. Penman. HYB.: Messrs. Donaghy, Dunlop, and Crawford. BRIT.: Messrs. Dunlop, Crawford, Sloan, Brown, Reid, and M'Millan. FOR.: Mr. Taylor.—(Ed.)

NORTHERN BORDER & S.F.C.C.

Meeting and table show held Dec. 2, 1912, Mr. W. Smith in chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Mr. G. Wilson moved, Mr. W. Affleck seconded, that the secretary write to the secretaries of Gateshead and Sunderland shows regarding the classification at patronage shows. Mr. Harvey then presented a pair of fret-work models of the Border Fancy Canary, to be won at the pair show for most points. The following are the awards at the table show. Mr. T. Robson, in the place of Mr. T. Chapman, judged the champion section, and Mr. J. Craig the nov. section, both doing their work well. There was an entry of 81 birds.

CLASS 1: 1, Smith; 2, Espie. CLASS 2: 1, Johnstone; 2, W. Smith; 3, W. Espie. CLASS 3: 1, J. Johnston; 2, 3, G. Greenwell. CLASS 4: 1, J. Johnston; 2, 3, 4, vhc, G. Greenwell. NOV. CLASS (3): 1, Smith; 2, Wilson. CLASS 2: 1, vhc, Beevor; 2, Wilson; 3, Smith; 4, Affleck. Class 3: 1, vhc, hc, Wilson; 2, c, Affleck; 3, Beevor; 4, Smith. CLASS 4: 1, Beevor; 2, 3, Affleck; 4, Smith. Mr. Johnston moved, Mr. Harvey seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the judges, bringing a splendid meeting to an end.—M. C. Potts, Sec.

LUTON C.B.S.

Seventh annual exhibition, held in the Corn Exchange December 11th. The hall is a capital one for such a purpose, being well lighted on all sides; a fire upon the kept the place at a nice even temperature, and took the chill off a raw damp atmosphere without, to the advantage of the exhibits. Entries were quite double those of last year, number 29 being 160. Canaries were not quite up to the average, noticeably in Crest and Crested classes, but Belgian, British and Foreign made full amends, Gold Crests, Buffs, etc., and the other Fancy classes being exceedingly strong in numbers and quality, many wishing, having of necessity to stand cards over, competition being so extraordinarily keen. Foreign birds made a magnificent display, quite equal to London form, and very rarely surpassed by any provincial show. The executive, composed of Messrs. Morton (chairman), Gould (vice), Cherry, Maddox, Elsg, Webb, Smith, Litchfield, Ball, Parkins, and Gregary, are an enthusiastic lot of fanciers, with Mr. E. Bloomfield as hon. sec., who has worked hard to place the society on a sound financial basis, and it is hoped this show will further augment the nice little balance in hand, gathered together by careful and sound business methods. Mr. J. Robson judged Canaries, and Mr. J. Frostick Hybrids, British and Foreign.

Mr. Robson's Classes.

NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. (4): 1, Morris, typical yell., lovely head, neck, and chest, hot col., silky qual. of feather, a real gem; 2, C. E. Silk, grand bird, splendid head and body, good col., not quite so well on as winner; 3, A. E. Silk, nice bird, good head and chest, all there for qual., but crossed its wings at times; 4, Judd, rare size, hot col., fails in head to leaders. BUFF (6): 1, Judd, very large bird, good head and chest, splendid wing carr., lovely qual. feather, wins; 2, Hulse, big, bouncing bird, good head and wings, nice col., shade coarse in feather; 3, Morris, typical buff, good head and chest, must have pressed winner very close; 4, A. E. Silk, nice bird, lovely qual. of feather, good col.; vhc, F. and T. Bowler; hc, Perkins. TKD. OR VARIEG. (11): Good class: 1, Judd, mkd. yell., good head and chest, stands across perch well, all there for qual. of feather, high cond.; 2, F. and T. Bowler, tkd. on wing, good head and chest, nice warm col., a shade weak in neck; 3, Morris, tkd. on back of head, buff, rare head, inclined to be just a little bit browsy, otherwise fine exhibit; 4, Morris, takes Sandiford's special for hottest fed bird, rather heavily variegd. yell., a ball of fire; vhc, A. E. Silk; hc, Clark; c, Kerr. UNFLIG. (7): 1, Morris, large bird, pure type, nice col., fed well, a yell., carries wings well, short tail, a splendid youngster; 2, Hulse, cl. buff, good head, chest, and neck, nice col. and cond.; 3, Morris, another cl. buff, big bouncing bird, fine head, rare qual. of feather; 4, Clark, good one, nice col., shade smaller than winner; vhc, Keech; hc, Goodman. HEN (11): 1, Osborne, mkd. yell., cobby bird, good head and chest, short tail, lovely col., a real lady; 2, 3, Morris, 2nd buff, lovely hen, rare chest and head, good size, 3rd yell., nice col., good head and chest, not quite so large as winner; 4, C. E. Silk, nice bird, lovely qual. of feather, loses in subs. to leaders; vhc, Hulse; hc, Judd; c, F. and T. Bowler. YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. (10): 1, 2, c, Hawes Bros., 1st typical yell., stands like a soldier well up on leg, plenty of nerve, nice head, well drawn, 2nd long reachy bird, similar to winner, a pair of good ones; 3, Dicker, long bird, good head and wings, nice col., well up on leg, shade stouter than the leaders; 4, Boyes, nice bird, good col., loses in length; vhc, Bonsfield; hc, Lloyd, W.C. Fancourt and Harrison. BUFF (7): 1, 2, 3, Hawes Bros., lovely trio, put down in A1 style, upright as a guardsman, splendid qual. of feather; 4, Harrison, nice bird, good head, well drawn, not quite so well set up as leaders, still nice bird; vhc, Mrs. Ballard; hc, Mrs. Holliday; c, Clark. TKD. OR VARIEG. (9): 1, 2, 4, Hawes Bros., another trio of good ones, need no comment, put down in fine style; 3, Mrs. Ballard, good head and wing carr., well up on leg, plenty of nerve, fails in neck to winner; vhc, no name in catalogue; hc, Mrs. Owen; c, J. Parfitt. UNFLIG. (12): Good class: 1, 2, Hawes Bros., 1st wing mkd. yell., very reachy bird, good head, well filled in back, well up on leg, hot col., grand qual., a fine youngster, 2nd cl. yell., straight as a reed, good head and neck, not quite the length of the former; 3, Boyes, cl. buff, lovely qual. of feather, topping cond.; 4, J. Parfitt, good bird, but hardly as tight in feather as we should like; vhc, Clark; hc, Bousfield; c, Lloyd. HEN (12): 1, 3, vhc, Hawes Bros., 1st cinn. mkd. yell., nice length, round as a barrel, splendid col., 3rd buff, mkd. on head and wings, well up on leg, nice head, good qual. of feather, a charming lady; 2, J. Parfitt, cl. yell., good upstanding bird, nice warm col., shows itself well, silky feather; 4, Perkins, nice head and wings, stands well; hc, Dicker; c, H. Parfitt. CRESTS cancelled. C.B. (4): 1, 3, Bloomfield and Rose, 1st large variegd. bird, good width of skull, well lashed, carries plenty of feather, 3rd similar to winner, but not quite so large; 2, Fountain, good bodied bird, nice head; 4, Todd, good bird, hardly the subs. of winner. MEMBERS' NOR. CL. cancelled. VARIEG. (7): 1, Keech, mkd. yell., head and wings, good wings and tail, nice col., lovely qual.; 2, Litchfield and Sons, heavily variegd. yell., good stout cobby bird, nice head, carries its wings well, a gem for col.; 3, Cherry, yell., almost even mkd., good body, nice head, short tail, hot col.; 4, Pedder, variegd. buff, fine big bird; w.c., Cherry and F. J. Webb; absent, Notley. HEN (8): 1, Keech, lovely yell., good cobby bird, short wings and tail, a perfect lady; 2, Cherry, buff, good body, short flights and tail, hardly as good in col. as 3, Pedder, cl. buff, fair head and body, very rich mealing on the back; 4, Litchfield and Sons, buff, nice bird, lovely qual., bit smaller than the leaders; vhc, Buckingham; hc, Goodman; c, Rhodes. UNFLIG. YELL. (10): 1, Nor. cup, Keech, yell., saddle mkd. and eyes, good stout bird, lovely head and neck, short tail, true to type, a credit to the breeder; 2, Goodman, cl. yell., good head and body, nice wings, lovely qual.; 3, 4, hc, Litchfield and Sons, 3rd cl. yell., nice bird, good head, not the coldness of the cup winner, 4th similar bird; vhc, Rhodes; c, Pedder. BUFF (6): 1, Keech, cap and wing mkd., good stout body, nice head, grand qual.; 2, Goodman, cl. buff, good head and neck, lovely qual. feather; 3, Rhodes, a very nice bird, but inclined to be too feathery for Nor.; 4, F. J. Webb, very large bird, good head and body, will make a good stock bird; vhc, Bloomfield and Rose. YORKS., CK. (7): 1, 2, vhc, hc, Buckingham, 1st cl. yell., straight as a soldier, grand wing carr., lovely qual., 2nd buff, long bird, grand head, well braced wings, a pair of good ones; 3, Cherry, long, reachy yell., good head, neck, and wings, nicely piped tail, lovely col.; 4, F. J. Webb, buff, nice bird, good head, but a little on the short side; c, Cherry. HEN (4): 1, 2, Buckingham, 1st lovely buff, good wings and tail, 2nd cl. yell., nice long slim bird, good col.; 3, Jackson, cinn. mkd. wing and head, nice bird, bit flat on head; 4, F. J. Webb, cl. yell., nice long bird, good head, well up on leg, good qual. of feather. UNFLIG. YELL. (4): 1, Spiers, cl. yell., nice head, well filled in back, stands well, nice pipe tail, good col.; 2, Buckingham, cl. yell., nice bird, shade coarse feather; 3, Cherry, cl. yell., nice head and wings, good qual. feather, very tight, grand col.; 4, Smith, nice bird, good col., fails in length to winner. BUFF (6): 1, cup, 2, 1, Buckingham, grand trio, 1st lovely qual. feather, grand head and wings, straight as a rush, 2nd cl. buff, similar to cup winner, not much to choose between; 3, Cherry, buff, nice round head, good wing carr., not quite the length of winners; vhc, F. J. Webb; hc, Smith. CREST (4): 1, 4, G. Bennett, 1st green, large and well formed crest big body, plenty of feather, 4th variegd., nice crest, not so good as the former; 2, 3, Bloomfield and Rose, 2nd variegd., good crest, carries plenty of feather on body, 3rd green, good tail, neater crest, not the subs. of its companion. C.B. (3): 1, Bloomfield and Rose, green, good width of skull, well lashed; 2, 3, Bennett, 2nd good bird, must have pressed winner very hard, 3rd similar bird, rather out of cond. CREST AND C.B., 1912 (1): 1, cup, Bennett, cl. body D.C., lovely large crest, with another moult, will make a stopper; 2, 3, Bloomfield and Rose, variegd. D.C., not quite the body of cup winner, 3rd C.B., rare body, good skull, well lashed; 4, Bennett, good crest, rather on the small side, but good bird. A.O.V. CAN. cancelled. NOV. NOR. (4): 1, Jackson, tkd. on head, good size, nice head and wings, lovely qual. feather; 2, Streeton, buff, tkd. on wing, good head and body, splendid col.; 3, 4, Arstee, yell. and buff, both good birds, good heads and chest, nice col. YORKS. (1): 1, 4, Jackson, 1st long yell., well fed, nice head and wings, stands well, 4th very similar bird, but not so tight in feather as winner; 2, 3, Spiers, good heads, nice qual., but want a little more length to give them "swanky" style. A.O.V. CAN. (5): 1, 2, Cole, 1st Crest, cl. body D.C., large well formed crest, a good bird, 2nd C.B., rare width of skull, well lashed, good body; 3, 4, vhc, Bent and Reader, 3rd Crest, rather neat, will improve yet, 4th neat Crest, good body, plenty of feather. NOV. CUP CLASS, BRED 1912 (5): 1, cup, Anstee, cl. yell. Nor., nice head and chest, splendid col., good wing carr., a credit to the breeder; 2, Streeton, yell. Nor., cobby bird, well braced wings, nice short tail, a bit small in head; 3, 4, vhc, Spiers, 3rd buff Nor. good body and head, lovely qual. of feather, 4th buff, nice bird, trifle coarse in feather.

Mr. J. Frostick's Classes.

HYB.: CAN. CROSSES (16): Dark and light competing in same class must have made the judge's task a difficult one. 1, 2, 4, Lawrence, all well-known winners, slightly ticked buff Gold.-Can., in rare form, 2nd, light buff Linnet-Can., even marked wings, 4th, rich coloured cinn. Greenfinch-Can., good size, well staged; 3, c, Lamb, grizzle marked Greenfinch-Can., grand col., beautifully staged and lightly marked Gold.-Can.; vhc, hc, Buckingham, even-marked yell. Gold.-Can., and well-known Redpoll-Can., outclassed to-day. BRIT. CROSSES AND CAN.-BULL. (7): 1, Lamb, rare Redpoll-Bullfie, real gem, glorious col., staged to perfection; 2, Howick, noted Can.-Bullie, in great form; 3, 4, vhc, Lawrence, rich coloured Gold.-Bullie, fine blaze, perfect order, 4th, Gold.-Greenie, large size, well defined colours and markings, vhc, the old champion Can.-Bullie, not in his best form to-day, careless wing and tail carriage, probably from being too tame; hc, Biles; c, Davies, Gold.-Greenie. GOLDFINCH (15): 1, Harris, well-known winner, large, square blaze, evenly cut underneath, rich col., well burnished, good tanning, nice wing bars, tip-top condition; 2, Stephens, nice face, rich col., not quite so clean cut, and paler in tanning; 3, Mays, rich col. everywhere, just fails in high condition; 4, Jeffreys, nice size and shape, paler in col.; vhc, he, Bowler; c, Allen. BULLFINCH (21): Extraordinary class, reminding one of the Palace. 1, Lawrence, fine type, lovely rich coloured breast, smooth as a bottle, fine back and wing bars, grand cap, beauty all over; 2, Carrier, gem, close up; 3, Mays, perfect in all points, a trio hard to separate, staged to perfection; 4, Harris, very rich col., steady, nice type, lacks the polish of leaders; vhc, Wickham; hc, Wren; c, Belsher. LINNET, ETC. (20): Two sets of winners might have easily been found here, a severe class to handle. 1, Nicholas, Linnet, extraordinary qual., marvellous polish and lustre, fine size, rich coloured, nutty brown back, fine wings, well pencilled, a little more work on breast would make a champion; 2, c, Marley, gem of a Redpoll, grand col. throughout, nicely marked and well staged, c, Linnet, trifle too pale; 3, vhc, Francis, beautiful Siskin, nicely fed., good cap and bib, well marked flanks; vhc, Redpoll, Clapham winner, not in its best form to-day; 4, Lawrence, Linnet, rich col., good markings, nicely pencilled, fine size, fails in polish; hc, Dowley, Linnet. A.O.S. (19): No less than six Hawfinches competing in this class, all good ones. 1, Harris, the old champion Hawfinch, a real topper, wants a lot of stopping; 2, Francis, clinking good Chaffinch, blue head, rich breast, clear wing marks, all colours distinct, in the pink; 3, hc, Marley, nice stylish Bramblefinch, could do with a bit more col.; hc, grand Chaffinch, but unwell, right out of condition; 4, vhc, Lawrence, really good yellow Greenfinch, well shown; vhc, Hawfinch; c, Cooper, another Hawfinch. BUNTINGS (8): 1, Francis, grand Lapland, good size, col. and markings, staged to perfection; 2, Miss Bousfield, topping yellow, nice clear cap, well defined head marks, fine size and col.; 3, Marley, well-known Cirl, in the best of condition; 4, Cooper, another yellow, fails to other in density of markings; vhc, members' spl., Bloomfield and Rose, fair Reed; hc, Hawkes, yellow; c, Lawrence, yellow. HEN (11): 1, Ford, bonny Corn Bunting, often described, not the biggest, but lovely col., full of markings, steady as a rock, a charming bird; 2, Mays, very stylish Bramble, one of the best ever staged, beautiful exhibit; 3, Marley, nice Hawfinch, but lacking the polish of leaders; 4, hc, Fancourt and Harrison, charming little Siskin, hc, good Bramble; vhc, Poole, Song Thrush; c, Francis, Corn Bunting. INSECTIV., SMALL (6): 1, 4, Morris and Adams, sprightly little Dartford Warbler, rich adult col., tail hardly in such perfect order as it might be, but withal, a charming little fellow, 4th, a really good Bearded Tit; 2, Lewis, good Tree Creeper; 3, Mays, delightful Willow Wren, beautifully staged; vhc, Meakin, Pipit; hc, Timaeus, Bearded Tit. LARGE (5): 1, Miss Bousfield, very fine Waxwing, not one of the largest, but grand col. and condition, well-known winner; 2, Mays, good Blackbird, sound col., rich beak and eye cere, well shown; 3, 4, vhc, Dell, nicely spangled Starling, lustrous plumage, 4th, Pied Blackbird; vhc, only moderate Blackbirds. PARROTS, ETC. (8): 1, Davies, grand Eclectus hen, surely the finest specimen ever caged, perfection is the only word, a glorious bird; 2, Timaeus, lovely pair of Swainson's Lorikeets, in full rich natural colours, well staged; 3, Rice, very fine pair of Red-collared Lorikeets, nat. cols., rather faded, not the high condition of leaders, still a fine exhibit; 4, Yates, Red Rosella, good one of its kind; vhc, Timaens, Black-faced Lovebirds; hc, Watts; c, Lathbury, both pairs yellow Budgerigars. AVADAVATS, ETC. (12): 1, 3, hc, Watts, Green Avadavats, Horticultural Hall winners, 3rd, nice pair Cordon Bleus, hc, Orange-breasted Waxbill, Clapham, L. and P.O.S., and Cheltenham winners, have to stand down to-day to 2, Howe, same pet, finest coloured pair ever staged; 4, Lathbury, perfect pair of White Javas, immaculate; vhc, Miss Bousfield, grand pair of St. Helenas; c, Howe, same species. A.O.S. (13): 1, members' cup, vhc, Watts, magnificent pair of Black-cheeked Waxbills, beautifully shown, vhc, Violet-eared Waxbill, full 4th in quills; 2, Howe, fine Melba cock, fail rather in size and col.; 3, Timaens, splendid Red-headed Gouldian; 4, Bambridge, nice pair melodious Cuba Finches; hc, c, Meadows, pair Black-headed Gouldians, and good Black-headed Siskin. TANAGERS, ETC. (7): 1, F.B.C. medal, 3, Miss Bousfield, charming yellow-winged Sugar-bird, in full col., perfect condition, a gem, 3rd, White-capped Tanager, not in the best of form; 2, Watts, lovely Superb, must be 5 or 6 years old, shown to perfection, a credit to the exhibitor; 4, Timaens, glossy Starling, in the usual tip-top order of this species; vhc, Ford, Superb, fails in staging to 2nd; hc, Rice, pair of Rosy Pastors; c, Meakin, Dove. MEMBERS' NOR. VARIEG. (7): 1, Keech; 2, Litchfield and Sons; 3, Cherry; 4, Pedder; wrong class, Cherry; wrong class, Webb. HEN (8): 1, Keech; 2, Cherry; 3, Pedder; 4, Litchfield and son; vhc, Buckingham; hc, Goodman; c, Rhodes. UNFLIGHTED YELL. (10): 1, Keech; 2, Goodman; 3, 4, hc, Litchfield and Son; vhc, Rhodes; c, Pedder. BUFF (6): 1, Keech; 2, Goodman; 3, Rhodes; 4, Webb; vhc, Bloomfield and Rose. YORKS. (7): 1, 2, vhc, hc, Buckingham; 3, c, Cherry; 4, Webb. HEN (4): 1, 2 Buckingham; 3 Jackson; 4, Webb. YELL., UNFLIGHTED (cup class) (4): 1, Spires; 2, Buckingham; 3, Cherry; 4, Smith. BUFF (cup class (6): 1, 2, 4, Buckingham; 3, Cherry; vhc, Webb; hc, Smith. CREST (4): 1, 4, Bennett; 2, 3, Bloomfield and Rose. C.B. (3): 1, Bloomfield and Rose; 2, 3, Bennett. CREST OR C.B., UNFLIG. (1): 1, 4, Bennett; 2, 3, Bloomfield and Rose. MULE (4): 1, 2, Buckingham; 3, Bloomfield and Rose. MULE, BRED 1912 (cup class) (5): 1, Bloomfield and Rose; 2, vhc, Pedder; 3, Smith; 4, Jackson. BRIT. HARDBILL (10): 1, 2, Buckingham; 3, c, Anstee; 4, vhc, hc, Smith. INSECTIV. (4): 1, 4, Smith; 2, Timaeus; 3, Meakin. FOR. (8): 1, 2, Buckingham; 3, hc, Meadows; 4, Watts; vhc, Timaeus; c, Bent and Reader. NOV., NOR. (4): 1, Jackson; 2, Streeton; 3, 4, Austee. YORKS. (4): 1, 4, Jackson; 2, 3, Spires. A.O.V. (5): 1, 2, Cole; 3, 4, vnc, Bent and Reader. BRED 1912 (5): 1, Anstee; 2, Streeton; 3, 4, vhc, Spires. GIFT (1): vhc, Smith.

STRANRAER.

Second annual exhibition held in the Queen's Hall, Dec. 13th. This hall is one of the best we have seen for the purpose, being well lighted from the roof and sides. The entries showed a large increase on last year's show, and birds were of very high quality. Mr. Devoy, the well-known Norwich exhibitor, captured the principal awards in the Nor. section with a splendid team. The British Goldfinch class contained some gems, McMinn Bros. securing 1st and special with their well-known winner looking better than ever. The leader in the Bullfinch class was a really outstanding bird. In the Crest class, Mr. Devoy captured first and special. The same bird afterwards secured the gold medal for best bird in the show. The committee deserve every encouragement, being an enthusiastic body of workers, who did everything for the welfare of the exhibits. The show was well patronised, and we trust it may turn out a financial success. Mr. McMeekan, the secretary, is a new hand at the job, but right well did he carry out the arrangements, everything being in good order. Mr. John Martin (Castle Douglas) judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

NOR., CK. (7): 1, sp, J. Devoy, buff, nice size and subs., good head and wings; 2, D. Devoy, buff, scarcely so deep in chest as winner, close up; 3, McKay, yell., hot-fed, loses here in size and subs.; 4, 5, 6, Devoy, all typical birds. HEN (7): 1, sp, J. Devoy, buff, fine size and subs., rare head, good wings and carr., well staged; 2, 3, D. Devoy, scarcely so typical, but all there for qual.; 4, 5, 6, J. Devoy. CREST OR C.B. (5): 1, sp, best bird in show, D. Devoy, massive variegd., dk. crest, lovely radiation and leafy feather, well groomed, wins easy; 2, Skilling Bros., variegd., dk. crest, not quite so massive as winner, but good qual.; 3, Devoy, C.B., fine size and subs., good head and feather; 4, Skilling Bros.; 5, Harper. YORKS (2): 1, 2, Devoy, leader wing mkd. yell., hot-fed, fine length and carr.; 2nd, buff, good length, bit trifle open at front. BORDERS, Cancelled. MULE: 1, 2, Crosbie, leader excels in size, nice exhibits. MULE, DK. OR HYB. (7): 1, 3, Heron, leader good Bullie-Goldie, rare style, beautiful col., shows the cross to perfection; 3rd, Linnet Mule, rare size, good qual.; 2, Crosbie, Goldfinch-Can., hot-fed, good size, well staged, presses winner hard; 4, Heron; 5, Wilson and Godfrey; 6, Begg. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH (FOREIGN) (6): 1, sp, Welsh, Bullie, rare size, lovely rich even col., dense jet cap, staged in faultless order, wins easily; 2, Heron, Goldie, good size, nice face, hardly ready; 3, Devoy, Goldie, nice one, but loses in size and steadiness; 4, Sinclair; 5, Bradley; 6, Devoy. BULLFINCH (BRITISH) (6): 1, Irvine, grand Britisher, lovely rich breast col., fine even cut, good cap and mkgs.; 2, 3, Welsh, fine cond., but fails in size and col. to winner; 4, Cairnes. GREENFINCH (8): 1, Irvine, a monster, all there for col. and cond., easy win; 2, McNeillie, bit smaller, nice yell. wings, good col. and cond.; 3, McMurie Bros., good cond. and col., loses in subs. to winner; 4, Devoy; 5, 6, Wilson and Godfrey. GOLDFINCH (11): 1, sp, McMinn Bros., well-known winner, often described; 2, Devoy, rare good Finch, nice square blaze, well tanned, nice moonings, lacks the polish of winner; 3, McNellie, good size, fails in face; 4, 6, Raeside; 5, Wilson and Godfrey. LINNET, ETC. (9): 1, McMinn Bros., Linnet, fine size, well pencilled, good nutty brown col.; 2, Devoy, large Mealy Poll, good col., nicely mkd. and steady; 3, Welsh, Twite, nice cond. and feather; 4, McMinn Bros.; 5, 6, Wilson and Godfrey. A.S. BRIT., SMALL (6): 1, sp., Hawfinch, great size, beautiful cond., stands like a statue, easy win; 2, 3, McMinn Bros., 2nd Bramblefinch, well tanned, grand laced back, fair size; 3rd, Yellowhammer, nice col., good head mkgs., and steady; 4, Welsh; 5, Devoy. NOV., A.V. (14): Grand class: 1, 2, J. Devoy, both Nor., rare size and sub., fit to win in open classes; 3, Jack, Nor., nice bird, but fails in subs. to winner; 4, 5, Irvine; 6, Robertson. GIFT: 1, Irvine, Stranraer; 2, D. Devoy; 3, J. Devoy. FOR. (6): 1, sp, Simpson, lovely Amazon Parrot; 2, Heron, nice Waxbill; 3, Sinclair, smart Cutthroat; 4, J. Devoy; 5, McKenzie.

DID YOU SEE LAST WEEK'S GRAND XMAS NUMBER WITH CALENDAR?

LARNE.

Fourth annual show, held in the McGarel Town Hall, Dec. 12 and 13. Entries came up very poorly, only one full class out of 40. Being under the patronage of the Y.C. and C.B.S. of Ireland they had six exhibitors from Dublin and across the dark, and the world knows the value of Larne as a catering for the specialist fancy. The secretary, Mr. Mayne, had everything up to date, and was well backed up by his committee, who all worked with a will to make the show a success. Mr. J. Thompson judged, his awards being well received.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCIES.—YELL., ETC., CK. (5): 1, 2, Ronaldson, nice couple, good shoulders and top, leader better subs.; 3, Gillespie, nice top and recast, good style. HEN (3): 1, 2, Ronaldson, two nice ones, plenty subs, good length of tail; 3, Dunlop, good top end and style. BUFF., ETC., CK. (6): 1, 3, Ronaldson, good one, plenty subs and action; 3rd, slimmer, good neck and snake head; 2, 4, Dunlop, fine shoulders and reach, good action; vhc, hc, Gillespie. HEN (4): 1, 4, Ronaldson, good subs. and length of side, in nice condition; 2, Dunlop, close up, hardly so good in reach, perhaps; 3, Gillespie, good shoulders and top, nice mover. CREST (4): 1, 2, 3, T. Creighton, grand trio, lovely qual. of feather, leader good sized Crest, nicely drooped; 4, Brownlee. C.B. (2): 1, Brownlee, good subs., nice rise of skull, well lashed; 2, T. Creighton, good broad skull, nicely lashed, lack size of winner. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL., CK. (6): 1, 4, Lavery, plenty subs. and qual., well filled neck, just a shade flat in head; 2, vhc, Thompson, lovely head, neck, and chest, not so cobby as leader; 3, Carson, a blaze of col., rather lengthy wing and tail; hc, Miss Lyle. BUFF (4): 1, Lavery, big one, good head, neck, col., and qual.; 2, Thompson, fine col., nice head, wings, and tail, beaten size; 3, Carson, fair size and col., shade long in barrel; 4, Mrs. Taylor. VARIEG., CK. (3): 1, 2, Thompson, nice couple, good col. and qual., leader better subs.; 3, Teasey, nice qual. and lovely feather, clean sweep. CL. OR TKD. YELL., HEN (4): 1, 3, Stewart, beauties, leader fine size, col., and qual.; 3, smaller, still nice type and qual.; 2, Thompson, good head and full neck, nice clean sweep; 4, Teasey. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Stewart, good couple, plenty subs. and qual., leader better head and nice carr.; 3, Thompson, another nice one, good qual. and col.; 4, Teasey; vhc, Lavery; hc, Carson; c, Miss Lyle. VARIEG., HEN (5): 1, Thompson, plenty subs. and col., nice wing and tail carr.; 2, 4, Mrs. Taylor, fair size and col., lovely qual. feather; 3, Miss Lyle, small, good type and qual., fair col.; vhc, Teasey. YORKS., CL. YELL., CK. (4): 1, O'Reilly, good length, well on leg, rich col.; 2, Keating, rare good one, fine style, round as a pencil, in good form; 3, vhc, Ryan, great length, full of nerve and nice qual. of feather. HEN (6): 1, 2, Keogh, toppers, straight up, good back and wing carr., leader better qual.; 3, O'Reilly, smaller, full of nerve, good col. and qual.; vhc, Keating; hc, Tansey; c, Ryan. TKD., ETC., CK. (4): 1, Fleming, wonderful length and style, good feather and col.; 2, 3, Keogh, capital position, good col. and qual.; 3rd, nice qual. and col., full neck, fails length; vhc, Ryan. CL. BUFF, CK. (3): 1, 3, Keating, toppers for size and col., leader grand position and qual. of feather; 2, Tansey, fine style, lovely qual. and col., straight as a pencil. HEN (6): 1, Fleming, neat lady, lovely qual., nice wing carr.; 2, Tansey, good type and qual., fair col., bit soft; 3, Keating, lovely position, nice head, well cut away; vhc, Ryan; hc, Devins; c, Miss Lyle. TKD., ETC., HEN (4). 1, Tansey, lovely unflig., rare length and style, good qual. feather; 2, Keating, another lengthy one, nice back and wings, good col.; 3, Ryan, small, but grand qual. feather and good position; vhc, Fleming. NOV., YORKS., CL. YELL., CK. (2): 1, Winkup, nice size and position, good wing and tail carr.; 2, Lattimore, longer, but lacks style and qual. of leader. BUFF (4): 1, Henry, topper, splendid position and qual., well put down; 2, Winkup, rare good one, fine back and wings, and good head, rather unsteady; 3, Malcolm, nice one, good qual. and col., shade thin in neck; vhc, Power. HEN (7): 1, Winkup, wonderful length and style, grand col. and qual., nice head and neck; 2, Lattimore, good type and col., shade open in front; 3, Lawless, nice position and col., fails in head and neck; vhc, McKeon; hc, Hunter; c, Crawford. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Malcolm, gem for type, qual., and position, straight as a dart; 2, Lawless, longer, fails to leader in qual. and position; 3, Power, good one, nice size and good style; vhc, Henry; hc, Lattimore. TKD., ETC., CK. (10): 1, Hunter, topper, wonderful length, grand wings and tail, level front, well drawn out; 2, Lattimore, delightful position, shows well, good col. and qual.; 3, McConkey, big one, fails a bit in qual. of feather and position; vhc, McKeon; hc, Lattimore; c, Winkup. HEN (5): 1, Henry, nice one, fine length and style, good qual.; 2, Lawless, racy hen, good position, bit open in front; 3, Lattimore, good col. and position, coarse in feather and flat in head; vhc, Malcolm, sweetly moulded lady, a trifle short, lovely type and qual., we liked for 2nd; hc, McKeon. LIGHT AND VAR. MULE OR HYB. (4): 1, 2, 4, Lavery, three stormers for size and col., in the pink of condition; 3, Owens and McGee, not so well up in col. and condition. DARK (4): 1, 2, Lavery, two good ones, plenty size and col., well shown; 3, Owens and McGee, nice size and col., beaten condition; 4, Geddis. GOLDFINCH (3): 1, Mulcahy, large square-cut blaze, nice tannings; 2, Geddis, good size and nice condition, rich col. all over; 3, Henry, smaller, nice blaze and rich tannings. BULLFINCH (2): 1, Mulcahy, good size, dense, well cut cap and bib; 2, Devins, similar, beaten size. GREENFINCH (4): 1, Lavery, good one, thick set, lovely condition; 2, Ramsey, grand size and col., lacks sheen; 3, Crawford, smaller, feathered like wax; 4, Magee. LINNET (7): 1, 3, Mulcahy, really good ones, plenty size and well pencilled, leader better polish; 2, 4, hc, Lavery, big one, sound col., and nicely pencilled; vhc, Magee; c, Geddis. SISKIN, ETC. (5): 1, O'Neill, nice Siskin, well laced, good cap; 2, Hart, Redpoll, lovely condition, grand bib and col.; 3, Brownlee, Redpoll. LOCAL.—CK. (4): 1, Hart; 2, Brennan; 3, D. W. Crawford. HEN (2): 1, Hart; 2, McClurkin. UNFLIG. (2): 1, 2, J. McConkey.

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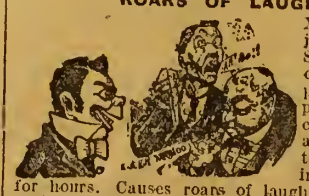
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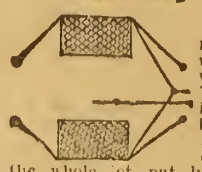
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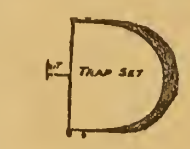
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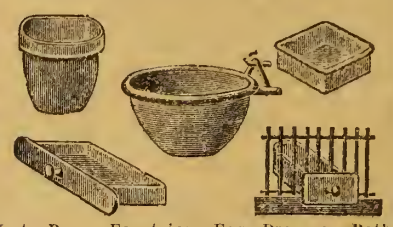
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Owing to excessive stock and continued ill-health, I am compelled to dispose of the greater part of my house-moulted British at prices half value for quick disposal, all in perfect health and matchless condition; Great Grey Shrike, 60/-; Goldfinch, 25/-; Linnet, 20/-; Siskin, 17/6; Twite 20/-; Redpoll 8/-; Chaffinch 15/-; Bramblefinch, 15/-; Yellow Bunting, 15/-; Hawfinch, 40/-; Cirl Bunting, 20/-: Marley, Manor-road, Leyton. (316)

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Softbills.

COCK Thrushes, 3/-, half-doz. selected 1/- each; Starling, picked for showing, 1/-: Wright Pen, 108, Shelfield-rd., Southport. (318)

SELECTED cock Thrushes, Blackbirds, 1/- each; Larks, 6d. each, on food.—William Wright, 54, Shelfield-rd., Marsliside, Southport. (329)

MARVELLOUS singing hand-reared cock Thrush, splendid shop attraction, 3/6, worth 12/6; approval: Proprietress, Lamb Hotel, Dunstable. (328)

BLACKCAPS, cock 5/-, hen 2/6; cock Woodlark, 2/6; Skylark, 1/-; Robins, 1/- pair; Blue Tits, 2/6 pair; Wrens, 5/- pair: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (327)

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Miscellaneous.

TWELVE classes British at Wishaw Open Show, on January 1st, 1913. See advert. (314)

NOTICE, Linnets, singing, 1/-; Larks, singing, 1/-; trap cage, call bird, 1/3 lot: Brain, 288, Lichfield-rd., Aston, Birmingham. (318)

LARKS, cock Larks, 2/3 dozen; Linnets, 5/-; every bird warranted: Roughton and Son, Bird Stores, Chatteris. Est. 1890. (326)

COCK Linnets, 1/- each; cock Larks, 2/6 dozen; Yellowhammers, 9d. pair; dealers supplied: E. Rowe, West-st., Chatteris. (327)

BULLFINCHES, 1/9 pair; cocks, 1/3; Devonshire Woodlarks, warranted cocks, 2/- each: William Marles, jun., 19, Dean-st., Crediton. (325)

LINNETS, Linnets; guaranteed cock Linnets, 9d. each; three, 1/9; cock Larks, 9d. each; three, 1/6; these are not straight from catcher, but warranted on food and water: Gray and Son, 28, Shambles, York. (321)

RED-BREASTED cock Linnets, three for 1/3, 4/- doz.; hens, 1/- doz.; Greenfinches, 3 picked birds, 1/-; Goldfinches, 2/- each; cock Larks, 3/6 doz.; Blackbirds, Thrushes, 3 for 2/-; J. Whiteley, Boston-rd., Holbeach. (312)

NORTH-COUNTRY Linnets, none to beat them, picked out, 1/-, 3 for 2/6; Yellowhammers, Redpolls, Chaffinches, Greenfinches, Great Tits, Blue Tits, Tree Pipits, Robins, Cole Tits, picked birds, 1/-, 3 for 2/-; only every-day catcher in the North: Ashton, 5, Mafeking-st., Gateshead. (318)

LINNETS, Linnets, warranted nut brown cock Linnets, full song, 70 dozen in stock, 3/- per doz.; picked birds, 3/6; hens, 9d.; no waiting; dealers supplied; 7 days' approval, cash or deposit; Softbills, fit for show bench, cock birds, Ring Ousel 7/6, Pied Wagtail 2/6, Yellow Wagtail 3/-, Waxwing 7/6, Wheatear 3/-, Pipit 2/-, Wryneck 5/-, Snow Bunting 3/-, Blackbird 1/6, Thrush 1/6; all on approval, cash or deposit: Tom Barlow, 3, Carter-place, Waterlane, Poplar, Notts. (328)

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Larks, Redpolls, etc., large English cock Goldfinches, 2/-, three 6/6, six 8/-; large specially selected for showing, mating, singing, 2/6, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, each, three 5/-, six 9/-, hens 1/-, three 2/6, 7/- dozen; large cock Bullfinches, 1/-, three 4/6, six 7/6, hens 1/-, 1/6, three 2/6; large Lancashire cock Linnets, 9d., three 1/6, six 2/6, 4/6 dozen; large, specially selected for showing, same as supplied to G. Wilson, Frizington, Pride of Cumberland, 1st prize Crystal Palace 1910, 2/-, 2/6, each; large cock Larks, 6d., three 1/-, six 1/6, 2/6 doz.; Redpolls, 6d., three 1/-, six 1/6, 2/6 dozen; pure Norwich cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6; mating hens, 2/-, 2/6: Matt. Hopkins, Bird Specialist and Cagemaker, 11, Fylde-st., Preston, Lancashire. Send stamp for catalogue. (329)

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Exhibitors, best selected of my catching; large cocks, Cornbunting 2/6, Yellowbunting, Reedbunting, Greenfinch, Chaffinch, Linnet, Redpoll, Blackbird, Thrush, Lark, 1/- each; pairs, for aviary, 1/- pair; cock Long-tailed Tit, 5/-, 5/- pair; warranted strong cock Linnets, 4/- dozen; Greenfinches 1/- dozen; 20 mixed seedeaters 1/6, 12 brighter mixed 1/-; well on food: J. Fenn, Bird Specialist and Judge, Westcliff Villas, Isleham, Cambs. (214)

CANARIES.

Border Fancy.

NINE Border classes at Wishaw open show on January 1st, 1913. See advert. (314)

BORDERS, cocks and hens, winners, and bred from winners, clears and marks, cheap: Fairweather, Pelmont-st., Newtyle, Forfarshire. (329)

FOR sale, Border Fancies, clears, variegs., cinnamons, and greens; bred from W. S. Wilson's strain; cheap: D. Whitelaw, 95, Elderpark-st., Govan, Glasgow. (322)

THREE clear yellow cocks, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6; two clear yellow hens, 5/-, 7/6: 1912; approval to members of associations: Thomson, Croft-place, Coalhall, N.B. (321)

CHAMPION Borders, no fancy prices; cocks 7/-, hens 3/-, pairs 10/-; state wants; seen any time: Burton Bros., 126, Leeds., Lee Green, S.E. (320)

CHAMPION Borders, a few real gems for show, all colours, also special selected stock pairs to breed winners, nearly all the leading fanciers of to-day are using my strain; overstocked; cheap to clear; approval: Patterson, Grocer, Chirnside, Berwickshire. (312)

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FOR sale, 25 high-class Belgians, same strain as my cup winners: Lady Verhees, Grens, 56, Mortsel, Antwerpen. (241)

MASSIVE high-shouldered Belgian birds, yellow and buff, cocks and hens, reasonable: Jos. Coenen, 11, Oudaen, Antwerp, Belgium. Stamp 2½d.

Cinnamons.

LARGE, unflighted yellow and buff cinnamons, Norwich type, all good birds, cocks 15/-, hens 10/6; approval: A. Sheldon, Wetley Rocks, Stoke-on-Trent. (328)

SEVERAL buff Cinnamons, Norwich type, "Quinton Blood," winners, bred from winners; young and healthy, from 10/- each; state wants; J. Shearman, 156, King-st., Gt. Yarmouth. (313)

Crests and Crestbreds.

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FIVE Crest and C.B. classes at Wishaw open show on January 1st, 1913. See advert. (314)

CRESTBRED yellow and variegated cocks, full song, 6/6 to 10/6; hens 2/-; some colour-fed: Milroy, Liphook. (325)

HIGH class Crests, Crest-breds, few for sale from 10/-, on approval: Alex. Onion, Sir Rowland Hill Hotel, Nottingham. (300)

1911 NORWICH Crest cock and Crestbred hen, well matched pair, from winning strain, 40/-, deposit: Pirie, Chemist, Keith. (326)

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NOTICE.—Several grand Crests and Crested Breds for show or stock, prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (276)

CHAMPION Crests, crestbreds, 30 years' breeder, judge of 100 shows, have some grand birds for sale; reasonable; approval: T. Billington, Hambleton, Poulton-le-Fylde. (318)

HAVING to reduce my stock of Crests, Crest-bred, I offer some good birds from 7/6, my own breeding cold room; approval; deposit: Tetin, 124, Chestnut-avenue, Forest Gate, Essex. (234)

NOTICE! All my winning Crests and Crest-breds for sale, prices on application (no dealers); also show cages, and carrying cases; can be seen any time: W. J. Summerbill, 149, Roebank-st., Glasgow. (312)

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Quinton blood, some of the best living; must clear more Crest cocks and hens from 10/- each; several really good young hens, £1 each; Crestbred cocks and hens from 10/- to £2 each; any of my show birds for sale at very reasonable prices; improve your own stock with this blood: J. Shearman, 156, King-st., Gt. Yarmouth. (313)

MASSIVE feathery 1912 Crestbred hen, rare type and quality of feather, only 10/6; grand large 1912 dark crested cock, lovely neat drooping crest, only 15/; monster 1912 crestbred cock, large head and neck, smothered in feather, only 12/6; real choice 1912 dark crested hen, large, neat drooping crest, also several other real good massive feathery crested and crestbred cocks and hens, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/, 17/6 and 21/- each, all strong and healthy, cold room bred, Barnett's Palace winning strain; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (320)

CRESTS CRESTS

I have a few grand birds for sale, mostly 1912, show or stock: A. J. Slade, 24, Vaughan-rd., Coldharbour-lane, Camberwell. (291)

Greens.

TWO Fawn Cinn. Buff Yell., 1 Yell. Green Yorkshires, 20/-, 6/- each: Foxen, 42, Newbuildings, Hinckley. (320)

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YORKSHIRE greens, few good birds for sale, cocks and hens, reasonable; approval: Tabberner, 22, Greta-st., Dingle, Liverpool. (323)

YORKSHIRE and Norwich Greens, type and quality, pairs or singles, prices reasonable; approval: Walker, 197, Great Homer-st., Liverpool. (321)

YORKSHIRE Greens, grand type and quality (winners); see this week's report Bootle Show, four pairs, 15/- pair: Rawsthorne, 20, Beech-grove, Seaforth, Liverpool. (316)

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FOR good and cheap Lizards, send for free list: Rudd the Bird Specialist, Norwich.

CHAMPION Lizards, all my surplus stock for sale, at reasonable prices, all good birds, best strain living, stamp: John Dewsnap, 14, Princess-st., Glossop. (318)

Norwich.

BREEDER'S CARD.

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ROBERT HALL, Hallscroft, Rudyard, is disposing of all his pedigree stock. See wins Hanley, Derby, Longton, etc. (231)

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H. SCHNEIDER, 72, Fairfield-rd., Winchester, will sell all his stock cheap; hens from 3/6, cocks from 7/6. (277)

NORWICH for sale, mostly cocks, cheap to clear, approval: James Taylor, 113, High-st., Brechin. (318)

A. WATSON has only a few pairs left for sale, from 30/-; single birds, 15/- to 25/-: 5, Arbuckle-st., Kilmarnock.

GREAT sacrifice to clear, six Norwich cocks, five buffs, one yellow, 10/- each; 55/- lot: Harland, Bagdale, Whitby. (233)

STRONG, healthy Norwich cocks, on song, 4/9, 5/-, 6/-, hens 2/6, 3/6; approval: Gater, Jones'-sq., Troedyrhiw, Glam. (312)

TWO buff Norwich hens, with grand breeding cage, complete, sacrifice, 10/6 lot: Taylor, 52, Preston-st., Hulme, Manchester. (323)

1912 CLEAR yellow Norwich cock, 2nd Denbigh show, class of 21, 8/6: Robert Owen-Roberts, 12 Ruthin-rd., Denbigh. (326)

FEW splendid Norwich, cheap; good heads, size and colour; inspection invited: Rorke, 56, Ringmer-av., Munster-rd., Fulham. (322)

BUFF cocks, 7/6 and 8/6; yellow, 10/- to 15/-; buff hens, 4/- to 7/6, fed; approval, deposit: E. Dyson 25, Wyndham-rd., Salisbury. (293)

FEW good stock Norwich for sale, cocks and hens, from 7/6 each: stamp deposit: J. Vint, 42, Bute-st., Moston, Manchester. (295)

A FEW good Norwich for sale, clears and variegateds, cheap: John Gallacher, Council Crescent, Motherwell-rd., Bellshill, Lanarkshire. (311)

HEALTHY cold-room Norwich cocks, full song, 8/6; 30 hens, 3/-; large hens, 4/-; approval: Roper, 134, Chester-rd., Seven Kings, Essex.

T. IRONS; for sale, 1911, 1912, guaranteed own breeding, single or pairs; state wants; prices reasonable; approval; Ivy-rd., Northampton. (233)

TYPICAL Norwich, related to my first, special, and third Wirksworth, buff cock, 10/-, 15/-; approval; deposit: Williams, Pharmacy, Ashbourne. (319)

WANTED colour-fed yellow Norwich cocks and hens, must have size; state price and particulars; Edgeley, 491, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (327)

NOTICE.- Grand lot Norwich for show or song, sure winners; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (270)

PURE-BRED Norwich Canaries, cocks, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-; hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-, cold-room bred; if not fully satisfied, money returned: 134, Havelock-st., Leicester. (269)

G. CLYNE, Moray-st., Wick, has for sale the winning buff cock, won the cup at Wick and Thurso, and several young birds bred the same; cheap; approval. (326)

COCKS and hens, yellow and buffs, same as my winners at Denny, Falkirk, Kilsyth; from 10s. to 30/-; particulars: Apply Thomas Hutton, Ivy Lea, Larbert. (322)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich Canaries; cocks, in full song, 4/-, 5/-, 6/- each; hens, same strain, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6 each; satisfaction guaranteed; Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester. (235)

WILLIAM TAYLOR, 99, Upper Bond-st., Hinckley, 8 pairs Norwich, two pair Cinnamons, 12/- to 15/- a pair, £5 the lot, good birds, to clear, 11/- and 12/-, cash or deposit. (313)

CHAMPION Norwich, unflighted typical birds, cold room bred, cocks 5/6, 6/6, 7/6; hens 2/6, 3/6, 4/6, sex guaranteed, approval; cash or deposit: Jones, 29, Grafton-st., Stockport. (278)

THIRD Windsor, exceptional bargain; typical pair colour-fed Norwich, fit for keen competition; accept 17/6; worth treble for stock; approval: Hawkes, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (322)

SILK TILL UPREME.

have sold many big winners again this year in keenest competition; have still some grand ones, the cream of the Fancy, see show reports, and all for sale; grand stock pairs, 20/- to 60/-; you cannot equal these at double the price elsewhere; show birds £1 upwards; have some real good hens from 8/0 each; approval every bird with pleasure; note the name the hall mark of champion Norwich. — Judge Silk, Whitstable. (312)

A FEW good Norwich for sale; winners and bred from winners; winner of two Novice cups this season; can be seen after six; A. Smith, 24, Balmore-rd., Possil-park, Glasgow. (322)

REDUCING stock. Splendid chance for beginners, good stock offered; yellow cocks 12/6 to 20/-; buff cocks 20/- to 30/-; winners; see Aberdeen last week: Barron, 119, Montrose-st., Glasgow. (325)

ROBERTS, 39, Ossington-st., Bayswater; overstocked Norwich, half price, from winners, large thick set stock birds, good heads and feather; hens, 5/-; cocks, 7/6; inspection, approval. (237)

year at Huddersfield, Leeds, Burnley, Manchester, Sheffield, Nottingham, Preston, and Bradford, has some grand birds for sale, prices moderate; a few choice pairs for novices at low prices. (319)

CHAMPION Norwich, 30 years breeder, judge of over 100 shows, have sold as many winners as any fancier; some grand birds to part with, reasonable; approval: T. Billington, Hambleton, Poulton-le-Fylde. (318)

BEFORE deciding to purchase Canaries (any variety) elsewhere, send for my free list; splendid collection for sale; absolute satisfaction guaranteed; enquiries solicited; easy payments arranged: R. Hanford, Derby.

FOR sale, unflighted yellow and buff Norwich cocks from 6/- to 15/-; buff hens from 4/-; or exchange for good yellow-marked cock and yellow-marked hen, approval each way: Stephenson, Sun Dial Villas, Flimby, nr. Maryport. (327)

NORWICH Canaries for sale, cocks and hens, yellows, greens, and variegated (prize strain), cocks from 5/6; hens from 3/6; would exchange for pair of good Crested, can be seen: Apply, 87, Gleneagle-rd., Streatham, London. (319)

JOHNSON, noted Norwich winner at most of leading shows, including Bradford National, stock birds for sale, cocks from 10/6, hens from 7/6; satisfaction guaranteed; approval, deposit; inspection invited: 22, Haddon-avenue, Kirkstall-rd., Leeds. (328)

NORWICH even-marked buff cock, 3rd Sheffield, 25/-; yellow tick, 2nd Matlock, 3rd Tideswell, 4th Sheffield, 40/-; unflighted yellow, 1st Tideswell, 2nd Darley Dale, 4th Sheffield, 15/-; others from 10/-, related to my winners: Dean, Cavendish-rd., Matlock. (317)

A. SCOTT, Scott's Hotel, Lancaster, winner this SIX high-class Norwich Plainheads, 1912, colour-fed, prize-bred, genuine, parents cost £5 each; father champion at Norwich All-England Cage Bird Association; cocks £5, £4, 3; hens £1 10s., £2, £2 10s.: Macqueen, Raglan House, Somers-road, Malvern. (325)

GREAT sacrifice; unflighted yellow colour-fed Norwich cock, 3rd L.C.B.A., 2nd Stratford, 15/-; deep fed Buff cock, 2nd Woolwich, 1st Stratford, 15/; thick-set cobby specimens, feathered to perfection; approval: Hawkes, Heathbank House, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (322)

J. YOUNG has now for disposal a grand selection of Plainheads, yellows and buffs, winners, and many unshown, fit to win, mostly unflighted; see reports City of Glasgow, Glasgow and District, and West of Scotland Club, only times out; prices 10/- upwards; approval: 80, High-st., Rutherglen. (300)

MR. HAWKES, being compelled to reduce his stock immediately offers the following colour-fed Norwich at great sacrifice:—Massive thick-set chubby Buff hen, big winner, 20/-; unflighted yellow hen, 1st Stratford, 12/6; Buff hen, 3rd Windsor, 10/-; approval: Heathbank House, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (322)

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Scotch Fancies.

FOR sale, 1 buff green cock, young: L. Jackson, Wood View, Kirknmirhill. (314)

FIVE Scotch Fancy classes at Wishaw open show on January 1st, 1913. See advert. (314)

YELLOW green cock, 1912, 13/-; buff hen (first cross), 1911 (breeder), 15/-, pair 25/6: Duns, Currie-st., Duns. (315)

LOVELY yellow cock, £2; buff cocks, £1, pairs 35/-; good birds: Miss M. Walker, 56, Queen's-rd., Wimbledon. (290)

THIRTY Scotch Fancies for sale, all colours, good strain, cheap to clear: Keary, 55, Flemington-by-Cambuslang. (293)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, cocks and hens, yellow and buff, seen any time: McIlhenney, 8, George Drive, Govan. (306)

SCOTCH Fancies, cocks and hens, good stock birds; no approval, seen by appointment: Hunter, 7, Canal-st., Johnstone. (319)

FOR sale, Scotch Fancy Canaries, cocks and hens, all colours, cheap: Hunt, 4, West-st., Bridgeton Cross, Glasgow. (312)

G. CLYNE, Moray-st., Wick, has for sale, one buff pied cock, one yellow pied cock, one yellow cock, one yellow hen. (326)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, cocks and hens, all colours, also some common cocks: Orr, 129, Peters-hill-rd., Glasgow. (300)

SCOTCH Fancies from high-class exhibition strain, moderate price; approval: Rosebank Cottage, Newmilns, Ayrshire. (316)

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SCOTCH Fancy, yellow cock, yellow hen, buff hen, four Yorkshires, best blood: McIlwain, School House, Mount Florida, Glasgow. (302)

SCOTCH Fancies, cocks, 5 buff, 2 yellow pied; hens, 2 buff, 2 yellow; also some 1911 birds: Wm. Neil, 30, Stirrat-place, Barrhead. (277)

NOTICE, grand lot Scotch Fancy Canaries, many winners, others from winners at leading shows, prices reasonable, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (270)

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FANCIERS wanting to improve their stock communicate: Cheshire, 26, Crawford-st., Bradford. (317)

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HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, cold room bred, cocks 5/6 upwards, hens 3/- upwards; approval: Andrew Cargill, Cantsdam, Kelty, Fife. (315)

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BROOMHILL.

Annual show held Dec. 7, in the Central Hall. Entries were well up; in fact, a record for the society, 120 birds being staged, and quality in all the sections was of a high order. All the arrangements were very perfectly carried out by the worthy hon. sec., Mr. W. Smailes, assisted by a committee who worked hard for the success of the show. Exhibitors, doubtless, were anxious at the non-return of their birds directly after the show, but the railway company refused acceptance on the return journey, owing to the strike. The committee rose to the occasion, and the birds were carefully tended until they could be despatched. Mr. A. Brown judged, and although he had a more than ordinarily difficult task, owing to the keen competition, and the level excellence of the exhibits, especially in the Norwich and Borders, yet he acquitted himself to everyone's satisfaction, excepting, perhaps, that of the two exhibitors, whose Linnets he found himself constrained to disqualify on the ground of staining.

The Critique.

NOR. CK. (16): 1, Jefferies, buff, fine size and shape, lovely condition and col., good win; 2, Dixon, yell., grizz. breast, equal in subs and qual., fine wings, loses only in depth of colour for a yel., if anything; 3, Rowell, buff, lovely col., immense size, fine condition, feathered like wax; r, Penrose; vhc, Archbold and Lascelles; hc, Hodgson; c, Crackett and Hume. HEN (11): 1, Geggie, eye, head, and wing mkd. yell., wonderful col., extra nice shape, well carried wings, a buxom lady; 2, vhc, Rowell, eye and wing mkd. buff, equally good in shape and subs., lovely qual. of feather, presses; 3, Penrose, cl. yell., beautiful col., shapely and full of qual., bit on the small side compared with leaders; r, Crackett and Hume; vhc, Jeffries; hc, c, Penrose. UNFLIG. (10): 1, Crow, yell., hot fed, fine size, lovely condition; 2, Seeley Bros., sprightly buff, of excellent qual. and col., lovely shape, fine wings and tail, must have pressed winner hard; 3, Smailes, yell., all there for shape, qual., and col., but not quite the size; r, Crackett and Hume; vhc, Jeffries; hc, c, Penrose. HEN (9): 1, 2, Seeley Bros., grand couple, buff and yell., both lovely shape and qual., leader the larger; 3, Smailes, buff, full of qual., cobby and smart; r, Crackett and Hume; vhc, Richardson; hc, Hodgson; c, Morgan. BORD. (21): 1, Armstrong, yell., fine size and qual. combined, a good one indeed; 2, Espie, compact, neat, fine qual., saddle mkd.; 3, Ross, buff, not much to choose, good all round; r, Purvis; vhc, Peel; hc, Dear; c, Ashton. HEN (11): 1, 2, Peel, extra good buffs, both fine qual. and very smart; 3, Wakinshaw, neat yell., close up; r, Espie; vhc, Armstrong; hc, Ross; c, Purvis. YORKS. (10): 1, hc, Wrigglesworth, marvellous col., stands like a soldier, slim and slick; 2, r, Ramsden, unflig. yell., should make a name, promising indeed; 3, Ellis, buff, extra length, smart and shapely, full of qual. A.O.V. (13): 1, Maddison, cl., Goldie-Can., extra, lovely shape, size, and col., good win in a good class; 2, Rowell, buff D.C., fine leafy crest, of good size, well radiated; 3, hc, Seeley Bros., yell cinn., lovely shape, fine size, best of col., extra fine qual.; r, Marshall; vhc, Dixon; c, Wilson. LINNET (13): 1, 2, Maddison, lovely couple, beautiful depth of col., extra good in pencillings, little to choose; 3, Rutherford, large one, shapely, fine deep col., and well pencilled; res, Morgan; vhc, Lightly; hc, Nesbit; c, Morgan.

DUBMIRE WORKMEN'S CLUB.

Second annual show held Dec. 14, 15, 16, in the Club Hall, when about 200 birds faced the judge. The hall, which is an ideal place, being well lighted and ventilated, is one of the best in the North for the purpose, and was tastefully decorated for the occasion by the steward and stewardess, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hardy. The society is conducted and managed by a body of both old and young fanciers. President, Mr. F. W. Hall; Vice-President, Mr. J. Davison; Treas., Mr. J. Henderson; Sec., Mr. B. Robinson; Assist. Sec., Mr. G. Lynn; Committee, Messrs. W. Holton, F. Bilton, W. Finlay, R. Lindsay, P. Passmoor. Mr. A. Widdowfield, Boldon Colliery, judged and gave every satisfaction.

The Critique.

YOUNG BIRDS—NOR. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Liddle, good qual. and col., grand shape and carr.; 2, Fenton, good one, only beaten in size; 3, Liddle, not so good in shape and col.; vhc, Fenton; hc, Dixon. BUFF (8): 1, Dixon, extra good one, good carr., clean cut; 2, Bilton, not quite so good in shape, nice col. throughout; 3, Dixon, good one, only beaten in size; vhc, Fenton; hc, c, Liddle. HEN (9): 1, hc, Dixon, grand hen, good col., neat and shapely, feather like wax; 2, Fenton, another good one, not quite so good in feather, good carr.; 3rd only beaten through not being steady; vhc, Holton. NAT. COL. HEN (3): 1, 2, Bilton, leader grand bird, good col., grand carr. and shape; 2nd nice one, not quite so good in carr.; 3, Fenwick, rough in feather. CINN. YELL.: 1, 2, Dixon, leader wins easily, grand carr., good shape and qual. CREST CK.: 1, 2, 3, Bisset, 1st grand bird, good size, lovely crest, good length of feather, well carried down at sides, 2nd another good one, grand crest, beaten in size, 3rd not quite so good in front, rather small; vhc, Lowery; hc, Fenwick. HEN: 1, Fenwick, grand lady, neat crest, A1 qual.; 2, 3, Bisset, 2nd good crest, little to choose between them; Lowery, absent. C.-B. HEN: 1, 3, Bisset, 1st good skull, well lashed, grand qual., 3rd narrow at entrance, nice browing; 2, Fenwick, good bird, not quite so well lashed as winner. YORKS YELL. CK.: 1, Fenton, rare bird, good length, grand carriage, wins easily; 2, Dixon, good bird, well up on legs, beaten in qual.; 3, Lynn, nice bird, beaten in size; vhc, Dixon. BUFF: 1, Dixon, nice length, well up on legs; 2, Lynn, another good one, nice length, good col. throughout; 3, Liddle, not quite so stylish as others; vhc, Fenton. CLASS 13: 1, Dixon, grand hen, lovely col., fine style and carr.; 2, Liddle, not quite so good in style as 1st; 3, Dixon, nice bird, beaten in col.; vhc, hc, Fenton. OLD BIRDS—NOR. YELL.: 1, Liddle, grand shape, good col. and carr.; 2, Holton, good one, runs winner close up; 3, vhc, R. Dixon, not quite so good in col. BUFF: 1, M. Dixon, wins easily, grand shape, good type, lovely col. and carr.; 2, Holton, not quite so good in shape, rather too narrow in chest; 3, Finlay, rather rough in feather; vhc, Dixon; hc, Fenton. HEN: 1, Fenton, lovely yell., grand col. and shape, extra good throughout; 2, Finlay, another good one, grand carr., good subs.; 3, Finlay, neat one, good col; vhc, Finlay; hc, Liddle; c, Dixon. NAT. COL. CK.: 1, Passmoor, grand one, lovely shape and col.; 2, Bilton, grand carr., good shape and col.; 3, Holton, not quite so good in shape, good carr.; vhc, Lowery; hc, Finlay. BUFF, NAT. COL.: 1, Fenwick, good size, feathered like wax; 2, Passmoor, not quite up to winner, grand carr.; 3, Wilkinson, good carr., neat head; vhc, Liddle; hc, Bilton. CINN. YELL.: 1, 2, R. Dixon, leader grand col. and size, wins easily; 2nd not quite so good in col.; 3, M. Dixon, not looking at its best. BUFF: 1, 2, R. Dixon, 1st real nice one, good size and col., well staged, 2nd not quite so big, good level col. throughout, 3rd neat one, not looking at its best. CREST CK.: 1, 3, Bisset, leader good bird, crest as round as a daisy, nice length of feather; 3rd beaten in size, neat crest, good feather; 2, Passmoor, sweet crest, good qual. and feather; vhc, Lowery; hc, Lowery; c, Fenwick. HEN: 1, Fenwick, grey crest, about one of the best hens seen, will be heard of later; 2, Bisset, good col., nice drooping crest, good lengthy feather; 3, vhc, Lowery, grey crest, nice one, not at its best. C.-B.: 1, 3, Bisset, leader nice formation, extra good feather, shown in the pink; 3rd neat daisy crest, grand feather; 2, Fenwick, not much to choose for 1st place; vhc, Robinson. HEN: 1, Fenwick, grand skull, grand entrance, well lashed; 2, 3, beaten only in size, lovely feather. YORKS YELL. CK.: 1, Dixon, grand yell., good length, nice pipe tail; 2, Fenton, slim, good feather and head; 3, hc, Stokeld, runs 2nd close; vhc, c, Dixon. YORKS HEN: 1, Dixon, nice racy one, grand feather, well staged; 2, Liddle, nice shape and style, sweet exhibit; 3, vhc, R. Dixon, rather slim, on the small side; hc, Fenton. BORD. HEN: 1, Fenwick, sweet little lady, full of life, feathered like wax; 2, Lynn, nice one, well put down; 3, Robinson, not looking over well. A.O.V.: 1, Dixon; 2, R. Dixon; 3, M. Dixon. LINNET: 1, Fenwick, nice size, well pencilled, in field plumage; 2, Finlay, well staged, grand pencilling; 3, Robinson, not quite so well marked, good size; vhc, Bilton; hc, Holton; c, Fenton. GOLDF., ETC.: 1, Dixon, nice Greenie, good size and col.; 2, Fenwick, Goldie, good blaze; 3, Hedley, Greenie, good size and col. vhc, Hedley; hc, c, Robinson. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Fenwick, Mealy 'Poll, good size and col; 2, Dixon, Snowflight, good big one, nicely staged; 3, Passmoor, Lesser 'Poll, good markings, little wild; vhc, Hann; hc, Robinson. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Hedley. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, vhc, Fenton; 3, Passmoor; hc, Wilkinson; c, Holton. OLD BIRDS: 1, 3, Fenwick; 2, c, Dixon; vhc, Fenton; hc, Lynn.—B. Robinson, Sec.

HEMSWORTH.

Held Dec. 21. The large room attached to the King's Head Hotel, kindly lent free gratis, by the "Old Sport," Mr. T. Tait (the one time Yorkshire cricketer) was the venue, and is of nice light, good space, suitably heated, and quite cosy. Entries turned up well, upwards of 150. This show was of an inter-club description, Adwick Le Street, Doncaster, and Hemsworth being the combatants. The Secretary, Mr. G. H. Robinson controlled everything in a very able manner, and is worthy of all praise from the three societies jointly concerned in the show. The fight is for a valuable silver cup, presented by Charles Thellusson, Esq., Brodsworth Hall, near Doncaster. Qualifications, 20 highest birds (points to count) from each society. Two shows have now taken place, and the poll stands as follows:—Hemsworth, 199; Doncaster, 179; Adwick, 141. The third and "last round" is on the Doncaster ground, January 18. The rivalry is great, but of a most commendable character, true Fancier-like spirit prevails, and all are going for "neck or nothing," so they declare, leaving no stone unturned, when the "cup final day" arrives. Yorks. were the feature of the function, and really a grand collection. Those staging superb specimens were Messrs. A. Taylor, Middleton, Carter, Kelsey, and Edmondson. Norwich made a nice display, beauties were put down by Messrs. Truman and Graham. Mr. Baxby benched a very nice lot of Crests and Crestbreds. British contained some real gems. The able stewards who worked with a method, promptly and accurately were Messrs. Lee, Gillings (Sec., Hons.), Brown, Graham, Priestley (show manager), and G. Bescoby (Sec., Doncaster). Prize cards were affixed instantly after each class was adjudicated upon. Management throughout was superb. No hitch whatever took place. The judge was Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield), and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

YELL. YORK. CK. (10): 1, Taylor, capital position, lengthy, well clothed; 2, c, Middleton, beaten a wee bit in length; 3, Blanchon, hardly so stylish, yet good one; vhc, Edmondson; hc, Lee. BUFF. (16): 1, Taylor, smooth as glass, straight as a rush; 2, Hall, not quite so lengthy, full of nerve; 3, Taylor, beaten slightly in texture of feather, stands well; vhc, hc, Edmondson; c, Knowles. YELL. HEN (14): 1, Middleton, lovely feather, position, and length; 2, Cook, not the length, yet very charming type and qual.; 3, Knowles, good length and A1 qual., not so slim; vhc, hc, Edmondson; c, Hall. BUFF (12): 1, Carter, wedge shape, tight as wax, rich col.; 2, 3, Edmondson, former, very close up indeed, latter not quite so close in feather, but of nice length and position; vhc, Davis; hc, Trueman; c, Lee. YELL. UNFLIG. (12): 1, Kelsey, very promising baby, magnificent feather, straight as a gun barrel; 2, hc, Edmondson, beaten in col. only; 3, Knowles, not quite the style, yet good one; vhc, Kendrick; c, Middleton. BUFF (17), grand class: 1, 3, Edmondson, capital brace, leader, lovely col., position, and length, well on leg; 3, good position and feather, not quite so stylish; 2, Brookes, tight as wax, pressed winner hard; vhc, Taylor; hc, Middleton; c, Knowles. NOR. (6): 1, 2, Trueman, couple of good shaped specimens, full of col. and qual., cl. buff and mkd. buff, respectively; 3, Grayham, cl. yell., nice col. and feather, shapely, on small side; vhc, hc, Flint; c, Kendrick. HEN (6): 1, 3, Trueman, grand var yell., leading; 3, very smart buff, smooth as wax; 2, Kemp and Govier, shapely buff, of nice size, well clothed; vhc, Grainger; hc, Graham; c, Kendrick. UNFLIG. (11): 1, 2, Graham, mkd. buff, gem for col. and qual., good size and shape; 2, yell., nice head and neck, bold front, bit loug in wings and tail; 3, Scrivener, neatly moulded buff, not overdone with subs., yet neat; vhc, Flint; hc, Blanchon; c, Robinson. C. and C.B. (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Baxby, buff,var., D.C., cl. buff C.B., buff mkd. D.C., trio of very nice exhibits, and well shown; c, Knowles. GOLDIE, ETC. (8): 1, Blanchon, gem of a Goldie; 2, Kelsey, delightful Bullie; 3, Knowles, Goldie, hardly the face of 1st; vhc, Trueman; hc, Poppleton; c, Green. GREENIE (6): All the prizes to Lee, the leader, his well-known winner looking A1; 2, near up; 3, also good one. LINNET (8): 1, vhc, Kemp and Govier, fine shape, size, and col., well pencilled; 2, Scrivener, even better col., not size or shape, yet neatly marked; 3, Lee, smaller, very nice col., nice shape shows well; hc Robinson; c, Green. A.O.V. (6): 1, Bescohy, fine Wagtail, in perfect order; 2, Kemp and Govier, rattling Redpoll; 3, Trueman, nice Bramble; vhc, Bradshaw; hc, Green; c, Green. MULE (9): 1, Kemp and Govier, good Lin.-Can., nice shape and size, A1 col.; 2, Spittlehouse, nice buff Gold-Can. (dark), fine subs., shape, and feather; 3, Blanchon, smart and well shown; vhc, Green; hc, Grainger; c, Knowles.

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Final show for the season's competitions held Dec. 17th, at Park Chapel Schools, when the members staged 125 birds in the 20 classes provided. Messrs. J. Chippendale and L. Hodgson were the appointed judges, and the members were very well satisfied with their awards. The following is a list of winners in each sectioned competition for the valuable specials:—Champion Section: Messrs. W. Stables, F. Allen, J. Farrar, H. Hill, G. White, C. E. Walker, J. Northrop, Riley Bros.; Novice Section: Messrs. S. Midgley, S. Binns, S. Woad, Taylor Bros., J. Wroe, C. Hardaker, J. Rhodes, Myers, Lightowler, W. Fielding; extra Novice Section: Messrs. A. Newbould, Morrell and Harper; Selling Class Section: Messrs. G. R. Rushworth and J. Farrar.

CHAMP.: CL., OR TKD., YELL. YORKS. (11): 1, Hill; 2, 3, Cruise; 4, vhc, Allen; hc, Riley Bros.; c, Walker. BUFF (11): 1, White; 2, Cruise; 3, vhc, Stables; 4, Wilkinson Bros.; hc, Hill; c, Farrar. EVEN OR UNEVENLY MKD. (6): 1, 4, Farrar; 2, Stables; 3, Allen; vhc, White; hc, Riley Bros. UNFLIG. YELL. (3): 1, Walker; 2, 3, Hill. BUFF (2): 1, 2, Hill. CL. OR. TKD. YELL. HEN (8): 1, 2, Stables; 3, Cruise; 4, Allen; vhc, hc, Wilkinson Bros.; c, White. BUFF (7): 1, hc, Stables; 2, 3, 4, Allen; vhc, Farrar; c, Walker. EVEN OR UNEVENLY MKD., HEN (9): 1, Farrar; 2, hc, Stables; 3, 4, vhc, Allen; c, White. NOV., CL. OR TKD. YEL. (6): 1, 3, hc, Midgley; 2, Taylor Bros.; 4, Hargreaves; vhc, Rhodes. BUFF (7): 1, vhc, Midgley; 2, 4, Wroe; 3, Rhodes; hc, Hardaker; c, Hargreaves. EVEN OR UNEVENLY MKD. (8): 1, 3, vhc, hc, c, Binns; 2, 4, Woad. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, 3, Binns; 2, Taylor Bros.; 4, Hardaker; vhc, c, Midgley; hc, Woad. BUFF (6): 1, Midgley; 2, 4, Binns; 3, Hardaker; vhc, Woad; hc, Taylor Bros. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Taylor Bros.; 2, Sutcliffe; 3, c, Wroe; 4, vhc, hc, Binns. BUFF (8): 1, 4, hc, Taylor Bros.; 2, Midgley; 3, Rhodes; vhc, Binns; c, Sutcliffe. EVEN OR UNEVEN. MKD. HEN (1): 1, Woad. EXTRA NOV. YORKS. (4): 1, 2, Newbould; 3, 4, Morrell and Harper. HEN (4): 1, 2, Newbould; 3, 4, Morrell and Harper. All the winners of special prizes must obtain specials in kind to be presented at the annual prize distribution on Tuesday, January 14, 1913, according to rule.—H. Hill, Sec.

NEW YORK, U.S.A.

24th annual show held Dec. 3 to 7 inclusive, at the New Grand Central Palace. 288 birds were staged, which spoke well for the secretary and show committee, especially the chairman, Mr. J. Hibbard, who worked early and late to make it a success. The judges were: Belgians, Yorks., and Norwich, Mr. Ferond and Mr. Mayther; Foreign, British and Hybrids, Mr. S. F. Carpenter; Rollers, Mr. Yost and Mr. Griesbach. Yorks. are bidding fair to become the favourites on this side of the water; there were 42 staged this year, against 18 last year. The following specials were in competition: Silver challenge cup, presented by Mr. S. F. Carpenter, for Belgians, young bird, to be won three times, not in succession; silver cup, by Empire Poultry Assn., for best bird in show; silver medal for best Goldfinch, silver medal for best Linnet, by Mr. D. Carpenter; five-dollar goldpiece, by Mr. F. Gambo, for best Yorks.; brass cage, by the Osborne Co., for most entries. BELG. YELL. CK., BRED 1912 (11): 1, Totten, a nice specimen; 2, 3, 4, 5, Burns, 2nd equal in quality to 1st, but a little wild. BUFF (9): 1, 2, 3, Burns; 4, Totten. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Byrne, a beauty; 2, 3, Burns; 4, Totten. BUFF (10): 1, 2, Totten, 1st an ideal Belgian, wins challenge cup, also cup for best in show; 3, 4, 5, Burns. YORKS., BRED 1912 (8): 1, Hibbard, rather on small side; 2, Carpenter; 3, Aitken. OLD BIRDS: 1, Carpenter, lovely buff, gave the Belgian a hard fight for cup, wins the five-dollar piece; 2, Gambo, rather spoilt by a wide tail; 3, 4, 5, Aitken. HEN (12): 1, Aitken; 2, 3, Hibbard; 4, 5, Weimlinger. AMERICAN FANCY (13): 1, Byrne; 2, Totten; 3, 4, 5, Dierson. A.O.V. (12): 1, 2, 3, 4, Smart, nice batch of Crests; 5, Carpenter. GOLDFINCHES (14): 1, sp, 3, 5, Gambo, 1st a very nice Russian; 2, Campini, good, nice H.M. British; 4, Ewing. A.O. FINCH (8): 1, sp, 2, 5, Ewing, 1st lovely Linnet field-mounted British, 2nd Siskin; 3, Gambo, Yellowhammer; 4, Campini, Linnet. HYB. (18): 1, Perkinson, Goldfinch-Can., nice markings and very steady; 2, Oosterrich, Goldfinch-Can., lighter mkd. but not such fine feather and colour; 3, Wolff; 4, Campini; 5, Ewing, a very hot class to judge. SELL. CAN. (74): A very large class: 1, Forbes, lovely Scotch Fancy; 2, 4, Hibbard, Yorkshires; 3, 5, Heckman, American Fancy. SELL. FINCHES (24): 1, Gambo, Paradise Whydah, good plumage, but very wild; 2, 4, Campini, 2nd a Venezuelan Goldfinch, 4th Chaffinch. Mr. E. Burns wins brass cage with 22 entries.

GARSTON BIRD BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION.

Annual show, held in Baptist Schoolroom, Dec. 7. Colonel W. Hall Walker is president of the association, Mr. J. Jones chairman, Mr. A. T. Mullock hon. sec., Mr. T. James assistant sec., Mr. H. Green treas. 100 birds were staged. There was keen competition for the silver cup presented by H. H. Tate, Esq., which was won by Mr. T. H. Mullock. Mr. T. H. Mullock last year was defeated for the cup by two points, previous year by one. Mr. J. Thornton, Liscard, judged, and gave satisfaction to all. The show was visited by a great number of fanciers and friends. Awards for most points Champ. Sec., 1, J. H. Mullock; 2, Jones; 3, Lowe; 4, Crowe; 5, A. T. Mullock; 6, Martindale; 7, James. Novice Sec.: 1, Cooper; 2, Rothwell; 3, Calder; 4, Stell.

YORK, CL. YELL.: 1, Lowe, nice head and neck, well staged; 2, Cooper, grand col., stands well; 3, T. Mullock, nice bird, rather small; vhc, Rothwell; hc, Crowe; c, Christopher. BUFF: 1, Cooper, nice bird, well drawn; 2, Rothwell, a good one; 3, T. Mullock, grand bird, plenty of col. and size, a little nervous; vhc, Lowe; hc, Rothwell; c, Christopher. TKD., ETC., YELL.: 1, Cooper, fine bird, good legs, stands well; 2, T. Mallock, plenty of size and col., a bit off on day of show; 3, Cooper, another of the right sort; vhc, Lowe. TKD., ETC., BUFF: 1, 3, Lowe, two grand birds; 2, vhc, Cooper, good type. YELL., HEN: 1, Crowe, fine hen, hot col.; 2, Lowe, plenty of col.; 3, vhc, T. Mullock, grand racy hens. BUFF: 1, Stell, nice hen, very steady; 2, Cooper, another of the right sort, plenty of col.; 3, Lowe, nice hen; vhc, Christopher; hc, Martindale; c, Lowe. TKD., ETC., BUFF HEN: 1, 3, Martindale, very neat hens; 2, T. Mullock, one of the right sort. CINN. TKD. OR UNEVEN MKD.: 1, 3, T. Mullock, 1st, grand racy hen, stands well; 2, Cooper, good quality; vhc, Still; hc, Jones. GR. SELF BUFF: 1, Crowe, nice bird, very steady; 2, Martindale, nice bird; 3, Ireland, will do better later; vhc, Cooper. YELL. GR. SELF OR FOUL: 1, Ireland, grand col.; 2, Jones, nice bird. DITTO, BRED 1912: 1, Stell, nice young bird; 2, Calder, nice bird, small; 3, Rothwell, grand young bird. NOR.: 1, Crowe, grand col.; 2, T. Mullock, very cobby; 3, James, nice bird; vhc, Martindale. CL., ETC., BUFF: 1, sp, T. Mullock, fine style, good colour. CL., ETC., HEN: 1, Crowe, very nice hen; 2, 3, James. MULE OR HYB.: 1, T. Mullock, grand bird, good style; 2, James, big bird, rather rough in feather; 3, hc, A. Mullock, grand feather, bit small; vhc, T. Mullock. GOLDFINCH: 1, A. Mullock, fine bird, very steady; 2, Bryant, not quite so steady as winner; 3, Jones; vhc, Carlisle; hc, Bryant; c, T. Mullock. LINNET: 1, 2, T. Mullock, grand birds; 3, Jones, big bird, but rough; vhc, Jones; hc, Calder. GREENFINCH: 1, Jones, very fine Finch; 2, Rothwell smart one; 3, T. Mullock, good col.; vhc, Martindale; hc, Calder; c, Jones. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Ireland, lovely marked, good bib; 2, Green, very steady; 3, Jones, nice bird; vhc, Calder; hc, T. Mullock. A.O. BRIT.: 1, sp, Carlisle, grand bird, and steady; 2, Calder; 3, A. Mullock, plenty of size, but wild; vhc, Jones. BULLF., ETC.: 1, Jones, grand Bramble; 2, Rothwell, not quite so big; 3, A. Mullock, Bullf., nice bird, good cap; vhc, Calder.—A. T. Mullock, Hon. Sec.

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ANNFIELD PLAIN.

Fifth annual show held Dec. 21, and for a concluded show was just about the best we have yet seen. The venue was the Co-operative Hall, a splendid place for the purpose, lofty and large, and provided with every comfort. Entries came up splendidly, easily constituting a record for the society, and reaching the grand total of 245, about 50 or 60 above their previous best. All sections filled well, and the quality reached a high standard. The open Linnet class provided keen competition, quality here being really superb, not a poor one amongst them. Mr. G. G. Pearson secured the premier award with a tip-top specimen, and this bird has now this season won six firsts in the keenest competition, his previous wins being Newcastle, Blaydon, Doncaster, Whitby, and Gateshead, under five different judges. The staging was excellent, and reflected the greatest credit on the management, who are a grand body of fanciers, composed of the president (Mr. J. Barrow), vice-pres. (Mr. J. Lumley), chairman (Mr. R. Humphrey), and Messrs. J. Armstrong, G. Lane, S. Foster, J. George, E. Atkinson, J. Williams, W. Elliott, J. Oxley, J. Robson, R. Goodchild, W. Cresswell, E. Headle, T. Robinson, J. Calvert, J. Bentinck, W. Smith, W. Knowles, R. Hutchinson, R. Coates, W. Thompson, J. Hunter, and J. H. Elliott, all of them doing their best for the good of the show. The courteous and obliging secretary, Mr. R. Peart, had everything well in hand, and got through his duties without the slightest hitch. His genial manner and kindly disposition, coupled with his fine business propensities, mark him as just the right man for the position, and he is evidently very popular with the members, which speaks well for the future success of the society. A word of praise must also be given to Mr. W. Elliott, the popular sec. of West Stanley C.B.S., who rendered great help to Mr. Peart in the secretarial duties. The show was well patronised by the public, and there were present many well-known fanciers from other districts. There is every probability of the show proving a financial success. Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland) judged.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Smith, good one all over, short and cobby, red hot, nice quality, neat head, wings and tail; 2, Armstrong, tkd. head, shade smaller than leader, grand shape, nice col., neat head and neck; 3, Humphrey, red hot, nice qual., good shape and carr., fail to leader in wings; 4, c, Goodchild, nice size and shape, neat head; vhc, Williams; he, Foster. BUFF (5): 1, Armstrong, big, bouncing variegated, fine shape and subs., good col., thick head and neck; 2, Foster, cl., scarcely so massive, model for type, nice col., grand carr., beautiful wings and tail; 3, Smith, head tkd., scarcely so full in chest as leaders, yet nice shape, good col. and qual.; 4, Humphrey, smaller, nice shape, neat head and neck; vhc, Lane. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Knowles, not a big one, but grand shape, hot col., neat head, wings, and tail; 2, Smith, eye tkd., nice shape, lovely qual., neat head, loses to leader in wing carr.; 3, Foster, cl., scarcely so chubby as leaders, nice shape and col., neat head, good wings and tail; 4, Goodchild, cl., nice one for shape and subs., good carr.; vhc, Humphrey. BUFF (6): 1, Armstrong, cl., good one, fine size and subs., good shape, nice head, neck and chest, good col. and qual.; 2, Humphrey, grizz. wing, fine shape, nice head and neck, lovely qual., bit loose in feather to leader; 3, vhc, Goodchild, head tkd., trifle longer in body, nice shape, good col. and qual., neat wings and tail; 4, Hunter, cl., slimmer build, red hot col., nice qual.; he, Robinson. YELL. CK., 1912 (8): 1, 3, Armstrong, variegated, leading, grand size and shape, short and thick, neat head, nice col. and qual., grand carr., 3rd cl., magnificent col., not chubby as leader, yet a nice one for shape, neat wings and tail; 2, Williams, cl., grand shape, nice size, neat back and chest, nice col., beaten trifle in qual. only; 4, Hunter, cl., bit longer, nice col., neat head and wings; vhc, Coates; he, Smith; c, Goodchild. BUFF (6): 1, Williams, cl., fine shape and subs., good head, back, and chest, nice col., good wings and tail; 2, Goodchild, bigger, but scarcely so shapely, nice col., neat head and neck, nice qual.; 3, Humphrey, cl., good one for shape, nice head and back, wants tightening up a bit; 4, he, Hunter, longer body, hot col., nice quality; vhc, Smith. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Knowles, nice, shapely cl., red hot, short and thick, neat head, back, and wings; 2, Smith, tkd. head, nice shape and qual., neat head and wings, beaten col.; 3, Humphrey, larger, nice shape and col., bit fat on chest and rather unsteady; 4, Armstrong, cl., small, but very shapely. BUFF (5): 1, Armstrong, tkd. left wing, fine size, lovely shape, bold head, grand chest and back, lovely wings and tail, grand carr.; 2, Williams, cl., not the subs. of winner, nice shape, good col. and qual.; nice wings and tail; 3, Armstrong, similar in build to 2, loses a trifle in finish; 4, vhc, Humphrey, head tkd., nice size and shape, gets wings badly across at times. NAT. COL. (7): 1, Smith, cl. yell., grand rich tone of col., lovely qual., rare size, nice shape and carr.; 2, Humphrey, cl. buff, fine size and shape, nice col. and qual., neat head and wings; 3, vhc, Armstrong, cl. yell., not the size of leader, yet a good one for shape, rich col. and qual.; 4, Peart, cl., buff, smaller, nice shape, lovely col., nice qual.; he, Hunter; c, Robson. YORKS. YELL. (4): 1, Lane, medium length, beautiful style and position, slim and well drawn, shade weak in neck, otherwise a good one; 2, Oxley, nice length and position, well rounded, neat head and neck, trifle open on breast; 3, Thompson, bit shorter, nice style and position, good qual.; 4, Bentinck, plenty of length, nice style, too rough in feather. BUFF (7): 1, 3, Goodchild, leader cl., fine length, grand position, neat, narrow shoulders, gets well up, nice col. and qual., 3rd neck tkd., good length and pos., neat head and neck, loses in feather to leaders; 2, Betinck, cl., fine length, good position, neat head, well drawn, loses to leader in col., and not so neat in neck; 4, Robinson, variegated, grand length, nice position; vhc, Foster; he, Cresswell. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Lane, fine style and position, slim and well drawn, neatly braced wings and tail, nice col. and qual.; 2, 3, Robinson, nice length, fair position, nicely rounded, neat wings and tail, 3rd variegated, nice style, very similar to 2nd; 4, Cresswell. BUFF (6): 1, Oxley, cl., good one, medium length, very erect, grandly rounded, neat shoulders and waist, nice col. and qual.; 2, Goodchild, variegated, good one for length and position, shade heavier in build, neat shoulders, nice wings and tail; 3, Robinson, cl., nice length, good position, nicely drawn, not so well finished at waist; 4, Bentinck, cl., built on smaller lines, very neat and shapely; vhc, Hutchinson. YELL. CK., 1912 (6): 1, Oxley, cl., very stylish, slim and finely drawn, nice length, straight up, nice col. and qual.; 2, Hutchinson, scarcely so well rounded as leader, nice length and position, neat head, wings, and tail; 3, Robinson, cl., nice style, well up, grand qual., loses to leaders in body; 4, Goodchild, var., plenty of length, well rounded; vhc, Cresswell; he, Foster. YELL. HEN, 1912 (8): 1, vhc, Robinson, leader very stylish, long and finely drawn, nice [illegible], neat head and neck, well braced wings and tail; 2, c, Goodchild, slim and very erect, medium length, lovely close feather, bit weak in neck; 3, Foster, variegated, shorter and thicker, well rounded, nice position, good wings and tail; 4, Hutchinson, smaller, but very slim and stylish, neat wings and tail; he, Hutchinson. BUFF (6): 1, 4, Robinson, plenty of length, nice style and position, neat head, wings, and tail, 4th very similar position, beaten finish; 2, Hutchinson, nice length, good position, well rounded, not much to choose; 3, Goodchild, good one for length, nice shoulders and waist, not quite so well up; vhc, Hutchinson. NAT. COL. (7): 1, Oxley, cl. yell., fine length, well up on good legs, nice col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, Bentinck, cl. buff, nice one for length, very stylish, neat head and shoulders, nice wings and tail; 3, Goodchild, cl. yell., shade smaller, stylish, and well drawn, nice col., neatly braced wings; 4, Oxley, variegated, buff, good length and pos., neat head, loses in qual. of feather.; vhc, Goodchild; he, Thompson; c, Cresswell. CREST (5): 1, 3, Coates, cl., body D.C. leading, grand shape, nice droop and radiation, good size, nice centre, good qual., 3rd var. D.C., very neat crest, good droop, nice radiation, fine centre; 2, 4, vhc, Knowles, var. D.C. leading, nice shape, bit shorter frontal than leader, nice droop and centre, 4th foul tail green, dense and shapely, but hardly the same quality of others. C.B. (5): 1, 3, vhc, Coates, foul tail green, nice broad skull, very dense in feather, good rise and width, plenty of feather behind poll; 3rd, foul tail green, bit narrower skull, but carries a fair amount of good feather; 2, 4, Knowles, variegated, good broad skull, nice entrance and width, very similar in feather to leader, and not much to choose between them; 4th, foul tail, not so massive as leaders, and does not carry the same amount of feather; he, Armstrong. BORD., YELL., CK. (6): 1, 3, 4, J. H. Elliot, grand team, leader grand shape, lovely col. and qual., sweetly moulded body, grandly braced wings and tail; 3rd, like shape, well rounded, nice head and neck, good col. and qual., beaten in tone of feather; 4th, another good one, nice shape, good carr.; 2, Bates, grandly moulded, sweet head, grand back, lovely wings and tail, scarcely the same rich quality as leader; vhc, he, Peart. BUFF (6): 1, 3, Bates, gems, leader grand shape, beautifully rounded, sweet head and neck, grand back, grandly braced wings and tail, rich col. and qual.; 3rd, scarcely so well rounded, yet a grand one for shape, nice col., good wing and tail carr.; 2, vhc, he, Elliot, shade heavier perhaps, grand shape, lovely back and wings, good col. and qual.; 4, Peart, scarcely so well rounded on back as leaders, nice shape, good col., well braced wings and tail. YELL. HEN (5): 1, 2, 4, J. H. Elliot, leader grand shape, beautifully moulded, grand head and neck, rich col. and qual.; 2nd, topper for shape, sweetly moulded, nice head, grand back and wings, good col.; 4th, scarcely the same grand shape, yet a good one, nice col., good back and wings; 3, Peart, good one for shape, well rounded, nice wings and tail, neat head, lacks the grand finish of leader; vhc, Bates. BUFF (6): 1, 3, 4, J. H. Elliot, lovely team, leader grand one for shape, lovely back, grand col. and qual.; 3rd, scarcely so rich in col., fine shape, good head, grand wings and tail; 4th, another nice one, good shape and col., neat wings, fine carr.; 2, Bates, beautiful shape, grandly rounded, sweet head, grand back and wings, nice col., lacks the grand finish of leader to-day; vhc, Thompson; he, Peart. A.O.V. CAN. (5): 1, vhc, Calvert, buff cinn., grand size and shape, rich level tone of col., well polished; 2, 4, Peart, leader yell. green Border, nice shape, well rounded, nice shade of col., pure and level in tone; 4th, buff green Border, again nice shape, good rich col., nice qual.; 3, Goodchild, buff cinn., nice shape, fair col. GIFT (10): 1, Armstrong; 2, Bates; 3, Smith; 4, Bentinck; vhc, Foster; he, J. H. Elliot; c, Humphrey. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, 2, 4, Peart, leader Goldie-Greenie, medium size, nice shape, shows cross well grand condition, looking better than we have yet seen him; 2nd, lightly mkd. Goldie-Can., fine size and shape, lovely col., nice face and wings, good condition; 4th, another lightly mkd. Goldie-Can., not the size of winner or so good in col., yet a nice exhibit, shown in good condition; 3, vhc, Humphrey, Dark Goldie Mule, grand size and shape, rich col. and polish, trifle wild. GOLDIE (8): 1, Robinson, nice size and shape, good blaze, not the richest of col., but beautifully clean cut and carried well back, nice wings and buttons, a good Goldie if fed up properly; 2, Thompson, rich blaze col., but not so pure in tone or so clearly cut, nice tone, good wings, nice condition; 3, Bates, nice size and shape, good rich col. blaze, nicely tanned body, lacks the condition of leaders; 4, Peart, good size and shape, good blaze, rich in col., rather unsteady; vhc, Humphrey; he, Armstrong; c, Cresswell. BULLIE (6): A good lot; 1, Robson, fine size, lovely shape, grand breast col., lovely broad clean cut cap, nice back and bars, fine condition; 2, Williams, shade smaller perhaps, nice body col., grand dense col., cap of good shape, scarcely so tight in feather as leader; 3, Bates, nice type, good breast col., nice shaped cap, lacks the grand finish of leaders; 4, Smith, good size and shape, nice dense col. cap, rather wild; vhc, Goodchild; he, W. Elliot. A.O. FINCH (11): 1, 3, vhc, W. Elliot, Chaffie leading, fine size, good shape, nice breast col., good cap, nice bars, grand condition; 3rd, Yellowhammer, nice size and shape, good col., nice head marks, close tight feather, good condition; 2, Smith, Bramble, nice size, grand col., well spangled back, nice condition and steady; 4, Beadle, Twite, nice size, good col., fine pencilling, nice condition, but rather unsteady; he, Bentinck; c, Goodchild. LINNET, F.M. (10): 1, c, Calvert, good one all over, nice size and shape, good col., beautifully pencilled, nice condition; 2, Bates, shade duller in col., yet a good one for pencilling, nice size and shape, steady; 3, Armstrong, another nice one, scarcely so profusely pencilled perhaps, yet not far behind, nice col.; 4, Beadle, nice size and shape, good col., beaten whites; vhc, Williams; he, Bentinck. H.M. (8): 1, Humphrey, monster for size, fine shape, well pencilled, nice col., fine condition; 2, Robson, lovely col., nice shape, well pencilled, clear and distinct, loses to leader in size; 3, Foster, grand one for pencilling, clear and distinct, looks a bit down in condition and dull in col.; 4, Peart, good one for pencilling, nice col., rather unsteady; vhc, Beadle; he, Bentinck; c, Beadle. SOFTBILL (3): 1, 3, W. Elliot, Bearded Tit leading, nice size and col., good moustachioe, nice tail and condition; 3rd, Song Thrush, bit small, but grandly spotted, nice col. and condition; 3, Beadle, Song Thrush, plenty of size, nice shape, well spotted, nice condition. REDPOLL (9): 1, Robson, Lesser, grand size and shape, good col., nice bib, well laced, put down in grand condition; 2, W. Elliot, Mealy, not a big one, but nice col., good pencilling, good shape, lovely condition; 3, Cresswell, Lesser, shade darker in col., nice polish, well marked, nice condition; 4, Humphrey, Lesser, nice size and shape, similar to 3rd in col., good feather, scarcely so steady; vhc, Beadle; he, Foster; c, Robinson. GREENFINCH (7): 1, Humphrey, topper for size, real waggon horse type, nice head, grand chest and back, nice col., lovely feather and condition; 2, Lane, scarcely so massive as leader, fine shape, rich col. and qual., good head and wings, nice feather; 3, Robson, shade weaker in head, fine shape, medium size, good col. and condition; 4, W. Elliot, nice one for shape, good col., nice condition, would look better in a lighter cage; vhc, Cresswell; he, Bentinck; c, Beadle. FOR. (6): 1, Cresswell, lovely pair of St. Helena Waxbills, lovely col., not a feather out of place, very nice pair; 2, 3, 4, vhc, W. Elliot, Budgerigar leading, in grand col. and condition; 3rd, Cutthroat, nice feather, good col., grand condition; 4th, pair of Tricolour Nuns, nice feather and condition; he, Peart. LINNETS, OPEN (16): A grand lot; 1, Pearson, stormer for size and shape, lovely col., pure and level in tone, beautifully pencilled, clear and distinct, in best possible condition, sixth open bird this season, a grand one; 2, Bainbridge, lacks the size of leader, but a beauty for shape, lovely pencilling, clear and distinct, grand back, nice col., put down in fine form, and will beat more than will beat him, hard lines to meet the winner; 3, Humphrey, one of the biggest Linnets we have yet seen, grand shape, good pencilling, although scarcely so distinct as the winners, nice col. and feather; 4, Davidson, a good one without a doubt, but meets something better to-day, scarcely the size and shape of leaders, well pencilled all over, nice col. and condition; vhc, Bates; he, Lane; c, Grey.

SKELMANTHORPE

Annual exhibition of Canaries held December 21, in the Working Men's Club, Commercial-road, Skelmanthorpe, under the rules of the Yorkshire Union and the patronage of the Yorkshire Canary Club. A schedule comprising 22 classes had been issued, and these drew together a total of 267 birds, averaging 13 per class; two classes were cancelled, not having sufficient entries. The novice section came up well, and some splendid birds were staged. The show is under good management with Mr. J. Hird at the head as secretary. He is well backed up by Mr. Helliwell, treas.; Messrs. A. Radley, F. Taylor, H. Lodge, vice-presidents; F. Dyson, treas., and a whole host of other willing workers, amongst whom we noticed Messrs. Shaw, Pell, Lodge, Radley, Hirst, Peel, and Fisher. Mr. W. Cruise, of Bradford, officiated as judge.

The Critique.

CL. YELL. YKS. (12): 1, E. Radley, great length, good shape, plenty of leg, well drawn out wings and tail, nice qual.; 2, Ogden Bros., capital type and well up in position, lovely qual.; 3, Bailey, nice shape, extra good back, neat wings, full of qual.; 4, Dykes, lengthy, straight as a rush, good shape, clean feathered; vhc, Grayshon; he, Thomas; c, Helliwell. BUFF (12): 1, A. Radley, great length, nice position, good stock bird; 2, Clegg, nice shape, leggy, rattling position, ex. qual.; 3, Bailey, grand type, stylish, nicely feathered; 4, Thomas, grand shape and position, straight, extra col. and qual.; vhc, Jeffreys; he, Grayshon; c, Dykes. TICK., ETC., Yell. (11): 1, Peel, good length, nice wedge shape, shows well, good col. and nice qual.; 2, 3, Bailey, 2nd rattling type and style, good head, marvellous qual., gem; 3rd, noted cinn. mkd., well known; 4, Helliwell, straight, stands like a soldier, grand wings, neat feather; vhc, Towers; he, Burdekin Bros.; c, Thornton and Bower. BUFF (12): 1, Dykes, green mkd., grand type and style, lovely condition, rattling col. and perfect feather; 2, A. Radley, grand type, well up, nice qual., very clean made; 3, Bailey, cinn. mkd., neat narrow shoulders, straight, rattling qual.; 4, Ogden Bros., splashed breast, rattling type and style, straight, lovely qual.; vhc, Sutcliffe and Son; he, Dyson; c, Peel. UNFLIGHTED YELL. (14): 1, Allen, neat narrow shoulders, nicely cut away, leggy, grand qual.; 2, Ogden Bros., extra good qual., rattling type and style, grand head and back, nice col.; 3, Peel, good shape, nicely cut away, straight, lovely qual.; 4, Helliwell, nice shape, good round back, rare feather; vhc, Thomas; he, c, Hirst. DO., BUFF (13): 1, Ogden Bros., neat type and style, very bonny, rattling qual.; 2, Sutcliffe and Son, grand shape, leggy, good head, lovely qual. and col.; 3, Thomas, tkd. head, fair length, grand shape, well drawn out, nice back, good col. and qual.; 4, Mason, good shape, grand qual., very neat wings and tail; vhc, Elsegood; he, A. Radley; c, Charlesworth. UNFLIGHTED, HEN (21): Grand class; 1, Thomas, green mkd. yell., nice shape, leggy and stylish, neat feather, compact; 2, Peel, grand buff, good shape, straight, lovely back, wings and tail, gem for qual.; 3, 4, Clegg, yell. and buff, former nice length, leggy, good qual., latter nice shape, very good head, neat feather; vhc, E. Radley; he, Thornton and Bower, grand hen, we liked; c, Sutcliffe and Son. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Thomas, grand length and shape, lovely head, back, wings and tail, nice qual., bit soft; 2, Bailey, neat type and very stylish, plenty of leg, nice feather; 3, Allen, cinn. mkd., nice wedge shape, leggy, neat, good qual.; vhc, Dyson; he, Casey; c, Haigh. BUFF (9): 1, Clegg, great length, good shape and position, leggy, nice qual.; 2, Ogden Bros., tkd. head, slim, straight as a rush, good shape, nice qual.; 3, Thornton and Bower, grand shape, leggy, nice head, good round back, neat wings and tail, very compact in feather; 4, Brown and Son, good shape, nice back and wings, smart feather; vhc, Tidswell; he, Helliwell; c, Peel. NOV., CL., YELL., YKS. (16): 1, Hutchinson, grand length and shape, shows well, lovely col. and qual.; 2, Cockroft, slim, neat, well drawn out, carries wings well, grand qual.; 3, Morley, nice length and fine shape, straight, lovely feather; 4, Midgley, slim, very erect in carriage, lovely qual., smart; vhc, Pell; he, Beaumont; c, Studd. BUFF (15): 1, Naylor, monster, good shape, grand col. and qual., rattling stock bird; 2, Hird, grand type and style, good head, nice round back, rich qual.; 3, Fisher, grand type and leggy, excellent col. and qual.; 4, Hutchinson, good shape, rattling top end, neat wings, grand qual.; vhc, Dyson and Fisher; he, Tyas; c, Cawtherey and Son. TICK, ETC., YELL. (11): 1, Taylor, cap mkd., slim, neat type and good position, leggy, extra fine feather; 2, Midgley, grand length and shape, wonderful wings, splendid qual.; 3, he, Binns, four-pointed, good shape, very stylish, good qual., neat; 4, Lodge, mkd. cap and wing, good shape, fine position, straight, rare long wings, nice feather; vhc, Hutchinson; c, Fisher and Dyson. BUFF (13): 1, Lee, cap mkd., lengthy, very slim, good shape, rattling qual. and col.; 2, Binns, mkd. eyes and wing, bonny type, showy, extra qual., neat all through; 3, Fisher, tick head, slim, very leggy, shows for all it is worth, lovely qual.; 4, Hird, fine shape and position, very clean feathered; vhc, Fisher and Dyson; he, Tyas; c, Barden. UNFLIGHTED YELL. (17): 1, Naylor, tkd. wing, grand length and shape, rattling flights, lovely qual. and col.; 2, Studd, neat type, grand head and back, excellent qual. and good col.; 3, Saville, straight as a rush, leggy, good shape, neat feather and full of col.; 4, Fisher and Dyson, lengthy, leggy, nice wedge shape, rattling qual.; vhc, Cockroft; he, Sykes; c, Helliwell. BUFF (17): 1, Midgley, grand shape and length, good head, well filled back, neat wings, grand qual., gem; 2, Cawtherey and Son, nice shape, well cut away, leggy, rattling qual.; 3, J. Radley, great size, good shape, rattling wings and tail, nice qual.; 4, Smith, tick wing, lengthy, nice shape, good qual., neat wing carriage; vhc, Marsden and Beaumont; he, Shaw; c, Hutchinson. UNFLIG. HEN (20): 1, J. Radley, yell., nice type and style, fine position, good back and wings, lovely qual.; 2, Bower, mkd. buff, grand shape, stands cleverly, extra qual., neat; 3, Smith, tick yell., neat type, good head and back, well carried wings and tail, nice feather; 4, S. Radley, extra position, good shape, gem for qual., buff; vhc, Bower; he, Morley; c, Marsden and Beaumont. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Shaw, grand shape, straight, leggy, full of col. and qual., very clean made; 2, Hutchinson, neat narrow shoulders, very stylish, plenty of leg, good qual.; 3, Lodge, grand length, good shape, nice head, smart feathered; 4, Beaumont, nice shape, exceptionally leggy, neat feather; vhc, Hampshire; he, Taylor; c, Naylor. BUFF (16): 1, Beaumont, good shape, fine position, grand head and back, ex. qual., gem; 2, 3, Hird, 2nd mkd., good type and style, rare qual.; 3rd, length, very erect, good shape, nice feather; 4, Sykes, grand shape, straight, marvellous qual.; vhc, Dyson and Fisher; he, Mann; c, Taylor. NOR. COCK: Cancelled. HEN (6): 1, 3, Watson, mkd. buffs, leader very massive, gem for qual.; 2, 4, Lord, buff and yell., buff very cobby, good head, extra col. and qual. yell., good head, bit long, good col. and qual.; Nos. 5 and 6, Ingham, absent.

LIVERPOOL AMALGAMATION.

The seventh annual amalgamated show of the societies on the Cheshire and Lancashire side of the Mersey was held in the Co-operative Hall, Birkenhead, Dec. 21. The combined societies were the Liverpool B.B.A., Wallasey and Dis. C.B.A., Birkenhead C.F.A., Bootle and Dis. C.B.S., and Garston B.B.A. The Committee of Management were Messrs. J. Burns (chairman), F. Handley, F. Eccleston, G. Benson, T. Edwards, L. S. Hamilton, G. Rawsthorne, T. James, and J. Jones. The room was beautifully warm—if anything, too warm—and well lighted. The birds were staged at a capital height, which made judging a pleasure. Mr. Morton made a most capable and obliging secretary, and he was ably assisted in the arrangements by Messrs. Howlett, Cooper, and W. Jones, who acted as stewards. Yorks made a nice show, very stylish typical birds being on view, about the best of the bunch being Mr. G. Benson's winning unflighted yell. Mr. Corbett's buff, and Mr. W. Robinson's yell. hen. Greens were naturally good—they always are in this neighbourhood—and although some of the studs were being rested owing to the near approach of the Scottish Metropolitan, some very representative exhibits were staged. Nor. were fairly good, but many of the exhibits were on the long side. About the best of the lot was a lovely yellow hen shown by Mr. Burns. Brit. made a nice show, and we much admired the winning Goldfinch shown by Mr. W. Jones, Mr. Gaylord's Redpoll, Mr. Rothwell's Greenfinch, which was indeed a gem, and Mr. Young's Chaffinch, all of which were birds of great merit. Novices staged some very smart birds. Entries were over fifty up on last year, and the quality generally was considered better. The prize for most points in open was taken by Mr. J. Benson, Mr. W. Jones coming second. In Novices, Mr. Cooper was first and Mr. Wale second. Mr. C. A. House judged.

The Awards.

YORKS, YELL. (6): 1, Stott; 2, W. Jones; 3, Miller; vhc, Shaw; he, Morton; c, Harding. BUFF (8): 1, Morton; 2, Benson; 3, Stott; vhc, Rothwell; he, Rawsthorne; c, Radcliffe. TKD. YELL. (5): 1, Lowe; 2, W. Jones; 3, Morton; vhc, Millar; he, T. Jones. BUFF (4): 1, Benson; 2, Corbett; 3, Shaw; vhc, Radcliffe. UNFLIG. YELL. (14): 1, Benson; 2, Morton; 3, Corbett; vhc, Lowe; he, Robinson; c, Edwards. BUFF (9): 1, Corbett; 2, Lowe; 3, C. Robinson; vhc, Radcliffe; he, Edwards; c, Greatrex. HENS, YELL. (11): 1, W. Robinson; 2, Miller; 3, Cooper; vhc, Edwards; he, Rawsthorne; c, T. Jones. BUFF (6): 1, Rawsthorne; 2, Morton; 3, Edwards; vhc, Young; he, Stott. CINN. TKD. BUFF (2): 1, Shaw; 2, Radcliffe. BUFF, HEN (2): 1, Lowe; 2, Greatrex. SELF YELL. (4): 1, C. Robinson; 2, 3, Benson; vhc, Hughes. BUFF (3): 1, 2, Young; 3, W. Jones. FOUL YELL. (4): 1, Moss; 2, W. Jones; 3, C. Robinson; vhc, Hughes. BUFF (6): 1, Benson; 2, W. Jones; 3, Moss; vhc, Hughes; he, C. Robinson; c, Bell. HENS, YELL. (6): 1, 3, Benson; 2, W. Jones; vhc, he, C. Robinson; c, Moss. BUFF (6): 1, c, Robinson; 2, Benson; 3, Hughes; vhc, Corbett; he, Young; c, Crowe. BRED 1912, YELL. GREEN (6): 1, W. Jones; 2, Corbett; 3, Moss; vhc, Cooper; he, Benson; c, Edwards. BUFF (8): 1, c, Shaw; 2, W. Jones; 3, vhc, Benson; he, Edwards. NOR. YELL. (8): 1, Howlett; 2, Crowe; 3, Stott; vhc, he, Cutmore; c, Burns. BUFF (3): 1, Mealor; 2, 3, Stott. HENS, YELL. (2): 1, Burns; 2, Mealor. BUFF (5): 1, Rixon; 2, Crowe; 3, vhc, Cutmore; he, Stott. BRED 1912—NOR. YELL. (3): 1, Stott; 2, 3, Cutmore. BUFF (4): 1, Caine; 2, Crowe; 3, vhc, Lloyd. HEN (2): 1, Tarbuck; 2, Stead. NOR. GR. (2): 1, Tarbuck; 2, Stead. NON-FED YORKS BUFF HEN (2): 1, T. Jones; 2, Moss. YORKS YELL. (4): 1, Rawsthorne; 2, Adams; 3, Moss; vhc, T. Jones. NOR. NON-FED HEN (2): 1, Cutmore; 2, Lloyd. A.O.V. BUFF (3): 1, 2, Stott; 3, W. Jones. MULES (3): 1, 2, Lloyd; 3, Jones. GOLDF. (5): 1, W. Jones; 2, 3, Chappel; vhc, Edwards; he, Greatrex. BULLF. (2): 1, W. Jones; 2, Gaylard. LINNET, H.-M. (2): 1, Greatrex; 2, Bell. GREENF. (4): 1, Rothwell; 2, Edwards; 3, W. Jones; vhc, Jos. Jones. CHAFF. (6): 1, Young; 2, Bell; 3, Edwards; vhc, Jos. Jones; he, c, Rothwell. REDPOLL (5): 1, Gaylard; 2, W. Jones; 3, Bell; vhc, he, Jos. Jones. LINNET, F.-M. (6): 1, Bell; 2, Edwards; 3, Stott; vhc, Jos. Jones; he, Chappel; c, Greatrex. SKYLARKS (2): 1, 2, Carlisle. NOVICE YORKS YELL. (10): 1, 3, Green; 2, Wale; vhc, Cooper; he, Adams; c, Crowe. BUFF (4): 1, Rawsthorne; 2, Cooper; 3, vhc, Eaton. HENS (7): 1, Crowe; 2, c, Cooper; 3, he, Green; vhc, Rawsthorne. GR. YORKS YELL. (5): 1, he, Bell; 2, Cooper; 3, Eaton; vhc, Wale. BUFF (6): 1, Wale; 2, he, Cooper; 3, Crowe; vhc, Bell; c, Eaton. HEN (8): 1, 2, vhc, Wale; 3, Rawsthorne; he, Cooper; c, Bell.

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Very Much Improved Entry.

Twenty-second annual show held Temperance Hall, Dec. 18 and 19. Mr. W. Corner still conducts the secretarial work in his usual able manner, and he received yeoman support from Messrs. Bruce, Sutherland, and Sinclair. The entry was considered very satisfactory, although the British bird section did not come up well. All the Canary classes showed a deal of quality, and the separating of some of the winners was a different matter. Yorkshires came up very well, and we are pleased The special for the best Norwich was won by Mr. George Clyne with a rare good green Crest cock. to learn that they are beginning to catch on in the North of Scotland. Mr. James Garrow (Edinburgh) judged throughout, and he seemed to give general satisfaction.

The Critique.

SCOTS FCY. CK. (7): 1, sp, 2, 3, vhc, Clyne, 1st yell., best drive and head, good top end and rib, 2nd buff piebald, grand top end and great drive, not ready, 3rd yell., grand subs., nice drive away, good thickness through. HEN (7): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Clyne, 1st yell. foul, rare head and neck, grand drive, full of qual., 2nd big good shouldered buff, grand rib, and drive, cooking soft, 3rd sweet yell. foul, good style, and fair tail, res, big good buff, excellent top end. NOR. CL. OR TKD. (8): 1, cup, 2, vhc, Clyne, 1st good cobbily built buff, good head and wing, rare qual., 2, sweet yell., excellent head, good body and grand feather; 3, Bruce, yell., nice size, grand qual. of feather, and nice head; vhc, Murray; hc, Shearer; c, Henderson and Green. HEN (10): 1, Nicolson, buff, short and thick set, grand type and qual. of feather, nice size; 2, Clyne, good bouncing buff, nice head and front, close up; 3, c, Shearer, cobby bodied yell., rare feather, but suffering from asthma, we thought, good one; vhc, Henderson and Green; vhc, hc, Bruce; hc, Murray. VARIEG. (6): 1, sp, Shearer, good upstanding buff, excellent type, good size and rare feather; 2, vhc, Bruce, good upstanding bird, stormer in body, hardly so good in head; 3, Henderson, rare good, heavily variegd., grand wing and body, with nice head: vhc, Clyne; hc, Henderson and Green. HEN (6): 1, Shearer, big, bouncing buff, rare shape and carriage, excels in condition; 2, vhc, Bruce, sweet yell., rare qual. of feather and capital type; 3, Richardson, very good useful buff, wants more subs.; hc, Clyne. CREST (4): 1, sp, Clyne, big, massive green, beautiful, drooping crest, well groomed, rare good veiny feather, capital all round; 2, Shearer, good bodied buff, with excellent crest, though hardly so good at side; 3, Bruce, very smart buff, with nice green crest, but inclined to flatness; vhc, Waters. HEN (4): 1, Waters, well shown buff green crest, could do with more size, but staged to perfection; 2, Clyne, almost green, plenty of good feather, big, heavy crest, wanted grooming; 3, Bruce, another very similar in colour and stamp, beaten in front of crest. BRED 1912 CK. (2): 1, Clyne, good qual. green, good body, grand centre and droop, teers with qual.; 2, Bruce, good buff variegd., but trifle rough. HEN (3): 1, 3, Bruce, very nice buff, green, good qual. and feather, not finished, 3rd good bodied grizzled crest, trifle rough; 2, Clyne, another good green, capital droop, good centre, fair at sides. C.B. (5): 1, Shearer, buff variegd., great skull and leading, very good subs.; 2, Henderson and Green, heavily variegd. green, great body and type, grand entrance; 3, hc, Bruce, good all round buff variegd., not so massive in skull; vhc Waters. HEN (4): 1, Clyne, green, counter buff, with wonderful head and feather, scores also in body; 2, 3, Bruce, two good heavily feathered buff, nice body, not so massive in skull; vhc, Shearer, good buff, but very soft. YORKS. (10): 1, 3, Henderson, 1st good clnn. mkd. buff, in grand order, excellent length, head, and position, 3rd very sweet clnn. mkd. yell., good neck and shoulders, but crosses wings; 2, Bruce, good shouldered buff, nice order, not so good in wing; vhc, Waters; hc, Henderson and Green; c, Manson. HEN (6): 1, cp, 2, Bruce, 1st clnn. mkd. buff, best length, good neck, head, and shoulders, 2nd yell., very nice type and condition; 3, Waters, yell., good type, nice tail, but beaten in wing carr.; vhc, Henderson; hc, Manson. BORD. (6): 1, 2, vhc, Shearer, 1st rare bodied buff, with very neat head and neck, capital condition, 2nd well staged buff, rare good jaunty carr., very neat head and contour; 3, sp, Henderson and Green, rare good coloured yell., nice stamp and condition; hc, c, Bruce. HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, Shearer, 1st good bodied yell., nice head and capital carr., 2nd tkd. buff, excellent qua., head and condition, 3rd very good buff, best of condition, faulty in toes. COLFED (15): 1, sp, Bruce, rare, good, typical buff, tkd. on head, good type, colour, and quality; 2, 3, vhc, c, Clyne, 2nd rare, good qual. yell., capital condition, fair front, 3rd well built yell., nice size, rough on flights; vhc, Manson; hc, Waters. COMMON (2): 1, Bruce, good buff variegd.; 2, Ewing, nice buff, too much Border Fancy type. A.O.V.: 1, Murray, good bodied green, rare good type and col.; 2, Henderson and Green, very nice yell., with clnn markings. MULES: 1, Ewing, nice buff variegd. Goldfinch, fair size and blaze. GOLDFINCH (2): 1, Shearer, rare blaze, best condition and nice tanning; 2, Murray, bigger, blaze hardly ripe, trifle soft. LINNET, ETC. (3): 1, Bruce, steady, best col. and size, nice whites; 2, McKenzie, fair good Twite, nice col.; 3, Ewing, nice one, smaller. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, Bruce, very nice H.M. Redpoll. PAIRS (3): 1, Shearer; 2, Bruce; 3, Clyne. NOV.: 1, sp, Oman, good qual. tkd. yell. Plainhead, good type; 2, Georgeson, good, long Yorkie, nice body. HEN (5): 1, sp, 2, 3, hc, c, Oman, 1st grizzled cap buff, good short body, nice front and good subs., 2nd grizzle mkd. buff, good stamp, hardly so sweet in head, 3rd smart buff Border; vhc, Henderson. GIFT (3): 1, sp, 2, Waters; 3, sp, Bruce.

CHESTERFIELD C.B.S.

Members' show, held at the Welbeck Inn, Dec. 14th, in rather unfavourable weather. The birds mustered fairly well, the total entries being about 80, but the gate was thin, the attendance, however, being better later in the day. The committee, a very hard working lot of real fanciers, are Messrs. Booker, Brailsford, Bescoby, Dodd, Lankham, Wilson, Whitmore, Lewis, Brown, Weeks, Roe, Fairchild, and Marriott. Mr. C. Jepson is an excellent and courteous secretary. Mr. Driver judged and gave every satisfaction. Norwich were well represented, being the best for quality and numbers. Yorks. lost ground in entries, and Mr. Lankham took the lead all way through, gaining 80 points. In Norwich Mr. Dodd obtained 80 points, and each won the special for most points in section. Mr. Lankham exhibited a nice dark Goldfinch Mule, which took Mr. Smith's special. Mr. Bescoby won 2nd most points in Norwich, and Mr. Brown special most points in British.

NOR. YELL., CL., TKD.: 1, spl, Bescoby, cobby, right type, good qual. and col.; 2, 3, 4, Dodd, good trio. BUFF: 1, Bescoby, good size and qual., splendid head and position; 2, Dodd, good one, close up; 3, 4, hc, Dodd, beautiful trio; vhc, Bescoby. VARIEG. COCK: 1, Dodd, beautiful qual. and col., good body. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Dodd, 1st beautiful round-body, well cut away, good position, stands well over perch, 2nd fails in feather, shade better in head; 3, Bescoby, good col. and qual., well placed. BUFF: 1, Bescoby, ideal type, excellent quality, well shown; 2, Dodd, similar bird, a tight race. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, Bescoby, beautiful qual. and col., rare size, fails a bit from thigh to vent; 2, Dodd, rare type and qual. BUFF HEN, UNFLIG.: 1, Dodd, good win, beautiful qual. and colour; 2, Jepson, loses to leader in size and quality; 3, Gee, rather on the small side for show bird, but good qual. and condition. NAT. COL.: 1, Bescoby, extra big cl., popular win, one of the right sort, ideal type, well shown, wins easy; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Brown, a nice lot; 4, Jepson. YORKS. YELL., CL. OR TKD.: 1, Lankham, good col. and size, rather too rough in feather. BUFF: 1, Lankham, good col., nice wing carr. VARIEG. CK.: 1, Lankham, beautiful qual. and col.; 2, 3, 4, Gee. YELL. HEN: 1, Jepson, good head, well filled in at back; 2, Lankham, good shaped body and qual. BUFF: 1, Lankham, full of qual., good head and neck. YELL., UNFLIG.: 1, Larkham, good col. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Lankham, good couple, slim, quality and shape; 4, Jepson, good quality. NAT. COL.: 1, Jepson, nice one; 2, Lankham, not quite so well filled. A.O.V.: 1, 3, Dodd, Crest, splendid crown, extra good crest, good size and plenty of feather; 2, Bescoby, Bord., good one; 3, Dodd, C.-bred, plenty of feather, fails bit in head. GOLD. OR BULLFINCH: 1, Larkham, Goldfinch, extra good size, splendid blaze and buttons, wins easily; 2, Brown, Bullfinch, well marked, good condition and very steady; 3, Bescoby, Goldfinch, not quite so good in colour as winner; 4, vhc, Brown, Goldfinch. LINNET: 1, Brown, good size and splendid colour, should be heard of again; 2, Dodd, REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, 2, Whitmore. A.O.S.: 1, Jenson, hen Bullfinch, good condition. MULE: 1, Lankham, Goldfinch, extra good, rare size, splendid col.; 2, Jenson, Goldfinch; 3, Brown; 4, Lankham. — D. Hulley.

SHIPLEY O.S.

2nd members' winter show held at the "Prince of Wales," Dec. 11. Mr. H. J. Chittenden judged and gave every satisfaction. 82 birds faced the judge Cup points to date:—Champions: H. Long 55, J. B. Martin 47, E. Grange 45, A. M. Craven 43, W. Bloomfield 39, H. Hudson 33, J. A. Taylor 33: Novices: J. Excell 44, T. Cooper 39, J. H. Murgatroyd 31, G. Harrison 27. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, Taylor; 3, hc, Long; vhc, Craven. BUFF: 1, c, Long; 2, Taylor; 3, Crossland; vhc, Sutcliffe and Son; hc, Bloomfield. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, Grange; 3, hc, Craven; vhc, Martin; c, Taylor. BUFF: 1, Grange; 2, Sutcliffe and Son; 3, Craven; vhc, Martin. CL. OR TK. YELL. HEN: 1, Bloomfield; 2, Craven; 3, Grange. BUFF: 1, hc, Long; 2, 3, Crossland; vhc, Craven; c, Sutcliffe and Son. EVEN, ETC., BUFF: 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, vhc, Martin; 3, Bloomfield. HEN: 1, vhc, Long; 2, Craven; 3, Bloomfield; c, Grange. CINN. TKD. OR VAR. CK.: 1, vhc, Hudson; 2, Grange; 3, Sutcliffe and Son. HEN: 1, hc, Long; 2, E. Grange; 3, Hudson; vhc, Martin; c, Sutcliffe and Son. NOV. YELL. CK.: 1, hc, Excell; 2, Thomas Cooper; 3, Murgatroyd; vhc, Armstead; c, T. W. Cooper. BUFF: 1, Armstead; 2, Excell; 3, Thomas Cooper; vhc, Harrison; hc, Murgatroyd. YELL. HEN: 1, Murgatroyd; 2, Thomas Cooper; 3, hc, Excell; vhc, c, Harrison. BUFF: 1, vhc, Excell; 2, hc, Thomas Cooper; 3, T. W. Cooper; c, Harrison.

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JANUARY 2nd, 1913. Judge, Metcalfe (Liverpool). Entries very slow. Fanciers please support. Send your entries. Will classify and will accept up to Monday, December 30th, 1912.—W. D. Watkins, See., 56, High Street, Tredegar. (325)

Loughborough

C.B.S. Show, Temperance Hall, Loughborough, Saturday, January 4th, 1913. Judge, J. C. Barnes (Sheffield). Entries received first post Tuesday, December 31st. M.C.Y.C.C. patronage. 5 open Norwich, 2 Novice; 6 Yorkshire, 2 Novice; 1 Lanc., 1 A.O.V., 1 Mule, 1 Hybrid, 3 British, 3 Selling.—A. Harris, Secretary, Leicester Road.

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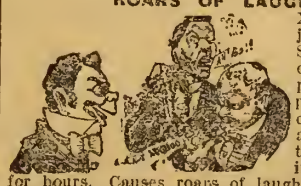
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The next annual show of the Darley Dale F.S., write Messrs. Dawson and Fearn, hon. secs., is fixed for Nov. 20.

Mr. J. Creasey writes that Ludlow C.B.S. has amalgamated with Craven Arms C.B.S. Particulars of the joint open show will be found in this week's advertisement columns.

We are informed that prize-money has been paid in respect of Luton and Denbigh Shows. Anyone who may have been overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries.

It was told to reporters, writes Mr. Roy, Auchterarder, that Mr. Nicholson, Bathgate, won points cup here, and Mr. Smith won runner up spl., but they have tied; only noticed it to-day.

Will those members who had tickets for social and dance kindly let me know how many they have sold, also return tickets that were not disposed of? writes Mr. J. W. Reed, sec., Newcastle C.B.S.

On behalf of Mr. Wason, writes Mr. J. Sloan, Sec. Ayr C.B.C., I beg to inform you that he has received the special given by you at our open show, and is highly pleased with it.

Chorley Fanciers, writes Mr. John Rutter, Sec. pro tem, 76, Bolton Street, are forming a show at the Albion Hotel. We had a fair meeting on Wednesday night, when it was decided to hold next meeting on Monday, Dec. 30.

The cup given at Waunarlwydd Show, writes Mr. J. Waters, Sec., is for open competition, and is to be won twice, not necessarily in succession, and 7lb. canary seed given by Morris Gowerton should read local, local to cover 3 miles from Waunarlwydd Post Office as the crow flies.

I should like to thank all exhibitors at Luton show, writes Mr. E. Bloomfield, Hon. Sec. All prize money has been paid. The ladies' hats were won by Mr. Morris (Norwich), Messrs. Hawes Bros. (Yorks.), and myself (Crests), which will be forwarded; also one each to Messrs. Todd and Fountain.

Mr. V. A. Harris, hon. sec. Loughborough C.B.S., asks us to state that he has received a postcard signed "Bodin" asking for a schedule, but no address was given. If the applicant will write again to Mr. Harris, Leicester Road, Loughborough, a schedule will be sent. There are 25 classes provided at this show, and particulars will be found in our Review of Schedules this week. There is accommodation for 1,000 birds in the Temperance Hall, in which the show will be held.

The South London Col. F.A., writes Mr. G. F. Crawford, hon. sec., will hold their annual smoking concert and presentation of challenge cups, trophies, and special prizes on Thursday, January 2, 1913, at the "Lord Wellington," Old Kent Road, S.E., commencing at 7.30 p.m. A splendid programme has been arranged at considerable cost to the club, and all fanciers are cordially invited. I take this opportunity of thanking you for your kind assistance during the year, and for the excellent position you gave our annual show advt., which resulted in a record gate. Best wishes for a record year for Cage Birds in 1913.

AT THE SCOTTISH NATIONAL SHOW.

Our Artist and Our Stall.

At the Scottish National Show, Edinburgh, this next week (Dec. 31 and Jan. 1) one of Cage Birds' staff of artists will be in attendance prepared to sketch any winning or other bird with a view to its portrayal in the pages of our journal. The terms (which include the original drawing for purposes of framing) may be obtained on enquiry of the attendant at our stall in the show room, to whom orders may be given. Our stall will hold a representative selection of our popular handbooks and coloured plates, and we hope our many friends North of the Border will pay it a visit. Bound volumes of our magnificently illustrated standard works, "Our Canaries," and "Cage Bird Hybrids," will be on view.

We are sorry to hear of the lengthy illness of Mr. W. B. Cobb, the popular Belgian Canary enthusiast. Mr. Cobb writes:—I have been laid up now over three months with neuritis, and consequently have been unable to take the usual interest in the Fancy, except the pleasure of perusing Cage Birds weekly.

We have sent out 2,893 schedules of our New Year show, writes Mr. J. R. Meikle, Scottish National C.B.S. If any fancier who has received one—but not using it personally—will kindly hand it on to some other fancier in his district who may not have got a schedule, and who may be desirous of exhibiting, valuable assistance will be rendered to us, for which the committee will feel deeply grateful.

We are pleased to report, writes Mr. R. Muir, hon. sec. Lochgelly and Dis. C.B.S., that Lochgelly and Dis. local members' show is going ahead, and that same is to be held on December 28. The society is giving every encouragement to young fanciers in the way of specials, etc., almost every class having its share. Fanciers in the district could not do better than give us a visit, when we are certain some of the finest birds in the country will be seen.

OBITUARY.

Mr. John Newbigging (Duns).

With startling suddenness there passed away, on the evening of December 9th, Mr. John Newbigging, tailor and clothier, Currie Street, Duns. The youngest son of a prominent Dunsonian of a decade ago, the deceased, who was in his 64th year, and was able to conduct his business up till the Saturday prior to his death. On that day he was to all appearance in the enjoyment of fairly good health, and, in company with a life-long friend, Mr. John Pringle, Selkirk, he spent the afternoon visiting various friends in the town who, like himself, were interested in the keeping of Scotch Fancy Canaries. In the evening, after seeing Mr. Pringle leave for home, Mr. Newbigging complained of feeling a little out of sorts, but not to such an extent as to cause his family to think that anything serious was wrong. On Sunday he was able to be out, and in the evening, in company with a local fancier, set out for a short walk. He had not proceeded far, however, when he complained that he was not feeling well, and had to retrace his steps home. Thinking that a rest might do him good, he remained indoors on Monday, resting most of the time in bed. About 10.30 the same evening, whilst sitting up in bed, he suddenly expired. Of a cheerful disposition, Mr. Newbigging's demise will be keenly felt in certain circles, especially amongst those of the bird-loving fraternity. For over 30 years his chief hobby was Ornithology, a subject upon which he was well versed. On a winter's day, or a wet evening, young fanciers oft gathered themselves round the "board," where they were regaled with the stories of his experiences in the breeding and rearing of those most delicate of all the feathered tribe, Scots Fancy exhibition Canaries. The funeral took place at Duns Cemetery on December 12, and was largely attended. To Mrs. Newbigging and family, three sons and two daughters, who are grown up, we extend our sympathy in their sudden bereavement.

Quite Right, Too!

A good hint for the New Year, worth more than half-a-crown to all cage bird lovers:—Buy Cage Birds every week and read it regularly.—H. J. Knapp (Carisbrooke).

The Pugnacious Chaffinch.

In the spring of the year all birds are more or less pugnacious, but none more so than the gay Chaffinch. A captured specimen, singing in its cage, will simply drive a wild one mad; he will charge down at it, regardless of danger, and so become an easy prey to a clever catcher.

Robin on a Dust Cart.

Two of the dust collectors of the Hampstead Borough Council, says a correspondent to "The Times," are very proud of a Robin Redbreast which accompanies them on their daily rounds. The bird has apparently discovered that there is an easy living to be made in that way, and it rides on the ridge of the dust cart, and is quite undisturbed by the going and coming of the men with the dust-bins.

The Rook's Forecast.

Rooks are almost uncanny in some of their habits. After building in an elm for many years (possibly longer than the owner of the land can remember), they will suddenly desert it. The spring comes round without the noise and bustle incidental to the repairs of the nests. The winter's storms will have loosened the foundation, and portions are carried away on the wind. Then presently the tree has a sickly appearance, and at length dies. Meanwhile the Rooks have commenced a new colony elsewhere.

Corrections in Show Reports.

We are asked to correct the following errors in show reports: In Abersychan report members' Yorks. should read Members' Norwich. At Cupar, Mr. Lambie won 1st and well as 2nd in Green Borders, not Nelson 1st, as reported.

A Missing Norwich Canary.

Mr. F. J. Beese (36, Tyntyla Road, Ystrad, Rhondda) writes asking any exhibitor who has received a strange Norwich Plainhead from the recent open show of the Mid-Rhondda C.B.S., to kindly communicate with him, or with the sec., Mr. Legg. The bird in question was in members' class No. 28, with No. 2 or 3 on the cage label.

Praise for Abersychan Show.

Would you kindly publish the following letter in Cage Birds, writes Mr. Fred Sweeting, sec. Abersychan and Dist. C.B.S.: "Sir,—I beg to acknowledge receipt of prize money won at your show. I wish to congratulate and thank you, as the birds arrived home in beautiful condition. I must admit I was a little loath to send, owing to it being a Sunday next day, but as long as you and your committee look after them as on Saturday last, we need have no fear. I shall not forget you next year.—Alf. Hitching (Landore)."

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Robin Down a Coal-pit.

A correspondent writes to the "Staffordshire Sentinel":—"An incident of a strange character happened 18th November, at the Sneyd Collieries, Burslem. A Robin came off the pit bank in the broken end of a waggon, a distance of 1,200 yards, which brought it to the coal face. This would be 9.30 a.m. The Robin was still perched in the end of the broken waggon. It had passed through about 20 persons' hands, and had never been seen. Had I not noticed it, it would have been "loaded up." I shouted to my companions to come and have a look at it. Then we put it into a snapping tin, which we left ajar so as to keep it alive till loosed. We brought it out, and the fireman took it in the office for the manager to see. We opened the tin after that, and off the Robin flew.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else

Wild-Bird Life.

Winter Habits.

Although up to the present time we have experienced no particularly severe weather, wild birds appear to have all returned to their winter habits. Around the buildings a few Sparrows haunt the gardens and fowl runs, daringly taking food from under the beaks of the poultry, or venturing quite close to the sleepy house dog to clear up the remains of his breakfast. At times these precocious rascals pay for their venturesomeness; yesterday one was not satisfied with being able to feed at the caged Magpie's trough, in the writer's garden, but must step inside through his feeding hole to snatch a more dainty



The Hedge Sparrow.

morsel; unfortunately for him the inmate was "at home," and quite awake, in a flash he was down, and had secured the robber, and a blow from that powerful beak quickly finished him. A Magpie is wonderfully powerful, as any one can testify who has handled one, and his hammer-like method of using his beak is too much for anything smaller than himself. The power he will put into each stroke is astonishing, and one sometimes wonders he does not injure it, or feel the shock at the base.

The quiet little Hedge Sparrows are no longer in pairs, they haunt the gardens and hedgerows, creeping about in a shuffling manner, more like a mouse than a bird. Unlike the common House Sparrow they have a slender bill, something after the manner of the Robin, to which bird they are closely related. From the window one is frequently able to get quite a near view of this bird, and his plumage is much more pleasing than anyone would imagine who has not a close acquaintance with him, the brown of the back is beautifully spangled and streaked, and the bright slaty-grey of the face and body, form a pleasing contrast. If he were a bold assertive bird he would be thought much more of, although genuine bird lovers cannot but have a regard for the shy, harmless little fellow who builds his cosy home so early in the year, and feeds his mate so assiduously while she is incubating her turquoise treasures. In spite of his delicate head he is quite able to look after himself in a crowd, and occasionally will be found to be quite quarrelsome, but the pugnacious Robin chases him, so that he seldom ventures close to the red-breasted tyrant.

So many applications have I had for birds that I have parted with nearly all I have to spare, so must ask you to discontinue my advert.—F. J. Wickham (Chatham).

I have sold my Mules, and have been swarmed with letters and cannot reply to all, as I should have about 40 letters to answer. I answered about 10. Letters keep coming in for them. They were sold on the Friday the advert. appeared.—W. West, (Old Ford).

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(Continued from page 1089.)

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Wild Mustard or Charlock (Brassica sinapis).—A common weed in cornfields and on waste ground. A most useful seed for Linnets, Greenfinches, Twites, and Redpolls. Flowers bright yellow, brown seeds. I have used this seed for years for the above birds, and given it along with linseed in the moult, when it helps greatly to bring these birds out a nice brown colour.

Common Ragwort (Senecio jacobea).—A very common weed in waste places and pastures. Flowers yellow; small cream coloured seeds. I have seen all species of Finches feed on this seed, and have used it with the best of results in confinement. Several years ago in Scotland it used to be a common sight to see large flocks of Goldfinches feeding on this plant. Flowers in June; seeds ready in August. Used medically for indigestion, etc.

Common Flax (Linum usitatissimum).—A garden escape. Grows in solitary stems with small blue flowers at top, and has round seed pods. I remember when a lad in Forfarshire, seeing about ten acres of this plant in full flower. Forfarshire Linnets were famed then for their great size and colour, which were no doubt due to the large amount of this and other seeds obtainable there. I have used this for many years and given it with rapeseed to Twites, Linnets, and Redpolls, during the moult. It helps to bring them out a nice rich brown colour.

Timothy Grass or Meadow Cat's Tail (Phleum pratense).—A common grass on meadows, grows one to three feet high, with tufted stems. Siskins, Linnets, Twites, Greenfinches, and Redpolls are extremely fond of this seed, it is a treat to see these birds feeding on this plant during August and September. I have used it with the best of results during the moult and winter months, and consider it is one of the best seeds for fresh caught birds.

Knapweed or Hardheads (Centaurea nigra).—A well-known plant with thistle-headed flowers and crimson florets. Common on all waste ground and a favourite with all Finches. The small maggot which will be found inside each seed head is also greatly relished. A most useful seed during the moult and winter season. Fanciers should gather large quantities of ripened heads to moult Goldfinches, Siskins, Linnets, etc. I gather large bunches and dip in boiling water to kill maggots, for I find if this is not done, they devour all the seed. Flowers in June, seeds August.

Common Hawkweed (Hieracium vulgatum).—A common plant on banks and waste ground, with yellow heads similar to the dandelion, but much longer stems. The seeds when ripe are of a dark brown colour. Siskins, Linnets, Twites, and Greenfinches, are very fond of them, and I have used it with excellent results with all these finches. Good for indigestion, inflammation, etc.

Biting Persicaria (Polygonum hydropiper).—A common weed, generally found in marshy places. A favourite of all Finches. The Hawfinch for one is extremely fond of it. Grows about three feet high, with loose spikes of greenish flowers; seed jet black. I have used the latter for years. I do not trouble saving it as the screenings I get from the farmers here is largely composed of the seed. Sometimes called "Bitter Pepper," or "Water Pepper."

Cock's-Foot Grass (Dactylis glomerala).—A coarse grass about two feet high with broad flat leaves. A favourite food of the Siskin, Linnet, Twite, Redpoll, and Greenfinch. I have seen these birds feed for months on this seed and I find it most useful during the moult.

Water Figwort (Scrophularia aquatica).—A common plant near streams. Grows two to five feet high; chocolate brown flowers; small black seeds. Useful for Linnets, Twites, and Redpolls. Care should be taken that this seed is not lost in the gathering. Spread a paper on the ground, then carefully cut seed stalks and shake seed into the paper. Flowers in June and July. Seed is ready in September.

Ox-Eye or Moon Daisy (Chrysanthemum leucanthemum).—Better known in Scotland as horse-gowans and almost as well known as the common Daisy. Flowers white with yellow centre; seed resembles teazle. A favourite food of Finches. I have used it with all Finches in confinement with the best results. The seed is easily saved if rubbed in the hands and the chaff blown away. Flowers in June; seeds ready in August.

Premorse or Devil's Bit Scabious (Scabiosa succisa).—A slender little plant with oblong leaves and purple blue flowers. John Parkinson, in his Theatruin Botanicum (1640) alludes to the fable that "the Devil, envying the good that this herbe might do to mankinde, bit away parte of the roote and thereof came the name Succisa—Devil's Bit." This is a favourite seed of all Finches, Bullfinches being exceedingly fond of it. I have used it for years with grand results, and have found it very good for birds when troubled with colds and asthma.

Many-Flowered Wood Rush (Juncus erectum).—Common on marshy ground, with pale brown drooping flowers. A favourite seed of the Linnet, Twite, and Redpoll. I have used it for years and find it adds greatly to the colouring of these birds. Save seed in the manner recommended for soft rush.

(To be continued.)



SHOULD THE OWNER RESEMBLE HIS BIRDS?

Mr. Slimanlong, the world-famous Yorkshire Canary expert, greets his old, esteemed friend, Mr. Tubby, the great authority on the Norwich Plainhead.

TWENTY YEARS OF BIRD KEEPING AND BREEDING.

By "LOTUS."

Some very useful advice from a bird-lover of the gentler sex, who manages her birds on sound lines and thinks things out for herself, will be found in this contribution.

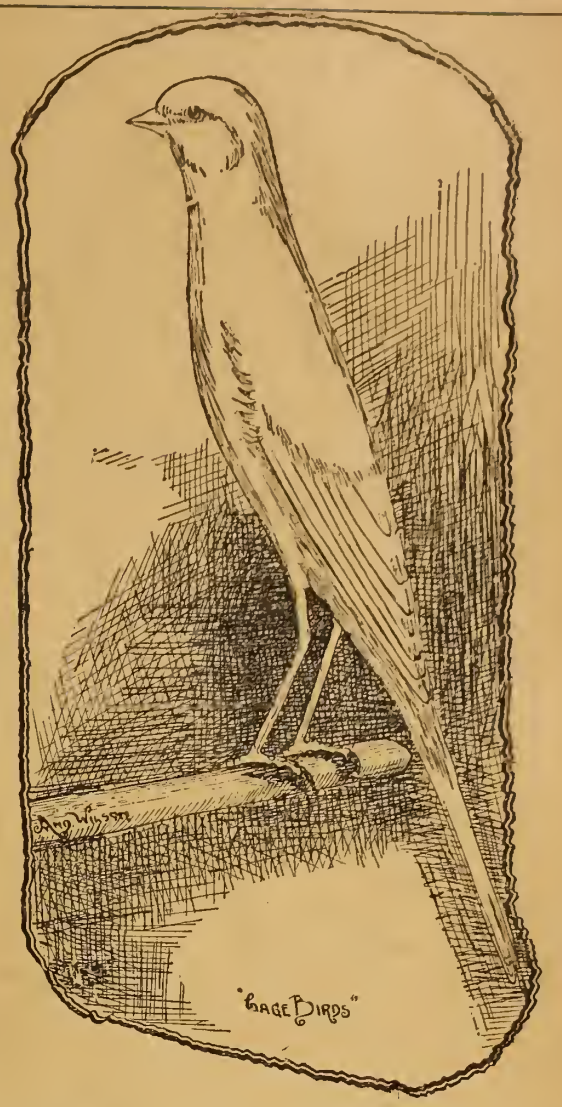
As health in birds seems to me the principal thing to aim at, I will give an account of how I keep mine. I have kept birds ever since I was a small child, 20 years ago. I now house most of mine in a small lean-to out-door bird-house, which takes about 21 cages, mostly single breeders, stacked one above the other, round the shed. It is single boarded, covered all over the outside with felt, then tarred. Inside, thick brown paper is pasted all over the walls, to keep it as snug as possible. In this place I have about 50 birds, Canaries, British, and a few foreigners, such as Saffron Finches, Weavers, etc. They take no harm, although sometimes I have had to break the ice in their drinkers before they could get their water. No heat of any kind is used.

The bird-house is fitted with a window facing south, and a door situated north. I have a wire door which I put up and fasten with buttons when the wooden door is open. Every day for some hours, unless the weather is very bad, I either open the window wide or put up the wire door, according to which way the wind is blowing. I have heard some say that Goldies and Bullies will not live long in a room with Canaries. I have had a Goldie and Bullie with them two years, and in perfect condition, too. This I put down to the fresh air they all get.

The Winter Programme.

Through the winter I keep most of my cocks in single breeders, letting the hens, with a few cocks, fly together in a large flight. I give them plain canary as a staple, but three times a week mixed seed, plenty of hemp, rape, and a little linseed. The sand I am most particular about, cleaning each cage and scraping every perch at least once a week, using rough sea gravel, or sand which I get from the gutters in the country lanes washed clean after rain; or, failing that, silver sand, but if I use silver sand I am always very careful to keep a tin in each cage filled with coarse sea gravel and cuttle bone broken up. Also I use (with very great success for all my birds) fowls' egg-shells, dried in the oven and pounded up quite fine; all my stock, including my tiny foreigners, come down and eat this with relish before anything else. I make a practice of bringing home a bit of green food from my walks, such as chickweed, dandelion, shepherd's purse, flowering grass, etc., and give a few of the birds a little daily, so that by the end of the week they have all had some in turn during the winter.

In the breeding season, I generally put my birds together about March 14th, using dried moss and wool for them to build with, and sprinkling plenty of Keating's insect powder round the cages and nests to keep red mites away. I take away each egg as laid, and replace them after the third is laid. When the young come, I give eggs and biscuit, about equal parts of each, well pounded together in a mortar. I find that if more biscuit is used it is only wasted.



The fine Buff Yorkshire hen which won 1st and special prizes at the Glasgow and District C.B.A. Show for Mr. Heggie, of Mount Florida, Glasgow.

A Staunch Believer in Wild Seed.

I think where my management differs from the majority of bird keepers is: I give green food *ad. lib.* from the minute of hatching. What I mean by "green food" is not leaves, but seeding heads; my birds get bunches of chickweed, shepherd's purse, groundsel, dandelion, and flowering grass, etc., put into their cages every two hours when they have young, and very few bad feeders am I troubled with. I am a great believer in sulphate of soda in the drinking water at this time, as I think it helps the birds to keep well. Sometimes a bird falls sick when feeding chicks, then I think the sulphate of soda helps them wonderfully. If I do get a bad feeder the only thing to do, I find, is to try removing the cock. If that fails, then the young must be put under other birds that have hatched about the same time, or under a hen that has been sitting and not brought off any.

If there is not a hen available, hand feeding is the only thing left. I reared three by hand last season, one from one day old, one from ten days' old, and one from 14 days' old; one of them, a hen, I showed in a class against cocks last autumn and got v.h.c. for it. I find the best way to hand feed young Canaries is to moisten the food each time before feeding, and never give the same food twice running. If only a day old, yolk of egg only may be used for the first 24 hours, then vary it with milk sop one meal, egg and biscuit next, milk sop again third time, with a little bitten up chickweed with it or even plain biscuit soaked in the mouth will do at times, and so on.

The Loss of Young Birds.

When they get to be about a week old a little maw, or soaked rape, crushed, can be put with the food for a change. Every two hours is the time to feed them from 5.30 in the morning till about 7 at night. Don't be afraid that you may give too much; they will stop gaping at once when they have had enough. I use a clean quill pen to feed with. If the hen will sit on the chicks and keep them warm, there is no difficulty at all in saving them, provided they are treated in the above way.

The above treatment I have found pretty successful, and I seldom lose one. As to water, that I consider of more importance than anything. Let your drinkers be well washed out every day, not just rinsed, but washed. Put some soda into hot water, allow it to cool, then wash all your drinkers in it rinsing after under the tap. When I have young birds I give clean water twice a day. Dirty drinkers, I believe, are the cause of young birds dying in the nest; many young birds are found dead in the nest with full crops; this, I believe, is caused by foul drinkers, not the green food, as is so often supposed. I used not to trouble so much about clean water, and lost nest after nest of young birds. I tried all sorts of green food, then no green food at all, with no better result.

Since I have paid greater attention to the water I hardly lose any, and never now lose them with full crops. I reared 27 young birds from a few pairs last season, and not one has been sick or sorry.

(To be continued.)

Questions and Answers.

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Queries will be answered under the following conditions:—

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NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

TENDER FEET, AND BATHS (Mrs. Farr).—Keep cage well strewn with clean gritty sand, and the perches quite clean. Bathe feet daily for a few days with a lukewarm solution of extract of Wych Hazel, made by mixing a small teaspoonful of the extract in a cupful of warm water. After bathing for a few minutes, dry gently, and slightly smear with Lanoxyllin. If given with discretion baths are so beneficial during the moult as at any other time. The bath need be withheld only when any particular bird seems to suffer from chill afterwards or during very cold severe weather, when birds are sparsely clad. It should always be given early in the day during the short days.

SWELLING NEAR EYE (A Novice).—You should have given some particulars about the swelling which you say is the cause of the bird going off song. What is its size and general appearance, is it still increasing in size, and does it appear to have a "head"? You had better write again and give these particulars. Meanwhile, just touch the swelling twice, with an interval of four days between, with a small feather dipped in tincture of iodine. Do not allow the finch to run about or go near the eye. Also give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate day a spray of watercress or morsel of banana, and a pinch of maw. When you write again say how you have been feeding the bird hitherto. At present you leave me quite in the dark.

A VARIED TRIO (Young Novice).—(1) Had you given me some particulars concerning the condition when you mated the Norwich cock last season, I might have found some reason for his failure to fertilise eggs. In the absence of any such data, I can only suggest that perhaps he was out of condition, or was mated too early; or the weather, or even the hens, might have been at fault. How old is the bird? If he is not very old and in an active condition, I should certainly consider it worth trying him next season, especially as you say he is now in full song. Mate him with a healthy robust young hen at the end of March, but see that both birds are desiring to nest before being mated. (2) This query and No. 3 should have been on a separate sheet. See Mr. Weston's replies this week or next. (3) Personally I have never tried it, but see no reason whatever to doubt the possibility.

BIRD BLEEDING AND YOUNG CRACKING SEED (T. Boundy).—Sorry your letter reached too late for reply to appear last week. The bird that appeared almost choked with blood when you caught him undoubtedly ruptured a small blood vessel. Keep him as quiet as possible for a week or two, and add a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with maw to its diet every second day for a fortnight. In the water give six drops of tincture of gentian and three of dilute sulphuric acid for a few days to tone it up. Should any further bleeding occur, instead of the above tonic add five drops each of tincture of opium and dilute sulphuric acid to the water daily for a week, and add sufficient green salad to its diet to prevent constipation. Put the young birds which are shelling the seed on a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape. Every second day add a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar, and a small spray of watercress, and on the alternate days a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, black rape, and teazle, and a morsel of banana. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence, daily for three days, and afterwards four drops each of tincture of gentian tincture of columba and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a week.

COLOUR FOOD AND CRESTS (W. H.).—(1) The sample you sent is a biscuit food, such as is often used as a substitute for egg food, in which is mixed a small proportion of colour food. It does not consist of colour food solely as you seem to think. The food as per your sample is quite ready to give the birds without any further mixture of egg or biscuit, and is of such a strength as might be given to "fed" show birds about twice a week throughout the show season to keep up the full tone of colour. But it is not rich enough in "colour" to feed a bird properly. As a biscuit food it seems a nice wholesome sample. (2) I would not advise you to keep this mixture until next season, use it up in place of ordinary egg-food, and begin with a fresh supply next year. (3) It depends wholly upon the vendor what you would have to give for a pair of good Norwich Crests likely to breed winners. They may cost anything from £5 to £20. I hardly expect you would get anything really good for less than the first named sum. But you can, of course, get moderately good birds of unknown pedigree for much less—say from £1 to £2 each. (4) It would be best to start by getting both birds from some well-known breeder asking him to select for you a well-matched pair. You should read up the chapter on Crest breeding in "Our Canaries."

TENANTS IN OCCUPATION.—Correction; Oh! that comp! In reply last week under this heading he makes me say that mites become "quite liquid grey." What I wrote was "quite light grey."

A TAIL AND HALF (H.C.L.).—How long have you noticed the short feather on each side of tail? It is quite possible the bird may have dropped the two outer feathers, and these are the new ones replacing them. Count the full length feathers, and see if there are ten or twelve. If ten, then the two short ones are either new ones coming to complete the tail, or they were arrested in growth by some means after bird left the nest. If there are twelve full length feathers then the short ones are redundant, and there would be some risk of perpetuating the defect if you breed with the bird. If the short feathers appear to be mature and dry in the quil, remove them by a gentle steady pull, and they will probably be replaced by full length feathers. If there are only a normal number of feathers in the tail altogether there is no reason why you should not use the bird for breeding, but be careful to mate it with a bird having a good, close, compact, pipe tail.

WHEEZY NOISE IN THROAT (D. Price).—It is bronchial trouble, and the failure of remedies hitherto is probably due to neglect to remove exciting causes, although the remedies you have given are not entirely suitable for the complaint. Treat

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Romsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

as follows for a month: First see that bird is kept in a comfortable and fairly equable place, not necessarily overheated, but it must be free from cold draughts and impure heated air such as prevails in the vicinity of burning lights in the evenings. In addition to staple seed diet give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days a pinch of maw and a spray of watercress. Be careful that the latter is free from frost. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence for three days. After this give 20 drops of the following mixture in the water every second day for two or three weeks as may seem necessary. Mixture: Two drachms each of glycerine and oxymel of squills, one drachm each of chlorodyne and ipecac. wine, and eight grains of iodide of potassium. Any chemist will mix this for you.

EXCESSIVE DRINKING (Constant Reader, W. H. P.).—The excessive thirst is doubtless the effect, and not the cause, of the diarrhœa. Keep the bird in a comfortable but not overheated position, with plenty of fresh pure air, but free from cold draughts. Keep cage and perches as clean as possible. A good layer of sawdust, fresh daily, will aid in doing so. In addition to the staple seed diet, give a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, slightly dusted with carbonate of bismuth, and a spray of watercress every second day for a fortnight. On the alternate days give a morsel of banana and a quarter teaspoonful of maw seed. To the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence for one day, and after this dissolve in each two tablespoonfuls of the drinking water as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence, half as much sulphate of iron, and add six drops of dilute sulphuric acid. Give this every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days in the first week give four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid. Keep a piece of cuttlefish stuck in the wires.

WHEN TO MATE BIRDS (Bird Lover).—In a general way the best time is the last week in March or first week in April. It is sometimes difficult to keep birds back until this time when they are kept in warm kitchens or heated rooms and fed on too stimulating foods. But that does not alter the wisdom of delaying mating to as near this time as can be managed. Feed your hens on a diet of plain canary only, with a fairly liberal supply of watercress, if you can obtain it in good condition for use, for a week or two, and add to the drinking water as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence three times in one week. If this does not prevent them coming too forward, remove them out of hearing of the cocks, if convenient to do so. Keep all nesting appliances and materials out of their way. Do not think of pairing them unless they seemed to be so forward that eggs would appear whether mated or not—a rather unlikely circumstance unless they are kept in a warm place. The best book on Hybrid and Mule breeding is "Cage Bird Hybrids," 7s. 6d. from our Manager, or for a cheaper book, "The Secrets of Hybrid Breeding," 1s. 2d., also from our manager. See advert in last issue.

MATE FOR BORDER FANCY (Marks).—The best mate for your even-marked buff hen would be a clear yellow pink-eyed cock bred from an even-marked cinnamon strain—that is, from a pair mated to produce even-marks—not necessarily from two even-marked parents. The grandparents also should be bred from similar matings. A fair proportion of even-marked brothers and sisters will be a pretty safe guide in selecting a suitable cock. A very light eye-mark on the opposite side to that on which your bird is rather heavy will be no detriment, but unless the hen is too lightly marked on wings you should not tolerate wing marks in her mate. Avoid altogether a bird ticked on head—elsewhere than round eye—neck, breast, or back.

OFF SONG (Beginner, Ireland).—Surely if you have the interest of the bird at heart you should be able to carry out any treatment given in these columns. If they sometimes appear a trifle lengthy it is but a matter of very few moments daily to carry out the advice given. I suspect your Roller is a little beyond his youth, and is simply taking a longer rest than usual. Certainly he has not forgotten his song. He will probably resume very soon now. Do not hang him too near the fire, so that the variations of heat may affect him as little as possible. Mix together equal parts of hemp, niger, millet, teazle, maw, and gold of pleasure seeds. Keep this in stock and give a good pinch—say half a teaspoonful—in a separate vessel, the egg pan for instance, every second day. On the alternate days give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake and a spray of watercress. Continue this for two or three weeks in addition to the staple diet. If you would also make a little of the paste recommended to "F.H.N." on December 14th, and keep a little stuck in the wires for a week or two, it would help considerably. Rollers are not more delicate than Yorkshires.

PARTING OF THE WAYS (G. C. C.).—As you have to choose between keeping your birds in any odd corner, taking them to an outdoor birdroom, or giving up the hobby, I should certainly advise you to decide on the outdoor birdroom, and if your stock have been kept without artificial heat, as I presume is the case, you way look forward to doing even better in a well-built room devoted entirely to them than you have done in the past. The room you propose will be a most serviceable one, but I see no necessity for having double-glazed windows. A frame covered with wire netting would be all that would be necessary to provide against possible escape in case a bird got out of its cage. You do not want to aim at making the place air-tight. If it is draught-proof, a very different thing, you need not be afraid of having plenty of good pure air. With birds raised under normal conditions of temperature, you would require no heat—the birds would, as you say, be much better with no coddling. You might find the handbook, "Aviaries, Birdrooms, and Cages," 2/3 post free, very useful in suggesting items that make for good construction. You could certainly breed a high-class songster under these conditions, but for the highest class of trained singers it would be best to move them to the house away from the other stock for the final stages of tuition. If the building is quite ready, any mild spell of weather after about the middle of February would be the best time to move the birds in.

Owing to the Xmas Holidays, a number of queries have necessarily to wait an answer until next week. —Editor.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

MANY-COLOURED PARRAKEET (D.V.W.).—If worms were the trouble, there would be some evidence of these in the bird's voidings. I should give Dinneford's Magnesia every fourth day so long as the voidings are not watery-loose, and on other days it can have the Chemical Food. As soon as the voidings become at all watery, only supply the magnesia once a week. As your bird evidently has some tendency towards constipation, I should advise A. and H. byno-phosphates in preference to the Chemical Food you are using. A sitting-room would be better than the kitchen (the temperature of the latter is usually subject to extremes), so long as the bird is kept where it can get light and air, and at the same time be free from draught. Seed mixture: two parts each canary and white millet seeds, and one part each oats and hemp seeds—well mix. Also supply such fruit as it will take, and greenfood—leaf of lettuce with the centre rib cut out. It can also have a piece of any kind of plain biscuit daily. With cuttlebone and grit, it should thrive. As regards quantities, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia into the usual supply of drinking water, and half teaspoonful of the Chemical Food; do not use a metal drinker. If you see any signs of worms, get some powdered areca nut, mix a little into pellets about one-eighth inch diameter, and give it four of these every other day for a week, then pause for a few days, and repeat if there are still evidences of worms in the voidings. As you have taken the bird indoors you cannot put it out again till next spring.

AMAZON LOSING FEATHERS (Nemo).—You give me no details to enable me to gather whether it is pulling out its feathers or merely moulting, nor do you state how you treat the bird, so a diagnosis is impossible. I can only suggest that the bird has got very much out of condition from some cause, and give you the correct dietary. Seed mixture: one quart each canary and white millet seeds; one pint each hemp, oats, and paddy rice; half-pint each maize, sunflower, dari, shelled nuts, and a gill of chilies—well mix and keep a supply in cage. Also supply ripe fruit, plain, biscuit (dry), and greenfood. Grit (not sand), and cuttlebone, must also be regularly supplied. Twice a week supply a tablespoonful of boiled maize, which only keeps fresh one day. Also put it on a course of Dinneford's Magnesia and Byno-phosphates; for quantities, etc., see reply to "D.V.W." in this issue.

WHAT BIRDS? (Tromlow).—Your description, both as to plumage and notes, fits the Black-headed Mannikin (Nun), which is a native of India. The beak, however, is not white, leaden-silvery would better describe it. Diet: Canary, white millet, spray millet, and a few crushed oats. In the spring they will eat flowering (seeding) grass readily, and at this season you should induce them to nibble at a fresh lettuce leaf or piece of sweet apple. They must regularly have access to grit and cuttlebone, and have opportunity for a daily bath; if caged, the bath should be of the description which can hang over the open door of cage, so as to keep cage interior as dry as possible.

YELLOW-FRONTED AMAZON (S.H.B.).—The habit you refer to is quite natural, and does not run for any special period, but occurs at intervals, but soon passes, and unless it is quite abnormal should not be at all noticeable. I have had it occur twice or oftener weekly, with some species I have kept, but it never caused comment, as it soon passes, and I should say it will be similar with your bird. Continue to feed it as at present. In addition to seed mixture, supply fruit, nuts, plain biscuit, grit and cuttlebone, and if it gets at all thin give a little boiled maize twice weekly. Give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in its drinking water twice a week, but if the bowels become too loose, then only give it once a week.

HOW MANY? ETC. (Pungo).—I take it from your plan that your birds have access to the shed as well, which appears to be made larger than illght, and my reply is based on that assumption. You could keep in this the three pairs Budgerigars, 1 pair each Madagascar and Blue-wing Lovebirds, one pair Cockatiels, and 1 pair Rosella Parrakeets, which would all fare well on a seed mixture of (1) canary and white millet in equal parts, and (2) oats, paddy rice, hemp and sunflower seeds, the two former in double quantity to the latter. Also supply fruit, greenfood, plain biscuit, (dry), grit and cuttlebone. You would require barrels or natural logs for the Parrakeets and Cockatiels; husks would suffice for the Budgies and Lovebirds, but in each case you must supply at least double the number of nest receptacles that you have pairs of birds. Some species of Thrush or Ouz I would be safe with the Parrakeets as a songster, but they do

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet St., London, E.C.

not sing all the year round. If you send me a stamped addressed envelope, per Editor, I can put you on to one. These would require soft food and insects.

PARROT WITH GROWTH ON EYE (Cuttle Bone).—If the small ulcer is not attached to the eyelid, but is on the film of the eye, you ought to let a vet. see it at once and have it removed. In the former case bathing with a solution of rose-water and zinc (from any chemist), will give relief. This will do no harm in any case, but the eye should be cleansed before applying the lotion. As soon as the ulcer is fully ripe, exude the pus by gentle pressure, well cleanse with warm water, and add a little healing ointment. Concurrently with this treatment keep the bowels moving freely by a weekly (or oftener) dose of Dinneford's Magnesia (one teaspoonful), in the usual supply of drinking water, and for a month at least put half a teaspoonful of Byno phosphates in the water on the days you are not giving the magnesia. It will also be helpful to put a little honey and borax in its mouth daily, so this will help to keep its mouth free from slime, etc. This is easily given by dipping the end of a stick in the mixture and letting the bird bite at the end of it, but the stick should be well cleansed each time before being put in the mixture, which is a stock one at any chemist's. You cannot be sure that the bird is not suffering from some infection contracted during importation. Keep it isolated from healthy stock, in some warm room with an equable temperature, during the cold months. In any case, whatever the result of the eye trouble, even if the ulcer be cut out, I should use the magnesia, byno-phosphates, and honey and borax as indicated above for a month or two.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

WILD SEEDS (E. Perry).—The sample you send seems to me an excellent one, and should be picked over with relish by the majority of our seed-eating species. It could be improved by the addition of a little plantain, gold of pleasure, and sesame (with thistle, cornflower, and dandelion, if you like, though these are expensive items), which are contained in the majority of the "wild seed mixtures" sold by the leading seed firms.

ON A VERANDAH (Lady Fancier).—Your place would comfortably hold 20 to 24 small birds. The most interesting and musical collection would be a combination of Canaries and British and Foreign birds. The Canaries, of course, need not be expensive (that is, of the "songster" brand, no particular type), and you would get colour and a fair amount of song from the following Britishers: Goldfinch (British and Siberian), Bullfinch, Linnet, Siskin, Chaffinch, Redpoll (Lesser and Mealy), Greenfinch, Yellowhammer. You could also add, if you choose, Ortolan, Reed and Cirl Buntings. Sometimes Siskins turn out very spiteful, and I have known both Yellowhammers, Chaffinches, and Greenfinches the same, but individual birds vary to an astonishing extent.

LOSS OF FLIGHT FEATHERS (J. Frowde).—In my opinion, the loss of the flight feathers can of a certainty be put down to a sudden fright. Maybe something startled the Goldfinch in the night, and sent him hanging about the cage in an awful state of panic for a few fatal minutes, during which he knocked out the flight feathers. It is not always possible to account for these things. A street lamp, or the moon, shining into the cage, some sudden noise, a mouse frolicing around—anything of this nature will be at the root of the trouble. Your theory that the extra hemp and teazle over-heated his blood and caused him to pull out both sets of flight feathers (presumably to cool himself), is decidedly ingenious, but, I'm afraid, "won't wash." It would be like a man pulling out all his hair because the soles of his feet persisted in itching. If you wanted a fanciful explanation, how is it you did not think that the "high living" might have

OUR XMAS COMPETITIONS

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given the Goldie Indigestion, and brought on a terrible nightmare? Suppose he was dreaming that some "humane" soul had just inserted a kindly hand into his cage with a view to permitting him the joys of freedom, and of foraging for himself during the winter months—little wonder he should knock out feathers trying to escape such a fate! Perhaps, however, you don't believe that birds dream.

A TRIO (F. Fletcher). 1. No doubt you would obtain the desired information respecting the food from the article which started in our 'Xmas Number. 2. The hen Yellowhammer is not by a long way so bright in colour as the cock; she has very little yellow showing at the throat, on the breast and in the region of the head, and lacks the tinge of reddish brown (chestnut) found on the back and breast of the male. 2. I do not think that any British bird is really "easy" to breed in a cage. A deal depends on one's good fortune, or otherwise, in the selection of the pair. Some individuals seem to set up house-keeping without any fuss or bother, whereas another pair of the same species simply won't think of it, so to speak. You should select either Redpolls, Greenfinches, or, Linnets, to commence with. Good luck to you.

IDENTITY OF BIRD (W. A. Dodds).—There is no British bird, "the size of a Tom-Tit and the colour of a Canary." The bird you saw must have been an escaped Canary, or an albino of some kind (or possibly a foreign bird—a Saffron Finch, for instance).

BRAMBLEFINCH NOT MOULTED (Hardbill).—You ask what you should do with a Bramblefinch which has not moulted, and which is kept in an outdoor aviary, the bird apparently being in good health. I advise you to let it alone. It will, in all probability, go along quite well until next autumn, and then moult. I do not see that you gain anything by forcing the bird to moult now, which you could probably do by caging it up in a heated room—the change of temperature would be almost certain to start the feathers falling.

"BLOWN UP" (Cateher).—This "blown-up" appearance at once indicates the escape of air due to, I understand, the rupture of lung tissue; it gathers under the skin and so brings about the swollen, or "balloon-like" appearance you describe. The food has nothing to do with the case; it is in the nature of an accident and cannot be guarded against.

A TRIO (Small Fancier).—1. You might get the pair of Greenfinches to breed in the cage; but you certainly will not succeed if you put other birds along with them. 2. I fully described the sexing of Goldfinches week or so ago. 3. Foreign Goldfinches are larger and lighter (more white), in ground colour. This whiteness is especially noticeable on the cheeks and breast, at root of tail (or rump), and at back of the collar.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

Memento Mori.—Septic fever, highly infectious.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

G. Rawsthorne.—We will try to find a corner for the photograph in our forthcoming Birthday Number.

Learner.—You should invest in a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (post free 7d.), which will tell you all about the making of egg-food and the mating-up of the birds. A Goldfinch and a clear yellow Norwich Canary should prove an excellent couple. The making of bird-lime is too lengthy a matter to deal with here. If you send us 1½d. in stamps we will post you a back number containing an article on the subject.

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LATE NEWS ITEMS.

Exhibitors should note that entries close for Keith show on January 1st. See advertisement.

The Leicester C.B.S. has changed headquarters, and from now onwards all meetings, etc., will be held at the Bull's Head Hotel, Market Place, Leicester, writes Mr. J. Cook, Sec. We wish to thank members and others who subscribed to the Ride benefit fund; also those who gave us specials for our members' show.

At Waunarlwydd show, Jan. 2, entries are extended to Dec. 30. The 1st prize will be awarded if only one entry (no cancelling) so will fanciers kindly support us; only five entries have been received at the time of writing.—J. Walters (Sunnybank, Westfield Rd., Waunarlwydd).

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Club Reports.

TREDEGAR AND DIS. C.B.S.

General meeting held Dec. 19, Mr. Evan Powell in chair. Three new members, viz., Messrs. Griffiths, Lewis, and Bevan, were enrolled. Business pertaining to our show was transacted. The secretary reported that he had posted over 900 schedules to fanciers, but that entries were very few. This being our first show, we trust fanciers seeing this report will rally around us, and send in their entries.—W. B. Watkins, Sec.

HIGHGATE & HAMPSTEAD, C.B.S

Meeting held Spencer Hall, Dec. 19th, Mr. R. T. Dann in the chair, when there was a good muster of members and friends. The chief attraction was a judging competition for members, Mr. G. E. Weston officiating as final judge, and his fair criticism of the birds on view was much appreciated by all. Several questions were asked and ably answered. Mr. G. Street was the winner of competition and receives the silver medal given by the society. Six new members were elected in Messrs. Grisdale, W. F. Le Gays, Bryne, Drawbridge, S. Turner, and Pearce. Vote of thanks to Mr. Weston for so ably officiating brought a successful meeting to a close. Will all members having show tickets kindly settle for same at once and so assist secretary in preparing annual report.—J. Hyde, hon. sec.

DUNFERMLINE C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held in the Co-operative Hall, Dec. 14. Mr. J. Rankine, president, presided over a full turn-out of members. A proposal to hold an open show next year was defeated, but as an alternative it was decided to extend the radius of membership to twelve miles. The following office-bearers were appointed for the year:—Pres., Mr. John Rankine; vice-pres., Thomas Wildridge and William Rolland; treas., John Warwick; assist. sec., James Anderson; sec., Robert T. Campbell, 19, Rolland Street; committee, Messrs. P. McLaren, A. Watts, J. Leslie, A. Kilpatrick, S. Howie, R. Rice, J. Grewar, G. Coutts, J. Kennaway, G. Roe, A. Pringle, H. Hogg, H. Kemp, J. Thomson, and J. Fisher. The date of next annual show was fixed for Nov. 1, 1913, and the breeding pairs show Feb. 1. After the success of last Burns' supper, it was agreed to hold another on Jan. 24, the arrangements being left in the hands of Messrs. Wall, Kilpatrick, McLaren, and Campbell.—Robt. T. Campbell, Sec.

NEW CROSS AND DIST. C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held at the People's Hall, Deptford, Dec. 12. One of the finest which has ever been held by this society, nearly every member being present. As usual, we made a new member. I should be pleased if members would do their best to bring a new member each on Jan. 2; this would be a grand start for 1913. The prizes and money won at the annual show were paid out and presented to members present, Mr. Gunner taking the points cup, and Messrs. Burton Bros. the Border cup. It was suggested that we replace the points cup by subscriptious from members and friends. Mr. Gillard started same with 1s. Other members subscribed, and we reached a total of 30s. This looks as if we are to have a first-class cup next year, to be won under different rules. An excellent programme was drawn up for 1913, including novice judging competition, which was considered will be an excellent thing for young members to pick out suitable birds for showing. Mr. Norman was again elected to judge our next annual show on Nov. 13.—Barton and Barton.

DARVEL AND DISTRICT C.B.C.

Second meeting of this newly-formed society held 17th Dec. Mr. Hopkins presided, and there was a good attendance of members, several new names being added. Committee of three appointed to draw up list of rules and submit for approval at next meeting. Discussion took place re providing prizes for most points at monthly shows, and it was decided to try and get a few for these competitions. Mr. Wm. McNair offered a walking stick for said shows. Points at table shows will count as follows: 1st, 4; 2nd, 3; 3rd, 2; 4th, 1. The President then gave his promised address on Local Bird Life, which proved most interesting, embracing as it did over a hundred different species. He also touched briefly on the nests, eggs, and habits of the varieties, and gave an idea of the times when the arrival and departure of our summer migrants might be looked for. Mr. Hopkins was awarded a hearty vote of thanks for his paper. A table show of British birds was then held, result: Gold. or Bull.: 1, Robertson; 2, Beaton; 3, Allan; 4, Robertson. Linnet or Sisk.: 1, Camphell; 2, Hopkins; 3, Morton; 4, Allan. Redpoll: 1, 2, Hopkins; 3, Morton. Mr. Jas. Brown judged. Classes for table show at next meeting: 1, Border Fancy; 2, Norwich; 3, Mule. It was also decided that a washing exhibition be given at next meeting.—Jas. Robertson, sec.

PLUMSTEAD & WOOLWICH C.B.S.

Presentation to the Secretary and his Wife.

Meeting held headquarters, Dec. 19. The following gentlemen were nominated and duly elected:—Mr. Bottell, of New Eltham, S.E., and Mr. Sherman, of Manor Park, E. A discussion was raised as to the best and fairest way in which the points at our future shows should count. Several members contended that where there was only one bird in a class it should not take points to the value of a first prize, as they did not consider it fair to a bird which won a first prize in a class of, say, ten birds. After careful consideration, it was agreed that the system at present in force should be adhered to, and that a bird standing by itself in a class should take the points counting as a first prize. This finished the general business. Now we approach a most eventful affair in the history of the society. The Chairman, rising, pointed out the great and useful work performed by Mr. E. Meades, the secretary, and remarked that it was the general desire of the members that he should be presented with some token of their esteem and regard for his labours. He therefore had much pleasure in presenting him with a gold albert, and Mrs. Meades with a silver mounted umbrella. Mr. Meades has held various offices in the society since its inception, and it is largely to his and to Mrs. Meades' indefatigable labours that the society owes its present position in the cage bird world. As members know his kindly services and help were at all times at the disposal of everyone interested in the welfare of the club, and also those who are in any way interested in cage birds. The chairman's remarks were enthusiastically received, and other members also testified to the value of Mr. Meades' services. Mr. Meades, on behalf of himself and his wife, warmly thanked the chairman and members for their kindness, and said that the work of the society was at all times a pleasure to him, and he hoped that the society would still further prosper in the cause of which both he and his wife were every ready to do all in their power. When the club was originally formed, their membership was but 16; but he had great pleasure in stating that their membership at the present time totalled over 60, and he hoped that they might soon see the number further increased.—H. R. Hearn.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Loughborough.—Jan. 4, Temperance Hall. Judge: Mr. J. C. Barnes. 25 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks. 8, Lancs. 1, A.O.V. 1, Mule 2, Brit. 3, Sell. 3. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Dec. 28, to V. A. Harris, Leicester Road.

Dunfermline.—Jan. 1 and 2, Drill Hall, Bruce St. Judges: Messrs. J. Smeaton, W. Paul, T. Arnot, J. Steele. 46 open classes: Nor. 13, Crests 8, Bord. 10, Con. Can. 1, Mule 2, Brit. 9, For. 2, Gift 1. Prizes 12s., 7s., 3s. Fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Dec. 25, to A. Hynd, Bankview, Baldridgeburn, Dunfermline.

Paisley O.A.—Jan. 1 and 2, New Drill Hall. Judges: Messrs. Maxwell, Watson, Hunter, Stewart, Hannay, Baird, Chalmers, Martin, Lambie and Craig. 6s open classes: Scots 17 (Sell.4), Belgians 2: Nor. 19 (Nov. 2), Cinn. 1, Yorks. 5, (Sell. 1), Border 9 (Sell. 1), Brit. 11, Hyb. 2, For. 2. Prizes, 14s., 10s., 5s., 3s., 2o. Fee, 2s. Ent. close Dec. 25, to Mr. Wm. Lambie, 25, Caledonian Street.

Tunbridge Wells F.A.—Jan. 8 and 9, Great Hall Judge: Mr. J. Robson. 29 open classes: Nor. 5, Yorks. 5, Crest 2, Border 1, A.O.V. Can. 1, Pairo 1, Hyb. 3, Brit. 7, For. 1, Sell. 2, Gift 1. Prizes: 10s., 5s., 3s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Dec. 30, to Mr. Harry G. Whibley, 56, Beulah Road.

Tredegar.—Jan. 2, Town Hall. Judge: Mr. J. W. Metcalfe. 29 open classes: Crests 2, Nor. 7 (2 Nov.), Yorks. 8 (2 Nov.), Bord. 2, Brit. 6, Mules 1, For. 1, Sell. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Dec 30, to W. B. Watkins, 56, High Street.

Falmouth.—Jan. 8, Town Hall. Judge: Mr. F. A. Redwood. 15 open classes. Nor. 5, Yorks. 5, Cinn. 1, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 2, Sell. 1. Prizes 6s., 4s., 2s., 1s. Fee, 1s. Ent. close Jan. 4, to W. J. Medlin, 90, Marlborough Road.

Nantymoel.—Jan. 15, Workmen's Hall. Judge, Mr. G. Watkins. 15 open classes. Nor. 4, Yorks. 4, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 1, Mule 1, Brit. 3, Local 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. 3d. Ent. close Jan. 8, to W. Graves, 26, Ogwy Street.

Chirnside.—Jan. 1, Volunteer Hall. Judge, Mr. W. Murray. 12 open classes. Bord. 8, Pairs 1, A.O.V. or Mule 1, Brit. 1, For. 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. 3d. Ent. close Dec. 25, to A. Shiell, Chirnside.

Newcastle-on-Tyne (Crested Canary Show).—Bird Market, Clayton Street. 17 open classes. Crests 7, C.B. 6, Sell. 3, Gift. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 3s., 2s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Dec. 28 to J. G. Hutchinson, 72, South View West.

LEICESTER (Hand-in-Hand) C.B.S

Table show held "White Swan," Dec. 17. Mr. E. Noakes judged. Principal winners: Open Section: Messrs. Hulse, Sarson, Holder, Moores, and Gibbins; Novice: Messrs. Laundon, West, Jolly, and Butler; British: Turner, Kilsby, Hayes, and Kilsby.—A. Freestone, Sec.

ROMFORD AND DISTRICT F.S.

Sixth annual show, held in Romford Corn Exchange Dec. 12. The cage bird section of this progressive society is yearly increasing, and this year there were sixty entries, and we hope to form a Cage Bird Society. The members have gained considerable ground, so far as quality is concerned. The judge, Mr. E. Skinner, Stratford, is a well-known fancier in the district, and his awards gave satisfaction. After the judging he said he would like to call the attention of exhibitors to see what they can do in the way of showing their birds to the best advantage. One or two good birds were put back owing to being dirty. The cup winner was a beautiful York buff hen, which should be heard of again, the property of Mr. R. L. Hayman, the runner-up being a capital clear yellow York cock. British were of exceptional merit, the winning Bullfinch and Goldfinch were well staged, the Goldfinch was an easy winner, and won in the open at Southend a few days ago. On the whole the exhibits were deserving of all praise. Several specials were given.

YORKS, CL. YELL.: 1, 3, Stares; 2, Hayman and res. for cup. BUFF: 1, sp., Hayman; 2, Whiting; 3, Stares. MKD. OR TKD.: 1, sp, Stares; 2, Hayman; 2, sp, Britton. NOR., CL. YELL.: 1, Sarling; 2, 3, Hasler. VARIEG.: 1, 2, sp, Hasler; 3, Sarling. GOLDFINCH: 1, Sarling; 2, Sapsford; 3, Britton. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 2, sp, Britton; 3, Hasler. CAN., A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Hallows. The show was well arranged by the able see., Mr. Charles Ives.

GAINSBORO' C.B.S.

First annual Members' Show, held in the Co-operative Hall, Dec. 14. The show was a credit to the members and officials of the society in every respect. The hall chosen for the purpose was one of the best in the country, the lighting arrangements, both by day and night, were perfect, and the staging of the 100 birds was splendidly arranged. The quality of the exhibits was of a very high standard. Some grand birds being on view, and a large number of visitors attended during the day. Some 900 people paying for admission.

Principal winners: Best bird, Messrs. Riley and Rodgers; best unflgh., C. Crowston; 2nd ditto, Conway Bros.; Sandiford's medal, H. Jackson. CL. YELL. NOR. CK.: 1, Riley and Rodgers; 2, Palliser; 3, Foster. BUFF (4): 1, Conway, Bros.; 2, Foster; 3, Jackson. TKD. or VAR. YELL. CK. (2): 1, Palliser; 2, Conway Bros. BUFF (2): 1, Jackson; 2, T. Green. CL., ETC. LELL. HEN (4): 1, Riley and Rodgers; 2, Conway Bros; 3, Foster. BUFF (4): 1, Palliser; 2, Jackson; 3, T. Green. CL. YELL. CK., UNFLIG. (4): 1, Foster; 2, T. Green; 3, Jackson. BUFF (1): 1, T. Green. TKD. or VAR. YELL. CK., UNFLIG (5): 1, Conway Bros.; 2, Crowston; 3, T. Green. BUFF (3): 1, Conway Bros.; 2, T. Green; 3, Foster. CL., ETC., HEN, UNFLIG. (4): 1, 2, Conway Bros.; 3, T. Green. BUFF (6): 1, Crowston; 2, Conway Bros.: 3, Foster. YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (1): 1, A. Green. BUFF (1): 1, Collinson. YORKS. HENS (2): 1, Collinson; 2, T. Green. YORKS. CK., UNFLIG. (3): 1, Antingham; 2, T. Green; 3, Antingham. CREST or C.B. (4): 1, 2, T. Green; 3, A. Green. GOLDFINCH (5): 1, Williamson; 2, Riley and Rodgers; 3, Miller. LINNET (6): 1, G. Williamson; 2, Riley and Rodgers; 3, A. Green. A.O. HARDBILL (4): 1, Miller; 2, Jubb; 3, Riley and Rodgers. SOFTBILL (3): 1, 2, Jubb. MULE or HYB. (5): 1, 2, Williamson; 3, T. Green. A.O.V. CAN. (2): 1, W. Collinson; 2, Conway Bros. NAT. COL. (1): 1, Riley and Rodgers. Most points in Canary classes, T. Green; most points in British classes, W. Miller.—J. E. Conway, hon. secretary.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE notice of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Ashington and Hirst C.B.S.—Dec. 28, Harmonic Hall, 7.30. To enrol new members.—W. Hall.

Bankfoot C.B.S.—Dec. 28, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Final members show of season. Entries up to Friday night. Judge, Mr. F. Self. F. Gelder.

Bradford East O.S.—Dec. 31, Park Chapel Schools, 8. Washing competition. Entry free; 3 money prizes. Competitors to bring their own birds with them. Arrangements for annual tea, concert and prize distribution; also other important business.—H. Hill.

Bristol C.B.S.—Jan. 1, City Hotel, Wine Street, 8. At last meeting six new members were made, and we had a good meeting. Will all members kindly be present.—B. L. Pool.

Chester C.B.S.—Dec. 30, Nag's Head Cocoa Rooms, 8.30. General meeting, balance-sheet; election of officers.—E. L. G. Simpson.

City of Bradford O.S.—Dec. 28, Flying Dutchman Hotel, 8. Nomination of officers for 1913 and important show business.—F. Rhodes.

Dubmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Dec. 29, Club, 10.30. Election of officers and other important business. Anyone intending to join can do so by attending the above meeting.—B. Robinson.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Dec. 28, Fountain Inn. Members show. Birds to be staged by 2.30 p.m. Entries Friday night. Judge, Mr. Matt Broadley.—W. Nettleton.

Grimsby and Dist. O.S.—Dec. 28, Slatter's Rooms. Members' show, Norwich and British classes. Birds to be staged by 2.30 or entries refused.—Towl and Smith.

Halifax O.S.—Dec. 28, Plummet Line Hotel. Annual members' show. Birds staged at 2.30. Entries taken before show. Judge, Wm. Spencer. See syllabus for classification.—Harry Clegg.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—Dec. 28, Crown Inn, 7. Balance sheet and election of officers.—A. J. Notley.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Dec. 28, Railway Hotel, 2. Members' last show of 1912 to be judged, Mr. W. A. Cowgill, Girlington.—J. E. Hudson.

Leadgate C.B.S.—Dec. 28, Bainbridges Cycle Rooms, 7. Business important.—Robert Jones.

Leicester C.B.S.—Jan. 1, Bull's Head Hotel, Market Place, 8.15. Table show, 5 classes. Will all members please return unsold tickets. Specials presented. Fanciers invited.—J. Cook.

Mid-Rhondda C.B.S.—Jan. 2, White Hart Hotel, Tonypandy, 7. General and show business and presenting of specials.—A. H. C. Legg.

New Cross C.B.S.—Jan. 2, People's Hall, Tanners Hill, 8. Election of officers for 1913. Annual show; balance-sheet and general business.—Barton and Barton.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Jan. 1, Joiner's Arms, Bolton, 6. Ordinary business.—Andrew Percival.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Dec. 28, College Inn, 8. All ticket money to be brought in. Election of officers for 1913.—B. Bailey.

Sheffield C.B.S.—Jan. 2, Wentworth Cafe, 8. Table show of matched pairs, champion and novice. Syllabus for 1913. Members please bring ticket money in.—A. Hobson.

South London Col. and F.A.—Jan. 2, "Lord Wellington," Old Kent Road, S.E., 7.30. Annual smoking concert and presentation of challenge cups, trophies and special prizes.—George F. Crawford.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Jan. 4, Fawcett Street Cafe, 7.30. Show business; very important.—J. Jeffrey.

Wallsey C.B.S.—Jan. 2, Fairhaven Institute, Seaview Road, Liscard, 8. Annual general meeting and election of officers.—Thomas Edwards.

Warrington C.B.S.—Jan. 1, Blue Bell Hotel. Members show. Election of officers for coming year.—E. M. Nelson.

West Stanley C.B.S.—Dec. 28, Co-op. Hall, 7.30. Annual meeting. Election of officers and judges for open show, 1913.—W. Elliott.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Dec. 26, Horse and Groom Inn. Boxing Day show. Judge, Mr. R. Garnett. Birds to be staged at 10 a.m.—H. C. Crossley.

Windhill C.B.S.—Dec. 28, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Arrangements for tea and social, and nomination of officers for 1913.—J. Taylor.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Fortnightly meeting held Dec. 21, Mr. Farrer presiding over a good attendance. Arrangements for open show, Jan. 17th and 18th, were further advanced. Mr. Farrer was appointed show manager. We have the patronage of the N.Y.C.C., the N.B. and S.F.C.C., the N.L.C.C., and the N.B.B. and M. and F.B.C. Members requested to see bills displayed at once, to report what specials they have for members' classes, and not to forget to push sale of tickets. A full attendance on Jan. 4th is desired.—J. Jeffrey, Sec.

NORTHERN COUNTIES N.P.C.

Winner of cup (champion novices), H. Wellsbury (Gateshead), 82 points. I heartily congratulate him on his success, he being only a novice and having beaten all the champions. Nearest rival, Mr. W. H Butler (Stanley), who takes the other special competed for on same conditions as cup (68 points). The following members are winners of medals given for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th most points: Champion, W. H. Butler (68), W. McGinn (65), J. W. Richardson (64), A. Holden (59), R. W. Smith (45). G. Dobinson (39). Novice: H. Wellsbury (82), W. Forbes (62), J. Davison (38), J. W. Lawson (37), R. Topping (21), R. Newton (10). Will members, if not correct, let me know, when I will have the same gone over again. Next meeting, January 25th. Agenda: Medals, etc. Table show for February meeting. If members have business to bring forward will they kindly let me know. I wish all members a happy and prosperous New Year.—W. Curry, Sec.

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

The favourite weapon of those who would abolish the hobby of bird-keeping is exaggerated abuse of the birdcatcher, without whom, they say, bird-keeping would die a natural death. They care nothing that birdcatchers as a whole are a body of hard-working and humane men, who know the law and abide by it. Their opportunity comes when some loafing novice who knows nothing of the law, or of the taking of birds by legitimate methods, goes out with a brace bird improperly braced, and gets caught taking birds at an illegal season, and punished both for this and for ill-treating his brace-bird.

That such people should be punished no one will dispute, least of all the members of Cage Birds League, but when an isolated case is made a peg on which to hang a diatribe against a whole body of honest men who have no greater a percentage of black sheep amongst them than are to be found in any other trade, occupation, or profession, then it is time that we spoke out in defence.

Since, and, perhaps, because of, the initiation of Cage Birds League, attacks of this nature have not been so frequent as hitherto, either in the organs of the "Humanitarian" societies, or in the lay press, but they crop up occasionally, and one published in "The Dundee Courier" of December 19 is just about the worst I have ever come across. Nearly a whole column is filled with the most extraordinary misstatements which have ever been published.

In one paragraph the writer gabbles of the "cruelties inflicted by the fraternity during the time when birds are breeding, or, worse still, when their young are dependent upon them for sustenance." Law or no law, no professional birdcatcher would take birds in the breeding season He knows that birds so taken would not live; the bird-dealer would not buy them from him for the same reason; the law would punish him severely if he were caught, and if he were not caught the birds would be valueless to him for the reason stated; the law would deal with anyone, whether the actual taker or not, found in possession of birds taken during the breeding season, and dealers would not buy them from a catcher even if he were foolish or cruel enough to take them.

After speaking of the "rough, uncouth, and mysterious-looking men" that may be seen "slinking along the hedgerows, or hugging the quiet, remote lanes with an evident desire to avoid detection," this specially contributed article goes on to invent some methods of catching, and, to quote them as being methods of birdcatchers in general. One of the devices alleged as being frequent in this "diabolical calling" is described as follows:

"Sometimes a songster will be selected from their 'stock.' To the body of this bird is fastened a strong but almost invisible cord, well besmeared with lime. At the approach of the quarry the snarer throws this decoy into the air, where, through its erratic flight, the passing flock becomes entangled in the sticky thread, and all go tumbling earthwards together."

Truly we live and learn! I wonder who told the writer such a tale. Describing the use of a brace-bird, the writer says that a wire is fixed around the wings of the bird, "and, passing round the breast-bone, is finally joined in a loop immediately under neath." . . . "The catcher tugs a cord attached to the brace-bird, and by this means jerks it into the air." . . . "Being unable to bear the weight of the wire, it flutters for a little, then falls to the ground." . . . "The passing flock think the victim one of their own number in distress."

The mischief is that such distorted statements are read and believed by those who know no more of the true facts of the case than the writers, and when an isolated case is reported of cruelty committed by some solitary miscreant, that case is taken as being typical of bird-catching in general, and is pointed to in support of such unmitigated nonsense as the article contributed specially to "The Dundee Courier."

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The "Beak" and the Linnet.

I observe that three men were prosecuted at Thornaby recently for catching wild birds, says a writer in the "North Eastern Daily Gazette." I thought hitherto that one was at liberty to catch certain birds during the open or non-breeding season. This phase of the Act will be regretted by many who fancy Linnets because of the beauty of their notes. If they are to be protected during the whole of the year, then I think that it is a despotic interference with what is—to many poor men—a pleasant hobby. Those who say most about the cruelty of keeping them in cages study them liftle. They do not think of the fight for existence against preying enemies and winter weather; and the fact that few old birds are caught shows that they do not live for long in a state of nature. With proper care they will live for eight or ten years in captivity. As Linnets are plentiful almost everywhere in the country I venture to say that a little depletion of their numbers does not do so much harm as to justify the bringing of any person before the magistrates.

Correspondence.

The Popularity of the Scotch Fancy Canary.

Sir,—I was glad to see a letter from Mr. Dart about Scotch Fancies, but what I said was, there are no classes near here for them. I know there are plenty as far off as Barnstaple, Newcastle, Glasgow, etc. I only hope Mr. Dart will send his birds as far as Wimbledon next year. I for one will show against him, if there is a class for them.

M. Walker.

A Bit of Salt on a Judge's Tail.

Sir,—We are still waiting a reply from Mr. House (if the salt has not taken too many feathers out of his tail), as we think we are entitled to know why he wrong-classed our yellow. We don't mind spending 1s. 6d. and carriage to send to a show to be educated by an expert, but we do object to spend our money to educate an expert.

Messrs. James and Wells.

Some Remarks on Selling Classes.

Sir,—There is one remark of Mr. Holmes' I beg to contradict, and that is re Greenfinches and Redpolls. He states these winners are worth "about threepence each." I would be obliged to Mr. Holmes if he would inform me where winners are to be obtained at above price? Really I think this is below the belt, and a slur on fanciers of the above varieties, but for his special benefit I would like to enlighten him that class specimens of the above varieties have been sold for more pounds than he mentions (which I can prove), and, further, for Hybrid breeding they are invaluable, also for exhibition. From a financial point of view these varieties are two of the best varieties a fancier can keep, as nearly every show provides a class for each, and at nine shows out of ten they are full, so that when you win you are sure of full prize money, which means a lot to the exhibitor. I hope when Mr. Holmes makes any remarks again that he will refrain from mentioning any special varieties and therefore not try to discourage the keeping of the homely Greenfinch and the attractive little Redpoll.

Findlay M'Gillivray.

The Passing of a Noted Judge.

A Tribute from a Colleague.

Sir,—I felt deeply moved and sincerely grieved on noticing the announcement of the passing away of Mr. Jos. Bexson, of Derby. Many happy hours have I spent in his always genial company at one time or another. On the last occasion when we met, he and I went over many classes at a well-known Midland fixture, and although neither of us was adjudicating, friend Joe was selecting his choice (and a capital choice, too), varying in instances from that of the official judge, he remarking to me: "You know, Barnes, no two men see alike in all cases." Never were truer words spoken. Mr. Bexson's cheerful temperament, and true, honest sportsmanship made him esteemed by all with whom he came into contact. His demise has left the Fancy the poorer. Would there were more "Joe" Bexsons amongst us. Years ago, when first I commenced as an exhibitor, the hints given to me by our departed stalwart (then in his prime, and England's premier judge) assisted me towards success. Friend Bexson had the Fancy at heart, he loved a bird, he delighted in the hobby, and was always happy and in his element when at a show. Very seldom did you see him annoyed; it took a lot to upset his equilibrium, no matter how difficult a task was set him. He thrived on work, and huge classes gave him pleasure. Tales and jokes were great features with him. One in particular struck me very forcibly. When he was relating this story to me (we were travelling from Sheffield to Leeds to judge their open show, at the time) I thought it of the "leg-pulling" order. Quick to detect this, he assured me that what he was saying was absolute fact. He told how, after having adjudicated at a certain colliery district show (not 100 miles from Derby, either) he heard very obnoxious noises coming from the mouth of a bulky and untidy visitor—he was threatening in very severe terms the judge who had not presented high enough honours to a certain exhibit owned by him. The terms he freely used were truly "red-hot" in texture, and better left unprinted. Friend Joe, really thinking this drunken giant meant it, decided that discretion was the better part of valour, and to save mishap slipped into his coat as quickly as possible and shot out at a side door (lucky, said he, two doors were available). He took to his heels, ran swiftly down a lane, across some fields, through some hedges, and made tracks for the station, with the "beast" in pursuit. As luck would have it, the great Joseph conquered, as on arriving at the station, fairly pumped, a train was waiting. In popped our worthy friend, leaving behind the enemy. Sounds far fetched, but it is far from untrue, I believe. Hard times those, for the poor judges. Joe said it was a narrow escape. I remember another occasion, at Sheffield show (I was secretary at the time), he and Mr. Battye were the judges. A huge entry had been obtained, and the room at the Cutlers' Hall was found rather inadequate to stage the birds as one would have liked (we tried for another room attached, but it was booked for other purposes). therefore difficulty arose. It was late on into the afternoon before all the classes were done, and then the specials had to be awarded. Our Committee had been very liberal (perhaps unwise) with these "extras." The order was: spl. best vhc, best hc, best c in every section, besides spls for best birds and a host of others. This arrangement really got on top of Joe's patience, and his favourite expression cropped up constantly: "By gum, what a job!" And it was a job and no mistake. But he came up to where I was waiting the awards, and said: "Well, I don't care if I can catch the mail train home."

To Mrs. Bexson and family I wish to convey my deepest sympathy in this, their very sad hour of trouble. I trust their heavy burden may rest as lightly as possible on their shoulders.

J. C. Barnes.

Linnet Catching.

Sir,—Will some reader kindly tell me of a way to catch Linnets in a hedge when at roost? Close to where I live there is a thick hedge which is swarming with Linnets. I have tried a net, but there are too many long brambles to get close enough with that. I should be very glad if any of our old Linnet catchers could give me a tip how to catch some.

An Old Reader.

Perches that Keep Down Red Mite.

Sir,—I see you still have questions asked about red mite. Well, for the sake of novices who do not know, let them try and follow me in this letter. I once gave up keeping birds through these pests. I used to boil the cage, etc., but no use. Those fanciers who live in towns should take train to the outskirts—any time up to March is best, as the sap is now down—and he will not have to go far before he comes across an elder tree (elderberry some call them). He can get as many branches in a few minutes as will last him while he lives. Take them home, put in a dry place, and forget all about them for six months. The bark will then be hard, which makes a good grip for the birds. Then shorten to length you require, pass a piece of red-hot thin iron, or wire, through, and they are ready to go into the cages. Take them out now and again, and knock the end on some hard substance. The red mites drop out by the score, and you need not look anywhere else. Be careful in cleaning them. I wipe them with flannel and do not put them in water. I am using some that I have had for years.

Derby.

When a Bird's in Luck.

Sir,—Oft-times in various papers we read letters from a certain class of humanitarians condemning the delightful hobby of bird-keeping, and some go as far as to say it ought to be stopped altogether. Allow me, Sir, to express the opinion in your valuable paper that the bird that has the luck to be caged has a far better life than the bird left alone to Nature. I would point out that the wild bird has a hard and sometimes miserable existence. It is never free from the poaching cat and the various kinds of Hawks, Owls, etc., and in the winter, when food is scarce and we get a spell of snowy weather, you can go across the field and find numbers of their bodies; some are dead and some dying of hunger and cold. If these so-called bird protectors were to live in the country and open their eyes, they (with me) would think that the bird confined to a cage was far the most fortunate. They would agree with me that Nature is most cruel. There would have been far more Finches live through this season's moult if they could have been moulted in an indoor bird-room, or at any rate, received human aid. Now, sir, suppose these people could have their way and prevent another bird being taken or killed, what would be the result? Some species would soon get so numerous as to be injurious to the agriculturist, and no law would prevent him from destroying large numbers of them. The average farmer cares little about birds, as long as they let his crops, etc., alone; but woe betide any birds that destroy his future prospects of good crops—let it be close season, or any other season, or protected species or not. I say, in conclusion, that bird-keeping is one of the kindest and nicest hobbies I know of, and I hope it will be taken up more strongly than ever.

Bird Lover.

Date of Crystal Palace Cage Bird Show.

Sir,—I thank Mr. Ramsden for his reply to my letter, and can quite understand that it is now too late for 1913 show dates to be altered, but does he not think it would be worth while trying Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, another year. Think of the thousands employed in shops in London, who only get Wednesday or Thursday afternoons. Surely there must be a fair percentage who would attend; in fact, I personally have known numbers who have not been able to see the show on this account. Then, again, the week end visitors would still be able to see the show on Saturday. I should like to hear the opinions of some of your numerous readers.

H. C. PEERLESS.

Sir,—Re the date of the Crystal Palace show I am of the same opinion as Mr. A. C. Peerless. Undoubtedly a large number of bird fanciers, like myself, work in shops until 8 or 9 o'clock at night, and if the date could be altered, so as to fit in with Wednesday and Thursday, as well as Saturday, early closing, it would be an advantage.

J. G. DUNHAM.

Early Greenfood.

Sir,—There are a good many fanciers who like to put up their birds early in the year and don't wait for the spring months of April and May. In fact, in my early breeding days I used to put them up in January and February, and I can say that I had a fairly successful time of it. There were no hens sweating, or red mite so troublesome, as in the summer, neither was egg-binding so troublesome; perhaps it was because they were only common ones. Many a time have I bred a Goldfinch Mule, such as it was, in January. An old Norwich shoemaker and an old breeder gave me this method, which his father had used before him: Get a dish or baking tin and put in a layer of cole or rape seed and cover it with water; it will then come up like cress, and when about from ½ to 1 inch high a small portion can be cut out with a knife and chopped up, seeds, roots, and all, with the egg food. The birds will relish this very much, and I have found it prevent egg-binding. The roots of dandelion can also be put in flower pots in a warm place, and the tender shoots used. Lettuce seed can be sown thinly in a box in heat, and the small leaves used. These few remarks are intended for those who still breed early, and want green food.

OLD BREEDER.

Unprolificacy in Canaries.

Sir,—The reason that Canaries are not always profuse breeders is in a very large number of cases not the fault of the birds themselves, but of the fancier who has them in hand. Overfeeding and wrong methods of feeding are responsible to a great extent Very shortly breeders will be getting ready for the breeding season, and will commence "feeding up," so as to get the birds in a very high condition. This, in my opinion, is a great mistake and responsible for a large number of deaths amongst the hens through egg-binding and numerous other ailments, through being too fat. If you will give the hen Canary time, I don't care what breed it is, it will come into breeding condition as the warm weather approaches. A large number of fanciers pair up all their birds at once, and this is a great and fatal mistake. The cock bird should be dancing from one side of the perch to the other in vigorous song, whilst the hen should be flapping her wings and calling to the male bird. It generally takes me three or four weeks to get my birds paired, as some hens are longer than others in getting into breeding condition. I give my birds nothing extra except a young dandelion leaf or two or a sprig of watercress. My birds are only Rollers, but if you don't go the right way with this easy to breed type of Canary, you will end the season with no young birds in the training cages. I know a man now who has been trying to breed Rollers on and off for thirty years, and though I am neither a swank nor windbag, I have bred more in one season than he has in his whole life. Does this not show that in so many years, and with the different strains he has had in that length of time, that it is his wrong methods of management that are to blame, and not the birds themselves? But one of the great causes of unprolificacy is that of breeding from hens that the fancier knows won't feed their offspring. These hens are kept for laying purposes, and their eggs put under common or good feeding hens. The young birds when they come to maturity are very often dismal failures, and the fancier who has got hold of these wrong-bred birds finds himself at the end of the season without any young, owing to the hens not feeding. I once bought a green hen Canary that had come over amongst some cocks from Germany. It was a nice type of bird, and I thought a lot about it. I paired her up in the breeding season, and she shaped grandly. She laid six eggs, and never once did I catch her off the nest whilst sitting. On the day she was due to hatch, I came home quickly and went straight into the bird-room (I knew they were all fertile eggs) and there was the hen with a chick in her mouth flying about the cage. She had bitten off all their legs and beaks and killed them every one; and bonny chicks they were. Did I give her another chance and put her eggs under another hen to bring up? No; she had finished her butchering for ever.

JOHN CANNING.

Catching by Lamp Light.

Sir,—Just a few lines on catching British birds. My plan is to have a turn at bird catching in the dark. Select a very dark night, with no moon. According to the kind wanted, one must know the kind of cover that special bird selects for roosting in. As an example I take the Yellowhammer, a species we have not to go very far into the country to get. The bird does not roost very high. They can be got in numbers in a hawthorn hedge on the sheltered side. The catcher must procure a good strong lamp (I use a gas cycle lamp). The light momentarily blinds them when they wake up, although I have had them in my hand before then. As little noise as possible must be made when searching the hedge, as they are very quick at hearing, and will take wing before you get near them. I have caught a good many in a night, keeping the whole catch till next morning, when I pick out the big and specially marked ones and the rest I give their liberty. In the hawthorn hedge we come across the Blackbird, Thrush, Robin, Hedge and House Sparrows and an occasional Greenie. These I pass unless I see a special bird.

T. JACKSON.

A Vexed Point.

The Half Prize-money Rule.

Sir,—I should be very pleased if you would allow me a little space in your valuable journal (which I always devour as soon as it arrives) in answer to Mr. J. Andrews, "Another Secretary," etc. In the first place let me make it quite clear that I am not a disappointed exhibitor; in fact, much otherwise; and I also am a member of two societies. When a person takes up the pen to write on the half prize-money and withheld prize-money, he is no doubt treading on unsafe and very debatable ground. Like "Another Secretary," I quite agree that a show, to the officials and secretary, is a very anxious time, especially financially, and if we all follow the advice of Mr. Andrews, it will make it ten times worse. This is my first season at open shows, and at the first attempt I was awarded 1st, 2nd, and special for best British in show, in a class of six (therefore half money) and since then I have won 1st, 2nd, and two 3rds in the open, again receiving half-money with one of the 2nds. A schedule where full money is paid on six entries has not yet reached me, and I do not sort out all the small shows, but like to compete where I am likely to meet good stuff. Neither do I follow judges; as this, to my mind, is petty and shows one is afraid of straightforward competition. Now, to the cash side of the question. It's all very well "Another Secretary" (saying) a true fancier puts his award cards before the money, but cards don't buy birds, nor keep the fancier's home going. While agreeing that we all feel proud to win these cards, unless an exhibitor can command a fair amount of cash, he must get a little money with his cards, or he would have to cease exhibiting. I should very much like to see classes of six and seven entries given more than half-money (say two-thirds) which would not mean much from the show officials, seeing that entry fees would total 9s. or 10s. 6d., and prize-money 7s., 3s. 6d., and 1s. 9d., a total of 12s. 3d. I am sure it would encourage a good many working-class fanciers like myself. One of the greatest drawbacks to exhibiting is, no doubt, railway charges, and the awful treatment meted out to our pets whilst in the company's hands. It makes one almost afraid to part with the birds when one gets to the station with them.

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DENBIGH.

Show held Dec. 17, at the Assembly Rooms. Entries were good throughout, with the exception of the Norwich. Yorks. were very numerous, and quality well to the fore. Mules and British were also well up, well-known winners, often reviewed, sharing well in the prize list. Special for best bird went to Mr. W. Nolan's cl. yell. Nor., a very deserving win. Special for most entries and local went to Mr. T. G. Roberts. Special best Goldfinch, Messrs. Evans and Roberts' well-known, in grand condition. Mr. James Williams head the secretarial duties once more in a masterly way, assisted by a good staff of stewards. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, Liverpool, judged, and gave every satisfaction.

The Critique.

YORKS., CL. YELL. (15): 1, sp, T. G. Roberts, good length and style, neat head, breast, and waist, good wing and tail carr.; 2, W. Nolan, smart, shapely, nice head and shoulders, good position and feather; 3, Lloyd, good col and feather, fine length and shape; r, Smith; hc, Maddocks. YORKS. A.O.V. (22): 1, 2, Nolan, 1st cl. buff, nice length and qual., hot col., fine feather, good wing and tail carr., model of a Yorks., well known, 2nd eye and wing tkd. buff, raking length, splendid shape and qual., well up on leg, rich col., grand pose, unflighted; 3, Smith, good style and position, very compact; extra 2, Evans and Jones, grand buff, nice type, tight feather, full of qual; vhc, Rogers; hc, c, Roberts. A.O.V. (15): 1, sp best in show, Nolan, grand yell. Nor. cl., lovely qual., good head and chest, hot co., fine feather, stood well out; 2, 3, r, Smith, good trio, in nice form; c, T. G. Roberts. LIGHT OR VARIEG. MULE (7): 1, no name, Light Goldie, good size and qual., excellent condition; 2, Evans and Roberts, well-known Mule, in good form, pressed hard; vhc, Owen; hc, J. Roberts. DARK (13): 1, 3, 4, Evans and Roberts, Can.-Bullf. leading, good size, col., and qual., fit, 3rd Goldie-Bullie, plenty of size, shapely, rich, bright col.; 2, Griffith, Siskin Mule, grand type and qual., excellent condition, Carnarvon winner. GOLD. (14): Good class: 1, sp, 3, Evans and Roberts, leader a stormer, wonderful blaze and body col., good hare, nicely polished, 3rd well shaped, bold face, very fit; 2, Griffith, charming body col., clean brilliant face, good finish, close up; 4, J. Roberts; hc, T. G. Roberts; c, Davies. GREYPATE (10): 1, Griffith, good size and shape, immense blaze, col., and polish; 2, Evans and Roberts, good blaze and col., nicely tanned, good sheen; 3, T. G. Roberts, good sound, typical Finch, rare head and col., in fine form; res, W. Hicks; vhc, hc, J. Williams; hc, Smith. A.O. BRIT.: 1, J. Williams, good Bullie, grand size, good col., in fine form; 3, D. E. Williams, same stamp, good col. and feather; vhc, Everitt, neat Siskin; c, S. Roberts. Specials were won as follows: Best bird Nolan (Norwich), best Goldfinch Evans and Roberts, best in one mile radius, T. G. Roberts.

JARROW, HEBBURN.

Sixth annual exhibition, held in the Mechanics' Institute, Dec. 31. A very nice hall for a show; plenty of light and free from draughts. Entries came up well, and some good exhibits were staged. Borders led the way, averaging 21 per class. Next to the "wee gems" came the "long slim 'uns," with an average of 17 per class, with right good ones among them. Norwich averaged 16, some very nice specimens being staged, several standing cardless. Cinnamons were a poor turn out, four exhibits in two classes. The Crest class had to be cancelled, while Crest-breds had one entry only. We do not understand why these classes do not fill. Is the Crest Fancy dying out in the North? British came up well. Special winners were: Hyde's special, R. Hutler, with his fine Yorkie; Sandiford medal, Stanger and Herdman, with an over year clear yellow, a blaze of colour. Mr. W. Ayres carried out his secretarial duties with great care and ability, and handled every detail in a most courteous manner, and with businesslike ability. Jarrow has the right man in the right place, and a splendid staff of workers to assist him, these being Messrs. G. O'Hagan, chairman; R. Hutler, treas.; committee, Messrs. Stevenson, Bowen, Richardson, Maughan, Deighton, Metcalfe, Woolerton, Irwin, Tucker and Swales. The judge was Mr. H. W. Battye, Huddersfield.

The Critique.

NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. (9): 1, sp., hc, Stanger and Herdman, cl., good col. and qual., nice and short, wins; 2, Butler, nice size, lovely feather, moves well, fails in head and neck to 1st; 3, Dixon, longer bird, not quite so good in colour; 4, Rowell, variegated yell., good col., in fine bloom; vhc, Pearson; c, Addison. BUFF (14): 1, Snowden, cl., bouncer, full of col. and qual., grand head, neck and chest, fine wing carriage, clean cut away; 2, hc, sp., Robson and March, Gateshead winner, cl., good col. and qual., nice wings and tail; 3, Stanger and Herdman, cl., not quite the substance of leader, good col., gets wings across at times; 4, J. Bennett, var., plenty of size; vhc, Peirson; c, Rowell. HEN, CL., ETC. (19): 1, hc, sp., Stanger and Herdman, tick buff, good qual. of feather, might have more substances; 2, Richardson, tkd. yell., plenty of size, nice qual; 3, —— buff mkd., teeming with col., nice shape and size, must have pressed; 4, Moore, cl. yellow, good sub., well filled in back, nicely cut away, we liked 3rd and 4th for 1st and 2nd; vhc, Richardson; c, Hope. UNFLIG. CL., ETC. (22): 1, hc, sp., J. Bennett, wing mkd. yell., good size, grand col., good head and neck, moves sweetly; 2, Winter, tkd. buff, long enough, trifle horney, not a head we like; 3, Hermeston, cl. buff, a red hot one, nice silky feather, capital body, fails a bit in head; 4, Crass, nice size, good subs., nicely mealed, clean cut away, we liked; vhc, Moore; c, Peirson. NOV. (15): 1, sp., Smith, clear yell., a nice stamp, clean cut away, not one of the largest, but neat; 2, Long, cl. buff, good shape, in grand fettle; 3, Winter, cl. yell., good col., rather long in flight; 4, Lumsden, cl. buff, good subs. and qual., nicely mealed, moves well, we liked for 3rd; vhc, Dunn; hc, Cranston; c, Winter. CINN., YELL. (2): 1, 2, sp., Markwell, leader good col., nice subs., a hot one, 2nd, trifle longer, not same qual. BUFF (2): 1, sp., Dixon, rare subs. and col., well filled in neck, good head, nicely pencilled; 2, Richardson, not quite the size, and lacks a little in col. BORD., CL., ETC., YELL. (24): 1, sp., Smith, cl. yell., nice shape, nicely tapered, fails a little in head; 2, J. Hilbury, cl. yell., good col. and qual., trifle weak in neck, moves well; 3, Stanger and Herdman, capped yell., a nice exhibit, clean and neat; 4, no name, grizzle capped yellow, too rough to our liking for a Border; vhc, Peel; hc, Armstrong; c, Johnson. BUFF (23): 1, sp., Purvis, grizzle, neck buff, good quality, nicely tapered; 2, Irvine, nice size, good col.; 3, Wilson, trifle too stout for liking of some; 4, Johnson, good col., nice shape, the best of heads, nicely put down, might have gone up; vhc, Smith; hc, W. Smith; c, Montgomery. HEN, CL., ETC., YELL. (12): 1, sp., Peel, mkd. yell., we could not follow the judge here, fails a bit in wing and head; 2, S. Wilson, good substance, lacks a little in qual. and finish; 3, T. D. Wilson, nice position, good col., fault in head; 4, Smith, we liked for second; No. 2, Johnson, cardless, grand qual., nicely put down, in fine bloom, many liked for 1st; vhc, Hillary; hc, Beever; c, Browell. BUFF (22): 1, Hillary, cl. bull, good col., nice qual., nicely drawn, well filled in back; 2, Browell, fails a bit in head, stylish and neat; 3, 4, sp, S. Wilson, 3rd, another long one, good col, 4, good col.; vhc, Purvis; hc, Espie; c, Smith. GR. OR CINN. (24): 1, 3, sp., Johnson, yellow green, old warrior, wins, often described, in rare fettle, 3rd, yellow Cinn., Gateshead winner, in fine trim, splendid lacing, shape and qual. of feather; 2, Greenwell, buff green, good col., nicely mkd., good position, very stylish; 4, W. Affleck, yell. green, good one for shape, not too good in colour, may improve; vhc, Ridley; hc, Christer; c, Millington. YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. (18): 1, sp., Dykes, tick yell., rare length, beautiful taper, good position; 2, Pyman, nice length and style, bit open in front, good in wing; 3, Dix, variegated yell., Gateshead winner, long and slim, straight as a guardsman, we liked for second place; 4, Cuthbertson, grizzle, neck very breedy, splendid pos., good wing car.; vhc, hc, Butler; c, Ramsden; No. 14, Gate head second, cardless, a good one all over. CL., ETC., BUFF (13): 1, hc, sp, Dykes, rare length, type and qual., good one all over; 2, c, Pyman, nice length, grand qual., trifle heavy in body; 3, Butler, grand length, type, and position, splendid wings and tail, N.Y.C.C. cup winner; 4, Addison, grand qual., good all over, good wing, nicely drawn, fine position, we liked; vhc, Crawhall. HEN, CL., ETC. (15): Gateshead, 3rd, rare size, good length, looking nice; 2, Crawhall, buff, lovely type and qual., rare position, nicely drawn; 3, Butler, unflig. yell., nice length, grand qual., not too well on legs; 4, Cuthbertson, buff, good qual., nicely mealed, little open in front; vhc, hc, Pyman; c, Whittle. YORKS. NOV., CK. (22): 1, c, sp., Chew, tick. yell., good length, crosses wings a bit; 2, Anderton, buff, nice length, beautiful qual., lacks position; 3, Deighton, cl. yell., grand finish, good qual., rare position, good wing carr., Gateshead winner, might have won here; 4 ,vhc, Bainbridge, grand type and qual., good position, not length of leaders; hc, could not find. HEN (15): 1, sp, J. Smith, thigh tkd. buff, grand type, qual., and position, good in wing, wins; 2, Anderton, tkd. wing, large one, good col., lacks pos. of leader; 3, hc, Deighton, cl. buff, lovely type and qual, splendid pos., grand wing carr., nicely drawn; 4, Chew, rare length, good qual.; vhc, Archbold; hc, Rowell; c, Dixon. A.O.V. (8): 1, Stanger and Herdman, G.C.B., nice dense top, well lashed, good head; 2, 4, sp, Duke, 2, nice shaped crest, good all round, fine top piece; 4, C.B.; 3, c, Reid, Gold Cap Liz., real good one, lovely size, clear cut cap, good in spangle; vhc, Hyslop; hc, Bell. MULE or HYB. (10): 1, 3, sp, Maddison, cl. Goldie Mule, topper, easy win; 3, Linnet-Can., large one, shows parentage, well good col.; 2, Butler, Linnet-Bullie, not one of the largest, but all there, will be heard of again; vhc, Johnson, Kelly; hc, Curry; c, Urwin. LINNET (13): 1, 3, sp, Hunter, leader, nice size, nicely pencilled, a good one; 2, Kay and Cook, fails in size to leader; 3, we liked better than 2nd; 4, no name, good one, might also have displaced 2nd. A.O. BRIT. HARDBILL (18): 1, J. W. Bruce, Corn Bunting, rare size, nicely pencilled, wins easy; 2, hc, sp, McVay, Chaffinch, good one; 3, Butler, Goldie, nice size, good blaze, and nicely tanned, well staged; 4, we could not find; vhc Holden; c, Curry. SOFTBILL (5): 1, 2, sp, M. Wood house, Wryneck Perfection, rare size and markings, looking rather soft when we left; 2, a Dartford Warbler, a wee jem; 3, Addison, Blackbird, in fine bloom, steady; vhc, Jackson; hc, Hooper. MEMBERS, NOR., CL., ETC. YELL.: 1, 4, R. Richardson; 2, vhc, hc, J. Richardson; 3, Addison. BUFF: 1, 3, J. Richardson; 2, 4, R. Richardson; vhc, Tucker; hc, Stephenson; c, Addison. CINN. YELL.: 1, 3, J. Richardson; 2, Maughan. BUFF: 1, J. Richardson. YORKS. CL., ETC., YELL: 1, Addison; 2, hc, c, Hutler; 3, 4, vhc, O'Hagan. BUFF: 1, vhc, hc, c, Hutler; 2, 4, Addison; 3, O'Hagan. BORD. YELL.: 1, Urwin; 2, Brown; 3 ,Maughan; 4, F. Bell; vhc, T. Bell. BUFF: 1, 2, Brown; 3, Urwin; 4, vhc, Maughan; hc, c, T. Bell. MULE or HYB.: 1, Urwin; 2, Traywr; 3, Tucker; 4, hc, Luyn; vhc, Addison. MULE or HYB., 1912: 1, Tucker; 2, 3, F. Bell. F.M. BRIT.: 1, Tucker. GOLD. or BULL.: 1, 2, 3, Tucker; 4, Addison; vhc, Swales. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Stephenson. GREENFINCH: 1, Addison; 2, 4, Swales; 3, Stephenson; vhc, Maughan. A.O. FINCH or BUNTING: 1, Addison; 2, Stephenson. NOVICE, NOR.: 1, 2, Metcalfe YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, Metcalfe.

WOMBWELL B.F.A.

Members' show held Dec. 14, Schoolroom, George Street. There were 77 birds staged by 11 members. Mr. Brotherton, of Rotherham, judged, and gave every satisfaction. The Brodie Cup for most points was won by Mr. Humphries, and special for best bird in show by Mr. Waters with a good unflighted yell. Nor.; also two spls for best Nor. shown and spl for nomination of four birds. Spl for best Yorks went to Mr. Malpass; best A.V. Con. or Mule, also spl for most points in Yorks and British, Mr. Humphries; and two spls for best Brit. to Mr. Eames. There was a keen contest throughout show, especially Nor. section, and the prizes were as follows:—

YORKS CLASS 1: 1, vhc, Malpass; 2, 3, Humphries. CLASS 2: 1, 2, Humphries; 3, Malpass. CLASS 3: 1, 2, Humphries; 3, vhc, Malpass. CLASS 4: 1, 2, Malpass. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 3, Malpass; 2, Scargill. BUFFS: 1, 2, Malpass. NOR. CLASS 7: 1, 3, hc, Hinchcliffe; 2, vhc, Waters. CLASS 8: 1, 2, c, Hinchcliffe; 3, vhc, Waters; hc, Malpass. CLASS 9: 1, 2, Waters; 3, vhc, hc, Hinchcliffe. CLASS 10: 1, hc, Waters; 2, 3, vhc, Hinchcliffe. CLASS 11: 1, 2, Waters; 3, Hinchcliffe. CLASS 12: 1, 2, 3, Waters. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Humphries; 2, Scargill. CLASS 14. 1, 3, Eames; 2, Humphries; vhc, Dean; hc, Scargill. GOLD OR BULLFINCH: 1, 2, c, Humphries; 3, hc, Eames; vhc, Malpass. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Eames; 2, vhc, Dean; 3, Humphries; hc, c, Hinchcliffe. A.O.S. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, Eames; 2, Dean. LARGE SOFTBILL: 1, Dean SMALL: 1, Dean. MULE: 1, Humphries; 2, Eames.—Thos. Eames, sec.

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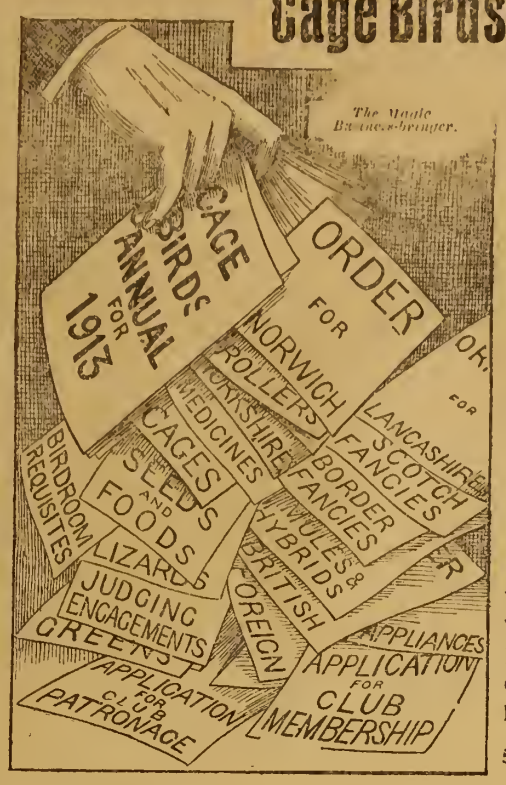
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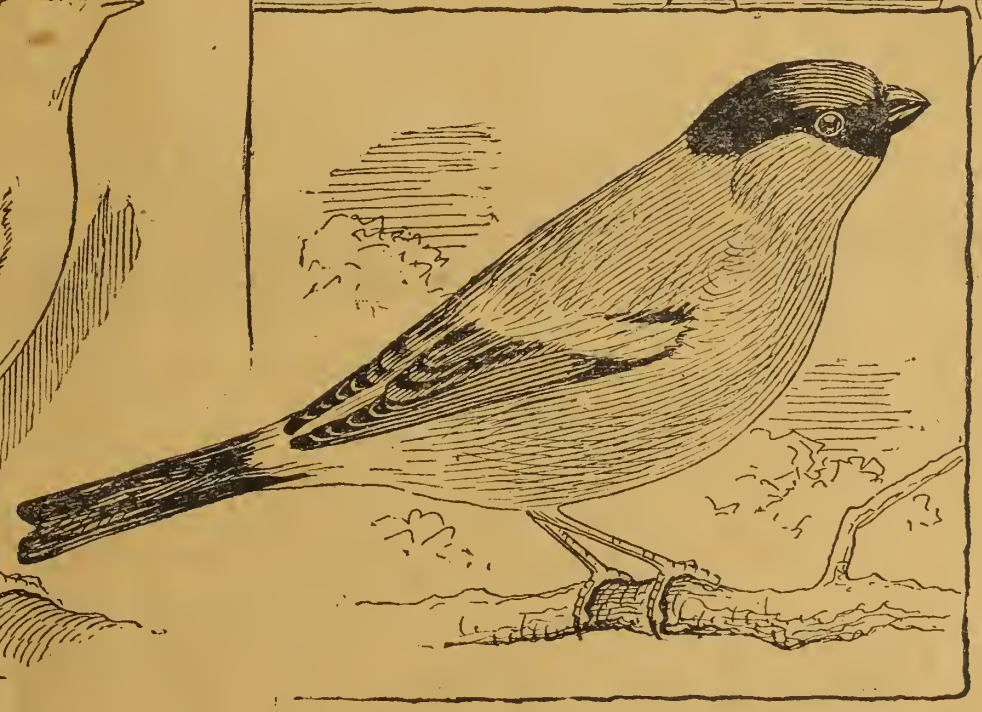
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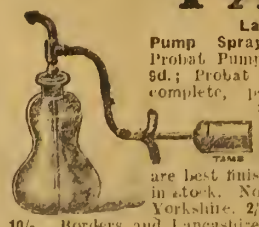
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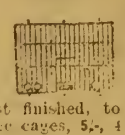
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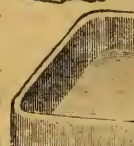
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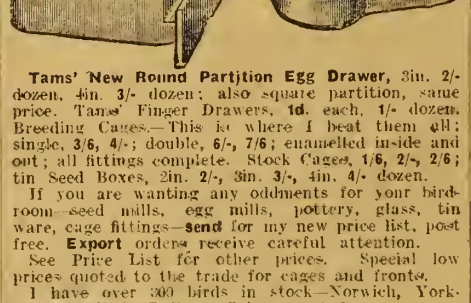
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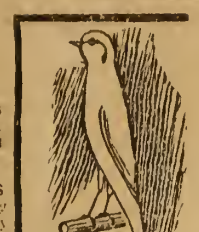
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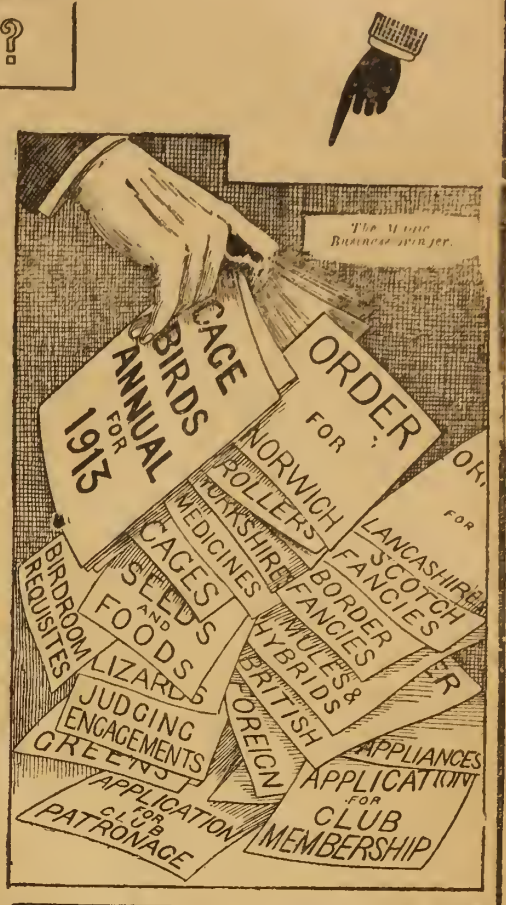
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SEVEN hen Canaries, 1/3 each, or exchange for 3 cock Goldfinches: 43, Chester-bldgs., Lomond-grove, Camberwell. (333)

FOR sale, three Hartz Roller cock Canaries, 15/- lot, or exchange: W. Harrington, Glebe Farm, Wickham Bishops. (340)

ONE buff, one yellow cock Canaries, 7/- each; three hen Canaries, 7/-, or offers: Buck, Beatrice-rd., Richmond, Surrey. (332)

THREE Border hens, 7/6, or exchange for cock Siberian Goldie: Ritchie, 36c, Bute-st., Whifflet, Coatbridge, N.B. (332)

EXCHANGE cock and two hens (Yorkshires), for unflighted Norwich hen; typical; yours first: Anstee, 6, Belmont-rd., Luton. (337)

SALE, two Yorkshire cocks, 5/6 and 6/6, or exchange gramophone records, or Budgerigars: Barwick, 40, The Grove, Ilkley. (330)

TWO pairs Rollers, 25/-; 4-compartment breeding cage, 12/6; exchange records, fowls, Pom.; offers: Love, 2, Park-lane, Tipton. (339)

ONE pair good Norwich Canaries and double breeder; exchange sewing machine: Boyle, 21, Wrotham-rd., Broadstairs, Kent. (233)

SEVERAL good Yorkshires and British for disposal; exchange Yorkshire hens: Whiteside, 55, Woodville-terrace, Liverpool. (336)

GREEN Border cock, two hens, exchange cinnamon Border hens, British or Foreign; anything: Pearce, 231, Cathedral Road, Cardiff. (344)

SIX hens and two cocks, Yorkshires; exchange Norwich pairs or Yorkshire hens; approval; yours first: Stead, Albert-st., Skipton. (337)

TWO H.-M. Goldfinches, two cock Rollers, yellow Yorkshire cock, exchange Lizards or Norwich: Lea, 55, Waterloo Square, Camberwell. (344)

EXCHANGE Yorkshire Canaries for old brass, copper, lead, zinc, block tin, etc: H. Dean, 136, Coates-st., Manchester-rd., Bradford. (319)

THREE matched pairs of real good typical Yorkshires, value £2 10s.; exchange for good gramophone and records; offers; approval: Whiting, Ravensbury, Morden-rd., Mitcham, Surrey. (336)

WILL exchange pedigree-bred Norwich for Siberians or British Goldfinches, Siskins; mutual approval: Metcalfe, 8, Fuller-st., New Cleethorpes. (340)

GOOD unflighted yellow Yorkshire cock, 12/6; exchange good unflighted yellow Norwich hen; approval; offers: Watts, 11, Phillips-lane, Colne, Lancs. (342)

PAIR of Yorkshires, prize strain; bargain, 8/6; also Goldfinch mule, Linnet notes, 5/-; exchange Rollers: Wakefield, 42, Hurdsfield-rd., Macclesfield. (337)

EIGHT unflighted yellow Yorkshire hens; exchange big Norwich, or sell 6/-, 7/- each; approval: W. Brotherton, 118, Doncaster-rd., Rotherham, Yorks. (336)

EXCHANGE high-class Roller cock, B.R.C.C. rung, 1912, for typical unflighted Norwich cock or hens; offers: 11, Hydethorpe-rd., Balham, S.W. (338)

YELLOW Yorkshire cock, winner of 1st and 4th open, sell £1, or exchange for good buff hen: W. Tomkinson, 426, Station-rd., Winsford, Cheshire. (335)

EXCHANGE three buff Scotch Fancy cock Canaries for double-barrel, breech-loading, hammerless gun, 12-bore: Wm. Prentice, Millbank, Yoker, near Glasgow. (339)

EXCHANGE 5 Yorkshire cocks, 1912, 1 pair green and yellow Norwich, 1911, for boots, cycle tyres and tubes; offers: Hardy, 26, Bauforth-st., Gainsboro'. (337)

PAIR of high-class Yorkshire Canaries, yellow cock, variegated hen, 10/6; exchange: Bishop, Berwick St. Leonards, Fonthill Bishop, Salisbury, Wilts. (338)

STOCK pair Yorkshires, buff cock, 1912, yellow hen, 1911, 13/-, or exchange 2 yellow Norwich hens, 1912; approval both ways: D. Betty, Cunard House, Goodwick. (340)

1912 St. Andreasberg Roller, splendid songster, day or gas light, 10/-; buff Norwich cock, 8/-; exchange Norwich hens: Roper, 134, Chester, Seven Kings, Essex. (341)

WILL exchange Norwich or Sibs., either sex, coolroom, approval both ways, for pullets or sable miniature Pomeranian: 45, Edward-ter., Abertridwr, Cardiff. (340)

GRAND yellow Yorkshire cock, bred winners this year, 10/6; Norwich yellow cock, 6/6; bargains; approval, deposit; offers: Hutton, 13, back, Adelphi-st., Leeds. (340)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, 7in. cocks, 12/6, grand hens 5/-, exchange gent.'s or ladies' woollen underclothing; approval: Sutcliffe, 24, Windsor-rd., Hebden Bridge. (340)

WANTED, a Sparrow net for ivy or stacks; give in exchange pair of Yorkshire Canaries, bred from good winners: Silcock, Wellington-rd., Ashton-under-Lyne. (339)

FIVE buff Borders, cocks, 5/- each, 1912; two Crest-bred cocks, £1 each, 1912; or exchange Yorkshires to value, must be good: William Thornton, Witch-rd., Kilmarnock. (329)

FOR sale or Exchange, Crestbred hen, buff ticked hen, also Norwich and Yorkshire cross cocks and hens; good Yorkshire hens wanted: Howle, Market-pl., Howden. (333)

NORWICH, colour-fed, rung, pair or singles, for sale, or exchange for clothing, under-clothing, or anything useful in house: Hendle, 442, Garratt-lane, Earlsfield. (334)

EXCHANGE a pair of Rollers, cock in full song, for large Buff Norwich cock: Whiteley, Silkworth House, Sunderland. (336)

FOR sale, four pairs good Borders and three hens, also four show cages and case; will sell cheap or exchange cycle; approval each way: W. Dodge, Selwood Cottage, Frome. (343)

YORKSHIRES, greens, clears, variegated; cocks, 7/6; hens, 3/6; Lancashire Coppy hen, 5/6; exchange Rollers or h.m. British: Tupman, Bootmaker, Camden-st., Middlesbrough. (343)

YELLOW Green, yellow marked Norwich cocks, 5/- each; two buff hens, 2/- each; exchange yellow-marked hens, cock Goldfinch: Bridgeford, 27, Newcomen-rd., Wellingborough. (336)

WILL exchange 2 pair of Yorkshires for 1 pair of Can., Norwich type; must be good stock birds, or of no use; a few good green marked Yorkshires for sale: Mitchell, 14, Pawson-st., Morley. (340)

NORWICH cocks 7/6, hens 3/6, pairs 10/6 upwards, exchange cabinet photo frames, postcard album, anything for home; rubbish not offered, none wanted: Bingham, Bramley House, Long Sutton. (340)

EXCHANGE yellow Yorkshire hen, good length, Ambler's strain, for large steady Peartree cock Goldfinch, house moulted, with deep blaze, or large Siberian: Palfreeman, 9, Ash-st., Stockton-on-Tees. (337)

EXCHANGE good crestbred cock, crested cock, seven crest and crestbred hens, for two good pairs Yorkshires, good birds wanted; letter, approval; yours first: Carlton, 8, Dickens-rd., East Ham, Essex. (335)

EXCHANGE one large Greenfinch-Canary Mule, one nearly white Goldfinch-Canary Mule, one nice variegated Linnet Mule, sex unknown, for three cock Canaries or six hen Canaries: Charles McCann, 15, North-st., Lurgan. (339)

GIVING up: Yorkshires, Ambler's strain, from 20/- per pair; guaranteed grand exhibition birds, fit to win, on any show bench, or exchange a pair for gramophone and records: Walter South, 30, Melbourne-rd., East Ham, Essex. (337)

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BARGAINS: A golden yellow, even-marked eyes and wings, Yorkshire cock, Lancashire blood, only 12/6; also a grand clear body dark crested Norwich cock, even-marked wings only, 12/6; both 1911 bred, and worth double: Taylor, Northam-rd., Bideford. (337)

LOVELY green Crest-bred cock, 15/-; Crested hen, 15/-; large, heavily feathered, splendid pair Yorkshires, cock vhc, 15/-; Border cocks, grand songsters, 6/-; Canary-reared Linnets, 2/6; others, 1/-; exchange Scotch Fancies, or light Crest or Crest-breds; must be good: A. March, Evesham. (343)

YORKSHIRES: Unflighted clear buff cock, lovely type, feathered like proper show bird, £1, exchange typical green marked buff hen, must have good head, long well-filled neck; two extra-long clear yellow hens, 1911, 7/6 each; two 1912 hens, clear yellow, buff, 5/- each; approval, deposit; stamp reply; can be seen evenings: Paterson, Prescot-st., Darlington. (341)

Mainly Foreign.

ANYTHING exchanged: Pearson, Royal Menageries, Greenwich.

Miscellaneous.

ANYTHING alive bought or supplied: Pearson Royal Menageries, Greenwich.

GAS fire for sale, 10/-, or exchange anything useful: J. Richards, 52, Carlton-st., Burton-on-Trent. (335)

OFFERS in Canaries for 700 John Sinclair's tobacco coupons: William Lister, Roddymoor, Crook, Durham. (332)

SALE or exchange, ¾ violin, 25/-; exchange lurcher, dog preferred: Bartborp, Holbeach, Lincolnshire. (330)

SEVERAL Fox Terriers, bitches, Poms., exchange Canaries, fowls; sell cheap: Tyrer, 6, George-st., Warrington. (328)

EXCHANGE smart fawn Whippet Terrier dog, 6 months, for Canaries, or offers: Boggis, Panfield-lane, Braintree. (334)

ST. Andreasberg hen, champion strain, and hen Goldie Mule, exchange for good raspberry canes: Cowans, Wooler. (341)

LUCAS'S K.O.R. gas lamp, cost 14/6, sell 9/-; Yorkshire cock, 2 hens, 12/-; exchange anything: Hutton, Baker, Holbeach. (336)

EXCHANGE Lurcher bitch, five months old, for two clear hen Canaries, or sell; offers: Biddick, St. Columb, Cornwall. (337)

WHITE Leghorn cockerel, grand stock bird, April, 1912, hatched, accept 5/-, overstocked: P. Edwards, Sunnyside, Frome. (Q)

TWO pairs O.E.G. Bantams, well bred, 5/- pair, or offers in Canaries, Foreign, or puppies: Holt, Ironmonger, Bacup. (344)

PEDIGREE Fox Terriers, 3 months, dog 15/-, bitch 7/6, or exchange boy's bicycle: Garford, 38, Hill-st., Wellingborough. (340)

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EXCHANGE new 10/6 set hollow-ground razors, in case, complete, for pair Canaries: Harris, 45, Radford-rd., Nottingham. (333)

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An Unobstrusive Bird.

In a quiet spot near the writer's garden a Hedgesparrow builds, year after year, behind some logs of timber, where the ivy clambers. The Hedgesparrow is one of the quietest of birds. He slips about the hedges and bushes all round the gardens so quietly that unless you watch you will hardly notice him. Yet he does not seem shy. If you stand still he will approach quite closely.

Club Reports.

SPRINGBURN & POSSIL PK. C.B.C

Monthly meeting held Dec. 18th in Reid Hall, before a good attendance. Mr. H. Sloan occupied the chair. Members received their specials and viewed the medals for the cup winners. Four new members were proposed. Settled to hold next meeting in Reid Hall as usual, Jan. 18, when the annual report would be forward, and office bearers elected for next season.—J. Waugh, Sec.

ANFIELD PLAIN C.B.S.

Meeting held at Mr. Lumley's, Anfield Plain, Dec. 24, Mr. S. Foster in the chair. We decided to pay prize money that night, 6s. 6d. per class, with special prize to every member. We paid 6s. 6d. per class for 37 classes, which I think is good from 6d. per cage entry and a 4s. per year sub. I am instructed to write and thank you for the grand report of our show, which I think will take some beating. Would you please send me some of your calenders and I will distribute them. We wish CAGE BIRDS every success.—R. Peart, sec.

DUBMIRE (Workmen's Club) C.B.A

Meeting held Dec. 28 for election of officers, when we had a good muster present. The society, which is only two years old, is doing well. We made another good member, Mr. J. Atkinson. Officers appointed for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. F. W. Hall; vice-pres., Mr. J. Davison; chairman, Mr. J. Fenton; sec., Mr. B. Robinson; financial sec., Mr. G. Lynn; committee, Messrs. W. Holton, W. Hedley, T. Stokeld, W. Finlay, R. Liddle, J. Atkinson, and J. Henderson. The members wish to thank committee of the Dubmire Workmen's Club through CAGE BIRDS for donation and loan of hall.—B. Robinson, sec.

CLYDEBANK AND DIST. C.B.C.

Usual monthly meeting, held in Higgins Hall, Dec. 26th, Mr. G. McGown presiding in the absence of Mr. Robb. There was a fair attendance. Letter was read from Mr. Jas. Hart resigning the secretaryship, which was accepted. The financial report for the year was then gone over. It was very satisfactory, as with the exception of one small account, it leaves us with a balance on hand of £13. Election of office-bearers was then gone on with, which resulted as follows: President, Mr. Geo. McGown; secretary, Wm. Kane; treas., Mr. D. Chambers; committee same as last year, with the exception of Mr. Robb for Mr. Kane. Resolved unanimously that the yearly subscription be reduced to 3s. 6d., 1s. payable on nomination, remainder on or before First Feather Show.—William Kane, Sec.

BISHOP AUCKLAND C.B.S.

Meeting held Dec. 18, at headquarters, Y.M.C.A. Hall, when a good number of members were present. Several new members were proposed and accepted. A washing exhibition was given by a few members, birds being tubbed by Messrs. Parnaby, Ogden, Messenger, and Elliott, and the lesson was very much appreciated, particularly by the novices. At next meeting, January 22, all arrangements will be made for our pair show, 1913, fanciers wishing to join us should do so at once, as we hope to have a very successful show. Several old members in the district have promised to join the ranks. We are also (time permitting) to have a paper by our worthy chairman, Mr. Button, on inbreeding. Will those who were unable to be present at our last show kindly bring along some good entries.—R. Elliott, Hon. Sec.

LIVERPOOL BIRD BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION.

Successful Smoking Concert.

A grand smoking concert and prize distribution was held in the rooms of the Mitre Hotel, Dale Street, Liverpool, Dec. 11. There was a grand array of season's specials—silver cups, medals, etc., etc. Mr. Isaacs (pres.) occupied the chair, supported by Mr. F. Handley, chairman; Mr. J. Abbot, vice-chair; Mr. T. Jones, treas.; Mr. F. Eccleston, hon. sec., and Mr. J. Lloyd, assist. hon. sec.; and amongst those present we noticed Messrs. Steinart, Wilson, Brotherton, W. Wilcox, A. Wilcox, Jarbock, Black, Magee, C. Rumsby, W. Jones, jun., Marnick, Adkin, Matherson, Crowe, Draper, Malone, W. Jones, sen., Bell, Hurst, Fearnley, Cliff, Nevin, Armstead Carlin, Farrell, Mays, Hill, Handley, jun., Holt, Thafnor, Connor, Sankey, Kinsey, McCullock, Cowan, Knight, Hawkes, Carlyle, Capstick, McMahon, and numerous others, the names of whom we did not get. The president having proposed the toast of "The King," which was responded to in a right royal manner, the song "Poet and Peasant" was rendered in a beautiful manner by Miss Breen to her own accompaniment. Mr. Sid Mills sang "Come and hear the gramophone" in great style. Miss C. Harvey sang "You wish me to forget you" in a most pleasing manner. This item was greatly enjoyed, and deserved the rounds and rounds of applause it received. The next toast, "The Breeders," was proposed by that most popular fancier, Mr. S. Hadwin, who commented upon the numerous cups, etc., the association always managed to get together for competition, emphasising the fact that novices are especially catered for, and that these novice members are the backbone of a society—a fact which must not be overlooked. Mr. Handley (the chairman) replied to the toast in his usual vigorous and happy vein, winding up by saying he wished he were a novice. After a song, "Mamie May," had been given by Mr. Handley, jun., the President, wearing his usual happy smile, presented the prizes, as follows:—Season's specials: 1st, gold medal, J. McMahon, 121 points; 2nd, "Our Canaries," Mr. W. Jones, 117; 3, E.P. cup, Mr. J. Crowe, 96; most points Borders, W. Pullman, W.B.F. silver medal. Special for old show champions: Most points, J. W. Metcalfe, 68; 2nd, C. Robinson, 53; 3rd, W. Jones, 51; 4th, S. McNulty, 50; 5th, F. Handley, 46; 6th, W. R. Knowles, 37. Nov.: Most points, J. Crowe, 50; 2nd, J. McMahon, 36; 3rd, J. Darlington, 35; 4th, W. Whiteside, 23; 5th, J. Knight, 26; 6th, W. Bell, 24. Most points, Brit.: 1, J. Lloyd,; 2, W. Whiteside. An illuminated certificate for best Border, presented by Mr. Henry C. Butler, Harwarden, was won by Mr. J. W. Metcalfe. Best vhc, C. Robinson. Most points gift class, C. Robinson. Novices, J. Crowe. Juvenile Class: 1, Miss Lena Eccleston; 2, Miss T. Malone; 3, Miss Draper; 4, R. Brotherton, jun.; 5, J. Lloyd; 6, W. Pullman. The prizes made a grand array of most useful articles, and should be an incentive to fanciers to join the association and support the officers who had been able to provide such good sport. Presentation of prizes being over, and after a pleasing reminder that our friend Mr. Crowe was an old fashioned novice, the company thoroughly enjoying the joke, the musical portion of the excellent programme was resumed, interspersed with toasts and replies. Mr. R. B. Wright replied to the toast of "The Kindred Societies," and in a few well chosen remarks commented on the beautiful array of prizes provided by the officers of the association for competition amongst the members. He was especially pleased at the way in which the novices are catered for, and hoped the members would endeavour to get all their fancier friends to join the association and help to make the Breeders' a society second to none. The district societies were now putting their houses in order, and at some future date, not far distant, he hoped that all would be working hand in hand for the benefit and well-being of the Fancy in the second city of the kingdom. The many songs having been given to the evident enjoyment of the company, the artistes and visitors were suitably toasted by Mr. Handley, and the singing of "God Save the King" brought to an end one of the most pleasant evenings in the annals of the Liverpool Bird Breeders' Association. —R. B. Wright.

STIRLING AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held in McDonald's Temperance Hotel, Dec. 21. Mr. J. Smith in the chair. The books were audited by J. Smith and G. Fernie, and found correct. Moved by J. Auld and seconded by J. Mitchell that the year's business be finished, all prize money being paid out. Office-bearers for next year to be elected.—W. Clubb, Secretary pro tem.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

At a committee meeting held Dec. 17th, it was announced that the fine silver cups will each carry a gold medal, the cup to be held for one year, and awarded to the exhibitor in each section showing the four highest birds. The special prize list for the annual members' show to be held Jan. 18, has been considerably added to, as follows: 5s. for the most entries in each section, Yorks., Nor., Crests, Foreign, British and Hybrids; 2s. 6d. for most points in each section, and 2s. 6d. for the best vhc bird in each section. Fixed prize money as usual, 4s., 2s., 1s. for a 6d. entry fee, also several other specials. This should draw a record entry.—John A. T. Woodall, Press Correspondent.

KELTY AND BLAIRADAM C.B.A.

Meeting held Dec. 24, Mr. J. Stenhouse (Pres.) in the chair. Principal business was club show, held Jan. 18. Full report of classes and specials will be sent on later. Letter was received from Dunfermline C.B.S. saying they had selected the following gentlemen to judge our Club Show:—Scotch Fancy, R. T. Campbell; Crest, Norwich, and Selling, T. Wildridge; Yorks, Borders, etc., A. Kilpatrick; Mules, Brit., and Fo., J. Grewar. The secretary gave a report of meeting held by West Fife League. Some interesting discussion took place as regards the lack of enthusiasm in the League, also as to whether something could not be done to make closer competition for next year. Nothing definite could be settled until next meeting, when we hope to have a better turn-out of members. Next meeting, Tuesday, Jan. 14, which is an alteration, as so many of our members have been on the afternoon shift when our meetings fell due.—A. Dickson, sec.

LANCASHIRE AND LIZARD F.A.

Meeting held at the Church Inn, Oldham, with only a poor muster of members. The chief item was arrangements for next club show, and the place to have same. Owing to the kindness of the Oldham C.B.S., who generously placed their show room and staging at our disposal, it was unanimously decided to have show at the Textile Dining Room, Shaw Road, Oldham, Jan. 12th. Decided, that a rule be in force for this show, as follows:—That any entry in hen class caught singing, be reported, and on proof of same be thrown out of competition, and any prize won by same be forfeited, and points be deducted. Also decided, That all birds must be in show room on Friday night, January 11th, as Mr. Martin, who is kindly looking after arrivals, will not be able to see to them on the Saturday. The two medals from Toronto C.B.S. will be given for best Lancs. and Lizard respectively. There will be eight Lancs. classes: Yell. coppy cl. or tkd., buff ditto, yell. P.H., buff ditto, and two hen classes for champions, also 2 novice. Champion Lizards will have eight classes, four for cocks and four for hens, also 2 cock and 2 hen classes for novice Lizards. I shall be pleased to hear from any member willing to give a special. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Swalwell, who ably occupied the chair, brought the meeting to a conclusion.—John Rukin, Hon. Sec.

COWDENBEATH C.B.S.

Annual general meeting held in the Arcade Temperance Hotel, Dec. 28. Mr. A. Simpson presided over a good turn-out of members. The secretary submitted the balance sheets for the year. The club show balance sheet showed a good balance, while that for the year's working showed a balance of £12 in bank and £9 5s. 6d. with treasurer. After the balance sheet had been handed round for the inspection of the members, comment was general on the highly satisfactory position of the society. Mr. Jas. Baxter moved approval, Mr. J. MacKiver seconding, which was carried unanimously. Office-bearers for 1913 were then appointed as follows:—All honorary office-bearers re-elected. President, Mr. John C. Murray re-elected; vice-pres., Mr. A. Simpson; treas., Mr. G. Beveridge re-elected; sec., John Holms, Hill Street, Cowdenbeath; assist. sec., Joseph R. Reid. A long discussion took place re the date of our next open show; ultimately it was agreed almost unanimously to alter date to the first Saturday in November. The committee appointed for the club show gave their report, and it was agreed that it be held in the Masonic Hall, Jan. 25. Judge, Mr. Wm. McAdam (Lasswade). Judging to commence at 12 noon. Entry fee, 2d. per bird. A special prize will be given in each class, probably two. The Leith Publishing Co.'s offer for model cards was accepted. Classes are provided as follows:—Scotch Fancy, 2; Borders, 5; Yorks, 4; Norwich, 6; Crest and Crest-bred, 1 each; Common, 1; Gift, 1; Brit, 6; For., 1; with one novice class in each section. It is hoped that the members will take full advantage of the above classes and give Mr. McAdam, who judges, something to do. Agreed that next meeting be held in the Commercial Hotel Jan. 22, when stewards will be appointed and entries taken to lighten the work on the morning of the show.—Joseph R. Reid, assist. sec.

WEST STANLEY C.B.S.

Annual meeting, held Dec. 28th, at head-quarters, Mr. W. H. Butler in the chair. We had a very large turn up of members. Officers for the following year were elected: Pres., Mr. J. Longsdale, Spennymoor; vice-pres., Messrs. A. Dunn, W. Shield, G. Watson, R. W. Wilson, M. H. Lindon, Dr. Johnston, R. Paley, J. Crowther, T. Blackett, M. Pattinson, and T. Rowe; chairman, W. H. Butler; vice., J. Emmerson; treas., R. Peart; auditors, G. Bates and T. Robinson; committee, Messrs. W. Boyd, R. Goodchild, S. Foster, J. Calvert, J. H. Elliott, G. Bates, W. Thompson, R. Coates, and J. Robson; sec., W. Elliott. The Sec. was instructed to again advertise date of annual show in CAGE BIRDS, and also in CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL. Decided to again book the Hibernian Hall for open, and also try for a room for monthly meetings. The following judges were nominated for annual show, Nov. 7th and 8th: J. Dixon, Wigton; T. Dixon, Bedlington; F. Marwood, J. Robson, W. Reid, C. A. House, J. Stanger, Wilson, of Frizington; W. A. Cowgill, Maddison, and A. Heys. The Sec. to write for their terms.—W. Elliott, Sec.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

Catheart," Osnaburgh Street, N.W. Chairman, Mr. R. J. Pretty, a good turn out of members being present to finish the old year. After the usual business was over, a table show of Norwich was held, some splendid specimens being shown. Champion Class: 1, E. Pretty; 2, 3, W. Shakspeare. Novice: 1, Harrison; 2, Cullers; 3, Harrison. Will all members do their utmost to bring along new members for the coming season. Mr. Thomas Harrison has presented the club with two handsome medals to be competed for by novices with Canaries during 1913: a gold centre medal for most points in young bird show and autumn show combined, and a silver centre medal for next highest points not in same variety. If ties occur best bird to be the winner. Mr. E. Pretty then gave some very interesting advice on the Norwich Plainhead. Each member in turn asked a question on same, which was answered with the greatest readiness, and to the satisfaction of all. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. T. Harrison for his kindness and generosity to the club, and to Mr. R. J. Pretty for acting as chairman, which brought a pleasant evening to a close.—G. G. Stubbs, Hon. Sec.

WELSH C.B.C.

Swansea members of above met at the Secretary's address to draft schedule and make arrangements for next club show, to be held at Swansea. Present, Messrs. Bancroft, Heal, Jenkins, Longden, Jeffries, and George. Decided, that date of show be January 25th, at Royal Standard Hotel, this being a splendid room, capable of holding 500 birds. Classification agreed to: Nor. 5 (1 Nov.); Yorks. 5 (1 Nov.); Borders 2; A.O.V. Can., Mules 2; Brit., 8; For. 1; Sell. 2. Fee 1s., prizes on sliding scale, 2d. in the 1s. to be deducted for working expenses. Birds to be staged not later than 10.30 a.m. day of show. Judge, Mr. D. A. S. Longden. Show managers, Messrs. J. E. Jeffries and D. Jenkins. A number of cash specials was promised by those present. May I make a special appeal to all members of the club to rally round the committee and make this show a financial success, by giving us every possible entry that they can make. It is only from the members we can draw the entry, therefore we trust that they will do their duty towards the club. I shall be pleased also to receive as many specials (cash or otherwise) as possible to encourage members to compete. Will donors kindly forward same to me at their very earliest, so that I may be able to get same into the schedule. I trust that the response to this appeal will be one that will be worthy of the club. —S. H. George, Show Sec., 32, Fisher Street, Swansea.

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BRAMLEY AND DISTRICT. O.S.

Final members' show, held Dec. 21st at Carnival Committee Rooms, Bramley. Mr. S. Wilcox, Ecclesh'll, placed the cards, and gave general satisfaction. Entries were small in number, but good. Mr. W. Richmond wins 1st medal, 50 points; Mr. W. Johnson 2nd medal, 44; Mr. B. H. Wilson 1st sp., 33; Mr. W. H. Steel, 2nd, 27; Mr. F. Page, 3rd, 22. Mr. W. Johnson won sp. for best Nor., Mr. W. Richmond best Yorks. Both specials were given by an old Bramley enthusiast.

CL. OR TICK. YELL., CK.: 1, sp, 2, vhc, Richmond; 3, B. H. Wilson; hc, Steel; 2, Page. BUFF: 1, 3, Richmond; 2, vhc, Page; hc, c, Steel. HEN: 1, vhc, Richmond; 2, 3, hc, Steel. SELF, ETC., CK.: 1, 2, Richmond; 3, vhc, Page; hc, Steel. CL. OR TK. YELL., NOR.: 1, sp, vhc, hc, Johnson; 2, B. H. Wilson; 3, Page. BUFF: 1, vhc, Johnson; 2, hc, B. H. Wilson; 3, Page. HEN: 1, 2, 3, c, B. H. Wilson; vhc, Wainwright; hc, Johnson.—W. H. Steel, Sec.

CODNOR PK. & EASTWOOD C.B.S.

First annual supper at the Three Tuns, Eastwood, Dec. 14, in connection with presenting the cup and special prizes to winners at the open show, Nov. 15 and 16. Justice was done to the grand spread our host and hostess had prepared for us. The cup was presented by Mr. J. H. Mitchell to Messrs. Adnitt and Driver, as winners, with 150 points gained at the open show. Mr. Adnitt responded, and his remarks were enthusiastically received. Mr. Holmes was then presented with the medal for runner-up with 102 points; Messrs. Lee and Smith, gent.'s umbrella, for third with 76 points; Messrs. Simpson and Vertigan, fourth, with 27 points; Messrs. Martin and Faux, CAGE BIRDS special (pair of framed plates), for the fastest losers. The rest of the evening was wholly taken up by songs and toasts, which kept the whole company alive, the chairman having to call "Time!" much too soon. A better evening has never been spent. A vote of thanks was given to CAGE BIRDS and its reporter for such a splendid report of our open show. We numbered 43 at the supper and 56 for the presentations, including many ladies, who seemed to be enjoying themselves as well as anyone.—"One present."

YORKS C.C. OF SCOTLAND.

Meeting held in Good Templars' Hall, Glasgow, Dec. 17. President Heggie in the chair. Owing to the bad weather and Partick Club smoker the attendance was very poor. The following applications for membership were accepted, viz.:—Jas. Peterson (Ayr), James Gray (Stirling), A. Junor (Tomatin), and Thomas Clelland (Coaltown of Wemyss). The secretary intimated a donation from Dr. J. C. Syson. The following nominations were made for next year's office-bearers:—President, Messrs. Heggie, Park, Bowman; vice-presidents, Messrs. Anderson, Penman, Park, Martin, Wm. Clelland, and Dr. Syson; secretary, Messrs. Gibb, Bowman, and Park. The leaders in the various competitions are as follows: Rosebowl, Heggie, 74; McRobbie and Anderson, 52 each; McLellan, 48; Cochrane, 41; Girvan, 42. Young bird special: Jeffrey, 34; Martin, 25; McRobbie 24. Total points special: Heggie, 168; McRobbie, 72; Anderson, 65. The 5s. specials have been won as follows:—Lochgelly, Heggie; Glasgow, Dr. Syson; Ayr, McRobbie; Cowdenbeath, Anderson; Glasgow and District, Cochrane. Members might notify secretary if any errors.—R. B. Gibb, hon. sec., 2, Alexandra Terrace, Govan.

(The above report reached us only this week.—Ed.)

NORTHERN BRITISH, MULE AND FOREIGN B.C.

Meeting held Nov. 27; chairman, Mr. C. Petterson, presided over a fair attendance. Decided, not to hold a December meeting, but that we have a meeting in January, as usual, at which will be held a table show, with the following classes: Linnet, F.M.; Greenfinch, ditto; A.O.V. Hardbill, ditto; Softbill; For. seedeater. Proposed and carried that we ask Mr. Geo. Taylor to judge same. In connection with our meeting a table show was held, with a good entry. Owing to the judge appointed not being able to attend it was proposed and carried that the sec., W. Curry, be asked to judge same. LINNET, F.M.: 1, 2, Bertram; 3, vhc, Watson; 4, Scott; hc, Irwin; c, Petterson. GOLDF. ETC., F.M.: 1, Petterson; 2, Irwin; 3, 4, Scott; vhc, McGuire; hc, Voutt; c, Watson. MULE: 1, McGuire; 2, Petterson. FOR.: 1, Petterson; 2, Scott. Vote of thanks to Mr. Curry for judging brought a pleasant meeting to a close. Following are points and entries up to date for specials which are being competed for over a series of table shows: J. Scott, 61 points, 12 entries; C. G. Petterson, 41, 10; J. McGuire, 25, 6; M. Voutt, 24, 9; J. B. Watson, 17, 5; A. C. Young, 13, 2; J. Bertram, 13, 2; T. Almond, 10, 2; J. Harrison, 7, 3. If not correct, please let me know at our next meeting, which will be held Jan. 22. Wishing all members a happy and prosperous New Year.—A. Curry, Sec.

ATTERCLIFFE AND DIST. C.B.S

Meeting held at the Horse and Jockey, Dec. 12th, Mr. Havenhand presiding over a good muster of members. Before the business of the night commenced the president tendered a sincere vote of sympathy to the wife and family of our late treasurer, Mr. H. Justice, in their sad bereavement. The following officials for coming year were elected: Mr. Havenhand, pres.; Messrs. Hibberson, and Hollingsworth, vice-pres.; committee, Messrs. Perry, Walker, Blunt, Richinson, Webster, Thornhill, Welbon, and Grainger; sec., W. Hailstone. Nine new members were also inaugurated, making a good start for coming year. Messrs. Hibberson and Richinson were elected as auditors for past year. Also third table show held, the following being the winners:—YORKS., MEMBERS, CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, Blunt; 2, Webster; 3, 4, Thornhill. BUFF (4): 1, Blunt; 2, 4, Webster; 3, Thornhill. A.O.V. (6): 1, 2, 3, hc, Walker. NOVICE YORKS., CL. OR TKD. BUFF (8): 1, 2, 4, Exton; 3, c, Hammond. A.O.V. (7): 1, 3, 4, Dyell; 2, vhc, Exton. NOR. MEMBERS, CL. OR TKD. YELL. (5): 1, 4, Havenhand; 2, 3 Smith; vhc, Harrison. A.O.V. (5): 1, Harrison; 2, vhc, Havenhand; 3, 4, Smith. LINNET (5): 1, 4, Smith; 2, 3, Bearder. GOLD OR BULLF. (7): 1, 3, Bearder; 2, c, Hailstone. LESSER REDPOLL (6): 1, Harrison; 2, Smith; 3, 4, Hailstone. A.O.V. (5): 1, Bearder; 2, 4, Hailstone; 3, Smith. Messrs. Perry, Richinson, and Welbon judged, their awards giving every satisfaction.—W. Hailstone, Secretary.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

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England.

Jan. 11.—**Yarm, Eaglescliffe.**—(T. W. Wilson, High-st.)
Feb. 7, 8, 10, 11. **Great National (Crystal Palace).**—(J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Av., Brixton, S.W.).
Oct. 10 & 11. **Leeds C.B.S.**—(W. A. Wilson, 75, Bayswater Mt., Roundhay, Leeds.)
Oct. 14.—**Burton-on-Trent.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.). J.R.
Nov. 1 & 3. **Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon St.)
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Nov. 5-6.—**Cheltenham.**—(A. S. Treasure, Idahoe, Oakland Avenue.
Nov. 7 & 8. **Sheffield O.S.**—(T. Bishop, 69, Alexandra Rd., Herley, Sheffield.) W.M., C.H., J.R.

Scotland.

Nov. 8. **Kelty and Blairadam.**—(A. Dickson, 37, Adams Terrace, Kelty.)
Oct. 11. **Lochgelly**—(R. Muir, Andersons Cottages, Station Road.)
Oct. 18. **Broughty Ferry.**—(Jas. Langlands, Victoria Cottage.)
Nov. 1. **Bo'ness.**—(T. Cameron, 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans).

Wales.

Jan. 2.—**Waunarlwydd.**—(J. Walters, Sunny Bank, Westfield Road, Waunarlwydd, nr. Gowerton, S. Wales). J.H.P.

Ireland.

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Nov. 21 & 22.—**Lurgan.**—(S. M'Collum, Drumgor, Lurgan).

Singing Contests.

BURNLEY.

All Lark and Linnet fanciers are invited to join our new society. Next meeting to be held at the Star Inn, Church Street.—A. E. Barwise.—[No date or time given.—Ed.].

LEIGH.

The contest that should have been held on Sat. 21st, and the special meeting that should have taken place on Dec. 22, were postponed owing to the secretary being absent through family affairs. He hopes the members will excuse him, as it is no neglect of duty on his part. Don't forget that the first club contest is on New Year's Day; first pair up at 2. Anyone wishing to join before Jan. 1 can do so by writing to me, or to H. Brown, Globe Inn, Leigh.—R. Holcroft.

LEEDS.

Usual weekly contest for quality Linnet singing, held at the Old Bird House, King's Head, Shannon Street, Dec. 21, when 13 birds sang for 3 good prizes given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson. 1, T. Stead; 2, S. Johnson; 3, T. Johnson. Judges, S. Hardcastle, W. Naylor. Also Dec. 22, when 16 birds sang for three good prizes: 1, H. Wigfield; 2, S. Johnson; 3, A. Hodgson. Judges, A. Butler, W. Naylor, S. Hardcastle.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Usual Linnet singing contest for quality held at the Skinners' Arms, Buslingthorpe Lane, Dec. 21, when the landlord gave three good prizes. Some extraordinarily good singing was heard before a crowded house; 21 of the best birds in Leeds competed. 1, Birch; 2, P. Madden; 3, J. White. Judges, Clayton and Lorriman. Also on Dec. 22; 23 birds sang for 3 good prizes. Some of the best birds obtainable were hung. 1, C. Ward; 2, P. Madden; 3, Birch. Judges, Clayton and A. Granger. Also at night a German Roller contest was held, when 24 birds were hung in heats. Some lovely singing was heard before a house packed to its utmost, the winner a complete stranger to the judges. 1, Roberts; 2, W. Tuke; 3, C. Smith. Judges, Mr. Harry Allen, T. C. Summers and C. Biss.—T. C. Summers, Sec.

Weekly contest for quality singing Linnets was held at Prince Albert Hotel, Newtown, Dec. 22nd. 16 birds sang for three good prizes: 1, 2, A. Binns; 3, J. Clarke. Judges, Messrs. C. Lorriman, and C. A. Turner.—A. Lorriman, Hon. Sec.

Open contest for quality Linnet singing, held at old Bird house, King's Head, Shannon Street, Dec. 25th, when 23 birds sang for four good prizes. 1, Johnson; 2, T. Stead; 3, H. Wigfield; 4, J. Clark. Judges, Hardcastle, Naylor. Also a Roller contest came day, when 19 birds sang for 3 good prizes. 1, Roberts; 2, T. Johnson; 3, S. Johnson. Judges, Lacy, Naylor, Clark. Also on Boxing Day, when 24 birds sang for four good prizes. 1, H. Wigfield; 2, Butler; 3, T. Johnson; 4, Richardson. Judges, Lacy, Naylor, Hardcastle. Also December 28th, when 15 birds sang for 3 good prizes. 1, Richardson; 2, T. Chadwick; 3, shared hy Butler and Clark. Judges, Jennings, Naylor. Also December 29, when 17 birds sang for 3 good prizes. 1, H. Wigfield; 2, J. Clark; 3, shared by S. Johnson and A. Nicholson. Judges, A. Jennings, Lacy, Naylor.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Christmas week at the Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe Lane. Twenty-three of the best Linnets in Leeds sung for three good prizes given by the landlord, when some very good singing was heard. 1st, C. Ward; 2nd and 3rd shared between P. Madden and Ward. At night 18 German Canaries of good song sung for three good prizes, when the house was packed to its utmost. 1st, W. Luke; 2nd. C. W. Smith; 3rd, Dean. Judges, T. C. Summers, J. Green. On Dec. 26 eighteen Linnets sung for three good prizes; 1st, Sellers; 2nd, Clayton; 3rd, White. Judges, Clayton and Green. On Dec. 28 twelve good birds competed for three prizes, when some extraordinarily good singing was heard before a crowded house; 1st and 3rd. Sellers; 2nd, Ward. Judges, P. Madden and Lorriman. On Dec. 29 sixteen good birds competed for three prizes given by the landlord. 1st, C Ward; 2nd, Sellers; 3rd, J. White. Judges, T. C. Summers, J. Green, and J. Smith. Open Canary contest, Jan. 5, for substantial prizes. First pair 7.30 prompt.—T. C. Summers, hon. sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Weekly Linnet contest, held Dec. 21st, at the George and Dragon Hotel, 27 birds entered for three good prizes. 1, E. Smith; 2, W. Nelson; 3, S. Morley. Also Dec. 22, 11 birds entered for three prizes, given by the landlady: the winners were: 1, 3, W. Nelson; 2, E. Smith.—Walter Dobson.

Open sing on Boxing Day held George and Dragon Hotel; 25 of the best birds in the district were entered for three good prizes. Winners:—1, W. Nelson, 82; 2, E. Smith, 45; 3, J. Caddy, 40. On Dec. 28 21 birds sung for three good prizes. The birds did not do such good time. Winners:—W. Nelson, 45, 43, 40. General meeting, Jan. 12.—W. Dobson, hon. sec.

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

Owing to severe pressure on our space, notes by the Secretary are unavoidably held over.

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Last members' show, held Dec. 28th, when 63 birds were staged. Mr. R. Garnett, Shipley, judged, and gave every satisfaction. CHAMP.—CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORK: 1, 4, Clegg; 2, Whitley; 3, Wellock. BUFF: 1, 2, Clegg; 3, 4, Wallbank. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, 3, 4, Clegg. BUFF: 1, 2, 4, Clegg; 3, Wellock. NOV.—CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS; 1, 3, Bennett; 2, Western; 4, Taylor. BUFF: 1, Butterfield; 2, Bennett; 3, Terry; 4, Western. C. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Bennett; 2, McEwen; 4, Western. BUFF: 1, Bennett; 2, 4, Western; 3, Kilburn. UNEVEN MKD. CK.: 1, Butterfield; 2, Beunett; 3, 4, Western. HEN: 1, 3, Western; 2, Butterfield; 4, Terry. E. Clegg was awarded special for best bird in show.—Kilburn and Western.

DARWEN AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Annual members' show of Norwich, Yorkshires, and British, Nov. 9. Entries numbered about 64, and some very nice specimens were on show. Mr. R. J. Sharples won the cup for the best bird in show with a typical clear Yorkshire hen, and Mr. A. Marr gold medal for second in opposite section with a very nice Linnet. The arrangements for show were ably carried out by the sec., Mr. W. T. Singleton, assisted by Mr. H. S. Baxendale and Mr. H. C. Fairhurst. Mr. J. R. Crossley, of Blackpool, judged.

The above announcement reached us only this week. From the catalogue received we note that the principal winners were:—NOR., Tomlinson, Catterall, Jones, Cocker. YORKS., Aspden, Sharples, Trevor. BORD., Baxendale, Tomlinson. MULES, Harwood, Sharples. BRIT., Riley, Trevor, Marr, Singleton. OPEN CLASS, Jepson, Duerden.—Ed. Sec.

CODNOR PK. & EASTWOOD C.B.S.

Members' show held Queen's Head, Ridding, Dec. 21, when a nice collection of exhibits was staged. Yorkshires were the strongest in numbers, some grand specimens being staged. Mr. A. Kees won the points special for Yorks., Messrs. Simpson and Vertigan, Norwich, and Messrs. Lees and Smith British. Mr. Admits judged Canaries, and Mr. Driver British, and their awards were well received. NOR. YELL.: 1, Simpson and Vertigan. BUFF: 1, 2, Simpson and Vertigan. MKD.: 1, Simpson and Vertigan. YELL. UNFL.: 1, 2, Simpson and Vertigan; 3, Smedley. HEN: 1, Simpson and Vertigan. BUFF CK.: 1, Simpson and Vertigan; 2, Martin. HEN: 1, Simpson and Vertigan; 2, Martin. NOVICE: 1, 4, Smedley; 2, 3, Harrison. HEN: 1, 3, 4, Smedley; 2, Harrison. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, Wood. HEN: 1, 3, Kew; 2, Wood. BUFF CK.: 1, Wood; 2, 3, Kew. HEN: 1, Kew; 2, Wood. UNFLIGHT.: 1, Kew; 2, Wood. NOVICE CK.: 1, 2, Dickens; 3, Green. HEN: 1, 2, Dickens; 3, Taylor. MULE: 1, Martin; 2, Kew; 3, Watson. GOLD.: 1, Kew. BULLF.: 1, Lees and Smith; 2, Watson. LINNET: 1, Lees and Smith. GREEN.: 1, Lees and Smith; 2, Watson. TWITE, ETC.: 1, Lees and Smith. REDPOLL: 1, Watson. BRAMBLE OR CHAFF.: 1, Martin; 2, 3, Lees and Smith. A.O.V.: 1, Lees and Smith.—J. H. MITCHELL, Hon. Sec.

CITY OF BRADFORD

O.S. 32nd Ann Open Show (open to the United Kingdom), **Saturday, Jan 11th, 1913,** in Feversham Street Council Schools, Leeds Road [illegible] Central Station). Under Yorkshire Classes; Amateur Yorkshire and [illegible] Classes. Judge, W. Mundell, Bradford.

Entries close Tuesday, January 7th, 1913. Schedules from: **F. Rhodes, Sec., 32, Barlow-st. Bradford.**

HONLEY

(nr. Huddersfield). January 11th. Yorkshire Canaries, £3 3s. Limit.

Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Judge: H. Charlesworth. Entries extended to Tuesday's post, so please enter at once, to: Fred Castle, Thirsten, Honley, Yorks.

MEADOWFIELD

Brandon Colliery (Co. Durham) 1st Open Show, January 11th. Cage Birds. Prizes, 3/-, 2/-, 2/-; 4th, **Briar Pipe.** Entrance, 1/-. Prize money guaranteed **Specials valued 2/6 each class.** Class 1, Nor. P.H. any col.; 2, Brit. Goldf., or Bullf.; 3, Brit. Linnet; 4, A.V. Brit. Softbill, not larger than Thrush; 5, Yorks., any col.; 6, A.V. Foreign. Judge, W. Reid (Sunderland). Enter from this, **close January 8th. T. E. Jones, Sec., Frederick St.** Show manager: Geo. Reed, the well-known fancier.

ROSSENDALE and Dis. C.B.S., Roller Contest, **January 11th, 1913. Entries close January 7th;** under the patronage of the B.R.C.C. Schedules, apply: **H. Wantling, Hon Sec., 32, Co-operation Street, Bacup.** (343)

YARM

Eaglescliffe and Dis. C.B.S., the coming show of the North, **January 11th, 1913,** under patronage of the Y.C.B.B. and M.C. **Judges: C. Houlton and W Cowgill. 36 Classes. Good Specials. Entrance 1/- Prize Money paid day of show to those present:** 12 hours after to others. **Exhibitors, give us a bumper. Entries close Monday, January 6th (Tuesday's post in time).** Schedules: **Wilson and Wilford, Yarm-on-Tees, Yorkshire.**

GUILDFORD

Open Show, **JANUARY 14th, 1913. Entries close January 6th.** Judge, Mr. J. Robson. **20 Open Classes.** Schedules.—**E. Stevens, 7, Manor Road, Guildford.**

CRAVEN ARMS
AND LUDLOW C.B.S.

2nd Annual Open Show, **Wed., Jan. 15.** Judge, A. C. Brotherhood. 18 open classes. 4 Novice. Entry 1/6. **Close Jan. 13th.** Schedule.—**Creasey, Craven Arms, Salop.**

NANTYMOEL (Glam.)

THE ORIGINAL, January 15th, 1913. Open Poultry Show. **14 Classes Cage Birds.** Judge, G. Watkins, Esq. (Treherbert). Schedules ready.—**W. Graves, Sec., 26, Ogwy Street, Nantymoel.**

BRIDLINGTON

and Dist. F. and F.S. 5th Annual Show, **Thursday, JANUARY 16th, 1913.** 8 Classes Cage Birds. **Entries close January 13th.** For schedules apply **J. R. Sturdy, 6, Portland Place, Bridlington.** (326)

SUNDERLAND

23rd Annual Show, in **Miners' Hall, January 17th and 18th.** 40 open classes. **Cash Specials every Class and Section, and Diplomas.**

ENTRIES CLOSE JAN. 13th.

Fee, 1/6. Schedules ready: **J. Jeffrey, 3, Glenthorne Road, Sunderland.** (328)

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THE OLD FIRM.

BRADFORD WEST

C.B.A. are holding their **Annual Show,** open to the United Kingdom, on **January 18th, 1913,** under Y.U. of C.B.S. rules, and patronage of the Y.C.C. cup and Novice Competitions, and the N.G.M.Y.C.C., at the **Old Rooms, Whetley Lane Council Schools** (two minutes' walk from Thornton, Allerton, Four Lane Ends, and Duckworth Lane cars). Judge: J. Bailey, Esq. 12 Champion Classes; **10 Novice Classes and 3 Selling Classes. Prize money guaranteed, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-.** Entrance Fee, **1/6.** each cage.

ENTRIES CLOSE TUESDAY, JAN. 14.

Stewards will meet all trains at each station.—**Kilburn and Western, Secs., 5, West View, Munby st., Fairweather Green, Bradford.** (333)

LARKHALL

Pltry, Pgn., Rabbit, Cat, and **Cage Bird Show,** will be held in the **Public Halls, Larkhall, on Saturday, January 18th, 1913.** Send for schedule to: **J. W. Clelland, Central Barr, Larkhall, N.B.**

LINGFIELD

(Surrey) and District 18th Annual Show **(open to the Counties of Surrey, Sussex, Kent, and Hampshire)** of Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, Cats, Cavies, and **Cage Birds,** will take place on **Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 22nd and 23rd, 1913. 3 Challenge Cups and numerous other specials.** 112 classes.

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, JAN. 13th.

To: **J. Stone, Lingfield.**

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Twitterings.

R. A. Newley is "the" man for show cages. Order early. Address: 24, Stockwell Green, London, S.W.—(Advt.).

All prize money was paid in five days, writes Mr. W. Ayers, the secretary of Jarrow, Hebburn show.

We are asked to notify the following change of address: Mr. H. Birbeck from Lidgett Green to 14, Birklea St., W. Bowling, Bradford.

Members of the Sheffield O.S., writes Mr. Woodall, should note the magnificent specials the committee are offering for competition at the members' show, Jan. 18.

Kindly advise my change of address from 18, Carlton Rd. to 77, Overton Rd., Hillsboro, Sheffield, writes Mr. J. A. T. Woodall, vice-chairman of Sheffield O.S. Secretaries please note.

Mr. H. Mason, sec. Grimsby and Cleethorpes R.C.C., writes that the winning numbers in Gift Class at the recent show are 1886, 1042, 1141, 2318, 722, 2177, 2408, 236, 720, 284, 1162.

I have posted 1,400 schedules to known exhibitors, writes Mr. J. Jeffrey, sec. Sunderland C.B.A., 3, Glenthorne Rd., Sunderland, and will be glad to supply one to anyone applying.

The Coventry Godiva C.B.S. open show for 1913 is fixed to take place on Oct. 25, writes Mr. H. Saunders, hon. sec. We have decided to alter it, owing to clashing with several other societies.

Will members please note that prize-money will be paid at next meeting, January 9th; also there will be a table show (see Club Notices for classification) writes Mr. J. W. Reed, Sec., Newcastle C.B.S.

We are informed that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Anyone who may have been overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries: Jarrow, Manchester Amalgamated, Auchterarder.

Very many thanks for the beautiful drawing on the front page of my Hawfinch, writes Mr. G. Oliver, of East Ham. I am pleased to say he was 1st and special at East Ham, 1st and special and British bird cup at Leyton; also 1st and special at Ilford. I wish Cage Birds success in the New Year.

[Mr. Oliver's address was in the inscription given as "Eastbourne" by mistake.—Editor.]

The Meadowfield and Dist. Social Club members are holding on Jan. 11, a show, open to members and affiliated members, of the Club Union. Six classes are provided: Nor., Yorks., 4 Brit., and For. Prizes are 8s., 4s., 2s.; fee 1s. Mr. W. Reid, Sunderland, judges. Entries close Jan. 8, to T. E. Jones, Frederick St., Meadowfield, Brandon Colliery.

We understand Mr. R. Lambie, Whitburn, that the correction published in our issue on Dec. 21st in regard to the B.F.C.C. novice medal and other specials, did not properly represent the case. Mr. R. Fisher, Bonnyrigg, won the novice B.F.C.C. medal, Mr. Wm. Lambie the novice special confined to Whitburn, and Mr. Robt. Lambie the special for most points in the Norwich and Border sections.

At a meeting held in the Coffee House Hall, writes Mr. T. Cameron, sec. Bo'ness and Dis. F.A., 7, Ash Terrace, Grangepans, Bo'ness, the following officials were appointed: Mr. T. Bell, Pres.; Mr. T. Scotland, Vice-Pres.; Mr. R. Stevens, Treas.; Mr. C. Lidder, Ass. Sec.; Mr. T. Cameron, Sec. I am very pleased to state that instead of a deficit we have a balance this year. We are considering having a two days' show next year.

Many thanks for the drawing of my yellow Crest-bred in Cage Birds, writes Mrs. Litchfield (Streatham). This is his first show season, and he has given a good account of himself, being 2nd at Plymouth, 2nd at Cheltenham, 2nd at Nottingham, 2nd at Wimbledon, and 1st at the L.C.B.A., the only times shown. He is my own breeding, the son of my winning yellow Crested hen, who, I am sorry to say, I have had the misfortune to lose. I wish Cage Birds every success in the New Year.

Bromley and West Kent fanciers, writes Mr. A. T. Bellinger, are holding their next open show Oct. 15 and 16; judge, Mr. J. Robson. Will secretaries please note the date, to save clashing

Crystal Palace Cage Bird show, Feb. 7 to 11. The best place to buy or sell any kind of cage-bird. Special classes provided for the sale of surplus stock. Stalls to let, 3 guineas each. Advertisements received for insertion in catalogue at 30s. per page. Breeders' cards inserted 2s. 6d. each.—J. W. Ramsden, show manager, 11, Josephine Avenue, Brixton.—(Advt.)

Owing to the serious and dangerous illness of my three little girls, writes Mr. R. B. Wright, Sec. Anfield, Everton and Dis. C.B.S., I am unable to give the attention to the business of our open show I should like to, and ask the indulgence of fanciers for a few days. Our show was a great success. All points, specials, etc., will appear in next week's issue.

We have engaged Mr. W. McAdam (Lasswade) to judge our club show on Jan. 25, writes Mr. J. R. Reid, asst. sec. Cowdenbeath C.B.S., and I have also to announce that Mr. John Holms, Hill Street, Cowdenbeath, has been appointed secretary of this society, and all communications should be sent to him. We have altered our open show date to Nov. 1st.

OBITUARY.

Mr. J. Caithness.

I feel deeply grieved, writes Mr. J. R. Reid, asst. sec. Cowdenbeath C.B.S., to announce to you and our brother fanciers the passing away of Mr. James Caithness, one of our members, who died on Sunday, Dec. 29, after an illness of only a few hours. Mr. Caithness was one of the promoters of this society, and acted as a steward at our recent open show. He always showed a keen interest in the welfare of the society, and was ever ready to help any of the younger members in their hobby. His fancy lay in the rearing of British Softbills, and not a few of these earned winning brackets for him on the show bench. I would like to convey to Mr. Caithness, sen., and family, the sincere sympathy of the members of the Cowdenbeath C.B.S. in their sad bereavement.

Hard Luck.

We hear from our representative that the Leek show down to be held on Dec. 28, had to be abandoned.

A Watch Worth Having.

I received Cage Birds Watch last Saturday evening, and I am pleased to say it is keeping splendid time. It is a marvel at the price. I don't wonder at you being sold out.—W. Odell (Edmonton).

Scottish National Record Entry.

We were pleased to receive on Monday a telegram from Mr. Winter, the popular President of the Scottish Nat., that the entries had closed with a record, 2,025 all told.

A £10 Norwich Plainhead.

The Buff Norwich cock your reporter gave such a grand account of at Frome show, I sold this week for £10, writes Mr. C. E. Silk (Emsworth). I don't know if this is a record for a Buff Norwich; it is by far the best with me.

Who Holds It?

At the Manchester, Salford, and District Amalgamated Societies' show, the lucky number of Bird and Cage was 828, writes J. Spencer. Prize-money was paid out on day of show; the remainder sent off on Monday evening. Anyone not having received theirs should send me word, as some may have got lost in the post through the rush at Xmas time.

L. and P.O.S. Annual Dinner.

This enjoyable function is due on Thursday, Jan. 9, at the Holborn Restaurant (Queen's Saloon). The time fixed is 7 p.m. sharp It seems that in my previous announcements, writes Mr. C. W. Law, hon. sec., I omitted the time. for which I apologise. A very fine musical programme has been arranged by Mr. Fred Gibson, and Miss Nance Haines, who proved such a success last year, will be among the artistes contributing.

An Esteemed Fancier's Progress.

Readers of our Journal will be glad to hear that Mr. Joseph F. Hills, who for so many long years was one of our most esteemed judges of British birds, is keeping in fairly good health, and manages to find some consolation for his failing eyesight. In a note just received, Mr. Hills writes:—"I am fairly well myself, can eat and sleep well, and take long walks, but my sight is nearly gone. I cannot see a line of this, and Mrs. Hills has to show me when to begin, and when to leave off. She reads the papers to me, so I keep up in bird news, which is a great comfort." Mr. Hills will have the best wishes of all fanciers for the New Year.

Leeds to Go Ahead.

Leeds next open show is, we hear, to be of a very enterprising character. The present officials are the best, and by far the most enthusiastic band the society has possessed for a good number of years. Progression is their motto, and their intentions are to place Leeds amongst the foremost shows of the country.

Bird Missing from Tonypandy Show.

Should any exhibitor have received the wrong birds from the above show, writes Mr. A. H. C. Legg, 7, Primrose Terrace, Llwyncelyn, Porth, Glam., I shall be glad to hear of the same. The missing bird belongs to one of our members, Mr. L. Hughes, 23, Marion St., Williamstown, Rhondda Valley. It is a clear buff Norwich hen, 2nd members' class.

A Scotchman in Canada.

Mr. John Fairley, of Toronto, well known when in Coatbridge as a highly-successful fancier of Belgians and Scotch Fancies, writes: "After some trouble and loss of birds through rats, I was compelled to remove to new quarters, and have been fortunate in getting a house where my bird-room has a Southern exposure. However, the removal upset by breeding season, but withal results were not so bad:—2 Belgians, 2 Crests, and 3 Plainheads, and all good birds. Now Sunday is a great day for visitors; seldom do we get a Sunday to ourselves; but we are always glad to see friends. Should this meet the eye of any of my birdie friends who purpose coming to Toronto, a visit from them will be welcome. We had a bird show here on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 13 and 14, and I entered 12 birds, winning 6 firsts, 2 seconds, and 3 good specials (a club show). Another show takes place on the 27th of Dec., of which I am a member; also there are three cups, one each for Belgians, Scotch Fancies, and Nor. Plainheads. I intend to give a good account of myself, when it comes off. There is a great demand for common singing birds here. I am sorry I cleared out all my feeders before leaving the old country, as you have to pay high prices for them here; German hens 1½ dollars (what we get in Scotland for 1s. 6d. and 3s.); cocks 4 to 5 dollars. What makes them dear is the big demand for them. I get my Cage Birds very regularly. I notice the Belgian classes, which I had so much pleasure in breeding for, are on the downward grade. Am doing all I can for them here. The report of the City of Glasgow show for Belgian classes was very discouraging. I have great hopes of starting a Belgian and Scotch Fancy Club here in Toronto for next year. We have a lot of Norwich and Yorkshire breeders here. For this coming show, there are two classes for Belgians and 8 classes for Scotch fancies. Fanciers in New York and Buffalo give a cup for them. Wishing all my friends a happy and prosperous New Year.—John Fairley (29, Shirley St., Toronto, Ont.).

The Christmas "Cuckoo" Once Again!

A correspondent to "The Daily Mail" writes that he and at least two others heard a Cuckoo near Pentwynmaur, Monmouthshire, on Christmas Day, and he asks if the bird has ever been heard elsewhere at this period of the year?

Readers of Cage Birds will know, of course, that the reputed ultra early "Cuckoo" is with us every year from about Christmas until the real Cuckoo arrives in early April. Occasionally a real Cuckoo will reach us in late March, but the Christmas "Cuckoo" we hear about every year, and those of its kind which are reported throughout January and February have clothes instead of feathers to cover their bodies.

WHERE ADVERTISING PAYS.

I have had 20 replies to advert in your paper last Friday re exchange Roller for Goldfinch, from all over the country. After I had exchanged my Roller I replied back to about 15 of them, till I got weary and stalled. (They are still coming!)—W. Spencer.

Allow me to thank the many correspondents who answered my advert in your last issue, writes Mr. Riley (Stacksteads). I had 27 replies,, which speaks well of the popularity of CAGE BIRDS.

So many applications have I had for cages and birds, writes Mr. C. H. Hill (Wivelscombe) that I advertised in your paper, that it was impossible for me to answer all. Please thank all who replied to the advertisement. Wishing you and your staff and CAGE BIRDS a prosperous 1913.

THE BUSINESS MACHINE OF THE CAGE BIRD FANCY.

How to Get the Most Out of Your Hobby.

There are two kinds of bird-keepers—one, the "happy-go-lucky" sort, who cares little so long as his birds sing a bit, and, maybe, breed a few young, and is content with a few nondescript cages and appliances. The other, the serious fancier, recognises that profit as well as pleasure is derivable from his hobby, and, further, that if the maximum of each is to be obtained, good cages and appliances, careful dieting, medicine for emergency, and co-operation with other earnest fanciers are as essential as are good birds.

A Record Show Season.

When it terminates with "the Palace" in February, the present show season will have beaten record—a matter full of import. No imagination is necessary to realise the powerful stimulus to our splendid hobby, which this show season will prove. Hundreds of societies, holding shows, have diligently sown the seed of advertisement, which has yielded a vast crop of entries, and these have resulted in the garnering by fortunate exhibitors of a bounteous harvest of prize money and "specials." It has been a rich harvest, and truly the hobby is booming.

A Sure Thing.

Fired with ambition at the sight of so many honours won, the hitherto happy-go-lucky bird-keepers will join the already great army of serious fanciers, who, in turn, will redouble their energies in the race for fame.

One serious fancier from the point of view of possible business, is worth twenty of the other sort, and those who cater for the needs of fanciers will readily agree that if, during 1913, they can secure an introduction to the serious ones, they will have done well.

A Question Answered.

How is it to be done? The answer is easy. He who takes up anything seriously, at the very outset feels the need for guidance. Time was when bird-keepers had to adopt, as their teacher, severe experience, and all honour be to those "old-timers" who, despite drawbacks and disappointments, have attained fame in the hobby. But in these strenuous times the old adage, "Try, try," etc., is shorn of its glamour, and every earnest bird-keeper wishes to "get there" by the shortest route. What is more, he knows it is now possible to do so. No matter how skilful he may be in his hobby, he is not above picking up a tip, and so the year 1913 will find every serious fancier adopting as his guide something which will help him at any stage in his pursuit of premier honours. That guide, the only one that will smooth out all "kinks," will be

"Cage Birds Annual" for 1913.

Whatever opinion he may have held before, Cage Birds Annual for 1913 will convince the serious fancier of the vital importance of good birds, good cages, and appliances, medicines, and sound seeds and foods. But that is not all. By means of the only detailed review of this great show season, it will conjure up in his mind dreams of future success—result: he will buy keenly and readily.

Purse-strings Loosened.

Than Cage Birds Annual for 1913, there will be no more certain loosener of fanciers' purse strings, to the great benefit of those who, on the spot, through the "Annual," show them their ability to meet all demands.

An Irrefutable Argument.

Show season 1912-1913 must inevitably prove highly beneficial to those who cater for the needs of fanciers, but the plums will go to those who are represented in Cage Birds Annual for 1913, which, at once the cheapest and most influential medium, may justly be termed "The Business Machine of the Fancy."

The Seal of Sound Dealings.

One thing must not be overlooked. The readers of the "Annual" will not merely buy readily, they will want the best. Thus, all who advertise in the "Annual" will have the stamp of reliability placed on their dealings.

There is business for all to be got through it. Big sales of cages and appliances, of seeds and foods, of medicines, and of all varieties of Canaries, Mules, and Hybrids, British and Foreign Birds will result.

And, because the readers will be of just that enthusiastic class, whose membership is desirable, Club and Societies should not miss the opportunity of supplementing their free particulars by a bold announcement setting forth the advantages they can afford.

Again, because it will be found indispensable by every society secretary, judges of cage birds will find a small outlay on a "card's" money well spent.

Everybody in the Fancy wishing to make 1913 his best year should not fail to book space. Rates will be found given on another page, and advertisements close January 18th

The Manager, "Cage Birds Annual," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C., will be glad to answer any enquiries.

MAGNIFICENT SHOW AT PAISLEY

Great display in almost all classes. Total entry well over last year. Big crowds appreciate the New Year fare.

Paisley kept up its reputation as one of the leading shows of Scotland at the 39th annual exhibition (open to the United Kingdom), of poultry, etc., and cage birds. It was held in the new Drill Hall, on 1st and 2nd Jan. President, John Taylor, Esq.; vice-president, Wilson-McNair, Esq.; general secretary and treas., Mr. R. Arrol; cage bird secretary, Mr. W. Lambie with a large and efficient committee of well-known fanciers, comprising Messrs. A. Carse, A. Robertson, J. Stevenson, J. McIntyre, W. Paton, James Paton, J. Ritchie, John Paton, J. Paterson, J. Sinclair, T. Potts, and J. Gemmell. The hall is nicely situated, being convenient to the railway stations and cars, with abundance of size and light; there is not a more comfortable hall in the kingdom. Secretary Lambie, with his veteran helpers, had every available inch of space nicely arranged with the exhibits, and the hall was kept at a suitable even temperature. The exhibits, in fact, were well looked after in every respect. There was a large turn out of visitors and exhibitors, and on the second day of the show the hall will no doubt be crowded. In the cage bird section the entries are far ahead of last year's total, being quite 200 up. British were well ahead in point of numbers, and were an excellent lot. Scotch Fancy and Norwich, too, were splendid classes. The Borders were disappointing, being the only section that was down a shade. In the Scotch Fancy section Mr. J. Fulton, Paisley, won the Love cup for best young bird bred and owned by a member; Mr. Fulton had the runner up for this cup also, being the best of opposite sex. The Border Fancy Club medal was won by Mr. A. Walker, of Lesmahagow. The Thomas Love cup was won last year outright by Mr. Fulton, of Paisley. Mr. Love has since died, but his widow has very generously provided a new cup, and expressed her desire to continue her support, which the association appreciated very much. This year's show is a decided success, and the fact of the Glasgow and Dis. Association having altered their date from last year may have helped Paisley a shade on this occasion. Scotch Fancy judges: Messrs. J. D. Maxwell (Launceston), J. Watson (Glasgow), J. Hunter (Irvine), J. A. Stewart (Cathcart), J. Hannay (Dumfries), and A. M. Baird (Paisley); Norwich and Cinns.: Mr. A. Chalmers (Kirkintilloch); Yorkshires, Mr. C. Martin (Glasgow); Borders, Mr. R. Lambie (Whitburn); Hyb., Brit., and For., Mr. M. Craig (Tollcross). The judges' tasks were rather difficult, and they were not finished till nearly three o'clock in the afternoon. Their awards seemed to give general satisfaction. (In one or two sections our reporter is only able to give the awards; the detailed criticism will be published next week.—Editor).

The Norwich Canaries.

Crest Classes all cancelled. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Roberts, spotless condition, short, cobby, and neat throughout, wins well; 2, Colley, beauty for type and qual., not quite so massive, but all there; 3, Munro, grizzle top, not quite so cobby, trifle longer behind; 4, Liles, well up for size, not quite so hot in col. or clean-cut behind; 5, Paling, plenty of size, nice top; 6, Watson; 7, Sinclair; 8, Laurie. HEN (7): 1, Scott, capital wing and neck mkd., very neat, sweet carr., cobby made, in nice order; 2, Calderwood, not quite so massive, but short and cobby, nicely got up, scarcely so sweet in carr.; 3, Moir, not quite so hot in col. or cobby built, neat front, just behind in wing carr.; 4, Roberts, very sweet exhibit, hot even col., good qual., neat shape and carr., could have gone up; 5, Jeffrey, sweet shape, nice qual.; 6, Calderwood; 7, no name. BUFF CK. (8): 1, Bennie, nice size, good qual. feather, fine front and style, could be better in wing carr.; 2, Martin, well up on leader, better top end, nice even qual. throughout, must have pressed hard; 3, Stewart, head tkd., lovely order, nice qual. of feather, not quite so hot in col., but neat, good carr., worth its position; 4, Naismith, real nice one all over, neatly shaped and perfect carr., as good as anything in class; 5, Sloan, nicely shaped; 6, Devoy; 7, Stevenson; 8, Paterson. HEN (11): 1, Paling, nice size and shape, fine qual. and style, shapely and good all over; 2, Stewart, grizzle cap, massive, rare qual., might be just a trifle better in wing carr., very neat otherwise; 3, Naismith, beauty for type and qual., neat and shapely, not just so massive as leader; 4, Holliday, put down in good form, not quite so thick-set; 5, Barron, nicely got-up specimen; 6, Roberts; 7, Proctor; 8, Devoy; No. 4, capital variegated, pity wrong classed here. VARIEG. OR GR. CK. (11): 1, Martin, variegated buff, not a monster, but short, cobby, and neat throughout, fine front and top end, rare head, in lovely order, frequent winner; 2, Jeffrey, yell., lovely hot col., sweetly built and shapely, in lovely bloom; 3, Campbell, lovely yell., grand condition, neat and shapely, fine style and carr., rare front, cobby body; 4, Calderwood, yell., nice feather, not quite so hot in col. or cobby in shape, but good; 5, Bell, large massive buff, in fine trim; 6, Ramsay; 7, McGubbin; 8, Smith. HEN (7): 1, Dickson, buff, lovely shape, real broad deep front, capital qual. of feather; 2, Hutchison, lightly mkd. buff, fine size and sub.; 3, Parker, saddle mkd., yell., in nice order, nice qual., neat and shapely; 4, Jeffrey, nice grizzle capped buff, in lovely order; 5, Jeffrey and Stevenson, neat shape and fine qual. of feather, staged in lovely bloom, credit to owners; 6, Blackley; 7, Ramsay. NON-FED. CK. (13): 1, 3, Martin, leader a fine large mkd. yell., rare even col, good qual. of feather, neat shape, cobby, well got up, fine carr. and condition, just trifle loose in feather; 3rd good cl. buff, in topping condition, fine size and good qual., neat, good front and top end, fine carr.; 2, Naismith, fine cl. buff, grand condition, fine size and good qual., neat, good front and top end, fine carr.; 4, Parker, variegated yell., in nice feather, longer behind, and not quite so good in wing carr.: 5, Paling, clear yell., in fine trim, neat top end, fine head and neck; 6, 7, Grainger; 8, Laidlaw. HEN (8): 1, Roberts, sweet variegated buff, nice qual. of feather and well made, could do with a little more size; 2, Calderwood, cl. yell., in lovely order, nice even col. and capital qual. of feather, short, cobby, and good throughout, must have pressed hard; 3, 8, Martin, shapely little var. buff, fine build, short, cobby, looking a trifle soft; 4, Stewart, nice check-marked buff, in fine condition, hard up on leaders; 5, Smith, clear buff, nice size, neat shape, soiled in plumage, or might have done better; 6, Blackley; 7, Storrie. NOV. CK. (15): 1, Moir, tick buff, fine shape and qual., neat filled front and neck, fine head, just inclined to droop tail and to be loose behind; 2, Campbell, neat yell., in grand condition, shapely, wants more sub.; 3, 7, Gilmour, leading with a very fine variegated buff, fine feather, neat and shapely, well up on 2nd; 4, Hannah, variegated yell., in capital condition, neat, cobby, and short behind, fine curr., feathers amiss in tail or might have been higher; 5, Paterson, large variegated buff, nice qual.; 6, Houston; 8, Wylie. HEN (11): 1, French, cl. yell., fine shape, nice feather good wings, inclined to droop tail; 2, Moir, variegated buff, in fine feather and good condition, short, cobby and neat, seemed to have sore foot; 3, Fulton, small neck mkd. yell., lovely hot even col., good qual. feather, neat and shapely, only wants bit more size; 4, Proudfoot, good massive cl. buff, fine condition, neat front; 5, Hannah, fine stylish cl. yell., we liked, in capital feather; 6, Stewart; 7, Mason; 8, Hope. UNFLIG. CK. YEL. (15): 1, Sloan, lovely variegated, capital size, nice type, fine feather, neat carr., in topping order; 2, Bell, fine shaped variegated, not quite so massive, but nice and shapely throughout; 3, Colley, nice size, good qual. of feather, nice carr., too long for our taste; 4, Maxwell, grizzle fronted, fine even col., nice qual.; 5, Hutchison, nice cl. yell., fine col. and shape; 6, Naismith; 7, Maxwell; 8, Scott. BUFF (19): 1, Campbell, nice tick, fine size and sub., good shape and qual., neat filled, inclined to cross at times; 2, Morris, well up in every respect and must have pressed hard for top; 3, Paling, grizzle neck, nice qual., short, cobby body, neat carr., presses hard on those in front; 4, Sloan, nice size and sub., fine qual., neat and thick made; 5, Colley, neat and shapely tkd., good qual., only behind in sub.; 6, Barron; 7, Cairns; 8, Maxwell. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN (10): 1, sp, members' cup, Potts, massive cl., in capital order, neat, well filled, short and cobby body, nice carr., wins, in fine style; 2, 7, Martin, variegated, fine shape and neat make, not the sub. or in such perfect feather as leader; 3, Paling, nice cl., fine feather, good shape and qual., neat top end, wins position well; 4, Sloan, fine shape, lovely even col., grand qual., just behind in wing carr.; 5, Cairns, clear, fine col. and qual.; 6, Maxwell; 8, Proctor. BUFF (11): 1, Hirst, nice qual., variegated, grand condition, nice type and good feather, well up in size and sub.; 2, Devoy, nice wing mark, well up in size and sub., fine type and qual., hard up on leader; 3, Sinclair, short, typical, rare feather, fine carr. and style; 4, Campbell, grizzle tail, in lovely order, short, sweet, type, very neat and cobby, best of carr.; 5, Colley, nice cl. yell., in rare order, fine sub. and qual.; 6, Cairns; 7, Hope; 8, Barron. SELL. (20): 1, sp, no name; 2, Donaghy; 3, Steel; 4, Smith; 5, Naismith. Many cheap birds in this class. CINN. (8): 1, 2, 4, Proctor, leader lovely jonque, in rare order, wins easily, fine bloom, 2nd fine buff, good qual., neat carr. and shape, well up, 4th nice qual. buff; 3, 6, 7, Hamilton, leader nice yell., fine qual. and shape, not just so massive as those in front, but good; 5, 8, Hope, leader nice shapely buff.

The Scotch Fancy and Belgians.

SCOTCH YELL. CK. (7): 1, spl, Gray; 2, Ferguson; 3, Stewart; 4, spl, Montgomery; 5, spl, Carlaw; 6, Rodden; 7, Main. BUFF CK. (12): 1, spl, Montgomery; 2, W. Gray; 3, Caldwell; 4, spl, 8, spl, Maxwell; 5, spl, Smith; 6, Burnside. YELL. PIED CK. (15): 1, Muir; 2, spl, Trimble; 3, Edgar; 4, Dewar; 5, spl, McIlwain; 6, McQueen; 7, Stirling; 8, Gray; 9, Caldwell. BUFF (13): 1, Maxwell; 2, Muir; 3, spl, Millar; 4, spl, Renfrew; 5, Hunter; 6, Burnside; 7, spl, Fulton (winner Love cup); 8, Sharp; 9, spl, Smith. FOUL CK. (8): 1, Muir; 2, Main; 3, spl, Moore; 4, Caldwell; 5, Ferguson; 6, spl, Millar; 7, spl, Thomson; 8, Cobb. GREEN CK. (6): 1, McClure; 2, Archibald; 3, Montgomery; 4, McMillan; 5, Hill; 6, Meikle. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Montgomery; 2, McClure; 3, Stewart; 4, Main; 5, McDougall; 6, Muir; 7, McLauchlan; 8, Archibald; 9, Gow; 10, Sharp. BUFF (14): 1, M'Clure; 2, 6, Ferguson; 3, Strathearn; 4, 8, Millar; 5, McIlwain; 7, Hunter; 9, Moore; 10, Kennedy. YELL. PIED HEN (10): 1, spl, Fulton; 2, Hainey; 3, Gray; 4, Caldwell; 5, Carlaw; 6, Kennedy; 7, Burnside; 8, Moore. BUFF (9): 1, M'Clure; 2, Gray; 3, Millar; 4, Carlaw; 5, Thomson; 6, spl, Smith; 7, Moore; 8, Dewar; 9, spl, Stirling. FOUL HEN (14): 1, M'Clure; 2, Livingstone; 3, Strathearn; 4, Dewar; 5, Carlaw; 6, Leiper; 7, Kennedy; 8, spl, Moore. GREEN HEN (8): 1, McMillan; 2, Burnside; 3, Caldwell; 4, no name; 5, spl, Slater; 6, Millar; 7, Frew; 8, Fulton. PAIRS (16): 1, McClure; 2, Stewart; 3, Muir; 4, Struthers; 5, Allison; 6, Gray; 7, Smith; 8, Malcolm; 9, McIlwain. BELGIAN (8): 1, Main; 2, Gillies; 3, 6, Traill; 7, McIlwain; 4, Malcolm. SCOTCH, SELL., 21s., CK. (21): 1, Hainey; 2, Baillie; 3, Wilson; 4, Powell; 5, Inglis; 6, sp, Neill; 7, Bowman. HEN (10): 1, sp, Hainey; 2, Burnside; 3, Wilson; 4, 10, Little; 5, 9, Neil; 6, Edgar; 7, Bowman; 8, Sharp. SELL., CK., 10s. 6d. (16): 1, sp, 8, Hannay; 2, Hainey; 3, McClure; 4, sp, Neil; 5, Smith; 6, Slater; 7, Fleming; 9, Inglis; 10, Edgar. HEN (15): 1, no name; 2, Hainey; 3, 9, Siddens; 4, Hannay; 5, Bowman; 6, Carrick; 7, Reid; 8, Rodden.

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The Yorkshires and Borders.

YORKS., CK., YELL. (11): 1, sp, 2, Johnson; 3, sp, McLelland; 4, 5, Ogden Bros.; 6, Priest; 7, sp, Heggie; 8, Junor; 9, Reilly. BUFF (10): 1, Heggie; 2, 4, Ogden Bros.; 3, McLelland; 5, Rose; 3, sp, Liles; 8, Priest; 7, Park. UNFLIG. (9): 1, sp, Robbie; 2, McLelland; 3, Ogden Bros.; 4, Wood; 5, Cobb; 6, Paterson; 7, sp, Park; 8, Stewart. SELL., YORKS., 15s.: 1, Heggie; 2, 7, McLelland; 3, Robbie; 4, Rose; 5, Barr; 6, Wood; 8, Paterson; 9, Hirst. BORDER CK., YELL., CL., OR TKD. (11): 1, Bennet; 2, Arnott; 3, Hutchison; 4, Gilchrist; 5, Moessie; 6, Laidlaw, jun.; 7, Broadfoot; 8, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 9, sp, Millar. BUFF (12): 1, Munro; 2, sp, 7, Mossie; 3, Arnott; 4, Bennet; 5, Bruce; 6, Walker; 7, Moessie; 9, Paterson; 8, sp, Cunningham. HEN, YELL., CL. OR TKD. (8): 1, Arnott; 2, Bennet; 3, Gilchrist; 4, Shields; 5, Laidlaw; 6, Jones; 7, Cairnie; 8, Jeffrey and Stevenson. BUFF (11): 1, sp, Walker (Border medal winner); 2, Gilchrist; 3, Bennet; 4, Arnott; 5, sp, Potts; 6, Hutchison; 7, Wilson; 8, Briggs, jun.; 9, Millar. A.O.V. YELL. (4): 1, Wilson; 2, Fraser; 3, Jones; 4, Cunningham. BUFF (8): 1, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 2, Arnott; 3, Steel; 4, sp, Cunningham; 5, Bennet; 6, Donaghy; 7, sp, Fraser; 8, Hutchison. GREEN (5): 1, Munro; 2, Gilchrist; 3, Bennie; 4, sp, McIntyre; 5, Cunningham. CINN. (10): 1, sp, Brown; 2, Arnott; 3, 6, Middleton; 4, 7, Glass; 5, 9, Laufic; 8, McIntyre. SELL., BOR., 10s. 6d. (8): 1, Hutchison; 2, Bennet; 3, Wilson; 4, Gilchrist; 5, Fraser; 6, Jeffrey and Stevenson; 7, sp, Maxwell; 8, Bruce.

The Mules, Hybrids, and Foreign.

LIGHT MULE, ETC. (3): 1, McQuiston, lightly marked Greenie, in lovely feather, shows the cross well; 2, Heron, capital Goldie-Bullie, A1 feather, in magnificent order, fine col., perfect staging; 3, Mills, lovely Redpoll-Bullie, in fine trim, nice feather, steady, good exhibit. DARK (8): 1, McQuiston, capital Jonque Goldie, in rare bloom, splendid size, good deep rich col., fine blaze and wings, wins; 2, Parker, clinking Linnet, in lovely bloom, rare size and fine qual., well up on leader for 1st place; 3, Morrison, jonque Greenie, in capital bloom, fine size, A1 condition, nicely placed; 4, Donaghy, jonque Goldie, grand feather and condition, only behind in size, nice depth of col.; 5, Steel, jonque Greenf., in A1 order, but lacks subs; 6, Heron and McNair; 7, Ross; 8, Buchanan. BRIT. GOLDIE (27): 1, Anderson, topper, real British, pure and distinct in markings, rich expansive blaze, fine buttons, deep rich wings, in capital order; 2, McGregor, well up in size and cond., fine square rich blaze, fails only in purity of col.; 3, Graham, nice one for col. and markings, but not quite the size of leaders; 4, Hope, nice Finch, well up in size and col., some doubted its nationality; 5, McQuiston, good col. and plumage; 6, Guthrie and Son; 7, Buchanan; 8, McRobbie. GOLDFINCH, FOREIGN (15): 1, Adams, lovely exhibit, fine size and col., neat, good in markings, deep coloured blaze, finely buttoned wings, staged in capital order; 2, Guthrie and Son, real nice one, fine size, very steady, good clean cut, tight feathered exhibit, runs hard for top honours; 3, Graham, clinking Finch, broad, deep expensive blaze, fine col. and markings, not looking too well when we saw it; 4, Taylor, grand col., tight in feather, steady as a rock, not quite so expansive in blaze; 5, Mills, very nice one for qual. and cond., fine markings, not quite so pure in colour; 6, Blair; 7, Buchanan; 8, Livingstone. BRIT. BULLF. (8): 1, McCloy, lovely exhibit, in clinking good order, rich breast, fine deep order; 2, Hannah, capital, faultless condition, fails expansive cap, fine col., nice wing bars, in lovely only in depth of col., otherwise perfect; 3, Selkirk, very nice one, in grand order, lacks size of winners; 4, Wallace, nice size, good feather, rather too smoky in col., otherwise good; 5, McGregor, in rare cond.; 6, Mills; 7, Williams; 8, Miller and Eadie. GREENF. (13): 1, Rennie, jonque, not a monster, but for col. and cond. hard to shift in this company, in spotless bloom; 2, 3, Parker, leader again a beauty, in superb cond., not quite the depth of col. of leader; 3rd, nat. col., monster for size, with a good moult will have to be reckoned with; 4, McCloy, tight feathered, in capital order, fails in steadiness; 5, Miller and Eadie, beauty for feather and cond., only needs size; 6, Pirrie; 7, O'May; 8, Williams. LINNET (16): 1, McQuiston, real good, rich nutty-brown col., finely pencilled, good whites, rare polish, like wax, steady as a rock; 2, Livingstone, nice, steady, neatly pencilled, shade dark in ground col.; 3, Graham, nice qual., fine col. and neat pencilling, looking trifle soft when we made our notes; 4, Parker, fine nutty col., in rare trim, only behind in size, otherwise well up; 5, Jeffrey, good one for size and steadiness, but not quite so perfect in feather; 6, Hutchison; 7, Campbell; 8, Trotter. SISKIN (8): 1, McQuiston, lovely jonque, all there, fine size and col., rich and clean cut markings, fine cap and bib, hard to find fault with; 2, McBride, nat. col., in rare fettle, fine cap and neat markings, put down in A1 order; 3, O'May, nice exhibit for col. and markings, lacks the finish of leaders; 4, McGillivray Bros., little beauty, in capital order, fine cap and nice markings, in lovely bloom; 5, Parker, pure col., good markings, not steady; 6, 7, Pearce; 8, Hutchison. LINNET, F.M. (15): 1, McQuiston, rare size, capital col., fine nutty-brown body, good whites, lovely cond., faultlessly staged; 2, McGregor, nice exhibit, well up for size and cond., not quite so neatly pencilled or so steady; 3, Jeffrey, capital feather, nutty, nice pencilling, runs close for 2nd position; 4, McMillan, nice exhibit for col., size and markings, but very unsteady; 5, no name, steady, in fair order, could have been staged to better advantage; 6, Dunlop; 7, we missed; 8, Campbell. TWITE, ETC. (8): 1, O'May, capital Mealy, rare size, fine col. and markings, one of the best we have come across for some time; 2, Graham, fine Twite, in rare order, nice ground col. and markings, in lovely order; 3, McQuiston, very nice Mealy, grand col. and markings, but behind in subs.; 4, Buchanan, Twite, nice condition, good col.; 5, Boslem, Mealy, staged in lovely fashion, and deserves its position; 6, Forester; 7, McMillan; 8, Campbell. MULING BRIT. HEN (21): 1, McQuiston, lovely Bullfinch, fine size, superb cond., tight feather, lovely cap and wing bars; 2, Anderson, fine steady Bramble, in clinking feather, nicely spangled; 3, Halliday, in fine trim, nice size and cond., not far behind leader; 4, McCloy, Greenie, fine cond., steady and well staged; 5, Forrester, Greenie, must have pressed hard; 6, Boswell; 7, Pirrie; 8, Houston. LESSER REDPOLL (9): 1, McGillivray Bros., all there for quality, fine size and col., neat and steady, well put down; 2, Anderson, in capital feather, steady and good in markings, secures position nicely; 3, Lyall, good one, hard on the run for higher honours here; 4, Fraser, nice condition and col., good bib and pencilling, very little behind; 5, Raine, steady and in nice feather; 6, O'May; 7, Thomson; 8, McMillian. SMALL BRIT. (11): 1, Taylor, lovely Dartford Warbler, in nice condition and staged in this owner's well-known style; 2, Miller and Eadie, magnificent Bearded Tit, in splendid order, deserved its place, good one; 3, Morrison, very nice Bramble, in fine feather, grand col. and spangling, steady, in top form; 4, 6, Pirrie, Nuthatch, in lovely order, perfect feather, real taking exhibit, might have gone up a peg; 5, Clark, fair-sized Chaffinch, good feather, nice col. and markings; 7, Fraser; 8, no name. LARGE (3): 1, Morrison, lovely Magpie, staged in faultless condition, well known winner often described; 2, McGavin, fine Hawfinch, steady, nice feather, fine colour, well put down; 3, Clark, Song Thrush, in good plumage, steady and nicely marked. FOREIGN (6): 1, Morrison, lovely Crimson-wing Parrot, A1 order, frequent winner; 2, Proudfoot, fine King Parrot, not just looking so perfect in feather as we have seen it on previous occasions; 3, Bruce, lovely little exhibit in perfect feather; 4, Sanderson, pair Budgies, in lovely condition; 5, Ross, splendid Gouldian Finch might have scored another point here; 6, Pirrie.

WINGATE (Durham).

First annual show held January 1st, in the Literary Institute—a splendid place for the purpose. Our visit to this show revived memories of the glories of the old flower show days, when Wingate was second to none in the county of Durham in the excellence of its exhibitions. In those days the cage bird section was quite one of the features of the shows, and attracted a large number of fanciers every year, and the writer remembers winning his first open first here, just on a decade ago. However, a few years ago, through circumstances over which they had no control, the committee were compelled to leave out the cage bird section, and from then until the present time there has not been a cage bird show in the town, therefore we feel impelled to welcome most heartily the resuscitation of the cage bird Fancy in the district, and we wish the organisers of the show under notice every success. The classification on the present occasion was not an extensive one, only twelve classes being provided, and the entry was only moderate, just close on 80 birds being staged. However, what was lacking in quantity was amply made up in quality, and several grand birds were put down. Our section was staged in a separate hall, with plenty of room, and very comfortable, and made a very nice display. The genial and obliging secretary, Mr. J. Burdett, had every thing in grand order, and apparently has nothing to learn in the matter of conducting a large and successful show. His arrangements for the care of our section were splendid, and a grand body of workers, led by Messrs. W. Burdett, J. English, and W. Stogdale, all keen fanciers, and doing their very best for the good of the show, were in charge of the cage birds. Norwich were the pick of the show, and some well-known winners were staged her. Yorkshires were very poor in numbers, but the British came up fairly well, and were really good in quality. The day was not a very promising one, yet the show was well attended, and we have every hope that it will prove a financial success. Mr. J. Stanger (Pelton Fell) judged.

The Critique.

NORWICH, YELL. (6): 1, Wilson, cl., grand subs., lovely shape, grand head, chest, and back, nice wing and tail carr., well known winner; 2, Peirson, cl., scarcely so full in head and neck as leader, fine shape and subs., hot col., nice wing carr.; 3, Seely Bros., lightly variegated, not so stoutly built, good head and neck, rich col. and qual., nice carr.; vhc, Turnbull and Calvert; hc, c, W. Burdett. BUFF (5): 1, Wilson, cl., grand size and shape, lovely col. and qual., rare head, good back and chest, clean cut, nice wings and tail; 2, Briggs, variegated, grand subs., bit longer body than leader, massive head and neck, rich col. and qual., no one could have grumbled had it won; 3, hc, W. Burdett, tkd. front of face, lovely shape, deep full fronted bird, nice head and neck, good wing and tail carriage, loses to leader in size and condition; vhc, Peirson. HEN (9): 1, Wilson, cl. yell., medium size, lovely shape, grand back and chest, rare head, lovely quality, well carried wing and tail; 2, W. Burdett, lightly mkd. buff, nice size, correct shape, good head and neck, well filled in back, lovely wing and tail carriage, loses to leader in quality; 3, hc, Papple, plenty of size, scarcely the same grand shape as leader, good chest, nice head, bit open in feather; vhc, Seely Bros. UNFLIG. (8): 1, Briggs, dark tail buff, grand shape, nice size, neat head and neck, lovely chest and back, grand col. and quality, neat wing and tail; 2, Wilson, cl. yell., nice size and shape, sweet head and neck, lovely col., nice quality, well balanced wings and tail; 3, Papple, wing mkd. buff, fine size, but longer than leaders, lovely quality, sweet head, nice carr.; vhc, hc, W. Burdett. YORKS. CK. (6): 1, 2, Ramsden, two beauties, buff leading, fine length, grand position, neat head, neat narrow shoulders, well drawn, grandly braced wings and tail; 2nd, yell., not so well rounded as leader, nice col. and quality, neat head, nice length, well drawn, shade open on breast; 3, Nattrass, yell., grand length, nice position, neat shoulders, grand quality, shade weak in neck, and scarcely so well braced in wing carr.; vhc, hc, Hall. HEN (2): 1, 3, withheld; 2, Chesworth and Mason, buff, nice length, extra position, neat narrow shoulders, nice head and neck, good wing and tail carr.; vhc, Hall, very nice yell., nice length and position. UNFLIG (1): 1, 2, withheld; 3, Chesworth and Mason, variegated, yell., good one for length and position, neat head, good back, grandly braced wings and tail. A.O.V. CAN. (4): 1, 3, Fenwick, cl. Crest leading, nice size, lovely crest, nice shape and radiation, good drop and centre, lovely quality; 3rd, variegated, green C.B., nice size, good skull, bit narrow in front perhaps, but a good turnover; 2, Selly Bros., yell. cinn., medium size, lovely col. and qual., neat head, lovely notish, fails a bit in wing carriage; vhc, Barnes. LINNET (6): 1, Davidson, medium size, grandly pencilled, clear and distinct all over, grand condition and polish; 2, Woodhead and Son, not the rich polish of leader, yet a good one for pencilling, nicely marked back and breast; 3, vhc, Kaye and Cook, nice size and shape, scarcely so good in col. as leader, nice pencilling, clear and well defined; hc, Stones. A.O.V BRIT. (12): A good class; 1, 2, Davidson, lovely Waxwing leading, nice size, lovely col., shown in grand condition; 2nd, Goldie, nice big one, lovely cut blaze, rich and pure in col., grand body col., lovely tanning, good wings and buttons, nice condition; 3, vhc, Parnaby, Redwing, beautifully spotted nice shape and size, lovely col. and condition, a treat; hc, Woodhead and Son. SELL., 10s. (6): 1, Seely Bros.; 2, Fenwick; 3, Barnes; vhc, Burdett; hc, Wilson. NOVICE MEMBERS (11): 1, Hall, very nice Goldie, capital clean cut blaze, nice col., good cheeks, nice tans and buttons, good condition; 2, Stones, Linnet, medium size and shape, neat marking, good back, nice col. and condition; 3, vhc, hc, c, English and Stogdale, yell. green Nor., neat head, grand col. and qual.

Despite the very large amount of space devoted to show reports this week, we have been compelled to hold over accounts of three or four members' fixtures until our next issue.—Editor.

EDINBURGH SCOTCH FANCY & BELG. SHOW

Edinburgh S.F. and B. society held a grand show, Jan. 1 and 2. A collection of gems of the "King of the Fancy" was drawn together. All the classes were keenly contested, and the cup winners were real outstanding specimens. We never saw such a level lot of exhibits on the show bench, many classes being hard to separate. Belgians were good, although on the whole we thought they were a shade on the small side. The hall is an ideal one for a show, and the birds were well arranged and looked after. The secretarial duties were in the able hands of Mr. Lile, who carried out his work in a masterly fashion. The committee is composed of Scotland's premier breeders, and all the details were well attended to. Office-bearers: Hon. Pres., Mr. J. Kerr; Hon. Vice-Pres., Mr. J. M'Lennan. Committee, Messrs. G. Hope, R. Menzies, J. Hendry, W. Carson, J. Stewart, P. McNiven, J. Robertson, M. Petrie, J. Sinclair, P. Farrell. The judges were: Messrs. Wright, Carlaw, Leslie, and Hamilton, and their awards were well received.

The Critique.

COCKS, CL. YELL. (10): 1, Dalgleish, good one, hard up on top end, fine length and grand reach and drive, extra good in subs., splendid order, wins; 2, Thornton, a shade inclined to show big, but grand top end, lovely snaky head and nice qual., good depth throughout; 3, Park, shade smaller, very stylish, sweet shape and grand qual. of feather, very taking, well placed; 4, Simpson, again all there for type, fine free action, nice length of side; 5, Dalgleish, good shape and grand style, lovely qual.; vhc, Howden; hc, Menzies; c, Tait. YELL. PIEB. (10): 1, Campbell, grand top end, rare reach and splendid depth, good side, A1 drive, sweet qual. all round, nice one; 2, Thornton, close up, good top end and fine qual. of feather, inclined to be straighter on leg, just lacks the style of winner; 3, Stavert, very nice one, well up in size and good top end, looking a shade soft when taking notes; 4, Bell, sweet shape, grand style, beaten in size only; 5, Rodger, full of action, fails a little in size, good qual.; vhc, Wilson; hc, Thornton; c, Craig. YELL. TICK (5): 1, Thornton, cl. win, a hot one, grand size and rare top end, splendid reach, tip-top length, fine drive, a beauty for style, extra good all round; 2, 3, Hope, 2nd good one, cleaner got up, but not so heavy across, nice top end and sweet head, fine style, well spaced; 3rd, shade slimmer, but very stylish, good top end, A1 qual., nice reach, free in action; 4, Aitken, shade thinner on neck, but good shoulders and stylish, free in action; 5, Hendry, good all-round bird, beaten here in subs., a grand class for qual., well handled. YELL. GR. (9): 1, 2, Maxwell; 1st, good stamp, nice top end, A1 qual. of feather, sweet shape, good action, well put down; 2nd, not so massive, but all there for style, grand top end and reach, very clean cut below; 3, Rodger, another good one, fine size, clean got up, beaten on top end by the others; 4, Reid, stylish and free, grand reach and length of side, fails a shade in subs.; 5, Smith, good all round, again beaten in size; vhc, Strathern; hc, Kerr; c, Munro. CL. Buff (14): 1, Thornton, hot one, grand size, prominent top end, splendidly filled-in back, nice length of side, good depth throughout, a lovely bird, well put down, wins; 2, McLennan, good one, well cleaned out, very neat and stylish, rare reach, free in style, grand qual.; 3, Strathern, same build, very stylish, just beaten in subs. by winner; 4, W. Wilson, sweet qual., good length, nice free action, beaten in size; 5, J. Wilson, good style, all there for shape and finish, just fails in eye, rare top end, sweet snaky head; vhc, Dalgleish; hc, Kerr; c, Munro. BUFF PIEBALD (9): 1, Maxwell, nice size, very stylish, good top end, free in action, well cleaned out, in first rate order; 2, Munro, good stamp, lovely qual. of feather, fails a shade in reach, but good length of side, nice drive; 3, Rodger, all there, sweet qual. of feather, nice top end, good side and drive, well placed; 4, Muirhead, hot one, not so massive as winners, but all there for action; 5, Hope, good size and subs., shade plainer looking, nice qual.; vhc, Stavert; hc, Farrell; c, Nairn. BUFF TKD. (8): 1, cup, Brown, good one, grand top end, massive shoulder, very free in action, nervy and well drawn, lovely length of side, sweet snaky head, nicely packed on back, grand size, very clean got up, a hot one and no mistake; 2, Thornton, grand drive, very fine action, nice top end, all over a good Scotch, only to-day it met its equal; 3, Campbell, shade smaller, but extra good in style, well moulded; 4, McLennan, again close up, all there for style and finish, just beaten in size; 5, Buchan, good one for quality, and very stylish; vhc, Brown; hc, Farrell; c, Tait. BUFF GR. (8): 1, Sinclair, sweet one, stylish and well made, good reach and fine length of side, taking exhibit; 2, Maxwell, good one, close up, fine top end and reach, A1 quality, very stylish, well placed; 3, Penycuik another good one, sweet size and shape, all there for style, scarcely so well drawn below as winner; 4, Malcolm, good stamp, nice size, A1 qual. throughout, fails a little in depth across; 5, Strathern, free action and good reach; vhc, Binning; hc, Begbie; c, no name. HENS, CL. YELL. (11): 1, Brown, good one, grand size, lovely shape, tip-top shoulders, rare snaky head, fine length, very stylish; 2, Park, close up, sweet action, nice length, good qual., a shade narrower across; 3, Carson, fails a little in size, but good qual. and extra well up on leg; 4, Thornton, taking exhibit, lovely style and grand length, beaten across; 5, no name, stylish and in fine order; vhc, Menzies; hc, Carmyllie; c, Muirhead. YELL. PIEBALD (12): 1, cup, Munro, good one, grand shoulders, rare snaky head, fine depth across, sweet length of side, good action, tip-top order, nicely cleaned out, sweet exhibit; 2, Dalgleish, nice shape, good top end, grand reach, not so massive as winner, still a good one; 3, Rodger, stylish bird, good quality throughout, neat head, good top end, fails a little in size; 4, Bell, well moulded, good head and smart style, extra well put down; 5, Brown, nice bird, tip-top style; vhc, Howden; hc, Menzies; c, Ross. YELL. TKD. (5): 1, no name, a gem, grand top piece, lovely head and grand reach, extra good, a real nice exhibit; 2, no name, sweet bird, grand top end, ideal carr., nice reach, A1 qual., just beaten in size; 3, no name, good one for style, but fails a shade in size, extra good qual.; 4, Carmyllie, plenty of go, sweet exhibit, rare drive, again beaten in size; 5, Binning, nice size, and good qual., takes fine position. YELL. GR. (3): 1, Maxwell, good one all round, sweet shape, nice head, grand top end and side, A1 quality throughout, wins; 2, Strathern, close up, good shouldered one, fails a shade in depth, A1 quality and finish; 3, Fairnington, good one, sweet style, extra good in head, beaten in size. CL. BUFF (10): 1, sp., Munro, real good one, grand size, splendid top end, sweet position, wins; 2, Dalgleish, close up, good top end, grand drive, sweet length of side, A1 quality; 3, McLennan, good stamp, rare subs. across, fails in top end, but well worth its place; 4, Keill, good stamp, extra good in shoulder and length of side, grand bloom; 5, Thornton, nice one, fine top end and reach, fails a shade in subs.; vhc, c, Rodger; hc, Willison. BUFF PIED (13): 1, Brown, wins, extra good in top end, A1 reach, nice size and quality, good one; 2, Dalgleish, close up, fails a shade in top end, but all there for size, grand front, and a beauty for style, worth its place; 3, Allan, a nice shaped one, good top end, and nice reach, fails a shade in size; 4, McNiven, good stamp, sweet size, extra good in reach, nice head, again fails in size; 5, McLennan, sweet shape and grand style, nice reach; vhc, Bigbie; hc, Crosbie; c, Allan. BUFF TKD. (12): 1, Brown, again to the front with a sweet one, grand top end and rare snaky head and reach, grand size and A1 qual., wins; 2, Maxwell, close up, a sweet bird, plenty size, rare head and action, fails a shade in size; 3, McLennan, grand one for shape, splendid style, A1 qual., good reach; 4, Campbell, good stamp, nice head and good reach, fine drive, just fails size; 5, Hope, stylish, real nice one, plenty of go; vhc, Menzies; hc, Rodger; c, Luke. BUFF, GR. (8): 1, Wilson, grand shape, A1 size and qual., good head, lovely depth throughout, tip top style, extra well packed on shoulders; 2, Nairn, sweet style, fine reach, good drive, fails a little in sub.; 3, Dalgleish, close up, nice one, grand quality and rare size, good reach and side, worth its place; 4, Campbell, good one, fine substance, extra good in drive, fails a shade in side; 5, Menzies, good stamp, lovely quality; vhc, Rodger; hc, Drysdale; c, Howden. PAIRS (10): 1, Brown, tip-top yell. cock, and ideal buff piebald hen, rare size and splendidly matched, a very likely pair, well put down, clear win; 2, McLennan, good buff cock, and grand foul yell. hen, both good in top end and reach, and ideal shape, beaten in subs.; 3, Simpson, buff cock, and piebald green hen, good pair, well matched, a shade smaller than winner; 4, Allan, yell. cock and buff pied hen, good ones for type, beaten in size; 5, Hope, yell. cock, and buff foul hen, good quality and rare style; vhc, Crosbie; hc, Kerr; c, Keill. SELLING YELL. CKS., 20s. (18): 1, Bell; 2, Mitchell; 3, Muirhead; 4, Crosbie; 5, Laurie; vhc, Hamilton; hc, Lawrie; c, McNiven. BUFF, 20s. (21): 1, Lawson; 2, Thomson; 3, Keill; 4, Cook; 5, Carson; vhc, Mitchell; hc, Rodger; c, Brown. SELL. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Hutchison; 2, Muirhead; 3, Thoms; 4, Hamilton; 5, Keill; vhc, Drysdale. BUFF HENS (9): 1, sp, McNiven; 2, Thomson; 3, Gibson; 4, Crosbie; 5, Robertson; vhc, Thoms; hc, Cook; c, Gardiner. BELGIAN CKS. (9): 1, Hope, nice buff, hard up on top end and good leg, nervy, in tip-top form; 2, Robertson, nice yell., good shoulder and rare droop, hard up, fails a shade in size, good quality; 3, Kean, nice buff, grand style and rare action, shade slimmer, well placed; 4, Sinclair, good yell., nice size and rare length of side, beaten in subs.; 5, Baker, buff, grand shape and A1 style, fails a little in size, good stamp, well placed; vhc, Greig; hc, Muir; c, Petrie. HENS (11): 1, Baker, nice buff, well up in size, good droop and lovely snaky head, ideal stamp, real good one, wins; 2, Beatson, a buff, scarcely so large, but all there for style, good top end and grand droop, well placed; 3, Tait, another buff, grand top end and droop, and well up on leg, fine subs., in tip-top order; 4, Greig, yellow, shade small, but good stamp, fine top end and droop, good feather; 5, Thornton, sweet buff, good stamp and quality, A1 size, well put down; vhc, hc, Gladstone; c, Baker. YOUNG BELGIAN (9): 1, sp., Robertson, nice yell., good one (2nd in class 22), grand size, and A1 top, an ideal bird; 2, Gladstone, also a yell., good one, lovely head and rare top end, a gem, could have been well up in open; 3, Tait, a sweet buff (3rd in 23), well placed; 4, Howden, sweet yell., shade small, but all there for quality, good one; 5, Petrie, could not find when taking notes; vhc, Baker; hc, Howden; c, White.

FORFAR.

Forty-second annual show held in the Reid Hall on Jan. 1 and 2, the cage birds being staged in the upper hall, which is most excellent, being wonderfully well lighted, lofty, and spacious, and absolutely void of draughts, also extremely well situated. The entries were slightly down from last year, which is not easily accounted for, as the exhibits have all attention that could be desired. Norwich lead the way; every class had good specimens, and we noticed in the clear or ticked yellow hen class a well-known winner marked "wrong class." Borders were also good, and every class was keenly contested. There was also a fair entry of British and foreign. The judges were:—For Norwich, Mr. W. Ewen (Aberdeen); and for other classes, Mr. P. Gentleman (Avonbridge); and their awards gave every satisfaction. The society is blessed with a splendid staff of officials, as follows:—President, Mr. Ernest Grant; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. Bowman, W. Worden, and A. Shepherd; committee, J. Low, D. Cables, G. Cables, J. Smith, J. Fyfe, W. Guild, A. Tyrie, A. G. Stewart, J. Cables, W. Smith, D. Falconer, G. Bruce, D. Farquharson, D. Johnston, G. Blythe, and D. Balfour. We hope to hear that the show was a financial success.

The Critique.

NORWICH CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (2): 1, spl, Lumsden, good one, grand tone of colour, very level, in A1 order, fine size, well balanced, wing carriage; 2, Adams, grand headed bird, tip-top style, in fine order. BUFF (3): 1, Kerr, good feather, grand size, lovely col., well balanced; 2, Kennedy, rare quality, well up in size and col., well rounded; 3, Anderson, smaller, but good type, a little unsteady. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Anderson, hot fed one, grand stamp, wins; 2, Booth, fine size, well balanced, equal in most points to winner; 3, Adams, smaller but fine type; 4, no name, "wrong classed," a lovely bird, a well-known winner, hard lines. VARIEG. YELL. CK. (4): 1, Kerr, rare hot fed one, good head and neck; 2, Pirie, nice, lovely feather, fine front and wing carriage, presses; 3, no name, fine exhibit, loses a trifle in head and neck; 4, Masterton, good, well staged. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Taylor, good one, in clinking order, well up in size, good front, nicely moulded, well balanced wings; 2, Kerr, close up, slightly narrower in head, but fine type; 3, Milne, hot col., well moulded, nice quality of feather; 4, Campbell, good all round. VARIEG. BUFF CK. (2): 1, Taylor, good type head and wings, in fine feather; 2, Harris, not much to choose between them. HEN (6): 1, spl, Beath, beauty, nearly clear, in lovely feather, staged without a fault; 2, Harris, good one, in clinking order, well up in size, nicely tapered, good balanced wings; 3, Milne, very hot in colour, well moulded, nice quality of feather; 4, Anderson, good type; 5, Milne. UNFLIG. (7): 1, Adams, fine size, good one all through, well up in colour; 2, Hampton, excellent size, lovely tone of colour, well staged; 3, Milne, another clear, lovely colour, fine type; 4, Strachan, typical; 5, Beath; 6, Anderson; 7, Taylor. HEN (8): 1, Strachan, good one, grand all over, but hard pressed to win to-day; 2, Harris, another bouncer for size, lovely shape, grand colour and quality, could have taken a step up; 3, Kennedy, close up, rare taper, splendid wing carr.; 4, Strachan; 5, Hampton; 6, Taylor; 7, Anderson; 8, Adams. NON-FED HEN (4): 1, Kerr, rare jimp of a bird, grand shape, lovely head and quality, in grand trim; 2, Taylor, heavy variegated, close up for size and taper; 3, Dalgetty, grand size, nice quality of feather; 4, Adams, good one, smaller. SELLING CK. (5): 1, spl, Anderson; 2, Booth HEN (3): 1, Simpson; 2, Boath; 3, Taylor. BORD. YELL. CL. OR TKD. CK. (5): 1, Craig, sweet style, in grand bloom, beautifully balanced wing carriage, wins; 2, Dunsmore, good head, bold eye, finely carried wings and tail; 3, Hastings, fine head, back and tail; 4, Rowell, good type; 5, Denehar. BUFF CK. (4): 1, sl, Craig, beauty for style and col., neat rounded head, finely carried wings and tail; 2, Hampton, another gem, close up; 3, Shields, grand head and body, fine front; 4, Paton, good type, marked "wet when judged." YELL. HEN: 1, spl, Dunsmore, very nervy style, neat head and neck, well placed wings; 2, Craig, another good one for type and quality; 3, Stevenson, grand type, well laid wings, nicely drawn; 4, Shields, another very typical hen. BUFF HEN (3): 1, Kennedy, neat, good head and type; 2, Craig, grand size, lovely body, good wing carriage; 3, Rowell, fails in taper a little, lovely quality and style. VARIEG. BUFF CK. (3): 1, 2, Lumsden, grand eye and wing mkd., in lovely feather; 2nd, fine size, not much between them; 3, Rae and Reid, grand type, well put down. VARIEG. YELL. HEN (2): 1, Hampton, good style and make, in lovely feather, a wee gem; 2, Nicoll, feathers like wax, fine style, neat piped tail. VARIEG. BUFF HEN (3): 1, Lumsden, head and wing mkd., fine type, in lovely feather; 2, Shields, very similar type, just fails in brightness of bloom to winner; 3, Hastings, head mkd., in fine feather. SELL. CK. (6): 1, spl, 5, Gray; 2, McBeath; 3, Stevenson; 4, Campbell; 6, Rae and Reid. HEN (6): 1, Lumsden; 2, Hampton; 3, Hastings; 4, Baird; 5, Gray; 6, Campbell. DARK CAN. MULE (5): 1, spl, Fyfe, Greenie in fine feather, well shown; 2, 3, Steven, Twite, good exhibit leading; 4, Hendrie; 5, Nicol. LIGHT OR HYB.: 1, Fyfe, lovely Siskin Greenie; 2, Nicol, beauty, lovely feather; 3, Duncan, Greenie-Linnet, good one. BULLF. (9): 1, Douglas, neat, grand bloom, fine cap and bib, one of the best; 2, Adams, rare breast col., dense, well carried down, in faultless order; 3, Law, very neat again, well forward in col.; 4, 5, Hendrie, two good ones; 6, Greig; 7, Nicoll. LINNET (7): 1, Esplin, gem, lovely shape and col., grand size and markings, neat breast, in rare bloom; 2, 4, McMasters, grand frouted, not quite the size of winner; 3, Greig, all there for markings, nice tone of col.; 5, 6, Mure and Reenan; 6, 7, Easton. SISKIN, ETC. (4): 1, Law, Siskin, dense cap and bib, rare size and col.; 2, Duncan, Redpoll in lovely feather; 3, Walker, good Siskin; 4, Greig. GREENF. (7): 1, Law, good one, well up in size, lovely tone of col. throughout, gem for qual.; 2, Sharp, grand shape, lovely wing flights, good shade of col.; 3, Myles, grand fronted, good head and wings; 4, Dalgetty, good one; 5, Gove; 6, Greig; 7, Fyfe. A.O.V. (3): 1, spl, Law, Yellowhammer in lovely feather, well staged; 2, Robb; 3, Anderson. FOR.: 1, Grant, Orange Bishop in fine feather, a credit to the exhibitor; 2, 3, Robb, two more fine exhibits; 4, Grant; 5, Wilson.

WORKINGTON F. & F.S.

2nd annual exhibition, Jan. 1st. The covered market in which the show was held, is well adapted for the purpose, being roomy, comfortable, and well lighted from the roof. The birds were nicely arranged and well looked after. Borders continued birds of exceptional merit, and were well handled. In Yorkshires Mr. J. Stewart took the lion's share of the awards, with birds of good type and excellent in all round qualities. British were also well filled classes, the Goldie or Bullie class being especially so. Foreign classes were small in number, but were full of variety and proved a source of attraction. The secretarial duties were ably discharged by Mr. H. Hyde, who had the assistance of Mr. J. Wilson, and the other members of the committee, viz., Messrs. T. Pennice, G. Hetherington, C. Nicholson, W. Barwick, A. Middleton, T. Haikes, W. Glaister, W. Bragg, J. Henderson, R. Seymour, junr., W. Campbell, and John Wilson, who all worked assiduously for the comfort of exhibits and exhibitors alike, having all arrangements well in hand. Mr. J. W. Ellwood, Cockermouth, judged, and gave every satisfaction.

The Critique.

BORD. YELL. CK., CL., ETC. (10): 1, 3, J. S. Wilson, cl. leading, beauty for qual. and col., neat head and body, carried wings badly when noting, 3rd three-pointed, nice qual. and type; 2, Shackley, new name, very similar in all respects to 1st, with nice wings and tail; 4, Knight, little finer drawn, excellent col. and qual.; 5, Smith; 6, Walker; 7, Wilson and Waugh. BUFF (15): 1, 2, Wilson, leader cl., beauty, fine qual., excellent col., nicely rounded and well put down, latter tkd. wing, again good qual. and excellent in all-round Border qualities; 3, Levason, well made cl., good col. and topping qual.; 4, Shackley, fine made, nice type and carriage; 5, Hudson; 6, Smith; 7, Davies. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Wilson, cl., fine type, beautiful feather, well carried wings and tail, neat all through; 2, C. Poole, close up to winner; 3, Hodgson, four-mkd. Cinnamon, lovely qual., grand type and col.; 4, Walker, lightly tkd. eyes and wings, nice position, fine qual.; 5, Hillary. BUFF (11): 1, Hodgson, tkd. wing, excellent qual. and type; 2, 3, Wilson, tkd. head leading, beautiful type, all there for qual., glossy all over, latter head and wing mark, paler col., nice feather; 4, Davies, cl. little beauty, we liked greatly; 5, Hudson; 7, Wilson and Waugh. YORKS. YELL. CK., ETC. (14): 1, Stewart, cl., fine upstanding, well set up, excellent feather and col.; 2, Douglas and Glaister, hot col., head mkd., rare position; 3, Coulson, cl., fine stamp, nicely drawn, good shower; 4, Lyall, rather shorter, but bonny made bird, capital quality; 5, Stewart; 6, Barrie Bros.; 7, Dykes. BUFF (11): 1, 2, 7, Stewart, couple of good ones, fine col., reachy and well drawn; 3, Woodward, high col., good shower, well made, behind in carr.; 4, Dykes, beauty for type, clean made all through, excellent qual.; 5, Coulson; 6, Douglas and Glaister. YELL. HEN (8): 1, 3, 5, Stewart, mkd. head and cl., in order given, nicely drawn, of good col. and well set up; 2, Woodward, cl., finer made, good feather, gets into position quickly; 4, Park, cl., good position, paler col.; 6, Lyall; 7, Douglas and Glaister. BUFF (7): 1, Coulson, beautifully made, excellent qual. and col., smooth as glass; 2, 3, Stewart, cl. and tkd. check, reachy, good qual., sweet heads and well made; 4, 5, Park, hot col., bit behind in qual. and carriage; c, Coulson; 7, Todd. A.O.V. (13): 1, Davies, cl. buff Nor., fine stamp, rare col., good chest, chubby and in capital order; 2, Wilson, variegated yell. Nor., rare type, round as they can be got, fine col.; 3, Hillary, D.C., wing mkd., nice crest, behind in subs. of body; 4, Reid Bros., good col. buff Nor.; 5, 6, 7, Forsyth. DARK CAN. HYB. (except Bullie) (7): 1, Hodgson, Goldie, fine size and well defined markings, good blaze, in capital order; 2, Sumpton Bros., Linnet, rare col. and shape, fine size, sex well defined, finely polished; 3, 4, 5, Bertram and Baines, Greenie and Goldie respectively, both good specimens of the crosses, well put down; 7, Williamson. GOLD. OR BULL. (17): 1, Bradley, Goldie, good size and type, well cut markings, deep, well defined blaze, steady and beautiful condition, shines like a polished steel plate; 2, 5, John Wilson, Bullie, treat to look at, beautiful cap and back, rare breast colours, in grand order; 3, Bertram and Baines, Goldie, good one, well up in all-round properties; 4, Wilson and Godfrey, Goldie, close up to leaders; 6, Hodgson, good class all through. LINNET (12): 1, 3, Park, leader finely mkd., rare depth of good col., well made and capitally shown, latter finer drawn, good markings, not the depth of col. of leader; 2, 4, Douglas and Glaister, former largest in class, fine markings, good col. and condition, latter rare good type, capitally mkd. and fine col.; 3, 7, Wilson and Godfrey; 6, Parlett. SISKIN, ETC. (13): 1, Oglethorpe, Lesser Redpoll, dense col., well cut bib, nice lacings, good col. and size; 2, 3, Wilson and Godfrey, Twite and nat. col. Siskin, former nicely mkd., grand col., condition A1, latter in wonderful condition, nice size and col.; 4, John Wilson, Twite, excellent stamp; 5, Reay; 6, 7, Parlett. GREEN, ETC. (9): 1, Parlett, well col. Bramble, cap markings, little soft when noting; 2, 6, Wilson and Godfrey, Greenie, good bodied, fine head, nice shade of col.; 3, Bell and Nelson, Bramble, good order; 4, Wilson, Chaffinch, lovely condition, well cut markings, fine size; 5, Bradley; 7, Potter. A.O.V. FINCH, SMALL: 1, 3, John Wilson, Hawfinch leading, in grand feather, clean cut and well defined markings, good bib and shape, latter Yellow Bunting; 2, Parlett, Corn Bunting, lovely finish and qual., fine size and exceptionally steady; 4, Watson, Hawfinch, just a shade stouter than winner, good markings, very little behind, in all-round finish; 5, Oglethorpe; 6, John Wilson; 7, Hudson. INSECTIV., SMALL (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, John Wilson, 1st and 3rd Whitethroats, 2nd yell. Wagtail, all nicely shown and all capital specimens, and very steady; 4, Titlark; 5, Hetherington. FOR., SMALL (5): 1, Hyde, pair of Grey Javas, good size and plumage, faultless; 2, John Wilson, Blackheaded Siskin, beautiful col. and condition; 3, 4, 5, Hetherington, Grey Javas and Budgerigars, well shown. LARGE (5): 1, 3, Poole, Green Amazon leading, fine size and feather, latter Senegal Parrot, lovely colours, beautifully blended, rare condition; 2, Hollywood, Blue-fronted Amazon, good order; 4, Meesop; 5, John Wilson.

ORMSKIRK C.B.S.

Annual members' show, held Dec. 26, in the Church House, a very suitable room indeed; the light and warmth were really fine. Yorks. were not up to former years, but Borders are taking their place; a real hot lot they were, something like the famous Ormskirk ginger bread. The L.C.B.A. diploma winner in new hands was on view, but had to take a back seat owing to condition, and looked strong. Norwich were very even, Mr. Tasker's unflighted being a gem, like a ball of fire, naturally won Ramsden's medal. British and hybrids were eye openers. Mr. J. W. Johnson's team were here, and that is quite sufficient to say of them. The management is in the hands of Mr. J. H. Tiffen, who is a worker throughout. He informed us he had some grand specials promised for recruits joining this year. Now rally round him you country fanciers. Special prize winners:—Cup and medal, best unflig. and best green, Mr. Walker; best Nor., Mr. Tasker. Most points green Border, Tiffen; Yorks., Walker; Bord., Hesketh; Brit. and Hyb., J. W. Johnson; Cluces specials, Walker, Lewis, Hesketh, and Johnson, junr. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, of Liverpool, judged, and we heard no grumbling.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Hunter, nice size and condition, bold head and neck; 2, Johnson, junr., nice qual., good head, drops tail; 3, Tasker, good bird, but bit rough; vhc, Lewis. HEN: 1, Hunter BUFF CK.: 1, Tasker; 2, Lewis. HEN: 1, Lewis, bold head and neck, short flights; 2, Tasker, grand type, short in wings and tail; 3, vhc, Lewis, fair size and condition; hc, Hunter. UNFLIG.: 1, Tasker, real good hot fed yell., bonny head and neck, well glued to body, good win; 2, Hunter, buff, rare qual., short flights and tail; 3, Johnson, jun., yell., bit longer, rare qual., well staged. YORKS., YELL.: 1, G. J. Johnson, real good variegated, racy, wings and tail well closed; 2, Walker, not so well drawn. BUFF: 1, G. J. Johnson, grand type, full of go; 2, 3, Walker, nice brace, rare qual. and shape. BUFF HEN: 1, Walker, smart and shapely; 2, Johnson, very nice hen, full of swank. YORKS. GR.: 1, Walker, real good self, long drawn wings, grand pencilling and col.; 2, G. J. Johnson, very stylish, smart work. FOUL GR.: 1, 3, Walker, brace of good ones, full of green properties, rare col.; 2, G. J. Johnson, lovely quality, near thing. DO. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Walker, smart and clean cut, shows plenty of leg, well put down; 3, G. J. Walker, not quite qual. of others. BORD. YELL.: 1, 3, Hesketh, smart pair, sweet heads and necks, lovely qual., move freely; 2, J. W. Johnson, fails only in head, otherwise good; vhc, Johnson, senr.; hc, Lewis. HEN: 1, vhc, Hesketh, very jaunty and free, sweet contour, lovely type, well packed tail; 2, J. W. Johnson, smart, just a wee bit small, champion type and qual., perfect carr.; 3, Lewis, full of style, fair shape; hc, Johnson, senr.; c, Tiffen. BUFF CK.: 1, Johnson, senr., near perfect shape, lovely feather, round head, rare contour; 2, Tiffen, smart, full of swank, lovely qual., clean cut as a cameo, very near thing; 3, J. W. Johnson, exquisite qual., shapely; vhc, Lewis; hc, c, Hesketh. HEN: 1, J. W. Johnson, cap marked, sweet lady, exquisite feather, nice style; 2, vhc, Johnson, senr., marvellous qual., neat and shapely; 3, c, Hesketh, bonny hen, full of style; hc, Lewis. GR. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, Tiffen, smart pair leading, rare pencilling and col., very nice shape and condition. CAN., HYB.: 1, 3, hc, Lewis, champion size and col., rare blaze, 3rd yell., good bird, but wild; 2, vhc, J. W. Johnson, real good Goldie Canary, great size and even, fails col. to winner. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, J. W. Johnson, very smart team, all in good condition, any of them could win, Goldie-Bullie, Linnet-Bullie, and Canary Bullie. LINNET: 1, J. W. Johnson, topper, rare nut brown, good work, excellent col.; 2, 3, Tiffen, two very nice exhibits. BULLIE OR GOLDIE: 1, Hunter, real good Finch, excellent blaze, good whites and bars, champion tanning; 2, Walker, smart Goldie, good tanning and shape; 3, Johnson, jun., nice col. Bullie. A.O.V. HARDBILL: 1, 2, 3, J. W. Johnson, 'Hammer, Corn Bunting, and Hawfinch, leader wonder, this is its 45th 1st, 2nd equally good Bunting, well marked and great size; vhc, Hunter.

KILMARNOCK C.B.S.

This ancient society held its 61st annual show in the Agricultural Hall on January 1st and 2nd, the cage bird section being provided with a separate hall. Exhibitors should take a note of this. The hall we found a very suitable one, roomy, plenty of light, and entirely free from draughts. The management was all that could be desired, the following gentlemen rendering yeoman service: President, Mr. D. Fulton; vice-presidents, Messrs. A. Bowie, A. S. Marr, and D. J. C. Aird. The secretarial duties were in charge of Mr. John Blane, who we found very energetic, painstaking, and obliging. He knows his way about, and had everything in good order. He was ably backed up by a willing band of stewards, composed of Messrs. John Bowie, William Crosbie, and several others, who proved themselves excellent workers. The entry totalled but 210 in 52 classes; not very encouraging, and we would strongly advise the management to try and increase their prize-money, especially at this time of the year, when competition with other shows is very strong, and 2s. per bird for 2ls. prize-money is not to be compared with other societies. This we are sure is the main cause of poor entries, as we heard others commenting on the fact. We hope to see an improvement by next year. The quality was exceedingly good, several past winners again coming out at the top. Scotch fancies were only a fair lot. Mr. Wm. Robertson secured special for best ck., and Mr. Wm. Neill for best hen. Norwich contained some very fair birds, the most outstanding being Mr. Guthrie's fine team, which gained four firsts with four entries. Borders were a tidy lot, comprising some grand quality birds. The exhibits shown by Messrs. Smillie, Mossie, and Kirkhope were almost perfect. Hybrids, British and foreign, were a surprising lot, and proved the most interesting section in show. Mr. Robert Dale winning medal for best British bird with a very rich coloured Bullfinch cock, also sp. for best in section. Special for best Foreign went to Mr. Sam Duncan, with a charming Redfaced Lovebird. The show was well patronised by the public and there were present many well-known fanciers. There is every probability of it proving a financial success. The judges were Messrs. Robert Prentice, Scotch Fancy; John McLay, Norwich Crests, Bord., and Yorks., and Mr. R. V. Ruine, British and Foreign. Their awards were well received.

The Critique.

SCOTCH, CL. YELL. CK. (2): 1, sp., Robertson, well up in size, grand reach, fine depth through, good style, takes position quickly; 2, Templeton, good top end, fine reach, fails thickness, still, good. BUFF (1): 1, Neill, grand size and reach, plenty of side, fine style. BUFF PIED CK. (1): 1, Robertson, good one, free mover, plenty of thickness. GREEN, ETC., CK. (1): 1, Ralston, foul, fine drive and head, grand thickness through. CL. YELL. HEN (3): 1, sp., Neill, rare head and neck, grand drive, good one; 2, Robertson, close up, fine shoulders and drive, good thickness; 3, Hainey, nice. DARK, ETC. HEN (1): 1, Robertson, big green, fine reach and depth through. BUFF (1): 1, Robertson, fine one for reach, nice mover, gets tail well under perch. CRESTS, AND C.B.: No. entries. NORWICH YELL. CKS. (2): 1, Wilson, Glasgow winner in new hands, fine size and subs., grand head, nice qual., wins; 2, McSorland, good size and col. YELL. HEN (1): 1, McSorland, fine hen, excellent qual., neat shape and wings. BUFF CK. (3): 1, Guthrie, medium size, grand head, lovely qual., fine wings, right stamp; 2, McCall, bigger, good shape, trifle rough; 3, Anderson, fine size and col., fails subs. HEN (1): 1, Morgan, medium size, fine qual., right type. VARIEG. (4): 1, Guthrie, buff, nice cobby shape, lovely qual., neat wings; 2, McCall, yell., rich col. and qual., fine stamp; 3, Morgan, medium size buff, right type, fine qual.; 4, McFadzean, very nice buff. HEN (3): 1, McCall, buff, right stamp, fine qual., compact wings, wins; 2, Stevenson, buff, grand head, fine type; 3, Thomson, fine size and subs., fails wing carriage. NON-FED CK. (3): 1, Guthrie, cl. buff, fine qual., not big, but right type, wins; 2, McFadzean, buff marked on neck, rich qual., fine subs.; 3, Brown, buff variegs., neat head and wings, rich qual. HEN (1): 1, Morgan, fine type and qual., neat wings and tail, good one. YORKS. CK.: 1, Paterson, cl. yell., excellent length, fine head and pos., grand qual.; 2, Telfer, good one, stands well up, grand shoulders, fails trifle in wings; 3, Camphell, very sweet. HEN (3): 1, Johnnie Walker, still going strong, stands alone, fine slim, upstanding bird, close, silky feather; 2, Paterson, fine hen, lovely quality, free from frill; 3, Camphell, very nice type and con. BORD. CK., CL. YELL. (7): 1, Willison, very sweetly moulded, lovely qual., excellent wings, fine style; 2, Kirkhope, nicely tapered, rich quality, fine wing car., free action; 3, Mossie, grand qual., well braced wings, trifle stonter build; 4, Jones; 5, Boyd Bros.; 6, Brown; 7, Torrance. HEN (7): 1, Mossie, fine little lady, grand boxey feather, neat shape and wings, fine pipe tail, grand order, good one; 2, Robertson, close up, feather like wax, round as a bottle, fine balanced wings; 3, Jones, well made, rich quality, fine order; 4, Gentleman; 5, Kirkhope; 6, Walker; 7, Gaddes. CL. BUFF CK. (9): 1, Smillie, grand stamp, lovely qual., best of wings, sweet style, finely put down; 2, 3, Mossie, 2nd, excels in wing carriage, both rich qual., and grand type, well staged; 4, Geddes, as good as any; 5, Nairn; 6, Young; 7, Willison. HEN (11): 1, Nairn, sweet little Bord., excellent qual., tight as a drum, well laid wings, fine order; 2, Willison, neat shape, feather like silk, fine, free mover, 3, Gentleman, right stamp, rich qual., well packed wings, nice one; 4, Walker, still another good one; 5, Young; 6, Clark; 7, Mossie, grand class. A.V. COCK (5): 1, Smillie, very neat, even marked buff, well tapered, rich qual., splendid wing carr., sweet head, nice mover; 2, Walker, well-known neck and wing mkd. buff, lovely exhibit, close up; 3, Willison, yell. mkd. on wings, very rich col., smooth as glass; 4, Gibson, very neat mkd.; 5, Clark. A.V. HEN (7): 1, sp, Kirkhope, charming even mkd. yell., lovely tapered body, best of wings, fine close feather of excellent qual., wins; 2, Mossie, neat even mkd. buff, sweetly moulded one, fine qual., nice action; 3, Findlay, head and rump mkd. yell., very rich col., good wings, trifle long; 4, Walker, we rather liked for higher honours; 5, Smillie; 6, 7, Gibson. CINN. OR GREEN CK. (2): 1, Murray, very neat and taking exhibit, fine col.; 2, Findlay, Green, lovely col., well-laid wings, neat tail. HENS (2): 1, Gentleman, lovely yell. green, grand ground col., well laced on back, excellent qual.; 2, Findlay, very neat made buff green, good back, fine action, well staged. LIGHT MULE (5): all variegs. Goldie Mules: 1, sp, McQuiston, well-known yell., put down in his usual grand style, looking well; 2, Morrine, big buff, heavier marked, grand face, fine qual., good 2nd; 3, Cowan; 4, 5, Millar. DARK (5): 1, Crone, grand size, rich faced Goldie, lovely col., good shape, well staged; 2, McQuiston, very rich coloured Linnet, grand size and sub., lovely order, well placed; 3, Irehond, another Linnet, not so rich, well polished, nice one; 4, Erskine, Greenie, medium size, nice col.; 5, Millar. HYBRID: 1, Anderson, very neat shaped Linnet-Bullie, grand breast col., shows cross well; 2, Sommerville, lovely shaped Siskin-Greenie, fine col., well put down; 3, Mitchell, Redpoll-Goldie, nice face and col., fine order. BRIT. GOLD (9): 1, Jardine, grand face, very rich col., finely tinged body, right shape, good one; 2, Morrine, almost of equal merit, falls trifle in qual. of feather; 3, Kirkhope, trifle duller in blaze, otherwise very good; 4, Davidson; 5, Hardie; 6, Sommerville; 7, Richmond. BULLF. (9): 1, 2 spls, Dale, grand colour, well-cut cap, right shape, excellent bars, A1 order; 2, Dale, trifle smaller, but good; 3, Conkie, well-made, fine size, lovely qual., we rather liked for 2nd place; 4, Howie; 5, Mitchell; 6, White; 7, Metcalfe. HEN (6): 1, Howie, very shapely, fine col., prominent wing bars, clean on legs; 2, Gentleman, close up, fine cobby shape, good size, neat bars; 3, Reid, fine make, grand cap; 4, Cree; 5, Hardie; 6, Crosbie. GREENFI. (10): 1, W. Morton, grand, shapely, well-built fellow, fine col. and butts, lovely qual., grand condition; 2, Cowan, another good one for col., nice size, rich qual., fine bloom; 3, Herron, fine size, buff, good head, grand sub., close up; 4, Hardie, good one; 5, Thomson; 6, J. Morton; 7, Metcalfe. LINNET (9): 1, McQuiston, very rich col., grand back, wonderfully well laced breast, neat shape, shows whites well, wins on condition; 2, Conkie, another good one from the same quarter, lighter tone, not quite so good in condition; 3, Dunsmure, well laced, nice one; 4, Cairney, fine bird; 5, Doolan; 6, Crosbie; 7, Metcalfe. SISKIN, &c. (7): 1, Conkie, rich coloured Twite, well laced, fine size, good one; 2, Morton, very rich coloured Siskin, faint bib, neat cap and shape; 3, Crone, Twite, fine ground col., just fails size to leader; 4, McGavin, nice Siskin; 5, Erskine; 6, Ferguson; 7, Brown. LESSER REDPOLL (10): 1, 4, Jardine, cobby shape, well bronzed, neat lacing, fine order; 2, Crosbie, well-made, fine col., equally well laced, lacks polish; 3, Metcalfe, fine made, well laced, fails colour slightly; 5, Dale; 6, Hardie; 7, Frew. BRIT. HARD. A.V.: 1, Davidson, very rich col. Chaffinch, neat shape, grand whites, fine con.; 2, Morrison, lovely Yellowhammer, grand col., fine V; 3, Crosbie, Chaffinch, larger than winner, good col., fails in bloom; 4, Jardine; 5, A. Mitchell; 6, J. Mitchell; 7, Conkie. SMALL (4): 1, Lewis, lovely well-staged Blackcap Warbler, grand order, very nicely done-up cage, still we preferred 2, Morrison, grand Hawfinch, known winner, fine col., good head, well shaped bib, best of condition; 3, McGavin, another good Hawfinch, just fails bloom; 4, Duncan, still another fine Hawfinch. Hen (7): 1, Lewis, Cornish Chough, lovely sheen, grand col. beak and legs, rather a rare exhibit in a hen class; 2, Morton, big Greenie, fine col. and bloom; 3, Morrison, fine spotted Mavis; 4, McGavin, very sweet Chaffinch; 5, Crosbie; 6, Wallace; 7, McQuiston, well-known Corn Bunting, very soft, or would have been in money. FOR. GOLD. (6): 1, Guthrie and Son, another well-known winner, stands alone, looking well; 2, Sommerville, good size, fine bloom, not so expansive in blaze; 3, McGavin, very decent Goldie; 4, Bannerman; 5, Stevenson; 6, Robertson. A.V. FOR. (4): 1, sp, Sam Duncan, charming Red-faced Lovebird, lovely exhibit, wins; 2, Lewis, grand col. Lory, fine talker, well placed; 3, Mason, Red-faced Gouldian Finch, a little soft when taking notes; 4, Morrison.

ASHBOURNE (Derby).

Held Dec. 28, in the Town Hall, in connection with the poultry and pigeon show. Mr. Jas. H. Burford, the secretary, looked well after the exhibits. Mr. Charles Ward judged.

CANARY (8): 1, 2, Williams, grand clear yell. Norwich leading, lovely colour, shape and size, latter really typical clear buff, grand head, wing and carr.; 3, Mrs. Foster, another nice one; res, Williams; he, Harrison; c, Miss Foster. BRIT. (8): 1, 2, 3, res, Williams, leader grand Goldfinch, lovely blaze, well mooned, rich col., 2nd smart, good coloured, and well shaped Bullfinch, 3rd very good Goldfinch, close up; vhc, Wallis; he, Harrison; c, Ault.

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ELGIN C.B.S.

Third annual show held in the Academy Hall, Dec. 25th. The hall, which is of nice size, is well lighted from the sides, and very suitable for a show of the kind. The exhibits were well staged and well looked after. Entries totalled 264, there being some grand specimens staged in both the Norwich and the British bird sections. In Norwich clear or ticked yellow cocks, buff cocks, and the unflighted classes, there were some very hot ones for the judge to handle. Borders were a very nice lot, 21 for 3 classes, some outstanding exhibits amongst them. The British bird section was not so well patronised as in former years. Silver cup for best Canary was won by Mr. Hird, Macduff. Silver cup for points, by Mr. G. Baxter, junr., Fochabers; silver cup for best Hybrid or British, Mr. Robertson, Aberdeen; silver rose bowl for best members' Norwich, Mr. R. Garden, Elgin; silver centre piece for best unflig. Norwich, Mr. G. Baxter, junr.; silver cup, best Border Fancy, Mr. Blackie, Buckie; silver medal, second best Canary, Mr. D. Craigen, Huntly; silver medal, second best Hyb. or British, Mr. A. Jonor, Tomatin; silver medal for runner-up for the centre piece, Mr. R. Garden, Elgin; silver medal, most entries, Mr. G. Baxter, junr. The courteous and untiring secretary, Mr. James Lumsden, along with his committee, are to be complimented on the splendid success of the exhibition, which is now considered one of the best cage bird shows in the North of Scotland. The judging was in the hands of Mr. W. D. Milne, Montrose, and his decisions seemed to please.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. or TKD. YELL. (6): 1, sp, Stanford, grizzle cap, grand col. and qual., good head and neck, fine body and size, well shown; 2, Baxter, junr., mkd. head, nice type, col. and qual., good head, body and size, presses winner hard; 3, sp, Garden, grand size, head and neck, nice body and quality, bit patchy in col.; vhc, Wattie; he, Duff; c, Neaves. Hen (3): 1, sp, Reid, fine type and qual., good body and size, nice head and neck, well staged; 2, Goodall, good head and neck, nice size and qual., fails type to winner; 3, sp, Wattie, good body and size, nice head and neck. CL. or TKD. BUFF (5): 1, sp, Goodall, grand size, type and qual., nice head and neck, good col.; 2, sp, Garden, rare head and neck, fine col. and qual., nice type, good body and size, our choice; 3, Donaldson, good size and col., nice body and head, badly open in front; vhc, Craigen, grand type and qual., nice size, might have changed places; he, Dr. Alexander, soft while being judged, hard lines. Hen (7): 1, sp, Craigen, rare col. and qual., tight as wax, nice type, good size, head and neck, shown in nice bloom; 2, sp, Gurden, fine type and qual., nice col. and size, good body and flights, fails head to winner; 3, Ross, nice body and size; vhc, Garden; he, McDonald; c, Reid. VARIEG. CK. (7): 1, sp, Stanford, buff, rare size, head and neck, fine type and qual., grand wing carr., shown in tip-top order, wins; 2, sp, Garden, another buff, mkd. tail, grand body, head and neck, nice size, little open in front; 3, Donaldson, buff, nice size and qual., good head and col.; vhc, Ross; he, Baxter, junr.; c, Macdonald. Hen (5): 1, two sps., Garden, buff, fine type and qual., rare subs., good head and neck, well staged; 2, Maclean, sweet little yell., rare type, col. and qual., good head and neck, fails size, otherwise close run; 3, Neaves, buff, nice size and col., good body and flights, fine qual.; vhc, Baxter, junr.; he, Wattie. PAIR (3): 1, two sps., Shearer, well balanced pair, rare col. and qual., grand size, bodies and heads, nicely staged; 2, Duff, another nice pair, not far behind; 3, Goodall, nicely matched pair, fine col and qual., nice size, bodies and heads, presses winners hard. UNFLIG. (11): grand class; 1, sp, cup for best Canary in show, Hird, cl. yell., fed, grand col. and size, rare type and qual., good head and neck, will be a stormer; 2, Baxter, junr., same stamp, fails size, otherwise presses hard; 3, sp., Garden, nat. col. buff, good size, type and qual., nice head and neck, well placed; vhc, Glass; he, Goodall; c, Duff. NAT. COL. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (13): best class in show; 1, sp, Macdonald, rare subs., grand col., type and qual., inclined to be a little horny in head; 2, Maclean, excels in col., good size, grand type and qual., nice head and neck, fine wings and tail, not looking so well as we have seen him; 3, Campbell, grand wing carr., good col., type and qual.; vhc, Stewart and Son; he, sp, McDonald; c, Baxter, junr. Hen (7): 1, sp, Macdonald, grand size, type and qual., fine silky feather, good body, head and neck, in nice bloom; 2, sp, Lumsden, good type and qual., fails a little in head and neck to winner; 3, Baxter, junr., grand little hen, only fault on the small side, presses hard; vhc, Ross; he, Campbell; c, Bremner. BUFF CK. (13): good class; 1, sp, Campbell, good size and colour, fine type and qual., rare wing carr., good front, wins well; 2, sp, Garden, another good one, just fails type, otherwise close up; 3, Stanford, grand size, type, and qual., nice head and neck, not much between them; vhc, Hird; he, Goodall; c, Macdonald. Hen (10): 1, two sps., Garden, grand col. and qual., nice size, very showy, often described; 2, Maclean, rare size, very chubby, fine qual., good head, neck, presses, may change places before the season finishes; 3, Duff, another good hen, not far behind; vhc, Youngson; he, Douglas; c, Johnston. VARIEG. CK. (10): 1, sp., Goodall, yell., rare size and col., good qual. head and neck, nicely mkd., well shown; 2, sp., Lumsden, good bodied buff, nice head and neck, fine col. and qual., presses hard; 3, Baxter, junr., nice buff, same stamp, not far behind; vhc, Reid; he, Allan; c, Dr. Alexander. HEN (10): 1, sp., Stanford, buff, good size and col., fine type and qual., good head and flights; 2, Youngson, yell., rare size, type and qual., nice head and neck, well placed; 3, Henderson, buff, nice type and quality fine size; vhc, Gregor; he, Goodall; c, Maclean. GR. OR FOUL (3): 1, 2 sps., Allan, rare size and col., good head and neck, fine type and qual., nicely mkd.; 2, Garden, another good one, hard to separate; 3, Lumsden, nice green. CREST (5): 1, sp., vhc, Craigen, nice green crest, good size, nice made crest, fine feather; 2, Shand, variegs. crest, good feather, head and crest, fails body; 3, he, Neaves, another nice crest, not far behind. C.B. (3): 1, sp., Neaves, buff variegs., good size and head; 2, Craigen, another buff variegs., rare size and body, fine length of feather, our choice; 3, Neaves, nice qual. and feather, fine size, fails head and body to winner. BORD., CL., OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, sp., and cup, best border Blackie, good qual., nice head and neck, fine wing and tail carriage; 2, Craig, grand col. and qual., good head and neck, nice flights and tail, fine type, some preferred for first; 3, c, Neaves, tkd. on eye, another nice one, well placed; vhc, Craigen; he, Harcombe. BUFF (7): 1, sp., Neaves, nice Bord., inclined to cross wings; 2, Hendry, good head and neck, fine wing and tail carr., very stylish, our choice; 3, Neaves, tkd. on eye, fine wing carr., not so sweet an exhibit as winner; vhc, Campbell; he, Smith; c, Blackie. A.O.C. (7): 1, sp, Blackie, nicely mkd. yell. border, well balanced all over; 2, Gentleman, another lovely mkd. yell., little to choose; 3, sp., Cross, nice yell. green, well placed; vhc, Craigen; he, c, Bruce. A.O.V. CAN. (5): 1, he, Junor, Yorks., good col. and quality, fine touch, nice head and neck; 2, McDonald, Scotch Fancy, nice size, head and shoulders, fine style; 3, George, buff Cinn., good size, type and qual., nicely mkd.; vhc, Craigen. NOV., NOR. (13): 1, sp., Glass, dark capped yell. fed, good size, nice type and qual., fine head and neck, wins; 2, Mackie, cl. buff, good size and col., little horny on head; 3, Harper, nat. yell. variegs., fine size, type, and qual., nice col. head and neck, our choice for second; vhc, Macdonald, nat. buff variegs., good size head and neck, presses hard; he, Fraser; c, Craig. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (3): 1, medal, sp., Junor, Linnet-Bullie, nice exhibit, good size and col., nicely mkd., wins well; 2, 3, Hird, Chaffinch-Bramble, good size, nicely marked, well placed, 3rd, buff Goldie Mule, fine size and col., nicely marked. DARK (2): 1, sp, Reid, Goldie Mule, fine size, well mkd., nice col., wins; 2, McBean, another Goldie Mule, fails col. GOLD. (5): 1, sp., Walker, good size and col., fine breast and blaze, buttons, well marked, nicely staged; 2, Stewart and Son, another good one, close up; 3, Smith, fine blaze and markings, fails size and col. to winners; vhc, Baxter, junr.; he, Harcombe. BULLF. CK. (7): 1, sp., Baxter, junr., good size, nice head and cap, well staged; 2, Anderson Bros., grand size and col., rare head cap and bars, in tip-top order, we liked for 1st; 3, McLennan, nice col. and cap, fails size to others; vhc, sp., Murray; he, Ross; c, Grierson. HEN (6): 1, sp., Gentleman, good size, cap and col., shown in grand condition, wins well; 2, Craigen, nice col., head and bars, fails size and cap to winner; 3, Junor, rare cap and col., good size and bars, close thing, might have gone up; vhc, Law; he, McLennan; c, McKenzie. GREEN (7): 1, sp, Baxter, junr., good size and quality, fine level col., nice wings, well marked; 2, Baxter, junr., fails size, otherwise close up; 3, sp., Donaldson, good size, nicely marked, loses in colour; vhc, he, Anderson Bros.; c, Gentleman. LIN. OR TWITE (6): 1, sp., Bird, Lin., rare size and col., nice type, well pencilled, nicely staged, very steady; 2, Bird, another good one, presses winner hard for place; 3, Ross, nice col. and markings; vhc, Campbell; he, Main; c, sp., Grant. SISKIN OR REDPOLL (2): 1, sp., Junor, Siskin, nice black cap, good bib and col., nicely staged; 2, sp., Grant, Mealy Redpoll, good col. and markings, nice size. A.O.V. SMALL (7): 1, sp., Robertson, Bearded Tit, nice size and col., shown in rare bloom; 2, Robertson, Black Redstart, good col., nicely marked, well staged, presses hard; 3, Grant, Yellowhammer, nice size and col., well marked; vhc, Thain; he, Smith; c, Junor. LARGE: Cancelled. MATCHED PAIR FOR HYBRID BREEDING (7): 1, sp., Baxter, junr., Russian Goldie, and Bullie, well matched pair, fine size and col., nicely marked, well staged; 2, he, Campbell White, Linnet, and Bullie hen, shown in nice bloom, well placed; 3, Garden, Greenfinch and Bullie hen, another nice pair, close up; vhc, Gentleman; c, Main. FOR., SMALL (11): 1, sp., Robertson, nice pair Zebra Finches, nice size and col., shown in nice condition; 2, Robertson, Orange Bishop, nice exhibit, in rare bloom; 3, Tipp, nice pair of Green Budgerigars, good size and col.; vhc, Junor; he, Goodall; c, Rev. E. V. Kissick. LARGE (2): 1, 2 sps., Allan, good Amazon, nice size, col. and condition, splendid talker; 2, Bird, Cockatoo, not quite finished moult. GIFT CLASS (8): 1, sp., Duff; 2, Baxter, junr.; 3, Douglas; vhc, Macdonald; he, Minnie; c, Donaldson. JUVENILE CLASS (9): 1, 2 sps., Wattie, Norwich buff fed, good size and col., nice wing carriage; 2, Allan, cl. yell., good size, body and col., close up; 3, Grant, Linnet, good col. and size, nicely marked, badly staged; vhc, McIntosh; he, McBean; c, Law.

CHOPPINGTON C.B.S.

Sixth annual show, held at the Railway Hotel, Choppington Station, on Dec. 21st. Entries came up very well, and quality was excellent. This show is for young birds only, and many of the birds had won in open shows. The arrangements were in the capable hands of E. B. Atkinson, treasurer, H. Seely, chairman, and the committee, Messrs. Rigg, J. Archbold, W. Archbold, and E. Edwards. Mr. G. H. Seely, secretary, had everything well in hand, and the show was a financial success. Mr. J. Archbold won spl. for most points given by Mr. Seely, donor not competing. Mr. R. Rowell was the judge, and his awards gave satisfaction to all.

NOR., CK., YELL: 1, 2, vhc, Seely Bros.; 3, J. Archbold. BUFF: 1, he, Seely Bros.; 2, vhc, Archbold; 3, c, Summers. YELL., HEN: 1, 2, 3, Seely Bros.; vhc, Summers. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Seely Bros.; he, Sumuers; abs., Archbold. BORD., YELL., CK.: 1, J. Archbold; 2, 3, Seely Bros., BUFF: 1, Seely Bros. HEN: 1, 3, Seely Bros.; 2, vhc, J. Archbold; he, Rigg. CINN., YELL., CK.: 1, 2, 3, Seely Bros. BUFF, CK.: 1, 2, 3, Seely Bros. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Seely Bros. YORKS., YELL., CK.: 1, Seely Bros. BUFF: 1, 2, Lascelles. HEN: 1, 3, Lascelles; 2, Seely Bros. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE: 1, 2, Seely Bros. H.M. LINNET: 1, E. B. Atkinson; 2, Seely Bros.; 3, Edwards; vhc, he, W. Archbold. F.M.: 1, Atkinson; 2, vhc, Seely Bros.; 3, Edwards. BRIT., A.O.S.: 1, 2, Atkinson; 3, vhc, Edwards; he, Seely Bros.; c, W. Archbold.

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LATE NEWS ITEMS.

The hall was packed with visitors, particularly on the second day, when at times it was almost impossible to get near certain sections. The railway company ran excursions from all the principal towns in the North. Some sightseers arrived before daylight, and after a refresher made their way to the show, so that at quite an early hour there was a good gathering. Among the many fanciers we noticed Mr. and Miss Wellings (Prescot) and Messrs. Scott (Newcastle), S. Cook, Johnston (Preston), Lingard (Burnley), Milton (Sale), Lewis, J. R. Metcalfe (Manchester), Nicholson, Holmes (Carlisle), Carr (Middlesbrough), Chapman, Harvey (Newcastle), McDonald, Johnson, and Montgomery (Walsend), Parlett (Sheffield), Brotherton (Bolton), Bower, Mundell, and Bailey (Bradford), Joe Thomas and Gledhill (Halifax), Cubby (Carlisle), Dixon and Pennington (Wigton), Binns (Blackpool), Barclay (Belfast), etc.

Additional principal special winners: Foreign bird trophy, Miss Peddie Waddell. Dewar Rosebowl, most points Crest section, J. Noble, Kilmarnock. Valuable £4 4s. tea service, most points in British, P. McQuiston, Ayr. Runner-up, J. Sykes, Musselboro.

The sales were hardly up to the average, the principal birds claimed being Mr. Tweedie's Crest at £5 5s., Mr. Watts Hawfinch, £2 2s. The gate receipts amounted to the respectable total of £70.

NEWTOWNARDS.

Second annual show, held Dec. 27th and 28th in the Town Hall. The hall is ideal for a cage bird show, being within three minutes of the railway station, and centrally situated. It is also well lighted and free from draughts. Entries showed an increase of about 20 on the previous year, but this was somewhat below expectations. The Scotch Fancy men came out well, and though the four classes came under the half-prize rule, some fine exhibits were staged. Norwich and Yorks. were a grand lot, several well-known winners being benched. These classes were also stuck at the half-prize money, with one exception, buff Nor. hens. The hon. secretary, Mr. F. Robinson, had all the details well carried out, and was well supported by his hard-working committee, Mr. W. Finlay, pres.; Mr. Wm. Montgomery, vice-pres.; Mr. R. Copeland, hon. treas.; Messrs. McDonald, Doggart, McKee, Cahoon, Montgomery, and Robinson, all rendering useful help. If this show is to attain the success it deserves the committee would be taking a step in the right direction by having their show at least a fortnight earlier, and the date inserted in the "Dates Fixed" column of "Cage Birds." Mr. D. Finlay won members' Silver Cup for best young Nor., and Mr. A. McDonald the members' special best young Yorks. Mr. A. Chalmers, Kirkintilloch, made the awards.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FCY., YELL., CK. (7): 1, Trimble, grand size, rare reach, hard up on shoulders, a capital exhibit; 2, c, Ronaldson, good size, rare length of side, fine shoulders and neck; 3, hc, Neill, another good one, plenty subs., good shoulders and action; vhc, McDonald. BUFF (5): 1, vhc, Ronaldson, splendid exhibit, rare subs., well cleaned out, capital shoulders, and decided droop; 2, 3, Trimble, both well up in size, and grand reach, leader better depth throughout; hc, Neill. YELL. HEN (5): 1, 2, Rona'dson, good couple, great subs. and action, leader splendid shoulders and good length of side; 3, hc, Trimble, good size, nice head, carries tail well under; vhc, McDonald. BUFF (7): 1, hc, Ronaldson, very taking, full of nerve, and the best of shoulders; 2, 3, Trimble, two of the right stamp, great subs. and splendid action; vhc, c, Neill. CREST (2): 1, 2, Bowman, really good ones, often described. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL., CK. (4): 1, Connell, nice type, good action, excellent col. and qual., bold head; 2, Carson, nice bird, large head, good col.; 3, vhc, Stewart, real good bird, though not so big as winner, grand qual., short flights and tail. BUFF (6): 1, Finlay, really good one, plenty subs., well packed wings and tail, good deep chest and full neck, could be better in head, a shade flat; 2, hc, Foreman, lovely qual. and col., not quite the head for a buff cock, and bit too long in barrel; 3, Carleton, cobby and good qual.; vhc, Scott; c, Gilmore. VAR. (7): 1, Scott, lovely qual. and col., deep chest, bit pinched in head; 2, Carleton, nice head and neck, rather long in wings and tail; 3, Finlay, nice cobby bird, but small, lovely qual.; vhc, Teasey; hc, Hart; c, Connell. CL. OR TKD. YELL., HEN (5): 1, hc, Stewart, grand size, shape, and qual, neatly carried wings and tail, nice carr.; 2, 3, Teasey, really good ones, well packed wings and tail, lovely qual., leader fuller in neck and deeper; vhc, Connell. BUFF (8), really good class: 1, 2, Foreman, nice ladies, not big, but the right type, good qual. and col., leader lovely wings and tail, which appears short of feathers; 3, Connell, good shape and size, well filled in back, and good col.; vhc, McConaghie; hc, Gilmore; c, Stewart, a really good one, could win in good company. VAR., HEN (6): 1, Finlay, rare good one, plenty size and col., grand head and neck! 2, vhc, c, Carleton, trifle long in body, good back, and full neck; 3, Connell, beautiful shape and qual., neat head and neck; hc, Teasey. YORKS., CINN.-MKD., CK. (4): 1, 3, Montgomery, leader nice racy bird, lovely col. and qual., slightly frilled; 3rd, very lengthy, good head and neck, a capital stock bird; 2, Tansey, the noted winner, looks a bit worn out; vhc, McDonald. HEN (5): 1, 2, Tansey, two nice ones, plenty length and style, leader slightly mkd. wing, the best we have seen for some time; 3, vhc, Montgomery, fine length, capital back and wings, fails position; hc, Devins. CL. OR TKD. YELL., CK. (5): 1, Keating, in full bloom, nicely drawn, grand head and neck, well put down; 2, Devins, small but sweet type and col., lovely position; 3, vhc, Fleming, rare length and col., good wing carr., bit loose in front; hc, McDonald. BUFF (6): 1, c, Winkup, lengthy, good qual. of feather, rare side, good head and front, in full bloom; 2, vhc, Keating, rare good one, well on leg and lovely col.; 3, Fleming, plenty length and col., shade thick; hc, Tansey. VARIEG., CK. (3): 1, Winkup, lovely bird, round as a pencil, grand qual. and good head; 2, Tansey, plenty length and style, fails head and neck to leader; 3, McDonald, nice size and qual., good pos. CL. OR TKD. YELL., HEN (4): 1, Devins, lovely length, grand head and neck, well-balanced wing carr.; 2, 3, Fleming, a nice pair, good qual. and col., well put down; vhc, Tansey. BUFF (5): 1, Winkup, wonderful length and subs., good head, shade hollow in back and short in legs; 2, hc, Fleming, small, nice position and feather, we made its stable companion the better of the two, and some thought it should have won; 3, Devins, plenty size, grand head, back, and wings, a little open in front; vhc, Tansey. VARIEG. HEN (4): 1, Fleming, good length, nice wings and tail, a bit off in neck and head; 2, Keating, a nice one, lovely quality and col. good position; 3, Tansey, rare good one round as a pencil and straight, lovely feather, shade low on leg. MULE, LIGHT (3): 1, Creighton, small but lovely col., in good form; 2, Robinson, fair one good 2nd; 3, Hayes, not so light in col, or in same order. DARK (3): 1, Hayes, lovely Goldie Mule, good col. and condition; 2, Robinson, smaller, but good col.; 3, Cahoon, Greenie Mule, non-fed, a nice one, but lacks col. and condition. HYBRIDS: No entry. GOLDF. (5): 1, Mulcahy, fit as ever, lovely tannings and square cut blaze; 2, Barclay, nice Finch, not looking in his usual form, lovely wing bars and bright tannings, ahead of leader in blaze col.; 3, Wylie, good size and square cut blaze, fails tannings and condition; vhc, Carleton; hc, Hayes. LINNET (6): 1, Heron, rare shade nut brown col., nice head, good pencilling, well put down; 2, Owens and Magee, rare size and lovely markings, pale in col.; 3, Creighton, lucky, rather indistinctly mkd. on breast, good brown on back; vhc, Ronaldson; hc, Owens and Magee; c, Mulcahy. GREENF. (4): 1, Barclay, wins easy, rare size and bold head, in good order; 2, Owens and Magee, another good one, fine body and wing bars, tight as wax; 3, Walker, buff, great size, but very unsteady; vhc, Montgomery. A.O.V. (10): 1, Mulcahy, Bullie, grand cap and good wing bars, plenty size; 2, Weir, nice one, good head and bib, scarcely so large; 3, hc, c, Cahoon, Chaffie, well up in col., good dense breast, lovely whites; vhc, Robinson. FOR. (6): 1, McDonald, Siberian Goldie, grand size and very high col.; 2, Walker, another big one, better tannings and nice blaze; 3, Mulcahy, another good sized one, lacks condition of leaders; vhc, c, Robinson; hc, Carleton. MEMBERS', SCOTCH FANCY (5): 1, 2, hc, Andrew McDonald; 3, vhc, McElroy. CREST AND C.B. (2): 1, 2, McElroy. NOR. CL. OR TKD. CK. (8): 1, 2, 3, Finlay; vhc, hc, Montgomery; c, Murphy. VARIEG. CK. (3): 1, Montgomery; 2, Murphy; 3, Donnan. CL. OR TKD. HEN (5): 1, 2, Finlay; 3, vhc, Montgomery; hc, Murphy. HEN (3): 1, 2, Finlay; 3, Montgomery. YORKS. CK. (5): 1, McDonald; 2, vhc, Montgomery; 3, hc, McElroy. HEN (4): 1, Montgomery; 2, Robinson; 3, Doggart; vhc, McDonald. MEMBERS', LOCAL, CANARY (14): 1, Murphy; 2, Muir; 3, Kerr; vhc, c, McKee; hc, Milling. LINNET (16): 1, Milling; 2, Doggart; 3, Murphy; vhc, Carse; hc, Heron; c, Robinson. GOLDF. (5): 1, 2, Cahoon; 3, Weir; vhc, Milling; hc, Rutherford.

EAST. COUNTIES C.B.S.

Twentieth annual show, held Dec. 26th and 27th at the Social Settlement, Ipswich. The hall had been prettily decorated, in keeping with the Christmas spirit, by members of the committee. All the arrangements for the show were splendidly carried out by the Sec., Mr. Wm. Barritt, and a committee, consisting of Messrs. Gunn, Clarke, Baker, Cook, Gooderham, Carr, and Cole, under the chairmanship of C. Mouser, Esq., and vice-chairman and treas. W. Schofield, Esq. Naturally under such management the show was a decided success, a large number of people visiting the hall on both days in spite of the bad weather, the trams being very convenient, and passing the show from most parts of the town. During the year membership has greatly increased, and prospects for the ensuing year seem to be rosy. There was an increase of about 50 entries, the total this year being just over 360. Quality was most excellent, and the judge, Mr. C. Simpson, who has officiated in this capacity for the last twenty years, had a difficult task in selecting the winners in the majority of classes. It is doubtful if a larger collection of birds had ever been on view before in Ipswich. The show was formally opened by F. J. C. Ganzoni, Esq., who said that before coming to the show he had been reading a book on Canaries, in which he learnt that Canaries were first brought into Europe in the 17th century, that in their wild state they were much more shrill in their notes than those bred and trained in England, and that instead of being yellow they were green, greenish-yellow, and streaked with brown. What he liked about a Canary was that it was such an impartial bird. This season of the year was one of peace and goodwill towards men, when men laid aside their differences, but a Canary laid aside its differences all the year, for it was a yellow bird which had the good sense to lay a blue egg. Mr. Ganzoni then presented the cup, silver medal, and other prizes. Norwich were naturally greatly in evidence, and some good specimens were benched. We particularly admired Mr. Schofield's clear yellow, which, besides taking first in its class, won the silver medal for the best colour-fed bird in the show.

Crests were not very numerous, but Mr. W. Gunn staged a really magnificent specimen, which carried off the silver Challenge Cup presented by Sir Daniel F. Goddard, M.P., for the best bird in the show. Novice classes were very strongly supported, the majority of the prizes being won by Mr. A. E. Tydeman, with some really good ones; Mr. E. Girling was the next best novice. British classes were well filled, and we liked Mr. Cook's winning Goldfinch and Mr. E. Olle's 2nd prize Goldie, there being little between them, the steadier bird winning. Another we admired was the winning Bullfinch shown by Mr. Schofield. There were two classes for Foreign birds, Messrs. Andrews Bros. taking both 1st and 2nd prizes, winning in the small class with a grand Tanager and a Ruficauda.

The two entries presented to the Gift Classes were allotted to two numbered tickets, and these were won by Mr. J. Flowers and Mr. G. Hunt. There was also a guessing competition, the task being to guess the age of a 1912 singing Canary in days, the prize being the bird itself in a nice gilt cage. Mr. W. C. Wicks guessed its exact age, 241 days, while one competitor guessed 239, and two 240. There were nearly 50 special prizes, generously given by tradesmen of the town and district.

The Awards.

NOR., CL. YELL.: 1, sp, Schofield; 2, Tydeman; 3, Cole; vhc, W. Cook, Mouser, Olle; hc, Olle. BUFF: 1, 2, hc, sp, Schofield; 3, vhc, Cole; vhc, Olle. TKD., ETC., YELL.: 1, sp, Smith; 2, Barham; 3, hc, Olle; vhc, Gunn; hc, J. W. Baker. BUFF: 1, sp, Barham; 2, Cole; 3, Olle; vhc, Bevan, Mouser, Schofield; hc, Gunn. GR., OR HEAV.-MKD.: 1, vhc, sp, Cook; 2, 3, Cole; hc, Smith. HEN., YELL.: 1, sp, Schofield; 2, hc, Cole; 3, Mouser; vhc, Clarke, Olle, Smith. BUFF: 1, 3, sp, Cole; 2, J. W. Baker; vhc, Barham, Mouser, Schofield; hc, Gunn. NON-FED. BUFF: 1, sp, Mouser; 2, 3, Schofield. YELL.: 1, sp, Gunn; 2, Clarke; 3, Tydeman; vhc, J. W. Baker. BUFF: 1, vhc, sp, W. Schofield; 2, Clarke. NON-FLIGHT., YELL.: 1, sp, Tydeman; 2, Schofield; 3, Bevan; vhc, Cole; Mouser; hc, Clarke. BUFF: 1, sp, Barham; 2, Gunn; 3, vhc, Olle; vhc, Cole, Mouser, W. Schofield; hc, Schofield. CINN., YELL., CK.: 1, 2, vhc, sp, Cook; 3, vhc, hc, Andrews Bros. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, hc, Andrews Bros. HEN: 1, 2, Cook; 3, vhc, hc, Andrews Bros. NON-FLIGHT. CINN.: 1, 3, sp, Andrews Bros.; 2, vhc, Cook. CREST: 1, 2, 3, sp, Gunn; vhc, Roper. C.B.: 1, vhc, sp, Roper; 2, 3, Gunn. YORKS.: 1, vhc, sp, Pratt; 2, Flatt; 3, Read; vhc, Hammond. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, sp, Gunn; vhc, Bevan. NOV., NOR., YELL.: 1, 2, sp, Tydeman; 3, E. Baker; vhc, Bevan, Richold. BUFF: 1, 3, vhc, sp, Tydeman; 2, Girling; vhc, Baker, Richold; hc, Bevan, Barnard. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, hc, sp, Tydeman; 3, Girling; vhc, E. Baker, Robinson; hc, Robinson, Richold. BUFF HEN: 1, 2, 3, sp, Tydeman; vhc, Robinson, Barnard; hc, E. Baker, Richold. MULE OR HYB.: 1, sp, Olle; 2, 3, hc, Cook; vhc, Richold. GOLDF.: 1, 3, sp, Cook; 2, Olle; vhc, Gooderham. BULLF.: 1, vhc, sp, Schofield; 2, 3, vhc, Cook. LINNET: 1, 2, Cook; 3, E. Baker; vhc, Barham; hc, Barnard. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 2, sp, Cook; 3, Flatt. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, sp, Andrews Bros.; 3, vhc, Gooderham. NOV., BRIT.: 1, 3, vhc, sp, Flatt; 2, Robinson. FOR., SMALL: 1, 2, vhc, sp, Andrews Bros.; 3, vhc, hc, Dickerson. A.O.V. FOR.: 1, 2, sp, Andrews Bros.; 3, vhc, Gunn. GIFT: 1, Schofield; 2, Tydeman. PET BIRD (open to non-members resident in Ipswich): 1, Buxton; 2, Frost; 3, Foulger; vhc, Miss Newson, Flowers, Garrod; hc, Jennings. Silver Challenge Cup, presented by Sir Daniel Goddard, M.P., for best bird, W. Gunn. Most Points: 1, W. Cook (113 points); 2, A. E. Tydeman (89). Silver medal for best colour-fed bird: W. Schofield. Best Yorks., presented by Mr. E. Garrod: G. E. Pratt.

SWANLEY VILLAGE AND HEXTABLE C.B.S.

First annual show held Dec. 21, at Red Lion Hall, a capital place for the purpose, lofty and large. Entries came up well for a first show, 125 birds being staged. Walter C. Jackson, Esq., J.P., opened the show, and wished the society continued success. Mr. G. H. Peck (Bexley) judged, and his awards were well received. The champion section consisted of 30 Norwich and 30 Yorkshires—honorary exhibits of very high quality.

NOV. NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, spl, F. Croucher, good quality throughout; 3, res, G. Crowhurst, fails in size. TKD. OR VR.: 1, spl, F. Croucher, grand bird, size and col; 2, Turner, very neat 3-pointed Buff; 3, Larter, nice bird, rather loose in feather; res, Kemsley; hc, Stevens. CL. YORKS: 1, 2, 3, two spls, F. Croucher, very fine team, well shown; res, vhc, G. Crowhurst. TKD., ETC.: 1, spl, C. Croucher, good shape, eye mkd. Buff, tight as wax, well drawn; 2, Caston, good qual., not quite so tight in feather; 3, G. Crowhurst, good col., but fails in size; res, vhc, J. Crowhurst. GREEN (OPEN): 1, 3, vhc, J. Shiers, 1st Bord., nice quality; 3rd, Yorks, nice qual., not so tight; 2, res, F. Croucher; 2nd very nice Nor., good shape and col.; hc, c, G. Crowhurst. CREST OR C.B.: 1, 2, 3, J. Shiers, good team, full of qual.; res, F. Croucher; vhc, c, Larter. GOLDF.: 1, 2, 3, Shiers, smart team, winner takes some beating; res, vhc, c, Stevens. LINNET: 1, spl, Caston, nice size and shape, good col. and markings; 2, Turner, shade duller in col., yet a good one; 3, res, Shiers, fails in size; vhc, J. Crowhurst. A.O. SEEDEATER: 1, res, c, Shiers, winner very smart Bramble; 2, Linwkes, Greenfinch, good qual. and col.; 3, Larter, Bullfinch, fine specimen; vhc, Turner. JUVENILE BRIT.: 1, spl, vhc, Mills, winner good Greenfinch, col., qual., size; 2, 3, res, Stevens; 2nd nice Lesser Redpoll; 3rd good Chaffinch. CHILDREN'S PET CLASS: 1, 3, Coakham, 1st Dark Goldie Mule, grand size, shape; 3rd, Greenfinch, good col., qual.; 2, F. Croucher, Yorkshire of good qual.; res, R. Croucher, Norwich; vhc, R. Mills; hc, S. Holland; c, S. Hawkes.

S. BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Second annual show held December 26, at the Sydenham Hotel, Small Heath. Boxing Day was ushered in by the worst gale for 30 years, with a driving rain which must have quelled the bravest heart to take birds to the show room, but out of the 150 exhibits only three were absent. Great credit is due to show manager Jim Wright, who was assisted by Messrs. Adcock, Kidner, Swinden, Greenup, and Hughes, all capital stewards. Mr. Roe, the judge, was early in attendance, although much battered by the storm. The birds were all staged in sharp time, and Mr. Roe had finished judging in time for opening of show with all award cards on the cages; his awards seemed to please universally. Yorkshires were perhaps the finest lot seen in Birmingham at a members' show for years. Amongst the visitors were fanciers from Hinckley, Worcester, Coventry, and other towns. The thanks of the society are extended to our host, Mr. Tom Leckie, for the great improvement in the lighting of the room, it being as bright as day when the large 250 candle-power lamps were on. The special winners are as follows: Mr. Swinden (novice), best unflig. buff; Mr. Harding (novice), best novice yell., also best yellow and best buff hen; Messrs. Wells and Clempson, best bird in show, also best yell. hen, best buff, best yellow, best in show, best variegated., best unflig.; Mr. West (novice), best Nor. in show, best novice Nor., and best variegated; Messrs. Seers and Sons, best Bord., best novice Bord., best A.O.V., with a choice Cinn. Bord.; Mr. Greenup, best commended; Mr. Raby, best Mule; Mr. Derry, most points; best champ. Nor., best Nor. unflig.; Mr. Johnson, most points, also best British and best Cinn.; Mr. Barnett, most points in Brit.; Mr. Fields, best vhc nov.; Mr. Constable, best variegated. nov.; J. Burke, best buff champ. Many of the classes failed to fill, so fanciers missed a rare chance of carrying off something for nothing. Messrs. Wells and Clempson were delighted, returning a good percentage of their winnings for the good of the society. Members should try and assist the secretary by returning all unsold tickets before next Wednesday's general meeting; several new members to propose.—J. Sheppard, Sec. (This report, and the critique which follows, are by the society's own critic and expert.—Editor.)

The Critique.

CHAMP. NOR., CL., OR TKD. YELL. (1): 1, Sheppard, good shape and col. UNFLIG. YELL. (1): 1, Derry, cl. BUFF (1): 1, Derry, tkd. on left wing, good type. YORKS. YELL. (8): 1, sp, Burke, grand style and position, wins; 2, Wells and Clempson, fine shape and length, position A1, shade stronger; 3, Clay, a fine cl., grand qual., hardly so long; 4, c, Richardson; vhc, Beck; hc, Clay. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (4): 1, Wells and Clempson, large shapely clear, fine position; 2, 3, Clay, former finer drawn, but not so good in neck, latter grand col. and qual., fails in position; 4, Murray, grand stock bird. VARIEG. YELL. OR BUFF (5): 1, 2, Wells and Clempson, the winner we made the finest Yorkie in show, a grand bird, yellow saddle and head markings; 2nd, lighter drawn; 3, Hughes, variegated. yell., we liked better than 2nd, grand qual. and position, better in head and neck; 4, Burke; vhc, Beck. HEN, YELL., A.V. (9): 1, 3, Wells and Clempson, winner tkd. left shoulder, grand style, neat head, full neck, fine round shoulders, A1 position; 3rd, shade thicker in body; 2, Clay, cl., good length and position; 4, Hughes; vhc, Burke; hc, Beck; c, Hughes. BUFF (6): 1, 2, 3, Wells and Clempson, fine trio, we liked the 2nd best; 4, Clay; vhc, Sheppard. UNFLIG. YELL., A.V. (7): 1, 2 sps. best Yorks., Wells and Clempson, fine youngster, length, position, type, and qual. A1; 2, Richardson, hardly so good in head and neck; 3, vhc, same owner; 4, Hughes; hc, Clay; c, Burke. UNFLIG. BUFF: 1, Burke, wins, cl., grand qual.; 2, Wells and Clempson, cl., fine head and neck, stronger; 3, Richardson, good head and shoulder, a bit flat on head; 4, vhc, Clay; hc, c, Richardson. BORD., YELL. (2): 1, 2, Murray, cls., true type, good qual. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Murray, cls., excellent shape and qual. NOV. NOR., VARIEG. (2): 1, 2, West, winner heavily variegated, yell., grand type and qual., quickly claimed, the 2nd a fair buff. UNFLIG. YELL. (1): 1, Derry, tkd. on head and wing, type and qual. good. BUFF (4): 1, Derry, cl., good in head and neck; 2, Derry, variegated, yell.; 3, West, broken green, not so good in head; 4, Johnson. YORKS. YELL., CL. OR TKD. (6): 1, Harding, fine upstanding cl., capital wings and fine tail, qual. good; 2, Fields, rare position, finer built; 3, Sears and Son, cl.; 4, Hall; vhc, Bayliss; hc, Rees. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (4): 1, 3, Kidner, cl., bit short, fine style and qual; 3rd, shapely; 2, Rees, cl., shows plenty of fancy. VARIEG. (4): 1, 4, Constable, winner yell. mkd. length and position good; 2, Harding, good head and neck, fair position; 3, Greenup, fine cinn. mkd. yell. YORKS. HEN, YELL. (7): 1, Harding, good head and neck, col., and qual. good; 2, Swinden, patchy in col., good style and position; 3, Bayliss, finely feathered cl.; 4, Greenup; vhc, Adcock; hc, Kidner; c, Rees. BUFF (6): 1, Harding, cinn. mkd., good position, a bit strong; 3, Hall, cl.; 4, Swinden; vhc, Fields; hc, Baylies; c, Greenup. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, sp, lovely col. and feather, nicely mottled body, stands up well; 2, Harding, tkd. right wing, fair position; 3, Greenup, good length and qual.; 4, Adcock, fine cl.; vhc, Constable; hc, Leonard; c, Greenup. BUFF, A.V. (9): 1, Adcock, close feathered, fine head, and well moulded shoulders; 2, Greenup, mkd. buff, not so good in neck; 3, Harding; 4, Constable; vhc, Rees; hc, Adcock; c, Bayliss. BORD., YELL. (2): 1, Sears and Son, good cl.; 2, Kidner. CL. BUFF: 1, Sears and Son, close feathered buff. CINN., NOR. TYPE: 1, Johnson. A.O.V. (2): 1, 3 sps. Seers and Son, fine Cinn. Bord. OPEN, MULE OR HYB., LIGHT: 1, Raby, fine five-pointed Goldie-Can. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (9): 1, 2, Barnett, former Goldfinch, well defined and rich blaze, good shape and size, a bit light under; 2nd, not so good in head; 3, Sears and Son, Bullfinch, good col., steady, nice cap and bib; 4, Raby. GREENF., ETC. (5): 1, sp, Johnson, fine Hawfinch; 2, 3, 4, Barnett, 2nd Jonque Greenfinch, lovely feathered, 3rd Chaffinch, 4th Buff Greenfinch; vhc, Wells and Clempson. A.O. HARDBILLS (6) 1, Barnett, beautiful feathered Siskin; 2, Wells and Clempson, Brown Linnet, good col. and pencilling; 3, Johnson, Siskin; 4, Kidner; vhc, Marson; hc, Raby.

STANLEY C.B.S.

Show held Dec. 21, in the Empire Club Hall. There was a capital display of birds, and the numerous visitors were loud in their expressions of appreciation. Mr. Bewick, Newfield, judged. We understand that one or two other clubs in Stanley are anxious to emulate the Empire. The Victoria, for one, is said to be desirous of trying its hand, and so, it is stated, is one of the South Moor clubs. In this case the more the merrier. It will be a good thing to have the breeding of birds encouraged as an alternative to other hobbies, and we must hope therefore that the cult will extend. Mr. J. Emmerson is chairman, Mr. W. Robinson sec., and Mr. J. Smith treas. The show proved a thorough success.

NOR., CL., ETC., CK.: 1, sp, Gowland; 2, J. Emmerson; 3, Coulson; vhc, King. HEN: 1, 2, 3, sp, J. Emmerson; vhc, S. Emmerson; hc, c, Piper. NAT. COL., CK.: 1, sp, Hall; 2, Gowland; 3, Edmunds; vhc, Robinson; hc, Morpeth. HEN: 1, sp, hc, Edmunds; 2, Keskey; 3, Ward; vhc, Boyle. YOUNG BIRDS: 1, sp, Gowland; 2, vhc, J. Emmerson; 3, Purvis. LINNET: 1, sp, vhc, Robinson; 2, J. Emmerson; 3, King. REDPOLL: 1, sp, hc, J. Emmerson; 2, Robinson; 3, Purvis; vhc, Boyle. BRIT., A.O.S.: 1, sp, J. Emmerson; 2, Gowland; 3, Boyle; vhc, Hockaday. MULE: 1, Hall; 2, Robinson; 3, Boyle; vhc, Purvis. SOFTBILL: 1, Boyle; 2, Coulson; 3, Morpeth.—J. Emmerson.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.

Final show for the season's competition, held Dec. 26 at the Flying Dutchman Hotel, Leeds Road, when the members staged 89 birds. Mr. R. Halliday judged Yorks and British, and Mr. T. Hammond the Norwich, and their awards gave general satisfaction. Winners of special points prizes:—Open Yorks, 1st, L. Hodgson, 105 points; 2nd, W. Hellewell, 95; 3rd, F. Ludbrook, 71. Nov. Yorks: 1st, C. E. Hylton, 102; 2nd, H. McEwen, 86; 3rd, J. C. Rhodes, 80. Open Norwich: 1, J. Roe, 95; 2nd, W. Plowright, 67; 3rd, R. J. Jones, 56. Novice Norwich: 1st, F. E. Farrer, 51; 2nd, J. Lythell, 47; 3rd, G. Hunter, 41. British and Var.: 1st, W. Morcment, 44; 2nd, J. Lane, 32; 3rd, J. Clark, 24.

OPEN YORKS CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, Hellewell; 3, Hodgson. BUFF: 1, Hellewell; 2, Hodgson; 3, Ludbrook. UNEVEN OR FOUL: 1, Ludbrook. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 4, Hellewell; 2, 3, Hodgson. BUFF: 1, 2, Hodgson; 3, Hellewell; 4, vhc, Ludbrook. NOV. YORKS CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Hunter; 2, Symes; 3, 4, Rhodes; vhc, Fletcher; hc, Hylton; c, Bower. BUFF: 1, 3, Hylton; 2, Rhodes; 4, Bower; vhc, McEwen; hc, c, Hunter. VAR., ETC.: 1, McEwen; 2, Hylton; 3, Symes; 4, Fletcher. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 4, McEwen; 2, Hylton; 3, Symes; vhc, hc, Bower; c, Rhodes. BUFF: 1, Rhodes; 2, Hylton; 3, 4, Bower; vhc, McEwen. EV. ETC. HEN: 1, 2, Hylton. OPEN NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, hc, Jones; 3, 4, vhc, Roe. BUFF: 1, Roe; 2, Jones. YELL. HEN: 1, Roe; 2, Jones. BUFF: 1, vhc, Jones; 2, 3, 4, Roe. NOVICE NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Lythell; 3, Hunter; 4, Farrer. BUFF: 1, vhc, hc, Farrer; 2, 4, Hunter; 3, Lythell. YELL. HEN: 1, Hunter. BUFF: 1, 2, Lythell; 3, 4, Hunter; vhc, hc, Farrer. A.V. CAN. OR MULE: 1, 2, 3, 4, W. Morcment.—J. Horsfield, assist. sec.

LEICESTER C.B.S.

Annual members' show held at the Saracen's Head Hotel, Dec. 14. 144 birds staged. Awards: Class 1: 1, Heighton. Class 2: 1, Groocock; 2, Martin. Class 3: 1, Martin; 2, Heighton. Class 4: 1, 2, Groocock; 3, Gamble. Class 5: 1, Gamble. Class 6: 1, Leavesley. Class 7: 1, Leavesley; 2, Gamble; 3, Groocock. Class 8: 1, Gamble. Class 10: 1, Leavesley; 2, 3, Gamble; vhc, Heighton. Class 11: 1, Leavesley; 2, 3, Groocock; vhc, Gamble. Class 12: 1, 2, 3, Groocock; vhc, Gamble. Class 13: 1, Toone; 2, 3, Davis. Class 14: 1, Yates; 2, Smith; 3, vhc, Toone. Class 15: 1, 2, Brooks; 3, Smith; vhc, Davis; hc, Toone. Class 16: 1, Crane; 2, Wortley; 3, Day; vhc, Yates; hc, Toone. Class 17: 1, Davis; 2, Crane; 3, Yates; vhc, Toone; hc, Bausir. Class 18: 1, Wortley; 2, Day; 3, Davis. Class 19: 1, 3, Yates; 2, Day; vhc, Hayes; hc, c, Davis. Class 20: 1, Yates. Class 21: 1, Toone; 2, Crane; 3, Wortley; vhc, Davis. Class 22: 1, 3, Wood; 2, Crane; vhc, Toone. Class 23: 1, Day; 2, Crane; 3, vhc, Davis; hc, Toone; c, Hardy. Class 24: 1, Wood; 2, Davis. Class 25: 1, 2, 3, Gamble; vhc, hc, Hardbattle. Class 26: 1, 2, 3, Gamble; vhc, hc, Hardbattle. Class 27: 1, Heighton; 2, 3, Gamble. Class 28: 1, 3, Suffolk; 2, Gamble; vhc, Wortley. Class 29: 1, Brooks; 2, 3, hc, c, Hawthorne; vhc, Cook. Class 30: 1, Brooks; 2, Heighton; 3, Bausir; vhc, Cook. Class 31: 1, 3, Hawthorne; 2, Brooks; vhc, Heighton; hc, Suffolk; c, Hayes. Class 32: 1, Cook; 2, Bowles; 3, Hayes; vhc, Heighton; hc, Brooks. Class 33: 1, Brooks; 2, Cook; 3, Heighton. Class 34: 1, Brooks; 2, Heighton. Class 35: 1, Hayes; 2, Brooks; 3, Heighton; vhc, Groocock. Class 36: 1, 2, vhc, Heighton; 3, Brooks. Class 37: 1, Hayes. Class 38: 1, 2, 3, Heighton. Class 39: 1, vhc, Brooks; 2, Hayes; 3, Heath. Class 40: 1, 3, vhc, Cook; 2, Heath. Class 42: 1, Wortley. Class 43: 1, Hayes; 2, Suffolk. 42: 1, Wortley. Class 43: 1, Hayes; 2, Suffolk. Winners of specials, Messrs. Brooks, Leavesley, Day, Martin, Groocock, Heighton, Hawthorne, Gamble, Hardbattle, Davis, Crane and Yates.—J. Cook, Sec.

TWENTY YEARS OF BIRD KEEPING AND BREEDING.

By "LOTUS."

(Concluded from page 1149).

Some very useful advice from a bird-lover of the gentler sex, who manages her birds on sound lines and thinks things out for herself, will be found in this contribution.

EVERY bird I have, Canary, British, or Foreign, is in absolutely perfect health; any of them could be put on the show bench at the present time, and win for condition. Good sand, good water, and good seed, with plenty of variety, and all the fresh air you can give them without draught, that is the way to keep feathered pets in condition.

Now, just a word about birds with slipped claws, don't have them if you can avoid it. They are a great danger in the breeding season. I have heard people say it does not matter, the bird will nest all right. Just so! Very likely it will, but a bird with such a foot is continually falling off its perch; I had one that used to fall off its perch at night always, then flutter about for a long time. Think what that means in the breeding room! Perhaps half the birds are startled, and fluttering all over the cages, hens sitting on eggs will be frightened off them, and may not be able to return till the morning. When you go into the bird room everything appears as usual, but when the eggs are due to hatch, dead in shell is the cry.

Curing the "Slipped" Claw.

It is very easy to cure a bird of slipped claw; as soon as you find you have a young bird so afflicted, soak its foot in as hot water as you can with safety, then rub the foot with vaseline, then get someone to hold the bird while you get a piece of white darning wool; get your friend to hold the leg, tie the wool between the joints of the claw, not too tightly, but so that it will not slip off over the joint; draw the claw up to the leg gently by the wool and tie the wool round the leg, twisting twice round the leg loosely, then tie both ends together. Care must be taken that it is not too tight, or it will stop the circulation, and the bird will lose its foot or claw.

I find this method much better than a rubber band; I have seen many done with the band, and they have nearly always lost the foot, the rubber pressing too hard. I cured a valuable young Crest-bred hen last season in this way. You may have to do it two or three times at first before you get it right, as if too loose, or too tight, it will not be a success. Watch the bird carefully, and if you see the leg or foot turning dark, take the binding off at once.

The "Cruelty" of Caging Birds.

Now, a word about caging birds. Is it cruel to keep birds in cages? I will give some examples which are absolutely true, as they happened to myself. When I was a child I saw a poor little Robin in a birdshop looking very miserable. I bought him, took him home, and cared for him to the best of my ability, I don't remember what I fed him on, but anyhow he did not seem to thrive, so after a time I thought I would let him fly, or perhaps he would die. Well, I did so, but he would not go; every day he came back again until the cat got him.

A short time after that my mother bought a Blackbird from a bird dealer. We kept that about a year, and, as mother thought it did not whistle quite like the wild ones, she decided to give it its liberty, so we took the cage into the garden, and let the bird out. The bird would not go away. Every time we put it out, back it came to the cage, day after day, until at last we took it right away into the country, where there were some woods, and left it there.

Another case happened last year, when one of my little Waxbills got out of its cage, and flew into the garden. Three times it went right over the fields out of sight, was out all day, but returned into its cage (which I put in the garden) in the evening. A wild cock Bullie which I once had two years, if let out of his cage would at once go in again, and remain there, although the door was left open for hours. I keep a large Crystal Palace aviary in my room full of foreign birds, and any of them if let out into the room would return of their own accord.

"Birds are Good Company."

Birds are good company. Even at night the Budgerigars and Lovebirds will break out into their cheery song (I don't suppose many would like that, they would wish them farther), and my little Orangebreast always rouses me at about five o'clock in the morning, no matter how dark it is, by his little "Chirp, Chirp, Chirp." How he knows the time is a marvel. I heard of a young man not long ago who had had an accident and had broken or injured his back. He was entirely helpless, and could not move a finger, his whole amusement being the watching of a collection of foreign birds kept close to his couch. And they want to prevent us keeping birds in cages. I hope they will never succeed, as what I should feel like without my pets I do not know.

I forgot to mention in the beginning that at the close of the breeding season I take all the birds out of the bird-house, clean and sweep it out, put the empty cages back in their places, close the window, and set light to a pennyworth of flowers of sulphur on a shovel, close the door carefully, and leave for 24 hours, then open window and door and leave for another 24 hours. The shed will then be sweet and clean to return the birds to, all insect life being destroyed.



A SHOCKING DISCOVERY!

Benevolent Old Gent (reading from show catalogue): "'The non-fed Yorkshires'—NON-FED! Dear me! no wonder the poor things are so thin!"

WAYSIDE SEEDS AND BERRIES FOR BRITISH BIRDS.

By JAS. B. CLARKE (Rothesay).

(Continued from page 1149).

A remarkable article the result of a lifetime's experience of birds in field and aviary.

COMMON FUMITORY (Fumaria officinalis).—A common plant with rose coloured flowers and bronish seed, similar to rape. A favourite food of all Finches, especially Bullfinches and Greenfinches. A grand blood purifier and most useful during the moult. This seed is easily gathered. Just draw your hand up the seed stem, when seeds will be left in the hand ready for use.

A Caution Against Dandelion.

COMMON DANDELION (Taraxacum officinale).—Known to most fanciers, and a very useful seed if given in moderation. I used to give my Finches large quantities of this seed, but now find it is better to give it less freely. I used to lose numerous Finches when giving this seed in plenty, but given sparingly it is most useful. To gather the seed pull the white heads before they open, and with a pair of scissors clip as much of the white down away as possible, when you will have no difficulty in saving the seed.

CUCKOO FLOWER OR LADY'S SMOCK (Cardamine pratensis).—A common plant with small white flowers and small round, reddish-coloured seeds, eaten readily by Linnets, Twites, Greenfinches, and Redpolls. A most useful seed; aids digestion, restores lost appetite, and has the same virtues as water-cress.

PURPLE CLOVER (Trifolum pratense).—The common meadow clover, so well known. A favourite seed for Linnets, Twites, and Redpolls, and useful during the moult.

GREAT NETTLE (Urtica diocia).—Grows two to four feet high, is well known, and is a favourite seed of the Siskin, Redpoll, and Bullfinch. I have seen large flocks of these birds feeding on this plant, and find it one of the most useful of seeds for these birds in confinement.

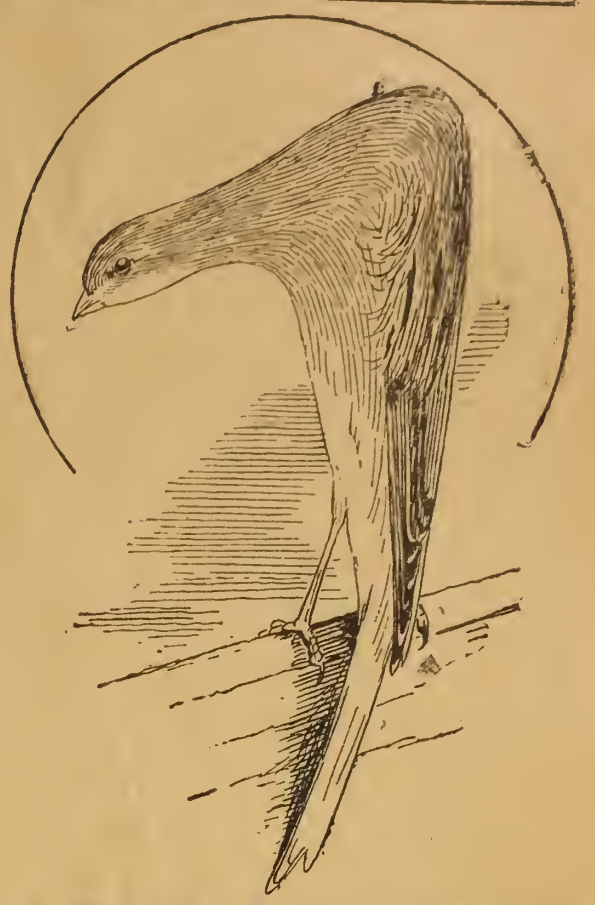
Can Maw be Used too Freely

COMMON RED POPPY (Popaver rheas).—A familiar plant in cornfields. Opium is procured from the opium poppy (P. somniferum) by extracting juice from the unripe capsules. The seed is destitute of narcotic properties, and yields a wholesome oil. The seed is know to most fanciers as maw seed, and is best given as a tit-bit. I do not think that it should be given too freely to birds in confinement.

COMMON PERSICARIA (Polygonum persicaria).—Better known as "Redshank." A common weed, grows one to two feet high, leaves flat with purplish black blotch in the centre, short erect red flowers, spikes of jet black seeds. I have seen all Finches feed on this and find it one of our best winter foods. Hawfinches also relish this seed.

MARSH PLUME THISTLE (Carduus palustris).—The tallest of British thistles, three to ten feet high, with small egg-shaped flower heads and crimson florets. A favourite seed for Linnets, Goldfinches, and Siskins, and I find it one of the most useful seeds for these birds in confinement.

SQUARE STALKED ST. JOHN'S WORT (Hypericum quadrangulum).—Common in wet places. Was at one time worn about the person in Scotland as a protection against witchcraft. Grows two feet high with square stems and clusters of small yellow flowers. A favourite food of the Linnet, Twite, and Redpoll, and I find it a most useful seed during the moult and winter months.



A WELSHMAN'S SCOTCH FANCY.

This fine example of the "bird 'o circle" has won many prizes for Mr. C. Farrow, of Merthyr Tydvil, including 2nd and two specials at Pentrebach Show, and 2nd and special at Cardiff.

WILLOW HERB (Epilobium montanum).—Grows from two to three feet high with downy stems and small drooping pink flowers. A great favourite of the Linnet, Twite, Siskin, and Redpoll, and one of the best seeds for these birds in confinement that I know of. It is a very small seed, and rather difficult to gather owing to the down mixing with the seeds. I am told the leaves of this plant are used as a substitute for tea.

WILD CHAMOMILE AND FEVERFEW (Matricaria).—Plants usually found in waste ground and cornfields. Twelve to twenty-four inches high, with small white flowers. The small cream-coloured seeds are most useful for Linnets, Twites, Siskins, and Redpolls during the moult and winter months; aids digestion.

RIBWORT PLANTAIN (Plantago lanceolata).—A common plant, abundant in meadows, and known to children as "cocks and hens;" they amuse themselves by striking one head against another until the stalk breaks. Readily eaten by Linnets, Twites, and Redpolls, and a most useful food for these birds in confinement, having great colouring properties.

A Favourite Thistle Plant.

SPEAR-PLUME THISTLE (Carduus lanceolatus).—A well-known plant; grows from two to five feet high, with large purple heads and teazle-shaped seeds. A Linnet, Redpoll, and Goldfinch favourite, and one of the best seeds for these birds in confinement. When gathering the seed, it is a good plan to take the scissors with you and cut as much of the down from the seed-heads as possible before taking them to the house (especially if you are married).

YELLOW OX-EYE OR CORN MARIGOLD (Chrysanthemum segetum).—Common in turnip and other cultivated fields. Has beautiful golden yellow flowers and teazle-shaped seeds. A favourite seed for all Finches. I have used it with the best of results during the moult and at other seasons.

GREATER PLANTAIN (Plantago major).—A well-known plant, commonly known as "Rat-Tails." A most useful seed for moulting Linnets, Twites, and Redpolls. Given along with linseed and rape will bring out these birds a nice rich brown colour fit to hold their own in the best company.

EARLY PURPLE ORCHIS (Orchis mascula).—A small, pretty plant, found in marshy ground. Flowers purple, with small brown seed. A Redpoll favourite, and very useful for these birds during the winter.

HERB ROBERT (Geranium robertianum).—A well-known species with red, hairy, succulent stems, and small red flowers. Flowers mostly all summer; seeds cream coloured similar to knapweed. A food of the Bullfinch and Greenfinch, and I have found it most useful for these birds in Winter.

SNEEZEWORT (Achillea ptarmica).—Common on meadows, small white flowers; seed similar to groundsel. A Twite and Redpoll favourite, and a grand seed for them in cage or aviary. Flowers in July, seeds in September. It is said that the leaves "chewed in mouth easeth toothache."

(To be continued.)

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CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

BAD COUGH AND WHEEZING (W. P. A.).—Your reference to colour of chest and abdomen is rather vague. Do you mean that the skin is discoloured on these parts, and if it is, is there an abnormal swelling or puffiness? See that the bird is kept quite free from cold draughts, impure heated air, and similar existing causes of bronchial troubles, and in addition to the staple seed diet, give a morsel of plain bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day, and on the alternate days a fair-sized spray of watercress. Limit the diet to this for a fortnight, and add 20 drops of whisky, five each of oxymel of squills and ipecacuanha wine, and two of eucalyptus oil to the drinking water, shaking it well together, every second day. If not well in a fortnight write again.

NOT SINGING (F. E.).—Are the birds caged together or separately? If the former, this will help to keep the cock backward in coming in song. It may also be that the birds were hatched late, in which case it is not very uncommon for the cocks to remain silent until towards the middle of January. It may, of course, also be of the gentle sex, in which vigorous vocal efforts are unfashionable. If not already separated, cage the supposed cock separately, give a morsel of sponge cake with a few drops of sherry on it and sprinkled with maw, every second day, and a spray of watercress or morsel of banana on the alternate days, in addition to the usual seed diet. This should bring it out in a fortnight or so, if it is of the right gender, and in good health. Should it fail to do so, please write again, and say whether the birds appear to be in good health, and if they moulted last autumn.

BLISTER UNDER EYE (M. W. M.).—Prick the blister with a quite clean needle on the lower margin, farthest away from eye, and gently press out the fluid. Be careful to puncture only the skin of the external blister. Then bathe the place with a lukewarm solution of boracic acid—a small teaspoonful of acid in a saucerful of warm water—for a few minutes. Dry as thoroughly as you can by absorbing moisture in wad of cotton wool, in order to prevent bird rubbing so much on the perch. If the eye seems bad after this, dissolve, or get a chemist to do so, five grains of sulphate of zinc in an ounce of rose water, and drop one drop of this lotion on the eye each morning and evening for a few days, beginning the day after draining the blister. Keep perches as clean as possible.

EFFECT OF SONG-BOXES (Inglewood).—The birds losing "all the nice changes," as you put it, after being kept in song-boxes for a week or two, and singing only one or two long tours, is only what might be expected. These song-boxes are designed as an aid to keeping the song tours of trained birds pure and soft, and to protect the bird from the excitement and distraction common in open exposed cages, and prevent the birds hearing and "picking up" bad notes. Except in the case of high-class contest singers it is not necessary, or, in my opinion, advisable, to keep the birds confined constantly in song-boxes. If you keep the doors of the boxes open for a few hours each day and evening, you will doubtless soon find the nice changes come back, especially if the boxes have where the bird can hear and perhaps see each other, the latter is not an advantage with some birds, but it is with others. You must, however, be careful if you wish to keep the song pure, as these changes which you appreciate are simply variants which the birds add under the stress of excitement through being more exposed. At the first sign of a bad note being interspersed in the song, or of the song becoming too loud, keep the culprit's box closed for a time to soften down the harshness sufficiently.

TWO UNSATISFACTORY NORWICH (Hallindalloch).—I'm afraid there must be something at fault with your management, or the environments, for the first bird to continue dropping feathers so long. See that the one you now have is quite free from draughts, and keep it in perfectly healthy and bright wholesome surroundings. Keep cage floor strewn with clean gritty sand, and treat for two or three weeks the same as advised to "F.E." in this issue. If this does not have the desired effect of bringing it in song, write again, and give what particulars you can about it. Your method of feeding, etc.; whether it appears healthy and active; its probable age; and so on. If it was a young bird when you bought it, I should not be surprised if it proves to be a hen.

TO TIGHTEN UP PLUMAGE (W.V.).—It naturally depends somewhat upon the cause of the looseness. You should have given some idea how the birds are treated, and whether they are in good health or not. Anyway, try the following, and if it does not soon produce the desired effect, write again, and give some particulars. Give a morsel of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with maw seed, daily for a week. In the drinking water add twelve drops of syrup of buckthorn for one day only, and afterwards six drops of tincture of gentian and three of tincture of steel, for three or four consecutive days.

BAD PLUMAGE (C. D. G.).—Keep the bird caged for a time, and in a comfortable temperature, and throw a light cover over the cage for a week or two in order to encourage the moult. In addition to the staple diet of canary and rape, give a morsel or bread and milk slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur, and finally with soft sugar, every second day for a fortnight, and then twice a week for another fortnight, and on the alternating days give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts niger, millet and teazle. Give a spray of green food every second day, and allow bird to bathe daily if it desires to do so. Add 20 drops of whisky and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece to the drinking water on the days when not giving bread and milk during the first fortnight.

MATING QUERIES (Derricke).—(1) Certainly a three-year-old hen will mate with a cock in its first year, and the pair should breed quite successfully. (2) Double-buffing will give increased size and substance, and more dense and close feather. If carried too far it will bring about coarseness in feather and a pale washed out colour. Although exceedingly useful when really necessary, it should not be done indiscriminately when the necessity is not apparent. You should be able to get any amount of good material to increase the size of stock if below the average without double-buffing to a great extent. (3) There must be a twist, or some abnormality, in the conformation of the beak, for the side of lower mandible to overlap the upper one. You should have enclosed a rough sketch to show the defect. Keep a cube of lump sugar and a piece of cuttlefish stuck firmly in the wires at the end of a perch for the bird to nibble at, and see if that will wear down the overlapping portion.

WARMTH AND EGG CAKE (Prudence).—(1) You do not say how long the birds have been in the outdoor birdroom. If they were bred and reared there, or even if thy come of a hardy, normally bred stock, you would be well advised not to heat

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should consult Sl. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller." No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

the room at all. If severe weather should occur, so that your fears about the water pots being frozen were verified, add a little extra seed mixture to the dietary, and give a little egg food twice or thrice a week according to circumstances. If the water pots were in danger of being frozen, empty them each night after the birds have gone to roost and refill them early next morning—about 7 a.m. would be quite early enough. Examine them again at midday. Of course, if you have the means of heating the place at hand, and prefer to heat it, do so, and endeavour to keep up a regular temperature of between 40 and 45 degrees. (2) For an egg cake get the feminine powers to make you a cake with two eggs, six ounces flour, dessertspoonful of moist sugar, ditto of unsalted beef dripping, and a saltspoonful of carbonate of soda. Use a little milk if necessary to make all into a stiff dough for baking. You will find a number of recipes for egg substitutes in "Our Canaries," in chapter on Feeding.

AILING YORKSHIRE (A. J.).—I think it most likely that the bird had been accustomed to a warmer room than yours before you purchased him, and your cold-room and letting him out to fly about, which means more exposure than being in cage, does not suit him. Keep him until spring in a comfortable temperature. Do not overheat him, but keep just away from the chilly side, and let the place be nicely ventilated but free from draughts or great and rapid fluctuations. Give a morsel of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with maw, every second day for a fortnight. Get the mixture advised to "D. Price" last week, and give 20 drops in the water every second day in alternate weeks until the wheeziness is quite cured.

LOSS OF TOES (Ignorant).—(1) It depends upon how much of the toes are lost whether the bird would be any use for breeding, and also to a great extent to the bird's general health and agility. If in good robust health and agile the complete loss of two toes from one foot should not prevent it breeding successfully. In your bird's case, however, there must be something still wrong with the foot, or it would have been used in a normal manner again long before this time. Try bathing for a few minutes three times a week for two or three weeks in a solution of Wych Hazel—a small teaspoonful of the extract in a saucerful of luke-warm water. (2) You could, of course, mate the Plainhead cock with the Plainhead hen and the Crested hen alternately if you decide not to use the Crested cock for breeding. The Crest hen will breed quite successfully with the Plainhead, but the young will be only cross-breds. By the way, it is not usual in breeding Crests to mate two crested birds. Are you sure the birds you call Plainheads are not Crest-breds? You should get a copy of "Our Canaries," dealing with the Crest and Crest-bred. (3) Assuming the cock is a real Plainhead, as you term him, a certain proportion of the Crested hen's progeny would still appear with a crest of some sort, and some with overhanging eyebrows, but you must not look for ideal Crests or Crest-breds among the progeny of such a union.

MOULTING QUESTIONS (J. W. Notts).—If the house to which you have lately moved is decidedly colder, draughty, or damp, it would undoubtedly be more or less responsible for the birds beginning to moult. If you take proper precautions to avoid these causes there is no other way in which such a change is likely to affect the birds. For the bird that has not previously moulted you should encourage this moult, and get it through completely as quickly as you can. Treat as advised to "C. D. G." in this issue. The previous reply you refer to, which would do for this bird, is the one to "A. A. E." on Dec. 21. Treat the bird that has previously moulted as follows:—In addition to usual seed diet, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and sprinkled with maw every second day. On the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, millet, black rape, and teazle, and a morsel of banana. Dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give twenty drops of this mixture in the drinking water every second day until feathers cease dropping out.

A HINGE TAIL (Novice).—This is the same as the fault known as "drop-tailed," and is a natural defect in the Norwich. In some breeds, the Lancashire for example, a drop tail is to a certain extent a typical feature. If you look at an illustration of a typical Lancashire, showing a side view, and note how the tail drops, as it were, from the root and hangs straight downwards, instead of being carried so form a continuous line with the back, you will have a better idea of what a hinge tail is than a whole column of descriptive writing. In the Norwich the tail should be carried to form a line with the lower part of back; any tendency to drop downwards from the base and thus break the continuity of this line is a bad fault. You can do nothing to remedy it. To breed it out, mate the bird with a nice stout close-feathered buff hen, cobbily built, rather short on leg, and with a close-fitting, compact and rather short tail. If the tail is carried a little stiffly or high it will not matter, but see that it is quite free from any suspicion of hinge tail. Both the parents of this bird should also be free from the fault, and if they were two buffs, so much the better. Any hinge-tailed birds that appear in the progeny should be totally discarded for further breeding if of only moderate quality, but if any having this fault are of exceptional merit otherwise, mate them up the following season on the above lines, using the mother as a mate for one of the young cocks.

DROOPING WINGS (Ignoramus, Essex).—You ought to have been more definite. Your letter seems to imply that only some portion of your stock show this fault, and you do not say whether these individuals are healthy or not, nor how the stock is treated, or if any of the cocks so affected are in song. It's best to particularise in such cases. It may be due to weakness, as you suggest, or to birds being temporarily run down, or it may even be due to the birds being in high and fresh condition, and coming forward for breeding. Try giving each a morsel of bread and milk, sprinkled with soft sugar, every second day for a week, and on the alternate days half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle. Add six drops of tincture of gentian and three of dilute sulphuric acid to the drinking water every second day for a week. If this does not brace them up, write again and give more particulars. Assuming the fault to be congenital, there is no reason why you should not breed with the birds if of a good strain and type, but they would need mating carefully with specimens quite free from any similar defect, and having themselves very well-braced and sound wing carriage.

TWO QUESTIONS (J.E.R.).—(1) The two birds with large white droppings are troubled with a sluggish and congested condition of the bowels. Keep them in a fairly large cage, well strewn with clean gritty sand; keep perches as clean as possible, and stick a cube of hard common salt in the wires for them to peck at now and again. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed only. Three times a week give half a teaspoonful of rape, soaked overnight in cold water, and on the other days a morsel of bread and milk, not larger than a hazel nut, strewn with gold of pleasure seed. Give these two items alternately. Break open a grape and fix the berry with the inner flesh exposed uppermost on the end of a perch for bird to peck at. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a threepenny-piece every second day for a week. After this give four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid in the water every second day for a fortnight. Report result in a month, and I will advise further if necessary. (2) Give this bird a staple mixture of three parts canary to one part rape. Every second day give a morsel of bread and milk as above, and on the alternate days a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, millet, and black rape. Give a spray of watercress, if obtainable in good condition, every second or third day. Add the above rhubarb aperient to the water for three consecutive days, then give the same gentian mixture, as above, every second day for a week or so.

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Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

CARDINALS, ETC. (T.G.S.).—(1) Under some conditions Virginian Cardinals do deteriorate in colour and occasionally so in aviaries. But in the latter case the loss is usually but temporary. Some live food, access to fruit, seed and greenfood, will help to retain the colour. I have one now, which was very bricky in hue before the moult (he had been caged for several years); now he is fiery scarlet. (2) The usual Bunting mixture, with white millet and spray millet supplied separately, with access to green-food, fruit, and some live food will suffice for the Nonpariel Bunting. (3) Yes, whenever the

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claws get beyond normal length they should be cut back. Mannikins especially being subject to overgrown claws; but whenever you notice a bird catching its claws in the netting or branches, even slightly, it should be caught and the nails trimmed back. There is a small vein running through the claw, which bleeds badly if opened, so you must only shorten back to the normal; but if by accident the claw is made to bleed, promptly touch it with Friar's Balsam and hold it in the hand till the balsam is dry, and little harm will result.

TO GET INTO CONDITION (An Old Reader).—There is no royal road. Feed it as advised in the Nutshell, which you have. Purchase only clean, sweet seeds; give it a roomy cage or aviary; check constipation with an occasional drop of Dinneford's Magnesia direct to the beak. If your birds have space for exercise, are kept clean, and fed with clean sound seeds, perfect feather and condition will be the result. Owing to inbreeding, etc., some specimens are constitutionally weak and fail to produce perfect plumage; unless yours is a case of this kind, if you feed and treat as advised in the Nutshell, fine plumage and condition will be the outcome.

GREY PARROT (Grateful).—Parrots are creatures of moods, and there is no accounting for them. Very probably the introduction of the other bird was responsible for the lapse, but here, again, no general rule is possible; some welcome the change, others jealously resent it. It is only a matter of time, talking will be resumed. You are probably even now reaping the fruits of previous mistreatment, which leaves traces in the system for a long period. I should keep a watch on its mouth and throat, and in case of slime or any slightly unhealthy appearance, use a little honey and borax. Are you supplying flint grit? If not, give it in a pinch daily and do not neglect cuttlebone. A good well-balanced seed mixture would be; one quart each canary and white millet seed, one pint each

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hemp and oats, half-a-pint each white maize, shelled nuts, paddy rice, and sunflower seeds, and a few chillies, the whole to be well mixed. As regards how much, I always act on the principle of constant supply. Fill the tin up in the morning and again in the afternoon, if necessary, after removing husks, etc. A Parrot takes first what it likes best from the mixture, but because it had eaten all of one sort I should not renew the supply while the tin remained half full, but if it persistently refuses the small seed, lessen the quantity. In case of any recurrence of the foot trouble, foment with hot water to thoroughly cleanse and moisten the skin; dry with a soft cloth and paint with neat whisky daily till the trouble yields. It will be the better for some ripe fruit daily, any kind it will take.

LEMON-CRESTED COCKATOO (G. Stubbs).—Give this bird a dry seed mixture of canary, millet, hemp, dari, oats, sunflower, and maize, with a few shelled nuts and chillies. Well mix and keep a constant supply in the cage. Continue the boiled maize regularly for a time, but as soon as you note it eating the dry seed freely, lessen the quantity of the boiled maize, and ultimately give it only twice a week. Stop all tea sops and the like. As it is fond of a moistened crust of toast, you can use chemical food and water as the moistening agent—various nuts, ripe fruit, pieces of plain biscuit (dry) are all wholesome and can be given freely. You must not omit grit and cuttlebone. Give it one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia once a week in its drinking water, and on other days half the quantity of chemical food will help to tone it up a little. Boiled maize only keeps fresh 24 hours.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

EXHIBITION LINNETS (D.V.).—A number of exhibition Linnets are colour-fed, but it is not by any means necessary to colour-feed every Linnet intended for show. It depends upon the ground colour of the bird when in field plumage. Some are naturally so deep (nutty) and sound in colour that to give them colour-food would spoil them by making them too dark, and so obscuring the pencilling. A good method of getting the colouring matter into the blood is to very lightly crack the seed every day and rub some colour-food amongst it. The colour-food should be that known as tasteless pepper (get a first-class brand), and add some best olive or salad oil to it, so that it sticks well to the seed—the oil also helps the colour to "run" freely into the seed.

MENU FOR BULLFINCH (Miss Thomas).—It would be too lengthy a matter to give a menu for each month in this column. Besides, the feeding varies but little in many of the months; it is in the spring and onwards to the autumn that variety of food-stuffs may most readily be provided. Don't confine him solely to dry, hard seed. He should do well on the following stock mixture: Canary and teazle, two pints each, sunflower one pint, linseed and summer rape half a pint each. As variety offer daily a pinch of one or the other of these things (in a separate vessel): Maw, niger, hemp, wild seed mixture, thistle and dandelion; also give thistleheads, hardheads, milk thistle, shepherd's purse, groundsel, chickweed, blackberries, privet berries, buds from hawthorn hedges, fruit bushes, etc., as may be in season, some suitable ripe fruit (banana, sweet pear, apple, orange, cherries, etc.), and a small mealworm or two now and again. This will give you a pretty full list to ring the changes upon, and so afford that variety which will keep the bird in good health and condition. Always remember that Bullies are great fruit, bud and berry eaters by nature.

CLEAR BRED MULING CANARIES (W. A. Tomkins).—Clear-bred means birds bred from parents which were free from markings—it means more, in fact, as the ancestors ought to be clear-bred for some generations back. Cocks bred from a clear strain are what you want, and not birds which come from heavily marked ancestors—or near ancestors, rather. If these birds, mated to your clear pink-eyed hens throw young which prove good when tested, then you could mate the progeny from the couples together to the best advantage in the future, using the biggest, best-headed birds, as far as ever you can, and keeping the jonque blood well to the front, also taking care to mate up each season a good percentage of cock birds which have pink eyes. To get these latter you will have to utilise a pink-eyed cock bird. The best outcross, for size, should be a well-built, good headed, line feathered yellow Lancashire Plainhead hen, pairing her to your biggest buff pink-eyed cock—if you have a big buff the produce of double-yellows, that is the bird to choose. You ought to get the cock Yorkie fairly cheap, as type is not a particular object (don't sacrifice size, however), but a Lancashire hen, such as described, will cost you at least £2 to £3. Get her from a good, known strain, for birds from such have very little dark blood in their veins.

COCK AND HEN SISKIN (Troon).—In reality it is easier to sex Siskins at sight than it is to describe the sexual difference on paper. The absence or presence of the bib is no sign one way or the other; very many cocks, in fact, show no trace of bib. The hen looks "streakier" than the cock (more heavily pencilled) as a rule. The unfailing distinction, however, lies in the colour. The cock is a pronounced yellowish-green, while the hen is but

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Normon's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylork," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

a dingy, ash-green. Her markings, too, are not a nice, glossy black, as seen in the male (note the absence of cap, especially), but a greyish black. One might mistake a young cock for a hen, if inexperienced with the species, but adult birds are not at all difficult to sex. The cock is an indefatigable singer when in good health. It is not every cock Siskin that will fill eggs in captivity, though the majority are not backward at accepting a Canary hen for a wife. The hen Siskin, too, has frequently bred in captivity.

A PET JAY (W. T. W.).—A bird caged when adult will certainly learn in time to mimic sounds and words, but it is best to obtain a hand-reared bird if one desires a talker; or at least, one taken when very young. The simplest (yet good) method of feeding is to utilise table scraps largely. As a stock food, you could use broken-up dog biscuits or puppy cakes, or "Melox" (or game meal), with coarse cresse—say two parts of either of the former to one part of the latter (by measure). Moisten with hot water, giving it crumbly moist, and mixing with it table scraps, cooked meat, and potatoes, greens, gravy, etc. Give a few trapped mice, young Sparrows, and the like (even young frogs, if you can capture them), but not over much raw meat. You will find them very accommodating in the matter of food. Eggs (raw and cooked), acorns, beechmast, nuts (cracked) of various kinds, peas, berries, fruit, worms, beetles, grubs, and hutter are other things they will eat. It is an unnecessary, useless cruelty, to cut any bird's tongue. This is a point I have often dealt with. A good cage for a Jay would not be less than three feet long (four or five would be vastly better), three feet high, and two feet wide. Put in at least two good-sized perches, one a little larger than the other.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

"Perplexed."—Apoplexy of the Lungs.

K. Kelly.—Tiger Finch died as the result of a fit.

A. I. Pratt.—Broncho-pneumonia as a sequel to cold contracted at the show.

Orressa Probandi.—There was no evidence of infectious disease; death occurred from pneumonia.

J. Hierons.—Not infectious, but probably due to irritant material taken in with the food. Enteritis was the cause of death.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

R. Aitken.—You will find this type of cage, and the fittings, sold by the large dealers in cages, etc., advertising in our columns. Write them and ask for prices.

R. McDonald.—We believe the secretary is Mr. Tuckey, 21, Cook Street, Cork.

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Alntree and Dis.—Jan. 13, headquarters, The Church Hall, Long Lane, 8. Annual meeting. Election of officers for 1913 and secretary's report. New members heartily invited to join. Subscription 2/6 year, now due; old members please note.—J. A. Anderson.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Jan. 7, Onward Hall, 8. Nomination of officers.—J. Spencer.

Ashton-under-Lyne O.S.—Jan. 7, P.S.A. Rooms, 8. Annual general meeting. Election of office-bearers and other business.—J. R. Colville.

Attercliffe and Dis. C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 8.—W. Hallstone.

Ayr and Dist.—Jan. 8, Academy Hall, 7.30. Proposed social and other important business.—J. Sloan.

Border City (Carlisle) O.S.—Jan. 8, Silver Grill, English Street, at 8.15 p.m. Annual general meeting. Adoption of balance sheet for 1912. Election of officers and general arrangements for 1913.—John C. Bell.

Birmingham South O.S.—Jan. 8, Sydenham Hotel, 8.30. General meeting. Kindly return unsold tickets so as show report may be given. Election of new officers for 1913.—J. Sheppard.

Blaydon C.B.S.—Jan. 4, Co-op. Library, 7.30. Annual meeting; election of officers, etc.—G. Havver.

Bolton C.B.S.—Jan. 7, Joiner's Arms, 8.30.—Jas. Gerrard.

Bradford National Show Committee.—Jan. 8, Market Tavern, Bradford, 8. Balance-sheet for last show. Election of officials for next show, and other important business.—H. Hill.

Brighton and Hove C.B.A.—Jan. 8, headquarters, 2, Cheapside, 8. Annual general meeting. Balance-sheet, election of officers, adoption of rules, general business, election of new members.—Will H. Gibb,

Burton-on-Trent.—Jan. 7, Staffordshire Knot, 8. Table show, buff cocks and yellow hens.—A. Wood.

Cheltenham C.B.S.—Jan. 8, Lamb Hotel, 8. Annual general meeting; balance sheet; election of officers and other important business.—A. S. Treasurer.

Chesterfield C.B.S.—Jan. 4, Welheck Inn, 7.30. Table show and general business.—T. Booker.

Clapham C.B.A.—Jan. 6, Landor Hotel, 8.30. Annual general meeting.—A. R. Coe.

Clitheroe C.B.S.—Jan. 6, Bennett's Tea Rooms, 8. —J. Louthworth.

Codnor Park and Eastwood C.B.S.—Jan. 11, Three Tunns, Eastwood, 7. Special general meeting. Nomination of officers for 1913. All members requested to attend to give a farewell send-off to one of our members, who is leaving the country.—J. H. Mitchell.

Darlington C. and B.B.F.A.—Jan. 8, George Hotel, 8. Balance-sheet; election of officers; new members. —A. Walker.

Darlington C.B.S.—Jan. 8, Half Moon Inn, 7.30. General meeting; balance-sheet; election of officers. —H. Todd.

Derwent Valley.—Jan. 4, headquarters, 7. Election of officers.—Lindsay and Marsh.

Dewsbury C.B.S.—Jan. 4, Little Saddle Inn, 7.30. Show business.—L. Barker.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Jan. 11, Black Bull, 7.30. General meeting: election of officers; entries for inter-club show and other very important business. —Geo. Bescoby.

East Ham C.B.S.—Jan. 9, headquarters, Hartley Avenue Schools, Wakefield Street, 8. Annual general meeting; yearly statement presented; election of officers for 1913. Will members bring their friends?—Fredk. Fox.

Eccles C.B.S.—Jan. 8, headquarters, 7.30. New members, etc., and lecture on British birds by a brother fancier.—D. T. Monks.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Jan. 4, Fountain Inn, 8.30. General business.—W. Nettleton.

Gateshead and Dis. C.B.S.—Jan. 8, Lockhart's, High Street, 7.30. Monthly meeting. Show report.—J. G. Greason.

Grimsby and Cleethorpes R.C.C.—Jan. 4, Brunson's Rooms, 7. Hon. Sec.'s report of the show.—H. Mason.

Glossop, Hadleigh C.B.S.—Jan. 7, Mr. J. H. Senior's, 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers for year 1913, and balance-sheet.—E. Thompson.

Halifax O.S.—Jan. 4, Plummet Line Hotel, 8. Yorkshire Union business; also making arrangements for annual social.—Harry Clegg.

Hanley C.B.S.—Jan. 8, George and Dragon, 8. Election of officers for the coming year.—C. J. Robinson.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Jan. 4, White Lion Hotel, 7.30. Election of officers and other business.—R. H. Dixon.

Haltwhistle C.B.S.—January 6, Mr. Nicholson's, 7.30. Show accounts and arrangements for annual meting.—Nicholson and Tallantyre.

Hartlepools C.B.S.—Jan. 8, St. George's Hall, 8. Annual general meeting.—Woodhead and Pyman.

Hyde C.B.S.—Jan. 6, St. George's School, 8. Election of officers, etc.—T. Allsop.

Hyson Green C.B.S.—Jan. 7, Cricket Players' Hotel, 8. Election of committee; balance-sheet; other important business.—Wm. Cottingham.

Jarrow Hebburn C.B.S.—Jan. 8, Lockhart's Cafe, 7.30. Members' specials and general business.—W. Ayers.

Long Eaton C.B.S.—Jan. 11, Council Schools, Sawley Road, 7.30. Annual general meeting; secs. report on the year, etc.—G. T. Wall.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Jan. 11, Y.M. Hall, 7. Table show of F.-M. Linnets and Greenfinches. McLean's special for most points.—James Pollock.

Leadgate C.B.S.—Jan. 4, Bainbridge Cycle Rooms, 7. Business important; also table show, 4 classes. —Robert Jones.

Leeds Roller C.C.—Jan. 4, 55, Briggate, 7.30. Balance-sheet; election of officers, etc.—H. L. Davis.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Jan. 7, White Swan, 8.30. Election of officers.—A. Freestone.

Leigh and Dis. C.B.S.—Jan. 8, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Annual general meeting; election of officers for 1913; balance-sheet and alteration of rules.—R. Charleson.

Littleborough C.B.S.—Jan. 8, Coffee House, 8. Balance-sheet for 1912 and election of officers for ensuing year; intending members please attend.—H. Woodhead.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Jan. 4, Greyhound Hotel, 7. Important. All members having subscriptions and ticket money please bring it in.—Daniel John.

London and Counties A.C.B.—Jan. 4, "Earl Cathcart," Osnaburgh Street, N.W., 8. Table show of Yorks.—G. G. Stubbs.

Leeds C.B.S.—Jan. 4, Lockhart's, 7.30. Annual general meeting.—W. A. Wilson.

London Federation of C.B.S.—Jan. 3, Feathers Hotel, Westminster, S.W., 7.45. Show and other business.—J. C. Birch.

Midland Roller C.C.—Jan. 9, Swan and Peacock, 8. T. J. Smith.

Manningham C.B.A.—Jan. 11, headquarters, 8. Election of officers for 1913. H. Grange.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Jan. 6, Deansgate Hotel, 7.45. Annual general meeting; election of officers for 1913; preparing lectures, etc., for 1913, and other important business.—H. Boothman.

Middlesex O.S.—Jan. 9, St. John's Schools, Southall, 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers, etc. Jeffery Jefferis.

Middleton C.B.S.—Jan. 6, Old Boar's Head, 8. Balance-sheet for show and year 1912. Presentation of cup and medals; election of officers for 1913.—J. Oldham.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S.—Jan. 9, 65, Grainger Street, 7.30. Nominations in writing of officials for 1913. Payment of members' prize money. Election of judges for open show. Table show: Norwich 3 classes; yell., buff and hen. Yorks (3): yell., buff, and hen. Bord. (3): yell., buff and hen. Also classes for A.O.V. Canary. Entries, 6d. per cage; Mr. Crawhall gives 2s. 6d. for most points throughout. Judges, Messrs. Potts, Tindale, and Curry.—J. W. Reed.

Nelson C. & C.B.S.—Jan. 7, Mr. Fulton's, Railway Street, 7.30. Election of officers and report of show and balance-sheet.—J. Speak.

Northern Border S.F.C.C.—Jan. 6, Pillars Cafe, 8. Mr. T. Robson will lecture on Border Fancy Canary. —M. C. Potts.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Jan. 7, Balmoral Hotel, Harpurhey, 8 p.m. Show business; will members who have any tickets or money for amalgamated show please return.—J. Davey.

Ormskirk C.B.S.—Jan. 6, Church House, 8. Annual meeting. Prize money, etc.—T. H. Tiffen.

Pudsey Stanningley C.B.S.—Jan. 6, Fleece Hotel, 8. Election of officers; date for presentation of prizes; all subscriptions and specials are now due. —H. Raistrick.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—Jan. 8, 1913, Wareing Dining Rooms, 8. Minutes of last meeting; election of officers.—W. Pickup.

Rossendale C.B.S.—Jan. 7, Commercial Hotel, Stacksteads. General meeting.—H. Wantling. (No time stated.—ED.)

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—Jan. 8, Temperance Club, Toad Lane, 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers; report and balance-sheet.—Thos. Holt.

Rochdale O.C.—Jan. 6, Club Rooms, 8.30. Annual meeting; election of officers; balance-sheet, etc.—R. Blincoe.

Sheffield O.S.—Jan. 7, Rose and Crown Hotel, 8. Passing of rules; auditor's report; balance-sheet and statement of accounts for 1912; syllabus for 1913, and other important business.—E. C. Job.

Shipley O.S.—Jan. 7, Prince of Wales, 8.—A. Tillotson.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—Jan. 7, Liberal Club, 8. General meeting.—James Hird.

Skipton C.B.S.—Jan. 4, Globe Restaurant, 7.30. Lecture by Mr. J. Wilson, Barnoldswick. Subject: "Face versus Pedigree Breeding."—E. Gill.

Smallbridge C.B.S.—Jan. 6, I.O.G.T. Room, 7.30. Election of officers, etc.—W. Lanyon.

Southend O.S.—Jan. 8, Blue Boar, 8.30. Balance-sheet for 1912. Election of officers for 1913. Will members kindly send unsold tickets?—C. Tapper.

South London Col. and F.A.—Jan. 9, Royal George, Tanner's Hill, Lewisham, 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers for 1913; alteration of rules, etc.—Geo. F. Crawford.

South-West London C.B.S.—New Guildhall, Wandsworth Road. Election for the ensuing year and discussion on alteration of rules.—H. A. Freeman. (No date or time stated.—ED.)

Springburn Possil Park C.B.C.—Jan. 8, Reid Hall, 8. Annual report.—J. Waugh.

St. James-the-Less F.A.—Jan. 6, Ridley House, St. James Road, Victoria Park, E., 8.30. Annual general meeting. Proposed alterations to rules must be made in writing.—E. A. Suter.

Stockport B.F.A.—Jan. 7, Boar's Head Hotel, 8. General business and audit.—W. Stafford.

Stockton-on-Tees C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Leeds Hotel, 8. Election of officers.—J. W. Lowes.

Thatto Heath O.S.—Jan. 6, Railway Hotel, 8. Business important. Final arrangements for show. —H. Cuttler.

Vale of Leven C.B.C.—Jan. 9, Village Schoolroom, Alexandria, 8. Alteration of rules admitting new members, etc.—A. H. McLean.

Wolverhampton C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Duke of York, 8. Annual meeting; election of officers; balance sheet, ticket money and contributions are now due, settle up night.—J. Gibbons.

Walkley C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Doncaster Street Friends Schoolrooms, 6. Grand tea, concert, and distribution of prizes.—A. Lawton.

Wandsworth F.S.—Jan 9, "Sutton's" Hall, Spread Eagle Yard, Wandsworth, 8.—W. Lightfoot.

Wibsey and Dis. C.B.S.—Jan. 4, Horse and Groom Inn, 8.—H. C. Crossley.

Wigan C.B.S.—Jan. 4, Legs of Man, 8. To elect new officers for 1913.—H. Young.

Wimbledon C.B.S.—Jan. 6, 6, The Broadway, 8. General business. Judging competition. Border Fancy fanciers heartily invited.—H. Smith.

Windhill C.B.S.—Jan. 4, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Election of officers for 1913. Annual general meeting.—J. Taylor.

Wood Green F.F.A.—Jan. 4, Assembly Rooms, 2. Annual show. 100 classes. Admission 3d.—T. Callegari, Assist. Sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Keith.—Jan. 8, Longmore Hall. Judge, Mr. J. Lyon. 33 open classes: Nor. 13, Crest 2, Bord. 1, A.O.V. 2, Mules 1, Brit. 9, For. 2, Sell. 3. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Jan. 4, to C. Ralley, 123, Mid-St.

Sunderland.—Jan. 17-18 Miner's Hall, Roker-ave. Judges, Messrs. J. Stanger, J. Maddison. 40 open classes: Nor. 4, Crests 3, Yorks. 8, Bord. 7, Scotch 1, Liz. 2, Sell. 3, Mules 2, Brit. 8, For. 2. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Jan. 13, to J. Jeffrey, 3, Glenthorne-rd.

City of Bradford O.S.—Jan. 11, Feversham Street Schools. Judge, Mr. W. Mundell. 12 open classes: 6 open, 3 Amat., 2 Sell., all Yorks. Prizes, 10/-, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Jan. 7, to F. Rhodes, 32, Barlow-st., Barkerend Rd.

Guildford.—Jan 14, in the Borough Halls. 20 classes: Nor. 3, Yorks. 3, Crest 2, A.O.V. 1, Non-fed 1, Mule 1, Brit. 5, For. 2, Sell. 1, Radius (10 miles) 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6; entry fee, 1/6. Judge, Mr. J. Robson. Entries close Jan. 6, to E. Stevens, Sec., 7, Manor-rd., Guildford.

Correspondence.

Wayside Seeds and Berries.

Sir,—Will you allow me, as a reader of your valuable paper, to thank Mr. Jas. Clarke (Rothsey) for the able manner in which he explains the various seeds for British Birds. The article is really interesting and educational, and both British bird fanciers and Canary breeders should take advantage of such an experienced authority.

Arthur Noble.

Proposed C.B.S. for Castleford.

Sir,—Will fanciers interested in cage-birds, both British and Canaries, please rally, and let us try and form a society of cage-bird fanciers? I have no doubt that there are plenty of fanciers in the district to get a good membership together. If fanciers will communicate with F. Stick, 37, Denton Terrace, to arrange time, place, and date for a meeting, I shall be very pleased to help, as an old fancier. Let us see what can be done to improve the Fancy in the district.

Fred S. Stick, Sec. (pro tem.).

The Popularity of the Scotch Fancy Canary.

Sir,—I should like to remind your correspondents that there is no need to send their birds as far as Newcastle or Glasgow. What about Cardiff show, that at one time was giving several classes for Scotch Fancies and could boast of 36 birds in one class, and is still kept up by one old fancier and giving two classes every year for Scotch. I am not a member, neither do I live at Cardiff, but I have shown my birds at Cardiff ever since I started in the Fancy. Now if your correspondents will show at Cardiff next year, I for one will help their shows, as I think this is the only way to assist the popularity of the Scotch Fancy Canary.

C. Farrow.

The Redpoll Class at Sale Show

Sir,—I do not desire to trespass at any length on your columns, but I would like a little explanation from the Sale Show Committee as to why there were two number ones in the Redpoll class. My bird was No. 1, and another belonging to a gentleman at Stockport also was No. 1 in the same class. When I received catalogue, however, I was down as No. 3 in that class. Then my bird was sent on to another address, through a fault on the stewards' part when sending them away. I know it is a trying time for the committee when a show is on, but I have sent privately for an answer through the post, and can get no reply. I had to pay the carriage for my bird, too, to return home, after me being at the show to receive my property. As I am only a novice, it is not much encouragement. I hope to get an answer now.

D. T. Monks.

A Vexed Point.

The Half Prize-money Rule.

Sir,—If space in your journal permits, I should like to reply to "Young Exhibitor," and also others who seem to harp on the vexed point of half prize-money. Although they may be members of societies, perhaps they never gave a thought to the trouble and expense that fall on the shoulders of the secretary and committee. The majority of them, I find, are working men. If you were running a show, "Young Exhibitor," you would have to depend on the entries to pay the greater part of your prize-money, or, if it should turn out stormy and wet, you would find you were minus something. Just for your enlightenment, I should like to show you where some of the expenses are. The first thing you have to secure is a committee room; that means pay. As soon as you have arranged for your show, you want the hall, and that means 30s. to £2. Then you advertise both afar and locally; that means another slice. Then you have to provide posters, stamps for schedules, labels, prize tickets, and judges' slips. The day before the show you have to prepare the hall; that means labour. Then there comes the hiring of staging, and if you have to cut it about to make it fit, that means waste. Suppose you get 500 entries, that means two judges, say, from £3 to £4 the two. Then there comes the biggest item of all, prize-money. Now, just imagine, "Young Exhibitor," you were running a show of 36 classes. Say they average 14 per class, that works out £37 16s., at 1s. 6d. per cage. If you pay full prize-money at 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d., that takes the great slice of £31 10s., and leaves you just six guineas for all expenses. You must remember that many cage bird shows are held in connection with poultry and pigeon shows, and with these it means hire and carriage of pens, and you would find that is a great expense. I would persuade "Young Exhibitor" to get elected on some committee. He would be no worse for the experience, for there is an old saying, that "bought wit is best wit." You say you cannot stand half prize-money. You would soon find out that being on some of the committees means not only half prize-money paid to other exhibitors, but your own time given for their benefit; no prize-money for you, and, to end all, and to clear your society from a scandal in some exhibitors' eyes, you will have to draw some of your hard earned-cash from your pocket. My appeal to you is to have a little pity on the poor old secretary and committee. They are the men that make the Fancy. Without these you will get no shows, and without the shows no fancy prices for your birds. Depend upon it that if secretaries could see their way clear to pay full prize-money, they would, as full prize-money means full classes. But to do as you suggest, and start with, say, 2s. deficit on classes of six, would need a "millionaire" secretary and committee.

A. E. Barham.

Sir,—Kindly grant me a small space in your most helpful journal, as I think the following prize-money scale one of the best (if not the best) offered this season:—Entrance fee 1s. 6d. For 8 entries and over 1st 10s., 2nd 5s., 3rd 3s.; 7, 1st 7s., 2nd 3s., 3rd 2s.; 6, 1st 6s., 2nd 2s. 6d., 3rd 1s. 6d.; 5, 1st 5s., 2nd 2s., 3rd 1s.; 4, 1st 4s., 2nd 2s., 3rd 1s.; 3, 1st 3s., 2nd 1s. 6d., 3rd a card; 2, 1st 2s., 2nd 1s.; 1, 1st 1s. 6d. However small the society may be, they can hope to see all classes more or less represented in adopting above rule; hence doing away with so much cancelling of classes, which is more beneficial to the societies in general, visitors having the pleasure of seeing a few rare and good specimens, if not a class of say 8, or 10. The schedule quoted was sent out by a South Devon Society, who no doubt will readily recognise it when reading the good old book, Cage Birds. I congratulate them on their live and let live spirit. I quite agree with "Young Exhibitor's" remarks, especially the latter portion of his letter. I would like to find the exhibitor who spends no end of time and patience in addition to entrance fees and railway carriage to send his birds out, and then when good luck favours him in winning 1st, he is "contented" with a card—or little better. I cannot take it in. Still, I believe many exhibitors derive a goodly portion of pleasure from this particular part of our Fancy. I hope to see others take up this point, as I really think there could be better prize-money offered in the interests of the societies and exhibitors.

J. Locke.

[Kindly remember the rule that matter for publication must be written on one side only of each sheet of paper used.—Editor.]

Information Wanted.

Sir,—I should be obliged if some bird-catcher would give information how to catch Treecreepers in woods, not hedges; also Long-tailed Tits.

A. Noble.

Proposed New Society for Richmond, etc., Surrey.

Sir,—Will cage bird fanciers in Richmond, Twickenham, Isleworth, Hampton, Kingston, and district, who are desirous of forming a local cage bird society, with the object of encouraging the breeding and keeping of cage birds of all classes, kindly co-operate with me in establishing same? If those interested in the scheme will communicate with me. I will arrange a preliminary meeting to arrange details, etc.

W. Nichols.

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A Compliment for Winsford Show.

Sir,—Kindly allow me, through the correspondence column of Cage Birds, to compliment the secretary and officials of the Winsford and Dist. C.B.S. on the way they conducted their first open show. My birds arrived here, properly packed, at 10 p.m. the day of show. Prize-money was promptly paid, and the award cards were worth winning, being very well designed.—A great improvement on the usual cheap cards, advertising somebody or other's dog biscuits. I hope fanciers will give this society's show the support it deserves next season. I thank you for the interesting articles and reports in Cage Birds (I have not missed a copy for seven years) and I wish you continued success.

F. Hayward.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

The Black-cap Warbler in Ireland.

Sir,—Would any of your Irish readers that keep Blackcaps state the best way of managing them? Are they easily kept through the summer; what is the best food for them; and when should they be singing? I find it hard to keep them, although I buy all sorts of food.

A Subscriber.

The Ups and Downs of a Clear Linnet Mule.

Sir,—In your issue of December 21st, I find a paragraph relating to the judging of my clear Linnet Mule at Sheffield, and the Bradford National Show. I should like to state that Mr. Robson, when in Hull, was able to see, handle and thoroughly examine the bird, as it was on view at the Hull show. So far as the Border Canary theory is concerned, we have never had one on the place. For a complete history of the breeding of this Mule, I refer any of your readers who may be interested in the matter to a letter of mine in a previous issue of your paper.

Harold C. Fisher.

Date of Crystal Palace Show.

Sir,—I, too, think that if the Palace show was held from Wednesday to Saturday (inclusive), it would give many shop fanciers a chance to pay a visit which we do not get now. As regards myself, Friday, Saturday, and Monday are the three busiest days. Respecting provincial excursions on the South Coast, there are more mid-week cheap trips than week-end. I am glad some one has opened the ball, as I have been going to write about it for two or three years. I hope Mr. Ramsden will think it over next year.

F. Richer.

Sir,—I was pleased to read the letters from Messrs. Peerless and Dunham re days fixed for Palace show, and hope Mr. Ramsden will be able to give Mr. Peerless' suggestion a trial, so that the shopkeepers and their staff may have the opportunity to visit the show. I think the same suggestion also applies to the L.C.B.A.

W. Foxen.

The Capture of Birds Bearing Marking Rings.

Sir,—I am greatly obliged to you for kindly inserting the reports of birds recovered bearing my rings, which have appeared recently in Cage Birds. It may interest your readers to know that the Gulls reported by Messrs. A. Cattermole, H. Dyer and P. Pointon were all marked at Ravenglass, Cumberland, during June, 1912. The Blue Tit caught by Mr. R. M. Presland was one ringed at Hale End, Essex, during January, 1911. I should be very much obliged if you could obtain for me the following information: The date on which the Gull reported by Mr. Dyer was found, and the exact localities in which the Blue Tit reported by Mr. Presland, and the Black-headed Gull reported by Mr. Pointon, were found. The essential details required in all reports of the recovery of ringed birds are (1) number of ring; (2) place of recovery; (3) date of recovery; and (4) the kind of bird.

H. F. Witherby.

[We shall be glad if our correspondents mentioned by Mr. Witherby will furnish us with the details desired.—Editor.]

Short Entries at Scottish Shows.

Are "Clique Judges" the Cause?

Sir,—The cause of short entries at some of the Scottish shows is the "clique judges." Their motto is "Help me this week, and I will help you next." The honest exhibitor generally gets a vhc or a c, and yet, when he comes into the show, sees his bird is the best in the class. He then calls the attention of the judge—if the latter has not run away home, like some of them who cannot face the exhibitors—to his exhibits and asks, "What is wrong here?" The answer is (if any), "Oh, the bird was not showing himself like that when I judged him." Or the judge picks up the bird, in anger at being criticised, and gives it a fright, his answer being, "It has no type, or will not show himself"; and he walks quickly away. The truth is the bird with the red ticket belonged to a prominent judge, who put the other fellow's bird in the tickets the week before. There are only a few exhibitors of the clique winning. On the other hand, when they show their birds under an honest exhibitor and judge, say on his first attempt at judging, where are the prominent exhibitors? They are nowhere because the judge has given his honest opinion. He may make a mistake, but you may be sure you are getting justice. I trust that exhibitors will take a hint, and boycott all the leading Scotch judges that run as a clique, and get new blood into the Fancy, otherwise it will spell failure with all shows. If honest judging was given, it would help everybody; the shows would get plenty of entries, and there would be keener competition and less grumbling. I hope show secretaries and committees will consider who they are getting for judges next year, and that fanciers will boycott the leading clique judges before the show season is at a close, and so help one of the finest hobbies any man can have.

Lover of Justice.

[Please write on one side of the paper only.—Editor.]

New Society at Burnley.

Sir,—Will all cage bird fanciers please attend our first meeting, to be held at the Star Inn, January 9th, at 8 p.m. We have already got over 30 members, and intend to make it one of the strongest societies in Lancashire. Lectures and table shows are being arranged now, so a large attendance is required.

A. E. Barwise.

Perches that Keep Down Red Mite.

Sir,—Referring to "Derby's" letter, in your last issue, re red mite, I think it is likely to leave a wrong impression, as it looks as though we must have the mite, like the poor, always with us. What we must do is to keep clear of them, and not set traps to catch them by the score. Readers should wash cages with a strong solution of carbolic acid and water, and as a double precaution, dust them once a week with Keating's insect powder (this is best blown in with a small bellows after the birds are settled down at night. The bellows can be purchased from any chemist at 4½d. each. I have cages now washed last March, and when slides are drawn they still give off a strong smell of carbolic, and I don't find any red mite in them. The perch dodge is no use, as they come out of their hiding place at night, and irritate the birds. What every fancier must strive for is extermination.

H. J. Knapp.

The Shows in Ireland.

Do Week-end Dates Spell Short Entries?

Sir,—In your report of Larne show, I notice that the Society complain of not receiving support from exhibitors from a distance. Now if some of the Irish societies persist in holding their shows on Friday and Saturday, they must not expect support from exhibitors from a distance. We cannot send our best show birds and have them held over on the railway on Sunday. For instance, I sent up a team of six Yorkshires to Holywood show this season. The birds were dispatched to me from the show on Saturday morning, and I did not receive them until the following Monday evening, with the result that my six best show birds were thrown into a soft moult. As the "Sparrow" from Brixton remarked in your last issue: "How's that for trouble?" The South Co., Dublin C.B.S. are to be heartily congratulated on the splendid way in which their show, held in Kingstown, was carried out. Their initial attempt was indeed a great one, and I am confident of their success in the future. I wish all fanciers a Bright and Happy New Year.

J. F. Morgan.

Sir,—In reply to your correspondent in last week's Cage Birds. I wish to inform him that the Sligo Society do not intend holding a show this season. But all being well, we hope to come to the front next season, and hope to have the same good support as heretofore accorded us. We wish all a good and prosperous year.

C. J. Mulligan.

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Scotland's Record Show: over 2,000 birds at Edinburgh.

Wonderful success of the New Year fixture of the Scottish National C.B.S. Many marvellous classes in all sections. A great attendance and model management.

THE Scottish National C.B.S. Show was, as usual, held on the last day of the Old and the first of the New Year The Corn Exchange, Grass Market, Edinburgh, was once again made use of. We hear this fine hall is to be demolished, therefore it is very doubtful if another exhibition will be held there. It is certainly a magnificent building for shows (not only for birds, but other livestock); it is very roomy with plenty of daylight from the roof, and the committee have gone to considerable expense this year to have three huge lights fitted for use after dusk. When we put in an appearance overnight, all the staging was erected, and the veteran Mr. Kinlayside (who has just recovered from a severe illness) was busy with the award board, which is quite a feature at this show. As the birds arrived they were quickly dealt with by Mr. Craig, the able show manager, and his helpers, including Messrs. Jack, Finney, Gourlay, Carson, Morris, Sykes, Hoyle, Rogers, Buglass, Stormont, G. Brown, Cooper, Holmes, Welsh, Easter, Nelson, Spence, Turnbull, and Charlton, while Messrs. Todd and Murray were at the Caledonian and Waverley Stations attending to the quick dispatch of the birds as the trains brought them in.

The end of the year is a favourite one for bird shows in the North, consequently there is a good deal of clashing, and every show suffers somewhat in consequence, but in spite of this the Scottish National proved to be a record, some two thousand and fifty birds facing the judges. The entries in the Norwich, British, and Borders were particularly heavy, the only real disappointment being in the Scotch Fancy and Yorkshire sections. The former had only a couple of classes allotted to them last year, and this time were well catered for, but the entry was poor, and it is just on the cards that the section will be entirely dropped. The quality all through was quite up to the high Scottish reputation, and we did not envy the judges their task in some of the classes.

Popular All Over the Kingdom.

The popularity of this show is pretty universal, birds being sent in from many southern cities, including London, Cardiff, and Swansea, and four Belgian Canaries came from the Continent. There was rather a heavy batch of birds delivered on the morning of the show, and although a strong staff soon dealt with them, it caused the judges to start work somewhat later than usual, but being a nice bright morning they managed to get through in capital time.

For the management we have nothing but praise. To run a big exhibition like this requires some good men at the head of affairs, which fortunately the society possesses. In Mr. J. R. Meikle, the secretary, they have the right man in the right place. He worked like a veritable Trojan. We found him at his post at all hours, and no man could possibly have done more than he to make the exhibition the success it was. We congratulate him on his great achievement the first year he has been at the helm. Mr. J. Winter, the genial president, was very much in evidence, his assistance and advice being constantly needed, and being freely given, in all parts of the show. Mr. S. Burglass, the vice-president, is also a very enthusiastic fancier and willing helper. Mr. R. Craig once more acted as show manager and did everything in his usual quiet, but wonderfully effective manner. He worked downright hard, needless to say, and much of the success attained is due to his untiring energy. Other very capable assistants were Mr. F. A. Watt, all the way from Banff, Mr. J. F. Dewar, Mr. John Brown, Mr. P. Green, Mr. L. J. Arrighi, and Mr. R. Bald (Bathgate), also the fine working committee, consisting of Messrs. A. Rodger, W. R. Finnie, C. Sykes, T. Todd, J. G. Easter, W. B. Smart, A. Hoyle, J. Gourlay, J. Nelson, S. May, R. S. Spence, W. Turnbull, W. Carson, jun., D. Morris, J. Welsh, J. B. Cooper, G. Brown, J. Hutchison, P. Murray, J. Stormont, J. Charlton, and Mr. J. Holmes, who managed the award board. Miss Peddie Waddell had the Foreign birds once more under her care. They were given the warmest position in the hall, and their grand condition testified to the excellence of her attentions.

The Highest Honour of All.

There was the usual flutter of excitement over the judging for the best bird in the show. Mr. Maddison nominated the 1st prize Bramblefinch; Mr. Duncan the winning Canary-Bullie; and Mr. Dewar his best Foreigner (Purple Sugar Bird), the other judges bringing out different varieties of Canaries. The winner proved to be Mr. Davies' buff Norwich, the well-known winner, the runner-up being Mr. Shellam's Canary-Bullie.

The Rollers were located in a room quite away from the rest of the birds and attracted a good deal of attention.

There was not a big crowd of Cinnamons, but the classes provided were fairly well filled, and the quality all that one could desire, as may be imagined when such exhibitors as Mrs. Deacon and Messrs. Dormer, Godley, Hartup, etc., were exhibiting. Mr. Dormer staged the winners in the two cock classes, his yellow being particularly admired. It is a bird of wonderful size and exceptionally sound in col. The Novice class contained ten entries, and some good birds were leading.

Considering the clashing with the Northern Crest Club fixture, the Crests and Crestbreds came up well. One missed the champions from Newcastle and Gateshead, but still some magnificent birds headed the classes. The special for best bird went to Mr. Brotherton's wonderful grey Crest hen, "Lucy Grey." Another good specimen was Mr. Howie's varieg. cock, a bird of rare substance with a well-formed crest. The special for best young bird (which is illustrated on our front page) was won by Mr. Adamson, of Kilmarnock, with a very promising hen, a beauty. The section was well patronised by interested fanciers, and many members' birds got into the cards.

The Yorkshire Greens made four good classes. If the numbers were hardly up to expectation, nothing adverse could be said on the score of quality—it was "all there," some gems of the variety being on view. Mr. T. Rowlands, of Liverpool, once more made no mistake, he staging the winners in three out of the four classes.

The Norwich Greens were also a most interesting lot, and size, type, and quality were to be found in most of the winners. The buff hen class was something exceptional; a wonderfully level lot; there was very little to choose between the first half-dozen birds. Mr. Ball, of Wigan, staged the winner. Mr. Harding, of Wellingboro' owned the winning yell cock, another exceptionally fine specimen.

The A.O.V. class was a wonderful collection, and contained as many good Lizards as were shown when this variety had classes to itself.

A Slump in "Grace and Beauty."

The Yorksbire section only filled moderately well, the average being about a dozen per class. It is difficult to find a satisfactory reason for this falling off in these popular favourites. The variety is making considerable headway in Scotland, and the order of the day should be better filled classes. We noticed that the majority of the birds came from the South and quite the larger share of the spoils went back with them. Mr. J. Bailey staged a charming yellow cock, and in the ticked class he had a beauty left out, the judge failing to find the necessary qualifying mark. Mr. Binns, of Blackpool, won in buff cocks with a beautifully moulded example. All through the quality was exceptional, Mr. Hirst going for typical, good positioned birds, and not taking too much notice of size.

The quality of the Norwich Plainheads was first-class, some very outstanding birds being staged. The classes, too, were very full, over 30 birds being in several of them. The most striking class was that for unflighted buff hens, which was headed by a beauty belonging to Mr. Grewar, of Lochgelly. Hyde's teapot was won by Mr. Nelson's fine unflighted yellow cock. The Dewar shield for best bird in show fell to Mr. J. Davies' grand buff cock, which also won three other specials. This noted English exhibitor did splendidly.

We regret to say that the Scotch Fancy section only totalled the meagre entry of 65 in the 14 classes provided. Many seemed to think that after having given so generous a classification for so poor a response the society should think seriously over the matter and dispense with this variety altogether. However, some capital birds were forward. A novice exhibitor, Mr. McDougal, of Edinburgh, secured the rose bowl for best novice with a grand yellow hen. The Belgian section contained some very good-class birds, of excellent size and substance.

The "Wee Gems" Muster in Force.

The Border Fancy section was one of the features of the show, and we venture the opinion that it was the finest collection seen at the S.N. show for a good number of years—quantity in abundance, and quality of the very best. The four clear classes were exceptionally strong, many good birds having to be left cardless. The B.F.C.C. open medal was won by Mr. John Smart (Tweedmouth) with a charming yellow even-mark. The novice medal was secured by Mr. Joseph Allan (Kelso) with a capital buff foul put down in faultless order. The Bennett cup was won by Mr. George Brown (Leith) with a fine buff cock, which stood only eighth in its class, which evidences the hot competition in this section. The green classes were also very strong in numbers, but we thought that a few of the birds showed a tendency to be on the strong side, although having plenty of colour and markings.

Mules, British, and Foreign were a grand and great collection. Never has such a crowd been drawn to a Scotch show, all the well-known English, Welsh, and Scotch exhibitors having teams forward, and competition throughout was of the keenest. The Hardbills comprised all the champions, and here that well-known Bramble, the property of Mr. Sykes, won the special for best Britisher in show. Softbills were a lovely collection, almost all the species being on view. We could scarcely pass these without drawing attention to the winning lovely Lesser Whitethroat, delightfully staged by Mr. Hattersley. The Foreigners were a gorgeous collection, some "stars" being out, the Rainbow Bunting and Yellow-winged Sugar Bird of Mr. Arnot being gems.

Mules on the whole were good, the outstanding specimen being Mr. Gilchrist's Dark Goldie, a gem, and no mistake. Hybrids contained such choice specimens as Messrs. Martin and Archer's Chaffie-Greenie. The clear class was headed by a gem of a clear Goldie, well shown by Mr. Jamieson.

The judges were: Messrs. H. W. Battye (Nor.), A. Chalmers (Crests), J. F. Dewar (Belg. and For.), W. C. Duncan and J. Watson (Borders), A. Hirst (Cinns. and Yorks), J. Maddison (British), W. C. Duncan (Hybrids), Bradfield (Rollers), J. D. Maxwell, D. Black, J. Carson, and J. A. Stewart (Scotch). We heard very little adverse criticism indeed, so conclude that their labours were a decided success.

THE NORWICH PLAINHEADS.
Judge, Mr. H. W. Battye.

CL. OR TICK. YELL. CK. (26): 1, J. E. Davies, rare size and substance, grand head and neck, lovely type, rich level colour; 2, Watson, fine size, rare good wings and tail, grand carr., fine head, paler colour; 3, J. E. Davies, rather longer in barrel, fine size, good front and wings, grand colour; 4, Cameron, nice size, rare round front, good head and wings, beautiful qual. of feather; 5, Aitchison, good bird, nice size, excellent front and wings, splendid type; 6, Wrigley; 7, Mitchell; 8, Humphries. BUFF CK. (21): 1, three spls, Davies, rare size, grand stamp, massive, well-rounded frame, best of front and wings, capital head, stands well on perch, wins; 2, Lawson, fine style, good round front, grand head, wings well carried, plenty of size, trifle looser feather than winner; 3, Mathieson, nice head, tkd., fine size and quality, rare wings and front, good stamp; 4, Grewar, rare good head, bold front, well filled-in back, crosses wings at times; 5, Wilcock, well up in size, fine qual., stands well on perch, presses hard, size; 6, Critchley; 7, Thomas; 8, Freeman. VAR. YELL. CK. (16): 1, sp, Davies, very nice cap and wing mkd., good size and qual., fine wings, and tail, grand head, exc's in col.; 2, Humphreys, good one for size and col., rare qual. of feather, plenty of substance; 3, spl, Alison, heavier built, fine front, nice wings, well carried, good quality, fails a shade in head; 4, Humphreys, good size and sub., fine style, nice wing carr., full of quality; 5, spl, Aitchison, very nice eye and wing mkd., good size and sub., rare quality; 6, Thomas; 7, Fleming; 8, Will. VAR. BUFF CK. (14): 1, Aitchison, splendid size and shape, fine qual. of feather, good head and neck, fine front, lovely wings and tail, well put down; 2, Aitchison, not quite the size, still another good one, fine stamp, grand head and front, rare qual., rich col.; 3, Mitchell, fine size, rare good stamp, nicely filled in back, splendid col. and qual.; 4, Harper, good in size, heavily marked, fine qual., nice head and wings, stands well up; 5, Humphries, nice size, capital style, good front, head and wings; 6, Cameron; 7, Penny; 8, Clubb. CLEAR, ETC., YELL. HEN (18): 1, sp, Cook, grand head and neck, fine front, capital wings, well filled-in back, nice col., wins; 2, spl, Gardiner, nice one, good size and substance, bold head, slightly frilled on neck, nice qual. and col.; 3, spl, Watson, fine size and sub., capital stamp, good qual. of feather, very stylish; 4, Waters, fine size and sub., nice carriage, rare qual., paler colour; 5, Ball, good one for size and qual., nice head and neck, fine wings, rather loose in feather; 6, Harland, very nice; 7, Bishop; 8, Marsh. CL., ETC., BUFF HEN (16): 1, Thomas, rare good stamp, fine size and sub., good front, lovely head and neck, well filled-in back, well shown; 2, Cook, fine sub., good head and neck, rather longer in barrel, splendid qual. of feather; 3, Watson, good in size and qual., fine style, nice head and front, well put down; 4, Lawson, capital size, extra qual., rare good wings and tail, close up; 5, spl, Gardiner, nice stamp, fine size, good head and wings, capital front, in good condition; 6, Noble; 7, McCue; 8, Goodman. VAR. YELL. HEN (7): 1, spl, Aitchison, good size and substance, well filled-in back, fine head and neck, wings well carried, lovely qual., in grand order; 2, Critchley, fine stamp, good in size, plenty of col., well carried wings, close up; 3, Bishop, nice one for size and sub., fine head, good wings and tail, stands well up, grand condition; 4, Gardiner, also a good one, splendid type, well shown; 5, Sandison, similar type, heavily var., nice head and front, well staged; 6, Thomas; 7, Christie. VAR. BUFF HEN (13): 1, Grewar, beauty for size and qual., rare good front, fine head and wings, put down in grand order; 2, Mitchell, nice wing marked, fine size and sub., rare good head and front, well carried wings and tail, fine qual.; 3, Webster, broken Green, good size and qual., nice head and neck, capital wing carr., stands well up; 4, Miller, good size and sub., excellent qual., bad shower, crouches too much on perch; 5, Barron, nice head and wing mkd., good size, splendid qual. of feather, full front, stands well up, might have gone up one; 6, Brown; 7, Jeremy; 8, Turner. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (37): 1, Hyde's spl, Nelson, thigh tkd., rare good head and neck, great size and sub, nice col., just on the long side; 2, Nickson, lightly mkd. on head, splendid type, good head and wings, nice front, fine col., presses hard; 3, Lawson, good stamp, fine size and sub., bold head, well carried wings, nice front; 4, Parlett, nice clear, good in size, fine head, well filled-in back, grand quality and colour; 5, Turner, fine size and qual., good col., slightly crosses wings; 6, Harland; 7, Mitchell; 8, Granger. UNFLIG. BUFF CK. (37): 1, Aitchison, grand size, splendid head and wings, good front, rare qual. of feather, wins; 2, Parlett, fine size and sub., good head, slightly browed, wings well carried, well filled-in back, nice col.; 3, Young, rare good stamp, fine size and col., nice qual.; 4, Young, fine size and sub., well carried wings, nice style; 5, Davies, good size and qual., fine head and neck; 6, Wrigley; 7, Cook; 8, Fleming. UNFLIG. YEL. HEN (24): 1, Wrigley, good stamp of hen, fine size, excellent head and neck, nice wings and tail, fine stylish carriage; 2, Mitchell, head mkd., good size, nice style and qual., rare good head and wings, well put down; 3, Granger, similar type, rare qual., nice size and condition; 4, Harland, head and wing mkd., very stylish, lovely shape, grand condition; 5, Maxwell, good one for size and qual., in nice order; 6, Watson; 7, Hampton; 8, Dempster. UNFLIG. BUFF HEN (24): 1, Grewar, a model, rare good front, grand head and wings, short, cobby body, put down in the pink of condition, wins; 2, Thomas, another very good one, short and stout, grand wings and tail, in beautiful order; 3, Bishop, still another grand one, rare size and sub., capital wings, good head and neck, close up; 4, Dixon, very nice heavy mkd., fine size and sub., good head and wings, in rare order; 5, Miller, nice eye mkd., splendid size and col., rare good wings; 6, Cameron; 7, Dempster; 8, Steele, truly a class of beauties. NON-FED CK. (13): 1, spl, Mitchell, yell. var., grand size and sub., in shining condition, an old winner, still worth his place; 2, Davies, fine buff var., good size and sub., rare head and wings, splendid condition; 3, Wrigley, cl. yell., capital size, good head and front, rare col. and sub.; 4, spl, Roberts, capital style, rare good front, fine col.; 5, Thomas, grand eye and wing mark, fine size and col., fails in head slightly; 6, Marlin; 7, Craig; 8, Clubb. HEN (13): 1, Thomas, cl. yell., grand size and sub., beautiful head and neck, capital colour; 2, Craig, buff, rare good front, fine head and neck, grand condition; 3, Baird and Taylor, nice size and sub., bit loose in feather; 4, Cook, head and wing mark, good size, nice wing carr., rare coudition; 5, Mitchell, cap mkd., all there for size and sub., nice condition; 6, Lingard; 7, Green; 8, Clubb. PAIRS (15): 1, Jeremy, nice yell. cock and buff var. hen, well matched; 2, Lingard Bros., clear yell. cock and buff hen, cock rather slim, but very nice round-fronted hen, good size and sub.; 3, Thomas, buff cock and yell. hen, clears, good ones, nicely matched; 4, Hampton, good buff var. cock and cl. yell. hen; 5, Cook, very nice yell. cock and buff hen; 6, Wilkinson; 7, Brash; 8, Winter. LIMIT, 30s. CK. (13): 1, Forrest; 2, Craig; 3, 5, Finney; 4, Johnston; 6, Craig; 7, Wike & Pickles. HEN, 30s. (9): 1, Hampton; 2, Steven; 3, Gulden; 4, Will; 5, Lugton; 6, Smith; 7, Wood; 8, Harland. CK., 15s. (39): 1, Finney; 2, 3, Carson; 4, Herd; 5, Mrs. Waddington; 6, Barron; 7, Forrest; 8, Granger. HEN, 15s. (16): 1, Houston 2, Clubb; 3, Sharp; 4, Dormer; 5, Harland; 6, Laidlaw 7, Miller.

NOR. GREEN YELL. (16): 1, Harding, bonny bold bird, real Nor. type, grand subs., good sound rich level col., a good win; 2, 4, Walker, rare sub. and type, stands well, good head, beautifully rounded front, foul chin and tail, A1 qual., 4th good bird, hardly the subs. of winners, but capital col. and qual.; 3, Deacon, foul tail, mkd., lovely type and qual., sound rich col., nicely polished, must have pressed; 5, Handley, good self, good depth of col.; vhc, hc, Lawson; c, Johnson. BUFF (17): 1, 3, Dyer, both foul tails, nice bird, lovely type, rare head and neck, good bold front, grand back, capital sound col., 3rd hardly the subs. of winners, but still good, rich deep col., nice qual.; 2, Skinner, beauty for type and subs., neat, full head, well filled back and front, grand col., close up; 4, 5, Harding, big, bold bird, bit unsteady, grand Nor. type; vhc, Grewar; hc, Handley; c, Walker. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Lawson, bonny, foul mkd. bird, rare subs. and type, well filled both back and front, grand head, sound rich col.; 2, Ritchie, hardly the subs of winner, but lovely rich col. and full of qual., a real green; 3, Deacon, foul, grand size and type, good bold head, capital front, good col. and qual.; 4, 5, Pyke, bold fronted, grand back, nice sound col.; vhc, Winter; hc, Handley. BUFF HEN (16): 1, vhc, Hall, foul wing mkd. bird, wonderful size and subs., big bold head, full neck and chest, grand deep rich col., A1 qual.; 2, Mitchell, beauty, similar style, lovely tone of col., close up; 3, Harding, fine bold self, grand Nor. type, beautifully rounded and finished, grand col. and qual.; 4, Grewar, good one, real Nor. type, well filled all through, nice clean vein, bonny col.; 5, c, Lawson; vhc, Walker; hc, Ball.

THE CRESTS & CRESTBREDS
Judge, Mr. A. Chalmers.

CREST CK. (7): 1, Howie, grand subs. and type, wonderful crest, rare size and shape, well filled all round, grand droop, easy 1st; 2, Cairns, rare body, nice size crest, leafy, beautifully veined, hardly the size of winner, still a good one; 3, Noble, fine bold griz., good shape crest of capital size, rare spread, good subs. and qual.; 4, McNaughton, rare size mop, unfortunately open a bit at one side; 5, Young; vhc, Brotherton; hc, Binney. HEN (13): 1, 3, Brotherton, magnificent bird, good size and type, headpiece of grand shape and size, wonderful frontal, beautifully dropped and rare subs., wins, 3rd varieg. good type and size, neat head, capital shape and spread, good subs., nicely veined; 2, Herschell, wing mkd. D.C., grand size, good frontal, well filled, lovely qual.; 4, Young, neat cl. body dark, lovely leafy feather, beautifully veined; 5, Donaldson; vhc, Twigg; hc, Gareday; c, Adamson. C.B. CK. (17): 1, Twigg, grand green, wonderful size, rare width of skull, beautifully domed and lashed; 2, Noble, green, rare size and subs., grand skull, hardly so nicely domed as winner, but wonderful feather; 3, Cairns, cap mkd., grand size, good skull, well lashed; 4, Paul, varieg. bird or rare size, capital head, plenty of feather; 5, Herschell; vhc, Brotherton; hc, Young; c, Whitton. HEN (10): 1, Gourlay, big bold varieg. bird, grand subs., fine big skull, capital size, well filled and lasbed; 2, 5, Noble, a bouny cl., grand size, good broad skull, grandly lasbed, A1 qual. feather; 3, Brotherton, var., fine subs., nice clean well domed yell., well filled head, grand back skull; 4, Thomson, var., good type, nice well filled head, good lashing; vhc, Sharp; hc, Young, c, Lindsay. 1912 CREST CK. (14): 1, 2, Noble, green, wonderful size, magnificent crest, capital shape and droop, well filled all round, bonny; 3, Smith, good one, neat, good frontal and subs., scarcely the subs of winner; 4, Blyth, grey crest of grand size, nice spread, well filled all round, good leafy feather; 5 Donaldson; vhc, Brown; hc, Brotherton; c, Howie HEN (14): 1, Adamson, rare size and subs., fine big shapely crest, good centre and droop, grand feather, beautifully veined; 2, Widdowfield, another varieg. bird, hardly the subs. of winner, but wonderful headpiece, rare size and shape, grand subs and droop, must have pressed; 3, Herschell, varieg, grand size, well formed crest, good frontal and droop, grand feather; 4, Schillinglaw, cl. body, dark yell., neat crest, good centre, capital size and droop; 5, Whitton; vhc, Tweedie; hc, Young; c, Forsyth. 1912 C.B. CK. (14): 1, Routledge, wonderful size and subs., rare width of skull, good entrance, grand dome shape, full of feather; 2, Widdowfield, varieg. good size, grand back skull, well domed and lashed, a good one; 3, McFadyen, hardly the subs. of winners, but grand head, good width of skull, nice dome shape; 4, Barker, bonny green, big, shapely bird, capital well lashed head; 5, McLaren; vhc, Somers; hc, Wilcox; c, Gillan. HEN (8): 1, Low, heavily varieg., capital size, good skull, well lashed, nice broad leafy feather; 2, Brown, big, bold cl., grand subs., fine width of skull, capital dome shape, full of feather; 3, Adamson, a bonny varieg., perfect shaped head, well domed and filled, nice qual.; 4, Smith, back mkd, grand size, wonderful width of skull, nicely lashed; 5, Robertson; vhc, c, McNaughton; hc, Blyth. CREST, LIMIT £2 10s. (14): 1, Henderson, wing mkd. dark, grand size; 2, Gillan, neat head, nice droop; 3, 5, hc, Henderson, varieg. C.B., grand size, good skull; 4, Roberts; vhc, Green; c, Blyth. 20/- (20): 1, Widdowfield, big C.B., rare skull and lash; 2, Noble, neat Crest; 3, Veitch; 4, Adamson; 5, Hunter; vhc, Goulden; hc, J. Young; c, H. Young.

THE SCOTCH FANCIES.
Messrs Stewart and Maxwell's Classes.

CL. OR FOUL YELL. CK. (6): 1, Archibald, good top end, capital drive, fine subs. and wings; 2, Pringle, nice shoulder and back, rare drive and position; 3, Scott, grand square shoulders, fine snaky neck, nice pose; 4, Fulton, nice size and subs., carries head bit too high, gets tail well under; 5, Hamilton; 6, Buchan. YELL. PIED CK. (4): 1, McDougall, capital drive and top end, well filled back, rare subs.; 2, Wood, fine depth through chest, grand drive and action; 3, Maxwell, fails subs. to winner, fine top end; 4, Paterson, fine size and substance, good top end. YELL. GR. CK. (3): 1, Maxwell, massive frame, grand drive and action, rare position; 2, McGregor, good head and top end, fine length of side, capital pose. CL. OR FOUL BUFF HEN (5): 1, Watson, rare top end, grand decided drive, always ready; 2, Hamilton, capital size, good wing, very free style and action; 3, Pringle, foul on head and wing, well filled back, capital style; 4, J. Maxwell, good subs., gets tail well under; 5, McGregor. BUFF PIED HEN (6): 1, McLean, clinker for size and subs., grand top end and drive, fine position; 2, Dunn, nice decided drive, very nervy; 3, Smart, good one, presses 2nd hard, fails subs. only; 4, Pringle, good top end, fine length of wing; 5, Hamilton, neat and stylish. BUFF GRN. HEN (1): 1, P. Maxwell, sweet stylish exhibit, grand action, takes perches well. SELL. CAN. (11): 1, Lugton; 2, Dunn; 3 Paterson; 4, Spittal; 5, Yule; 6, 8, Dunskin; 7, Gilchrist.

Messrs. Black and Carson's Classes.

CL. OR FOUL YEL. HEN (4): 1, P. Maxwell, grand size and depth through chest, fine snaky neck, decided drive; 2, Stewart, nice size and subs., good top end, presses; 3, Pringle, well filled back, good length of side, fine position; 4, Maxwell, good size and position, rare style. YELL. PIED HEN (4): 1, Lugton, massive size and subs., good top end and drive, fine depth through breast; 2, J. Maxwell, fine droop and top, gets tail well under perch; 3, Fulton, capital style and action, good length of wing, very nervy; 4, Gilchrist, massive frame, takes perch well. YELL. GRN. HEN (1): 1, Smart, capital size and subs., fine long snaky head and neck, capital pose. CLR. OR FOUL BUFF CK. (7): 1, P. Maxwell, clinker for size, massive frame, grand depth through chest, rare top end and drive; 2, Dunn, fine square top end, well filled back, capital position; 3, J. Maxwell, grand top end and reach, our choice for 2nd place; 4, Stewart, good length of wings, nice subs., gets well up on leg; 5, Pringle. BUFF TKD.

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CK. (7): 1, P. Maxwell, massive size and subs., fine depth through breast, wing; 2, Pringle, good head and wing, nice action; 3, Hamilton, grand back and top, good drive and action; 4, Jardine, on the small side, nice action; 5, McDougall; 6, Paterson. BUFF GR. CK.: 1, Smart, fine size and type, capital top end and droop. SELF. HEN (5): 1, Danskin; 2, Hamilton; 3, Boag; 4, 5, Frier.

THE BELGIANS.
Judge, Mr. F. J. Dewar.

BELG. CK. (10): 1, Rizzi, yell. leading, massive top end, gets well up on leg, neat droop; 2, Reddihough, right good buff, rare top, very decided droop, inclined to get tail under perch; 3, Madam Verheis, capital shoulders, good length of wing, fine droop; 4, Baker, good top and droop, well placed; 5, Dart, capital subs. and style; 6, Gilchrist; 7, Jardine; 8, Robertson. HEN (7): 1, 6, Robertson, very slim made up, good top and wing, nice position; 2, Madam Verheis, capital subs., gets well up on leg; very nervy; 3, Stewart, buff, rare one for size, must have pressed, grand droop; 4, 5, Reddihough, both have pressed, grand style and action; 7, White. YOUNG BELGIAN (12): 1, 3, Reddihough, fine square top, nice subs., decided droop, 3rd nice buff, gets well up on leg, rare pose and droop; 2, Noble, capital yell., good top, grand action and droop, pressing hard; 4, Baker, yellow, well set up, very nice top, grips perches well; 5, Jardine; 6, 8, Verheis; 7, Wood.

THE BORDER FANCIES.
Mr. W. C. Duncan's Classes.

CL. YELL. CK. (24): 1, Dixon, grand rounded head and front, sweet size and shape, lovely wing and tail carr., grand bloom; 2, Craig, sweet head and neck, capital front, rare taper, grand lifted back, neat wings; 3, Smart, shade longer drawn, good head and wing carr.; 4, Gilchrist, sweetly moulded, well-lifted back, well placed; 5, Brown, good type and qual.; 6, Kerr and Smith; 7, Smart; 8, Munro. CL. YELL. HEN (24): 1, Gilchrist, lovely type and qual., grandly rounded head and back, fine weight, in rare bloom; 2, Bennet, finely moulded body, correct size, well laid on wings, capital wing and tail carr.; 3, Craig, A1 type and qual., fine round head and front, grand weight, tip-top bloom; 4, Smart, stronger in head, lovely wing and tail carr.; 5, Auld; 6, Dods; 7, Craigh; 8, Connochie. CL. BUFF CK. (26): 1, Gilchrist, gem for type and sub., correct weight, good head and front, neat wings and tail; 2, Bennet, beauty for col and condition, grand waxy feather, shown in lovely bloom; 3, Smart, sweet shape and size, grandly moulded body, nice taper, fine close packed wings and tail; 4, Ellwood, warmer col., good head and front, nice pipe tail; 5, Little, good head and back, nice wing carriage; 6, Aitchison; 7, Craig; 8, Brown. CL. BUFF HEN (25): 1, Smart, grand lady, fine body shape, extra good wing and tail carr., shown in faultless order; 2, Gilchrist, similar stamp, grandly tapered behind, lovely wings, close compact feathers; 3, Easter, shade slimmer, but all there for qual. and condition; 4, Arnot, sweet head and body, well braced wings, lovely order; 5, Bennet, grand tone of col., fine type; 6, Auld; 7, Davidson; 8, Johnston. YELL. EVEN MKD. (12): 1, Smart, grand eye and wing markings, capital type and col., foul at vent; 2, Auld, well balanced eyes and wings, grand head col. and condition; 3, Smith, stronger in eye marks, neatly balanced wings, shade soft when taking notes; 4, Cubby, good one for type and markings, shade strong in colour; 5, McVittie; 6, Nelson; 7, Kitchen; 8, Higgins and Himpson. BUFF EVEN MKD. (13): 1, 4, Gilchrist, grandly balanced markings, sweet type and qual., well put down, 4th on the long side, neat in markings and condition; 2, Smart, heavier wing markings, neat eyes, inclined to cross at tips; 3, McVittie, sweetly marked hen, good head and front, in nice condition; 5, Nelson; 6, Nicholson; 7, Findlay; 8, Aitchison.

Mr. J. Watson's Classes.

UNEV. YELL. CK. (20): 1, 8, Arnot, marked right eye and both wings, lovely type and quality, well braced wings and tail; 2, Young, mkd. eyes, wings and chest, on the long side, very warm in col.; 3, Brown, sweet size and shape, mkd. eye, neck and left wing, lovely type and qual., in rare bloom; 4, Stewart, mkd. eyes, head and wings, grand taper and condition; 5, Denholm; 6, Davidson; 7, Craig. HEN (13): 1, Aitchison, capital size and shape, mkd. eye and wings, fine tone of col., tip top condition; 2, Denholm, lightly mkd. eyes and head, finely rounded chest, very close feather, lovely bloom; 3, Dixon, mkd. eyes and right wing, correct weight, neat pipe tail; 4, Crabb and Finlayson, little too cobby and full in chest; 5, Arnot, lovely type and qual.; 6, Nelson; 7, Dixon; 8, Watson. UNEV. BUFF CK. (22): 1, Arnot, eye and wing mkd., good type and qual., sweet shape and style, neat pipe tail; 2, 3, 5, Bennet, good head and neck, mkd. both eyes and left wing, finely moulded body, nice taper; 3rd shade flat on head, grandly filled back, nicely rounded front, good wing carr.; 4, 8, Andrew, lovely type and qual., very warm in col., some liked for second place; 6, Espie; 7, Smart. HEN (19): 1, 5, Arnot, mkd. eyes and left wing, good head and front, nice tone of col.; 2, Andrew, shade flat on head, capital front and back, neat markings, in lovely condition; 3, Smart, gem for shape and size, grandly braced wings, neat taper; 4, McVittie, mkd. both eyes, head and wings, fails condition to leaders; 6, Bennet; 7, Findlay; 8, Linton. TKD. YELL. (11): 1, 5, Bennet, grizzle head, well-known winner, lovely type, nicely rounded front, well laid on wings, nice taper; 2, Craig, foul on left eye and wings, grand head and front, fine tone of col., neat pipe tail; 3, Purvis, best in class for type and qual; 4, Munro, nice Border, inclined to drop wings; 6, Kerr and Smith; 7, Clark; 8, Espie. BUFF (9): 1, Allen, grizzly on wings, finely moulded body, capital head and neck, well braced wings, neat taper; 2, 7, Bennet, sweetly moulded hen, finely rounded head and front, lovely feather and qual.; 3, Smart, neck mkd., fine weight, grand braced wings, neat taper; 4, Todd, grizzle on head, well filled back, inclined to spread tail; 5, Purvis; 6, Brockie; 8, Brown. YELL. GREEN CK. (33): 1, Kerr and Smith, grand dense tone of col., rich grassy green, splendid lacings, A1 type; 2, Biggins, darker tone of col., grand pencilling, neat type and condition; 3, Murray, similar col. and markings to leader, best of heads, might have gone up; 4, Nelson, lovely tone of col., grandly laced on flanks and back; 5, Middleton, capital type and markings; 6, Greenwell; 7, Johnston; 8, Affleck. HEN (19): 1, [illegible] and type, finely rounded head, lovely bloom, 4th lovely tone of col., fine pencilling, good type; 2, Montgomery, similar type, grandly laced on back and flanks; 3, Campbell, tighter underneath, good grassy green, sweet head, steady on legs; 5, Greenwell, 6, Johnston; 7, Boag; 8, Thomson. BUFF GREEN CK. (28): 1, Whitelaw, good sound col. and markings, inclined to show a little bronze; 2, Arnot, grandly laced on back, shade light in flanks, good type and col.; 3, Lambie, clinker for col. and lacing, bit too strong for Border type; 4, Walker, nice type and col., shade soft while taking notes; 5, Harper; 6, Lumsden; 7, Pearson; 8, Parker. HEN (18): 1, 5, 8, Thomson, gem for type and colour, grandly laced back and flanks; 2, Johnston, similar type and lacing to leader, shade dark on back; 3, Johnston, finely rounded head, capital col. and markings, well placed; 4, Dods, beauty for col., markings and type, might have gone up; 6, Little; 7, Montgomery. CINN. CK. (19): 1, Paterson, clinker for col., grandly laced on back and flanks; 2, Buglass, good one for type, but different shade of col., might perhaps have given way to 3, 4, Hamilton, similar col. and markings to leader, beauty for type and qual., 4th good all-round Cinn., fine head and front; 5, Dods; 6, Bennet; 7, Middleton; 8, Arnot. HEN (15): 1, McColl, lovely tone of col., finely pencilled on back and front; 2, Lambie, capital type and col., lovely bloom, well placed; 3, Baxter, buff, nice col. and lacings, fine type; 4, Johnston, lovely tone of col., grand pencilling on back and flanks; 5, Richardson, shade light, fine type; 6, 8, Wilson; 7, Whitelaw. SELF., CK. (19): 1, Service; 2, Sampson; 3, Arnot; 4, Harper; 5, Robertson; 6, Brow; 7, Walker; 8, Denholm. Hens (13): 1, Briggs 2, Brown 3, Bennet; 4, Wilson; 5, Gourlay; 6, Sampson; 7, Gilchrist; 8, Bennet.

THE CINNAMONS.
Judge, Mr. A. Hirst.

CINN., YELL. CK. (8): 1, 3, 5, Dormer, magnificent bird, wonderful size and subs., beautifully filled all round, lovely qual. of feather, nice sheen, grand depth of col., an easy win; 3rd, similar to let in shape and subs., not the depth of col. or polish, but grand type; 2, 4, Mrs. Deacon, shapely, good depth of col., not the depth of col. or subs. of winner, but nice qual, and well put down; 4th, typical, good col., beaten size; vhc, Godley; hc, Roberts; c, Hartup. BUFF (9): 1, vhc, Dormer, bold bird, wonderful size and sub., nice head, grand front and back, sound col., and beautifully mealed, not the best of wing carr.; 2, 3, 5, Mrs. Deacon, hardly the subs., but grand type, well proportioned, good head and wing, lovely depth of col., in A1 condition, must have pressed; 3rd, bonny bird, rare size, grand type, good head, front and back, lovely tone of col. all through, in very fine order; 4, Godley, short, thick bird, lovely quality and col.; hc, Hartup; c, Roberts. UNFLIG. (12): 1, 2, c, Dormer, typical, nice size, well proportioned, neat head, lovely rich tone of col., fine condition, wins; 2nd, fine bold buff, grand size, quite Nor. type, good bold front, sound col., beautifully mealed; 3, 4, Hartup, another bonny one, lovely type, neat clean head, well filled neck and front, rich even col., in very fine condition; 4th, fine big yell., grand col.; 5, hc, Mrs. Deacon; vhc, Griffiths. HEN (11): 1, vhc, Deacon, very typical, good bold head and front, grand wings, rich level col. all through, nice easy carr, grand condition; 2, 3, Dormer, short, thick-set buff, grand subs., neat, yet full head, lovely rich col., nicely mealed; 3rd, grand yell., lovely type, full of qual. and col., bonny, must have pressed winner; 4, c, Hartup, another good buff, wonderful qual.; 5, hc, Godley. NOV. (10): 1, 2, Ross, bonny yell., capital size and type, wonderful tone of col., lovely qual. of feather, in very fine fettle; 2nd, big bold buff, grand type and subs., nice level col., neat head and wings, in good condition; 3, 4, Rae, buff, very shapely, grand subs., hardly the col. of winners, still sound; 4th another bonny yell., good col. and qual.; 5, vhc, Miss Tweddle; hc, c, Metcalfe.

THE YORKSHIRES AND A.O.V.
Judge, Mr. A Hirst.

YORKS. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Bailey, bonny bird, grand length, nice sweet head, good position, lovely smooth front, beautifully drawn, rich, bright col., grand qual.; 2, Crawhall, beauty for type and qual., beautifully moulded and drawn, grand wings, fails in col. to winner; 3, Heggie, rich col., hardly the size of winner, but lovely type and qual., perfect head, nice pipe tail; 4, Ogden Bros., grand length, good shoulders, sound qual.; 5, Dykes; vhc, Binns; hc, McRobbie; c, Mock. BUFF (8): 1, Binns, beautiful head and shoulders, nicely drawn, good smooth front, magnificent qual.; 2, Thomas, another of wonderful qual., rich level col., grand type, beautifully drawn, sweet head and wings, well put down; 3, Bailey, grandly moulded, beautifully proportioned, sweet head and neck, grand shoulders, A1 quality; 4, Dykes, beauty, rare length and style, grand head and shoulders; 5, Crawhall; vhc, McRobbie; hc, Rizzi; c, Reid. MKD. YELL. CK. (10): 1, Dykes, neck tkd., rare length and style, neat head, grand wings and tail, beautifully drawn, sound col. and qual.; 2, Binns, head and wing mkd., of lovely type, grandly proportioned, good head, neck, and shoulders, capital sheen, close up; 3, vhc, Heggie, wing mkd., rare length, nicely moulded, grand position, sound col. and qual.; 4, Brown and Son, variegs., of grand length, full of qual., good wings; 5, Bennett; hc, Douglas and Glaister; c, Cochrane. MKD. BUFF (13): 1, Binns, magnificent bird, grand position and style, nicely moulded, good wings and tail, rare qual. feather; 2, Heggie, wing and cheek mkd., grand length, beautiful head, grand shoulders, nicely moulded throughout, clean cut, very smart; 3, Walsh, lovely typical bird, grand position and style, rare back and wings, clean cut, good tail; 4, Bailey, cinn. mkd., good length, nice smooth front, rare qual.; 5, Thomas; vhc, Mock; hc, Morrison; c, Bennett. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Thomas, smart, grand position, stormer for type and qual., perfect head and wings, neat tail, grand col. for a lady; 2, Bailey, another smart one, hardly so rich in col., but beautifully drawn and moulded capital shoulders; 3, Binns, grand length and position, beautifully rounded, capital wings, but unsteady or might have been up; 4, Ogden Bros., smart, lengthy one, beautiful type; 5, Walsh; 6, Heggie; hc, Allen; c, Douglas and Co. BUFF (10): 1, Crawhall, bonny bird, wonderful length, beautifully drawn and moulded, rare qual. of feather, stands like a soldier; 2, Bailey, another beauty, lovely head and shoulders, stands well on good legs, nicely rounded, grand qual.; 3, vhc, Thornton and Co., good one, shade stouter in build, beautifully filled in, rare position and qual.; 4, Walsh, grand position, smooth as possible, best of wings; 5, Morrison; vhc, Heggie; hc, Allen. UNFLIG. CK. (16): 1, Binns, magnificent bird, grand position and style, rare length, yet beautifully proportioned, smooth as glass, a good win; 2, Morrison, hot col. yell., typical and neat, grand length, perfect wings, A1 qual.; 3, Mock, variegs. buff, grand length, neat head, good shoulders and back, capital wings; 4, Allen, lovely yell., rare length and type, plenty of swagger, a good one; 5, Bennett; vhc, Cockburn; hc, Thomas; c, Ogden Bros. HEN (15): 1, Ogden Bros., wing and head mkd. bird, nice size, very typical, beautifully moulded, grand wings, lovely qual. of feather; 2, Ellis, smart slim buff, well up on legs, grand head and shoulders, neat wings, nicely moulded, rare qual; 3, Thomas, lovely pointed yell., magnificent type, beautifully drawn and rounded, bonny bird; 4, Thornton and Co., smart buff, grand length and type, lovely qual. of feather; 5, Bennett; vhc, Jeffrey; hc, Mock; c, Cockburn. GR. YELL. (10): 1, 5, Rowlands, grand length and style, good head and shoulders, rich deep col., well polished, a beauty; 2, Morcment, good one, scarcely so long but grand type, lovely tone of col. all through, rare qual.; 3, McNulty, foul mkd. bird, grand length, good type and position, sound rich col., bit unsteady; 4, hc, Benson, fine length and type, well up on legs, scarcely so rich in col. as winners, still a good one; vhc, Walker; c, Robinson. BUFF (12): 1, 3, Rowlands, smart and typical, wonderful length, nicely rounded, grand head and shoulders, sound rich col. carried all through, a good one; 3rd, smart long bird, good position, lovely head and wings, very rich col. for a buff, close up; 2, no name, neat type, nice length and style, good head and shoulders, grand position, on good legs, sound col; 4, Walker, grand position and style, lovely tone of col., beaten size; 5, Robinson; vhc, McNulty; hc, Benson; c, Handley. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Rowland, wonderful depth of col., nice type, beautifully drawn, hardly the best of wing carr., but nice qual.; 2, Metcalfe, foul wing and tail mkd. specimen, lovely type, position, and style, grand qual., taking bird; 3, Movement, slim, neat type, neat head and shoulders, nicely drawn, sound deep rich col., A1 qual.; 4, hc, Benson, beauty for length and position, nicely drawn, well up on legs, grand col.; 5, c, Robinson; vhc, McNulty. BUFF HEN (8): 1, Handley, rare length, nice style and position, good head and shoulders, grand length of wing, sound rich col., A1 qual.; 2, Rowland, foul tail mkd., lovely type and swagger, hardly the size of winner but very neat, capital col.; 3, Simpson, another self, good length, grand head and shoulders, nice clean run, good tone of col., A1 qual.; 4, McNulty, foul mkd. bird, capital length, rich col.; 5, Benson, slim type, nice style. A.O.V. CAN. (18): 1, Goodman, White, Border type, very shapely and neat, lovely cl. col., a beauty; 2, 4, Alkorn, lovely cl. cup Silver Liz., grand size and type, very distinct even spangling, good body work; 4th, grand Gold Liz., full of work, capital depth of col., good qual.; 3, Hattersley, another good White Border, capital type, nice wings, A1, pure col., nice qual.; 5, Dormer, foul cinn.; vhc, Sledger; hc, Mullington; c, Reid.

ROLLERS, MEMBERS (20): 1, 2, 3, 4, Thomson; 5, 7, Stewart; 8, Dryson. OPEN (18): 1, Thomson; 2, 7, Davies; 3, Gloeckner; 4, Kremner; 5, 8, Firth; 6, Lester. These classes were well judged by Mr. Bradfield.

THE HYBRID SECTION.
Judge, Mr. W. C. Duncan.

CLEAR OR MULE: 1, Jamieson, charming clear Goldie, grand size, extra well staged, as clean as a new pin, real topper, popular win; 2, Shellam, romping clear Greenie, sweet shape and lovely colour, good 2nd; 3, Lamb, large ticked Buff Goldie, good quality and nice wing flights, fails a shade in face; 4, Duncan, good all-round six-pointed Goldie, shade light on eyes, nice wing marks, and in good form; 5, McVittie, good four-point Goldie, extra nice, well put down, sweet shape; vhc, Martin and Archer. VARIEG. (12): 1, Tams and Son, good var. Greenie, grand size, rare head, fine wings, splendid shape, put down in winning form; 2, Martin and Archer, also a var. Greenie, shade smaller, all there for quality of feather, both well-known winners; 3, Martin and Archer, slashing Buff var. Goldie, good face, lovely wings, very lightly marked, in grand trim, well worth its place; 4, Lewis, hot fed var. Can.-Bullie, white tail, grand size and well staged; 5, Bruce, good var. Linnet, plenty size, rare shape, could be improved with a wash, well known winner; vhc, McQuiston; hc, McVittie; c, Smart. DARK GOLDF. (17): 1, Gilchrist, Scotland's champion Border King, well known, outstanding in class, extra good quality and A1 feather and finish; 2, Grewar, romping Buff, great blaze, grand size and shape, well laced, a real tip-top one, well placed; 3, Shellam, neat Yellow, good blaze, A1 colour, rather slim, sweet quality throughout; 4, Martin and Archer, also a good Yell., all there for colour, eclipsed by winner for size and quality; 5, Stewart, sweet Buff, grand size, A1 face, rare quality, well worth its place; vhc, Lamb; hc, Jamieson; c, Watt. LINNET (14): 1, McQuiston, wins easily, grand yell., rare size, plenty of substance, finely marked, extra good in finish, real taking one; 2, Prattis, grand colour and well marked, a shade slim in body, nice shape, grand head, lovely order; 3, Brown, nice one, fine tone of colour, A1 shape, fails a little in size only; 4, Shellam, good quality, A1 colour, sweet finish, nice pencilling, again fails a shade in size; 5, Jamieson, lovely shape, rare finish, neat head and wings, well marked; vhc, Taylor; hc, Heron; c, Martin and Archer. GREENFINCH (21): 1, Parlett, sweet yellow, rare shape, grand head and bold front, not a monster, but all there for colour, grand quality throughout, wins; 2, McQuiston, romping Buff, great size, lovely shade of colour, bold head and grand flights, well placed, great Scotch winner; 3, Jamieson, sweet yellow, good colour and qual., neat head; 4, Craig, another good one, grand size, A1 quality, beaten in finish, worth its place; 5, Brunskill, sweet one, grand style, bold head, A1 colour and qual., fails in size; vhc, Roy; hc, Finnie; c, McCraw. A.O.V. CAN. MULE (17): 1, Johnston, the noted yellow Siskin Mule, "Kelly," hot one of its variety, great size, ideal colour and markings, gem and no mistake, grandly put down, a "cake walk" in this class; 2, Middleton, large Buff Siskin, sombre compared to winner, but a gem for quality, well put down; 3, Sykes, neat wee Redpoll, A1 quality, in tip-top order, lovely colour; 4, McQuiston, a Twite, grand size, A1 quality, nice markings; 5, Martin and Archer, neat yellow Siskin, grand shape, A1 quality, fails to winner in size and lacings; vhc, Anderson; hc, Helm; c, Buchan. BULLF. HYB. (16): 1, Shellam, clinking Canary-Bullie, grand size and dense shade of colour, sweet back lacing, in full bloom, exceedingly well staged, a real gem; 2, Inman, sweet Goldie-Bullie, showing the cross well, grand flush face and nice bars, shade on the small side; 3, E. J. Lamb, nice Linnet-Bullie, good depth of breast colour and well up in size, fine cap, pressed hard; 4, c, Dr. Wilson, good coloured Can.-Bullie, sweet shape, A1 markings, fails in size to winner; 5, Allan, nice Greenie-Bullie, good cap and front, nice order; vhc, Heron; hc, Metcalf. A.V. BETWEEN TWO BRIT. (15): 1, Martin and Archer, Chaffle-Greenie, in fine form, shows cross well, heads class somewhat easily, well put down; 2, hc, Lamb, sweet Siskin-Greenie, nice size and extra well marked, bold front, A1 order; 3 McLean, neat Redpoll-Greenie, sombre in colour, but very interesting, in full bloom; 4, Webster, neat Goldie Redpoll, fine face, A1 colour, looking shade soft when we were taking notes; 5, Curry, nice Goldie-Greenie, shows cross well, shade on the small side; vhc, Turner; c, Miller. SELL., 10s. 6d. (23): 1, Wilcock; 2, Green; 3, Jamieson; 4, Steel; 5, Hird; vhc, Finnie; hc, Bruce; c, Storrer.

THE BRITISH BIRDS.
Judge, Mr. J. Maddison.

GOLDFINCH (31): 1, Pitchford and Stocker, good one, rare square-cut blaze, splendid nap, great entrance, fine cheeks, lovely tone of colour, nice size, good quality throughout, genuine Britisher; 2, Hurst, bolder in front, but on the dark side, equal in density of blaze, fails in undercut, good feather and finish, well placed; 3, McLean and Son, good-faced one, best colour of blaze in the lot, shade small in body, good flights and buttons; 4, 5, vhc, c, Richards, shade small and rather pointed in appearance, real good face and tannings, in grand bloom, nicely staged; 5th, as good as any, grand size, extra good in blaze, lovely buttons, beaten a shade in finish, but must have pressed hard, wonderful good team; hc, Evans. BULLF. (30): 1, 2, Woods, easy win, lovely shape, grand front, extra good depth of body col., rare cap and bib, very fine wing bars, short and cobby, well put down; 2nd, good col., not so bold in front, nice cap and bib, grand back, well placed; 3, Irvine, hot coloured one, fine pure deep crimson shade, sweet cap and bib, shade small in body, but a grand Britisher, well placed; 4, Watt, good conditioned bird, on the long side, grand cap and bib, well up in body colour; 5, Wilson, good type, fine full front, shade narrow in head, good feather and finish; vhc, Thompson; hc, Sykes; c, Evans. LINNET (35): 1, Parlett, grand size and shape, lovely breast lacing, good flights and back col., ideal head, great front, shade rough in feather on head, nicely staged; 2, McQuiston, grand flighted bird, rare back, sweet breast lacing, extra good in ground colour, has nasty habit of facing back of cage; 3, Heal, monster, extra bold in shape, Nor. style, steady, beautifully laced, a real hot one all over, just a shade dark in colour or would probably have won; 4, McQuiston, bold shape, grand tone of col., very profusely mkd., but ground col. on the dark side, nice flights; 5, Douglas and Glaister, sweet one, sombre shade of col. compared to winners, but lovely markings, could be improved in the staging; vhc, Inman; hc, Richards; c, Lane and Son. LINNET, F.M. (37): 1, Hird, sweet shape, grand breast work and rare head, lovely wing flights, fine tone of col., steady, and well shown, wins; 2, Pearson, good type, very sweet shape, bold front, A1 head, shade light in colour; 3, hc, Bell and Nelson, dark tone, plenty of lacing, well up in size, fails in finish; 4, Craft, stunner for size, grand shape, extra well marked, good head, A1 wing flights, might have gone up a peg; 5, McQuiston, nice laced one, good ground col., neat flights, splendid shape, a shade harsh in feather; vhc, Evans; c, Fletcher. BRAMBLEF. (14): 1, sp. best Brit., hc, Sykes, stunner, in tip-top form, grand size and dense col. throughout, sweet markings, lovely side lacing, pure breast col., well staged, outstanding; 2, McQuiston, nice stamp, stronger in body than winner, not so pure in colours, good back lacing and flanks, fails a shade in head, well placed; 3, Parlett, grand shape, bold and free in style, nice head, good back lacing, inclined to be trifle rough in feather; 4, McQuiston, good all round, sweet size and well spangled, fails in depth of col., nice head; 5, Marley, beautiful condition, good col. and markings, rather snaky in shape; vhc, Linton; c, Watt. CHAFFINCH (21): 1, Marley, grand body and lovely tone of col., good bold head, sweet wing flights, tip-top size, rare quality throughout, in extra good bloom; 2, Nicholson and Son, stylish, grand front, sweet shape, good bold head, lovely condition, well placed; 3, 5, Sykes, monster, grand wing flights, bold head, extra good in col., inclined to be a shade unsteady; 5th, lovely size and shape, good ground col., sweet flights and bars, shade narrow in head; 4, Sharp, good col., shade on the bronzy side, grand head and flights; vhc, Adams; hc, Stewart and Dalling; c, Kerr and Smith. GREENF. (FED) (22): 1, Nicholson, wins, rare size, bold appearance, splendid head and front, grand wing flights, lovely level tone of col., well put down, real gem; 2, Metcalf, hot fed, rather harsh in col., good size, nice bold head, well staged; 3, Aitken, bold made, grand head and front, not so shapely as winners, gem for col. and qual.; 4, Dunn, grand size, inclined to be a shade long in body, nice head, good wing flights, tip-top form; 5, Irvine, sweet yell., grand shape, ideal col., on the small side, in full bloom; vhc, Messer; hc, Craig; c, Sharp. NON-FED GREENF. (28): 1, McMillan, grand yell., rare bold front and head, lovely wing flights and good solid col. throughout, well cut, rare position, in full bloom, wins; 2, Hurst, another good col. yell., not so bold as winner, nice head, grand flights, in good order; 3, Butler, monster for front, good bold head and grand flights, inclined to be a shade low on perches, nice quality, could be improved in staging; 4, McLean and Son, grand shaped yell., rare body and lovely ground col., grand flights, well placed; 5, Sykes, good col. and grand flights, rather wild, nicely finished off; vhc, Finnie; hc, Marley; c, Watson. SISKIN, FED (7): 1, McQuiston, wins, real good one, grand size, ideal flanks, markings, good cap and bib, nice tone of col., well shown; 2, Gregor and Boyd, plenty of size, well mkd., sweet lacing, good in cap, fails in bib, excellent col. and finish; 3, Storrar, stout bodied one, good cap and bib, extra well laced on flanks, sweet tone of col., in grand bloom; 4, Sykes, another nice one, shade smaller, lovely dense cap and neat bib, well laced on flanks; 5, McQuiston, good size, rather broken in col., nice cap and bib; vhc, Connochie; hc, Gregor and Boyd. NON-FED SISKIN (19): 1, Fairhurst, nicely mkd. one, sweet cap and bib, well laced on flanks, a shade small, in good order; 2, Gentleman, fine depth of col., pure on breast, well up in size, splendid flank markings, good cap, shade weak in bib; 3, Brown, stylish bird, lovely pure flank lacing, well up in size, nice shaped cap, minus a bib, well worth its place; 4, Cannon, sweet shape, nice flank markings, good cap and bib, rather rough in feather, should make a good one; 5, Junor, nice shape, good cap and bib, well laced; vhc, McGillivray; hc, Dryburgh; c, Black. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (23): 1, McQuiston, good Twite, dense col. throughout, well laced, grand head, A1 qual. of feather, wins easily on purity of col.; 2, Watt, romping Mealy, good bib, nicely laced, shade rough in feather, bold and well built, extra good in size; 3, Webster, nice Twite, grand size and col., well mkd., fails a shade in pencilling, good flights, grand finish; 4, Messer, sweet Mealy, nice bib and lacing, fails to winner in size, all there for feather and finish; 5, Marley, nice Twite, well mkd., well up in size, shade dark in ground col., could be improved in staging; vhc, Scotland; hc, Pitchford and Stocker; c, Sykes. LESSER REDPOLL (20): 1, Martin, good bold headed one, rare front and extra good in flanks, markings, grand tone of col., real tip top exhibit,

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well put down; 2, McQuiston, nice size, grand shape, not so pure, but all there for qual., nicely laced, good 2nd, 3, Marley, large, good ground col., shade stout in body, sweet markings, nice cap; 4, Wason, well laced bird, shade small, extra good in col. and finish, 5, Bruce, good one, showing a bad fluff to-day, rare size and shape, lovely ground col., well staged; vhc, McGillivray; hc, Bell; c, Leech. YELLOW BUNTING (21): 1, Lane, good all round bird, nice body, A1 head, sweet V, grand cheeks and front, shade dark on back, nicely staged; 2, McQuiston, good body, fine buck lacing, shade heavy on head markings, good stamp all round, rare V, fails in cheek marks; 3, Livingstone, another sweet one, similar build to 2nd, not so bold in body, but good back and front; 4, Stewart and Dalling, good one, rare head markings, lovely V, grand cheeks, line breast, well up in size, nice tone of col., close up; 5, Bruce, lightest headed bird in class, slightly broken in V, good breast, grand back lacing, shade loose in feather, still a good one; vhc, Dunlop; hc, Evans; c, Baxter. BUNTING, A.O.V. (11): 1, McQuiston, sweet coloured Corn Bunting, grand lacing, very steady, inclined to be a shade soft when we saw it; 2, Sykes, Sweet Meadow, fine size and good head markings, lovely col. and condition, nice one; 3, Marley, sweet Cirl, nice head markings, in extra good form, well staged; 4, Arnott, nice Snow Bunting, pure in col., and well mkd., steady as a rock, could do with more size; 5, Bruce, romping Corn, well laced, in good form, bold, should make a hot one; vhc, Russell; hc, Raine; c, Clubbs. SMALL SOFT-BILL (14): 1, Hattersley, sweet Lesser Whitethroat, lovely quality, pure and distinct in col., delightfully staged, as near nature as possible; 2, Taylor, good bold steady Redstart, grand cap and body col., shade loose in feather, otherwise A1, well put down; 3, Fletcher, Black Redstart, grand size, good form, in lovely feather, inclined to crouch on perch, well staged; 4, Taylor, good Wryneck, splendid body col. and lovely markings, well up in size, A1 quality of feather, close up; 5, Nicholson and Son, good Grey Wagtail, plenty of size, a gem for col, and markings, nicely staged, well worth its place; vhc, McQuiston; hc, Findlayson; c, Arnott. A.O.V. SOFTBILL (14): 1, McQuiston, a monster Chough, great size, extra good in sheen, lovely bill and legs, grand quality, well staged; 2, Bruce, well known Song Thrush (Border Queen), marvel for lacing, grand size, staged to perfection, absolutely the best of its variety living, well placed; 3, Henderson, sweet Waxwing, extra good in colour, grand bib, lovely wings, very sweetly staged; 4, Scott, good all-round Chough, fine colour, lovely bill and legs, grand form, fails in size to winner; 5, Wilson, lovely feathered Waxwing, good bib and body colour; vhc, Mrs. Harvey; hc, Lee; c, Miller and Eadie. A.O.V. BRIT. (11): 1, Sykes, good Hawfinch, lovely quality of feather, grand cap, rare shaped bib, sweet body colour, extra well put down; 2, Sykes, another Hawf., must have pressed, rare cap and enormous bib, slightly broken on side, grand body, extra good in finish, hot one all over; 3, Sykes, Hawf., sweet shape and col., fine form, three good ones; 4, Watt, hot coloured Hawfinch, grand shape, bold head and front, fails in bib and carriage to winner; 5, Murray, nice shaped Hawfinch, good bib, fails in body colour; vhc, Miss Waddell; hc, Parlett; c, Gregory. HEN BULLF. (23): 1, Mackay, good one, lovely cap and bib, grand colour, extra good in wing bars, lovely quality, real topper, well placed; 2, Brown, close up, shade loose at thighs, but lovely cap and bib, extra good in body colour, well put down; 3, Jamieson, lovely cap and bib, well cut, scarcely so deep in body colour, all there for finish; 4, Baird, shade smaller, tight as a drum in feather, grand style; 5, vhc, Evans, lovely shade throughout and good wing bars, nice one; hc, Stewart and Dalling; c, Barker. A.O.S. HEN BRIT. (18): 1, Taylor, good hen Black Redstart in tip-top form, grand quality, exceedingly well staged; 2, Evans, Linnet, topper, grand markings and lovely wing flights, ideal breast, A1 quality; 3, Herd, good Corn Bunting, shade dull, but all there for size and markings, real good one, well staged; 4, Marley, Hawfinch, grand cap and bib, lovely colour, shade dull in finish, good all round, taking bird, close up; 5, Mrs. Waddington, Yellowhammer, rare size, tip-top colour and markings, good one; vhc, Heal; hc, Craig; c, Hardie. ALBINO (5): 1, Martin and Archer, Clear Yellowhammer, in spotless condition, gem for quality and exceedingly well staged, easy 1st; 2, Lawley, White Blackbird, again in good order, grand size, lovely bill and eye core, well placed; 3, Dr. Wilson, Pied Skylark, good size and A1 quality of feather; 4, Hamilton, Pied Hedge Accentor, sweet exbibit, scarcely so good in feather as winners; 5, Ramsay, Pied Yellowhammer, graud size and lightly marked; vhc, Neal; an interesting class. SELLING BRIT., 10s. 6d. (23): 1, Bruce; 2, Watt; 3, Gentleman; 4, Parlett; 5, Watson; vhc, Leech; hc, Lomas; c, Laidlaw. FOR. GOLDF. (25): 1, Henderson, dense face, great underblaze, deep body tanning, inclined to be a shade dark, nice pure whites, A1 size, in good order; 2, Ovenstone, good size, A1 quality, grand front and shape, extra good in buttons, nice tone of colour, clean cut cheeks, good blaze; 3, Howie, scarcely so dense in blaze, nut-brown tannings, lovely cheeks, grand buttons, an ideal Finch in tip-top form, well put down, close up; 4, Stewart and Dalling, dense face, shade small in blaze, A1 body and markings, well placed; 5, Price, enormous blaze, but slim body, fails here to winners, in tip-top order; vhc, Williams; hc, Davidson; c, Stewart. FOR. BULLF. (8): 1, Welsh, romper, grand cap and bib, rare eye, deep crimson breast colour, A1 wiug bars, real hot one, in tip-top order; 2, Craig, grand size and scarcely so dense in breast, well cut, nice wing bars, good head, tip-top order; 3, Wilson, close up, scarcely so large, but sweet body colour, in grand form, shade smaller in front; 4, c, Watt, good cap and bib, nice front, showing a slight fluff on thighs, extra good in colour; 5, Lister, nice qual. and feather, extra good bib, fails in size, well placed; vhc, hc, Brown; well judged class. FOR. BULLF. HEN (10): 1, Ferguson, monster, great cap and bib, splendid wing bars, tip-top body colour, a gem for quality, extra good finish, easy win; 2, Turner, nice one, shade darker in tone, but all there for quality, nice wing bars, neat cap and bib, beaten in finish only; 3, Dunn, tight as a drum, fine body col. and good bars, scarcely so good in cap and bib, but lovely whites and well staged, worth its place; 4, Brown, good one, A1 size, plenty colour, inclined to be a shado rough below, but otherwise all there; 5, Morgan, good cap and bib, nice ground colour, slightly beaten in finish; vhc, McMillan; hc, Arrighi; c, Watt.

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THE FOREIGN BIRDS.

Judge, Mr. J. F. Dewar.

PARRAKEETS (8): 1, c, Miss Waddell, a nice Stanley Parrakeet, in lovely order, good win in a very good class; 2, Christer, good Red-naped Lory, in grand form, quite feather perfect; 3, Nisbet, sweet Crimson Wing, lovely quality, a very taking exhibit, not so frequently seen now as formerly, a welcome return of a beautiful species; 4, hc, Fletcher, sweet Barraband Parrakeet an interesting exhibit, in lovely exhibit, in lovely feather and beautiful col.; 5, Davies, catalogued as a Fiji Parrakeet, we made a Red and Mealy Rosella Hybrid, faultless order; vhc, Reeks. SHORT TAILED PARROTS, Etc. (5): 1, Burton, a grand Eclectus, in tip-top order, a real gem; 2, Butler, Ceram Lory, lovely dense colours, and A1 quality of feather, a good one; 3, Spence, nice all-round Grey, ideal size and A1 qual. of feather, nothing could be better; 4, Rizzi, nice Madagascar, interesting, shown in grand bloom; 5, Miss Waddell, sweet Grey. AVADAVATS, ETC. (21): 1, Young, grand pair of Diamond Finches, in lovely order, well staged; 2, Winter, tip-top pair of Cordon Bleus, extra good in feather and A1 qual. throughout, must have pressed; 3, Almond, neat pair of Fire Finches, grand size and A1 qual. of feather; 4, Younger, sweet pair of Lavender Finches, in spotless order; 5, Howe, lovely pair of Golden-breasted Waxbills, in ideal order, a grand and interesting class, well judged; vhc, Webster; hc, Hattersley; c, Miss Waddell. A.O. SEED EATING (17): 1, Dooley, Rainbow Bunting, rare and interesting exhibit, grand colour, and A1 quality of feather, well staged; 2, Miss Waddell, nice Melba Finch, in spotless order, grand size and qual. of feather; 3, Mrs. Younger, pair of Black-headed Gouldians, lovely cock and ideal hen, gems, well worth their place; 4, Younger, sweet pair of Cubans, lovely clear cut markings, and in extra good form, well staged; 5, Arrighi, sweet Cape Sparrow, great size and well marked, well put down; vhc, Winter; hc, Younger; c, Almond. TANAGERS, ETC. (9): 1, Arnot, lovely Yellow-winged Sugar Bird, in spotless condition, real gem, splendidly put down; 2, Sykes, Malabar Honey-sucker, in tip-top form, well staged, perfect feather; 3, Walsh, lovely Blue-throated Tanager, gem, lovely metallic sheen and rare size and qual., well staged; 4, Nicholson and Son, Yellow-winged Sugar Bird, scarcely so large and lacks the extra sheen and polish of winner; 5, Sykes, superb Tanager, a good one, well staged; vhc, Walsh; hc, Miss Waddell; c, Minuett. A.O.S. FOR. (8): 1, Hattersley, Long-tailed Glossy Starling, real good one, in tip-top form, well put down; 2, Walsh, pair of lovely Shamas, grand size and A1 qual. of feather; 3, Miss Waddell, Andaman Starling, interesting bird of black and white colourings; 4, Sykes, Green Glossy Starling, grand form and well staged; 5, Walsh, sweet Wood Swallow, steady and well shown, A1 quality of feather; vhc, Walsh; hc, Miss Waddell; c, Scott.

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Most successful combined open and members' show held Dec. 26 in the large mission hall, Burleigh Road, S. The show was to have been opened by the Lord Mayor, but owing to unforeseen business he was unable to be present. The Lady Mayoress, in full state regalia, made a very charming and gracious substitute. The vicar of the parish (the Rev. Clark Hudson), in introducing her ladyship, said it was very appropriate that a bird show should be held in rooms attached to St. Cuthbert's, as St. Cuthbert in his day was known as a pattern of piety and lived on a lonely island, his only companions being the feathered tribe, who flocked around him in large numbers, not having the slightest fear of him. The Lady Mayoress, in declaring the show open, said it gave her very great pleasure to be there. She had no previous idea that birds could be bred in such beauty and perfection, and she was quite sure that the care and keeping of such beautiful and valuable birds tended towards humanity and morality amongst those who indulged in such a pleasing hobby. A hearty vote of thanks and a "Hip! hip! hip!" were accorded her ladyship, who was afterwards presented with a very handsome bird and cage. The show itself was a great success, over 800 birds being staged, and this by a society which has only been established ten months. The room was packed as soon as opened, and the general exclamation was: "How does he do it?" referring to that prince of secretaries, Mr. R. B. Wright, who on this occasion was ably helped by the genial chairman, Mr. M. Wilson, and a large body of capable stewards. This being the third show for the season's specials, the competition amongst the members was more than keen—it was simply war to the death, entries of twenty to forty in one lot being quite common, and quality was not by any means lacking. Amongst the Yorkshires was that "Wonder," the Gateshead and Bradford National specialist, on this occasion third in a class of three. The Welsh people also sent their best Britishers, and "Ma conscience!" didn't the blaze on the Goldies blaze and the sheen on the Brambles sheen! It is not often Liverpudlians have an object lesson like this. There are some good Britishers about Liverpool, but the fanciers don't take the trouble to get the polish on. Yorkshire and Wales sent a very heavy contingent of enthusiasts, and most of the local heads of the Fancy were present. No doubt the gate receipts will make a financial success of a socially successful show. Messrs. Wellings, Benson, and Mallinson judged, and their awards were well received. (This account and critique are sent by the official reporter to the society.—Ed.)

The Critique.

OPEN YORKS EVEN ETC. YELL. (3): 1, Thomas, good legs, pos.; 2, Ogden Bros., good style and qual., not so well moulded; 3, Morrison, good leg and pos., fails wings. BUFF (3): 1, Ogden Bros., plenty of leg, good pos. and qual., nice one; 2, Morrison, not far behind, hardly the wing carr.; 3, Dykes, a topper, length of leg qual., shape all good. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Ogden Bros., gem, lovely qual., rare length and pos.; 2, 4, Thomas, 2nd not so neat at thighs; 4th hardly the qual.; 3, Dykes, good leg and pos., not so stylish. BUFF (3): 1, Dykes, good qual. and shape; 2, Morrison, better legs and style, nice qual.; 3, Ogden Bros., grandly moulded, rare qual., leg and pos., shade soft. CL. YELL. (3): 1, Weedal, good leg, pos., and style; 2, Boswell, not so neatly drawn; 3, Dykes, good leg, pos., and style, nice qual. BUFF (4): 1, Weedal, leg, pos., style and qual., a good one; 2, Rothwell, similar, shade heavy; 3, 4, Smally, not quite so neat. YEL. GREEN (3): 1, 2, Rowlands, pair of good ones, plenty of col. and markings, leader rather darker in col.; 3, J. F. Jones, good col., not so well drawn. BUFF: 1, Rowlands, good leg, pos., col., and qual., a good one; 2, Young, not so well moulded, close up; 3, Rowlands, good col., shade heavy; 4, Rushton, good col., fails neck. YELL. HEN (5): 1, W. Young, leg, pos., and col. good; 2, Rowlands, not quite so well drawn; 3, Jones, foils front. BUFF (3): 1, Rowlands, good leg, pos., and col; 2, Riley, not so well drawn. BUFF BRED 1912: 1, 2, Riley, good leg and style; 2nd shade heavy; 3, Rowlands, fails a bit in neck; 4, J. F. Jones. PAIRS (10): 1, Wright, pair of well matched Yorks; 2, vhc, hc, c, Holden, Yorks Greens; 3, 4, Cutts, ditto. MEMBERS—YORKS CL. YELL. (5): 1, 2, Alston, not much to choose; 2nd not quite so good in front; 3, Parsons, well drawn, good style; vhc, Whiteside. BUFF (7): 1, 3, Alston, leg and pos., qual.; 3rd fails neck; 2, Plunkett, close up. TICK. YELL. (4): 1, 2, Plunkett, good leg and pos.; 2nd a nice one; 3, Davidson, not so neat in wings; vhc, Alston. BUFF (3): 1, 2, Plunkett, good leg, pos., and style; 2nd not so good in front; 3, Davidson, smart, bit heavy. YELL. HEN (6): 1, 2, Plunkett, leg, pos., and qual.; 2nd better drawn; 3, Crowe, rather heavy, but smart; vhc, Alston; hc, Leatherbarrow; c, Whiteside. BUFF HEN (7): 1, 3, Plunkett, leg., pos., qual.; 3rd bit heavy; 2, vhc, Parsons, nicely drawn; hc, Alston; c, Whiteside. HEAV. MKD. YELL. HEN (5): 1, hc, Parson, good leg and pos.; 2, Other, not so good in neck; 3, Plunkett, rather open tail; vhc, Alston. BUFF HEN (3): 1, Crowe, leg, pos., qual.; 2, Other, close up; 3, Parsons, not so neat. 1912 YELL.: 1, 2, Wright, pair of good ones, not much to choose; 3, hc, Plunkett, bit heavy; vhc, Leatherbarrow. BUFF: 1, Wright, good leg, pos., and qual.; 2, Plunkett, close up; 3, hc, Whiteside, bit rough; vhc, Plunkett; c, Alston. YELL. HEN (4): 1, 3, vhc, Plunkett, well filled, good pos., qual.; 3rd bit rough; 2, Alston, not so neat in head as winner. BUFF HEN: 1, 2, Plunkett, pos., qual., well filled; 3, Wright, not so neat. VAR. BUFF (2): 1, Wright, good size and pos.; 2, Whiteside, nice type. YELL. HEN (2): 1, Steinard, leg, pos.; 2, Parsons, close up. SELF YELL. GR. (7): 1, Plunkett, col., leg, pos.; 2, Plunkett, not the style; 3, Parsons, bit heavy; vhc, Wright; hc, Folland; c, Bell. BUFF: 1, Crowe, col., pos.; 2, c, Parsons, close up; 3, Wright, loses neck; vhc, Plunkett; hc, Bell. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Plunkett, col., leg, pos.; 2, hc, Parsons, close; 3, Smith, fails neck; vhc, Young; c, Plunkett. BUFF (4): 1, Young, leg, pos., col.; 2, Crowe, near thing; 3, Plunkett, fails a bit in neck; vhc, Parsons. FOUL YELL.: 1, T. Plunkett, leg, pos., col.; 2, H. Plunkett, fails wings to winuer; 3, Parsons, good length. BUFF (7): 1, Plunkett, leg, pos., col.; 2, Crowe, loses to 1st in head; 3, Young, not quite the style; vhc, Folland; hc, Bell; c, Parsons. FOUL YELL. HEN (7): 1, Bell, leg, pos., col.; 2, Parsons, close up; 3, Young, not quite so neat; vhc, Folland; hc, Crowe; c, Plunkett. BUFF HEN (5): 1, Plunkett, leg, pos., col.; 2, Young, heavy; 3, Parsons, bit rough; vhc, Steinart; hc, Bell. YELL. 1912: 1, Bell, col., qual., pos.; 2, Wright, close up; 3, Crowe, not the style; vhc, Plunkett; hc, Crowe; c, Parsons. BUFF (8): 1, hc, Plunkett, leg, pos., col.; 2, Smith, not far behind; 3, Young, loses pos.; vhc, Bell; c, Folland. YELL. HEN: 1, Young, length, pos.; 2, vhc, Plunkett, a nice one; 3, Bell, not quite the mould; hc, c, Parsons. BUFF HEN (7): 1, Bell, leg, pos., col.; 2, Plunkett, close up; 3, hc, Parsons, smaller; vhc, Wright.

NOV. CL. ETC. YELL. YORKS: 1, Holden, leg, pos.; 2, Kelly, close up; 3, Draper, neat; vhc, Frenty. BUFF (6): 1, Redpath, leg, pos.; 2, Kelly, stouter; 3, Jones, fails to leader in neck. TICK. YELL.: 1, Jones. BUFF (3): 1, Holden, leg, pos.; 2, Williams, qual., small. YELL. HEN: 1, Williams, leg, pos., qual.; 2, vhc, Kelly, fails front; 3, Frenty, not so neat. BUFF HEN (10): 1, Holden, qual. and style; 2, Draper, qual. and length; 3, Redpath, neat, dainty; vhc, Williams; hc, Evans; c, Mullen. VAR.: 1, Draper, leg, pos.; 2, Holden, loses in neck; 3, Poole, rather stout. BUFF (3): 1, Huyton, leg, pos.; 2, 3, Frankham, not quite so stylish. YELL. HEN (2): 1, Draper, leg, pos.; 2, Cutts, not so neat. BUFF HEN (3): 1, Redpath, good shape; 2, Frenty, not so neat; 2, Foxcroft, close up. CL. ETC. BRED 1912 YELL. (16): 1, Huyton, leg, pos., qual. good; 2, Davidson, good style and pos.; 3, hc, Draper, close up; vhc, Evans; c, Mullen. BUFF (10): 1, Southwood, leg, pos., swank; 2, Redpath, style and qual.; 3, Holden, qual., short; vhc, Eaton; hc, Davidson; c, Kelly. YELL. HEN: 1, Southwood, leg, pos., qual.; 2, Frenty, close up. BUFF HEN (7): 1, Huyton, leg, pos., qual.; 2, Mullen, bit small; 3, Kelly, heavy; vhc, Foxcroft. VAR. YELL. (4): 1, Longmore, leg, pos., qual.; 2, Sinclair, not so neat; 3, Draper, little rough; vhc, Mullen. BUFF (4): 1, Eaton, leg, pos.; 2, Poole, close up. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Cutts, good. BUFF HEN (7): 1, Huyton, smart, leg, pos.; 2, 3, Cutts, close up; vhc, Sinclair; hc, Foxcroft. SELF. YELL. GREEN (7): 1, Cutts, leg, pos., col.; 2, Longmore, smart, fails col.; 3, Redpath, col., loses head; vhc, Frenty. BUFF (8): 1, Draper, col., qual., pos.; 2, Kelly, not so well drawn; 3, Evans, loses head; hc, Mullen; c, Holden. SELF YELL. HEN (11): 1, Sinclair, type, qual., col.; 2, hc, c, Kelly, not the mould; 3, Christian, not so neat; vhc, Williams. BUFF (6): 1, 2, c, Kelly, col., qual.; 3, Longmore, leg, pos., qual., col.; vhc, Williams; hc, Frenty. FOUL YELL. (7): 1, Mullens, leg, pos., col.; 2, Eaton, stylish; 3, Longmore, close up; vhc, Kelly; hc, Cutts; c, Frankham. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Holden, a trio of good ones; vhc, Mullens; hc, Sinclair; c, Eaton. BUFF HEN (3): 1, Poole, qual.; 2, Kelly, small. YELL. GREEN BRED 1912 (14): 1, Kelly, leg, col., pos.; 2, Eaton, smart; 3, Longmore, not so neat; vhc, c, Eaton; hc, Foxcroft. BUFF (13): 1, Longmore, leg, qual., pos.; 2, Kelly, heavy; 3, Wilson, very smart; vhc, Mullens; hc, Kelly; c, Draper. YELL. HEN (8): 1, c, Eaton, col., qual., pos.; 2, Holden, fails wings; 3, Cutts, close up; vhc, Redpath; hc, Longmore; c, Evans. BUFF HEN (7): 1, vhc, Redpath, leg, pos., col.; 2, Holden, smaller; 3, Mullens, qual. and style, we liked; hc, Longmore; c, Kelly. GIFT CLASS: 1, Parsons, Yellow York; 2, Wright, good Linnet. JUVENILE: 1, Draper; 2, Parsons; 3, Wilson; vhc, Cross; hc, Wright. CL. ETC. YELL. CK. (4): 1, Cross, smart, stylish; 2, 3, Wilson, fails front; vhc, Steinart. BUFF (8): 1, Plunkett, racy, stylish; 2, Crowe, not so neat; 3, Cross, heavier; vhc, Bell; hc, Wilson; c, Leatherbarrow. HEN (15): 1, Crowe, leg, pos.; 2, Parsons, not so neat; 3, Cutts, fails neck; vhc, Sinclair; hc, Wilson; c, Cross. A.O.V.: 1, McLoughlin; 2, Sinclair; 3, Kelly; vhc, Poole. CL. ETC. YELL. NOR. (6): 1, Crowe, sub., qual.; 2, 3, Cutmore, sub., rather long; vhc, Wilkins; hc, c, Walker. BUFF (11): 1, Cutts, good sub., qual.; 2, Crowe, fails head; 3, Walker, loses flights; vhc, J. S. Cooper; c, Redpath. BUFF HEN (5): 1, 3, Cutmore, good sub., qual.; 2, Crowe, not so neat; vhc, Cutts; hc, Poole. UNFLIG. YELL. (6): 1, 2, 3, Cutmore, a trio of good ones; vhc, Wilkins; hc, Cutts; c, Crowe. BUFF (4): 1, Crowe, sub., qual.; 2, 3, Redpath, close up; vhc, Jones. HEN (5): 1, 2, Cutmore, sub., qual., col.; 3, Crowe, small; vhc, J. S. Cooper; hc, Poole. YELL. GREEN: 1, Cutts. BUFF: 1, Crowe, fair sub.; 2, Redpath, preferred; 3, vhc, D. H. Cooper, rather heavy feather; hc, Frankcol.; 2, D. H. Cooper, qual., small; 3, Walker, close up. BUFF HEN: 1, 2, Walker. 1912 YELL.: 1, Cutts. BUFF HEN: 1, D. H. Cooper. CL. ETC. YELL. BORDERS: 1, 2, Cutts. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Cutts; 3, Leatherbarrow; vhc, Crowe. YELL. HEN (3): 1, 2, Cutts, neat and dainty. YELL. HEN (3): 1, 2, Cutts, neat and stylish; 3, Crowe, fails qual. BUFF (3): 1, 3, Cutts, shape and qual.; 2, D. H. Cooper, close up. YELL. HEN 1912 (4): 1, 2, Cutts, neat and dainty; 3, D. H. Cooper, close up; vhc, Leatherbarrow. GREEN OR CINN. YELL (8): 1, vhc, Young, col. and qual., shade long; 2, hc, D. H. Cooper, very smart and dainty; 3, Foulkes, not so neat; c, Cutts. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Young, col., qual.; 3, Cutts, neat; vhc, Leatherbarrow; hc, Foulkes; c, D. H. Cooper. OPEN MULE (6): 1, Griffiths, Sis.-Can., in fine form; 2, 3, Aitkin, Sis.-Greenfinch, well staged; vhc, Bishop; hc, Bosworth, Kelly. GOLDF. (7): 1, c, Evans and Roberts, grand blaze and cond.; 2, Griffiths, very steady, loses blaze; 3, Phillips, not in the same condition; vhc, hc, Jones. BULLF. (5): 1, R. E. Griffiths, grand cap, shape and col.; 2, Evans and Roberts, close up; 3, Bosworth, fails col.; vhc, Kelly; hc, Cutts. MEMBERS' MULE: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Cutts; hc, Jones. GOLDFINCH (12): 1, 2, hc, Cutts, a trio of good ones, steady; 3, vhc, Wilkins, close up; c, Whiteside. GREENFINCH (9): 1, Redpath, col., steady; 2, hc, Barker, fails col.; 3, Whiteside, not condition; vhc, Cutts; c, Bell. BRAMBLE (6): 1, Fairhurst, grand col., steady; 2, Barker, not so steady; 3, Redpath, close up; vhc, hc, D. H. Cooper; c, Whiteside. CHAFF. (7): 1, Young, well known; 2, Whiteside, good one; 3, Barker, close; vhc, c, Bell; hc, D. H. Cooper. LINNET (9): 1, Fairhurst, good cond., markings; 2, Glover, not so steady; 3, hc, Bell, close up; vhc, Barker; hc, D. H. Cooper. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, Fairhurst, very smart Siskin; 2, Cutts, good Mealy Redpoll; 3, Barker, smart Twite; vhc, Barker; hc, D. H. Cooper; c, Bell. BRIT. HEN: 1, Barker, Redpoll, very steady; 2, Parsons, Bullie; 3, D. H. Cooper, Bullie; vhc, Evans and Roberts. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 2, Barker; 3, Cutts. HOTTEST FED BIRD: Plunkett.

CAMBUSLANG.

Annual show in the Free Gardeners' Hall, Cambuslang. Entries were in excess of any previous show held by the association, and the gate money was the best for a number of years. When the reins are in the hands of a capable manager, things are bound to improve, and the society is to be congratulated on having such a worthy secretary as Mr. Sam Lindsay. Mr. G. Smart (Carmyle) placed the awards, and left little to be desired in the way of providing general satisfaction.

YOUNG BIRDS—CL. OR TK. NOR. CK.: 1, Gray; 2, spl, 4, Proudfoot; 3, Brown. VAR.: 1, spl, cup, Brown; 2, Proudfoot; 3, Beck. CL. OR TK. HEN: 1, spl, Gray; 2, Proudfoot; 3, Brown. VAR.: 1, 3, Proudfoot; 2, Brown. CL. OR TK. BORD. CK.: 1, spl, Pearce; 2, spl, Cougans; 3, Brownlie. VAR.: 1, Pearce; 2, 3, Brownlie. CL. OR TK. HEN: 1, spl, Pearce; 2, Gray; 3, Cougans. VAR.: 1, 2, Cougans; 3, Brownlie. MULE: 1, spl, 2, Haddow; 3, Proudfoot. OLD BIRDS—NOR. CK.: 1, spl, Shields; 2, Brown; 3, Proudfoot. HEN: 1, Proudfoot; 2, Brown; 3, Gray. BORD. CK.: 1, spl, Cougans; 2, Brownlie; 3, Lindsay. HEN: 1, 2, Brownlie; 3, Gray. A.O.V., OLD: 1, 2, 3, spl, Brown. YOUNG: 1, 2, Brown. GOLDF.: 1, spl, Lindsay; 2, Haddow; 3, Gray. LINNET: 1, Pearce; 2, Shields; 3, Gray. GREENF.: 1, Shields; 2, Gray; 3, Cougans. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Gray; 2, Shields; 3, Lindsay. MEALY, ETC.: 1, Brown; 2, spl, Gray; 3, Cougans. BULLFINCH HEN: 1, spl, Cougans; 2, Shields; 3, Brownlie. MULING HEN: 1, Brown; 2, Shields. BRIT., SMALL: 1, Huddow; 2, 3, Brown.

RUTHERGLEN O.A.

Sixth annual show and competition held in the Rechabites Hall, King Street, Rutherglen. A record was created both in quality and numbers. Much of the success of the venture was due to the untiring efforts of Mr. Lappin, the genial and much respected secretary, who, being a man of up-to-date business methods, had everything in its proper place. He was well supported by a willing committee, who got through the work in quite a satisfactory fashion. Mr. Cant (Hamilton) judged, and his awards were well received.

YOUNG BIRDS CL. OR TKD. YELL NOR. CK.: 1, spl, Melville; 2, Livingstone; 3, Melville; 4, spl, Gilchrist. HEN: 1, King; 2, Melville; 3, Gilchrist. BUFF CK.: 1, Melville; 2, Livingstone; 3, King; 4, Gilchrist. HEN: 1, King; 2, spl, 3, spl, Melville; 4, Gilchrist. VAR. OR GR. CK.: 1, Melville; 2, 3, King; 4, Livingstone. HEN: 1, Melville; 2, Livingstone; 3, Melville; 4, King. BORD. CL. OR TK. YELL. CK.: 1, Brownlie; 2, Gilchrist; 3, Williamson. HEN: 1, 2, Brownlie; 3, Williamson; 4, Gilchrist. BUFF CK.: 1, spl, 2, Williamson; 3, spl, Hutchison; 4, Brownlie. HEN: 1, 2, Williamson; 3, Gilchrist; 4, Brownlie. EVEN ETC. YELL.: 1, Williamson; 2, 4, Gilchrist; 3, Brownlie. BUFF: 1, Williamson; 2, Brownlie; 3, 4, Hutchison. YELL. GR. OR CINN.: 1, 2, spl, Hutchison. BUFF: 1, Hutchison. OLD NOR. CL. OR TK. CK.: 1, 4, Melville; 2, 3, Livingstone. HEN: 1, spl, King; 2, spl, Livingstone; 3, spl, 4, Melville. VAR. CK.: 1, Hamilton; 2, Bagen; 3, Melville; 4, Livingstone. HEN: 1, 3, Melville; 2, 4, Hamilton. OLD BORD. CL. OR TK. YELL.: 1, spl, Brownlie; 2, Williamson. BUFF: 1, Hutchison. VAR. YELL.: 1, Gilchrist; 2, spl, Hutchison. GR. OR CINN.: 1, 2, Hutchison. A.O.V.: 1, 2, spl, 3, Livingstone. BELG. OR SCOTCH: 1, spl, 2, 3, Hamilton. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 4, Crone; 2, Williamson; 3, Livingstone. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, 2, spl, Croue; 3, spl, 4, Shields. LINNET: 1, 4, Shields; 2, 3, Crone. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, 3, Crone; 4, Shields. A.O. SMALL BRIT. CK.: 1, spl, 4, Shields; 2, 3, Crone. HEN: 1, 2, Shields; 3, Crone. SMALL FOR.: 1, Crone.

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ASTWOOD BANK (Worc.)

Held in the Red Lion Assembly Room, Dec. 27th. The able secretaries, Messrs. Worwood and Shrimpton, had matters well in hand, and were helped by a good working committee. They are to be congratulated on the success of the fixture. Owing to illness, Mr. F. Matcham, who was down to judge the cage birds, could not attend, so Mr. J. C. Sharp took the classes. We heard a little grumbling as to the awards, especially in the open A.O.V. class, where a moderate Lancashire took the lead, and Mr. Herbert's well-known winning buff Norwich stood vhc, and the second prize Birmingham Scotch Fancy without a card.

OPEN ANY VARIETY (8), a nice class: 1, res, Parker, leader a fair good Lancashire; latter a very nice yellow Yorker; 2, Mills Bros., fine Goldfinch, nice large blaze, good buttons, tight in feather; 3, hc, Smith, two nice Goldfinch-Bullfinch hybrids, leader good size and markings; hc, small, but wonderful blaze; vhc, Herbert, real good typical buff Norwich, well known winner, could have led to-day. MEMBERS, YORKS. (13), strong class: 1, sp, and cup, Austin, yell., long, slim, beautifully drawn, smart, feather like wax; 3, hc, Austin, buff, equal shape, trifle shorter, nice qual.; 2, vhc, Parker, yell., nice wedge body, neat wings and tail, well up; res, Hunt, nice-shaped buff. A.O.V. (3): 1, 2, Parker, variegs. yellows, leader nice size and shape, stout build, nice feather; 2, little smaller, will improve; 3, Mill's Bros., nice cinnamon, large, bold, fine substance, well-known winner. GOLDFINCH, BRIT. (7): 1, medal, Mills Bros., very fine Goldfinch, rich brilliant blaze, beautiful tanned body, pink of condition. SMALL (3): 1, 2, Mills Bros., leader fine Bullie, good cap and breast, very steady, well put down; 2nd, lovely yellow Siskin, very neat, we liked; 3, A. Turner, Bullfinch, nice in colour and size. A.O.V. (6): 1, sp, vhc, Turner, pair nice yellow Budgerigars; 2, Mills, nice Jonque Goldfinch Mule, in the pink, very steady; 3, Warwood, very nice Tawny Owl; vhc, Parker, nicely pencilled, large upstanding Linnet, grand feather.

TRURO & COUNTY F.A.

24th annual show Dec. 26. This old-established society always has a good entry, and this year was well up to average both in numbers and quality. The show was confined to the county of Cornwall, and almost every exhibitor of note was represented. Norwich was the largest section, closely followed by Yorks., and Goldfinches made a creditable display. Entries totalled 240, and the staging and arrangements left nothing to be desired. Judging from the number of visitors surrounding the cages the cage bird section is a very popular one. Mr. Thos. Toy as usual ably carried out the duties of secretary, and was assisted by a committee of real fanciers, those responsible for the welfare of the cage birds being Messrs. Boggia, Coad, Hawken, Martin, F. Pascoe, Richards, and Wotton. Mr. Thos. Pope (Plymouth) judged.

The Critique.

NOR., CL. YELL. (8): 1, sp, Sandiford medal, 3, Pascoe, former excellent shape and col., fails a bit in size; 3rd, a good bird, might be better in head; 2, Terrill, good size and shape, down a bit in col.; vhc, Cock and Son; hc, Cowl; c, Andrew. BUFF (11): 1, sp, Collins, very typical and tight in feather; 2, Cock and Son, a good bird on the small side; 3, Wotton, good col., rather too long; vhc, Ferrill; hc, Hawken; c, Andrew. TICK., ETC., YELL. (10): 1, sp, Pascoe, well known variegs., looking well, fails a bit in head; 2, Wotton, cap mkd., non-flight, loses to winner in body; 3, Andrew, head and wing mark, not so good type as winner; vhc, Lee and Lowry; hc, Smith; c, Roberts and Trenerry. BUFF (8): 1, Wotton, variegs. hen, wonderful subs.; 2, Pascoe, eye mark, beautiful shape, not so large as winner; 3, Smith, head and wing mark, a very nice exhibit; vhc, Uren; hc, Thomas; c, Andrew. UNFLIG. (12): 1, sp, Ferrell, grizzle tail yell., good size, head and col.; 2, Pascoe, variegs. yell., nice shape and condition; 3, Martin, nice head and neck, on small side; vhc, Wotton; hc, Hawken; c, Uren. HEN (12): 1, sp, Wotton, good cl. yell., easy win; 2, Pascoe, grizzle cap buff, excellent type; 3, Collins, cl. buff, good subs., did not show well; vhc, Wotton; hc, Martin; c, Cowl. CREST OR C.B. (7): 1, sp, 3, hc, Rabey Bros., leader cl. body, grand size and shape crest; 3rd, variegs., smaller in crest; 2, Percy Hunt, variegs. C.B., nice head and lacking, a fine exhibit; vhc, F. Collins. YORKS, YELL. (12): 1, sp, 2, Boundy, former thigh tick, a great winner in the West, looking well; 2nd, cl., well up on leg, loses to winner in length; 3, Perkins, stylish bird, well shown; vhc, Julian; hc, Allen; c, Peters. BUFF (7): 1, vhc, hc, Thomas, leader good cl., wins easily; 2, Allen, good bird, fails in feather to winner; 3, Peters, good col., not so long as the others; c, Julian. UNFLIG. (14): 1, sp, 3, Boundy, leader cl. yell., well up on leg and nice length; 3rd, shorter bird, similar type; 2, vhc, c, Roach, leader good buff, beautiful tail and style; hc, Thomas. HEN (11): 1, Boundy, cl. buff, excellent length and style; 2, Andrews, yell. cinn., mkd., nice col. and style; 3, Allen, grizzle back yell., loses in length to leaders; vhc, Richards and Berryman, unfed, a real good one; hc, c, Thomas. A.O.V. CAN. (7): 1, sp, vhc, Colline, winner good buff cinn., good type and size; 2, Rowe and Richards, buff cinn., fails in size here, grand col.; 3, Unwin, Lancashire Coppy, frequent winner in the West; hc, Andrew; c, Roberts and Trenerry. PAIR (8): 1, sp, Hawken, Nor., in beautiful feather; 2, Thomas, good Yorks.; 3, Rotery Bros., fair Crests. MULE (6): 1, sp, 2, 3, Collins, well known team, four-pointed Light Finch leading, 2nd Light Linnet, 3rd Dark Linnet; vhc, Hotta and Son; hc, Rowe and Richards. GOLDFINCH (15): 1, sp, Ferrill, grand head and blaze, very steady; 2, Coombe, nice shape and good condition; 3, Poikinghorne, beautiful condition, hardly so large in blaze as winners; vhc, Collins; hc, Burgan; c, Coombes, field-moulted, will make a winner when steady. A.O.V. FINCH, ETC. (14): 1, sp, 2, vhc, Collins, leader well known Yellow Bunting; 2nd, Bramble, in rare feather; 3, Michael Rowe, Snow Bunting, good size and feather; hc, Hotta and Son; c, Woolcock. A.O.V. SMALL (8): 1, sp, 2, Collins, leader Yellow Wagtail; 2nd, Blackcap, both in faultless condition; 3, Miss Grecnaway, Hedge Accentor, well shown; vhc, Richards and Berriman. LARGE (4): 1, sp, Collins, well known Hawfinch; 3, Herring, nice Thrush; vhc, Chevill; hc, Hellen. SMALL FOR. (10): 1, Meagor, Cardinal; 2, Rowe and Richards, Bullfinch; 3, hc, c, Woolcock, Waxbills; vhc, Dunstan. MEMBERS' NOR. (10): 1, 2, vhc, Wotton; 3, Andrew; hc, c, Roberts and Trennery. YORKS.: 1, Roberts and Trennery; 2, 3, vhc, Opie; hc, Boggia. BRIT. (6): 1, 2, Rabey Bros.; 3, hc, Roberts and Trennery; vhc, Pascoe.

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LONGTON (Lancs).

First open show of Nor. Canaries, held in the schoolroom under the auspices of the Longton P. and P.S. The venture was a success, and the arrangements were excellent, Mr. Robert Johnson deserving praise for the enthusiastic manner in which he has worked to make the show "go." We heard that next year will see an extended classification, and, judging from the numerous specials offered at this show, we look forward to Longton becoming a live fixture, as it is easily accessible by railway. Mr. Peter Wareing judged, and gave every satisfaction. Chief honours went to Messrs. H. F. Marsh and Mattinson. The former staged some fine specimens, and was successful in winning the silver medal presented by Mr. R. Anderton for best hen in show.

NOR., YELL. CK. (7): 1, sp, 3, Mattinson, well known, good head and neck, hot col., rare substance; 3rd, good bird, scarcely as cobby as winner; 2, c, Marsh, variegs., nice type, good head and chest, lovely qual. and col., just beaten subs.; vhc, Metcalf; hc, A. Hirst. BUFF (7): 1, sp, T. Johnson, well known, looking very fine, wins well; 2, Fawcett, nice head and neck, good col., lovely qual.; 3, c, Robert Johnson, good head and neck, nice wings and qual., lacks a little in col.; vhc, Marsh; hc, Harton. HEN (13): 1, sp, medal best hen, Marsh, splendid subs., well over perch, grand head and neck, hot col., nicely staged, very fit; 2, Dent, cinn. mkd. buff, beautiful type and qual., nice subs.; 3, Fielding, yell., nice head and wings, good body, rather long in tail; vhc, R. Johnson; hc, Barton. UNFLIG. YELL. (9): 1, sp, hc, c, Marsh, heavily variegs., fine head and neck, cobby, short wings, wins easily, splendid bird; 2, Nielding, red hot col., fine type, rather small compared with winner; 3, Barton, more substance than 2nd, typical, good head and neck, feathers missing from back or might have gone up; vhc, Huggins. BUFF (8): 1, sp, Hirst, variegs., correct type, very shapely, fine qual., well known winner; 2, hc, c, Robt. Johnson, good size, stylish, head rather weak, splendid qual.; 3, Fielding, good head and neck, large, shapely, crossed wings a trifle; vhc, D. Metcalf. HEN (7): 1, Mattinson, mkd. yell., very typical, hot col., grand qual., nice carr.; 2, T. Johnson, nice bird, very compact and neat, good wing carriage, rather flat on head; 3, Marsh, must have pressed, rare size, grand head, lovely qual. and col.; vhc, Hirst; hc, c, Robt. Johnson.

WATFORD AND DIST. C.B.S.

Eighth annual show in the Conservative Hall, Dec. 8th and 9th. The hall is an ideal place for a show, being free from draught, and with plenty of light, and with the new staging the show was a grand success. The hon. sec., Mr. W. Rackley, the committee, and the show manager, Mr. T. Sears, all worked very hard in the good cause. Norwich came up well, and competition was very keen. Yorks were a grand lot. Mules and Hybrids were not large, but contained some first-class specimens, which have held their own in open competition. Foreign birds made the best show we have seen at Watford, and must have given the judge a trying time. Competition for the cups was very keen, the Gleeson Cup being won for the third time by Mr. W. Buckingham, and it now becomes his property. The Partridge Cup was won by Mr. Herridge, and the Sears Cup produced a tie between Mr. R. J. Watts and Mr. Fox. Mr. Sears won the Unlighted Points Cup. Mr. T. Heath judged, and his awards gave satisfaction.

NOR., CHAMP.: 1, J. Cox; 2, hc, Fox; 3, W. Buckingham; vhc, Clark; c, Campbell. NOV.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Knight; hc, Herridge; c, Dambleton. UNFLIGHT. (CLEAR): 1, Sears; 2, hc, Fox; 3, vhc, Campbell; c, Pigg. UNFLIGHT., NOV.: 1, 2, Herridge; vhc, hc, c, Leedham. UNFLIGHT., CHAMP.: 1, Scars; 2, hc, Fox; 3, Pigg; vhc, Buckingham; c, Freeman. NOR., A.O.V., UNFLIGHT.: 1, 2, vhc, Herridge; 3, Leedham; hc, Eames; c, Bunce. UNFLIGHT., HEN., CHAMP.: 1, Fox; 2, Sears; 3, Campbell; vhc, Fox; hc, Cox; c, Free. NOV.: 1, vhc, Dumbleton; 2, Eames; 3, Wright. NOR., HEN, CHAMP.: 1, 2, Fox; 3, Campbell; vhc, Sears; hc, Cox; c, Clark. NOV.: 1, Dumbleton; 2, Eames; 3, Herridge. YORKS., CK., CHAMP.: 1, 2, hc, Buckingham; 3, Sears; vhc, Clark; c, Buckingham. NOV.: 1, Higham; 2, Brockett. CLR., UNFLIGHT.: 1, Buckingham; 2, Sears; 3, Clark; vhc, Wombell; hc, c, Pigg. NOV.: 1, Brocket; 2, Wombell. A.O.V. UNFLIGHT., CHAMP.: 1, Buckingham; 2, Pigg. NOV.: 1, Bunce; 2, Higham. UNFLIGHT., HEN: 1, 2, vhc, Buckingham; 3, Clark; hc, c, Pigg. HEN, CHAMP.: 1, 2, 3, Buckingham; vhc, Pigg; hc, Clark; c, Wright. CREST, CHAMP.: 1, 2, Campbell; 3, Miss Hewet. NOV.: 1, 3, Hobbs; 2, Fortnum. C.B.: 1, Miss Hewet; 2, 3, Campbell. C.B., NOV.: 1, 2, Hobbs; 3, vhc, Fortnum. A.O.V., CHAMP.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Pretty. NON-FED: 1, Brocket; 2, Stanley; 3, Freeman; vhc, Swain. HYB., LIGHTLY MKD.: 1, 2, 3, Buckingham; vhc, hc, c, Carter. DARK: 1, Higham, Canary-Bullie; 2, Buckingham (Redpoll-Canary); 3, Goodall; vhc, c, Wombell; hc, Littlechild. GOLDF.: 1, Goodall; 2, Higham; 3, Dumbleton; vhc, Finley; hc, Stanley; c, Corley. BULLF., CK.: 1, Wombell. HEN: 1, Buckingham; 2, Wombell. LINNET: 1, 2, Buckingham; 3, vhc, Corley; hc, c, Wombell. GREENF.: 1, 2, Buckingham; 3, Littlechild; vhc, Pretty; hc, c, Goodall. REDPOLL OR TWITE: 1, Wombell; 2, Buckingham; 3, vhc, Finley; hc, Littlechild; c, Wright. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE: 1, 2, 3, Buckingham; vhc, Goodall; hc, c, Wombell. BUNTING: 1, Pretty. HEN, BRIT.: 1, Finley; 2, Goodall. INSECTIV.: 1, Swain; 2, Buckingham; 3, Corley. FOR., BULLF.: 1, 2, 3, Buckingham. COMMON WAX-BILL: 1, 2, 3, Watts. A.O.S. FOR., SEEDEATER: 1, Watts; 2, 3, Buckingham; vhc, hc, Watts. FRUIT EATER: 1, 2, Watts.—W. Rackley, Hon. Sec.

(This report only reached us this week.—Editor).

ECCLESHILL C.B.A.

Last of the members' show, held Dec. 28, at the Fountain Inn. 58 birds were staged, and judged by Mr. Matt Broadley, Windhill, who gave great satisfaction. J. Chippendale wins society's silver cup and special for most points in champion section. Mr. J. Pullan special for most points in novice, also special for most points with marked birds.—CHAMP. CL. TKD. YELL. YKS. (5): 1, 2, Chippendale; 3, Wilcock; 4, Lee; vhc, Studd. BUFF (3): 1, Lee; 2, Wilcock; 3, Studd. YELL. HEN (6): 1, 2, hc, Chippendale; 3, Wilcock; 4, Lee; vhc, Studd. BUFF (6): 1, 2, 3, Chippendale; 4, Lee; vhc, Studd; hc, Wilcock. NOV. CL. or TKD. YELL. YORKS (5): 1, 4, Sparks; 2, Fretwell; 3, Pearson; vhc, Pullan. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Pullan; 3, c, Fretwell; 4, Sparks; vhc, Pearson; hc, Simonett. CINN or GR. MKD YELL. YORKS (4): 1, 2, Pullan; 3, Pearson; 4, Renton and Wheatley. BUFF (4): 1, Simonett; 2, Sparks; 3, 4, Pearson. YELL. HENS (5): 1, Sparks; 2, 4, Fretwell; 3, Pullan; vhc, Pearson. BUFF (7): 1, Pearson; 2, vhc, Pullan; 3, hc, Sparks; 4, Simonett; c, Fretwell. NOR. HENS (4): 1, 3, 4, Simonett; 2, Pearson. G. A. Simonett and H. Pearson tie for special for most points in Norwich section.—W. Nettleton, secretary.

FRASERBURGH.

First annual show, held in the Templar Hall, Dec. 25th. The hall is well lighted from the top, and is an admirable place for an exhibition. The birds were nicely staged, and well looked after; there being some really good specimens on show. Entries numbered 106. Norwich made a grand display. British also came up well. One thing that was very annoying to the exhibitors and visitors was the want of catalogues, there being some delay with them. Mr. Robert Bruce, the energetic secretary, had all arrangements well in hand, and must be complimented on the success of his labours. He was ably assisted by a band of willing workers, and everything passed off very smoothly. Silver Cup for best bird in show was won by Mr. Morrice, with a col.-fed yell. variegs. cock, also sp. for the best Norwich cock. Silver medal by Mr. J. Sandford, for the best fed bird was won by Mr. Yeats with a cl. yell. cock. Hyde's special was won by Mr. Ironside with a nat. col. yellow cock. Mr. A. Chalmers, Kirkintilloch, judged.

The Critique.

NOR., CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (8): 1, sp, and medal, Yeats, grand rich col., nice type and qual., good head and neck, fine body and size, well shown, wins; 2, Ironside, good body, head, and neck, nice size, fine col. and qual., fails flights; 3, Yeats, nice col. and qual., good size, head and neck, fine flights and tail, presses hard; 4, Kerr, good head and neck, nice qual. and flights; vhc, Hendry; hc, Shewan; c, Morrice. HEN (5): 1, sp, Morrice, grizzle capped, good body and size, fine col. and qual., rare head and neck, nice wing carr., shown in nice bloom; 2, Yeats, nice type and col., good size, head and neck, fails a little in body; 3, May, rare col., good head and neck, nice body and size, rather heavy in front; 4, Thomson; hc, Noble, cl. buff, w.c. CL. OR TKD. BUFF., CK. (4): 1, Kerr, large-bodied buff, good col. and qual., rare size, head and neck, nice flights and tail, well staged; 2, Morrice, nice typical buff, fine col. and qual., good head and neck, fails size, otherwise presses winner hard; 3, Ironside, grand body and size, good col. and flights; 4, Wilson. HEN (3): 1, Thomson, good col. and qual., nice head and neck, nice size, well shown; 2, Elrick, nice type, good body, head, and size, loses in col. to winner; 3, Yeats, nice col. and qual., good size, rather slim. YELL. VARIEG., CK. (4): 1, 2 sps, cup for best bird, Morrice, grand col. and size, rare head and neck, good body and qual., nice flights and tail, shown in tip-top condition; 2, Hendry, good col. and qual., nice head and neck, fine size; 3, Grant, nice size and body, fails head and col. to winners. HEN (5): 1, sp, Hendry, rare size and body, nice type and qual., good head and neck, fine col., well staged; 2, Ironside, good col. and qual. nice head and neck, fine size and flights; 3, Wilson, good body, head, and neck, nice col. and qual., fails size, otherwise presses winner hard. BUFF, VARIEG., CK. (3): 1, Kerr, fine type, col., and qual., good body and size, rare head and neck, nice flights, well shown; 2, Ironside, rare size, col., and qual., good body and neck, fails head to winner; 3, May, good col., head, and neck nice size, rather slim, close up. HEN (6): 1, Hendry, typical, grand col. and qual., rare body, head, and neck nice wing carr., shown in grand trim; 2, No name, good size and body, nice col. and qual.; 3, Hendry, grand col., good size head and neck; 4, Shewan; vhc, Ironside; hc, Kerr; good body, head and size, wet when judged, hard lines, would have been in money. PAIRS: 1, sp, Morrice, grand pair of Nor., yell. variegs., and cl. buff, rare col. and qual., good size heads and necks, well shown, wins; 2, Grant, nice pair of Yorks., clear yell. and buff, nicely matched, good reach and heads, nice size and col., well placed; 3, Grant, another pair of Nor., yell. variegs. and cl. buff, nice size, col., and qual., good heads. UNFLIG. YELL., CK. (12), good class all over: 1, sp, Morrice, grand headed variegs. rare col. and qual., good body and size, fine wing carr., staged in tip-top order; 2, Ironside, another variegs., grand col. and qual., nice body and size, fine flights and tail, shows well, fails head to winner; 3, Kerr, cl., good body, head, and neck, fine size, nice qual., fails col. to winners; 4, Ironside; vhc, Morrice; hc, Yeats; c, Wilson. HEN (2): 1, No name, wing mkd., nice type, rare col. and qual., good head and neck, nicely shown; 2, Elrick, variegs., good body and size, nice col. and qual. UNFLIG. BUFF, CK. (5): 1, Yeats, rare col. and qual., good body and size, nice head and neck; 2, Forsyth, nice typical cl., grand head and neck, nice col. and qual., fine wing carr., our choice; 3, No name, fine-coloured variegs., good body and size; 4, Hendry, nice head and neck, good body, fails col.; vhc, Yeats. HEN (4): 1, sp., Morrice, cl., rare body and size, nice col. and qual., good head and neck, well staged; 2, Kerr, another cl., grand col. and quality, nice type and size, good body, close up; 3, Hendry, variegs., nice col. and qual., good head and neck, fails body; 4, Yeats, cl., good head and size, nice col., rather slim. NOR. NAT. COL., YELL. CK. (3): 1, sp, and Hyde's sp., Ironside, grand col., size and qual., good body, head and neck, nice wing carr., in tip top order; 2, Dalziel, variegs., nice type, good size, nice col.; 3, Wilson, cl., good head and neck, nice col., and quality. HEN (4): 1, sp., Yeats, variegs., rare head and neck, good body and size, nice type, col., and qual., fine wings and tail, well shown; 2, Moniee, nice bodied cl., good col. and size, nice flights; 3, Gordon, variegs., grand col., good head and neck, presses winner hard; 4, Park, cl., nice col. and quality. BUFF CK. (6): 1, Hendry, grand bodied cl., good size, head and neck, nice col. and qual.; 2, Ironsible, variegs., nice type, col. and qual., good head and neck; 3, 4, hc, Hendry, leader, good body, and head, nice col., bit too long behind; vhc, Park. HEN (5): 1, Yeats, nice headed cl., gomd body and size, fine col. and qual., shown in nice trim; 2, Park, good bodied variegs., nice head and neck, good size and col.; 3, Gordon, variegs., same stamp, presses hard; 4, Dalziel, cl., good head and neck, nice size and col., fails body; vhc, Ehrick. UNFLIG. CK. (2): 1, Park, Buff variegs., grand body and head, nice col. and size, fine wing carr.; 2, Dalziel, yellow variegs., rare col. and quality, good size and body. HEN (1): 1, sp., Kerr, rare bodied cl. buff, good size head and neck, nice wings and tail, in tip top order, wins. BORD. YELL. (2): 1, Fraser, variegs., nice col., good head, fine wings and tail; 2, Hendry, Gr., good col. and quality, nicely marked. BUFF (1): 1, sp., Fraser, cl., nice type and col., good head and wing carr., nicely shown. CREST (1): 1, sp., Forsyth, rare variegs., D.C., nice size and body, good head, fine feather and crest. C.B. cancelled. GR. OR FOUL NOR. CK. (1): 1, Ironside, Buff fnut green, rare body, size, good col., and qual., nice head and neck; 2, Elrick, yell. Gr., rare col., and size, good body, well marked; 3, Gray, another good yell. Gr., fails size, otherwise presses winner hard; 4, Yeats. HEN (4): 1, sp., Hendry, yell. gr., grand col. and qual., rare head and neck, good body and size, shown in nice trim; 2, Kerr, Buff font gr., another nice one, close on winner; 3, Dalziel, Bull foul gr., nice col., good body and head, fails size to others; 4, Webster. CINN. (3): 1, sp., Gray, yell., good col., size and body, nice head and neck; 2, Gray, Buff, good body and size, nice col., well marked; 3, Noble. YORKS. CK. (1): 1, sp., 2, 3, 4, Shewan, cl. yell., good size, reach and col., nice head; 2nd, another cl. yell., fails shoulders, otherwise presses hard; 3rd, yell. variegs., rare col., good head and body, fails reach. HEN (5): 1, Shewan, buff, rare size and reach, good head and shoulders; 2, Watt, buff, close up; 3, Shewan, buff, nice col., and size. A.O.V. cancelled. LOCAL NOV. CK. (6): 1, Hannah, cl. buff, fed, good col., size and body, nice head and neck, well shown; 2, 4, hc, Webster, buff, fed, rare col. and size, nice type and qual., fails head; 3, May, Nat. Yell. variegs., good head and neck, nice size and col., fails body; vhc, Gray. HEN (1): 1, sp., May, nice typical buff, good size, body and head, fine col., and qual., nicely shown. GREEN (2): 1, Hendry, rare size, col. and type, nice qual. and well mkd., nicely staged; 2, Burnett, another nice one, fails size and col. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE (3): 1, sp., 3, Grant, grand col. Bramble, good size, well marked, very steady and nicely shown; 3rd, another Bramble, large, well mkd., not so well coloured; 2nd, no name, Chaffinch, nice size and col., good whites, nicely marked, well placed. GOLD (2): 1, Gray, nice size, good blaze, fine coloured, well marked; 2, Grant, another nice one, fails in blaze to winner. BULLF. (6): 1, sp., McIntyre, good size, nice col., fine cap and bars, well staged; 2, Gray, another good one, all over, feathery at leg, otherwise our choice; 3, Gray, rare col., cap and bars, nice type, fails size; 4, Gray, good size, head and cap, nice bars, fails col.; vhc, no name; hc, Stewart. LINNET (7): 1, Gordon, rare size, good col., well pencilled, nice whites, staged in tip top order; 2, Grant, another nice one, fails pencilling to winner; 3, no name, good size, nicely marked, well staged, fails col.; 4, Gordon, good col., size, nicely marked, broken in breast; vhc, Hendry; hc, Webster; c, Hannah. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, sp., no name, grand coloured Twite, rare size, well mkd., nicely staged, wins; 2, 3, Gray, Siskin, nice size, good col., cap and bib, nicely mkd., close up; 3, Lesser Redpoll, good col. and size, well mkd., good col. and size, well mkd., very steady; 4, Trait, Twite, nice col. and markings; vhc, Hendry; hc, Grant. A.O.S. SMALL (2): 1, sp., Robertson, Redstart, nice size, good col., well mkd., very clean, well staged; 2, Ross and Duncan, Yellowhammer, rare size and col., nicely marked, close up. LARGE (2): 1, Grant, Snow Bunting, nice size and col.; 2, Gray, Lark, well marked, nice col. FOR. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (3): 1, Hendry, Goldie, good size and col., nice blaze, well marked, nicely staged; 2, Grant, Goldie, nice col., well marked, fails in blaze to winner; 3, Ross and Duncan, another nice Goldie, close up. PARROT (1): 1, Price. A.O.S. (4): 1, sp., 2, 4, Robertson; 3, Johnstone. MULE (9): 1, medal, McPhail, Goldie Mule, good size and col., nicely marked, shown in rare bloom; 2, Grant, another Goldie Mule, not in bloom yet, otherwise our choice; 3, West, Greenie Mule, good size and col., close up; 4, McPhail, another Goldie Mule, fails size; vhc, Grant. GIFT (2): 1, 2, Hendry.

HIGH WYCOMBE.

Held Dec. 27 in the Memorial Hall, cosy and well lighted, while every attention was paid to the birds by such competent stewards as Messrs. H. Spring, and A. Rivett. The Hon. Secretary, Mr. S. C. Pearce, is getting "old at the game," as the customary saying goes, and is most proficient. He has the help of an efficient assistant secretary in Mr. A. Rivett, and the committee, one and all, work with a will. It is quite certain, judging from the display of birds that the fanciers of High Wycombe and district know how to breed and exhibit live stock, and to manage a show well. A very beautiful Black-throated Hangnest, the property of Mrs. Cox, won special for best bird; and specials were also won by Messrs. T. Bowler (3), and Spring. For a 20 mile radius show the competition was splendid. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged.

The Critique.

YORKS (7): 1, 2, Hawes Bros., yellow and buff in order named, at time of judging the buff was carrying a lot of loose "fluff," but later in the day the positions would have been reversed, two beautiful birds; 3, Bond, yell., neat and quick actioned, nice length; 4, Munday, lengthy Cinnie vgtd., grand stock bird; vhc, hc, Irving; c, Burnham, junr. NOR. (5): 1, sp., 2, Bowler, yell. tick, and a buff, the former stout and short in body, grand head and neck, nice col. and qual., said to be the Luton 2nd, bouncing bird; 2nd, thickset buff; 3, 4, Church, both very useful vgtds., that with yell. hens should breed something nice; vhc, Pennal. MULES (4): 1, Bowler, dark buff Goldie-Can., good size, nice face, in grand feather; 2, Carter, also nice Goldie Can., smaller; 3, Barney, junr. GOLDIES (6): 1, 2, 4, Bowler, good team, leader very rich in col., and distinctly marked; 3, sp., Spring, natty little Finch, very good in tanning; vhc, Abbott, will do better when steadier; hc, Carter. BULLIES (4): 1, Spring, hen, rare col. and cap; 2, Burnham, junr., also a hen, nice colour; 3, Bond. LINNET, ETC. (4): 1, 2, Bowler, good Linnet and Greenie, in the order named; 3, Barney, junr., nice Greenie; 4, Burnham, junr. A.O.S. (4): 1, and 2 sp., 2, 4, Bowler, leader, lovely Jay, in grand plumage, very tame; 2nd, House Sparrow, in splendid feather, and as tame as one need wish, grandly marked; 3, Abbott, equally sweet Lesser Redpoll, well up in colour, tip top feather. FOR. (5): 1, sp., best in show, Mrs. Cox, grand plumaged Black-throated Hangnest, very steady, grand feather; 2, vhc, Yates, Rosella, lovely feather; 3, 4, Mr. Cox, Greater Indian Mynah, and Long-tailed Whydah, former in beautiful feather. GIFT (5): 1, Spring; 2, Spriggs; 3, Munday; 4, Harris.

TONG AND DISTRICT C.B.S

Last show of season, held Dec. 26th, at the Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill; 81 birds were judged by Mr. Sam Wilcock, of Eccleshill.

CHAMP.—CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. (9): 1, Casey; 2, Hodgson, jun.; 3, Gledhill; 4, Walker. BUFF (9): 1, Hodgson, sen.; 2, 4, Padgett; 3, Atkinson and Firth. MKD. CK. (8): 1, 4, Casey; 2, 3, Hadwin. UNFLIG. (8): 1, 2, Clark; 3, 4, Padgett. YELL. HEN (5): 1, 3, Casey; 2, Clark; 4, Hodgson, sen. BUFF (8): 1, Atkinson and Firth; 2, Padgett; 3, Gledhill; 4, Casey. MKD. HEN (9): 1, Casey; 2, Padgett; 3, Hadwin; 4, Gledhill. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (9): 1, Mclaughlin; 2, Hodgson and Holdsworth; 3, 4, Hinton. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (8): 1, 4, Mclaughlin; 2, 3, Hinton. YELL., HEN (6): 1, Nichol; 2, 3, 4, Mclaughlin. BUFF (6): 1, Nichol; 2, Mclaughlin; 3, 4, Hinton.—W. Walker, Sec.

MALTON, NORTON.

Seventeenth annual show held in the Corn Exchange, Dec., 26th. Mr. Wilson, the hon. sec., is the right man for the successful running of a show, he had his stewards well in hand, looking after the exhibits, and we cannot give too much praise to this hard working hon. sec. We were pleased to see the hall packed with visitors and fanciers from York, Sheffield, Whitby, and the district round Malton. We were sorry to see Dr. Wilson's Canary Bullie looking so soft when we left the show, but we hope it will have picked itself up with a bit's rest. The Bullfinch of Dr. Wilson's was closely pressed by W. Wood's bird, some thought they might have changed places. Linnets were a grand lot. Mules or Hybrids were the best ever seen at Malton, and were much admired. Mr. Parlett's Greenfinch Canary, is a champion, and won the special for best in show. The judge was Mr. W. Mundell, Bradford, and everyone seemed satisfied with his awards.

The Critique.

CL. OR TKD. VELL. YORKS. (8): 1, Simeson, grand legs, stands well up, perfect wing carr., boxey feather, pale col., falls a little in head; 2, Dykes, rich col., full of qual., good legs, neat head, position A1; 3, 4, Watts, lovely qual. of feather, pale col., grand wings, piped tail, shade on the strong side; 4, blaze of col., lovely quality, bit down; res, vhc, Beaumont; hc, Campling; c, Harding. BUFF (7): 1, Dykes, tkd. head, rare length, grand winge, piped tail, lovely qual. of feather, pale col., good head, position A1; 2, 3, Campling, rich col., teeming with qual., good head, nice wing carriage, well on leg, piped tail, 3rd rich col, full of qual., grand winge, piped tail, position A1, not so long as winner; 4, res, Simeson; vhc, Harding; No. 3, Beaumont, absent when judging. CL. OR TKD. HEN (9): 1, Dykes, yellow tkd., lovely qual., neat round head, grand wing carr., piped tail, well up on leg, wins; 2, Beaumont, yell., rich col., boxey feather, well placed wings, piped tail, very stylish; 3, Simeson, yell., pale col., feathered like a Dove, lovely head, grand position, piped tail, a rich Yorkie; 4, Watts, buff, rich col., compact wing, boxey feather, position A1; res, hc, Campling; vhc, Wilson; c, Harding. NOR., CL., OR TKD. VELL. (12): 1, 3, Parlett, 1st unflight, yell, blaze of col., good head, grand winge and chest, boxey feather, short und clubby; 3, rich col., full of quality, compact wings, good head, neck and chest, short and cobby; 2, Wilson, pale col., hoxey feather, short and cobby, good head; 4, Anderson, eye and wings mkd., blaze of colour, full of qual., good head, wants a little more substance; res, c, Bielby; vhc, hc, Middleton. GOLDF. (9): 1, Parlett, very rich, deep col. and blaze, nicely buttoned, deep bars, grand condition, on the small side; 2, Dr. M. A. Wilson, grand blaze, bars, and buttons, in the pink, rare size, might have changed places with 1st; 3, 4, Inman, 3rd fine, square, deep blaze, nice rich bars, and buttons, in the pink of condition, 4th rich blaze, nice bars and buttons, grand condition; res, Bielby; vhc, Creaser; hc, Dixon. BULLF., BRIT. (11): 1, Dr. M. A. Wilson, grand chubby bird, deep, rich col., fine dark cap, nice bars, in the pink of condition and very steady; 2, Wood, gem, rare size, not so full in breast as winner, good cap, nice bars, in the pink of condition, near thing for 1st; 3, Brewster, good cap, nice bars, rich sound col. on chest, very steady; 4, Inman, good cap, nice bars, rich sound col., in the pink; res, Robinson; vhc, Bamble; hc, Anderson; c, Parlett. LINNET (12): 1, 2, c, Parlett, deep nut brown, nicely pencilled, very steady, lovely condition, 2nd shade larger, not so rich in colour as winner, nicely pencilled, grand condition, very steady; 3, vhc, Inman, nice type, well pencilled, rich col., very steady; 4, res, Cowey, nicely pencilled, not so rich in col. as winner, very steady; hc, Stamp. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, 3, Parlett, Twite, deep rich col., grand bill, lovely pencilling and condition; 3, Redpoll, nice bib, rich col., grand condition, very steady; 2, Dr. M. A. Wilson, Twite, good size, nicely pencilled, lovely condition, falls to winner in col. only, a grand bird; 4, Robinson, Siskin, grand bib, well laced, grand condition; res, Dixon; vhc, Wilson; hc, Anderson. MULE OR HYB. (15): Best class in the show and the finest ever benched at Malton: 1, spl, best bird in show, Parlett, Greenf.-Can., yell., wonderful size, feathered like glass, in the pink of condition, this bird has now won 55 1sts, besides numerous specials—a grand record; 2, spl, second best in show, Inman, Goldie-Bullie, wonderful blaze, rare size, in the pink of condition, a close race; 3, 4, res, Dr. M. A. Wilson, grand team, 3rd Linnet-Bullie, grand condition, very stylish, would do with a little more substance; 4th Bullie-Can., rich col., looking very bad during the afternoon; vhc, Inman; hc, Bielby; c, Dixon. A.O. BRIT. (12): 1, 2, Parlett, 1st Hawfinch, grand bib, rich dark col., in the pink of condition, 2nd Bramblefinch, good head, nicely pencilled, rich col., lovely condition; 3, Dr. M. A. Wilson, Chaffinch, lovely shine, very steady, rare style; 4, Medley, Corn Bunting, grand condition and very steady; res, Wilson; vhc Stamp; hc Carter; c Brewster. SOFTBILL: Cancelled. MEMBERS' A.V. (8): 1, 2, Carter; 3, c, Hodgson; 4 Wilson; res, Harding; vhc, no name; hc, Charles.

HULL C.B.S.

Very successful members' show held on Boxing Day in the Oddfellows' Hall, 193 exhibits being staged. The show decided the holders of the points cups for the current year. Mr. Geo. Harland won the Champion Cup with 222 points, this being the first time since this cup was put in competition that it has been won with one variety of bird, Mr. Harland having shown nothing but Norwich Canaries. The following is the position of members in this section: Harland, 222; Walker, 146; Stamford, 64; Store, 57; Frith, 40; Mason, 37; Pepper, 15; Douse, 11; Gilson, 9; Barwick, 8. The Novice Points Cup is awarded for most points in Norwich, Yorks., Mules, and British sections respectively. Mr. Riley won with 129½ points, obtained in the Mule and British sections. Scores for the Novice Cup were: Norwich, Ridley, 83½; Potter, 73½; Sutton, 72; Hope, 58; C. W. Ware, 47½; Clavard, 25; Thirsk, 24; McKay, 18; Clark, 17; Cross 14. Yorks.: W. E. Sowden, 90; Chas. Ware, 89; F. Smith, 51; Oakes, 28; Murrey, 28; Lambert, 20; Girling, 19; Gilson, 20; F. F. Potter, 17; Fox, 16; Kemp, 15. Mule, Hybrid, and Brit.: Riley, 129½; F. F. Potter, 43; Thirsk, 42½; McKay, 31; Beckett, 15; Parkes, 14; Heseltine, 14; Lambert, 13½; Cross, 12; Howe, 9. Mr. Harding judged Norwich, Mr. Geo. Harland Yorks and A.O.V. Can., and Mr. Tom Perkins, Brit. and Mules. The show was well patronised during the day, and the judges' awards seemed to give universal satisfaction.

CHAMP.—NOR., VELL.: 1, Harland. BUFF: 1, Harland. UNFLIGHTED: 1, Harland. HEN: 1, Harland. BUFF: 1, Harland. HEN, UNFLIG.: 1, Harland. YORKS., VELL.: 1, Stephonson; 2, Walker. BUFF: 1, Stephenson. UNFLIG.: 1, Walker. HEN. YELL.: 1, Stephenson. BUFF: 1, Walker; 2, Stephenson. HEN, UNFLIG.: 1, Walker. NOV., NOR., YELL.: 1, 2, Hope; 3, Beckett; vhc, P. Potter; hc, McKay; c, Sutton. BUFF: 1, vhc, Mrs. Briggs; 2, Clark; 3, Heseltine; hc, Hope; c, Calvard. UNFLIG.: 1, c, P. Potter; 2, Mrs. Briggs; 3, Sutton; vhc, Hope; hc, Cross. HEN, YELL: 1, 2, Ridley; 3, hc, Calvard; vhc, P. Potter; c, Sutton. BUFF: 1, Sutton; 2, 3, Ridley; vhc, P. Potter; hc, Gilson; c, Calvard. HEN, UNFLIG.: 1, Hope; 2, Sutton; 3, c, P. Potter; vhc, Ridley; hc, Gilson. YORKS., YELL.: 1, Oakes; 2, Chas. Ware; 3, Gilson; vhc, Lambert; hc, Parkes; c, W. E. Sowden. BUFF: 1, c, W. E. Sowden; 2, hc, Chas. Ware; 3, Smith; vhc, Oakes. UNFLIG.: 1, Fox; 2, hc, Oakes; 3, Murrey; vhc, Smith; c, W. E. Sowden. HEN, YELL.: 1, Gilson; 2, vhc, W. E. Sowden; 3, Chas. Ware; hc, c, Lambert. BUFF: 1, Sowden; 2, Parkes; 3, hc, Smith; vhc, Lambert; c, C. W. Ware. HEN, UNFLIG.: 1, Ware; 2, vhc, Smith; 3, Murrey; hc, Kemp; c, C. W. Ware. MEMBERS.—CAN.: 1, hc, P. Potter; 2, c, Ridley; 3, W. E. Sowden; vhc, Riley. MULE: 1, 2, Riley; 3, Heseltine. HYB.: 1, 2, Riley. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Mrs. Briggs; 2, McKay; 3, F. F. Potter; vhc, Beckett; hc, Oakes; c, Clark. LINNET OR GREENF.: 1, McKay; 2, Riley; 3, Heseltine; vhc, Cross. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLEF.: 1, 2, Riley; 3, F. F. Potter. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Parkes; 2, 3, hc, Riley; vhc, Cross. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 3, vhc, Riley; 2, Lambert.—Ernest R. Ridley, Hon. Sec.

ALNMOUTH.

The Alnmouth and Dis. P.P. and C.B.S. held its second annual show in the Town Hall on December 28th. The hall, although not very large, was ample for exhibits and visitors, the staging being in tiers. The light at night time might be improved. We regretted to hear that about 70 or 80 pens had not arrived for the poultry, which greatly hampered the Committee in their work. The entries almost doubled that of last year; a few extra classes had been added. Another year it would be to the advantage of the society (being an open show) to advertise in CAGE BIRDS, as many fanciers did not know there was such a show. The Committee should attend to this another year. The officers are earnest and courteous workers, ably led by Mr. Geggie, the Secretary, he having a very hard day's work. We were pleased to see th President, the Rev. F. W. Linton-Bogle, taking quite a lively interest in the show. There was a grand gate during the afternoon, and we fully expect the committee will have a nice balance on the right side. The quality was good, the Norwich and Borders being hard to separate, while an attraction to the visitors was the only foreign bird in the show, a lovely Black-headed Gouldian Finch. Mr. H. Seely (Choppington) judged, and no fault could well be found with his awards.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. CK. (10): 1, Armstrong, variegs., hot col., nice chest, shapely and stylish; 2, Dixon, neck tkd., good one for type and col., grand head and wings; 3, Rowell, eye and wing mkd., rare chest and head, nicely filled in behind, not quite so sweet in feather; vhc, Morgan; hc, Smailes; c, Crackett. BUFF (12): 1, hc, Rowell, cl., well-known winner, best of head and chest, wings well balanced, easily the best Nor. in show; 2, Penrose, cl., hot col., very similar in type, fine feather; 3, Geggie, cl., real good one, grand head, wings well carried, neat short tail, fails a little in chest; vhc, Dixon; c, Armstrong. HEN (15) grand class: 1, Rowell, buff, eye and right wing tkd., hot col., neat head, nice Bullie chest, well balanced wings, wins well; 2, hc, Richardson, neck tkd yell., grand col., compact body, splendid head and chest, fails a little behind; 3, Hay, tkd., hot col., nice shape, Cockermouth and Berwick winner, presses hard to-day; vhc, Penrose; c, Dixon. BORD. CK. (15) another rare class: 1, 3, Purvis, cl. yell. leading, nicely rounded head, rich col., best of wiugs and tail, 3 cl. buff, neat type, boxy feather, not one out of place; 2, Hay, cl. yell., grand condition, neat chest and wings, compact body; vhc, hc, Aston, two good ones; c, Wright. HEN (12): 1, Purvis, grizzle back yell., glossy feather, graud head and chest, well carried wings, grandly put down; 2, Bickerton, even buff, neat head and chest, nice markings but unsteady, which told against it; 3, Charlton and Anderson, cl. yell., nice head, rich col., sweet body and tail, if anything fails a wee bit in wings; vhc, Aston, real good one, must have pressed winners hard; hc, Darling; c, Willis. YORK. CK. (9): 1, Mather, cl. buff, nice top end, rare length, well balanced wings; 2, Fawcett, eye mkd., hot col., neat, lengthy, nicely drawn; 3, Yearnshire, cinn. mkd., rare position, neat head, well carried wings and tail, close up; vhc, Pyman; hc, Charlton and Anderson; c, Pyman. HEN (7): 1, Fawcett, wing tkd. yell., hot col., tightly drawn, glossy feather, best of head and wings, nice pipe tail, wins well; 2, 3, Pyman, cl. yell. leading, neat pos., grand body, well filled in back and top end, beaten only in col., 3 wing mkd., grand style, rare head, not so neat; vhc, Forster; hc, no name; c, Smith. A.V. MEMBERS (10): 1, r, Smith, yell. tkd. Yorks., neat type, grand pos., nice wiug and tail; 2, Smailes cl. yell. Norwich, grand head and chest, nicely cut away behind; 3, Lawson, almost even buff Nor., nice type, beaten col., otherwise good; vhc, Rennison; hc, J. Smith; c, Stephenson. LINNET (10): 1, Purvis, steady, nicely pencilled, rich col.; 2, Rogerson, larger, good one, but very wild; 3, Gowans, nice size, just beaten in pencilling; vhc, Crackett and Hume, we liked, nicely pencilled, grand size; hc, Moffit; c, Thompson. A.O.V. (14) grand class: 1, Hay, one of the attractions of the show, Black-headed Gouldian Finch, like satin for polish, shining all over, grand tail, well put down; 2, Hancox, Goldie-Bullie, neat, nice size, shows parentage well, lacks polish; 3, extra 3, Rowell, cinn. Nor. and variegs. buff, dark crest, both good ones, rather hard lines; vhc, Orange; hc, Middlemiss; c, Willis.

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ROYALTY AT THE HAGUE BIRD SHOW

Special Report by C. A. House.

Last season it was my pleasure to write a description of the show of the Nederlandsche Vereeniging "Aviculture." Again the pleasure is mine. The show was again held in the Grand Saloon of the Zoological and Botanic Gardens at The Hague, Dec. 13 to 15. Dec. 12 was set apart for the judging, the show being open on the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday; the latter is the popular day, as may be gathered from the fact that over 2,200 visitors who paid for admission were present on that day in addition to the large number of ticket holders. The birds were staged in one of the side rooms branching off from the Central Hall, and the Rollers were in another. Each of the rooms was beautifully lighted, very warm, and free from draught, whilst the birds were all staged at a most convenient height. The show was visited early on the morning of the first day by Her Majesty Queen Wilhelmina and the Prince Consort, attended by their equerries and ladies-in-waiting. They were received by the executive at the entrance to the Grand Saloon, and Her Majesty graciously received a bouquet of choice flowers presented to her by the wife of the President, Den. Heer J. M. Vas Visser, under whose escort Her Majesty and His Royal Highness made their tour of the show. They took the greatest interest in the different sections, and on their departure expressed their great pleasure at what they had seen, wished the society much success, and gave the president a sum of money to distribute amongst the paid attendants.

Where Things are Well Done.

The society responsible for the running of The Hague show is the Nederlandsche Vereeniging "Avicultura," and the Queen Mother is its chief patron. This was its twenty-eight show, and was described as the "28-ste Groote Internationale Tentoonstelling." Its international character is shown by the fact that "the jury"—that is, the judges—were drawn from Holland, France, Belgium, Germany, and England, the writer being the representative of the latter country for the second year in succession. In the evening of the judging day the committee, judges, stewards, and prominent citizens of The Hague dined at the Hotel des Indes, which is the principal hotel, and will be remembered as having been very closely connected with the great Peace and other conferences held at The Hague, it being the headquarters always of our British delegates and commissioners. At the banquet on the Thursday evening the President announced the fact that he had received information that the Queen would visit the show at eleven o'clock on the Friday morning. Space is too valuable to say much about the banquet, but its influence on the Fancy must be great, because of its appeal to the social instincts of all connected with the society.

Our Dutch Friends cannot be beaten.

When I entered the saloon of the Zoological Gardens at nine o'clock on the judging morning some of my colleagues were already at work, and all the officers were in their places ready to carry out their allotted task. The Executive Committee were: W. J. M. De Bas (Eere Voorzitter), J. M. Vas Visser (Voorzitter), S. Spanjaard Lzn (Onder-Voorzitter), R. Houwink Hzn, A. A. Polvliet, A. Hoogendijk, G. P. J. A. Verbeet, T. H. Van Hattum, C. J. Van Nievelt, B. Wilton, and G. Wilson, jun., The Stewards were: R. A. J. Van Delden, A. C. M. Dolk, J. L. Melchiers, C. J. J. Blusse, V. W. De Villeneuve, H. Rey, C. E. Hartink, W. Peek, G. M. Kok, J. Zaalberg, and A. Holland, whilst the sec. was Herr D. W. Molhuijsen. From the President, Den Heer J. M. Vas Visser, down to Herr Molhuijsen, one and all did their work in a manner which calls for the highest commendation, and I can honestly say that much as we pride ourselves on this side of the Channel with doing things well, we cannot beat our Dutch friends when it comes to enthusiasm, earnestness, and energy. In a word, they did all things well.

Upon my last visit to The Hague, I discovered several readers of CAGE BIRDS, and it gave me great pleasure to find on this ocasion that the number had sensibly increased. Not only so, but I found that our Dutch friends do a considerable amount of buying and selling through the columns of CAGE BIRDS. This latter fact is one I would especially commend to the notice of English fanciers.

Songsters Highly Valued.

The section for the German Singing Canaries, or Rollers, was divided into three classes. In one the competition was confined to single birds, and there were twenty-four competitors. The 1st prize was taken by M. H. J. Nijssen, the 2nd and 3rd by H. A. Maijen, the 4th by J. Wetz, and the 5th by J. A. G. Hilstein. Class 2 for pairs or rather, two cages—had forty entries, and the winners were: 1st, A. 't Hart; 2nd, J. A. Kok and A. Stooker; 3rd, J. B. L. van Geffen; 4th, Jud. Mombers. Class 3, quartets, had ninety-two entries, and here the winners were: 1st, W. Spelt; 2nd, J. B. van Geffen; 3rd, Jac. Podelier; 4th, W. van den Thillaers; and 5th, W. K. de Grooth. I was interested to notice that a considerable number of the competing birds changed hands, and found new owners in visitors to the show. More surprised still was I to find that these visitors knew how to buy. They did not purchase a bird by its performance in their presence, but were furnished with the bird's record as given by the judge, and the prices asked, so far as I could gather, were based upon the record of the judge. In England many of us think that from 10s. to 15s. is quite enough to give for a singing Canary, and if by chance we are tempted to give a sovereign we expect something extra special. Here, however, I found ordinary everyday folks considering twenty-four or thirty guelders none too much for a singer—that is, £2 or £2 10s. What is more, they knew its market value by the judge's record. Twenty-four special prizes were given in this section. Five of these were won by the exhibits of Den Heer W. Spelt, and included was the chief prize for the best collection of Singing Canaries, which was given by the President of the "Avicultura."

The exhibition section of the Cage Birds was opened by the Dutch Frills. In Holland, the home of the breed, one would expect to see the best. The birds shown here were wonderfully feathered both in front and on the back, but in length and size they were not the equals of what we are need to seeing at our English shows. This led to the conclusion that feather is considered far more important than size by the breeders in Holland. All the prizes were won by W. A. van Leeuwen. There were five classes for German Canaries, judged for beauty, and not for song. They were divided as follows: Gele (Dutch for yellow, but here it included Yellow and Buff; It may be our Dutch brethren are not so advanced in Canary colour as we are); Groene (Green), Fenillemorte (Cinnamon), Bonte (Variegated), and Gekuifde (Crested). I need hardly say that the crests looked very funny upon the little bodies. In Yellows P. J. Helder was the most successful exhibitor, followed by W. A van Leeuwen; in Greens J. van den Borden, J. W. de Villeneuve, and J. G Bloijs van Treslong; in Cinnamons J. van den Borden, J. W. de Villeneuve, and P. J. Helder; in Variegateds J. van den Borden; and in the Crests J. G. Bloijs van Treslong, J. W. de Villeneuve, J. van den Borden, and G. P. J. A. Virbeet. The Cinnamons and Greens were very beautiful in their colouring and feather, and were much the best classes in the section so far as quality was concerned. Specials for the best collection of English Canaries were won by Mr. R. A. Wilson, a young gentleman born of Coventry parents, but who has lived in Holland all his life. In Lancashires W. A. van Leeuwen was first with a stylish, nicely shaped Buff Plainhead, but it did not come up to the Rochdale standard in stoutness; R. A. Wilson came 2nd. In Crested Norwich the judge, strangely enough, withheld all the prizes, yet he gave every bird an honours card. This I could not follow, and most certainly thought a variegated bird shown by Mr. Wilson should have been placed at the head of the class (the judge gave it vhc, the highest honour). In Gladkop Norwich (Plainheads) Mr. Wilson had all the prizes with a capital team, but I liked his 2nd, a lovely quality yellow of grand type, colour, and feather, better than 1st. W. A. van Leeuwen had a couple of vhc's. In Cinnamon Norwich Mr. R. A. Wilson again had both prizes, the winner being a nice quality Buff. Yorkshires had classes for Yellows, Greens, Cinnamons, and Variegateds. In the Yellow class—that is, Gele—both the leaders were Buffs, 1st being Wilson and 2nd W. A. van Leeuwen; but I much admired a Yellow hen shown by W. J. M. de Bas, a very smart little Yorkshire lass was this. Wilson won in Greens with a very stylish typical Yellow of good colour, all the rest going to W. A. van Leeuwen. Van Leeuwen won in Variegateds with a very handsome four-pointed bird; he also won in Cinnamons. Borders had a similar classification, and Mr. Wilson swept the classes with a grand team, of which I much liked the winner in the Cinnamon class. In the "Niet Genoemde Kanariercassen"—or A.O.V.—Mr. Wilson won with a neat Buff Scots Fancy. Mules were described in the catalogue as "Bastaards van kanaries in wilde vogels," and the winner was a Canary-Bullie with a pied tail shown by W. J. M. de Bas. "Goudvinken" is Dutch for Bullfinches, and W. J. M. de Bas won with a bonnie shaped rich coloured bird, A. Sutherland being 2nd with a most handsome hen, and 3rd with a cock. The worthy sec., Den Heer D. W. Molhuijsen won in Putters (Goldfinches) with a well marked, rich coloured exhibit. "Inlandsche Zaadeters," or, as we should say, "A.O.V. Seed-eaters," were represented by Sijs (Siskins), Geelgors (Yellow Buntings), Vink (Chaffinch), Groninger (Greenfinch), Paap (Lesser Redpoll), and Sneeuwgors (Snow Bunting). All three prizes were taken by Molhuijsen, a lovely little Redpoll leading, followed by the Snow Bunting and Greenfinch. A most interesting class was that for "Lijster of spreeuwachtige vogels." I cannot translate this, but the birds in the class were the finest lot of Thrushes I have ever seen, and included, amongst others, White-throated, Missel, Pheasant, Golden-breasted, Red-legged, and Brown-breasted Thrushes, a Troupial, and a West Indian Starling. All the prizes were taken by W. J. M. de Bas. "Albinos, Pieds, and other rare feathered birds" had the following description: "Albinestisch gekleurde vogel en die waarvan kleur of teekening of beide van de gewone verschillen," W. J. M. de Bas had the class to himself with a wonderful collection—a collection such as I doubt any English fancier ever benched at a show. They were as follows:—1st, Witte Leeuwerik (White Meadow Lark); 2nd, Isabel Vink (Cinn. Chaffinch); 3rd, Wit Bonte Vink (Pied Chaffinch); vhc, Zwarte Vink (a Chaffinch of normal colouring, except that the white markings are black); hc, another Cinn. Chaffinch; whilst the unnoticed birds were Witte Merel (White Blackbird) and Witte Kauw (White Jackdaw). "Parkieten," or Parrakeets, were represented by a pair of Green Budgerigars shown by Mevr Boon, A. Sutherland coming 2nd with a good pair of Yellows. "Papagaaien" found Mr. Sutherland 1st and 2nd with good Blue-fronted Amazons, and he also won in the class "Ara's of Kakatoe's" with a very nice Rosy-breasted. "Uitlandsche Vogels" were represented by a Barbet, a Blue Magpie, a Blue-capped Magpie, and a Hooded Jay, all shown by W. J. M. de Bas. Collections of Foreign Finches, Parrakeets, and Canaries, in which A. Sutherland took all the first and H. Brand all the second prizes, concluded a show which, to an English visitor, contained much that was interesting. The judges were:—Canaries and Mules, L. W. Noorduijn: Inlandsche and Uitlandsche Vogels (home and foreign birds), F. E. Blaauw. The name of the judge of the Singing Canaries is not given in the catalogue, a fact I did not notice until after I had left Holland.

GRIMSBY AND DISTRICT O.S.

Members' show held Dec. 28, Slatter's Rooms, 46 birds being staged. Mr. T. Perkins (Hull) judged. NOR. YELL.: 1, Wood. BUFF: 1, Wood. HEN: 1, 2, Wood. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, 3, Sadler; 2, Cartwright; 4, Oliver. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Sadler; 2, 3, Cartwright; 4, Cotterill. GREENF.: 1, 3, Cartwright; 2, Sadler. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 2, Sadler; 3, Oliver. AMAT. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Watson. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Siddle; 2, 3, Watson. LINNET: 1, 2, Watson; 3, 4, Siddle. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 3, 4, Watson; 2, vhc, hc, Siddle. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, vhc, c, Siddle; 2, 3, 4, hc, Watson. BRIT. HEN: 1, Watson; 2, 3, Siddle. Special winners: Miss Cook's, Mr. D. Saddler's, and Mr. S Smith's, W. Watson. Silver Cup, Moore Cup, Ball Cup, A. Cartwright; runner-up in each case. F. Yearing; Allman Cup, W. Watson; runner-up, J. Siddle. A vote of thanks was given to Mr Perkins for his kindness in coming to judge the birds.—Towl and Smith.

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SHETTLESTON.

Annual show held in the Hill Street Hall, December 14. Entries came up fairly well, and were about on par with the previous show; on the whole, quality was better, especially in the Yorkshire section, Mr. S. F. Wood staging some toppers, quite able to hold their own in the best of company, his young yellow (a beauty) carrying off Hyde's special. Mr. Mackay did well in Borders, winning two cups, one for best young Border and one for best young bird bred by a member; this little gem did the double event in grand style, and Mr. Mackay may well feel pleased at his deserved success. Mr. Congans won the British cup with a grand Bullie hen, staged in perfect feather. Mr. G. Henderson secured cup for best old bird with his C.-B., a bird of real merit. Mr. A. Berry, the sec., had all in perfect order; he is a man of few words, but of much thought, and with his committee well posted up in their duties, everything passed off quietly and pleasantly. Messrs. R. H. Livingstone, Rutherglen, and M. Craig, Tollcross, made the awards, taking every alternate class, and their awards were well received.

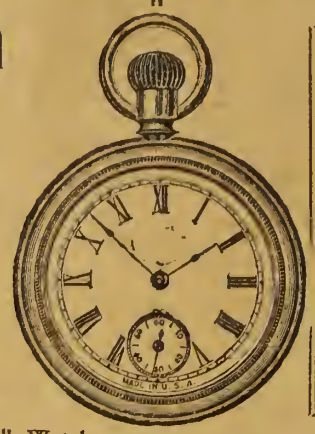
The Critique.

YOUNG BIRDS.—CREST: 1, 2, Henderson, leader even wing mark dark, in fine order, nice size and good substance, should make up well, 2nd variegd., nice subs. and qual., not quite the spread of leader, but well up; 3, Curley, nice exhibit, staged in fine style. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, 5, Henderson, leading with nice variegd., fine sub., good qual., plenty feather, good order, 2nd clear, nice sub., fine qual. feather, not quite the top, but well up in the run, 3, spl, variegd., fine qual., well deserves its position; 4, Allan; 6, 7, Hood. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, spl, Williams, top size and fine qual., good level col., neat carr. and style, nicely laid down; 2, Kean, not quite so hot in col., out fine qual. feather, neat and silky, grand condition; 3, Divens, good size and subs., dark tailed, nice qual. and carr.; 4, 5, 6, Curley; 7, Berry. BUFF: 1, 2, Divens, leader fine size and subs., nice qual. and shape, fine top end, might be better in wing carr., 2nd large broken green, nice qual., well up; 3, Berry, massive tkd., A1 order, good top end, well developed front, must have pressed; 4, Kean; 5, Curley. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Berry, leader monster cl., all there for subs. and qual., trifle open in feather, but one of the right sort, 2nd good qual., and neatly got up, a little behind in subs., but good, 3rd nice exhibit, in fine order, not just so chubby built, but nice qual.; 4, Curley. BUFF: 1, 2, Kean, leader nice qual. var., good type and neat carr., wins, in fine trim, 2nd nice cl., in good condition, not quite so sweet fronted as leader; 3, 4, Curley, trifle more chubby in body, nice qual. feather, 4, nice subs., good qual., BORD., YELL. CK.: 1, Jarvie, neat little one, fine type, good feather, staged in fine trim; 2, 4, Lunn, leader very similar in type and qual. to winner and well up; 3, Mackay, nice wing mark, good wings, neat, shapely body; 5, Henderson; 6, Baird. BUFF: 1, spl, 2 cups, 3, 5, Mackay, leader a perfect wee gem, faultless condition, real sweet jaunty style and perfect carr., finished with beautiful tight waxy feather, wins handsomely, 3rd nice cl., staged in A1 condition, just inclined to be faulty in wing carr. at times; 2, 4, Lunn, leader nice wing mark., in rare order, fine qual. and good type, not quite so sweet at top end as winner, but a good one; 6, Jarvie. YELL. HEN: 1, Congan, jaunty, fine bloom, neat, clean cut, shapely, well filled in, put down to win; 2, 3, Lunn, leading with nice quality exhibit, sweet shape and good carr., not so neat at top end as winner, 3rd very shapely variegd., nice qual., better staged and hard up; 4, Mackay, fine cl.; 5, Baird. BUFF: 1, spl, 2, Mackay, leader little beauty, capital qual., neat and silky, staged in lovely order, good and typical throughout, wins well, 2nd green, good type and neat carr. and shape, not quite so pure in ground colour; 3, Congans, nice qual. feather, fine head and neck, loses in wing carr.; 4, Lunn; 5, 6, Baird. YORKS.: 1, Hyde's spl, 2, Wood, leader lovely cl. yell., in rare bloom, fine pose, neat shape and smooth front, fine length and best carr., one of the right kind, 2nd capital buff, in superb condition, very little to find fault with and hard up on winner. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, 4, Henderson, large buff Goldie, in fine order and leading, shows the cross well, fine col. and feather, steady and well staged, 2nd nice qual. and feather, but not the subs. of leader; 3, Mackay, in nice order, very similar to 2nd. A.O.V.: 1, Hood, nice Cinn. OLD BIRDS.—CREST: 1, 3, Hood, leader wing mark D. C., fine condition, nice top piece, finely radiated and good even droop, wins well, 3rd green, nice feather, good top and spread, behind in subs.; 2, spl, Allan, even D. C., good in subs. and qual., neat top, fine leafy feather beaten at frontal; 4, Curley; 5, Henderson. C.-B.: 1, spl, 2, 4, Henderson, leader best old bird in show, fine cl., nice qual. feather, capital skull, fine dome shape, grand entrance, capital condition and wins well; 2, variegd., plenty subs., fine qual. Luther, just behind in entrance; 3, 6, Hood, leader fine tick, capital feather, nice top end, well up on 2nd; 5, Allan. YELL. P.H. CK.: 1, spl, runner up for cup, Williams, fine tick, lovely hot col., nice size, line qual., neat wings and tail, staged in fine trim; 2, Divens, nice size and subs., good qual., nice type, behind in wing carr., otherwise well up; 3, Curley, nice one for size, bit too long, and lacks the polish of winners; 4, Berry. BUFF: 1, Berry, capital size and subs., nice shape, type, and qual., staged in fine order; 2, Hendrie, nice subs., fine qual., well up on winner; 3, Divens, nice size and qual. feather, not quite so shapely in front as those on top; 4, 7, Kean; 5, Hendrie; 6, Curley. YELL. HEN: 1, Lunn, fine nat. col., neat and shapely at top and front, might just be cleaner cut behind; 2, 4, Kean, leader barely so massive as winner, but fine qual., neat and shapely; 3, 7, Curley, leader nice size, fine silky feather, but beaten in shape; 5, Divens; 6, Berry. BUFF: 1, 3, Berry, leader light variegd., in fine condition, short and cobby body, neat carr. and clean cut behind, 3rd massive, but not quite so sweet or so well filled in at top end, well placed; 2, 4, Divens, leading with heavy variegd. in capital order, fine head and short thick-set neck, fine, neat carr., well up on leader. YELL. BORD. CK.: 1, spl, 2, Lunn, leader, real beauty, in capital order, fine head and neck, sweet, shapely, well made specimen, staged in fine condition, 2nd very typical and neatly built, and running hard up on winner; 3, Jarvie, broken green, in nice condition, just a trifle strong in head, otherwise well up; 4, Mackay; 5, Hendrie; 6, Cougans. BUFF: 1, 4, Lunn, leading with a little beauty, in magnificent feather, all there for type and qual., set down in A1 bloom; 2, Henderson, nice shape, good qual. and carr., fails a bit in head; 3, Congans, nice qual. cinn., in rare feather and bloom, finely braced wings and tail, presses hard; 5, Mackay. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Lunn, leader lovely type and qual. cinn., fine carr., 2nd nice cl., in fine order, running well up. BUFF: 1, spl, Mackay, beauty, staged in the pink of perfection, rare qual. throughout; 2, Hendrie, griz. cup, fine feather, rather too strong in head points, otherwise all right; 3, spl, Baird, good exhibit, nicely placed. YORKS. CK.: 1, 3, 5, Wood, leader grand col. yell. green, in capital feather, rare qual. and shape, neat, clean, and well drawn, staged in A1 condition, 3rd very lengthy yell., fine shape and good qual.; 2, Baird, well drawn cl. buff, nice type and qual., good carr.; 4, Hendrie. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Wood, leader lovely qual. eyes and wings mkd. buff, fine length, rare type, clean, sweet, beautifully made, fine stamp of the Yorkie, 2nd nice cl., well drawn, fine type and neat carr., laid down in capital trim, 3rd again nice cl., in fine bloom, not quite so sweet at top end as leaders; 4, Baird. A.O.V.: 1, Hood, buff cinn., in good feather; 2, Berry, we missed. GOLDIE: 1, 2, Divens, leader deep, rich, square cut blaze and pure tans and whites, neat moons and bright wings, in the pink of condition, 2nd rather larger, but not quite so square or deep in blaze, but nice Finch; 3, Henderson, good Finch for size and condition, good tans; 4, Cougans; 5, Curley; 6, Hendale. BULLIE: 1, cup, best Brit., Cougans, lovely hen, fine size and steady, in perfect feather, rich, dark, expansive, clean cut cap and neat wing bars, right good one; 2, Divens, cock, nice condition and steady; 3, Hendrie, right good hen, in capital form, soft during judging, otherwise would have gone up; 4, Cougans. GREEN.: 1, Williams, runner up for cup, lovely Finch, not a monster, but good size and top col. and quality, staged in rare bloom, very steady; 2, 7, Cougans, leader not quite so hot in col. as winner, but well up subs., qual.; 2, 3, Divens, fair, good Finch, not just quite so close in feather as winners; 4, Berry; 5, Hood; 6, no name. LINNET: 1, Mackay, fine size and neatly pencilled steady, laid down in best of trim, wins well; 2, 6, Cougans, leader, nicely pencilled and in fine feather, just a little behind in size; 3, Jarvie, steady, rare condition, just inclined to run in pencilling, but nice ground col.; 4, Divens; 5, Henderson. TWITE, ETC.: 1, Divens, Twite, steady, fine feather and condition, good col. and markings, wins well; 2, 3, Cougans, leader nice Mealy, well up in size and condition, steady and good specimen, 3rd Twite, smaller than leader and behind in colour; 4, Berry, Twite. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, 2, 4, 6, Mackay, leader fine one for col. and marking, neat and good in feather and condition, steady and nicely staged, 2nd nice one, scarcely so steady or well up in col.; 3, spl, Berry, nice one and steady, good col. and markings, well up on 2nd; 5, Wood; 7, Cougans. BRAMBLE, ETC.: 1, 3, Cougan, leader nice Bramble, steady, good in ground col. and spangling, could do with more subs.; 3, Yellowhammer, nice size and feather; 2, Divens, Chaffinch, nice condition, fine col. and markings, but loses points in being unsteady. A.O.V.: 1, Hendrie, nice steady Reed Bunting, in fine feather, nicely mkd., only wants more size to be a topper. A.O.V. HEN: 1, Hendrie, fine Linnet, capital order and steady as a rock. NOV., YOUNG BIRDS: 1, 4, 5, Kean, leader described in class 3, No. 2; 2, Allan, class 2, No. 1; 3, 6, Baird, leader quite a fine Border, good feather and carriage, nice shape and condition.

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MANCHESTER (Amalgamated).

Second annual show held December 21, in the Onward Hall, Ardwick. In addition to prize money on the sliding scale of four prizes, there were forty special money prizes to compete for. The amalgamated societies were M. and N.C.O.S., Pendleton and Salford, North Manchester, Denton and Dis., Ardwick and Manchester and Dis., and Eccles and Dis. C.B.S. There was an increase in the entry over last year, which is going on in the right direction. At the same time, there is plenty of room for twice as many exhibits, particularly in the Yorkshires, where there was a very liberal classification. Yorkshires were few in each class, but very choice indeed, and some really fine birds were shown. Norwich were good indeed in both champion and amateur and novice sections, and some of the very best were there. The three Border classes were very nice, and quite held their own. A marked improvement is to be seen in the Hybrid and British sections amongst our Manchester friends. These sections made a very creditable display, and would do justice to any open show. All-round excellence was seen, and if these Manchester enthusiasts keep on as they are doing, they will make a name in the open ere long. The management was of the best, with Messrs. Spencer and Boothman acting as hon. secs. Plenty of old faces were seen at the show, and right pleased were they to see so good a show. Special for best birds were won by Messrs. W. Redgard, E. Durnford, E. Dunn, Ainsworth Bros., J. Critchley, A. E. Long, T. Blease, A. Darnley, R. J. Metcalfe, and L. H. Walker. Mr. A. G. Davies judged open and amateur Canary classes, and Mr. Moulton the remainder, and their awards were very well received.

LANCS. COPPY: 1, 2, W. Redgard, 1st takes sp. over classes 1 to 6, a good yell. coppy. LANCS. P.H.: 1, 2, Redgard, buff leading, medium length, nice sub-tance, 2nd a big fine yellow. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Durnford, typical, A1 condition. HEN: 1, Durnford, a beauty, No. 1 absent, all Mr. Kearn's Yorkshires were absent. UNFLIG. YELL: 1, Durnford, grand type. HEN: 1, Durnford, grand type. NOR. YELL.: 1, Wrigley, tkd. wing, grand type, col., and feather; 2, Critchley, el., rare size, shape, col., feather, and condition. BUFF: 1, 4, Critchley, big, long bird, fine head, good bloom; 2, S. Cook, A1 cl., shorter, grand col., bloom, and silky feather; 3, Wrigley, tkd. nape, good feather, bit longer type. YELL. HEN: 1, Critchley, neck and wing mkd., very cobby, grand feather and condition; 2, Cook, cl., good col. and qual., beaten in body. BUFF: 1, Cook, grand typical bird, all over, A1 bloom; 2, Critchley, pale cl., grand qual., smaller. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Wrigley. BUFF: 1, 2, Cook, bonny type, grand qual., well mealed, both in fine condition; 3, Wrigley, good type, beaten in wings. HEN: 1, 2, Wrigley, cl., and a mkd. head, both right stamp, grand qual., col., and feather; 3, Cook, pretty type, paler col. AMAT., YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, Wilson, long, slim, and clean through; 2, Jones, fine type, bit soft, and patchy col.; 3, Midgley, also bit soft. CL. BUFF: 1, Dunn, cl., grand qual., type, and position, neat wings and pipe tail, stands up well; 2, Humphries, good right through; 3, Whittaker, bit soft; 4, Moorby, fine, clean type and carr., good condition; vhc, Jones. TKD. YELL.: 1, Midgley; 2, Downing; 3, Wilson; 4, Taylor, all good, and little between them, A1 condition. BUFF: 1, Wilson, good one, all alone. YELL. HEN: 1, Tansey, long, tkd. neck, grand stand; 2, Jones, shorter, good position and carr. BUFF: 1, Tansey, lovely type, A1 all over; 2, Dunn, fine length, well up, very erect; 3, Parr, good stand, nice feather and carr.; 4, Moorby, smaller, finely drawn; vhc, Taylor. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Parr, slim and typical, A1 form; 2, 3, Tansey, 2nd larger, well up, 3rd very breedy; 4, Taylor, also very breedy; vhc, Jones; hc, Moorby. BUFF: 1, Taylor, fine, a gem; 2, Midgley, larger, well up, good style; 3, Humphries, A1 cl., grand qual., etc.; 4, Parr, good stand, fine neat shape. HEN: 1, vhc, Jones, capital buff, all out; 2, Tansey; 3, Humphries, both good and well posted; 4, Parr, drops tail a little. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, Blease and Son, very pretty type, etc.; 2, Summerton, good shape, beaten in wings. BUFF: 1, Astley, long, fine bloom; 2, Rev. Wragg, more subs., grand feather; 3, Blease and Son, rare head, very hot col., etc.; 4, Hopwood Bros., cobby, fine carr. TKD. YELL.: 1, Taylor Bros., grizzle saddle, fine shape, good feather, but rather soiled; 2, Spencer, nice shape, quality, col., and condition; 3, Blease and Son, dark variegd., smaller, grand col. and qual.; 4, Summerton, dark tail, smaller, but grand qual., type, and col.; vhc, Henson; hc, Parkinson; No. 4 absent, Wragg. TKD. BUFF: 1, Bardsley, fine type and well mealed; 2, Rev. Wragg, larger, dark back, A1 col., etc.; 3, Chilton, variegd, chubby type, A1 feather; 4, McKail, smaller, good shape and condition; vhc, Holland. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Ainsworth Bros., dark tail, grand bird; 2, McKail, variegd., rare substance, etc.; 3, Taylor Bros., good shape, dark variegd., smaller; 4, Astley, dark tail, good type, on small side; vhc, Hayward; hc, Spencer; c, Hopwood Bros. BUFF (10): 1, Spencer, medium size, fine shape and qual.; 2, Blease and Son, rare col. and type; 3, Robinson, smaller, grand qual.; 4, Chilton, very typical cl., larger, grand bloom and condition; vhc, Summerton; hc, Rev. Gaul; c, Taylor Bros. UNFLIG. YELL. (12): 1, Ainsworth Bros., special winner, grand bird all over; 2, 4, Blease and Son, fine subs., good head, neat carr., feather, and condition; 3, Rev. Gaul, fine body, beaten in head; vhc, Spencer; hc, Summerton; c, Bardsley. BUFF (12): 1, he, Buckley, tkd. nape, grand type and qual.; 2, Hayward, tkd. head, A1 col.; 3, Summerton, tkd. nape, fine shape, bloom, etc.; 4, Spencer, variegd., rare qual., shape, etc.; vhc, McKail; c, Rev. Gaul. HEN (9): 1, Bardsley, good even shape, nice size, col., qual., carr., and condition; 2, Holden, yell., beaten head, fine col. and qual.; 3, Spencer, very compact buff, A1 qual., might have split the yellows; 4, Rev. Gaul, variegd., cobby bird, bit soiled; vhc, Hopwood Bros.; hc, Henson; c, Buckley. BORD. YELL.: 1, 2, Long, cl., wins special, grand compact, well filled type, rare carr., etc.; 3, vhc, e, Colley, cl., smaller, fine contour; 4, Kinson, cl., small, but neat; he, Pease. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, Colley, leader best all round; 2, Kinson, nice gay type, bit of feather loose at sides. HEN: 1, vhc, Colley, grand cl. yell.; 2, Summerton, smart buff green, fine carr., level col. and bloom; 3, 4, Long, nice yell. green, and a tkd. buff, bit loose at thighs; hc, Pease. NOV. YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, Howard. TKD. YELL.: 1, Cheetham and Massey. TKD. BUFF: 1, Cheetham and Massey. YELL. HEN: 1, Cheetham and Massey. BUFF: 1, Howard. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Blease, wins special over this section, a gem. HEN: 1, Blease, all the above Yorkshires were above ordinary, only wanted more competitors. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, Hadfield, good cobby cl.; 2, Hunt, fine bold head, nice body and feather; 3, Coldbeck, thick set, heavy chest, beaten head. BUFF: 1, Howard, bouncing cl. buff. TKD. BUFF: 1, Darnley, variegd., A1 qual. and cond. YELL. HEN: 1, Darnley, grand size, etc., takes sp.; 2, Woods, smaller, good; 3, Howarth. BUFF: 1, Peters, pretty type and qual.; 2, Darnley, variegd., good shape and bloom; 3, Crabtree; 4, Thomas; vhc, Hadfield. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, Peters, good pair of clears, former best all over, 2nd beaten in head; 3, Greaves, good type and feather; 4, Howarth, variegd., grand col., etc.; vhc, he, Hadfield; c, Thomas. BUFF: 1, Hadfield, slashing big bird, fine head, clean through, good bloom and cond.; 2, Greaves, thick body, good col., only beaten in head; 3, Thomas, mkd. head, nice col., qual., and cond.; 4, c, Coldbeck, big, bit long sided; vhc, he, Salthouse. UNFLIG. HEN: 1, Darnley, fine variegd. bird; 2, Coldbeck, cl. yell., good head, silky feather; 3, Howarth, variegd. buff, good body, fine feather; 4, Salthouse, cl. yell., beaten in head; vhc, Thomas; hc, Wood. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, Blinston; 3, Greaves. GOLD.: 1, R. J. Metcalfe, good bird, nice blaze; 2, Harrison, large, big face, beaten col.; 3, Morgan, fine moons. BULLF.: 1, Harrison. GOLD. OR BULL., F.M.: 1, Gairn and Broadhurst, up to standard size Goldie, fine blaze, etc., to moult; 2, Morgan; 3, Oldham. LINNET: 1, 4, Metcalfe, 1st finest size, both good col., mkgs., and cond.; 2, hc, Oldham, rare mkgs. and good shape; 3, Fairhurst, fine big bird, nice marks, etc.; vhc, Astley. LINNET, F.M.: 1, Fairhurst, fine body, shape, good col., mkgs. and condition; 2, Beaning, nice col. and marks, smaller; 3, Oldham, small, nice bird; 4, vhc, Whittaker. GREEN: 1, Harrison, fine big buff; 2, Metcalfe, good col., smaller; 3, Smith, nice size; 4, Oldham. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Harrison, good all over; 2, Chilton, fine col., etc.; 3, Gavin and Broadhurst, big, broad bird, looser feather; 4, Morgan, smaller. TWITE, ETC.: 1, Metcalfe, fine Mealy Redpoll; 2, Harrison, nice Siskin; 3, Oldham, Twite; 4, Whittaker, good Mealy Redpoll DITTO, F.M.: 1, Oldham, nice Siskin; 2, Fairhurst, good Lesser Redpoll; 3, Oldham. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE: 1, Gavin and Broadhurst, fine bird, good col. and condition; 2, Fairhurst, smaller body, fine head and markings, etc.; 3, Moorby, paler and wilder, all Chaffinches. GOLD OR LINNET MULE: 1, Morgan, well fed yell. Gold-Can., in fine order; 2, Metcalfe, unfed Gold.-Can. DARK, ETC.: 1, 2, Metcalfe, 1st grand Linnet-Bull., takes sp. over Brit. and Hyb. section, 2nd nice Goldie-Bullie. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: 1, Oldham, very good Goldie-Bullie, the wording of schedule allowed British bird Hybrids to compete in both the last two classes; 2, Morgan, almost even mkd. Gold-Can., in grand order; 3, Lewis, foul tail Can.-Bull, in good order; 4, Metcalfe, lightly mkd., pale, buff Gold-Can. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, Whittaker, very good Snow Bunting; 2, Gavin and Broadhurst, big Yellow Bunting, wants moulting better in head markings. HEN: 1, 2, Oldham, very good Bullie and very nice Chaffinch; 3, Whittaker; 4, Chilton, both Bullies. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, Smith, good Grey Wagtail and nice Meadow Pipit, both well shown, in good condition. FOR.: 1, 2, Metcalf. NOV. GOLD.: 1, Walker, takes special over this section, a really good bird, fit for the open; 2, Holden; 3, Thornton; 4, Crabtree; vhc, Hope; hc, Timms, some of these better than the open. BULLF.: 1, Thornton, fine build, in the best condition; 2, Walker, good shape, bit wilder; 3, Barlow; 4, Crabtree. GOLD OR BULL., F.M.: 1, Schofield 2, Barlow; 3, Thornton; 4, Holden; vhc, Greaves. LINNET, H.M.: 1, Crabtree, very good for size, shape, col., markings, and condition; 2, Holden, nice shape and markings, grand condition; 2, Holden, nice shape and markings, grand condition; 3, Birch; 4, Walker; vhc, Timms. F.M.: 1, Thornton; 2, vhc, Schofield, latter best in class when wings are right, fine bold bird; 3, Birch; 4, Holden; all well selected. GREENF.: 1, 2, Jones, 1st largest; 2nd, grand colour, etc.; 3, Peters, beaten in wings. GREENF., F.M.: 1, Thornton; 2, Holden. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Schofield; 2, Jones; 3, Barlow; 4, Hope. TWITE, ETC.: 1, Oldham, very fine Mealy Redpoll; 2, Schofield, nice medium Twite; 3, 4, Jones, nice Siskin and M. Redpoll; vhc, Crabtree. TWITE, ETC., F.M.: 1, hc, Holden, fine Twite; 2, Silkener, very good Lesser Redpoll; 3, 4, Birch, Siskin and Lesser Redpoll; vhc, Hope; c, Thornton. CHAFF., ETC.: 1, Holden, very well spangled Bramble; 2, Birch, good Chaffinch; 3, Schofield; 4, Hope; vhc, Walker; hc, Monks, all Chaffinches. GOLD OR LINNET MULE: 1, 2, Hadfield, good-sized pair of buff Linnet Mules. A.O.V.: 1, Birch, good-feathered Siskin-Canary. A.O.S. HARDBILL: 1, Birch, really fine Reed Bunting in A1 condition; 2, Hunt, nice Snow Bunting; 3, Jones, Reed Bunting, just beaten to-day.

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Show held in the Mitre Hotel, Dec. 21, with a view to getting together the bird fanciers in Bishop Auckland, and from the way the show was patronised there would seem every possibility of having another show before long. Special prizes were given by Messrs. Elderton, Sant, Wood, A. Watson, and Miss Cunningham. The secretarial duties were ably carried out by Mr. Chambers, and the treasurer, Mr. Tees, Mitre Hotel. Mr. J. Atess judged, and his awards met with every approval.

NOR. CK.: 1, sp, 3, vhc, Parkin, leader cl. buff, A1 qual. cf feather, easy win; 3rd, self gr., rather long side to winner; 2, Button, cl. yell., good col., fails a bit in head and chest to winner. HEN: 1, sp, Chambers, grand yell., Shilton 2nd, 2, Crowther, cl. buff, not quite the qual. of leader; 3, W. Rutherford, variegated, buff, grand size, lacks tightness of feather. UNFLIG.: 1, sp, sp. for best in show, Rutherford, variegated, yell., shown in faultless condition, easy win; 2, Parkin, good colour and type, but fails in head to leader, 3, Chambers, saddle mkd., not nicely tcd; 4, Rutherford. YORKS: 1, 2, Crowther, cl. buff, A1 in qual., stand well on perch; 2nd, cl. yell., good bird, fails in neck to winner; 3, 1, Elliott, cl. buff, good bird, rather short in length to leaders. A.O.V.: 1, sp, 3, Hugill, grand Crest, well known; 3rd, green Plainhead, loses in head and body; 2, Rutherford, variegated, C.B., had to give way to leader, good head and body. BRIT. SMALL: 1, sp, 3, Parmaby, Goldfinch, very steady, good tan and blaze; 3rd, nice Chaffinch, very steady; 2, Rutherford, yell. Greenfinch, grand size, rather soft when judged; 4, vhc, Welch, Greenfinch and Linnet.

STOCKSBRIDGE.

Members' show, held Dec. 28th, at headquarters, the National Schoo.s, which are of good light, spacious, and cosy. Upwards of 90 birds were benched, amongst them some really choice specimens, birds that have done well at various shows this season. The society is not large, but is an enthusiastic one, a matter of 30 members all told being on the books. A very pleasing item to record is the very generous support tendered by the "natives" of the village. Many special prizes, besides capital donations in hard cash, poured in at very frequent intervals. The chairman, Mr. W. Moore, is the right man in the right place, and controls admirably, and at the same time is a true fancier. Hon. sec. and treas. is Mr. G. L. Sampson. One would find it most difficult to locate a more courteous and hard-working official. Committee, Messrs. W. Moore, R. Howe, S. R. Senior, T. Hoyle, A. Crapper, W. Hoyle, T. Birkhead, F. Hoyle, A. Oates, E. Oates, and F. Bainbridge. All are workers, and give of their best for the welfare of their society. One face we missed, that of Mr. H. E. Wilkinson (the pioneer of this society), now in far-away New Zealand, where he is doing capitally. The staging was very neatly carried out, and the management throughout excellent. In the open British Mr. R. D. Parlett won well with his noted Hawfinch. The special winners (members) are as follows: Best in show, best Unflig. Yorkie, best Yorkie, old bird, Mr. G. L. Sampson, with magnificent exhibits, staged in absolutely the highest possible trim, also 2nd best in show (same owner), all a credit. Best Unflig. Nor., best Nor., old bird, and hottest fed, Messrs. Howe and Senior, with splendid specimens, possessing true characteristics. Best Novice, Mr. Tattersall. Best Nat. Col. Nor., Mr. Watts. Yorkies, Messrs. A. and E. Oates. Judging was over in good time. Credit is due to the trio of able stewards, who practically and promptly officiated, these being Messrs. W. Hoyle, T. Hoyle, and W. Moore. Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) judged, and his pacings gave every satisfaction.

The Critique.

YELL. YORK. (3): 1, sp, 2, 3, Sampson, leader a very lengthy and upstanding cl., beautifully fed and clothed; 2, not the largest, full of character, very promising youngster; 3, well up, nice col. and feather. BUFF (4): 1, vhc, Sampson, cl., stands nicely, good back and wing carr., clever legs; 2, 3, Elliott, lovely salmon-tinged col., straight up, lengthy, stronger; 3, capital qual., good length, bit down in condition. YELL. HEN (3): 1, 2, Elliott, brace of charmers, 1st, mkd. wing, straight as a pencil, tight as a Java, clever legs, gem; 2, cl., full of col. and qual., A1 pos., close up; 3, Sampson, thigh tick, all there, but rather on the small side. BUFF (3): 1, 2, Elliott, couple of smart damsels, cl. and tkd. neck, both lovely feather, A1 position and length, winner best filled in neck; 3, Sampson, cl., rich col. and qual., neat expression of head, loses in style, age telling a bit. YELL. UNFLIG. (6): 1, sp, Sampson, mkd. head, stands like a Guardsman, feathered to perfection, lengthy, and on clever legs; 2, 3, Elliott, cl., fine long upstanding bird, good col., hardly so smooth in feather, yet a grand baby; 3, cl., red hot, lengthy, stands well, not tight; vhc, Watts. BUFF (7): 1, 2, vhc, Sampson, nice team, cl., good feather, fine outline, lengthy, and well on leg; 2, mkd. wings, smooth as wax, A1 position, capital back and wings, close up; 3, hc, Elliott, mkd. wing, good position, nice length, superb feather, not so close in texture; Nos. 1, 2, Elliott, abs. NAT. COL. (2): 1, 2, A. and E. Oates, cl. and var. respectively, nice feather, fair length and position. YELL. NOR. (9): 1, sp, 3, vhc, hc, Howe and Senior, a quartette of good ones, cl., fine subs. and shape, rare feather and col., grand carr.; 3, var., silky feather, good col., rattling body and wing carr., clean cut; 2, Bainbridge, cl., nice qual. and col., good shaped body, a little wanting in head and neck; c, Moore. BUFF (6): 1, sp, c, Howe and Senior, cl., shapely, A1 feather, ablaze, nice size, jaunty carr.; 2, 3, vhc, Bainbridge, var., well up in size, good col. and feather, nice head and neck, close up; 3, shapely, A1 quality, but not the col. or subs.; hc, Moore. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Bainbridge, var., smooth as glass, cobby, not of the biggest, but of the smartest; 2, Hoyle, var., again rather small, not quite so good in col. as 1st; 3, Tattersall, cl., rather too small for present-day requirements; No. 2, W.C. cock; No. 3, abs. BUFF (6): 1, Hoyle, cobby, cl., tight as a Java, good col. and meal, clean all through, bonny; 2, Tattersall, mkd. shoulder, very close up indeed, near on equal merit; 3, hc, c, Bainbridge, larger, not bad shape, but too free in feather; vhc, Moore. YELL. UNFLIG. (2): 1, Moore, mkd. head, red hot, good head and neck, nice chest, neat wing carr.; 2, Hoyle, shapely cl., nice size and qual., moves well, beaten little in col. BUFF (10): 1, Howe and Senior, bouncing cl., silky texture of feather, shapely, rattling stock bird; 2, c, Tattersall, cobby cl., clothed nicely, good carr., not subs. or col.; 3, vhc, hc, Bainbridge, mkd. head, ablaze in col., A1 feather, longer in barrel, flights, and tail. NAT. COL. (9): 1, Watts, var. yell., nice shape and qual.; 2, 3, vhc, Hoyle, cl. buff and var. yell. in the order, former shapely and of good feather, rather small; latter capital qual., nice head and neck, too lengthy in body, wings, and tail; hc, Moore. In this class four birds were passed as having been "too near the pepper-box." BRIT. (7): 1, 3, hc, Howe and Senior, good Goldie, with a lovely blaze leading, neat buttons and bars; 3, smart Linnet, well mkd.; 2, vhc, c, Watts, Chaff, in fair condition, good colour. OPEN: BRIT. HARD. (7): 1, 2, hc, Parlett, Hawfinch, magnificent shape and size, exquisite col. and qual., grand bib; 2, slashing Bramble, rattling ground co.., fine size and shape, distinctly and most prettily ticked, gem; 3, vhc, c, Falding, Corn Bunting, well up in size, possessing capital col. and moonings, staged delightfully.

CLITHEROE C.B.S.

Annual members' show, held in the National School, Dec. 14. Entries numbered 122, about the same as last year. The benching arrangements were admirable, and the judging was satisfactorily carried out by Mr. A. Hirst, Accrington. A silver cup, given by Dr. Barker, for the best unflighted bird, was won outright by Mr. L. Grainger. The cup carries with it a gold medal, given by the society. Mr. J. Barnes won the gold medal for the best old bird, and Mr. W. A. Demain medal for the best B.it. or For.; Mr. L. Grainger the special for the best 4th prize; and Mr. G. Bell for best vhc.; Speak Bros. for best bird shown by a member who has joined the society this year. CL. YELL.: 1, Barnes; 2, 4, Grainger; 3, Bell. BUFF: 1, Southworth; 2, Demain and Briggs; 3, Barnes; 4, Cook. MKD. YELL.: 1, 3, Grainger; 2, 4, Demain and Briggs. BUFF: 1, Barnes; 2, 3, Grainger; 4, Bell. YELL. HEN: 1, Bell; 2, Smith; 3, Demain and Briggs; 4, Grainger. BUFF: 1, Grainger; 2, Bell; 3, Demain and Briggs; 4, J. Cook and Son. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Grainger; 2, Barnes; 4, Demain. BUFF: 1, 4, Grainger; 2, Demain; 3, Bell. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, 3, Grainger; 2, 4, Barnes. BUFF: 1, 4, Grainger; 2, 3, Barnes. NAT. COL., CK.: 1, 2, Metcalf; 3, Coleman Bros. HEN: 1, 2, Speak Bros.; 3, Southworth; 4, Coleman Bros. A.O.V.: 1, Barnes; 2, Grainger. MULES OR HYB.: 1, Marsh; 2, Smith; 3, Demain and Briggs; 4, Wilkinson. GOLD OR BULLFINCH: 1, Wilkinson; 2, Demain; 3, Coleman Bros.; 4, Marsh. GREENF. OR LINNET: 1, 4, Marsh; 2, Wilkinson; 3, Coleman Bros. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Demain; 2, 3, Cook and Son. FOR.: 1, Wilkinson; 2, Demain and Briggs.

DALTON AND DISTRICT C.B.A.

Second annual show, held Dec. 14, in Market Street Hall, Dalton-in-Furness. There was a distinct improvement in the number of entries from last year, 113 birds being staged. The judging was efficiently performed by Mr. P. J. Davies, of Millom, whose awards were satisfactory to all concerned. The attendance was not worthy of the show, but the members are hopeful that their efforts will be more appreciated on the next occasion, as the improvement made in the various members' classes was commented upon by many of the friends of the Fancy who visited the show.

NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL., CK. (7): 1, sp, Falshaw; 2, 3, Park; vhc, hc, J. Phizacklea; c, Collins. BUFF (8): 1, 2, sp, Park; 3, Falshaw; vhc, W. Phizacklea; hc, Swindle; c, J. Phizacklea. HEN (10): 1, sp, Falshaw; 2, vhc, hc, J. Phizacklea; 3, W. Phizacklea; c, Swindle. YORKS., YELL., CL. OR TKD., CK. (8): 1, sp, Park; 2, Fenton; 3, vhc, c, Jackson; hc, J. Phizacklea. BUFF (10): 1, 3, sp, Fenton; 2, vhc, Jackson; hc, Stables; c, Jones. HEN (13): 1, 3, sp, Stables; 2, Jones; vhc Jackson; hc, J. Phizacklea; c, Fenton. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (4): 1, sp, Saul; 2, vhc, Jones; 3, Houldsworth. BUFF (4): 1, 3, vhc, sp, Jones; 2, Saul. HEN (7): 1, sp, Saul; 2, hc, Jones; 3, Houldsworth; vhc, c, J. Phizacklea. LINNET: 1, Lukey; 2, J. Phizacklea; 3, Collins. GOLDFINCH: 1, W. Phizacklea; 2, 3, J. Phizacklea. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Jones; 2, J. Phizacklea. CAN., UNFLIG. (7): 1, sp, Falshaw; 2, c, Jones; 3, Jackson; vhc, hc, J. Phizacklea. OPEN CLASSES: BORD. (9): 1, 3, Shackley; 2, McFarlane; vhc, hc, Hannah; c, Hudson. YORKS: Cancelled. A.O.V.: 1, Henderson, Yorks.; 2, vhc, Fleming, Scots Fancy; 3, Woodward, Nor.; hc, Wagstaff; c, McFarlane. BRIT.: 1, 2, Hudson, Goldfinch and Yellowhammer; vhc, McFarlane, Greenie.—F. Houldsworth, Sec.

HYDE AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Twentieth annual members' show, held Dec. 14 at St. George's School, Church Street, Hyde, which is a very good room for the purpose, being quite free from draught. The exhibits (135) were rather less than last year, but the quality was considerably improved. Bird and cage for winning admission ticket number was won by 395, the six free memberships being Nos. 302, 5, 120, 265, 131, and 331. Mr. J. Raynes, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, judged, and gave general satisfaction.

The Awards.

LANCS. COPPY: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc, N. Stansfield. PLAINHEAD: 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, sp, vhc, hc, N. Stansfield, No. 2 winning sp. for best bird in show. LIZARD, GOLD: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc, N. Stansfield. SILVER: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, sp, hc, N. Stansfield. NOR., CL. YELL., CK.: 1, T. Allsop, good col., grand feather, lovely carr., shade small; 2, T. Cambridge, a little down in col., good subs.; 3, Wrigley, big bouncer, rather clumsy to-day; 4, Fildes, close up; vhc, F. Barraclough, real hot one, wins Sandiford's medal, also best vhc. CL. BUFF: 1, c, Wrigley; 2, 3, A. Fildes; 4, hc, Barraclough; vhc, Allsop. TICK. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, sp, best yell. cock, 2, 3, Wrigley, a good trio, 1st his noted tkd. yell. BUFF: 1, 3, Wrigley, 1st his grand var. buff; 2, Allsop. YELL. HEN: 1, Allsop; 2, Barraclough; 3, Cambridge. BUFF: 1, sp, Barraclough, his noted tick buff, shade down to-day; 2, c, Wrigley; 3, Allsop; 4, hc, Cambridge; vhc, Fildes. UNFLIG. YELL., CK.: 1, 3, Wrigley, 1st well known cl., a stormer; 2, Allsop; 4, Shaw; vhc, c, Barraclough; hc, Fildes. BUFF: 1, sp, Wrigley, good shape, rich col.; 2, Cambridge; 3, vhc, Barraclough; 4, Shaw; hc, c, Fildes. YELL. HEN: 1, sp, 2, Wrigley, 1st cap mkd.; 2nd, good cl.; 3, hc, Barraclough; 4, vhc, Allsop; c, Shaw. BUFF: 1, Shaw; 2, Fildes; 3, Wrigley; 4, vhc, c, Barraclough; hc, Allsop. NAT. COL. YELL.: 1, sp, Wrigley; 2, Shaw; 3, Barraclough. BUFF: 1, Shaw. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Wrigley. LINNET: 1, 3, 4, vhc, Gavin and Broadhurst; 2, H. Worthington. GOLD OR BULLFINCH: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc, c, Gavin and Broadhurst; vhc, sp, Cambridge. BRAMBLEFINCH, ETC.: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc, Gavin and Broadhurst. A.S. SOFTBILL: 1, A. Bardsley. NOV. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, R. E. Anthony. BUFF.: 1, R. E. Anthony. YELL. HEN: 1, sp, P. Potts; 2, R. E. Anthony. BUFF: 1, Anthony. UNFLIG. YELL., CK.: 1, Anthony. BUFF: 1, Anthony. UNFLIG. YELL., HEN: 1, Anthony; 2, Potts. BUFF: 1, Anthony. FOR.: 1, Pair Zebra Finches, A. Bardsley; 2, Orange Bishop, Bardsley; 3, pair Golden-breasted Waxbills, Potts; 4, pair Orange-cheek Waxbills, Potts; vhc, sp, Yellow Budgerigar, Potts.

LEEDS.

Members' show held December 26th, in the St. George's School, which is of good light, spacious, nicely heated, and absolutely void of draughts. The entry was capital, upwards of 200 birds. Novice Yorks contained some well known winners, Messrs. Marshall Bros. claiming two nests with birds that captured the Ramsden's rose bowl and award merit at the recent L.C.B.A. show; both are "clinkers." Mr. E. Hattersley's white Canary, 3rd Bradford Nat., was scrutinised very fully by all present. Many valuable trophies were being competed for. Winners of these for most points throughout the year at the various shows, are as follow: Leeds cup, Messrs. W. A. Wilson (secretary) and L. Norton (treasurer) tied, 33 points each, and arranged, we believe, each to hold cup six months; Norwich gold medal, W. A. Wilson; Brit. ditto, J. Owen; Yorks. medal, E. C. Hall; Malcolm Kitchen Cup, best 1912 bred by member, H. J. Mennard, with a most promising cl. yell. Nor. Mr. E. Norton (treasurer) is a true fancier, and a proved asset. Mr. W. A. Wilson, the worthy sec., is the "right stuff," a capital controller, most courteous and obliging, full of experience, and master of his job. All the club shows have been under his guidance, and each has been a success financially. Mr. H. J. Mennard, chairman, is "one of the old school," known to a nicety how to manipulate matters, is a worker, and the "right metal" for this very important office. Staging was of a neat order, every bird could be seen at a glance. The Stewards, who are worthy of all praise, were Messrs. J. Chambers, E. Hattersley, and W. Marshall. Unfortunately, the weather no doubt kept many visitors away. Judging was over in good time, and the awards were well received. Mr. J. C. Barnes, Sheffield, adjudicated.

The Critique.

YORKS. YELL. (7): 1, Chew, mkd. neck, lovely outline, lengthy, full of qual., clever legs; 2, 3, hc, Hall, nice team, leader four-pointed, warm col., stands well, shade shorter; 3rd, mkd. wing, ablaze, lengthy, good position, hardly style; 4, Sykes; vhc, Norton; c, Baldwinson. BUFF (7): 1, 3, Hall, neat brace, 1st mkd. head and wing, smooth as a Java, straight as a pencil, very lengthy; 3rd, cl., very lengthy, well clothed, stands upright, stouter; 2, Farrar, cl., capital qual., nice position, good back, close up; vhc, c, Rhodes; hc, Sykes; 4, McDade. YELL. HEN (11): 1, 4, Norton, wonderfully lengthy cl., delightful position and feather, well on leg; 4th, slim and upstanding, silky feather, draws a little in neck; 2, Farrar, cl., neatly drawn, nice length, very promising, unflig.; 3, Sykes, cl., tight as a Java, good position, not the length; vhc, Hall; hc, Baldwinson; c, Chew. BUFF (11): 1, 2, Norton, bonny cl. leading, closely followed by a head mkd., both of A1 qual., type and character; 3, 4, Chew, cl., lovely col., well up, shade short; 4th, cinn. mkd. wings and eye, superb feather, nice position, not far away; vhc, Rhodes; hc, Hall; c, Farrar. YELL., 1912 BRED (9): 1, Chew, with a very smart and stylish cl., lengthy and leggy, should come out well; 2, Farrar, cl., shade more length, stands finely, hardly so good in neck, yet one we liked; 3, 4, Norton, both cl., former rare length, fine position, has a habit of crossing wings; 4th, full of col., superior feather, well up, worth its place; vhc, Rhodes; hc, Hall; c, McDade. BUFF (13): 1, Sykes, mkd. wings and eyes, smooth as a bottle, rare lengthy specimen, stands like a guardsman; 2, 4, c, Hall, mkd. wing, not a feather misplaced, grand type, just beaten in length; 4th, cl., rich col., stands grandly, washed out in neck or would have been higher up; 3, Norton, cl., nice position and length, well gowned, clever legs, not far behind; vhc, Farrar; hc, Baldwinson. YELL. NOR. (8): 1, Livingstone, mkd. head, short and thick, capital col., feather and subs.; 2, vhc, Moir, mkd. wing, hot as a stove, true type, good carr., not the size; 3, 4, Johnson, cl., nice qual. and col., well up in size, not quite so shapely; 4th, massive var., fair type, A1 qual., pale in colour; hc, Mennard; c, Wilson. BUFF (11): 1, 2, Wilson, both cl., former the Rotherham winner, looking well, rare size, shape, col., and feather; 2nd, beaten a little in subs. only; 3, hc, c, Mennard, well fed and well clothed cl., very shapely, not the size, yet good one; 4, vhc, Johnson, var., fine subs., nice feather, grand one for stock. YELL. HEN (7): 1, hc, Wilson, delightfully moulded cl., rich col. and qual., neat carr., charmer; 2, 3, Mennard, grandly clothed clears, former not quite so deep fronted as winner, latter shade longer in barrel, flights and tail; 4, Livingstone, mkd. tail, cobby, good col. and feather, promising; vhc, Moir; c, Hattersley. BUFF (12): 1, W. A. Wilson, cl., short and thick-set, smooth as a Java, moves gracefully; 2, 4, W. Wilson, mkd. wings and head, A1 feather, nice col., plenty of size, not so cobby; 4th, cl., good in qual. and col., rare size and shape, soft or would have been higher up; 3, Moir, cl., silky feather, rich col., capital body, wanting in head and neck; vhc, Mennard; hc, Johnson; c, Hattersley. UNFLIG. YELL. (6): 1, 4, Mennard, leading with a grand cl. of good subs., shape and col., A1 carr.; 4th, cl., nice col. and feather, neat head and neck, longer in barrel; 2, Moir, mkd. neck, ablaze, well clothed, shapely, not size; 3, vhc, Livingstone, var., good head and neck, bold fronted, crosses wings, tells against it; hc, Johnson. BUFF (10): 1, vhc, W. A. Wilson, cl., smooth as a bottle, delightful shape and col., very promising; 2, 3, Johnson, mkd. wing, better, good size and shape, not so good in texture quite; 3rd, var., shapely, A1 col. and feather, not so large; 4, hc, Mennard, mkd. wing and head, A1 qual., nice col.; c, Hall. A.O.V. (1): 1, Hattersley, white Canary, in lovely trim. LINNET (8): 1, 2, 4, Owen, fine trio, well up in size, rattling shape, qual., and col., profusely and distinctly penciled, 2nd, not quite so large, yet a gem, 4th, shapely, nice qual., not the markings or col.; 3, hc, Hattersley, nice shape and size, steady as a top, neat markings, not far away; c, Kay. GOLDIE, ETC. (12): 1, Hattersley, Bullie, fine shape and size, large and well cut cap, dense and bright, rich breast col.; 2, vhc, Owen, Goldie, capital shape and size, large and lovely blaze, pressed hard; 3, Waind, Bullie, not a feather wrong, not quite so bright in breast, yet bonny; 4, Gath, Goldie, shapely and of good col. and qual., not so large; hc, Middleton, c, Kay. REDPOLL, ETC. (9): 1, Hattersley, Mealy Redpoll, rare size and shape, A1 col., delightfully mkd.; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Owen, Twite and Lesser Redpoll, both full of merit and well staged, treat to observe; 4, c, Middleton, Mealy Redpoll, not quite the size or markings as 1st, still one we liked. A.O.V. (11): 1, 3, c, Hattersley, Whitethroat, magnificent form, grandly shown; 3rd, Bearded Tit, in the pink of condition and put down in style; 2, 4, Kay, Snow Bunting and Starling, both in wonderful form, credit to owner; vhc, hc, Owen. MULE (6): 1, Owen, very smartly shaped and good coloured Lin.-Can., A1 qual., wins; 2, Smithson, dark Gold.-Can., rich in col. and qual., nice face and good size; 3, Kay, Goldie-Greenie, in rare order, shapely, nice col. and feather; 4, vhc, Middleton, buff, dark Gold.-Can., nice shape and size, good col. and character; hc, Hattersley. NOV. YELL. YORKS. (13): 1, hc, Marshall Bros., cl., straight as a rush, capital feather, well on leg, wins; 2, Graham, cl., feathered to perfection, nice position and length, too proud to show correctly; 3, Ellis, cl., stands well, good col. and feather, beaten in expression of head; 4, Storey, cinn. var., nice feather and col., good length, hardly position; vhc, Reed and Longley; c, Chew. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Marshall Bros., cl. and mkd. eye respectively, leader a gem all over, and could win on many occasions in open competition; 2nd, good in feather, nice length and position, hardly the style; 3, Chew, mkd. wing and head, lengthy and well on leg, stands all right, bit free in feather around thighs to-day; 4, Reed, mkd. eye, straight up, well clothed, strong enough; vhc, Storey; hc, Oates; c, Storey. HEN (16): Grand class; 1, Storey, smart and full of nerve, cl. yell., lengthy, grand back and wing carr.; 2, vhc, Reed, cl. buff, smooth as wax, nice length and stand, clever legs, close up; 3, 4, Chew, yell. mkd. wings and eyes, and buff mkd. wing, full of character, and not far behind, in the pink; hc, Marshall Bros.; c, Oates. UNFLIG. (18): Rare lot; 1, Dennison, gem of a cl. buff, tight as a Java, should make a gem; 2, Beckwith, smart and stylish cl. yell., lengthy, well on leg, very promising; 3, c, Chew, cl. buff, true type, feathered grandly, not of the longest; 4, Gath, cl. yell., stands nicely, lengthy, not so tight in feather; vhc, Marshall Bros.; c, Chew.


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BUSH HILL PARK.

Annual show, held Dec. 28th, in the Avenue Hall, a place none too well lighted. The few classes provided were well filled. Norwich led the way with the best class seen here. The challenge cup for best in show was deservedly won outright by Mr. Salter, and the cup for second best went to Mr. Jauncey. The committee consists of many well-known fanciers, who one and all rendered capital assistance. Mr. Page was a very capable secretary, and had in Mr. Briars an able assistant. Mr. A. E. Enfield judged.

YORKS: 1, 2, 3, Jauncey, nice trio, winner, cl. yell., good length, narrow shoulders, nice wing carr. NOR. (12): Cup, 1, 2, 3, vhc, Salter, 1st, cl. yell., very level in col., good shape, neat head and tail; 2nd, yell. mkd. neck, nice qual. of feather, good head, trifle long in tail; 3rd, a rare shaped variegated yell.; res, Jauncey; vhc, Greenland, Jauncey. NON-FED: 1, 2, 3, res, Jauncey, nice team, well staged. PAIRS: sp, 1, 2, 3, Salter, all Crests and Crest-bred; leader, well dropped crest, matched to a good skulled hen, well browed, and plenty of feather; 2nd, crest trifle open in centre, but good size; res, Sexby, very good pair of Yorkies. GOLDIE, ETC.: 1, 2, 3, res, Briars, winner fine bold Greenie, fine level feather; sound col.; the remainder Bullies, 2nd best in size and cap. OTHER BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Briars, really good Redpoll, nice bib, clinker for markings and col.; 2nd, dense col., good markings; 3rd, Siskin, small bib, nice flank markings; res, Jauncey, capital Bramble.

PERCY MAIN AND DIST. C.B.S.

Fourth annual show, held in the Social Club, Dec. 21st. Entries were up to the usual standard, 174 in 22 classes, and some very good birds were on view. The show arrangements were ably carried out by Mr. Couchman, president, and a hard-working committee, composed of Messrs. Armstrong, Beckwith, Errington, and others. Mr. G. W. Keedy, the secretary, had everything well in hand, and is the right man for the position. Mr. Patterson won sp. for best bird in open members; Mr. Johnson sp. for most points in open classes. We are assured that the show will be a success. Mr. H. Seely, Choppington, was the judge, and his awards seemed to please all.

NOR. OLD CK.: 1, Armstrong; 2, 3, vhc, Couchman; 4, Keedy; hc, c, Little. HEN: 1, 3, Armstrong; 2, 4, vhc, Couchman; hc, Little; c, Anderson. 1912 CK.: 1, vhc, Armstrong; 2, 3, hc, Couchman; 4, Anderson. HEN: 1, 2, Couchman; 3, Armstrong; 4, Anderson. BORD., GREEN OR CINN., CK.: 1, 4, Little; 2, hc, Armstrong; 3, McDougal; vhc, Anderson; c, Gillender. HEN: 1, 3, Armstrong; 2, hc, c, Little; 4, Anderson; vhc, McDougal. BORD., EXCEPT. GREEN, CK.: 1, Armstrong; 2, 3, Couchman; 4, hc, c, Anderson; vhc, McDougal. HEN: 1, 3, Armstrong; 2, hc, c, Couchman; 4, vhc, Anderson. NAT. COL.: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Couchman; 3, Armstrong; 4, Gillender. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, 2, Couchman; 3, Beckwith; 4, Common; vhc Elliot; hc, Little; c, Keedy. LINNET, H.M.: 1 Little; 2, 4, Common; 3, Armstrong; vhc, Beckwith; hc, Couchman. F.M.: 1, 2, Eliot; 3, 4, vhc Common; hc, Beckwith; c, Armstrong. GREENF.: 1, Elliot; 2, Beckwith; 3, Couchman; 4, Armstrong, vhc, Common; hc, Keedy; c, Errington. GOLDF.: 1, Little; 2, Common; 3, Errington; 4, Gillander. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 4, Couchman; 2, hc, Common; 3, Eliot; vhc, Beckwith; c, Little. SOFTBILL: 1, Beckwith; 2, Common; 3, Couchman. MULE: 1, Anderson; 2, Armstrong; 3, Couchman; 4, Athy; vhc, Guy; hc, Common; c, Errington. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, Gillender. OPEN.—CAN.: 1, 2, Johnson; 3, Osborn; 4, Bell; vhc, Burns. LINNET: 1, 2, Patterson; 3, vhc, hc, Johnson; 4, Couchman; c, Pickering. MULE: 1, Sharp; 2, Patterson; 3, Kingdom.

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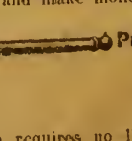
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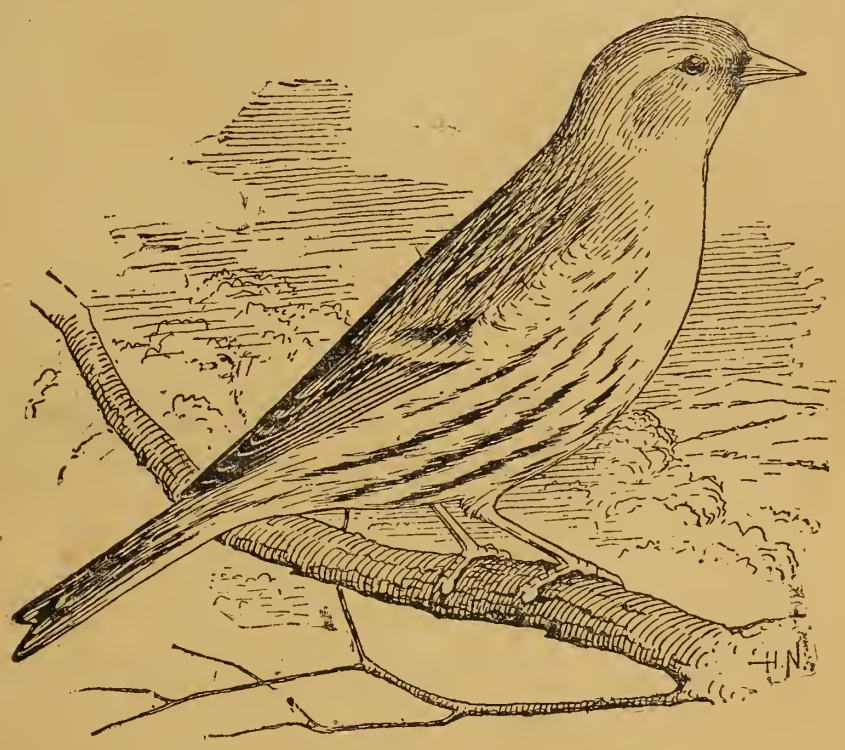
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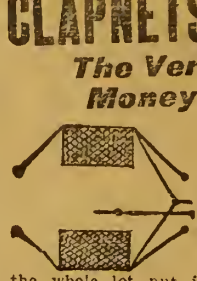
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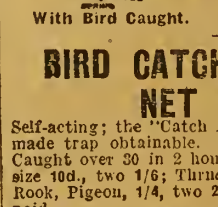


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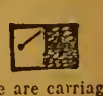
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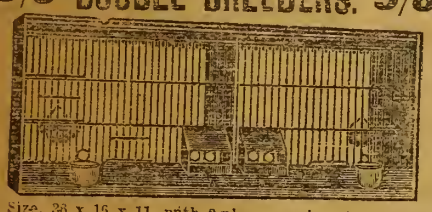
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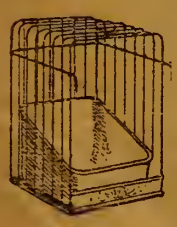
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A FEW clear yellow cocks from 7/6 each; also yellow hens from 4/-; related to my winners, see reports Plymouth, Cheltenham, Wimbledon, L.C.B.A., etc.: Pratt, Strand Dairy, Exmouth. (355)

PRIZE BRED Borders for sale, Palace stock, nothing above 15/-; greens and ticks; send for small list: 2 Norwich hens, 5/- each; yellow Siskin Mule, 10/6: Ferguson, Avondale-rd., Morecambe. (347)

BORDERS: The winning strain of greens. A few pair left; also odd yellow cocks, reasonable; see show reports of G.C.A. shows; approval: Thomas Parker, 102, South Woodbine-st., South Shields. (360)

W. BAYLEY has for disposal about twenty young birds, clears, marks and greens, selfs and fouls; all bred from my well-known winners: cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-; on approval: Fire Station, Altrincham. (354)

HENRY BENNET, Border Fancy, Aviaries, Kelso, winner of 41 firsts, silver cup, medals, etc., this season, offers reliable Borders from his champion strain, all colours, cocks 7/6 to 25/-, hens 4/- to 20/-; approval; stamp. (352)

WINNING Borders! For the chief show points of the Border Fancy Canary and how to develop them, see "Nutshell No. 23," 2½d. post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C., or 2d. from agents (list published frequently).

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Belgians.

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ALL my Belgians for disposal, several 1912 buff hens, also pairs; bargain to clear: Baker, Grove-rd., Chichester. (352)

FOR sale, 25 high-class Belgians, same strain as my cup winners: Lady Verhees, Grens, 56, Mortsel, Antwerpen. (241)

BELGIANS, three buff cocks, several yellow and buff hens, cheap; bargains; approval: F. Butts, 7, Well-st., Barnstaple. (353)

CHAMPION Belgians, 1912, yellow cocks and buff hens, for sale; prices reasonable; approval: Horrill, King Edward-st., Barnstaple. (352)

CHAMPION Belgians, few grand birds; sale: bred from my winners at leading shows; approval: Baker, 3, George's-aven., Yeo Vale, Barnstaple. (360)

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TWO good 1912 Buff Cinnamons, 1911, variegated buff cocks, Norwich type, 7/6 each; approval: Kearl, Woodstock, Ringwood, Hants. (351)

FOR sale, large buff cinnamon cock, Norwich type, winner 1st Haverhill, genuine bargain, 15/-: J. W. Challis, 36, Primrose Hill, Haverhill, Suffolk. (349)

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WANTED, pair of good Cinnamons (Norwich), exchange 1912 yellow cock and 1911 buff cock (Norwich), value £2, or sell 30/-: J. Garbutt, 8, Countess-st., Stockport. (355)

SEVERAL buff Cinnamons for sale, Norwich type, from winning strain, young birds, cold-room bred, in perfect health; stamp for reply: Brown, 15, Wembury Park-rd., Plymouth. (329)

GRAND pair, buff cock and yellow hen, 25/-; another pair, buff cock and yellow hen, 20/-; buff hen, 15/-; 2 buff hens, 10/- each; unflighted buff cock, 12/6; all Norwich type; approval, deposit: G. E. Bairstow, 4, Savile Parade, Halifax. (349)

Crests and Crestbreds.

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CLEAR dark head Crestbred cock, and clear dark Crested hen, 15/- pair: Cant, 30, Henslowe-rd., East Dulwich. (351)

CREST and Crestbred cinnamons for sale, or pairs, cheap: Boulter, 32, Palmerston-rd., West Hampstead, London. (349)

EXCHANGE, 1912 Crested and Crestbred cocks, for 1912 Crested and Crestbred hens: Harvey, Gordon Villas, Woodbridge. (361)

HIGH class Crests, Crest-breds, few for sale from 10/-, on approval: Alex. Onion, Sir Rowland Hill Hotel, Nottingham. (300)

CLEARING out, Crests and Crestbreds, cocks and hens, 10, 6 to 20/-; on approval: Mitchell, 30, Clepington-rd., Dundee. (353)

JOS. BROTHERTON, Rylstone, Park-st., Bolton, has still some useful stock birds for sale, yellows or buffs, reasonable. (363)

EVINS BROS.; a few Crests and Crestbreds for sale, bred from our winning strain; state wants: 259, High-st., Exeter. (344)

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CRESTBRED cock, in song, two Crested hens, 10/-; one variegated Yorkshire cock, 7/6: Stanton, Bootmaker, Wells, Somerset. (351)

CRESTBRED hen 25/-, ditto 10/-, ditto cock 20/-; exchange crested hen; yours first; approval: Turnbull, Lochend Cottage, Dunbar. (357)

DARK crest hen, massive crest, 40/-; two Crestbred cocks, 20/- each; not half value; approval: Adams, 40, Willey's-av., Exeter. (360)

TYPICAL dark variegated Crest-bred cock and buff wing marked dark crested hen, 15/-; bargain: W. Bale, 55, Newport-rd., Barnstaple. (352)

SOME cheap Crests and Crest-breds for sale; related to my winners at Scottish National: A, Widdowfield, Boldon Colliery, Durham. (357)

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NOTICE.—Several grand Crests and Crested Breds for show or breeding, prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (334)

CHAMPION Crests, crestbreds, 30 years' breeder, judge of 100 shows, have some grand birds for sale; reasonable; approval: T. Billington, Hambleton, Poulton-le-Fylde. (341)

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F. G. BALE, 66, Victoria-st., Barnstaple, offers 1912 stock pairs from 60/-; Crestbred cocks from 20/-; Crestbred hens from 60/-; bred same as my Bowl and Challenge Cup winners; stamp reply; approval. (335)

VARIEGATED Crest cock, green Crestbred hen, 1912, 25/- pair, related to winners; approval to known fanciers: Ed. Richardson, Waverley Terrace, Shildon. (362)

HAVING to reduce my stock of Crests, Crest-bred, I offer some good birds from 7/6, my own breeding cold room; approval: deposit: Tetin, 124, Chestnut-avenue, Forest Gate, Essex. (339)

CHARLIE ROBERTS, Stannahey, Newton Drive, Blackpool, the noted breeder, exporter: winner thousand prizes; has large feathery stock Crests Crestbreds, from 15/6; show birds reasonable; state wants. (357)

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Greens.

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FORTY green Norwich, in pairs or one lot, for sale; stamp for particulars: T. Ryno, 47, Toxteth-st., Liverpool. (354)

YORKSHIRE Greens, few for sale, single cocks from 15/-; pairs, 25/-: McDermott, 9, Maple Grove, Lodge Lane, Liverpool. (353)

OWING to the death of my father, all birds for sale, cheap; approval, stamp: Hughes, 6, Argyle-st., South, Birkenhead. (350)

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J. HAMER, 44, Hanson-st., Oldham, the well-known Lizard breeder, has a few good Gold cocks, 1911-12, for sale; hurry up, you fanciers, I have only a few left. (348)

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FIVE pairs of Norwich for sale, mostly young birds, from 15/6 pair; also five odd hens: Knight, 64, Chaplin-rd., Wembley, Middlesex. (355)

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NORWICH, best of blood, few pairs, cheap; also cocks, from 7/-; approval, deposit: Burkitt, 33, Waterway-st., Nottingham. (359)

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NORWICH pairs, grand birds, sure breeders, 12/6, cocks 8/-, hens 4/6, all healthy: Livingstone, 37, Gladstone-st., Loughborough. (349)

CANARIES for sale, good Norwich cocks in song, own breeding, 10/- each; cash; apply: F. Eagle, 11, Railway Approach, Twickenham. (352)

NORWICH, only two pairs, 1912 birds, for disposal; two yellow cocks, yellow hen and buff hen, 7/6 pair to clear: Wood, King-st., Alloa. (353)

THREE pairs 1912 Norwich Canaries, cocks full song cold-room, 7/6 pair, £1 1s. 6d. lot; approval: Robson, 20, Nile-rd., Gorleston-on-Sea. (350)

MR. SILK, Emsworth, Hants., has some grand Norwich for disposal; prices to suit all customers; from his challenge cup strain; approval. (335)

LIGHT exhibition Goldfinch Mule, can win, 10/-; exchange Buff Norwich hens; approval both ways: Curphey, Plumber, Douglas, Isle of Man. (356)

MONSTER buff cocks, 10/6; yellow and buff hens from 3/6; worth double; songsters, 6/-: Trevallion, 16, Higham-rd., Mount Pleasant, Tottenham. (352)

NORWICH cocks in full song, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-; hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-, clean and healthy; cash; approval: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester. (362)

1911 and 1912 cocks from 7/6: hens, 2/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval: A. Edwards, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Norwich: 54, Reigate-hill, Reigate. (332)

FIRST-CLASS cobby Norwich, Robson's strain, cocks 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 3/6; pairs, 12/6, 15/—T. Baxter 98, Dames-rd., Forest Gate, Essex. (361)

FOUR clear unflighted yellow cocks, 7/6; 2 ticked buffs, all Norwich, 6/6; 1 variegated yellow, 12/6, or offers for lot: T. Peters, 23, Dean-rd., Gorton. (357)

NORWICH, large unflighted yellow cock stock bird, wanted for cash, must have good head and neck; particulars: Brash, 1, Braid-place, Edinburgh. (356)

SOME grand Norwich Plainheads for sale, good type and quality; cocks from, 8/6; hens from, 5/-: Topping, 49, Cardigan-ter., Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (360)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich for show or song, sure winners; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (334)

WANTED, typical Buff Norwich hen, 1912 bird, fit to win; in exchange for two handreared cock Brown Linnets, both singing: Collinge, Bankside, Bacup. (355)

MR. WHENT must reduce his stock for breeding; offers clear yell cock, 1912, ticked buff hen, 12/6; 2 clear buff cocks, 8/6 each, worth 20/-; all on approval, cash or deposit.—Postmaster, Shoeburyness. (361)

PURE-BRED Norwich Canaries, cocks, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-; hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-, cold-room bred; if not fully satisfied, money returned: 134, Havelock-st., Leicester. (269)

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SEVERAL pairs splendid well bred Norwich, yellows and buffs, from 15/- pair, colour fed: Lawrence, 8, Gartmore Gardens, Goodmayes, Essex. Winner 30 prizes 1912. (349)

NORWICH, from my prize winners, 1911, 1912, hens 7/6, 10/-, 15/-; cocks 10/-, 15/-, 20/-, or pairs: approval willingly; Di Williams, 12, Roseyean-rd., Penzance, Cornwall. (335)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich Canaries; cocks, in full song, 4/-, 5/-, 6/- each; hens, same strain, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6 each; satisfaction guaranteed; Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester. (235)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich cocks, 4/6, 5/3, 6/-, 8/-; hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/3, 4/-, 5/-; guaranteed healthy, not suited money returned: Alfred Riley, Grocer, Lower Church Gate, Leicester. (358)

I HAVE still a few Plainheads left, all well bred. Have won two cups this season. Reasonable prices; can be seen after 6: A. Smith, 24, Balmore-rd., Possilpark, Glasgow. (351)

SEVERAL unflighted cocks for sale, good size and heads, bred from winners; seen by appointment; from 10/- each: Harris, 12, Hazlewood-lane, Palmers Green, London, N. (357)

BARGAINS, variegated yellow cock, cost £2; Iron's direct; sell £1; buff hen, cost £2; Thomas direct; sell £1; some 15/- each; approval: Wharton, 28, Birchwood-st., Lynn. (358)

THIRTY healthy Norwich hens, cold-room, ready for breeding, 3/- each; 11 large buff hens, 4/- each; cocks, full song, 8/6; approval: Roper, 134, Chester, Seven Kings, Essex. (348)

J. W. CHRISTON, New Kyo, Annfield Plain, will sell clear buff Norwich hen, 15/-; two yellow Norwich hens, one marked, other clear, 10/- each; good stock purposes. (365)

CLEAR buff cock, winner two 1st prizes, £1 10s.; grand lot stock birds from winners, cocks, 6/6 to 15/-; hens from 5/6; approval: W. Growdridge, 59, Clarendon-rd., Hinckley. (356)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, unflighted yellows, buffs; cocks from 10/-; hens from 5/-; few pairs, 12/6, colour fed cold room bred; approval: Chas. Makins, Palace Green, Berwick. (353)

YELLOW cock, winner 2nd, yellow cock, winner 3rd, buff cock, winner one 1st, two 2nds, buff tick hen, big winner, large buff stock hen, single or pairs; winner of cup for most points in Norwich also a cup for best bird in show; also medals, see show reports: Mr. James Morrice, 37, Tongate, Peterhead, Aberdeenshire. (359)

SIX pairs of large Norwich Plainheads, good stock birds from, 10/6 to 12/6 a pair; cold room bred; or what offers; deposit: Hately, Jesmond House, Queens-av., Kings Lynn. (353)

GREAT bargain, pair of prize-bred Norwich Plainheads, and 3ft. double breeder, and fittings (Reece's), sent on receipt of P.O. for 19/6: Spinner, 23, Leslie Park-rd., Croydon. (350)

A. HUMPHRIES can spare one or two good pairs of Norwich; also four buff cocks, 12/6 to 20/- each, same strain as my winners, see show reports; stamp: The Lodge, Acomb-rd., York. (353)

TWO large ticked yellow hens, 1911, 10/6 each; one yellow, 1912 cock and buff hen, 20/- pair; all prize winners; guaranteed, genuine bargain: Allen, 86, Upperthrift-st., Northampton. (356)

LOOK here: Four Norwich cocks, one Yorkshire hen, one German, one Norwich, deep yellows and marked, must sell, 25/- the lot: W. A. Norman, Barnard Green Cottage, Malvern. (355)

REAL good Norwich monster cocks and hens, show or stock, no better blood in the country, very reasonable; over 25 years breeder; approval: Hand, Meadow Lea, Albany Drive, Herne Bay. (353)

TWENTY unflighted Norwich cocks, own breeding, good size, colour fed, singing, cold-room bred, sell odd birds, £6 10/- the lot; approval, deposit: John Palmer, 3, Downing, Bulwell, Notts. (345)

ROBERTS, 39, Ossington-st., Bayswater; overstocked Norwich, half price, from winners, large thick set stock birds, good heads and feather; hens, 5/-; cocks, 7/6; inspection, approval. (237)

AT our Xmas show, with 19 birds, seven firsts, five seconds, three thirds, fourth; have some good stock birds for sale; state wants and price; approval: Irons, Ivy-rd., Northampton. (340)

NORWICH.—I have a few for sale, 2 yellows and 3 buff hens, 1 yellow and 3 buff cocks, all 1912; prominent winners at district shows, from 7/6 upwards: W. Clubb, 10, Bayne-st., Stirling. (360)

TYPICAL matched Norwich pairs, yellow cock, buff hen, 15/-; buff cock, yellow hen, 15/-; grand pair Greens, 12/-; buff marked cock, yellow hen, 12/6; all unflighted: Eddy, Bellevue, Penzance. (354)

A FEW surplus buff and yellow hens and cocks to dispose of, cold room, and from my winners; size and quality combined; stamp reply; approval: S. Ward, 21, Warwick-st., Pimlico, London. (349)

LARGE unflighted buff cocks, from winners: clear 10/-, wing marked 8/6, variegated 7/-; good yellow hen wanted, clear or marked, must be good; approval: Harrison, Ellenborough-pl., Maryport. (352)

SEVERAL grand stock Norwich for sale at reasonable prices, winners and related to winners; clears and variegated, hens from 5/-; cocks from 10/-; approval: A. Crawford, 14, Wilton-drive, Glasgow. (350)

WANTED, several real good large 1912 colour-fed Norwich Plainheads, must be large in head, full in neck, with short flights and tail; for prompt cash; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (361)

GOOD winning strain, clear and variegated buff and yellow hens, 3/6, 5/-, 7/6 each. I won 14 prizes with 16 entries at last two Norwich open shows; approval, cash or deposit: Brown, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (352)

WINNERS.—Massive variegated yellow cock, 60/-; clear buff hen, 30/-; massive clear buff cock, 60/-; all are genuine winners in open competition; approval willingly: Muscott, Derw Villa, Llandrindod Wells. (363)

CHAMPION Norwich, 30 years breeder, judge of over 100 shows, have sold as many winners as any fancier; some grand birds to part with, reasonable; approval: T. Billington, Hambleton, Poulton-le-Fylde. (341)

LARGE yellow Norwich cock, 2nd Annan; marked buff hen, 35/-; yellow unflighted cock, buff marked hen, £1; others cheap; see wins. Paisley, Haltwhistle, Stoke, Carlisle: Bell, 35, Clementina-terr., Carlisle. (358)

CHAMPION large Norwich, same strain as the winners at all leading shows, cocks 7/6, hens 4/6, 10/6, 15/6 per pair; sure winners, 15/6 each; no rubbish; all ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (352)

H. E. HEDGES, 46, Greys-rd., Eastbourne, has few pairs Norwich, cheap to clear, 10/6 pair; few odd cocks, Crested, Plainheads, from 7/6 each; cock Goldlee, 5/6, 8/6 each; Mulers, Goldfinch Mules, 7/6; cash or deposit. (361)

15 Norwich Plainhead hens, yellows and buffs, mostly unflighted, plenty of size, grand stock birds; also a few yellow and buff cocks, monsters; prices from 5/-; inspection invited; approval: S. P. Lackey, Bothal, Morpeth. (357)

FRANK COLE, 51, Melbourne Grove, East Dulwich; surplus hens, 5/- to 15/-; cocks, 7/6 to 15/-; bred as winners, Clapham, Bromley, Wimbledon, Dulwich, and Peckham; the pair L.C.B.A., 20/-; inspection invited. (349)

D. SHEARER, Thurso, has some grand winning buffs, hens and cocks, clear or variegated, cheap, from 7/6 to 20/-, worth easy double; one pair cinnamons, winners, 25/-; or exchange large young yellow cock; approval. (347)

CHARLIE ROBERTS, Stannahey, Newton Drive, Blackpool, noted strain winning Norwich, has birds to suit all fanciers at home and abroad from 15/6 pairs, single birds from 10/6, show birds from 30/-; state wants; approval. (357)

YELLOW Norwich cocks and hens, grand lot of stock birds, 1911 and 1912 birds: hens from 7/6; cocks, 10/- to 30/-; buffs equally cheap; bred from the best, own breeding, colour-fed; approval: Hudson, 117a, Gibbet-st., Halifax. (364)

SMITH'S noted Norwich. Best of blood, see report this week, Annfield Plain, also Morpeth, Newcastle, Blaydon, Derwent Valley, Alnwick, Gateshead; exhibition and stock birds, reasonable; approval; stamp: 6, Lincoln-st., Gateshead-on-Tyne. (353)

THREE pairs, yellow cock, buff hen; three pairs, buff cock, yellow hen, matched as though for own breeding, 15/- pair; approval, preference fanciers; have same for disposal in Yorkshires: Edwin Lloyd, French and Italian Warehouse, Bridge-st., Chester. (359)

I HAVE a few pairs to go cheap; also a few good hens; pairs from 12/6 to 20/-, worth quite double; hens from 5/- to 20/-, same blood as my unflighted buff claimed at Manchester show for ten guineas; approval: W. Whetstone, 3, Parker-st., Leek, Staffs. (351)

BARGAINS, must have room. Two monster heavy var. buff cocks, 25/- each, one unflighted; clear buff model, 20/-; grand clear yellow, 25/-; massive buff var. hen, topper, 30/-; heavy var. yellow, real beauty, 30/-; others from 10/-; all big headed stonning birds, worth double, deposit: Moore, 158, Gordon-rd., Nottingham. (355)

W. ORDISH, 31, Irving-st., Leigh, Lancs. Three grand pairs of Norwich, cheap to clear; yellow cock and buff hen; two buff cocks and two yellow hens, 15/- a pair; cocks worth more; winning strain; cold-room bred and kept; approval with pleasure; good chance for novice or beginner. (3/9)

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TICKED yellow cock, 1st prize Kendal, Dec. 26, 15/-; clear yellow cock, 12/-; two clear yellow cocks, unlighted, 8/6 and 7/6; buff cock, wing marked, 8/6; ticked yellow cock, natural colour, 3rd at Kendal, 10/-; approval; the above are all clean, healthy birds: Dickinson, Hillside-villa, Kendal. (360)

TO make room for breeding I must sell clear buff hen, grand stock bird, 1911, 7/6; 2 clear yell hens, 7/6 each, 1911, good feeders; 1 grizzle-capped buff, 7/6, 1912; 1 marked yell. hen, 1 clear yell., 3 good buff hens, bred from stock that cost me pounds; all on approval, cash or deposit: Whent, Postmaster, Shoeburyness. (361)

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CHAMPION Norwich: Correctly matched pairs of high-class Norwich Plainheads, 12/6, 15/-, 21/-, 25/-, 30/-, and 42/- a pair; these are matched to produce size, type, and quality, and are bred from the best blood in the Fancy; any of these offered are honestly worth double the prices asked; rare chance for beginners; all cold-room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (351)

MONSTER exhibition buff cock, immense size, grand colour, type, and quality, feathered like silk, grand depth of chest, sure winner in good company, only 45/-, honestly worth £5 for stock alone; also massive exhibition yellow cock, large head and full neck, grand substance of body, rare type and quality, sure winner, only 42/-, honestly worth double; also grand exhibition yellow hen, large head and neck, deep chest lovely colour, type, and quality, certain winner, only 30/-, recently cost £3; also extra choice exhibition buff hen, real model for type and quality, feathered like silk, perfect gem, win anywhere, only 25/-, simply given away; also several other monster exhibition yellow and buff cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/-, to £4 each; massive exhibition yellow and buff hens, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/-, to £3 each, including many winners; many unsolicited testimonials received from the leading breeders and exhibitors, and for size, type, and quality I defy competition; state your requirements fully, and I will guarantee to give you the fullest satisfaction; all cold-room bred; approval: Leonard Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (351)

NORWICH

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CHAMPION NORWICH

I have a number of good Norwich for sale as I have decided to reduce my stock, not having time to attend to them; four yellow cocks, three buff cocks, 10 yellow hens and 12 buff hens; will sell cheap to clear quickly; approval, state wants: A. Pickles, Post Office, Wadsworth, Hebden Bridge. (356)

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HIGH-CLASS Seifert Roller hens, 1911 and 1912 birds, 3s. each, four 10s.: Dew, 41, Leicester-rd., Lewes. (358)

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TWENTY-FIVE high-class Roller Canaries, cocks 6/-, 7/-, and 8/-; hens, 2/- each: Craven, 80, Freehold-st., Leeds. (347)

FOURTEEN Seifert Roller hens, grand condition, 2/6 each; cocks, 6/- each: Cutforth, Hairdresser, Oakham, Rutland. (351)

SEIFERT Rollers, full rolling song, 6/6 to 10/6; hens, 2/-, 2/6; cold-room bred; approval: Hitch, 65, Stafford-st., Walsall. (334)

SEIFERT Rollers, 4/6; hens, 1/9; 1911 cocks, 5/6, full song; approval, deposit: John Robinson, 33, Avenham-rd., Preston. (353)

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MAWHOOD'S Water Glucke Rollers: Cocks 7/6, 10/-, upwards; hens, 3/6; B.R.C.C. rung; approval: 284, Burnley-road, Colne, Lancs. (332)

ROLLERS, Seifert preferred; exchange aquariums (two), one with tap, sell 8s. 6d. each.—Robinson, 141, Great Hampton Row, Birmingham. (350)

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CANARIES, Rollers, many changes of notes, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-; approval: Miss Hughes, 7, Wembrook-rd., Wem, Salop. Stamp reply. (350)

GOOD Roller Canary cocks and hens, for sale, Lancashire breed, price from 10/- to £1; hens, 4/- each: Richardson, 20, Blyby-st., Brigg, Lincolnshire. (345)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke Rollers, cold-room bred, cocks 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens 2/-, 2/6; 7 days' approval, cash or deposit: J. Lloyd, 110, Greatyd-rd., Crewe. (325)

CLEARING out, 12 pairs Seifert Rollers, B.R.C.C., mostly rung, bargains, 8/6 pair, or 6/6 cocks, 2/ hens; approval: Chapman, Church-rd., Northwood. (356)

SEIFERT and Glucke Rollers, contest strains, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/-, 2/6; cold-room bred; 7 days' approval, deposit: H. Nickless, 59, Mill-st., Crewe. (359)

WATER Glucke and Glucke Rollers, good birds at reasonable prices; call and hear them; cocks, 10/- upwards; hens, 5/-: Best, 5, Alma-pl., Beckett-st., Leeds. (362)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, winning strain, 1912, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 15/-, 20/-, 25/- each; hens, 5/-; approval, cash or deposit: W. Evans, Patent Slip, Llanelly. (347)

NOTICE, several grand St. Andreasburg Rollers, cocks, day and gaslight songsters, 15/-; approval; easy payments taken: McKeand, Scabright, Castle Douglas. (334)

SIX Roller cocks, 7/6; 4 ditto, 5/6; 10 hens, 2/- each; all healthy; exchange joiners' tools, cages, utensils, cheap: Ed. Ashmore, Bury Lane, Brinscall, nr. Chorley. (345)

CONTEST Rollers (Best's strain), excellent songsters, hardy, cocks 7/6, 10/-; hens, 4/-; pairs, 10/6 upwards; approval; particulars: Squire Gommersall, Birstall, Leeds. (310)

SEIFERT Rollers, few first-class 1912 cocks, strong, healthy birds, in full song, 15/- each; approval, useful exchange; member B.R.C.C.—Dobby, Coachbuilder, Redcar. (352)

TO clear, three dozen hens, at 2/6 each, and two dozen cocks, at 7/6 each, all pure Seifert Rollers, of the best strain, schoolmasters, 15/-: Smith, 52, Bachelor-st., Hull. (353)

THREE 1912 B.R.C.C. rung Rollers, bred from my winners of 5 cups, 12 medals, etc., 15/-, 20/-, one 25/-, fit for contest; exchange anything: A. Harper, 2, Cooper-st., Bilston, Staffs. (360)

GERMAN Roller Canaries, cold-room English bred, parents and young ones for sale; cocks from 7/6; inspection invited; travelling cages, 3d. extra: J. Hardman, 25, Withington-st., Broad-st., Pendleton. (351)

FOR sale, few pairs of high-class Rollers, have won this season third and spl. Wakefield, 6th and spl. Wolverhampton, he Leeds; pairs, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-; B.R.C.C. rung; approval, deposit: Morris, 38, Dale-st., Wrexham. (351)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert Rollers, own bred, 1912 B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, 7/6; some grand songsters, with variety of tours, 12/6 and 15/6; hens, same strain, 4/6 and 7/6; approval: Gooding, 14, St. Mary's-rd., Bayswater. (362)

WATER glucke hens 5/- each; sire has beautiful hollow roll, water glucke, sweet flute notes; cocks, 15/- each; all wearing closed club ring; cold room bred; approval; deposit: A. Atherton, member Roller Club, 123, Marsh-lane, Preston. (341)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, strong healthy birds, British Roller Canary Club rung, bred from birds of cup-winning strain and related to my medal winner of last season, cocks 15/-, 20/-, 25/-; hens, 6/-; approval, enquiries invited: Maddock, The Knoll, Sutton-on-Sea, Lincolnshire. (246)

WINS this season, Wolverhampton, 6th, c, special for best water glucke, 84 in class, young bird, novice, Wimbledon, vhc, c, c; Wakefield, hc, hc; Grimsby, 1st, 2nd, special for best rung bird, and special for most points; cocks, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-; hens, 5/, 7/6 each: approval: Harrison, Fruiterer, Bradmore, Wolverhampton. (349)

BRED and trained by prizewinners: Have a few good deep-toned cocks left at 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each, pure Randall and Roehl strain; hens, same blood, kept in cold room, 4/-, 7/6 couple; don't pay any more, you can't get better; 7 days' approval, "Cage Birds" deposit: Etherington, 226, Fletcher-rd., Preston. (356)

IT has been said that the Roller Canary is THE coming variety. It is a very popular one anyway, and those who wish to get nearest the standard should not be without "Nutshell No. 10." This can be had from our agents for 2d. (see list published frequently), or direct 2½d., post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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PAXTON SLADE, B.R.C.C.

33, St. Mary's-rd., Ilford, E. (361)

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ORMSKIRK ROAD, PRESTON. (348)



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Owing to ill-health, Mr. A. G. Pattison, late of Gravesend, has disposed of all his Rollers to Mr. A. Chillcott, of 151, Southavenue, Southend. Most of the 1912 birds are bred from two £5 cocks, bought direct from Mr. Randall; these are bred from the champion cock claimed at club show by Dr. Read at £10. A few of these grand birds for disposal at reasonable prices; enquiries solicited. Some good stock cocks for sale from 12/6. (204)

YEAR BY YEAR

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W. GORE, 131, GOOCH ST., BIRMINGHAM

Scotch Fancies.

FOR good Scotch Fancies see my list: Rudd.

YELLOW pie cock, buff pie cock, buff green cock, buff hen: Thom, Myrtle-aven., Lenzie. (356)

SCOTCH Fancies, 5 young buff hens, £1 upwards; approval: Gardiner, Teindhill Green, Duns. (357)

THREE hens for sale, buff, buff pied and yellow pied, cheap to clear: Suddons, 8, Hannay-st., Paisley. (330)

Big business for breeders of Scotch Fancies. How to secure it for the smallest possible outlay. See page

FOR sale Scotch Fancy Canaries, cocks and hens, prize winners: Wm. Edgar, 76, Queensberry-st., Dumfries. (360)

LOVELY yellow cock, £2; buff cocks, £1, pairs 35/-; good birds: Miss M. Walker, 56, Queen's-rd., Wimbledon. (290)

YELLOW green cock, good size, stylish, 30/-; big, round, pied hen, 25/-, 1912, approval: Marshall, Bridgend, Duns. (354)

TWO young Scotch Fancy cocks, 60/- each; young buff hens, 15/- each: James Strachan, 30, Manle-st., Arbroath. (361)

SCOTCH Fancies, cocks and hens, good stock birds; no approval, seen by appointment: Hunter, 7, Canal-st., Johnstone. (319)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, cocks and hens, all colours, also some common cocks: Orr, 129, Peters-hill-rd., Glasgow. (300)

20 GOOD Canaries, mostly Scotch Fancies, 4/6 each, taking the lot; owner deceased: Executor, 1, Currie-st., Duns. (360)

SIX buff pied hens, three yellow-green cocks, one yellow pied hen, removing, clear cheap: Struthers, 21, Well-st., Paisley. (356)

SCOTCH Fancies; six yellow hens, six buff hens, four yellow cocks, six buff cocks: Keary, 55, Flemington-by-Cambuslang. (344)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, yellow and pied cocks, yellow hen, buff and buff pied and green hens: Hugh Moore, 21, Kelburn-st., Barrhead. (357)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale one yellow pied, one buff pied, two buff cocks, two buff pied hens, good stylish birds; reasonable: Rodger, 29, Thornville-ter., Leith. (352)

SCOTCH Fancies, cocks and hens, all colours, flight, breeding, singing and show cages; also carrying boxes; lot or single; seen any time; stamped reply: Fernie, 28 and 32, Moorpark, Renfrew. (354)

FEW Scotch Fancies for disposal, containing the best of blood, some related to my Scottish National winners last week, prices reasonable; approval (yellow cocks all sold).—Lugton, Botany Cottage, Galashiels. (350)

HIGH-CLASS Scotch Fancies for sale. The whole stock of the late John Newbigging, Duns., which consists of the best blood in the Fancy, either single or pairs, list with prices on application with stamp to: John Pringle, 2, West Port, Selkirk. (358)

CHEAP Scotch Fancies, see Newcastle, Carlisle, and Cardiff show reports; unrelated pairs, yellow cock, buff pied hen, 1911, 70/-; clear buff cock, foul yellow hen, 1911, 60/-; foul buff cock, clear yellow hen, 1912, 40/-; also two yellow cocks, 1911, 25/- each; these are bred by myself and related to my winners; approval anywhere on receipt of deposit note: Jas. S. Fleming, 11, York-st., Barrow-in-Furness. (357)

Yorkshires.

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SLIM Yorkshire cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/6: Fromant, 240, Woolwich-rd., Charlton. (363)

FOR sale, four Yorkshire cocks, fine hens, for 35/-, or offer: Bewley, 2, Walton-lane, Liverpool. (354)

ONE cock, 2 hens, 1911; 2, cocks, 1912, lovely birds, show, £2: Mrs. Soames, Lyneroft, Bromley. (354)

FOR sale, two unflighted buff Yorkshire hens, 6/- the two: Gilson, Rutwell Court, Lympstone, Devon. (359)

FANCIERS wanting to improve their stock communicate: Cheshire, 26, Crawford-st., Bradford. (342)

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FIVE good pairs Yorkshires, bred from my winners. 12/6 pair, or 50/- lot, a bargain: Barfe, Pateley Bridge. (359)

YORKSHIRE cocks from 7/6, one hen 5/6, good stock birds; seen any day: Poulson, 170, East-st., Walworth. (336)

GOOD unflighted Yorkshire cocks, colour fed, 6/6; hens, 3/6; seen any time: Burton, 126, Lee-rd., Blackheath, S.E. (356)

10/- and 2 buff Yorkshire cocks, for 3 hens and 7in. cock, 1912: Jackson, Kershaw-lane, Audenshaw, Manchester. (358)

FOUR grand, healthy, deep yellow Yorkshire cocks, natural colour, 7 - each: W. Lucas, 134, Sixth-aven., Manor Park, E. (350)

TYPICAL Yorkshire cocks from 6/6; hens from 3/6; inspection invited: T. Keegan, 6, York-st., Barton-hill, Bristol. (260)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, 10/6 pair; cocks, guaranteed singing, 7/6 each; hens, 3/6: Fallows, 96, Ben Jonson-rd., Stepney. (336)

FOUR yellow and 5 buff Yorkshires, from my winners; approval willingly: W. Taylor, 186, Old Road W., Gravesend, Kent. (349)

SIX grand Yorkshire cocks, good stock birds, yellows, buffs, and ticked, cheap, for cash: Seeney, 24, Padiham-rd., Burnley. (360)

YORKSHIRES, clear and variegated, cocks in full song, 7/6, hens 3 - each: Barretts, Post Office, Stepney High-st., London, E. (348)

LOOK, 10 pairs coldroom-bred Yorkshires, 7/6 pair, 65/- lot; approval, deposit, cash: Wilson, 7, Keighley-rd., Silsden, Yorkshire. (357)

NOTICE, grand lot Yorkshires for show or song, many winners, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (349)



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THIRTY Yorkshire hens, 1911 and 1912 bred, 3/6 each or offer for lot; seen by appointment: Whitby, 31, Therapia-rd., Honor Oak. (349)

A FEW Yorkshires for sale, cocks from 6/-, hens from 3/6; approval, inspection invited: Stobart, 26, Bairstow-lane, Sowerby Bridge. (355)

HALF-DOZEN clear young Yorkshire cocks, guaranteed in full song, 5/6 each; ticked Norwich ditto, 5/-: Hallam, 19, Railway-st., York. (356)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, winning strain, cocks 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, hens 4/-; good stock pair, 20/-: R. Baxter, 98, Dames-rd., Forest Gate, Essex. (361)

CHAMPION yellow marked and clear buff Yorkshire cocks, unflighted, 10/6 each; worth 30/-; winners: Perry, Gladstone-st., Winsford. (356)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, cocks from 5/6, hens from 3/6; pairs from 8/6; carriage paid, deposit: S. B. King, Mytholm, Hebden Bridge. (352)

SOME rattling Yorkshires for sale, inspection Saturday afternoon, Sunday: J. Burton, 50, Mulgrave-rd., Dollis Hill. (New address.) (346)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, rare quality, length, condition, cocks 10/-; hens 5/- upwards; actual winners cheap: James Thomas, Bugle, Cornwall. (355)

CAN spare grand slim yellow Yorkshire cock, standard length, 12/6; slashing buff hen, 7/6; T. Weedall, 82, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (365)

SIX typical Yorkshire cocks, four hens, cock Goldfinch (mule breeders), h.m. Bullfinch, 50/- lot, or separate: Snell, Rea Barn, Brixham, Devon. (355)

FOR sale, six pairs Yorkshires, cocks 5/-, hens 3/-; 7/- pair; guaranteed good, long, healthy birds, cocks in full song: J. Bower, 25, Park-grove, Keighley. (355)

YELLOW ticked winner, 10/-; buff marked, 6/6, cocks, honestly worth double; large Welsh Goldfinch, 4/-, 1912 birds: Rogers, Afonwen, Flintshire. (348)

COLDROOM cocks from 7/6, hens from 5/-; long, stylish birds, bred from winners, Clapham, Wandsworth, etc.; approval: Hall, 134, Branksome-rd., Brixton. (350)

A FEW typical birds, cocks and hens, to spare, related to my winners Clapham, Plymouth, L.C.B.A., and North London.—Penton, 1, Commercial-st., E. (349)

YORKSHIRES, few pairs cheap, grand unflighted buff cock, winner members' shows, 10/-; others equally cheap; approval: McLoughlin, Rawfolds, Cleckheaton, Yorks. (359)

YORKSHIRES, my well-known strain, from 15/- pair; some grand buff hens and cocks; inspection invited; approval: Rorke, 50, Ringmer-aven., Munster-rd., Fulham. (342)

YORKSHIRES; good healthy birds, well-known strain; cocks, yellow or buff, from 7/6; hens from 4/6; seen any time: Smith, Secretary C.B.S., 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (344)

CLEARING out Yorkshires; 3 pairs 12/6 pair, including 1st, vhc at Carlisle; 2 Border cocks, 1 hen, 8/6 lot; 3 Yorkshire hens, 5/- lot; all healthy: Bell, 35, Clementina-terr., Carlisle. (358)

FIFTY cold-room Yorkshires, from 7/6 pair, bred from Palace winners, colour-fed, grand quality, healthy and in condition, seen any evening; approval: Grindell, 7, St. James', New Cross. (356)

NOW'S your chance to secure some of the best Yorkshires for stock or show, many winners amongst them; see show reports; must dispose immediately; state wants: Park, 9, Cambridge-st., Millom. (361)

JUDSON'S high-class Yorkshires, splendid type and quality; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6 upwards; pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; approval, carriage paid: Tobacconist, Market-st., Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (360)

FIFTY good Yorkshires, some fit to show, long, stylish cocks, 7/-, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-; good typical hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/6, 7/6; inspection invited; approval: Whiting, Ravensbury, Morden-rd, Mitcham, Surrey. (352)

MR. SILK, Emsworth, Hants, has some green Yorkshire hens, yellows and buffs, fit for keen competition, from his challenge cup winners, also cocks, some good winners amongst them, cheap, approval. (362)



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before have I possessed such a remarkable collection of Yorkshires, either in quality or quantity, including a lot of magnificent hens. You can only judge of the huge bargains by seeing them at the prices asked. Have any on approval. Inspection cordially invited by appointment to test the fact. Prices not enhanced, and I guarantee every purchaser the best value in this variety to be obtained in Great Britain. Remember, I reserve none. Show birds, therefore, at nominal prices—not being an advertising, exhibiting "pot-hunter." **Cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-. Hens, 2/6, 3/6, 4/-, 4/6, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-. Pairs, matched for breeding, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- upwards. Cages 3d.**

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JOHNNY PRIESTLEY'S Yorkshires, bred same as my winners at all the leading shows; few pairs, 10/6 to clear; cocks worth money; offers wanted; first Postal Order gets them: 258, Hanson-lane, Halifax. (Q)

YORKSHIRES, bred from my noted winners at Crystal Palace, Yorkshire Union, and other leading shows; cocks from 5/6, hens from 3/6 upwards; on approval: Rigg, Grove House, Mytholmroyd, Yorkshire. (362)

YORKSHIRES (challenge cup 1912), full of quality and type, cocks 5/6, 7/-, 9/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 4/6, 7/6; pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6 upwards; approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (351)

YORKSHIRES, yellow Cinnamon blood cock, well bred, upstanding, prize-winner, buff, unflighted, Cinnamon marked, stylish hen, 18/6, healthy, tight in feather cheap at 30/-: Goldsmith, Stationer, Maidenhead. (350)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, splendid length, type, and quality; first-class stock pairs cheap; cocks from 5/-, hens from 3/-, pairs 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colne-rd., Crosshills, Keighley. (333)

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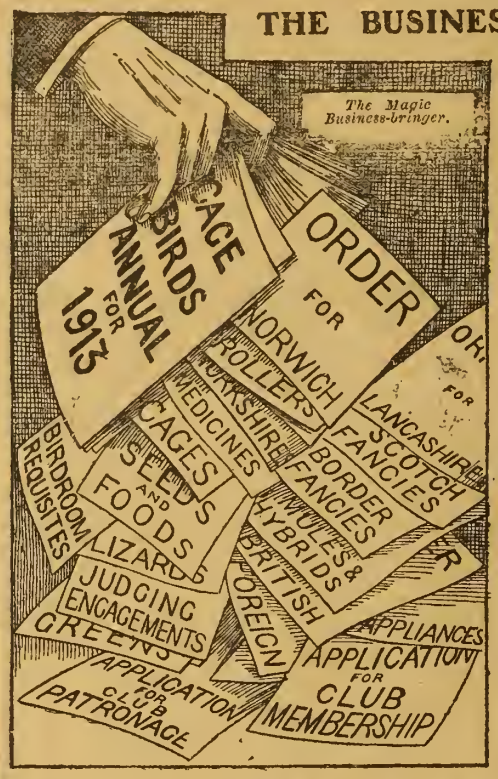
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BOLTON C.B.S.

Annual show, held at the Joiner's Arms, Dec. 21st. About 90 birds were staged, and the quality was excellent. Mr. Lawton was winner of cup for most points at the club's three shows. Mr. Mitchell won specials for best Norwich and best bird in show, with a lovely Unflighted Yellow, and Mr. Brooks special for best Yorks. Mr. James Hopkins was judge, and receives the thanks of the club for the able manner in which he carried out his duties. YELL. NOR.: 1, Brooks; 2, Gerrard; 3, Tirrell; vhc, Lawton; hc, Davies. BUFF: 1, 2, Lawton; 3, Tirrell; vhc, Gerrard; hc, Haslam; c, Smith. YELL. HEN: 1, Smith; 2, hc, Davies; 3, vhc, Lawton. BUFF HEN: 1, 3, Lawton; 2, c, Tirrell; vhc, Smith; hc, Brooks. UNFLIGH. YELL.: 1, and 2 specials, Mitchell; 2, hc, Lawton; 3, Smith; vhc, Tirrell; c, Brierley. BUFF: 1, Brooks; 2, vhc, Lawton; 3, Smith; hc, Mitchell; c, Tirrell. NAT. COL. CKS.: 1, Tirrell; 2, Simms and Taylor; 3, Gerrard. HEN: 1, 2, Davies; 3, Simms and Taylor; vhc, Tirrell; hc, Gerrard. YORKS. CK.: 1, 3, Mitchell; 2, vhc, hc, Brooks; c, Brierley. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Brooks; 3, vhc, hc, Ainsworth; hc, Brierley. BUFF HEN: 1, Mitchell; 2, 3, Brooks; vhc, hc, Ainsworth; c, Brierley. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, vhc, Brooks; 3, Brierley; hc, c, Ainsworth. BRIT.: 1, Davies; 2, 3, hc, Gostling; vhc, Tirrell.—J. Gerrard, Sec.

INTER-CLUB SHOW.

The first of a series of inter-shows arranged by the Sowerby Bridge, Hebden Bridge, Heptonstall, Todmorden, and Calder Valley Ornithological and Cage Bird Societies was held Dec. 28 at the White Horse Hotel. There was a gratifying entry (112), and the show was well patronised by fanciers of the district. Much of the success attending the exhibition was due to Mr. J. H. Harrison, the inter-club secretary, of Regent-street, Hebden Bridge. There were some really meritorious specimens, and Mr. H. J. Chittenden, of Bradford, who adjudicated, found his duties arduous, but he gave every satisfaction with his awards.

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Club Reports.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

At the annual meeting of the above there was a large turn out of members. The Secretary submitted balance-sheet, which showed a slight loss on last year's workings; however, the members decided to have another annual show on November 14th and 15th. Officers and strong Committee was appointed. —G. Harver, Secretary.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Fortnightly meeting held January 4, Mr. J. Farrer presiding over a large attendance. The following were appointed stewards: Messrs. J. M. Walker, Proctor, Peacock, Gray, G. Davidson, C. Waters, Copeland, and Machin. A special meeting will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 8 p.m., to draw for members' specials, and transact other open show business. All members are requested to attend.—J. Jeffrey, Sec.

BATHGATE C.B.S.

Meeting held in the Co-operative Hall, Dec. 28, Mr. R. Bald presiding. Agreed to hold an open show for British birds, Mules and Hybrids, and Foreign on Feb. 22, when it is hoped that fanciers will rally round and give us a bumper entry. Mr. J. Brown, Edinburgh, and Mr. Leigh, Warrington, were appointed judges. The classification was then gone over. This being all the business, the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chairman. —Alex. Nicol.

EAST BOWLING B.F.A.

Annual meeting held Jan. 3, in St. John's School. There was a good turn-up of members. Officers for 1913 were elected as follows:—Pres., Mr. B. Cowell; vice-pres., Dr. A. J. Wheatley, Messrs. A. Wilkinson, L. C. Casey, H. Shaw, W. Bleazard; chairman and treas., H. Calloway; auditors, Messrs. Hall and Shaw; sec., L. Booth. The rules as revised by the sub-committee were adopted. Members please note that competition for 1913 commences at the January show, Jan. 25. All fanciers in the district are invited to join early. Several specials are promised, besides the usual society's prizes.—L. Booth, Sec.

LONDON AND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION OF C.B.

Meeting held Janary 4, at headquarters, "Earl Cathcart," Osnaburgh Street, N.W., Mr. Cullers in the chair. The books were audited by Messrs. Pretty and Harrison, and found to be showing a good balance for the year. A table show of Yorks. was held, judge, Mr. W. Cullers. E. Pretty, 1, 2,; F. Harrison, 3. Mr. R. J. Pretty gave towards the new cup 2s. 6d. Decided to hold pair show on either 1st or 15th of February, if suitable to all members who were not present. Five new members were elected, in consequence of the report in CAGE BIRDS last week. We have still enough room for five more to come along next meeting. A hearty vote of thanks accorded to Mr. Cullers for presiding, closed a pleasant evening.—G. G. Stubbs, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS ROLLER C.C.

Annual general meeting, held Jan. 4, at headquarters. Mr. Best occupied the chair. Balance sheet for 1912 was presented, and showed a cash balance in hand of £11 7s. 5d., an increase of £8 6s. over the previous year. The election of officers was proceeded with next, the results being: Pres., Mr. H. Best; vice-presidents, Messrs. E. Peel, and J. W. Wild; hon. sec. and treas., Mr. H. L. Davis; auditors, Messrs. F. Barnett and A. C. Montague. After some discussion, it was decided to change the meeting night from Saturday to the first Monday in the month. The annual subscription next engaged our attention, and to bring same on a level with most other clubs, it was reduced to 3s. 6d. per annum. Decided to have an excursion during the coming year to some Roller Show, and if successful, to make it an annual affair. We shall hold one members' contest, Jan. 25, at 55, Briggate. There will be three classes, young birds rung and bred by exhibitor, any age, and £2 limit; entry fee, 6d.; exhibits staged 3 p.m. Mr. Walton judge.—H. L. Davis.

HAMILTON (Cadzow Oak) O.S.

Annual general meeting, held in the Town Hall, Dec. 14. There was a very good attendance. In the absence of the president, Mr. Jno. Braidwood, vice-pres. occupied the chair. The financial statement of the open show was read, and showed a balance of £13 14s. 0d. on the correct side, and this was considered very satisfactory. Next came the election of office bearers, Mr. Wm. Shearer being re-elected as president; vice-pres., Mr. J. Braidwood; Mr. Geo. Marlin, sec. and treas.; auditors, Messrs. W. S. Wilson and T. Morrison; committee, Messrs. T. Allan, S. Williams, J. Clark, P. Thomson, D. Johnstone, W. Hamilton, C. Pollock, R. Davidson, A. Watson, and W. Shearer, junr. The date of our next open show was fixed for November 8, and it was agreed to advertise in CAGE BIRDS, and also put in "Show Dates Fixed," to avoid clashing. Next meeting will be held on the first Saturday of Feb., for the nomination of judges and other important business. A hearty vote of thanks was given to Mr. Braidwood for occupying the chair, and this brought a very good meeting to a close.—Geo. Marlin, Sec.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Jan. 2nd, in the Wentworth Cafe. Mr. F. Jones (pres.), in the chair. Our pres. wished every member a happy New Year. A hearty welcome was accorded our old friend Mr. T. Bishop, who had come to judge the Yorkshire classes at our matched pair show. Secretary was instructed to send a note of sympathy to our old member, Mr. J. Jennett, who is afflicted by a very serious illness, also to our treasurer, Mr. W. Oxley (who has held that office for something like 26 years) in the continued illness of his wife. We wish them both a speedy recovery. Messrs. Jones, Bingham, and Woolhouse kindly gave their prize-money won at the open show, to the open show fund. Decided that we have a draw on the same lines as the last, to augment the funds for our next open show, which will be in October instead of December as previously. Draw books ready at August meeting. The following kindly promised birds: Messrs. Tomlinson, Drabble, Champion, Thorpe, A. Hobson, Butler, Woolhouse, Torsby and Billard, White, Marcroft, and Jones. Decided to hold Nest Feather show June 28, and annual members' show Dec. 6. Judges will be announced later. The Montgomery Hall has been engaged. Decided to have three table shows for young birds on July, October, and November meeting nights; fixed prize money, 3s., 2s., 1s.; also a social on the March meeting night. A committee was appointed to deal with refreshments and programme (price of refreshments not to exceed 1s.). We hope to see all members and their wives. The show of matched pairs proved very interesting. Mr. T. Bishop judged Yorks., and Mr. T. Tow Nor. CHAMP. YORKS.: 1, hc, c, Butler; 2, Furness; 3, vhc, Thorpe; 4, Tomlinson. NOR.: 1, 2, hc, Cowley; 3, 4, vhc, Woolhouse; c, Fading. NOV. YORKS.: 1, 3, Carr; 2, Shumonitc. NOR.: 1, 4, vhc, Bailey; 2, White; 3, Sissons; hc, c, Marcroft. Next meeting Feb. 6, show for mating pairs, Hybrid pairs, and any variety British. Also information for novices and questions by ballot, with further information re the social. Messrs. A. W. Howarth and C. Tow were elected new members. Anyone joining next meeting is eligible to show. All are welcome. A hearty vote of thanks to the judges, Messrs. Bishop and Tom, brought the meeting to a close.—J. Woolhouse, Sec.

SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD, EASTFIELD SIDE, C.B.S.

General meeting held at headquarters (Masons' Arms), 40 members attending. The balance-sheet was passed as satisfactory, a very good balance being left in hand. President and Vice-President re-elected, with Mr. A. Wright, Chairman, and C. Counah, Vice-Chair, J. J. Bradbury, Treasurer, W. H. Nuttall, Assistant Secretary, and 10 Committee men. Decided to hold Stock Pair Show in February and Odd Hens in March—R. Nuttall, Sec.

BRECHIN C.B.S.

Annual social, held in the Brown Horse Hotel, on December 21, Mr. Geo. Davidson, president, in the chair. After supper the usual loyal toasts were duly honoured. A lengthy programme was sustained by the various members of the society. A special feature of the evening was the competition for the president's prize for best suggestion with regard to how best to celebrate the Jubilee Show, to be held on November 1. Mr. Jas. Sangster's suggestion was adjudicated best, and awarded the prize. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" brought a very successful evening to a close. Geo. Mitchell, Sec.

CITY OF BELFAST NORWICH, CREST AND Y.C.C.

Annual general meeting, held in Clarence Place Hall, January 4, with a good attendance of members. The President, Mr. J. E. Adams, occupied the chair. Decided to make our young bird show a two day show. Several amendments were made to the rules, and two new members nominated. The following officers were appointed for the incoming year: President, Mr. Jas. E. Adams (re-elected); vice-president, Mr. Jas. Stewart (re-elected); secretary, Mr. John Barclay; treas. and Assist. Secretary, Mr. Walter Connell (re-elected); committee, Messrs. Carson, Teasy, Boyd, Bowman, Hunter, McPeake, and McBride.—John Barclay, Secretary.

CHESTER C.B.S.

General meeting held Nag's Head Cocoa Rooms, Dec. 30. Mr. F. C. Parker in the chair. Secretary submitted the balance-sheet for the year, which was accepted by the members present, who commented on the satisfactory position of the society, which was only started in January, 1912. Income for the year was £26 16s. 2d., and expenditure £21 9s. 6½d., balance in hand £5 6s. 7½d. Officers for 1913 were elected as follows:—Pres., Mrs. C. E. Way; vice-pres., Mr. S. Whitlow; chairman, Mr. F. C. Parker; vice-chair, Mr. J. Crane; treas., Mr. T. Jones; sec., Mr. R. S. G. Simpson; auditors, Messrs. F. C. Parker, and E. Richards; committee, Messrs. J. Dutton, R. N. Williams, W. Woodfine, T. Gardner, G. Wright. Messrs. G. Molyneux and W. Lavender were elected new members. A long discussion took place with reference to changing of clubroom, and it was eventually decided to call a special meeting in order to give every member a chance to express his opinion. Members will be advised when this meeting takes place, and it is desired that each member will endeavour to attend. —R. L. G. Simpson, Hon. Sec.

MATLOCK F.S.

Annual social and prize distribution, held Dec. 18, at Moore's Cafe. The attendance was very good considering it was just before Christmas, upwards of 50 showing their appreciation of the good things in store, and the presence of the fair sex adding a new charm to the evening. Mr. Boden, the ever obliging chairman, officiated, and presented the specials and prizes in his usual kindly manner. The Secs., Messrs. Poyser, and Dean, had provided an excellent musical programme, rendered most efficiently by Messrs. Wildgoose, Wright, Anderson, Fowkes, Bromley, and Dean, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was accorded, Mr. Wildgoose responding. Special prize winners were: Cup and medal, best bird in members, sp. best Hyb., C. Geale; res., for cup, 2nd best Nor. cock (old bird), best Nor., old hen, best unflighted buff Nor., best unflighted yellow Nor., and sp. most entries, W. J. Dean. Best member's in open, C. W. Lill; best Nor. ck., old bird, J. Else; best Yorks. ck., best Yorks. hen, T. Shaw; best Softbill, Brit., J. Ashton; best Hardbill Brit., J. S. Cooper. The bound volume of CAGE BIRDS, kindly presented by the Editor, was won by W. J. Dean, for best unflighted ycll. Nor.—W. J. Dean, Sec. (The above account reached us only this week.—Ed.)

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Meeting, held Jan. 6, at 6, The Broadway, Mr. W. H. Stoakley presiding, and the attendance was remarkably good, especially of the lady members, who numbered quite one-half of the total present. The most interesting business was the report presented by the secretary, Mr. H. Smith, of the eighth annual show held in November, which was better than ever before as regards entries and quality, as were also the arrangements for receiving and returning the birds, but the financial side was not quite so satisfactory, the first estimate showing a deficit of somewhere about £10. The attendance was not so good as in some previous years. The total estimated receipts amounted to £95 0s. 3d., and the expenses to £105 6s. 6d. The Chairman, briefly reviewing the situation, said, but for the fact that the general body of members had been somewhat apathetic with regard to the sale of tickets, and in giving assistance with the show work, it might have been as successful financially as all previous shows. But there was no reason to be discouraged, since happily they had plenty of funds in hand to meet the deficit; the only thing was for them to rouse up and show a more enthusiastic interest in the affairs of the society in future. Then they had reduced the entry fees for the open classes from 2s. to 1s. 6d., and there were circumstances which they could not control which had affected the show in various ways. Four new members were elected, and six ladies and gentlemen were nominated. Decided to hold pair show on February 4th, Mr. J. Robson judge, and schedule was arranged. Mr. S. Wright and Mr. F. J. Randall were elected auditors for the ensuing year. The very handsome challenge cup given by the Misses Liversage and Bodfish, for most points gained by a member in open Yorks. classes, and won by Mr. R. L. Crisp, was on show and greatly admired. A judging competition with Border Canaries was held, Mr. W. McGregor acting as final judge. The results were as follows:—Mr. Rorke, 8; Mr. Dyke, Mrs. Wilkes, Mrs. Mullis, Mrs. Owen, and Mr. Harris, 6 each.—H. Smith, Sec.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held at the "Crown Hotel," Hill Street, Dec. 11, Mr. J. A. Eckersley presiding. Secretary reported that he had paid prize monies won at our open show to non-members, and that he was prepared to pay out to members that evening, but regretted so few were present to receive same. Mr. Ryett was elected a member. Decided to again appoint Mr. Robson as one of the judges for Dec. 3rd and 4th next. Secretary reported that he had received three letters of resignation, and Mr. de Maillet promised to see Mr. Moles and get him to withdraw his resignation, as he said the present Secretary had written under a misapprehension. Four nominations were received for membership. The nominations for officers for 1913 were:—Pres., J. A. Eckersley, Esq.; Vice, Messrs. W. W. Butler, J. Webb, H. C. Wilkins, A. Broadhurst, J. H. de Maillet, W. C. Wells, and F. Peace; Chairman, Messrs. Broadhurst and De Maillet; Vice, Messrs. Broadhurst, De Maillet, Dipple and Peace; Treasurers, Messrs. Harvey, Allen, Collier and Day; Sec., Mr. J. H. Jones; Assist. Sec., Mr. Tipper; auditors, Messrs. Collier, Tipper, Childs and Clay; Committee Messrs. Allen, Baker, Bloomfield, Crowther, Derry, Dipple, H. Peace, Stevenson, Burke, Day, Collier, Raby, Clay, Hughes and Jeffrey; Hon. Auctioneer, Mr. R. C. Micklin; Hon. Vet. Surg.: Mr. L. S. Sedgwick, M.R.C.V.S. The annual meeting falling due on Jan. 1st, it was decided to postpone same to Monday, Jan. 13, when we hope a full muster will be present, as we wish to see a good strong board of officers elected.—J. H. Jones, Hon. Sec. (per J. H. de Maillet). This report only reached us this week.—Editor.

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CLAPHAM AND DISTRICT C.B.A.

Annual general meeting, held January 6, at the Landor Hotel, Clapham. Decided to secure the services of the following gentlemen to judge at the 6th annual show, October 8th and 9th: Mr. J. Robson, Mr. H. Norman, Mr. J. Frostick, and Mr. A. E. Pattrick. The date of the Pair and Finch Show was fixed for February 22nd. The Secretary produced the balance sheet for the past year, which showed a cash balance in hand of £14 1s. 1½d., and the same was received and adopted. Messrs. W. H. Vale and Hy. Yeoman were again elected as chairman and vice-chairman respectively, and both expressed their thanks to the meeting in graceful well phrased speeches. Messrs. S. A. Sandy and C. Cooper were re-elected as honorary auditors, and the following members were made committeemen: Messrs. Askew, Warley, Whittome, Sexton, Emms, Yeoman, Clark, Silverthorn, Maxwell, Snook, Vale, Phillips, Campbell, Hose, Cooper, Healey, Barker, Wildbore, Osborne, Brighty, Priest and Masters. Mr. C. T. Maxwell was re-elected treasurer. Personally, however, I did not seek re-election as hon. secretary, and unfortunately up to the present the committee have not been successful in finding my successor. I earnestly hope, however, that some member will volunteer to help the committee out of their difficulty, and I would say—not with an idea of giving a false impression, but with the deepest sincerity, and the fullest conviction—that the position of secretary of this association is one to be regarded in no other light than in the fullest appreciation of the high honour which it gives to its holder.—A. R. Coe, Hon. Sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Pontardulais.—Jan. 23, Public Hall.—Judge, Mr. J. B. Evans. 14 open classes: Yorks. 1, Nor. 1, Bord. 3, A.O.V. 1, Mules 2, Brit. 5, For. 1. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/3. Entries close Jan. 16 to L. I. Morris, Hendy.

Lingfield.—Jan. 22-23, Victoria Memorial Institute. —Judge, Mr. M. Crust.—12 open classes: Nor. 2, Crest 1, Yorks. 1, Bord. 1, Mules 1, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 4, Sell. 1. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/6. Entries close Jan. 13, to J. Stone, Lingfield, Surrey.

Arniston and Gorebridge O.S.—Jan. 18, Newbyn's Hall, Gorebridge.—Judge, Mr. J. Thomson. 20 open classes: Scotch Fancy 2, Nor. 2, Bord. 12, Brit. 4. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Entries close Jan. 13 to J. Lamhie, Hunterfield, Gorebridge.

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With Mr. J. Walsh, in his misfortune, I beg to express my sincere sympathy (being a fancier myself), writes Mr. J. T. Greenwood (Burnley).

Mr. A. Brown (Gateshead) and Mr. Jas. Stanger (Pelton Fell) will judge Cambois and District show on Nov. 22, 1913, writes Mr. J. Elliott, the sec.

Owing to my taking up an appointment, I shall not have time to attend to my birds, so am advertising them in this week's issue, writes Mr. R. Baker (Sidcup).

We are asked to notify the following changes of address:—Mr. W. H. Beck, to 19, Albert Terrace, Skipton, Yorks; Mr. D. H. Tedstone, to 5, Struet, Brecon.

Kindly publish that the Newport and District C.B.S. draw winning Nos. are 117, 8, 804, 913, 570, 1101, 853, 1214, 706, 848, 48, 785 and 635, writes Mr J. Hammett.

We are informed that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows: Anyone who may have been overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries: Malton, Paisley, Wingate, Dunfermline.

I thank you for your early report of Paisley show, writes Mr. A. Dickson (Kelty). I got the report of how my birds had succeeded eight hours before they were home. Surely better work could not be!

We intend holding our first members' show on Wednesday, Jan. 22, in the Assembly Rooms, Boscombe, writes Mr. Martin Cook, hon. sec. Boscombe C.B.A. Mr. W. Haysom, Southampton, will be the judge.

Mr. J. Jeffrey, sec. Sunderland C.B.A., writes that Mr. J. Riseborough will guarantee full prize-money in class for Clear Cap Gold or Silver Lizards, irrespective of number of entries, at the open show on Jan. 17 and 18.

We deeply regret to hear of the very serious illness of the wife of Mr. G. Gardner (London) the respected judge. We hope soon to be able to notify good progress towards convalescence, and are sure all fanciers will join us in the wish.

Mr. W. Rudd, the well-known dealer, of Norwich, has sent us verification of the statement made in his advertisement this week that he has bought up the young stock of a noted Canary breeder, which he is now offering his clients at very favourable prices.

The Belfast Norwich, Crest and Yorks. C.C., writes Mr. J. E. Adams, Pres., has decided to make its annual club show a two-day fixture in future. The next exhibition will be held Nov. 21 and 22, in Clarence Place Hall. Irish secretaries please note.

At a meeting of the Metropolitan C.B.A., writes Mr. G. Denham, hon. sec., held at headquarters, it was decided to ask a well-known judge to preside at the distribution of cup and other specials, Jan. 18, when we shall be pleased to welcome all local fanciers.

Mr. Hubert D. Astley, M.A., F.Z.S., M.B.O.U., the distinguished aviculturist, writes expressing the great satisfaction the work of Mr. R. A. Newley has given him in the matter of cage-making, etc., and complimenting him on his obliging and courteous business methods.

Our name has not figured in the show reports this year, and we should like to point out in Cage Birds that this is due to our inability to give the necessary time, owing to business engagements. However, we hope to be able to support the leading shows next show season (British birds).—A. and F. Hartley (York).

Crystal Palace Cage Bird show, Feb. 7 to 11. Club meetings can be arranged at a fee of 10s. 6d. for room, afternoon or evening. Application should be made to me at once. Schedules will be posted on Monday, Jan. 13, to all exhibitors. Should any intending exhibitor not receive a copy by Wednesday, 15th, please write for one: J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Avenue, Brixton, London.—(Advt.)

Many thanks for the beautiful drawing of my buff green Scotch Fancy in Cage Birds, last week, writes Mr. C. Farrow (Merthyr Tydfil). It has only been out twice this season, and was 1st at Merthyr and 1st and special at Pontrobach. I wish Cage Birds every success in the New Year.

I am only putting a small advt. in this time, as I have only a few birds for sale, but hope to make more use of your valuable paper another season, writes Mr. G. H. Pratt (Exmouth). Cage Birds has been a very great help to me, and no doubt accounts for some of my success on the show bench this season.

Mr. W. Nichols, 34, Beaconsfield Rd., St. Margarets, Twickenham, writes that in consequence of the announcement in our correspondence columns of last week "Members for the new society for Richmond and Dist. are sending in their names by every post. It is like advertising a Crystal Palace winner on approval at five shillings."

Your Calendar, writes Mr. J. P. Knight, scoutmaster, of Dalmellington Boy Scouts, is the neatest I have seen this year, and is admired by all who have seen it. I shall be very pleased to distribute copies if you will kindly forward same. Many of our boys are bird-lovers, and I try to make them take a keen interest, and so grow into fanciers of the future. I wish Cage Birds every success, and your staff a bright and prosperous New Year.

OBITUARY.

The hand of death has taken away from our midst the dearly beloved wife of Mr. J. Jeffries (Swansea) the esteemed British bird exhibitor and member of the Swansea C.B.S. The sad event took place on Jan. 6, after a very brief illness, lasting only five days. On behalf of the Swansea C.B. Society (writes Mr. S. H. George) we extend to Mr. Jeffries our deepest sympathy in the great bereavement he has suffered by the loss of one who was beloved by all who knew her.

Mr. H. Hughes, Birkenhead.

It is with much regret, writes Mr. G. Morton, the sec. Birkenhead C.F.A., that I announce the death of Mr. H. Hughes, one of our members, who died on Dec. 29, after only two days' illness. His death came as a great surprise to the fanciers in this district, as he was well and smiling at the Liverpool Amalgamated show only a week before, at which he was an exhibitor. He was a good example of the true British sportsman: win or lose, his manner never changed. His particular variety was Yorkshire Greens, and he always did his best to bring these birds forward. He was a successful exhibitor at every leading show in England and Scotland. I would like to convey to his sons and daughters the sincere sympathy of the members of the Birkenhead C.F.A., in their sad bereavement.

Last Saturday proved a very successful day for our show, writes Mr. J. W. Christon, sec. Annfield Plain and Dis. F. and F., C.B.S. We had all birds packed and sent off by 5 and 6 o'clock trains, and trust exhibitors received them safely. I beg to heartily thank them on behalf of committee, for grand support extended, and hope to retain same next year. At the same time, I thank you sincerely for the grand advt. inserted in your valuable paper. It did us a world of good.

Many thanks, writes Mr. W. Jeffries, for excellent sketch of my winning Goldfinch, "Leigh Gem," published in your issue of 21st ult. He has only been shown three times; wins as follows—1st Southend, 1st Tonbridge, 4th Luton, and with luck I hope to turn him out next season a top notcher. He was caught with several others by the water side here at Leigh. I have also a very good Linnet caught here same place. He was at Gravesend, 3rd Tonbridge, and, naturally, as these birds are local product, I am very proud of them. I wish you and all readers of Cage Birds a happy and prosperous New Year.

Yorkshire Union of C.B.S.

Meeting of the Council at the "Flying Dutchman," Leeds Road, City show, Bradford, on Jan. 11, at 5.15 o'clock prompt. Business: Important, writes Mr. H. Hill, the hon. secretary.

The Scots Fancies at Paisley.

Mr. W. Lambie writes that the awards in the yellow cock class, as given in the catalogue, were incorrect. They should read as in our report published in our show columns this week.

National British Bird & Mule Club.

Mr. J. P. Carr, the hon. sec., will be pleased to hear as soon as possible from members who have any propositions to make for the agenda of the annual general meeting to be held at the Palace on Saturday, Feb. 8.

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ADVERTISEMENTS WILL CLOSE FINALLY ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 14TH, AND AS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR APPEALING TO THE LARGEST POSSIBLE NUMBER OF PURCHASERS OUR BIRTHDAY NUMBER HOLDS THE FIELD.

May we earnestly beg our friends not only to make certain of securing this number for themselves, but to tell all their bird-loving friends about it and advise them to secure a copy also.

Finally, remember all communications must reach us, at the very latest, first post Tuesday morning next, January 14th, and as the great amount of "copy" to be got through will entail a very heavy strain upon all departments, including our printers, we shall appreciate the early receipt of advertisements and all other communications intended for this great Birthday Issue.

Corrections in Show Reports.

In the class for var. buff hens at the Scottish Nat., 1st should read Sandison, not Grewar. At Newtownards Mr. P. Mulcahy took 1st in Linnet class, not c, as reported.

Well-Known Bird Dealer Suffers Through Alarming Fire.

We are sure that all bird-keepers will sympathise with Mr. Jeffrey Walsh, the well-known bird-dealer and judge, of Blackburn, who has suffered a severe loss by reason of a fire, which broke out upon adjoining premises on Jan. 5. The following account of the disaster has reached us:—

"An alarming fire broke out in the early hours of Sunday morning, Jan. 5, at the shop, 59, Penny St., Blackburn, occupied by Messrs. Gregson and Co., gunsmiths. The shop and contents were badly damaged. Mr. J. Walsh, bird specialist, who has his retail shop next door, has good cause to remember this fire. In the top room of his premises were 250 birds, all of which perished, being suffocated by the smoke. Amongst the birds were Yorkshires, Norwich, Crests, Crestbreds, Borders, Roller Canaries, Linnets, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Siskins, Nightingales, Wrens, Blackcaps, Woodlarks, Skylarks and several varieties of Buntings, Whydahs, Waxbills, Shamas, Sugar Birds, Tanagers, Bulbuls, etc.; also a very valuable collection of Mules and Hybrids, including many winners. The total value of the dead birds is £250 and none of this loss is covered by insurance. The large stock of seeds, cages and appliances on the premises was badly damaged by smoke and water, but all this is fully insured. Mr. Walsh estimates his loss at £500 in all. Mr. Walsh's works and postal department in Cable St. and Brown St. were not in any way damaged, and this side of the business is going on in the usual way. All damaged stock will be sold as salvage, so that it can be quickly cleared away. Customers can still rely on receiving first-class and up-to-date stock, which Mr. Walsh is noted for supplying.

The Norwich Plainhead Club.

The second annual dinner and smoking concert of this club is to be held on Saturday, January 18th, at the Douglas Hotel, Corporation Street, Manchester, and the members would be pleased to welcome any fancier friends and their wives, writes Mr. G. W. F. Lythgoe (173, Clifton St., Old Trafford, Manchester). Tickets, which are 1s. 9d. each, may be had from any of the committee—Messrs. J. E. Davies, Sam Cook, and J. Raynes, or myself. Dinner will be served at 5.30 p.m. During the concert following, it is intended to present the cups and other trophies won during the season.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

To Secretaries, Judges, and All Fanciers.

We have sent out a printed form to the secretaries of all societies appearing in the "Directory to Cage Bird Clubs" in Cage Birds Annual. We shall be glad to have them returned, duly filled up, at the earliest possible moment (not later than Jan. 14, at the outside). Further, will all secretaries who have not received such a form kindly notify us (a postcard will do) so that we may send one along. Remember that our "Directory" is the only one of its kind in existence, and to be represented therein is a sure way to obtain applications for membership from fanciers living in your neighbourhood. This applies to specialist societies, ordinary societies, Roller Canary clubs, and singing clubs—in fact cage-bird clubs of all kinds.

We shall be glad to receive the address of Mr. Pearce, sec., Bugle and Dist. F.A.; Mr. J. Campbell, sec. Annandale C.B.F.A., Mr. H. W. Briggs, sec. Cannock and Dist. F. and F.S.; Mr. T. Purdie, sec. Edinburgh Northern O.S.; Mr. D. Owen Jones, sec. Llandilo C.B.S.; Mr. J. Sinclair, sec. Leith Jubilee O.S.; Mr. H. Knight, sec. Manchester South C.B.S.; Mr. G. E. Gastall, sec. Barton-on-Humber and Dist. C.B.S.; Mr. J. Kirkwood, sec. Clydebank O.S.; Mr. C. Parmiter, sec. Southampton O.S.; and Mr. C. C. Watson, sec. Govanhill and Dis. (Glasgow) O.A.; also the secretary's name and address of the Fort William C.B.S.

If any society mentioned above has been disbanded, we shall thank any reader who will be good enough to notify us of the fact; or, in case of a change of secretary, who will send us the new official's name and address.

Our list of judges (giving names, addresses, and the varieties they specialise in) is another unique and valuable feature, one universally consulted by show officials. All fanciers who have officiated at one or other of the recognised cage-bird shows should send the above particulars for inclusion in this list (no charge is made). Judges who have moved should send in their new address. Do it at once; next week will be too late.

We shall be glad to hear the new addresses of Messrs. A. Malcolmson (Glasgow), D. Browning (Exeter), and W. Lorimer (Edinburgh), as post-cards sent them to the address given in the 1912 Annual have been returned marked "gone away."

To our trading friends we will insert free: Names, addresses, and specialities in the Bird Trade Directory. No matter what you sell, so long as it has to do with the Fancy, particulars are inserted free. This directory is of exceptional value, and fanciers the world over find it indispensable. For one shilling, names can be thrown up in heavy black type.

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See particulars elsewhere in this issue.

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CAN ALL SHOWS BE MADE TO PAY?

Would a change in the Method of Judging bring this about?

By R. BLINCOE (Rochdale).

Our contributor advances some rather novel views, which, of course, we do not necessarily endorse, but print for what they may be worth.

SEVERAL letters have appeared in CAGE BIRDS bearing on the subject of "Why don't our shows pay?" I was expecting there would have been some discussion on the subject, but was at first unable to take part in the same. Possibly the fact that the topic was brought up right in the middle of the show season prevented those most directly interested, viz., the officials in charge of such affairs, from replying and giving their views.

This is a very serious subject for the Fancy, there being no doubt whatever that (with the exception of societies who are liberally supported by patrons and one or two big, centrally situated clubs who can rely on a good gate) the annual open show constitutes a drain on the resources of societies, and is slowly but surely decaying. I can point in this district alone to six or seven societies who used to hold good open shows, many of them capital shows from the exhibitors' and the public point of view, who have now dropped out, unable to stand the continual drain on their funds.

Hitting the Nail on the Head.

In the few letters that have appeared in your columns so far, no one seems up to now to have hit on the true weak spot. The outside exhibitor blames the societies, and seems to think they ought to cheerfully spend their money in giving him a chance of winning prizes; and the club officials, on the other hand, think that exhibitors ought to be willing to give better support, even at a loss to themselves, so as to enable them to carry on at something like a reasonable loss. But the root of the whole matter is that under present conditions showing in itself is an expensive game if you lose and very little profit when you win, a condition of things only likely to attract wild enthusiasts. It may pay some few individuals who can put down large teams of "deck sweepers," and it may pay the big breeder to keep up his reputation as an expert, but the pure amateur, who goes into it for amusement is likely to drop money even if he has a fair measure of success in winning, etc. No man can do anything but lose money who knocks up against big odds if the sum of his winnings do not approximate somewhat to the chances taken. The whole truth of the matter is that the prizes are inadequate, and the frequency of half prize-money classes makes the matter even worse; but if societies cannot afford the present scale, what are we to do? Just let us look into the matter and see what causes this state of affairs.

The primary cause of small prizes is, in my opinion, over classification. If a large classification has to be given to get together a few hundred birds, prizes *must* run small. And what causes over classification? I believe that if fanciers will think the matter out carefully, they will see that there is need for radical reform in the manner of judging. Please understand that I am not finding fault with the judges themselves; they have to go according to the generally accepted custom; and a system has gradually grown up that necessitates a very extended classification to *give every bird an even chance.*

I refer to the fixed custom of giving certain varieties, colours, or species an undue preference. This has been the cause of the demand for more classes. Buffs cannot compete on level terms with yellows, nor marked birds with clears, while in British and Foreign classes certain species have to be *very bad indeed* if any of the commoner species are to stand a chance with them in a mixed class—under some judges it scarcely matters how bad they are. It consequently follows that the vast majority of keepers of the commoner birds do not think it worth while to show, while a few dealers and traders send out half-a-dozen rarities to do the round of the shows. It should be quite obvious to anyone that this system drives out everyone but the keepers of rarities, who form, naturally, the minority of the bird keepers. Of course, the exhibition of such interesting species should be encouraged by every possible means in the way of specials, etc., but they should not be allowed to clear out all others from the field.

The first essential in all forms of competition, if they are to draw a fair number of competitors, is a fair even chance for everyone taking part. The remedy, in my opinion, lies in a rigid adherence to judging by points only. I would have every judge supplied with seven cards for each class, and after he had weeded out the sheep from the goats, it should be his duty to fill up in the ready-ruled columns the points allotted by him for each quality, according to the scale laid down by the specialist society representing the breed, together with the class number of the bird. These points could then be reckoned up by a committee appointed for the purpose. It would be impossible for any one judge to give undue value to any particular quality, for he could not go further than the scale allowed him to. Of course, some of the present scales of points would require modification, but that would soon come about.

What the Point System Would Do.

I would like to point out the following advantages that would accrue under this system: (1) We might halve the classification and double the prizes; (2) with more birds and fewer classes, half prize-money would be the exception and not the rule; (3) the despised "codding cards" would become real certificates of merit, for a bird who scored a high average under good judges, would have proved his quality better than by snatching an easy victory in poor competition; (4) with the improvement of shows would come a larger body of fanciers into the field, providing a better sale for stock; (5) that a body of amateurs would be attracted who would be satisfied with a very moderate amount of success, providing they were able to get definite opinions from competent judges on their birds; 6, the old time expressions, such as "winner only time shown," "first prize winner under So-and-so," would have to give place to "number of points scored under So-and-so," which would enable anyone to accurately guage value, etc.

There are, of course, a great many matters of detail connected with showing that could be improved on and which would go to still further build up prize money, but I think they require a central body to discuss and arrange. It is outrageous to post 1,000 or 1,200 schedules to get a hundred-and-fifty exhibitors, for instance; something might be done by a central authority in the way of issuing a general schedule at the beginning of the season, and then each society could advertise what classes they were giving and prize-money for the same. This, if generally adopted, would save hundreds of pounds.

It is a great pity the late lamented Cage Bird Union did not make some attempt to deal with matters of this kind; all the same I hold it a great pity that this central authority was allowed to drop.

In conclusion, I would like to say that in a contribution like this, only a rough general idea can be given. But it seems to me we are on the wrong line when we make so many classes that there are not enough birds to fill them. Imagine the Setter Club, for instance, demanding classes for Black and Tan marked, Blue ticked, Brown and White, Black and White, All White, All Black, Liver and White, and every other possible variation, including the whole thing over again in first year dogs! I hope my views may call forth some discussion on this vital subject.



BY THE SAD SEA WAVES.

"Sad" indeed for that well-known Norwich Plainhead fancier, Mr. E. Baker, of Cowes, who writes, apropos of the recent floods due to the abnormal weather and tides: "We were almost drowned on Boxing Day. Had to take over 300 pails of water out of our sitting-room. I am enclosing photo of High-st. during the flood. My shop lies to the left, between the boat and the dray. I am just 'in the thick' of it. Result, confined to my room all the week with very heavy cold; hence done out of going to the Scottish National Show. Had to lay in bed and think about my Edinburgh friends.

Breeding the Exhibition Yorkshire.

By W. C. DREW.

A Manchester fancier gives his views and experiences.

I should think every reader is acquainted with the Yorkshire Canary, and knows what it is; but I have often wondered how many of them really know after all what are the component parts, as it were, of the "Gentlemen of the Fancy." And rightly are they so named, without a doubt, for to my mind I do not think you could find a more stately bird than a really high-class specimen of the Yorkshire, as it is at the present day. Nor do I think it possible to name another breed of Canary which has so many perfect specimens gracing the show benches at the present moment. The Yorkshire Canary was originally bred in the county of broad acres, from which it derives its name; it is now bred in all parts of the country. It was, in the first instance, purely and simply a cross between the Belgian and the Norwich, and it was brought to some sort of perfection by judicious selection. After a few years it seems to have been thought that the bird which was bred in Yorkshire would look the better for a wee bit of Lancashire "stuck" on him, and the selection processes must have involved a great deal of time and thought, especially to have brought the bird to the standard of perfection it has reached to-day.

The Kind of Cages and Birds to Use.

When breeding the Yorkshire you must first of all have suitable cages. Those which I use for breeding, are 20 inches long, by 18 inches high, by 11 deep, with a 2½in. rail across the front, loose punch bar fronts, one perch lengthwise, and two from back to front, six inches from either end. A hook in the back carries the nest pan. I use the earthenware variety of nest pan as I find this the most suitable; also it helps to keep down the red mite in warm weather. The cages for stock are 16 inches long by 18 inches high by 11 inches, so as to leave plenty of head room which is necessary for all "birds of position."

We next require the birds to place in these cages. I would suggest that a beginner gets a cock bird and two hens. Procure a good long buff cock, a clear or ticked, whichever you fancy. See that he has a good round head, well-filled neck, and well-carried wings, as these are the points most likely to be reproduced from him in the young stock. Get two yellow hens, of medium size, good in position and shape; also see that the feather is short and of the close, boxey kind. I always prefer medium-sized hens, as I find that large hens have such coarse feather, which is very hard to breed out. Of course, it is natural you should pay a fair price for them; you cannot expect to get good birds for next to nothing, as so many people in the course of my experience have seemed to expect. Remember, good birds cost no more to keep than the poorer specimens; it is only the initial outlay that is heavier. I should advise you to get your birds all at the same place; you have then some solid ground to work on to build up your strain, as you can add what you require after the first season.

Preparing for the Breeding Season.

We have now both birds and cages, so we commence to prepare for the breeding season. I begin by giving the cocks (at the beginning of February) a little egg food twice a week, also a tea-spoonful of rape and hemp once a week, and keep to this for the next six weeks. To the hens, over the same period, I give a little egg food once a week, also a little inga, hemp, and linseed, once a week. Then I increase the quantities, and give them every other day, with a little mixed seed twice a week as well, up to the beginning of April, which is quite early enough to pair up your stock, and by which time I find the cocks in full song, and the hens bouncing from perch to perch.

I hang the cock birds in show cages on to the breeding cage for a couple of days, when I soon see the cock birds feeding the hens through the cage wires. I place a nest pot in the breeder and also some cow-hair, and when I see the hen carrying the latter about then, and then only, do I let the cock bird in, as he does not then exhaust himself by so much fighting. This also ensures a full clutch of eggs, which cannot be always possible when the cock birds fight (as some do for days) before commencing operations.

Rearing the Youngsters.

On the evening before the day the youngsters are due to hatch I place in the egg drawer a small quantity of pure yolk of egg, so that the hen can feed early in the morning. I give pure yolk of egg only for the first three days, then I give equal parts eggs and cod liver oil food, until the young are about ten days old; I then gradually reduce the egg until by the time the youngsters leave the nest I am only giving the cod liver oil food. I advise feeding three times a day, a small quantity to be given each time; if large quantities are given the hen gets too fat and lazy, and neglects her offspring, just at the time when they need care most, generally at the age of between five and ten days. If I manage to keep them over that period, I always reckon they are mine for good.

In the Nursery, and Out.

When the youngsters are about twenty-three days' old I separate them. I put them in a nursery cage, and hang them on the front of the breeder for a couple of days, placing inside their cage a dish of soft food, slightly moistened, and a little soaked rape seed and crushed hemp. When the birds are a month old I crush canary seed and hemp, and place it in the cage; and I gradually wean the youngsters off the soft food. From that day I also hang on a water-pot in which I have placed twenty drops of Parrish's chemical food, which stops them from drinking too much—a habit which young birds are prone to, and which only sets up inflammation of the bowels and diarrhoea, from which I am afraid but few recover.

When the birds have reached the age of eight weeks, if they show promise, you will have to colour feed them. The feed I use is made as follows:—Take four lbs. of cold pepper, and ¼lb. of best hot natal, ¼lb. of soft brown sugar (commonly called pieces), and ¼lb. of linseed meal; mix these all together. I give at full strength one table-spoonful of colour to four of soft food, and I gradually work it up to this amount from a small quantity; and when the bird is moulting about his head I begin to reduce the quantities again until I am giving hardly any at the close of the moult. When they have finished the moult, I give a little scraped raw carrot (mixed with soft food) twice a week through the show season, I find that this keeps them tight in feather, and also puts a gloss on the plumage.

At the end of the birds' moult I select all the likeliest youngsters, and place them in a cage by themselves. I hang a show-cage on the front for them to run in and out of as they please; this gets them used to what is to be practically their home for the future; it also steadies them greatly. In their stock-cage I place a piece of mirror level with the tops of their beaks on either side; this stretches them out, and helps to make them stand erect. I often shut them in the show-cage for a few hours at a time, and give them plenty of handling, because unless a bird is steady a judge will not give it a second look, therefore, it is relegated to the rear, whereas sometimes if it had been steadier it might have won.

Helping the Show Bird.

When preparing to send birds to a show, give your cages a good overhauling; see that they are thoroughly clean. Also see that the perches are clean and uniform in shape; don't get them too smooth, or the bird will not be able to get into position, but will slip about. Always remember when sending to a show, to see that everything is spotlessly clean, and have clean seed only on the cage bottom. Attention to these details may tend to bring you the reward you seek; if it does not, you will have the pleasure of knowing that it was not your fault, but that the bird was beaten on its merits.

In conclusion, I would say, get good birds in the first instance, keep them and the cages as clean as possible, and give good plain food. Keep the birds in a well lighted room free from draughts, and they will take no harm; they do not really need any artificial heat. In my opinion the cold is really good for them, as it hardens them, making them more robust and vigorous.

Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

Queries will be answered under the following conditions:—

(1)—*All questions must be clearly written in ink (or typewritten) on one side of paper, and must conclude with either the correct name of querist or a pseudonym, or initials.*

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(5)—*The department to which the queries refer must be stated in bold letters on the left-hand corner of the query.*

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Canaries.—**Claude St. John.** British Birds, Mules and Hybrids—**G. E. Weston.** Foreign Birds—**Wesley T. Page,** F.Z.S., M.B.N.H.S., &c., Wild Bird Life—**H. Norman.**

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Cinnamons, Greens, Borders, Lizards, Scotch or any other variety of the Canary family, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist of the day on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

BARE AND SCURFY (E. W. I.).—Treat the bird the same as advised to "Rigg, Cambridge," and in addition anoint the bare place sparingly twice a week with Lanocylin, moistening the skin fairly, but not applying sufficient to run about and daub the surrounding plumage. Keep cage and perches as clean as possible, and the floor strewn with clean, gritty sand. Keep the bird caged alone until quite well.

EFFECT OF FALL (D. Bootle).—It is impossible to tell what the after-effects of such a shock as falling with the cage to the floor are likely to be. I have known good singers live for years afterwards in the best of health, and nothing could induce them to sing again. On the other hand, I have known them sing lustily within a few minutes after such an accident. Others will resume singing after weeks or months of silence. Your best plan is certainly to place the bird back in the bird-room, where it will be in fresh surroundings and hear the other cocks singing lustily.

YORKSHIRES DROOPING WINGS (W.).—See reply to "Ignoramus, Essex," in last issue for causes and treatment of this peculiarity. Your cold room may possibly be the clue to the cause in your case, the birds perhaps having come from a warm one. Give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a week, and on the alternate days a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet and teazle. If this does not have desired effect, try treatment in reply referred to above. You should not yet have the birds caged together.

STOPPED MOULTING (H. A. J.).—Glad to hear the bird has improved, and has completely stopped moulting now. The treatment advised was intended to stop the moulting, so you need not worry about that point. The probability is that it will throw off the few remaining old feathers very quickly as soon as the mild spring weather arrives, or, perhaps, make a complete change in early summer. Unless the kitchen is quite large, so that the bird is not subject to the full extent of the fluctuations of temperature, it would certainly do better in the adjoining room with no fire at all. If you remove it to that room now, however, it will be practically certain to throw the bird into moult again, so you had better wait a few weeks before making such a change. You may discontinue all medical treatment now.

WHENCE AND WHAT BREED? (J. E. P.).—Sorry, but I really cannot recommend particular breeders or dealers here, for reasons which must be obvious. Study our advert. columns for a week or two, and select a known breeder or dealer with a reputation to uphold, and have birds on approval, depositing cash with our Editor meanwhile. Then you should get complete satisfaction. Rollers, Border Fancy, Norwich, or Yorkshires are all very suitable breeds for beginners. The first-named are unapproachable as songsters, but of little account for fancy points. As a beginner, you should get "Canary Breeding for Beginners." It will prevent you making many errors.

MATE FOR CREST, AND MATING (Crest).—Undoubtedly the book says double-cresting may be done for one season, but you will doubtless find certain qualifications and restrictions laid down with it. You do not say which book you refer to, but for the fullest information on all the ins and outs of the matter get Parts XII. and XIII. of "Our Canaries." For instance, in mating two Crested birds you must not imagine that faulty or mediocre Crests are more admissible than when mating in the usual way. You want Crests as nearly as possible of perfect shape and droop and radiation. Splits and large naked centres must be quite avoided. It does not matter so much about size of Crests. If of good shape, etc., quite moderate size will pass muster. With such a pair, although you may get nothing very remarkable, you will produce some excellent material for future matings. See "Our Canaries" for future procedure. If the birds' crests answer above description, by all means mate the two Crests you name in preference to a Crest and a Roller or Norwich. (2) You ought not to have the sexes caged together yet. Cut off all mixed seed and egg food for a month, and see if that will keep them a little more backward. If it does not, then, as the room is a warm one, you may safely take the risks and let them go on in about a month hence. But do not stimulate them in any way.

GAPING AND WHEEZING (T. H. P.).—If the birds caught cold on the journey you should have kept them in a moderately warm place for a day or two to allow it pass off before placing them in the cold attic. Give, now, a staple diet of plain canary only. Every second day give a half teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, inga, rape and teazle, with a slight sprinkling of mustard seed, and a morsel of banana, and on the alternating days a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazelnut sprinkled with soft sugar. Limit the diet solely to this for two or three weeks. Get a chemist to mix the following mixture for you, and give twenty drops in the drinking water every second day until the symptoms are removed. Mixture: Two drachms each of oxymel of squills and glycerine, one drachm each of ipecacuanha wine and chlorodyne, and eight grains of iodide of potassium.

MATE FOR NORWICH (A. S. C., Oswestry).—The cock you describe is not at all a satisfactory stock bird, and unless you are very short of stock, I would advise you to discard him. If, however, you must use him, try to get a clear buff hen bred from two buffs, of an even-marked strain, if possible. If you cannot get a clear, one with very light eye-marks would be a good substitute, but do not have any other markings. For shape select a moderately stout, chubby, short hen, rather short on leg, and short in tail and flights. See that the tail is close and compact, and carried well out, and that the wings are well braced, and carried neatly, with the tips of the flights just reaching the base of the tail, but showing no tendency to cross. If the wings do not quite meet each other, so much the better. If this bird is not obtainable, you might try to get a clear buff, bred from a green and a clear, the green being bred from an even-marked strain. In this case have no marks at all, and, of course, choose a bird of the type mentioned above. In either case you would stand a chance of breeding some even-marked youngsters, as well as eliminating as far as possible the faults of the cock.

A NAKED ROLLER (Rigg, Cambridge).—Hope the poor thing is not quite so stark as you hint. Keep it in a fairly comfortable temperature, but there is no necessity to overheat it, and see that the place is equable and free from chilly draughts. It will be a good plan to throw a light cover over its cage at night until it is more decently attired. In addition to its usual seed diet give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur and sprinkled with a mixture of equal parts maw and gold of pleasure seed every third day for a month. On the intervening days give alternately a pinch of a mixture of equal parts niger, millet, teazle, black rape, and linseed, and a morsel of banana. The latter may be varied now and again with a spray of water-cress. In the drinking water add twenty drops of whisky and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece three times a week for a month. If the bird is in robust health and active, allow it to bathe on mild days about three times a week.

OUT OF CONDITION (F. T. C.).—Keep the bird under healthy and hygienic conditions, and feed as follows for a month or so. Give a staple diet of two parts canary to one part summer rape. Every second day for a fortnight give a half-teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with a mixture of equal parts maw and gold of pleasure seed. Twice a week on the alternating days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, and black rape, with just a slight sprinkling of mustard seed in the bulk. Three times a week give a morsel of banana. At the end of the fortnight substitute a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar for the sponge cake, and a spray of watercress for the banana for the remainder of the month. Add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn to the drinking water for two days, and afterwards four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid for three or four days. Keep cage strewn with clean, gritty sand, and when bird becomes quite active, not before, offer a bath three times a week on mild days.

A QUINTETTE (Stuart Lane).—(1) The elongated hind claw is probably the real cause of the trouble. If you trim this back to a normal length the toe will probably soon resume its normal functions. Bathe the foot for a few minutes in a warm solution of extract of wych hazel. Then dry it, and hold up the hind claw in front of strong light, and you will see a thin pink streak running some little distance beyond the end of the toe. This is the vein in the claw. Nip off the claw with a sharp pair of nail scissors, just missing the end of this vein. (2) The appearance around the nostrils seems to be rather abnormal. There is probably a slight growth of warty excrescence. Moisten them twice a week with sulphur ointment for a month or so. (3) If you put the two cocks in the centre compartment of aviary now, there will doubtless soon be a lot of quarrelling, though they would sing all right. The presence of the hens would incite rather than discourage displays of both song and temper. A much better plan would be to place a cock in each end compartment, and the three hens altogether in the centre one. Then you would get the song, without the quarrels. (4) Yes, you could, with every chance of success, utilise one compartment for the Yorkshires to breed in, as the other compartment will be empty. With some birds it would make little if any difference, even if the other compartment were occupied, but with others the distraction militates against successful breeding. (5) Properly enamelled metal drinkers or feeding vessels, such as the enamelled ware on the market for household use, would be quite safe to use, so long as the enamel remained perfect. If it gets chipped and the metal exposed, then it would be no safer than metal vessels. Vessels done at home with enamel paints, if this is what you mean, would be barely tolerable, and not worth the trouble of doing them.

INBREEDING AND FEEDING (Expectant).—Do I understand correctly that the buff cock and yellow hen you wish to mate are bred from the same cock, but from two different hens? If this is so then, of course, the birds are half brother and sister, which is very close in-breeding, and should only be done when there is some definite object in view. Still, if the birds are quite strong and healthy, and the stock has not previously been in-bred to any extent, you might, if the birds match each other in typical points, mate them this year. But do not do any in-breeding with their progeny next year. Indeed, if you find the young from this mating deficient in size, you will need to introduce fresh blood—not necessarily very far removed—to improve this failing. Your method of feeding will answer very well, but at the end of this month you should begin to give a little bread and milk or egg food twice a week, which should gradually bring the birds into breeding condition naturally. Begin with about half a teaspoonful per bird, and increase it to a teaspoonful. Glad to know advice given you last season was so successful.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.,

ROSEY COCKATOO (Whitnall).—Sunflower seed and tit-bits from table is altogether wrong. Supply the following seed mixture: Oats, hemp, paddy rice, sunflower seed, maize, dari and canary seed, about equal parts. Also supply pieces of dry biscuits, or crusts of household bread, ripe fruit, nuts in variety, and do not omit grit, cuttlebone and water for drinking or bathing. It will take some time to get rid of this trouble; keep a good stout piece of a branch of some fruit tree in the cage, and twice a week put one teaspoonful of Diamaford's Magnesia in the drinking-water, and on other days a teaspoonful of Byno-phosphates, also in the water. Spray the bird weekly with quassia solution—persevere with the above treatment for a few weeks, and then report progress.

WHAT BIRD? (Miss M. L. Bidwell).—I will keep your query by me and try and give you a definite reply in our next issue; but will you kindly send me some idea of the bird's size as soon as you see this reply—comparing it with some common, well-known species is usually the best way of doing this. Also, did you buy it in this country? I must say that your description, except for the colour of the beak, fits the Grenadier Weaver. I should add canary and white millet seed to its dietary, and give it a couple of mealworms daily if it cares for them; push a slice of sweet apple between the bars of its cage, and, if it will take it give a little fresh lettuce as greenfood. I should separate it from the Bunting, as the baldness may arise from some contagious skin trouble. Examine for parasites (mites), and if there are any treat either with insect powder or wash. Put a few grains of Epsom salts into the drinking water to make the bowels move freely, and follow this by a course of Byno-phosphates.

AN OUTSIDE AVIARY (F.S.).—My previous reply and sketch will meet your requirements re the aviary itself. It is always a risky experiment putting any of the Finch tribe in with any kind of Parrakeets, sooner or later maimed bodies or broken limbs are the result. However, Java Sparrows, Saffron Finches and Cardinals are usually able to look after themselves in any company, but if you introduce Waxbills and the small ornamental Finches, sooner or later you will suffer for the experiment; you may escape trouble for a couple of years, or it may begin almost at once. One or two of the Weaver tribe, Napoleon, Madagascar, Grenadier and Masked Weavers, would supply colour and be able, I think, to look after themselves; at any rate, the risk would be very small, but I do not think these would breed in such an aviary, but they are worth a place for their lovely colour while in breeding plumage, and they are not costly.

BUDGERIGARS (Bird Lover).—Our Nutshell, "Budgerigars," will give you all details as to food and treatment, also as to what nesting receptacles, etc., to supply. If you are procuring several pairs I should get each pair from a different source, say, one pair of imported birds and one pair of aviary bred greens, and two pairs of yellows, buying each pair of the latter from a different source; these could be turned into your room and left to breed together for several years without the introduction of fresh blood. Your empty window would answer well for them, but the floor should be covered either with lino or sheet zinc, to prevent sand and other rubbish passing between the joints of the flooring. The best way to furnish it is to secure several dead trees (firs are as good as any) and fix these in a small barrel, and kept in position by earth with sand on top. The barrels must be large enough, when filled with soil, to balance the trees steadily. Hang from the ceiling a good dozen of husks or small barrels, with their openings towards the light, but hung up as far apart as possible. The window must be covered over with wire netting on the inside, but provision must be left so that the window can be opened and shut at will for ventilating. Wire netting must also be fitted over the fire-place, if any; and it is best to have a wire lobby just inside the door, to prevent the escape of birds when entering.

AVIARY QUERIES (A New Beginner).—I should certainly advise adding the extra yard of flight, with a wire netting roof, and sow the ground under this part with grass, and various cereals. Budgerigars seldom bathe in the ordinary way, but roll themselves about amid wet grass and other herbage, and the extension will prove of great benefit to them. Moreover, all the birds will benefit by being able to take a rain bath when inclined. Your aviary will accommodate the birds you name: you could also put in pairs of Madagascar and Blue-winged Lovebirds. Put up your nesting receptacles both in outer and inner flights—all nest receptacles (husks or barrels are best) for Parrakeets must have concave bottoms, and there should be at least double the number of nests that you have pairs of birds. Lovebirds line their nest box with leaves, hents, strips of bark, exhausted millet sprays, etc., and the Java Sparrows will require some hay. Budgerigars and Cockatiels do not use any nesting material, but deposit their eggs on the bare base of husk or barrel. I fear the songsters, unless of the Thrush tribe, or Cardinals, would fare badly in the long run, from the mischievous beaks of the Parrakeets.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet St., London, E.C.

We regret to say that owing to a mistake on the part of one of our clerks, some Canary and Foreign bird queries went astray in the post this week, and cannot be answered in time for inclusion in this issue. All urgent queeticns (re illnesses and the like) will be replied to by post direct, and the remainder dealt with next week.—Editor.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by G. E. WESTON.

NAME OF BERRIES (Long Tom).—I cannot identify the berries unless you send some of the leaves of the plant, a small branch for choice.

SEED SAMPLE (A. Dow).—Seems to be in the main plantain seed, with the addition of various grass seeds, and I also notice a little persicaria, and "bacon weed." Safe as an occasional "tit-bit." Glad you liked our calendar. The same to you, and many of 'em.

COCK AND HEN ROBIN (R.H.L.).—The difference between cock and hen Robin is very slight. The red colouring of the hen does not extend quite so far back on cheeks and head, neither is it so vivid in tone, though the latter is noticeable only during spring and summer, when the breast of the cock acquires a decidedly brighter (richer) hue. Both cock and hen sing—the latter really well, as I have proved, in the case of captive specimens. There is, however, a similar difference from the point of view of "character" as obtains in the case of the Nightingale—i.e., the cock is more cheeky and aggressive in his behaviour, and has a bolder look about the head and eyes.

IN AN AVIARY (H. Price).—I don't advise you to mix softbills and hardbills in the place you describe, especially if you seriously desire breeding results. The surest plan would be to turn in six to eight hen Canaries and a similar number of cock Finches. You could choose from Goldfinch (Siberian and British), Linnet, Redpoll (Mealy and Lesser), Siskin and Greenfinch, and also add Chaffinch, Yellowhammer, and Bramblefinch, if you feel experimentally inclined. Or you could add a hen Bullfinch; likewise, you could leave out the Greenfinch cock and substitute a hen. Both of the latter hens would be likely to breed. It is not absolutely necessary to cover in the wire top to the outer flight, though unless you can provide ample thick shelter for nest building, or sheltered nests (or nesting boxes), my experience teaches me that a covered-in flight is by far the best.

BELIEVED TO BE BLUE TITS (A.W.C.).—The birds you describe are, without doubt, Blue Tits. They are insectivorous birds, and need a high-class insectile mixture (such as is given to Nightingales and Warblers), as their staple food, with live-food according to season (mealworms, gentles, wasp-grub, flies, etc.). A little small seed, such as hemp, canary, and cracked sunflower, is appreciated, and I have found rolled oats relished, and small cracked nuts. A piece of suet is also esteemed a delicacy, and is especially suitable during cold weather. Unless you provide a generous and varied diet, these birds will survive but a short time in captivity. You should read "Nutshell Booklet," No. 25.

A NEWLY-CAUGHT ROBIN (Josh Smith).—You say that you have a newly-caught Robin, and wish to know how to "bring it on to hard seed." My reply is that if you are thinking of providing only seed as its food, it is a shame to attempt to keep the bird in a cage. A Robin is not a seed-eating bird, but an insectivorous species, and needs feeding accordingly (note reply given "A.W.C." this week, which indicates the proper diet, except that the nuts and sunflower seed should be omitted). Did you not read the article by Mr. Fulljames which accompanied the calendar (on which was a coloured picture of a Robin), given with our recent 'Xmas Number? The correct treatment of the bird was detailed therein.

A GOLDIE FOR MULING (H. Barnett).—Unmistakable signs of a Goldfinch being in breeding condition are: (1) full, hearty song, swaying from side to side, with tail spread (almost fan-wise) while "calling" and singing, (2) a clear beak—i.e., free from the dark streak found at the tip of the upper mandible during the winter months. The best "conditioners" are dandelion leaves (young and tender), the seeding heads and the ripe seed. Look out for some at the earliest possible moment, or grow it in your garden. Don't mix up your questions, please (note rules). The other is one for our Canary specialist; look in his column next week.

A TRIO (W.W.F.).—You are another sinner in respect to ignoring the rules under which these questions are answered; you lump British, Foreign, and Canary queries all together. Note reply given "Old Reader" this week. Look in Mr. Page's columns next week for answer re Budgerigars. It is (pardon my saying so) amazing that you should ask whether a cock Goldfinch will breed with a hen Canary. I should have though it impossible to pick up any issue of "Cage Birds" without finding the answer staring one in the face. Goldfinch-Canary Mules are advertised for sale every week, are mentioned in every show report, and written about continually. And you ask whether they can be bred! With regard to the Canaries, undoubtedly the best plan for the beginner to follow is to keep the couple in a divided cage (wire slide down the centre) until the hen gives clear evidence of wanting to go to nest; consult "Canary Breeding for Beginners," a very valuable little work.

ANOTHER MIXTURE (Old Reader).—If you will kindly note the rules you will see that queries for different specialists should be written on separate sheets of paper. It is no use framing rules and then not adhering to them. Your question respecting the Roller is one for our Canary specialist, Mr. St. John (see his column next week); don't overlook the rules in future, and so avoid delay. It is exceedingly doubtful whether the hen Mule would breed you any young; cases of Mules producing young are very rare indeed. The Goldie may breed all right if in good form later on (i.e., about May); read the reply given H. Barnett this week.

A TRIO (Young Amateur).—What a week! A young sinner this time. Have you never noticed rule 3? Your query re greenfood for Canaries ought clearly to be written on a separate sheet of paper for our Canary specialist. Look in his column next week for a reply to it. If you want to avoid delay please conform to our rules. A young cock Thrush sings (or "records" more or less loudly) before it moults, and commences to tune up in earnest as soon as the process of getting a new coat is completed. Your bird, if a cock and in good health, ought certainly to be singing ere this. Grated raw carrot, cold boiled mashed potato, and minced up lettuce are all good to mix amongst the soft-food. Thrushes like snails, mealworms, gentles, ripe berries (elder, privet, etc.), and all kinds of ripe fruit.

DEATH OF BIRDS (First Year).—It seems odd that you should have lost all the birds. Of course, there is the possibility that some infectious disease is at work, and from what you say I am sure you would be well advised to send a body to Mr. Yates (our veteriuary expert) for examination. If such a disease is present, then it will be useless for me to advise medicine. Your method of feeding cannot be at fault (that is if, as you say, the seed is good), for I feed my own Linnets in the same way, and experience no trouble. Were all the birds which have died kept in the same room as the Canaries? You say nothing on this point. I may say that my experience teaches me that Britishers are the better for a regular mild aperient (say once a week), for quite a considerable period after they are first caged. Either sulphate of soda (very good and very cheap) or syrup of buckthorn (readily taken by any bird) are first favourites with me. Their regular use largely removes risk of stomach (or liver) upsets. Your Greenfinches ought to prove mulers; I have frequently known Greenies in field plumage breed Mules.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS should consult Boulton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/8); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird keeping" (1/1); Dr Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

F. C. Sims; J. H. Jones.—We will await the new list of officials.

J. Bostock, G. Pim, J. T. G., and others.—Thanks for the press cuttings, which we will certainly utilise if space permits.

Disgusted One, Exmouth.—We could not possibly publish such a letter as yours, which makes a direct imputation upon the integrity of a judge—an imputation based upon nothing more substantial than something somebody told you, and of which you yourself write, "if it be a fact." Have you never heard of the law of libel? Why not advise your informant to communicate with the committee of the show; that is the proper body to investigate a matter such as this. If you wish to discuss the length of exhibition Yorkshires, our columns are open to you providing you do it in an impersonal way; remember that everyone (even a judge) is entatled to his own opinion. Your intentions are no douht good, but we are afraid that your heart runs away with your head.

Singing Contests.

KIPPAX.

Weekly sing held January 4, at Commercial Hotel, Headquarters, when 25 birds sung for three good prizes. We had some splendid singing, as the result of first sing this season. Winners: 1, J. Liversidge, 71 secs.; 2, 3, J. Wallis, 47 and 44 secs. Next open sing, Jan. 11, 3 minutes sing, 1 minute spring and 2 minutes bluff, when we hope to see several fresh faces, as we are trying hard to establish a good club.—A. Tomlin, Sec.

LEEDS.

Usual weekly Linnet singing contests for quality held at Skinner's Arms, Bushingthorpe Lane, Jan. 4, when 16 of the best birds in Leeds sung for three good prizes given hy Mr. Fishwick. Extra good singing was heard to the enjoyment of a crowded house from far and near. 1st J. Sellers, 2nd P. Madden, 3rd C. Clayton. Judges, D. Madden, A. Granger. Also Jan. 5, when 26 birds faced the judges, who gave every satisfaction. Some extraordinary good singing was heard with a house packed to its utmost upstairs and down. 1st C. Ward, 2nd 3rd shared between C. Ward and W. Lunn, 4th White. Judges, T. C. Summers, J. Grauger. Also a grand Canary contest at night, when 26 of the best birds in Leeds sung in heats for four special prizes. Some of the best singing heard for years was done, and the judges gave every satisfaction to all present. 1st Morris, 2nd Thirkill, 3rd A. Binns, 4th Roberts. Judges, T. C. Summers, C. Lorriman; timekeeper, J. Sellers. All intending members for our yearly Linnet singing contest for Whit Tuesday please come or send to the above address on Jan. 19, to arrange for the largest contest ever sung in Yorkshire, as we have over 50 members up to date. Entries close on same date. A grand Canary contest will be held on Jan. 12, first pair of birds to be hung 7.30 prompt, the landlord will give three special prizes.—T. C. Summers, Hon. Sec.

Weekly contest for quality Linnet singing, held at the Old Bird House, King's Head, Shannon-st., Jan. 4th, when 15 birds sung for three good prizes given by Mr. Wm. Tillotson: 1, 2, shared by T. Chadwick and S. Johnson; 3, T. Chadwick. Judges, Lacy, Naylor. Also January 5th, when 17 birds sung for three good prizes before a crowded house: 1, H. Wigfield; 2, T. Chadwick; 3, shared by T. Stead, H. Wigfield. Judges, A. Jennings, Naylor, Lacy. Open contest for Rollers, Jan. 5th, when 15 birds sang for three good prizes: 1, W. Sissons; 2, Richardson; 3, shared by J. Grant and Simonster. Judges, Lacy, Naylor. Open contest for Rollers will be held Jan. 12th, when our host, Mr. Wm. Tillotson, will give a good substantial prize; entrance money added; first pair hung at 7.45.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

PENDLEBURY.

Linnet contest held at Butchers' Arms, Union Street, Jan. 4, for field-moulted birds. 28 birds entered. Mr. G. Clarke, of Pendleton, gave a grand prize for 1st, which was won by E. Wynn, 2nd T. Hindley, 3rd J. Fairhurst; timekeepers, J. Jackson and G. Bate; minutes, J. Caswell. Also on Jan. 1, open contest for time, when 36 birds entered. Mr. J. Syddall gave a copper kettle for 1st prize, which was won by J. Harrison, Tyldesley, time 119secs.; 2nd, R. Fairhurst, 81; 3rd, J. Woodward, 50; timekeepers, J. Evans and G. Bate; tappers, J. Talbot and J. Jackson; birdkeeper, J. Eckersley; minutes, J. Caswell. After contest we had a social evening. Three new members were enrolled. Next contest, open to Manchester and district, for time, Jan. 11. First pair up at 2.30. Will members please note we are holding a general meeting on Jan. 19th at 7.30 prompt; business important.—E. Hickman, Hon. Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Weekly Linnet contest, January 4. Twenty-two birds entered for 3 good prizes, the birds doing some very good singing. Winners: S. Morley, 57; W. Nelson, 52; J. Brindley, 39; also January 5, 9 birds entered for 3 prizes, the winner doing the best time of the season so far. S. Morley 83; W. Nelson, 51; A Sweeting, 26. General meeting, Jan. 12, hoping all will try to attend.—Walter Dobson, Hon. Sec.

LEIGH.

We held our first club contest on New Year's Day, when there was a poor attendance of members. Only sixteen members entered birds for six good prizes. Winners were: Quality, W. Barnes (Wigan) and J. W. Jones (Leigh) divided 1st and 2nd; 3, H. Brown (Leigh). Time: 1, Ben Jones (Leigh); 2, J. MacAllister (Leigh); 3, D. Banks (Howe Bridge). There will be an open contest on January 18th, when prizes will be given according to entries, for time and quality.—R. Holcroft, Sec.—(Kindly communicate your address.—Editor).

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

Anfield, Everton, C.B.S.—Jan. 13, Frankham's, 8. Committee meeting; show business, etc. Grand smoking concert, Sandow Hotel, Jan. 15th, 7.30 p.m. Members and fanciers invited.—R. B. Wright.

Annfield Plain F. and F.C.B.S.—Jan. 11, Queen's Hotel, 7.30. Business most important; prize money, etc.—J. W. Christon.

Barrow and Dis. C.B.A.—Jan. 15, Headquarters, 7.30 p.m. Special meeting, to discuss conduct of member who showed at late members' show a light Mule which was alleged to have been stained.—Jas. S. Fleming.

Bradford East O.S.—Jan. 14, Park Chapel Schools. Annual tea, concert, and prize distribution; tea, 6 p.m. to 6.30; concert, 7.30. Adults tea and concert tickets, 9d.; childrens, 6d.; adult concert tickets, 4d.; children, 2d. A hearty invitation to all fanciers. All prizes must be presented at this meeting.—H. Hill.

Bury C.B.S.—Jan. 14, Textile Hall, 8. Balance sheet and general business.—H. Jameson.

Boldon Colliery.—Jan. 11, Store Buildings, 7.30. Election of officers and other important business. Fanciers invited.—A. Widdowfield.

Bermondsey and Rotherhithe F.A.—Jan. 16, Jolly Gardeners, 8. Annual general meeting, passing of balance sheet, 1912, and election of officers for 1913, and show fixtures, etc.—John Clark.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Jan. 11, Shoulder of Mutton, Girlington, 8. Balance sheet for year's working, also open show business.—Kilburn and Western.

Beamish C.B.S.—Jan. 11, Bird Inn, High Hold, 7. Election of officers and nomination of judges for 1913; have supper, and other business. — Wm. Knowles.

Bolton Roller C.S.—Jan. 14, Joiners' Arms Hotel, Belton, 8 p.m. Settling up after open show.—William Massey.

Bramley and Dis. O.S.—Jan. 13, at Caruival Committee Rooms, 8. Balance sheet; election of officers. —W. H. Steel.

British Roller C.C.—Jan. 14, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martins-le-Grand, 8. Final show arrangements.—J. W. Norris.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—Jan. 13, Crown Hotel, 8.30. Election of officers for 1913.—J. H. Jones.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Jan. 13, Church Institute, 60, Paddington-st., W., 8.15. Annual general meeting.—H. W. Dickinson.

Choppington C.B.S.—Jan. 11, Railway Hotel, 6. Payment of prize money; annual supper, etc.—G. H. Seely.

Coventry O.S.—Jan. 15, The Sydenham Palace, 8.30. General business; all arrears of subs. should now be paid.—A. J. Barrett.

Cardiff C.B.S.—Jan. 16, Maskell Hotel, 8. Nomination of officers for 1913, also arrange match pair show, judge, etc.—E. Thomas.

Manchester, Salford Amal. Societies.—Jan. 16, Mr. Robinson's, 9. Meeting of delegates; some important business to discuss.—J. Spencer.

City and County of Perth O.A.—Jan. 13, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard-st., 8. Gen. meeting; election of office bearers; auditor's report; consideration of open show, and other competent business.—James Kerr.

Denton C.B.S.—Jan. 13, New Headquarters, behind Duffy's, Drapers, Manchester-rd, 8. Lecture, "Breeding and Rearing"; all unsold tickets and money to be in for the amalgamated show.—W. Hopwood.

Gt. Horton (Good Intent) O.S.—Jan. 11, Wisley Place Schools, 7.30. Annual general meeting; auditor's report and balance sheet; election of officers, and other special business.—H. Gornall.

Garston B.B.A.—Jan. 16, Club Room, 7.30. General meeting.—A. T. Mullock.

Great Horton O.S.—Jan. 11, Butcher's Arms, 8. Business most important.—J. Holroyd.

Hackney, Stoke Newington F.A.—Jan. 14, Headquarters, 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers.—C. L. Hatchett.

Keighley C.B.S.—Jan. 14, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Reading balance sheet and electing officers.—J. Binns.

Kelty and Blairadan.—Jan. 14, Headquarters, 6. Business: Club show, held Jan. 18; 33 classes; 1d. per entry; birds to be in at 10. Novice class in each section.—A. Dickson.

Leith O.S.—Jan. 11, Liberal Club, Hope St., 7.—G. Brown.

Lowestoft C.B.S.—Jan. 13, Mr. Lowe's Room, Towning-st., 8.30. To elect officers for coming year and arrange for evening show.—F. Rackham.

Leicester C.B.S.—January 15, Bull's Head Hotel, 8.15. Table show; 4 classes Canaries, Siskin, Redpoll. Election of officers. Members having tickets please return as soon as possible.—J. Cook.

Longton C.B.S.—Jan. 4, Swan Hotel, Longton. Prize money and specials paid out; will donors and others see to the specials and ticket money. Preparing lectures and other important business.—J. B. McMurtrie.—(No time stated.—Ed.).

Lancashire and Lizard F.A.—Jan. 11, Show Room, Textile Dining Hall, Shaw-rd., Oldham, 6.30. Show business.—John Rukin.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Jan. 11, Greyhound Hotel, 7. Trip to Palace show; hand over cups won at our last show; members wishing to avail themselves of this trip kindly attend.—David Johns.

Manningham C.B.A.—Jan. 14, Headquarters, 8. Election of officers and annual report.—H. Grange.

Metropolitan C.B.A.—Jan. 11, 8. Committee meeting.—G. Denham.

Morley C.B.S.—Jan. 11, Sycamore Hotel, 7.30. Very important.—J. Rhodes.

Mid-Rhondda C.B.S.—Jan. 16, White Hart Hotel, Tonypandy, 7. General and matched pair show business, and election of auditors.—A. H. C. Legg.

Nottingham and Notts O.S.—Jan. 14, Mechanics' Institute, 8. Election of officers, balance-sheet.—J. G. Royce.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Jan. 14, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, Harpurhey, 8. Schedules for Jan. show to be held Jan. 25th.—John Davey.

Newsham C.B.C.—Jan. 11, Willow Tree, 7.30.—C. Snowdon.

New Cross C.B.S.—Jan. 16, People's Hotel, Tanner's Hill, 8. Special meeting and business, also election of officers for 1913.—Barton and Barton.

Oldham C.B.A.—Jan. 14, Textile Dining Rooms, Shaw Road, 8. Special meeting. Election of officers and balance-sheet for past year.—Jas. Cope.

Partick C.B.C.—Jan. 10, Trades Hall, Anderson Street, 8.—Wm. Priest.

Pendleton and Salford O.S.—Jan. 13, Irwell Castle, Lower Broughton, 8. Balance-sheet, election of officers; amalgamated show ticket money to be brought in.—Critchley and Metcalfe.

Paisley, Tannahill O.S.—Jan. 11, White's, 2, St. James Street, 7.30. Balance-sheet.—John Stewart.

Plumstead and Woolwich C.B.S.—Jan. 16, Trinity Schools, Bereeford Street, Woolwich, 8. Annual meeting: report and balance-sheet, election of officers, revision of rules, fixture list for year. Fanciers invited.—E. Meades.

Rawtenstall F.S.—Jan. 14, Mission Room, Hall Street, Rawtenstall, 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers, and annual tea party and social. Fanciers cordially invited.—Herbert Kershaw.

Romford F.S.—Jan. 13, White Hart Hotel, 8 p.m. Annual meeting. Will members settle at once for subscriptions, tickets for young, stock and annual shows, adverts. in Year Book, and show catalogues. —C. Ives.

Swansea C.B.S.—Jan. 14, Market Coffee Tavern, 8. Annual meeting; election of officers, auditor's report, appoint another judge for open show.—S. H. George.

Stocksbridge C.B.S.—Jan. 11, headquarters, 8. Payment of special prizes, election of officers for 1913, etc.—G. L. Sampson.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Jan. 11, Wharfe Hotel, 7. Show of hens only; judge, Mr. T. Pilling (Halifax). —Sutcliffe and Walker.

Shipley O.S.—Jan. 15, Prince of Wales. Members' show. Judge, Mr. Mundell. Entries Tuesday night; birds staged 2 prompt.—A. Tillotson.

Sandy Lane C.B.A.—Jan. 14, Victoria Hotel, 8. —Ratcliffe and Shaw.

Skipton C.B.S.—Jan. 13, Globe Restaurant, 8. Election of officers; all nominations to be sent in at once.—E. Gill.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Jan. 14, Fawcett-st. Cafe, 8. Special meeting to draw specials, etc.; important.—J. Jeffrey.

Thotto Heath O.S.—Jan. 14, Railway Hotel, 8. Special meeting. Show business; entries to be brought forward.—H. Cuttler.

Tong C.B.S.—Jan. 14, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.30. Balance-sheet and election of officers, and other important business.—W. Walker.

Wingate F.S.—Jan. 11, Literary Institute, 7. A cordial invitation is given to all fanciers of the district.—J. Burdett. (Kindly send notices for "Poultry World" separately from those for CAGE BIRDS.—Ed.)

Welsh Yorkshire C.C.—Jan. 28, Royal Standard Hotel, 7. Election of officers and other matters.—Hy. Webster.

Walthamstow F.A.—Jan. 16, Trinity Schoolroom, Oxford-rd., 8.30. Annual general meeting.—H. C. Cooper.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Jan. 14, Dartmouth Hotel, 8. Election of officers.—W. G. Andrews.

Wakefield O.S.—Jan. 18, Crown and Anchor, 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers and other important business.—J. Isherwood.

Windhill C.B.S.—Jan. 25, Blue Bell Hotel. Tea and social Feb. 1, at headquarters; tickets 1/6 each, from the secs.—Taylor and Ellis.

Windsor C.B.A.—Jan. 13, headquarters, 8.15. To draw up fresh rules, and general business.—E. A. Strickland.

Wombwell B.F.A.—Jan. 18, Wombwell Wesleyan School Room, 7. Business, important.—Thos. Eames.

Wakefield R.C.C.—Jan. 13. Elephant and Castle Inn, 8. Election of officers, and any other business. New fanciers invited.—H. Roebuck.

Wood Green F.F.S.—Jan. 14, headquarters, 8.30. Annual general meeting to elect new officers, etc., for the year.—A. Willson. (Please send notices for "The Poultry World" separately from those for CAGE BIRDS.—Ed.)

York C.B.S.—Jan. 13, All Saints' School, 7.45. Yearly meeting; agenda for 1913.—H. Sayles.

NORTHERN CREST CLUB.

A bold experiment was tried on New Year's Day, when an open show was run by the members in the Bird Market, Newcastle-on-Tyne. That it deserved to meet with success was the opinion of all who visited the show, and a good number of enthusiasts put in an appearance. The entry was a good one, taking everything into consideration, and the fanciers who sent in birds from a long distance are to be congratulated on their sportsmanship. Mr. J. G. Hutchinson, a rare good enthusiast, managed the venture in capital style. The judges were Mr. J. T. Clark (Sunderland), open and novice classes; and Mr. T. C. Crawhall (Newcastle).

The Critique.

DK. BUFF CK. (12): 1, Hagill, bonny big bird, grand large crest, well shaped, nice and neat at centre, thickly built, of leafy feather, wins; 2, 4, Smith, two beauties, leader loses a bit in size of crest, but put down in A1 form, not a feather a tray, lovely qual, round as a rim, but weak one side, 4th not far away in merit; 3, Dobson and Son, we liked well, and thought very close up, grand, thick, leafy feather, neat, well drooped crest, set on a massive body. HEN (13): 1, Greenwood and Burson, the well-known champion, truly a gem, marvellously big crest, true in shape, best of droop and finish, very thickly built, admired by all; 2, Smith, also has a wonderful head, very expansive and shapely, best of feather, good, thick-set frame, another gem; 3, Dobson and Sons, hardly the qual. of feather, but little behind in size and shape of crest, grand body, a beauty; 4, Richardson, extra good at front, nice and neat, plenty of size, but beaten in this company. LIGHT, ETC. (7): 1, Greenwood and Burson, grey, one of the best, great sweep of crest, on a good body, rare qual. feather, very well finished; 2, Dickinson Bros., rattling good exhibit, right qual. feather, fine frame, big, well-shaped, neat headpiece; 3, Hutchinson, fails a bit at centre, but fine big crest, good texture, rare big body; 4, Mrs. Taylor, another taking grey, neat, well drooped, good feather, loses size. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Mrs. Taylor, the well-known grey, wonderful qual., feather like silk, and plenty of it, really grand crest, thick and shapely; 2, J. Taylor, nice bird of its kind, but loses in crest, good qual., well shaped; 3, White, equal in size of crest, loses in shape, A1 qual., nice body; 4, Dobson and Son, close up, crest exceptionally well finished. C.B. YELL. (7): 1, White, grand bodied bird, rare good head, plenty of feather of excellent qual., A1 entrance and brow, very taking bird, clear; 2, Brotherton, his noted bird, big winner, lovely dome skull, wonderful entrance and texture of feather, splendid turnback, big body, grand Nor. type, must have pressed; 3, Mole, good variegated, grand frame, topping head at all points, well browed; 4, Swan, variegated, another thick-set customer, rare wide skull, nice size and feather. BUFF CK. (15): 1, Dobson and Son, wonderful variegated, great width of skull, lovely entrance and nice, heaps of feather, very veiny, good brows, huge body; 2, Hugill, also a topper, grand head for width and feather properties, lashed to perfection, very big frame; 3, McColl, fine body, plenty of feather of nice texture, beautiful head, fine dome and lash; 4, Bewick, close up, practically equal at all points, splendid entrance and wide skull. HEN (8): 1, Bewick, R.S., that wonder the "Duchess," often described in "C.B.," gem of gems, approaches perfection at every point; 2, Armstrong, another marvellous bird, feather properties something out of the ordinary, great size, almost ideal head; 3, Dobson and Son, licked in head points, but all there for quantity and length of feather, good size and shape; 4, White, another nice hen, very nicely shaped head, well clothed. CREST (1912 BRED), BUFF (18): 1, Broad, the noted Southern winner, a real topper, should trouble the best of them next year, extra large, shapely crest, beautiful droop and texture; 2, 3, Bewick, R.S., leader has large, heavy crest, neat, well shaped, 3rd bit behind in size, yet grand neat crest, two good ones; 4, Greenwood and Burson, well up to 3rd, very neat and well drooped crest, good body. YELL. (4): 1, Taylor, fair good bird, excels in quality, pretty crest, even and neat; 2, Armstrong, very close up in all points; 3, 4, Hutchinson, two more decent specimens, well shaped, fair-sized crests —toppers in yellows are not plentiful. C.B. BUFF (18): 1, Greenwood and Burson, any amount of feather, very bold, wide head, rare entrance and lash, good body, grand one; 2, T. Bewick, equal in texture, carries heap of feather, head wide, good rise and lashing, nice thick-set body; 3, 4, R. S. Bewick, 3rd grand one for qual., fine head, well clothed; 4th we thought well beaten. YELL. (7): 1, Mole, very good green, sweet skull and feather, real nice size; 2, Smith, well up, heavily built, good bold head, plenty of feather; 3, 4, Hutchinson, two nice ones, all there for qual. NOR. CREST (14): 1, 2, Richardson, the 4th in open, wins well here; 2nd, good one for texture, very leafy, well spread and drooped, nice body; 3, Morrison, grizzle, well put down, neat, good shape and droop; 4, Tate, nice sweep of crest, neat, nice front. C.B. (12): 1, Richardson, bonny bird, excellent head, good rise and entrance, plenty of feather, fine body; 2, Lawson, close up, equal in head, loses trifle in width, grand qual. feather, plenty of it; 3, Simpson, also has a nice broad head, good amount of feather, nice big body; 4, Gillespie, not quite the size, very nice head and rare good feather. SELL. £3: 1, Broadhead; 2, Broad; 3, Scott; 4, Swan. £2: 1, Broad; 2, McColl; 3, Broadhead; 4, Swan. £1: 1, Mole; 2, Broadhead; 3, Armstrong; 4, Hutchinson. GIFT: 1, Robson; 2, Gillespie; 3, Riseboro'; 4, Mole. NOR. (10): 1, Coutts, beautiful qual. yell., grand carr., neat all over, hood head and front; 2, 4, Riseboro, two slashing big buffs, good heads, leader nice and full in front; 3, Morrison, good type of yell., fine qual., let down in col. YORKS. (8): 1, 2, 3, Swan, yell leading, grand style and length, neat feather, well braced wings and tail; 2nd and 3rd, two excellent buffs, really typical, excel in qual.; 4, Riseboro, loses in length, nice qual., well drawn, good head. CINN. (7): 1, Coutts, teeming in colour, sound, correct tone, nice type; 2, 3, Armstrong, big, good colour, bit loose, grand heads, 2nd nice chest; 4, Riseboro, excellent sound colour, shade slim. BORD. (10): 1, 4, Hutchinson, very neat, lovely style, full of qual., mkd. yell.; 4th buff, rare good type; 2, Robson, cinn. mkd., teams with qual., fine shape and pose; 3, R. S. Bewick, too heavy, but full of qual., and neat. A.O.V. (7): 1, 2, 3, 4, Riseborough, smart Lizards, good stamp all through, winner grand rowing and ground colour. BRIT. 1, 3, Riseborough, very neat Redpoll, well mkd., good col., bonny shape; 3rd, nice Hawfinch; 2, Robson, pretty Wagtail, nicely steady, good condition; 4, Scott, fair Goldie, good mkgs., decent blaze. FOR.: 1, 2, Mrs. Taylor, two gems, leader her lovely Sugar-bird (Yellow-wing), and 2nd beautiful. Gouldians.

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

I have in these notes frequently pointed out that much of the exaggerated opposition of the well disposed but misguided humanitarians to our hobby would vanish if they knew something of the subject against which their abuse is directed. Confirmation of this view comes this week in a letter from Mr. J. F. Shiers, a League member, and hon. sec. of Swanley C.B.S., which society has just held a successful show, as reported in Cage Birds last week. Mr. Shiers' letter runs as follows:—

"The lady belonging to the R.S.P.C.A. whom I mentioned in my last letter to you was quite delighted to see all our birds so comfortable. She was under the impression that every caged British bird was unhappy, but when the Goldies and Linnets started singing she altered her opinion. I think we shall have her on the list of members of Cage Birds League, together with some of the bird-keepers about here, who took away with them leaflets explaining the Aims and Objects of the League. I wish the League and Cage Birds every success."

An Open Invitation.

I have many times invited the officials of the humanitarian societies to visit some of our bird shows, and see for themselves if caged birds really "beat out their hearts against the bars of their prisons until death releases them from their sufferings." The last opportunity of the current show season offers itself at the Crystal Palace Show, Feb. 7th to 11th, and I shall be delighted to meet at Cage Birds stall at any time during the show officials of, or subscribers to, either of the humanitarian societies. I venture to think that they will go away with quite a different opinion of the hobby of bird-keeping to that possessed by them at present.

I shall be at the Palace every day during the show, and the attendants at Cage Birds stall will be able to find me at any time while I am there, or I shall be pleased to keep any appointment that may be made by anyone who really wishes to know the truth about bird-keeping.

I have received a long and very interesting letter from Mr. G. Gardner, the well-known judge, and I am sorry that exigencies of space preclude my dealing with this in this week's notes. I hope to be able to go fully into the matter next week.

Our Associate Members.

The number of these has exceeded all expectations, and applications keep coming in by post after post. The success of this scheme is very gratifying, but it entails a great deal of work, and applications are dealt with in the order of receipt. Those who do not receive an immediate reply may rely that their registration will be made and the badges sent without more delay than is absolutely unavoidable.

Overdue Subscriptions.

There remains a considerable number of members of Cage Birds League who are leaving unpaid the renewal of their annual subscription. I hope every member who has not renewed his subscription will be kind enough to send it along in order to save the trouble and expense of making separate applications.

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How to become an Associate.

Many readers of Cage Birds have written to say that they would like to join Cage Birds' League, but cannot afford the subscription. To meet their wishes we have decided to form, in connection with the League, a body of Associates. All we ask of these Associates is that *they will promise to give every possible attention to the wants of their birds.* And they must induce others to see that their birds are kept happy and contented.

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The Fate of Rare Visitors.

One of the best known of our summer migrants is the Wheatear which is with us in great numbers every year from March to October. Quite the opposite may be said of its near relative, the Isabelline Wheatear, a bird which resembles very closely the female of the common species. In fact, it gets its appellation "Isabelline" from its dirty brown colour (Isabella was the daughter of Philip II., who did not change her linen during the three years it took to capture Ostend). The first recorded appearance in England of the Isabelline Wheatear is in 1887, and the specimen is now to be seen in the Natural History Museum. Not more than two others have been seen in our country until the appearance of another in Sussex recently. This last visitor from the far East has met with the fate of those which came before, and now adorns the shelves of a museum.

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Correspondence.

A Veteran Starling Dead.

Sir,—We should be glad if you would allow us to inform the numerous fanciers who have visited our rooms of the death at the ripe old age of 14 years, of our old Starling. He died on the last day of the old year.

J. and J. Hopkins.

Bolton.

Proposed New Society for Fence Houses.

Sir,—It has been proposed to form a Cage Bird Society for Fence Houses and District. Headquarters, Station Hotel. All fanciers wishing to join please send me their names as early as possible.

W. Halton.

7, Ewe Hill Terrace, Fence Houses.

Proposed New Society for Tiverton.

Sir,—I shall be very pleased if you will kindly make it known through your valuable paper that a society is shortly to be formed here. The membership will be open to the county of Devon, and I shall be pleased to hear from any fancier who would care to join. A meeting will be held at Mr. Harris's Refreshment Rooms, Jan. 26, at 8; all fanciers are invited to attend.

J. Dummett,
Late Sec., Cardiff C.B.S.

24, Silver St., Tiverton.

Special Combined Charity Show at Leicester.

Sir,—The Leicester C.B.S. and the Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S. contemplate holding a combined show in the large hall of the Working Men's College at Leicester, Feb. 1st. We shall be glad if fanciers in the County of Leicester will give us their help to make the show a success. We shall be pleased to accept entries from them and will post a schedule to any address in the county on receipt of a post-card. The prizes will be awarded from the entry fees on a sliding scale, and all gate money will be handed to the funds of the Leicester Children's Hospital. It is with confidence we make this appeal to Leicestershire fanciers to show their appreciation of the noble institution which does so much for the suffering little ones.

A. Freestone.
J. Cook.

79, Clarendon Street, Leicester.

The Recent Stocksbridge Show.

Sir,—On behalf of my committee I wish to thank you and your reporter for the very excellent report of our show in your valuable paper. We were obliged to cancel the two open Foreign classes, and also the British Softbill class, owing to lack of entries. This was a surprise to us, as several well-known exhibitors in Sheffield, for whose benefit these classes were added, had promised their support. Yet not one of those who promised entered a single bird. Needless to say, the Stocksbridge fanciers are not likely to forget this when the next Sheffield open show comes round, and I rather fancy that if they will look up the Stocksbridge entries for the last two shows they will find that it will make no slight difference. We have not yet decided on our programme for 1913, but you may be sure that if we have any open classes, we shall not put our trust in promises, but advertise in your paper

G. L. Sampson.

Perches that Keep Down Red Mite.

Sir,—I was surprised at the view taken by Mr. Knapps re "Derby's" method of dealing with red mite. No doubt there is nothing like taking precautions for cleanliness, such as washing and disinfecting cages occasionally, as Mr. Knapp recommends. But Keating's powder I find best in its own place (as far as a bird fancier is concerned), when plentifully used in the nest during the breeding season. What could be more gratifying to a lover of birds than to be able to detect and effectively deal with the first appearance of red mite amongst his birds (which will come, sooner or later)? I have not had them myself for years, but I recollect having had quite enough of them on one occasion after a purchase of fresh stock. I use nothing but trap perches in my cages, but I do not prepare them as "Derby" recommends. I gather in winter the new growth of the elderberry tree, and cut them in lengths at the joints, which I find long enough for general use. Tie them in bundles and leave them to season. When required, get a piece of stout cage wire, bent slightly at one end—or, better still, bicycle spoke. Push the straight end down through the core and pull it right through. In this way the inside can be cleared completely. Then with a fine bradawl bore several clean holes in a row (to be looked on as the bottom of perch). Cut to exact length required and cork each end. By removing one cork and giving the end of perch a smart tap against a table, previously covered with a sheet of white paper, one can tell immediately if he is troubled with red mite or not. If they do appear, pop your perch into boiling water, which is easier than dipping the whole cage. Given a home like this red mite will never trouble any other portion of a cage (unless it is allowed to get overcrowded). I do not want your readers to think that I disapprove of or neglect the annual cleansing of cages, but I find that the trap perch will keep one in full command of red mite.

R. Graham.

Wrong Classed at the Scottish National Show.

Sir,—Would Mr. J. Watson, who was one of the judges of the Border Fancy section at the recent Scottish National Show, kindly enlighten me re the "wrong classing" of my Uneven Cinnamon-marked Yellow Cock? He is marked each eye (the left eye mark being distinctly broken), each wing, and has a tick on back. Previous to the National I have shown him in five unevenly marked classes, viz., Newcastle, Border City (Carlisle), Whitehaven, Haltwhistle, and Gateshead, and he has been placed first each time, being passed as uneven by the following specialist judges: Messrs. W. C. Duncan, J. C. Barnes, John Robson, H. Davidson, and John Dixon. Surely this fact alone is definite proof that the bird was shown in his right class?

John Nicholson.

The Popularity of the Scotch Fancy Canary.

Sir,—I uphold Mr. C. Farrow's remarks in Cage Birds about the Cardiff Show, a show which I have never missed for a great number of years, having at one time between 20 and 30 birds in one class. At that time the outside exhibitors had a chance of winning a few specials; but of late we get only prize money, and I say a special, no matter how small it may be, is always appreciated by an outside exhibitor, and secretaries will find more entries at the shows if a few specials were offered, as the bird o'circle is a delicate plant to send all over without some recompense. A great risk is the railway. Label your case all over, but they seem to take no notice. I sent two to Edinburgh last week, and I got word this morning from the sec., Mr. Lile, that my birds did not arrive until 12.30, after the judging was all over, so I was too late. Fancy, from Barrow, all the way to Edinburgh, and only carelessness on the railway's part, as they left here soon enough, but better luck next year. Trusting the bird o'circle will be better patronised all over.

Rbt. Willison.

The Shows in Ireland.

Are Week-end Dates Detrimental?

Sir,—I think Mr. J. F. Morgan has touched the point in your last issue as to the cause of the shortage of entries at shows held in Ireland on a Saturday. I sent a team of birds to Newtownards with instructions to have them sent out first train Saturday morning or retain them till Monday. I have found out from the railway company they were not sent out till 3 p.m. Saturday, so the birds remained at Enniskillen Station from Saturday till Monday, and except for the kindness of the railway company's servants, who took them out and watered them, I would have received them back dead. They have been delayed the same way on another occasion coming from Larne. Some of these very societies who hold their shows at the week end will not trouble themselves to approach the railway companies to get facilities for birds to be carried back free. The only means fanciers at a distance have is keeping their birds at home—better than getting them back dead. I think also that specialist clubs should see, before granting their patronage to any society, that proper arrangements are made for the care and return of exhibits. I may say that the Belfast and Lurgan Societies, although they held their shows on a Saturday, always returned birds in good form, carriage free; but I think they would be wise in considering the idea of holding their shows in the middle of the week.

Jas. Devins.

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Sir,—In reply to Mr. Witherby's request, I write to say that the Gull was shot on Sept. 20, 1912. H. DYER.

Are Charlock and Wild Mustard Different Plants?

Sir,—Re the article on "Wayside seeds, etc., for British Birds," by Mr. J. B. Clarke. In CAGE BIRDS of December 28th, 1912, he states that charlock, or wild mustard, are one and the same thing. This I may say is incorrect, as charlock (Sinapis arvensis) is a different species to wild mustard (Sinapis officinale). The former seldom grows to a height of eighteen inches, whereas the latter grows to a height of even seven feet. I saw to-day, Jan. 5th here in Cardigan a quantity of wild mustard from five to seven feet high. Both are very similar in pods; still, they are two different species of plants.

D. J. THOMAS.

The Standard Show Cage for Green Yorkshires.

Sir,—Allow me to ask readers of your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, which is the proper standard show cage for the Yorkshire Canary? Some of the Liverpool exhibitors (G.C.A. members) are showing in the punch bar show cages, and these show cages are not as long as the lapped wire cages. The Green Canary Association syllabus states that all members must use standard show cages, or points will not count for season's specials. The birds that are shown in the lapped wire cages don't look quite as large as those shown in the others, and therefore must stand down a little. I have always used the lapped wire cage, thinking that was the standard cage. I hope some fancier will enlighten me as to what is the real show cage. I wish CAGE BIRDS continued success.

Sheffield. WM. WALKER.

Short Entries at Scottish Shows.

Are Clique Judges the Cause?

Sir,—I may say that I have exhibited four times at the Scottish National. The first year I made nine entries in British and Mules, the highest award being fifth prize. Since then I have exhibited Borders (last year and this year) but have only succeeded in winning an eighth prize out of eight entries, in the two shows. I examined the catalogue this year, the biggest bulk of the prizes awarded in the Border section going to the fanciers in the Scotch districts. It states in the Border Club rules that we must have the standard show cage, black, and only plain canary seed at the bottom. I should like to ask what about the twisted perches which are in all the Scotch exhibitor's cage? I ordered my show cages from one of the best Scotch makers, but when they came to me they had not the twisted perches in them, just the ordinary perch. I may say that this year there were eleven entries in Borders from within ten miles where I reside, and they were birds which had held their own in our English shows. Now, at the Scotch show the awards were 2-fifths, 1-seventh, and 1-eighth out of eleven entries. CONSTANT READER.

Sir,—I would like to give other reasons for short entries at our Scottish shows, as I differ from your correspondent, "Lover of Justice," who makes an unpleasant inference on our present judges, and very hurtful to the Fancy, too. Now, I think last year about this time, or thereby, "Lover" joined hands with many more "Lovers" in Fife, and contended earnestly for "Fife judges for Fife shows," with what result? Many of them were chosen. The true-spirited fanciers elsewhere responded to their wishes, and gave them good entries at their early shows. At Lochgelly, which was a splendid show, there was a record entry. But what happened to the others? The "Lovers of Justice" got an early glance at the quality of the birds they had to face for the year, and so the other Fife shows suffered, as many of the so-called "Lovers" kept their birds at home. I have seen "Lover of Justice" well pleased with a 1st, two 2nds, a 3rd, a he, this year for five entries at one show, while there were only 53 birds in 12 classes. His outlay for his birds alone was 10s. 6d, while he had 8s. as a total prize money, with a deduction of 4s. for prize cards, thus leaving him 4s. The show referred to gave many specials for this section, and yet for 12 classes there was an entry of 53 birds. At this same show an exhibitor well known to "Lover of Justice" had £1 19s. total cash in prizes and cash specials, with a deduction of 17s. for prize cards. Another exhibitor, at another show, had 10 entries, and entry fees, membership fee, and rail fare for his birds, cost him £1 0s. 10d. He was in the "models" with 9 birds; the other 4th. He had 15s. in full as prize money and 9s. deducted for cards. So as a winner he had 6s. returned to him! Now I could fill your columns with similar cases. But the above is sufficient to show that the price charged for prize cards has something to do with short entries at our shows.

When writing on this vexed subject my memory goes back and brings up before me the many "Lovers of Justice" I have met at shows, and the harm they have done the Fancy. All that is required to start this kind of "Lover of Justice" is to ask why he was not showing at such and such a show. Then he, regardless of how many young fanciers are present, makes wild assertions as to the rotten judgment given by the judge, and tells the old story (about 30 years old, to my knowledge, but handed down from one "Lover" to another) that it's "put me in this week, and I'll put you in next." Another favourite story of the "Lover" is, you can buy birds from all the judges, but you cannot win more than a V.H.C. or a C. with them. Another is that the judges can pick up from "Lovers" and other aspiring judges wasters and win with them. Most judges have well paid for their experience, and are not in the first instance going to give away birds to beat themselves for the trifling sums that these "Lovers" are prepared to pay; secondly, they would not be worthy of the name of judge if they saw a good bird being sold as a songster, or a feeder, or sent to a dealer by "Lovers of Justice," who did not know it was a good one, if they did not try and obtain and go on and win with the bird, and thus show he was really a judge. Now, I hold that these so-called "Lovers of Justice," who have never seen an honest man but themselves, have done more harm to the Fancy than all the other causes put together for they have stopped many from going further into this pleasant hobby other than by keeping a songster. The young fancier who has taken his birds for the first time to the show, listens to "Lover of Justice," takes his wild assertions as facts, and if he gets nothing, why his stock is for sale. Can we wonder at it? Another reason for short entries is that at many shows fanciers have a long distance to go to the station. As night approaches, they try to get their birds. The officials know that with smart walking, if you know your way about, you can reach the station in 20 minutes or fifteen minutes, and very often they say come back at such and such a time. Sometimes when you go back they are engaged, for they have told so many the same tale. So when you get your birds and run for the station you are too late for the train. A fancier that has won may enter again, but the losers do not. Then, again, we have too many shows on the same dates. But "Lover of Justice," in his mind of perfection, fails to see any other reasons for short entries than his imaginary "clique judges." I now hear it mooted that he is not for local judges next time; his chorus is "over the Border for a judge." He has, however, very seldom sent any birds out of Fife. I have been watching many "Lovers of Justice" for a considerable time. Their study has not been centred on improving their birds, but to imitate the staging of the winners, and through weak competition, and their lack of ability to discriminate, they often have made themselves believe they tricked the judges. Now I could say much more through my long experience on this matter, but hope I have said sufficient to give your correspondent justice.

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If you desire further or fuller information, we shall welcome your enquiry. Write at once: The Manager, "Cage Birds Annual," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

Proposed Roller Singing Club for Walkden and District.

Sir,—I have been asked by several Roller fanciers in Walkden and the surrounding districts to form a Roller Club. I know there are many who are interested in this variety, and with those who have promised to join no doubt we can get a very good club together, so rally round, fanciers, and let us see what we can do. All anxious to join should please communicate with me at 50, Newearch Rd., Walkden, to arrange a meeting—place, time and, date. I shall be very pleased to do my best to help.

H. HOWARD.

Sympathy with a Well-known Secretary.

Sir,—All your readers to whom Mr. R. B. Wright, hon. sec. of Anfield, Everton and Dist. Cage Bird Society, is known, will be prepared to offer to him their deepest sympathy and condolence in his most recent bereavement. He has had a continuance of family troubles of late, first his father's death was a great blow, then his mother's serious illness, so quickly followed by the death last week of his favourite daughter. I am sure all the members of the Liverpool and District Societies will join in the wish here expressed, that as the New Year ripens his prospects may become brighter.

A SYMPATHISER.

Date of Crystal Palace Show.

Sir,—For as many years as I can remember, the Palace Show has been held from the Friday to Tuesday. If the days were changed to from Wednesday to Saturday, the show would have to remain open on the last day till 9.30 p.m., partly to secure the Saturday gate money, but mainly to give an opportunity of seeing the show to the thousands who, being engaged in offices and warehouses are unable to visit the show on any other day. Callers would be able to take their birds away between 10 and 11.45 on the Saturday night, but rail birds would have to remain in the show, and be packed on Sunday afternoon for despatch by Sunday night trains. I do not care for Sunday labour when it can be avoided, but if there is really a widespread demand for the alteration, I will submit the matter to my committee and the Crystal Palace Company, provided that those who wish for the alteration *send me a post-card to that effect before the end of the month*. In any case, no alteration can be made in the time stated above for closing on the Saturday. Saturday is the popular day, as proved by the fact that I have sold as many as a thousand catalogues on the Saturday afternoon and evening.

J. W. RAMSDEN,
Show Manager.

New Society for Wanstead.

Sir,—A new society has been formed by a number of fanciers to be known as the Wanstead F. and F.S. We have started with a membership of 45, and this number bids fair to double itself by our next meeting. We held a members' show on Dec. 9, at which there were about 60 exhibits, which we think was a very fair start. The exhibits were of a very fair quality, and we hope in the near future to be able to greatly improve on them. We shall esteem it a favour if you will kindly make these facts known in CAGE BIRDS. At our annual general meeting, Jan. 13, we expect to have a large muster of members and intended members.

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Can Bronchial Affections in Birds Be Cured?

Sir,—Permit me to ask brother (or sister) fanciers a question. I have a valuable Canary suffering from a bronchial affection. I have had others, and have tried all manner of remedies, demulcents, expectorants, astringents, narcotics, and their combinations, from formamint downwards. I have followed closely the remedial courses advised from time to time in our paper—without avail, however. I have certainly relieved, but never cured. Must it be accepted as a fact that a bird which has contracted some form or other of bronchial affection, or asthma, has, so to speak, "handed in his checks"? And does it immediately resolve itself into a longer or shorter period of suffering, with death as its ending? Will some kind fancier who has more experience than I have, give us their views on the matter. Mercy prompts the question. I wish CAGE BIRDS continuance and increase of prosperity, which it so richly merits, in the New Year.

DESPAIR.

WARRINGTON C.B.S.

Annual members' show held New Year's Day, in the new concert room of the Blue Bell Hotel. This being the final show for cups and shield, the competition was very keen. Some extra good quality birds were on view, and gave the judge a stiff job. The Yorks. put down by Mr. Knowles, of Earlston, were a picture, while the Norwich of Messrs. Weston, Higham, Fitchard, Nelson, etc., were worth going a long way to see. The worthy sec., Mr. G. M. Nelson, put down his famous team of wee gems. Messrs. Mort, Clare, and Barnett had quite a battle royal in British, each singing a beauty or two. The show was well patronised by the local fanciers. The secretary informs us he can do with a few more members from the outlying districts, so hurry up, fanciers; the society is worthy of your help. All entry fees are given back to members—an admirable way of giving encouragement to the novice. Mr. Knowles had quite a field day in specials, capturing Ramsden's and best in show. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, of Liverpool, judged, and his awards were well received.

The Critique.

YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, Knowles, rare length, straight as arrows, well filled in necks, put down in form. BUFF: 1, 2, Knowles, winner takes Ramsden's medal, shooty, round as a pencil, glorious feather, 2nd cinn. mkd., grand back, pipe tail; 3, Johnson, wing mkd., nice type, full of swank. HEN, YELL.: 1, 2, Knowles, topping hen, takes sp best in show, lovely front, straight as a gun barrel, exquisitely dressed, 2nd var. cinn. mkd., grand carriage, charming qual., full of nerve; 3, vhc, Johnson, wing mkd., rare shape and style, fails qual. to above. Hen, BUFF, cancelled. NOR. YELL.: 1, Fitchard, variegd., bold head, bull neck, short wings and tail, fair frontal; 2, vhc, Nelson, cl., rattling head and neck, bold eye, lovely qual., shade longer than winner; 3, Higham, var., looked like a hen, if so, a real good 'un; hc, Weston; c, Mort. BUFF: 1, Fitchard, cl., real good one, massive front, short flights, extra col., capital form; 2, Weston, runs very close, champion head, neck, and wings, tail well packed, glorious qual.; 3, Nelson, var., fair col., capital back, bold eye, hardly checks of above; vhc, Higham. YELL. HEN.: 1, Nelson, charming little girl, neat all through, but not quite enough subs.; 2, Weston, again smart, but small, lovely col. and qual., little to choose. BUFF: 1, 3, Nelson, short and compact, Bullfinch type, takes perches freely, sweet head and neck; 2, Weston, a good big one, capital round head, thick set neck, on to a good body, near thing, 3rd longer, fair size, grand condition, good breed hen; vhc, hc, Higham. BORD. YELL. COCK.: 1, 2, Nelson, two charming chaps, very jaunty and free, lovely contour, fine texture of silky feather, put down in style; 3, Warburton, neat shape, fair quality, capital condition, just a bit flat on head. BUFF: 1, 3, Nelson, smart, capital type, neat head, compact wings, and well rooted tail, 3rd sweet head and neck, close fitting clothes, jaunty and free; 2, hc, Pitchford, very near thing, charming style, moves well, lovely contour, just beaten qual. YELL. HEN: 1, Nelson, tasty damsel, full of life, round as can be, quite a gem; 2, Barnett, another of the correct type, jaunty, take perches well, rare sweep; 3, vhc, Pitchford, variegd., grand qual. and shape, neat front, just droops tail a bit; hc, Warburton. YELL. GR. OR CINN.: 1, 2, 3, c, Higham, very nice team of greens, winner looks like a hen, excellent shape, champion pencilling and ground col, 2nd shapely Border, good head, back, and tail, lovely qual., 3rd fair size, yell. green cock, good head and neck; vhc, Nelson; hc, Barnett. BUFF: 1, Nelson, smart green Border, looks well, rare markings and ground col., gem for shape; 2, 3, c, Higham, pair Nor. greens, nice Nor. properties, excellent col. and ground work; vhc, hc, Clare. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Clare, Linnet Mule, fair size, good col., lovely condition; 2, Barnett, similar for size, better col., foul tail; 3, Nelson, Goldie Mule, fine shape and col., bit rough. GOLDIE, ETC.: 1, c, Mort, real good Goldie, expansive blaze, even buttons, extra in tanning; 2, 3, Barnett, Bullie, well cut cap, fair size and condition, charming col.; 3, Chaffinch, big one, steady, good whites and sheen; vhc, Nelson; hc, Eckersley. LINNET: 1, Burnett, rare col., nicely pencilled cone shape; 2, Nelson, extra size and condition, but wild; 3, Eckersley, medium size, good work and shape. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Clare; 2, Mort; 3, Barnett. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Mort, lovely 'Hammer, steady as a rock, perfect V, in grand order, 2nd massive Hawfinch, real good cap and bib, nice plumage; 3, Barnett, Greenie, fair shape and size, fine skull.

BOLTON ROLLER C.S.

Annual Singing Contest, December 31st, and January 1st, in their showroom at the Joiners' Arms Hotel, Deansgate, Bolton, which is specially adapted for the purpose, being well lighted, warm, and free from draughts. Entries did not quite come up to expectations being a few short of last year, but the birds that were sent were the cream of the Fancy. One of the things that was remarked upon was the absence of London birds, only one or two fanciers showing. Several water tins which would not hold water were sent, and we had to change them for the seed tins. If it had not been for the vigilance of the stewards some of the birds would have been without water. There was a good muster of visitors, nearly all the leading Lancashire fanciers being present. Mr. Lyons, Blackburn, and Mr. Walton, Leeds, were the judges and gave every satisfaction.

The following abbreviations are used: hr, Hollow Roll; hb, Hollow Bell; br, Bass Roll; f, Flute; wr, Water Roll; s, Schockel; g, Glucke; wg, Water Glucke; dwb, Deep Bubbling Water Tour; bt, Bell Tour; b, Bell Roll; ge, General Effect.

CHAMP. YOUNG BIRDS, RUNG 1912, BRED BY EXHIBITOR: 1, T. Twigg, hr 5, hb 4, br 2, f 3, wg 3, dwb 3, bt 1, b 2, ge 5, total 28; 2, M. Neugebauer, hr 5, hb 4, br 6, f 2, wg 3, bt 1, b 1, ge 5, 27; 3, T. Turner, hr 5, hb 3, br 4, f 3, wg 4, dwb 2, bt 1, b 1, ge 4, 27; 4, W. J. Christie, hr 6, hb 4, s 3, f 3, wg 3, b 2, ge 5, 26; 5, T. Simpson, hr 5, hb 4, br 5, s 2, f 3, wg 2, dwb 2, ge 4, 1 off sharp flute, 26; 6, J. A. Ives, hr 4, hb 3, br 4, f 3, wr 2, wg 3, bt 1, b 1, ge 4, 25; vhc, Neugebauer, J. H. Wardleworth, hc, G. Wareing, G. Cole; c, T. Twigg; c, M. Neugebauer; best Hollow Roll, Christie; best Glucke, Davis; best Water Glucke, Neugebauer; best Bass, Neugebauer. NOVICE: 1, W. Harrison, hr 2, hb 4, br 2, s 4, g 2, wg 3, bt 2, ge 4, 23; 2, H. Rawcliffe, hr 3, br 4, g 2, f 3, wr 1, wg 4, ge 4, 21; 3, Mrs. A. Atherton, hr 3, br 2, s 2, f 3, wg 2, dwb 2, bt 1, b 1, ge 4, 20; 4, R. Roberts, hr 5, hb 3, br 3, f 2, wg 3, ge 3, 19; 5, H. Rawcliffe, hr 3, br 2, s 3, g 1, f 2, wr 1, wg 2, bt 1, ge 3, 18; 6, A. W. Cadman, hr 3, hb 1, br 2, s 2, f 2, wg 2, bt 1, ge 3, 16; vhc, Rawcliffe; hc, Preston; c, Lockwood; Nos. 6, 14, 16, 27, no song; best Hollow Roll, Preston; best Glucke, Rawcliffe; best Water Glucke, Harrison; best Bass, Rawcliffe. CHAMP. ANY AGE: 1, R. Kremner, hr 5, hb 4, br 3, g 5, f 3, wg 3, bt 1, b 1, ge 5, 1 off, hard Aufzug, 29; 2, J. H. Willows, hr 5, hb 4, br 5, f 2, wg 3, dwb 3, bt 1, b 2, ge 4, 1 off, hard Aufzug, 28; 3, T. Turner, hr 5, hb 4, br 5, g 4, f 2, wr 2, wg 3, ge 4, 1 off, Sharp Flute, 28; 4, R. Kremner, hr 5, hb 3, br 4, f 3, wr 2, wg 4, b 1, ge 5, 27; 5, R. Kremner, hr 5, hb 4, br 5, f 3, wg 3, dbw 2, ge 5, 27; 6, J. H. Wardleworth, hr 5, hb 4, br 5, f 2, wg 3, bt 1, b 1, ge 3, 24; vhc, Percival; hc, Smethurst; c, Kremner; Nos. 3 and 8, no song. AMAT., ANY AGE: 1, D. Smith, hr 3, br 3, s 4, f 2, wg 4, bt 1, ge 4, 24; 2, F. Barnett, hr 7, br 2, g 4, wr 1, wg 3, bt 2, ge 4, 23; 3, F. A. Heaton, hr 6, br 3, s 3, g 2, f 3, wg 2, ge 4, 23; 4, C. W. Wilson, hr 6, hb 3, br 3, f 2, wg 4, ge 4, 22; 5, J. H. Smith; hr 7, hb 3, s 3, f 2, bt 2, ge 4, 21; 6, R. Eaton, hr 8, br 2, g 2, f 3, wg 2, bt 1, ge 4, 1 off Sharp Flute, 21; vhc, Roebuck; hc, Roberts; c, J. T. Smith; No. 36, no song.—Wm. Massey.

HAWARDEN C.B.S.

Second annual show held December 28th in the Gymnasium. The room is a capital one for a show, having good light and being free from draughts. There was a good entry of over 160, and some capital birds were staged. The enthusiastic Secretary, Mr. J. T. Lloyd, had everything well in hand, and the judging was got through in good time, and the rush when the doors were opened promised that the gate would be a good one. Mr. S. Hadwin, Liverpool, judged, and gave every satisfaction.

The Critique.

NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (5): 1, 2, H. Johnson, good head, chest and subs., 2 close up, loses in subs.; 3, Redfern, fine qual., also lacks subs.; 4, Harrison, close up; vhc, Boswell. BUFF (4): 1, H. Johnson, good head, chest and subs.; 2, Jones, good head and subs., not quite the qual.; 3, G. Johnson, good body, just a bit browy; 4, H. Johnson, good shape and qual. VAR. YELL. (2): 1, Mrs. Adams, a very nice one; 2, H. Johnson, loses in subs. BUFF (4): 1, Redfern, good head, subs., and qual.; 2, 3, Johnson, very similar, not quite the subs.; 4, Smith. HEN (8): 1, spl. best Nor., Parkes, buff, good head, qual. and subs.; 2, H. Johnson, good qual. and shape, loses subs.; 3, Jones, yell., not quite so neat; 4, Redfern; vhc, Boswell; hc, Smith. UNFLIG. (4): 1, H. Johnson, buff, good shape and qual.; 2, Jones, very nice one, close up; 3, Smith, buff cinn., good qual., fails shape to others; 4, Redfern, variegd. buff. YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. (13): 1, spl. 2nd best Yorks., J. Harrison, good legs, wings and pos.; 2, Burroughs, good qual. and shape, not so long; 3, G. Johnson, good leg and pos.; 4, Redfern; vhc, hc, Parkes; c, J. Harrison. BUFF (10): 1, 3, G. Johnson, 1 and spl. best Yorks., good legs and pos., well drawn, racy, 3 bit heavy; 2, Harrison, good qual. and shape; 4, Burrows; vhc, Parkes; hc, c, H. Johnson. VAR. YELL. (4): 1, 3 H. Johnson, good leg and shape, well drawn, 3 good type and qual., smaller; 2, 4, H. Johnson, 2 very swanky, 4 small and neat. BUFF (4): 1, 3, Parkes, 1 good length and style, 3 close up, not so stylish; 2, Burrows, good leg and qual.; 4, H. Johnson. HEN (15): 1, vhc, Harrison, good legs and pos., well filled and drawn; qual. and pos., loses in style only; 4, Butler; hc, Boswell. UNFLI. (14): 1, Harrison, good legs, wings and pos.; 2, Boswell, good qual. and shape, not the length; 3, Redfern, good style and qual.; 4, c, Butler; hc, Boswell. A.O.V. (6): 1, Smith, nice buff cinn.; 2, Jones, good Crest; 3, Parkes, buff York. gr., good leg and col.; vhc, Butler. GOLDFINCH (9): 1, Redfern, rare blaze and cond., steady; 2, Boswell, good cond. and markings, fails blaze; 3, G. Johnson, similar; 4, Butler, close up; vhc, Harrison; hc, Redfern; c, H. Johnson. LINNET (7): 1, spl. best Brit., 2, J. Harrison, 1 a gem for col., markings and steadiness, tip-top, 2 not so well staged; 3, H. Johnson, very steady, well staged, bit light under; 4, vhc, Redfern; hc, c, G. Johnson. MULES OR HYB. (7): 1, G. Johnson, very fine dark Lin.-Can., rare col.; 2, Boswell, light Green-Can., not the condition; 3, 4, Redfern, 3 Gold.-Can., very steady, well staged; vhc, Jones; hc, J. Johnson; c, Smith. A.O.S. BRIT.: 1, Boswell, Bullf., grand col., well staged; 2, c, Redfern, very fine Greenfinch, rare col. and condition; 3, Smith, smart Siskin; 4, vhc, hc, Bully hen in tip-top ferm. FOR. (3): 1, Miss Cliff, very large and handsome Lemon-crested Cockatoo, in fine condition; 2, Mrs. Adams, Grey Parrot, in the pink; 3, Smith, Parrakeet, not in the best of condition. COTTAGERS' CLASS (13): 1, 3, vhc, H. Johnson, good Yorks.; 2, T. Johnson, yell. Yorks., racy; 4, G. Johnson, junr., good buff Yorks.; hc, Mrs. A. Williams; c, A. Williams.

BARNSLEY C.B.S.

Third members' show held Jan. 1 in the Large Club Room, Clarence Hotel. 52 Birds being staged. Winners for most points in Yorks.: W. Atherton 122; F. Race, 2nd, 90; E. Toulson, 3rd, 59; J. W. Charlesworth, 4th, 46; J. Barnes, 5th, 10. Most points Nor.: E. Thorpe 174, also spl most entries 41; G. Hall, 2nd, 62; F. Lister, 3rd, 23; L. Wiseman, 4th, 8. Most points in British: W. Rapson, 58; E. Toulson, 2nd, 39; E. Thorpe, 3rd, 7; F. Lister, 4th, 4; J. Barnes, 5th, 2. H. J. Chittenden officiated as judge, and his awards were well received. CL., ETC. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Charlesworth; 2, Atherton; 3, Race. BUFF: 1, Toulson; 2, Race; 3, Atherton. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Race; 2, vhc, Toulson; hc, Charlesworth; c, Atherton. BUFF: 1, hc, Toulson; 2, Atherton; 3, vhc, Race. YELL. 1912: 1, Race; 2, Atherton. BUFF: 1, Toulson; 2, Charlesworth; 3, Race; vhc, Atherton. YELL. NOR.: 1, Thorpe; 2, Hall. BUFF: 1, Hall; 2, Thorpe. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Thorpe; 3, Hall. BUFF 1, 2, 3, Thorpe. YELL. 1912: 1, 2, Thorpe; 3, vhc, Hall. BUFF: 1, 2, Thorpe; 3, Hall. LINNET, ETC.: 1, vhc, Toulson; 2, hc, Thorpe; 3, Rapson. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 2, vhc, Rapson; 3, Toulson.—F. C. Sims, Hon. Sec.

GREAT HORTON O.S.

Last of this year's members' shows held Dec. 26. Mr. F. Benn placed the cards and gave every satisfaction. CL. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Ormonroyd; 2, S. Midgley; 3, Shackleton; 4, Lister. BUFF: 1, Hainsworth and Son; 2, Shackleton; 3, 4, Lister. TKD. YELL.: 1, Self; 2, Shackleton; 3, S. Midgley; 4, Helliwell; vhc, Jennings; hc, Lister. BUFF: 1, Morley; 2, Ormonroyd; 3, Hairsworth and Son; 4, S. Midgley; vhc, Jennings; hc, Lister. YORKS. STOCK Bird: 1, G. Midgley; 2, Helliwell; 3, Shackleton; 4, Hainsworth. GR. MKD. YELL.: 1, 2, hc, G. Midgley; 3, Hainsworth and Son; 4, Hainsworth; vhc, Ormonroyd. BUFF: 1, 3, Ormonroyd; 2, G. Midgley. HEN: 1, Hainsworth and Son; 2, 3, Lister; 4, Hainsworth. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, Hainsworth and Son; 2, Self; 3, S. Midgley; 4, Jennings; vhc, Helliwell; hc, Lister. CINN. MKD. CK.: 1, 2, Ormonroyd. YELL. HEN: 1, Self; 2, Hainsworth and Son; 3, Jennings; 4, Morley. BUFF: 1, hc, G. Midgley; 2, Self; 3, 4, vhc, Lister. Following are the season's winners: CUP COMPETITION: 1, A. Lister, 80 points; 2, F. Self, 79; 3, S. Midgley, 79; 4, B. Hainsworth and Son, 78. CHAMPION: 1, A. Lister, 157; 2, B. Hainsworth and Son, 128; 3, F. Self, 120; 4, W. Ormonroyd, 106. NOVICE: 1, S. Midgley, 144; 2, G. Midgley, 133; 3, J. Shackleton 105; 4, Ellis Self, 59. GR. MKD.: 1, A. Lister, 85; 2, G. Midgley, 68. CINN. MKD.: 1, W. Ormonroyd, 35; 2, Tom Hudson, 34.—J. Holroyd, Sec.

WAUNARLWYDD.

First show of the above society was held January 2,, in Sheppard's Hall. The venture proved a success, entries coming up remarkably well, and quality throughout was most excellent, many well-known winners being staged. Another year the committee might safely give an extended classification in the Canary section; we feel sure, with the excellent management, exhibitors will support with their entries. The exhibits were nicely staged, and had every attention given to them by a keen lot of fanciers. The hall is a capital place for a bird show, being roomy and quite free from all draughts. Mr. Jack Walters makes an admirable secretary, having a firm grip of his work, and was most affable and courteous to all. He was well backed up by a good hard-working committee. Mr. J. H. Payne made the awards.

The Critique.

NOR. (13): 1, sp., H. S. Davies, cl. buff, good shape, lovely col., and full of quality, nice head, back and neck, in the pink; 2, Edwards, yell., good shape, deep solid col., nice head and full neck; 3, D. Jenkins, neck tkd., buff, romping shape and size, well rounded front, nice flights and tail, bit slack behind; 4, Muscott, cl: yel., nice shape and feather, nicely cut away, beaten in col.; res., Griffiths; vhc, Price; hc, Lucas; c, Davies. YORKS. (17): 1, Portman, yell., lovely col., full of qual., straight as a pencil, stands well up, nice flights and pipe tail, neat round head, in grand order, wins well; 2, Jos. Owen, unflighted yell, grand col., nice qual., well on leg, good position, nice flights and tail; 3, Jos. Owen, yell., slim built, nice position, good wings and tail, boxy feather, of good qual.; 4, Philips, unflighted yell., nice col., nice length, slim built, good wings and tail; res., c, Mock; vhc, Gowing. BORD. (10): 1, 2, 4, D. Jenkins, good team, leader a smart, stylish and shaped yell., good col. feather and carriage, 2, cl. buff, lovely feather, sweet shape, nice wings and tail, neat head, close up, 4, nice shaped buff, good col. and feather; 3, hc, Evans, yell., nice shape and close feather, weak head, wings and tail; res., Portman; vhc, Harry; c, Creber. A.O.V. CAN. (2): 1, Muscott, nice Crest, No. 1, wrong class, a variegd. yell. Nor. GOLD. (22): 1, sp., 2, Jeffreys, nice bright, good coloured blaze, well tanned chest, nice bars and buttons, grand feather, 2, expansive square cut blaze of good col., nice tanning on chest, good bar and buttons, lifts wing a bit at times; 3, Cheney, rare size, nice back and buttons, not quite so deep in underblaze; 4, Heal, nice bars and buttons, well tanned chest and rich blaze; res., Ray; vhc, Jenkins; hc, Lucas Bros.; c, King. BULLFINCH (17): 1, sp., Cheney, regular stormer, grand size and shape, rich breast col., beautiful back and bars, cap dense and well defined, as smooth as a glass bottle; 2, Holborow, nice shape, deep rich coloured breast, nice back and cap, good wing bars; 3, Jeffreys, beautiful deep rich breast colour, nice cap and bars, not quite so tight at thighs; 4, Gregory, dense cap, nice breast and bars, just beaten in compactness of feather; res., Lucas Bros.; vhc, Ford; hc, Portman; c, Hellen. LINNET (11): 1, sp, Jeffreys, grand col., well pencilled, lovely feather and condition, very steady; 2, Holborow, beautiful col. and well pencilled, rich, nutty col. on back, a bit on the small side; 3, Nicholas, gem for pencilling, nice shape and feather, with more col. would take some stopping; 4, Cheney, nice shape, feather and col.; res., Ford; vhc, Lewis; hc, Gregory; c, Jenkins. REDPOLL, ETC. (7): 1, Nicholas, Twite, grand col., beautifully marked, nice shape and feather, in fine order; 2, Ford, Lesser Redpoll, lovely feather, nice flank markings and rich tone of col.; 3, Cheney, nice coloured and good feathered Twite, not quite the work of the winner; 4, hc, Jeffreys, Lesser Redpoll, rare size, shape and feather, capital 'Poll; res., Lucas Bros.; vhc, Thomas. GREENFINCH, ETC. (13): 1, 3, vhc, Jeffreys, Chaffinch, wonderful size and shape, grand col. and feather, nice wings and cap, 3rd, another grand Chaffinch, hard to separate; 2, sp., Holborow, yell. Greenfinch, lovely col. and rich bars, grand feather and condition; 4, P. Jones, lovely hen Bramble, beautifully marked, feathered to perfection; res., Ford; hc, Burrows; c, Heal. A.O.V. HARDBILL (3): 1, Burrows, Hawfinch, lovely feather, nice col. and bars; 2, Ray, Hawfinch, well mkd., capital bib, loses in feather; 3, Hellen, Snow Bunting. SOFTBILL (6): 1, sp., Ray, Waxwing, grand feather and nice soft col., nice tippings; 2, Harry, Chough, well up in size, dense col., nice bill and legs; 3, Ford, grand coloured and well marked Redwing, in good feather; 4, Heal, Nuthatch, lovely col. and feather, good size and shape; res., Burrows; vhc, Griffiths. MULE (15): 1, Lewis, buff Goldfinch Canary, marked eyes, wing and tail, a topper for size, shape and colour, capital feather; 2, Edwards, Greenfinch-Bullfinch, grand feather and colour, nice cap and bars; 3, Lucas Bros., dark jonque Goldfinch-Canary, shines like satin, good finish and rich body colour, beautiful feather; 4, H. S. Davies, four-pointed buff Goldie-Can., nice col. and markings, bit slack at thighs; res., Morgan; vhc, Slee; hc, Muscott; c, Griffiths.

CRADLEY HEATH F.S.

Sixth annual show, held Dec. 18 and 19 in the Victoria Hall, kindly lent by Mr. J. Barnes. Entries turned up better this year, competition in some of the classes being very strong. The Secretary, Mr. W. Broadbent, had everything in apple-pie order, and some very nice specimens were staged by Messrs. E. Hingley, Dudley, Raybould, Grove, and others, Mr. Hingley winning challenge cup for best bird with a wonderful young Chough, which looks like making a champion. Prize cards were up in good time. Mr. Hanford, in place of Mr. Ward, judged, and his awards were well received.

NOR.: 1, Rowe, cl. yell., nice wing carr., rather loose in feather; 2, 3, res, Hingley, 2nd good eye marked buff, nice shape and condition; 3rd, another buff, in good order; vhc, Cole. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, res., Hingley, all big fine youngsters, shapely and full of quality, hard to separate them. YORKS.: 1, Dudley, cl. yell., nice head, good carr., shows well; 2, 3, res, Raybould, buff and yell. of good length, smart in stand, and well staged. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, res, Hingley, leader good lengthy buff, of good qual., easy win; 3, res, both buff mkd., splendid feather and well put down; 2, Dudley, buff mkd. hen, nice shape and good qual. feather. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Grove, good team of Crests and Crestbreds, leader cl. bodied D.C., good qual. and abundance of feather; 2nd, green Crest, nice round Crest, good centre, plenty of subs.; 3, green C.B., plenty of feather, good width and rise of skull, fine lash, might have been 2nd, but was blowing heavily when we saw it; res, c, Hingley, good var. green Crest, nice neat crest, good subs., plenty of feather; vhc, hc, Grove. DARK MULE: 1, 2, 3, res, Hingley, grand team, leader Goldfinch Mule, stormer for size and col., splendid face; 2nd, neat yell. Siskin Mule 3rd, Linnet Mule, nicely pencilled, good col. for a buff; res, Redpoll Mule, very taking exhibit. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, 3, res, Hingley, wonderfully good team; 1st, two sps., cup, Chough, shines like a silk hat, caused great attraction, nice legs and beak; 2nd, sweet Redstart, in fine order; 3rd, very lively Nightingale, in grand condition; res, Great Tit, shown in a very artistically decorated cage. HARDBILL: 1, 2, Hingley, leader fine Goldfinch, good square blaze, well buttoned and moulded, followed by a good Hawfinch, good bib, in splendid condition; 3, vhc, Finch Bros., good Bullie, rather pale breast; res, Cole, Goldfinch; hc, Cole. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, res, Hingley, taking team; 1st, Lavender Finch, nicely shown, wins easily; 2nd, Orange Bishop, in good order; 3rd, Yellow-fronted Amazon Parrot; res, Black Bishop, nice exhibit, rather unsteady. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, res, Hingley, all Mules; 1st, var. Redpoll Can.; 2nd, var. Greenf. Can., both very taking exhibits, in fine feather; 3rd, Siskin-Greenf. Hyb., in good condition; res, var. Siskin Mule.—E. Hingley.

MORLEY C.B.S.

Last old bird show held Dec. 26, at Sycamore Hotel. Judge, Mr. Cowgill, of Bradford. 50 birds staged, a poor number, but good quality. Mr. H. Birdsall, Gildersome, won gold medal and spl. best bird in show; J. E. Pyrah, silver medal in Open S.; J. Scholes, gold medal; and T. Greenwood, silver medal in novice; J. Somerstall, gold medal, and gold-mounted umbrella for most points in last three shows; and J. E. Pyrah, silver medal in British bird section.

CHAMPION SECTION.—Class 1: 1, 2, 3, Birdstall. Class 2: 1, 2, Birdstall. Class 4: 1, Birdstall; 2, Rhodes. Class 5: 1, Birdstall; 2, 3, Rhodes; 4, Birdstall. Class 7: 1, 2, 3, Birdstall. NOVICE.—Class 9: 1, Scholes; 2, Rayner. Class 10: 1, 3, Rayner; 2, vhc, Scholes; hc, c, Brook. Class 12: 1, Scholes; 2, Brook; 3, Rayner. Class 13: 1, Brook; 2, Rayner. In the British Bird Section J. Somerstall wins 1, 2, 3, in all four classes, bar Linnet, 3, Cockrem.—J. Rhodes, Sec.

NOTTINGHAM (Permanent) O.S.

Annual Boxing Day show, held Grapes Inn. Entries turned up very well for a members' show, 82 birds being staged, some very good ones amongst them. Mr. W. Vardy judged, and his awards seemed to please everybody. The following gentlemen win special prizes for most points throughout the year:—1st, J. B. Caunt; 2, G. Hill; 3, R. Holmes; 4, J. Bowers; 5, J. Wood; 6, J. Bostock; 7, G. White; 8, S. Radford; 9, E. Fox; 10, J. Bunn; 11, W. Bent; 12, W. Towle.

CL. YELL. NOR.: 1, E. Fox; 2, G. Hill. BUFF: 1, G. Hill; 2, J. B. Caunt. TICK, ETC., YELL.: 1, E. Fox; 2, G. Hill. MKD.: 1, E. Fox; 2, G. Hill. HEN: 1, G. Hill; 2, E. Fox; 3, J. B. Caunt. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, E. Fox; 2, G. Hill. STK. PAIRS: 1, G. Hill. YELL. CREST: 1, G. White; 2, Holmes; 3, Bent. BUFF: 1, White; 2, Wood; 3, Bowers. LIGHT: 1, Radford; 2, Bowers. CREST HEN: 1, Bowers; 2, Bent. YELL. C.B.: 1, White; 2, Holmes; 3, Goode. BUFF: 1, Holmes, 2, White; 3, Bowers. C.B. HEN: 1, White; 2, Radford; 3, Bostock; 4, Bowers. UNFLIGHTED CREST: 1, Holmes; 2, Bowers; 3, White. C.B.: 1, Bowers; 2, Goode; 3, White; 4, Bostock. STK. PAIRS CREST: 1, Bostock; 2, Bent. DARK MULE: 1, 2, Hayter. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Bunn; 2, Caunt. LINNET: 1, 3, Caunt; 2, Wood. GREENF., ETC.: 1, Hayter; 2, Towle; 3, Wood; 4, Bunn; 5, Caunt. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, Hayter; 3, Langham; 4, Caunt. A.V. FIELD MOULTED: 1, Bunn; 2, Wood; 3, Towle; 4, Caunt. A.O.V. HARD: 1, 3, Caunt; 2, Hayter; SOFTBILL: 1, Caunt. FOR.: 1, 2, Caunt.—J. Bunn, sec.

BINGLEY AND DISTRICT O.S.

Annual Boxing Day show, distribution of prizes, and discussion on the Yorkshire Canary generally, held in the Co-operative Assembly Rooms. Mr. H. W. Walsh (Halifax) judged to the satisfaction of everyone. The concluding points for the year are:—S. Denby, 79; A. M. Craven, 74; Livesey and Son, 72; Ed. Townley, 40; S. H. Bailey, 36; W. Dean, 26; R. Wade, 26; G. Lee, 29; H. Shaw, 24; Butterworth and Hardy, 21; T. Smith, 19; A. Blakey, 18; H. Hardacre, 16; G. H. Sunderland, 4; A. Godwin, 3. The awards for the show were:—CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 3, Craven; 2, Dean; 4, Bailey; vhc, Lee; hc, Blakey. BUFF: 1, Craven; 2, 4, Townley; 3, Livesey and Son; vhc, Bailey; hc, Dean. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 4, Craven; 2, Smith; 3, Dean; vhc, Townley; hc, Butterworth and Hardy; c, Bailey. BUFF: 1, Livesey and Son; 2, 3, Craven; 4, Dean; vhc, Townley; hc, Lee; c, Bailey. EVEN: 1, vhc, Craven; 2, Lee; 3, Butterworth and Hardy; 4, Bailey; hc, Townley. HEN: 1, Butterworth and Hardy; 2, Craven; 3, Townley. SELF, ETC., GR.: 1, 2, Hardacre. ROLLER: 1, 2, 3, 4, Livesey and Son. On Dec. 28 the President, Mr. G. H. Lee, presented the prizes. The society's silver cup, valued at £3 3s., was presented to Mr. S. Denby, it being his third year of holding it. Other prizes, which were thankfully received from tradesmen in the district, were presented in the following order:—Ship Inn, box of cigars, Mr. S. Denby; Co.-op. Society's copper kettle, A. M. Craven; Geo. Browne's breakfast cruet, Livesey and Son; Tomlinson's pair of vases, Ed. Townley; Granby Hotel, pint whisky or rum, W. Dean; W. A. Cowburn's pipe, R. Wade; H. Hall's tobacco pouch, G. H. Lee; Volan's special bottle of wine or half-pound of tea, H. Shaw; Kershaw's half-stone of apples, Butterworth and Hardy; Sandiford's medal, S. H. Bailey. Very good wishes were given to each recipient and suitably responded to. Mr. James Hartley, of Bingley, gave an admirable lecture on the present status of the Yorkshire Canary, explaining his views that the Yorkshire Canary was deteriorating, the members being especially interested on account of a recent article in CAGE BIRDS. Mr. Hartley holds that no person ought to be allowed to be a member of three or four societies in one Union, and that a Union should give each society a radius so that no other society could join within that radius. His views are strong on this point; it causes too much inbreeding, which is to the detriment of the Fancy. Inbreeding should only be practised where a direct object is in view. Mr. Hartley pointed out also the result of breeding with too many hens run with one cock, and also breeding with birds before they are fully matured, the consequence being that the market was flooded with many birds without the proper stamina of the show specimen. Questions were asked by Messrs. Lee, Denby, Dean, and Wade, and admirably answered by Mr. Hartley. Mr. H. Shaw gave a good outline of how to run an open show. A vote of thanks to Mr. Hartley was proposed by Mr. G. H. Lee, seconded by Mr. W. Dean, and carried unanimously, and thus ended a very pleasant evening.—Asa Livesey, sec.

DUNFERMLINE AND WEST FIFE.

Held Jan. 1-2, in Drill Hall, which is an ideal room, being well lighted and free from draughts. Entries in the Canary classes showed a falling off, especially in Plain Heads (judge, Mr. J. Smeaton, Musselburgh), and were a poor return for an extension of classes. Borders (Judge, Mr. Arnot, Kirkcaldy) were fairly up to average, despite the counter attraction in the Scottish capital. Crests and Crest breds were down, none of the eight classes being filled, but the quality in some was excellent. Mr. Paul (Uphall) judged these, and left no room for adverse comment. Mules, Hybrids, and British were favoured with a record entry, the awards being placed by Mr. J. Steel (Dalkeith), who managed to pick out most of those which have already proved their qualities. Favoured as this society is with the patronage of most of the nobility in the Fife Kingdom, the financial question is non est. Mr. Alex. Hynd pilots the cage bird section in a manner which resembles clockwork, and is assisted by a crew of real workers. Many fanciers were quite unaware of the fixture. Not a single entry came from the south side of the Tweed, due, doubtless, to the fact that the fixture was not advertised. Points special over show was won by A. Moffat (Musselburgh). The show was well patronised by the public.

The Critique.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (1): 1, Kirk, hot one, good feather, rather long in wings and tail. HEN (3): 1, Harris, often described, fine cobby shape, nice head and chest, wins; 2, sp, Moffat, another good one, but beaten in size and depth of keel, good wings and tail; 3, Thomson. CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK. (4): 1, Moffat, grand head and neck, cobby and good qual. feather; 2, Watt, good size, beaten by winner in quality, feather, and head; 3, Pearson, nice quality feather; 4, Houston. HEN (5): 1, Skinner, wins with something in hand, nicely mealed, short wings and tail, slightly browed; 2, Harris, good size, fails in taper; 3, sp, Moffat, better quality feather, beaten in size and skull; 4, Hutton; 5, Watt. YELL. VARIEG. CK. (2): 1, Moffat, some made a tkd., good col. and depth, slightly browed; No. 2, absent. HEN (3): 1, Harris, eye and thigh, nice qual. of feather, short in wings and tail; 2, sp, Kirk, presses, good body; 3, Houston, heavy variog., hot col., beaten keel. BUFF VARIEG. CK. (6): 1, Moffat, good subs. and feather, inclined to hug perch, stiff claw; 2, Thomson, big one, fails colour, good head, crosses wings a bit; 3, sp, Harris, nice shape, not quite the quality of feather; 4, Watt; 5, Flynn; 6, Kirk. HEN (1): 1, Gallacher, hot col., rather loose feather, crosses wings. NON-FED CK. (5): 1, Fleming, nice one, good head and body, wins rather easy; 2, Thomson, heavy variog., fails front and head; 3, sp, Skinner, rather long in barrel; 4, Barr; 5, Kirk. HEN (6): 1, Harris, cl., good head; 2, Gallacher, fails a bit in feather; 3, Moffat, better feather, but not so nice in body; 4, Barr; 5, Kirk; 6, Richardson. UNFLIG. CK. (11): 1, Skinner, bull, good head and feather; 2, Harris, yell., head tkd., better wings, we fancied for 1st; 3, Gallacher, wet when taking notes; 4, Hutton; 5, Watt; 6, Moffat. HEN (7): 1, Harris, buff, eye and wing mkd., grand subs. and feather, fails a bit in wings, yet a good one; 2, Moffat, yell., smaller, hot col., fails also in wings; 3, sp, Watt, larger, not so good in head and feather; 4, no name; 5, Fleming; 6, Skinner. CREST CK. (6): 1, Cram, nice centre and droop, fine leafy texture and radiation; 2, Sneddon, another big one, nice centre, droop and radiation, presses; 3, two sps, Moir, good length feather, not so good in radiation and leafiness; 4, 5, Burt; 6, Kemp. HEN (6): 1, sp, McLaren, nice centre and droop, well groomed; 2, Sneddon, foul tail gr., good size, scarcely so well centred, nice droop; 3, Moir, loses in head properties here; 4, Beaton; 5, Buchanan; 6, Burt. CREST. 1912 (5): 1, 2, Moir, leader D.C., wings slightly tilted; 2, cl. bodied D.C., better size, bit weak in front; 3, Angus, smaller; 4, Beaton; 5, McLaren. C.B. CK. (6): 1, 4, Cram, leader, good entrance and width; 2, Sneddon, well lashed, plenty feather, must have pressed; 3, sp, Buchanan, good size, fails lashing; 5, Morland; 6, McLaren. HEN (3): 1, Cram, good entrance and lashing, wins; 2, McLaren, fails in lashing to winner; 3, Burt, bit pinched in front. C.B., BRED 1912 (4): 1, 3, Moir, leader grand lashing and entrance, latter not so good in entrance, good size; 2, Moreland, weaker in head, good size; 4, Beaton. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Peters, a gem, sweetly moulded, nice jaunty action, good texture; 2, Hutchison, head tkd., presses for type, beaten quality feather; 3, Brown, mkd., soft, might have given way to 4th, no name; 5, Burt; 6, Symon. HEN (10): 1, res, Lambie, a good one, often described, excels texture, type, and action; 2, Bennet, equal type, loses col., good pipe tail; 3, Spence, nice feather; 4, Hutchison; 5, Anderson; 6, Symon. CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK. (8): 1, Anderson, rare qual. and action, slightly thick in neck; 2, Bennet, heavier stamp, better neck, nice texture; 3, Hutchison, good quality feather, nice front; 4, sp, Peters; 5, no name; 6, Burt. HEN (10): 1, Munro, box-like feather, heavy stamp, nicely put down; 2, Peters, good head, rather loose at thighs, nice action; 3, Anderson, our choice for 1st (Cowdenbeith medallist), grand boxy feather, sweetly moulded; 4, sp, Hutchison; 5, res, Lambie; 6, Symon. UNEVEN YELL. (4): 1, Rae, both eyes and one wing, nice head and wings; 2, Spence, we made a four-point, nice qual., fine poise, good head and wings; 3, sp, Peters, beaten in neck; 4, Warwick. UNEVEN (5): 1, B.F.C.C. medal, Hutchison, on the heavy side; 2, R. Lambie, cinn., better wings, but fails col.; 3, Nairn, similar stamp, crosses wings; 4, Burt; 5, Kennoway. EVEN (3): 1, Rintoul, nice qual. feather, rather spread in marks, very jaunty; 2, sp, Campbell, better marks, crosses at times, wants handling; 3, Stewart, nice bird, wants a hand-wash. GR. OR CINN. (5): 1, R. Lambie, nice grassy tone, well laced, rather unsteady, wins; 2, 4, W. Lambie, nice tone of cinn., good pipe tail, loses in back and wings; 3, Stewart, better type, fails col., light legs; 5, Burt. COM. CAN. (10): 1, Brown; 2, 3, Ewanson; 4, Mauclark; 5, 6, Bell. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (7): 1, Bell, Goldie-Bullie, well known winner, in grand order; 2, 3, Jamieson, former yellow variog. Goldie, good col. and feather, well put down, latter buff, same cross; 4, sp, Love, soft when judged, drinker unsuitable; 5, Arnst, mkd., wet; 6, Bell. DARK (6): 1, Arnst, Goldie, fine flush face, hot col., good size, staged in good order; 2, Bell, Linnet, well known winner, some preferred, in first-class order; 3, Hogg, Goldie, fails a bit in size and col., still a good one; 4, Rankin; 5, Love; 6, Stirling. GOLDF. (12): 1, Anderson, old warrior, needs no comment; 2, Hogg, better tans, fails size and blaze to leader, longer type; 3, Allan, smaller, paler in face; 4, sp, Hutton; 5, Robertson; 6, Jamieson. BULLF. (8): 1, Anderson, well staged, h.m., good cap and depth of breast col.; 2, Jamieson, f.m., good cap, nicely cut, fine depth col., pressed hard; 3, Hynd, good tone of breast, fails in cap, well put down; 4, sp, Arnot; 5, Hogg; 6, Rolland. GREEN (10): 1, Anderson, well known winner, yell., well fed, good head and chest; 2, Richardson, another yell., good col. and qual. feather, beaten size; 3, Laird and Matthew, buff, good size, nice col. for unfed, would make a good fed; 4, Stewart and Dalling; 5, Moreland; 6, Rankine. LINNET (13): 1, Warwick, good chestnut col., rare pencilling, excels whites, lacks a claw; 2, Robertson, smaller, better pencilled, loses in depth, colour, and whites; 3, 4, sp, McCulloch, former nice tone of colour, fails in head; 5, Bell; 6, Stewart and Dalling. REDPOLL (6): 1, Campbell, Mealy, grand size and lacing, a good one, well known winner; 2, Anderson, Lesser, real gem for col., good bib and lacing, a wee dandy; 3, Grindley, another nice Lesser, beaten col. and bib; 4, Bell; 5, Love; 6, Anderson. SISKIN OR TWITE (7): 1, 5, Warwick, leader, nice fed Siskin, good cap and flank lacing, no bib, staged in good order; 2, Laird and Matthew, Twite, not the largest, but excelled in col. and lacing, pressed; 3, Stewart and Dalling, Twite, larger, scarcely so rich in col., well pencilled, a good one; 4, sp, Bell; 6, Rolland. GOLDF. FOR. (5): 1, Robertson, cl. win, good square face, well fed, good size; 2, Hogg, beaten in blaze and size, still a good one; 3, sp, Arnot, scarcely up in blaze, nicely buttoned; 4, Hutton; 5, Stewart and Dalling. FOR. (3): 1, 3, Arnot, lovely Superb Tanager leading; 2, Harley, Rock Parrakeet, in good feather. HARDBILL HEN (7): 1, Miller, Corn Bunting, nicely mkd., very steady; 2, Kilpatrick, Greenfinch, good bars for a hen, could be improved; 3, Gentleman, Hawfinch, pale, very steady; 4, sp, Arnot; 5, McLaren; 6, Laird and Matthews. BRIT., SMALL. (4): 1, Bell, Brambleinch, good mantle, depth of breast and spangle, fails mask, steady; 2, Richardson, Yellow Bunting, nice head and cheeks, slightly broken in V, steady; 3, sp, McDiarmid, Grey Wag.; 4, Miller. LARGE (4): 1, 3, Anderson, leader well known Waxwing, latter Missel Thrush, in good order, lacks a claw; 2, Robertson, nice steady Hawfinch, rather pale in frontal; 4, Stewart and Dalling, Corn Bunting, nice breast, steady, damaged in back. GIFT (7): 1, 5, Kilpatrick; 2, Rankine; 3, Anderson; 4, Love; 6, Sneddon. JUV. CAN. CK. (20): 1, E. Arnot; 2, A. Arnot; 3, Burt; 4, Kennoway; 5, Taylor. HEN (11): 1, Burt; 2, Kilpatrick; 3, E. Arnot; 4, Anderson. JUV. BRIT., A. V. CK.: 1, Anderson; 2, 5, Taylor; 3, Anderson; 4, Hislop. JUV. BRIT. HEN (6): 1, Kilpatrick; 2, A. Anderson; 3, Taylor; 4, J. Anderson; 5, J. Anderson.

GUISBROUGH "Priory" C.B.S.

Last members show, held Jan. 1, when 70 birds faced the judge, Mr. Wm. Rand, Middlesbro', who got through his work in a satisfactory manner, grumbling being conspicuous by its absence. In the champion classes Messrs. Mays and Allinson, and Messrs. Cook and Hood tie for first place, 225½ points each; in novice, F. Marsay first with 66 points, closely followed by R. Husband, 63.

YORKS., OLD BIRDS: 1, 2, 3, Cook and Hood; vhc, G. R. Barker. 1912: 1, Cook and Hood; 2, 3, c, G. Barker; vhc, hc, Mays and Allinson. HEN: 1, 3, G. Barker; 2, vhc, Mays and Allinson; hc, c, Cook and Hood. NOR., OLD BIRDS: 1, 2, Cook and Hood; 3, hc, R. Husband; vhc, F. Marsay; c, Mays and Allinson. 1912: 1, vhc, Mays and Allinson; 2, hc, Cook and Hood; 3, F. Marsay; c, R. Husband. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Mays and Allinson; vhc, Cook and Hood; hc, R. Husband; c, F. Marsay. CREST OR C.B.: 1, 2, Cook & Hood. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, Cook & Hood; 3, F. Marsay. LINNET: 1, Cook and Hood; 2, 3, hc, Mays and Allinson; vhc, c, R. Husband. A.O.S. BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Mays and Allinson. MULE OR HYB.: 1, R. Husband; 2, hc, G. Barker; 3, vhc, Mays and Allinson. NOV., YORKS.: 1, 2, hc, R. Husband; 3, vhc, F. Marsay.—H. Hood, Sec.

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FALKLAND O.S.

Fifty-third annual show held in the Town Hall, January 2nd. The hall is a good one for the purpose, there being a good light and every comfort for the exhibits in the way of temperature. The office bearers are a grand set, the genial president, Mr. John Angus, being the life of the show, and doing his utmost to ensure its success, while the members of committee, Messrs. Cation, Gold, Litster, Fulton, Melville, and Reedie, were very active in carrying the show to a successful end. The treas., Mr. McLaughlan, had charge of the section, and was very courteous and obliging to all, while the sec., Mr. Anderson, had all his arrangements well forward. The entry was a good bit back on last year, only about 60 birds being forward, several of the classes having to be cancelled. This is a very poor reward for the society's enterprise in engaging two judges for the cage birds, and we hope by another season that fanciers will rally round this, one of the oldest societies in the country, and give them a bumper entry. The judges were Mr. Leslie (Thornton) and Mr. C. White (Pathhead), but Mr. White lost his train, leaving Mr. Leslie to take the whole section.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY, YELL. CK. AND YELL. HEN: Cancelled. BUFF CK. (2): 1, Thomson, good size, nice reach, rather thin in neck; 2, McLaughlan, similar, very nice circle. HEN (3): 1, 2, Reekie, leader nice one, rare nerve, head well down, well cut away; 2nd, nice stamp of a hen, not so well packed in shoulder; 3, Angus, good hen, well shown. YELL. PIED CK. AND HEN: Classes Cancelled. BUFF PIED CK. (3): 1, 2, Beattie, both good birds, leader best shoulders, head well down, capital reach and drive; 2nd, similar; 3, Angus, still good one, loses in neck. HEN (2): 1, Thomson, nice size, good style, determined drive; 2, Angus, good size, nice circle, well filled in back, nicely packed tail. GREEN CK. AND HEN: Classes cancelled. CL. OR TKD. NOR. CK. (3): 1, sp, G. and A. Dryburgh, good size and type, nice head and wings, well filled in back, good col.; 2, McLaughlan, good head, tkd. buff, fine size and col., good head and wings, grand qual.; 3, Cation, loses in size to winners, nice qual. of feather. HEN (1): 1, Simpson, good size and subs., very nice head and wings, well carried, sweet qual. A.O. COL. CK. (1): 1, sp, McLaughlan, nice wing mkd. yell., good size, nice qual., rare good wings and tail, well shown. Hen: Cancelled. NON-FED (1): 1, Lister, fair size buff, could do with a wash. UNFLIG.: (1): 1, sp, McLaughlan, nice yell. variog. cock, good size and subs., nice head and wings, capital front, in first-class condition. CREST CK. (2): 1, Campbell, good variog. D.C., good size and subs., fine crest, well radiated, nice leafy feather; 2, Angus, nice green Crest, of good formation. HEN (1): 1, Angus, green, nice round crest, but on the thin side. C.B. CK.: 1, Angus, good buff, nice skull, with good head feather, hardly enough subs. BORD. HEN (2): 1, sp, 2, Lawson, nice yell. leading, very natty size, good sound col., tidy wings and tail; 2nd, buff, good size, nice head and wings, well put down. All remainder of Border classes cancelled. LINNET (8): 1, sp, Colville, good bird, nice sound colour, good breast and wings, nicely pencilled; 2, D. and F. Crichton, nice size and markings, rich back, fine breast col., slightly open in feather; 3, Lister, nice one for size and col., good wings, very nice back; 4, sp, Thomson; 6, Harrower; 6, Wilkie. BULLF. (3): 1, Thomson, good size and col., rich breast, very dense black cap, clearly cut; 2, Mackie, a real dandy hen, grand size, splendid head, beautiful back and wings, in splendid condition. Scottish National winner, hard lines; 3, Russel, nice breast colour, good cap, loses in size to winners. GOLDF., FOR. (1): 1, sp, Simpson, grand size and col., good rich face, nice wings and back. BRIT. (6): 1, sp, Mackie, real good one, fine size, grand rich coloured blaze, well back on eyes, nicely tanned on breast, good wings, well buttoned, wins; 2, Simpson, fine size and col., good blaze, nicely buttoned wings, might be better shown, cage too deep and dark in col.; 3, Harrower, fine size, capital rose, good moons and buttons; 4, Southern; 5, Thomson. GREENF. (6): 1, G. and A. Dryburgh, rare good size, grand cobby front, fine col. and shining condition, wants a claw; 2, 3, Black and Lumsden, both f.m., very grassy green col.; 4, Thomson, capital size, rare good head and wings, many liked for 2nd; 5, Russel; 6, Spittal, our choice for 3rd. SISKIN, ETC. (2): 1, Poulter, f.m., wee chap, nice size and col.; 2, Lister, h.m. Lesser, in dandy condition, might have gone up. A.O.S. BRIT. (2): 1, sp, Poulter, good Yellowhammer, grand col. and markings, in splendid condition; 2, Southern, good Bramble, fine size and condition. MULE (4): 1, sp, Wilkie, nice Siskin-Can., fine col., nice markings; 2, 3, Harrower, Goldie and Linnet, good birds, nice condition; 4, McLaughlan, good Greenie, will improve with a moult.

PORT GLASGOW, GREENOCK & GOUROCK

Annual show held January 4, in the Boilermakers' Hall, Greenock, under the patronage of the Lord Provost, magistrates, and town councillors of Greenock. The entry was a fairly good one, totalling 250, much about the same as last year, and the birds were nicely arranged all round the hall. The staging was tastefully decorated. The hall is a very suitable one, plenty of light and abundance of room. Some very nice Crests and Crest-breds, fit to win anywhere, were shown by Mr. S. Loudan, who secured medal for best Canary. Borders were a fine lot, and special for best was captured by President Stewart. British contained some fine outstanding birds, especially the winning Goldfinch belonging to Mr. Mackay, which won cup for best British, medal for best Goldfinch, and vase for best in section. The small foreigners exhibited by Mr. Cameron were a very pretty lot. The management was in the hands of Mr. Samuel Loudan, who had all arrangements well in hand. He was ably assisted by a willing committee, including President T. Stewart, vice-pres. J. Smith, sec. and treas. J. Service; stewards: McKay, Ralston, Molley, and McKie. The judges were: Canaries, Mr. George Smart; remainder, Mr. R. V. Raine, and we heard no grumbling.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY CK., A.V.: 1, sp, Rodden, cl. yell., fine size, good top end, grand depth through, might be better staged; 2, Archibald, yell. pied, sweet head, fine reach, good qual. and thickness; 3, Turner, grizz. mkd. buff, good reach, fails a little in thickness; 4, 5, Gemmell. HEN: 1, sp, Gemmell, grand sized cl. yell., takes position quickly, could win anywhere; 2, Archibald, cl., fine subs., neat head, nervy, fails trifle condition; 3, Gemmell, pied, fine top end; 4, Turner; 5, Rodden. YOUNG CK.: 1, Archibald, yell. pied, good top end, gets tail well under, should make up well; 2, Turner, yell. pied, fine action, neat top, fails bit in thickness; 3, Gemmell, yell. pied, fine top, good drive, grand length of side, we liked for 2nd place; 4, Rodden. HEN: 1, Turner, cl. buff, fine top end, good reach and depth; 2, Turner, yell. pied, sweet qual., fine action; 3, 4, Gemmell, buff pieds. YORKS.: 1, 2, Hemphill, 1st cl. buff, fine, slim, upstanding, grand qual.; 2, cl. buff, thicker build, grand position; 3, Gemmell, grizz. mkd. on head, make fine stock bird. YOUNG BIRDS: 1, 2, Gemmell, 1st cl. buff, fine position, crosses wings at times, 2nd cl. yell., hot col., grand qual., fine outstanding position, one liked for 1st; 3, Bell, fails staging; 4, Bell. OLD LORD.: 1, Turner, even mkd. buff, sweetly tapered, lovely qual., grand wings, wins; 2, Service, cl. buff, splendid qual., best of wings, fails to winner in cond.; 3, 6, Gemmell, 3rd smart little lady, well braced wings; 4, Molley; 5, Boddin. YOUNG: 1, 2, Stewart, leader cl. yell., grand shape, best of qual., well carried wings; 2, buff variog., heavier build, fine qual., neat carr.; 3, Service, cl. buff, fine qual., on the long side; 4, Turner; 5, Molley; 6, Gemmell. CREST. CK., OLD: 1, 2, Loudan, leader green, lovely, well laid crest, good centre, rich qual., 2nd better size, fine length of feather, not so well groomed, good centre; 3, 4, Knot, variog., fine size and subs., fails crest. HEN: 1, 2, Loudan, leader grand size and type, headpiece of good shape and size, neat centre, beautiful droop, nice one, 2nd fine one for subs., fails headpiece, still good. C.B. CK.: 1, 3, Loudan, let almost Green, fairly well lashed, plenty of body feather; 3, variog., good skull, well lashed; 2, Knox, almost cl., fine head, well lashed, rich qual., we liked; 4, Boyle. HEN: 1, Loudan, variog., fine size and subs., neat lashing; 2, Knox. CREST CK., YOUNG: 1, Loudan, green, fine size and subs., good top, well radiated, excellent qual.; 2, Boyle, variog., of equal merit. HEN: 1, Boyle, fine, well laid crest, grand centre, lovely texture; 2, 3, Loudan, 2nd variog., fine top, good centre, fails density of feather, 3rd another of the same stamp; 4, Knox. C.B. CK., YOUNG: 1, Loudan, variog. yell., best we have met this season, grand qual., well lashed, fine size and subs.; 2, 3, Boyle, 2nd variog. buff, 3rd green, grand pair. HEN: 1, Loudan, variog., medium size, fine subs., grand hen; 2, Boyle, plenty of body feathers, fails trifle lashing. P.H. CK.: 1, Service, cl. buff, grand size and subs., lovely qual., fine short wings and tail, easy win; 2, Boyle, good col. and qual., trifle smaller; 3, Service, variog. Buff, fine size and head, long in body; 4, McNair; 5, Napier; 6, Stewart. HEN: 1, sp, Service, cl. yell., fine typical hen, grand head and front, splendid qual., wins; 2, Service, cl. yell., better size, lovely qual., trifle weak in head; 3, Napier, cl. buff, fine shape, neat head, bold front, well placed; 4, Boyle; 5, Napier; 6, McNair. CK., YOUNG: 1, Boyle, cl. yell., fine size and qual., good col.; 2, Gemmell; cl. yell., fine col., fails qual. to winner. HEN: 1, Gemmell, cl. buff, good head, rich qual., trifle loose in feather; 2, Stewart, fine hen. GIFT: 1, Molley; 2, McNair; 3, Cameron; 4, Preston; 5, Gemmell. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: 1, sp, Ralston, very fine Linnet-Twite, grand order. DARK: 1, sp, Molley, Linnet, grand size and subs., fine col., well staged; 2, McDiarmid, same cross, fine size, not so rich in col.; 3, Ralston, Goldie cross, rich face, fine condition; 4, McNair. GOLDF.: 1, 3, spl, Mackay, grand rich col. blaze, lovely, well tanned body, fine size and shape, rare condition; 2, 3, McGregor, 2nd the Paisley 2nd, fine clean cut face, rich col., neat shape, bigger than winner, not so richly tanned, 3rd another rich col. face, not so expansive; 4, Molley; 5, Best; 6, Stewart. F.M.: 1, Mackay; 2, Boyle; 3, Molley; 4, Boyle; 5, McDiarmid; 6, McGregor. BULLF.: 1, 2, spl, Mackay, lovely shape, grand front, fine col., rare cap, prominent wing bars, getting aged; 2, McDiarmid, bigger, fine col., trifle rough; 3, Molley, nice Bullie, shade pale in col.; 4, McGregor. F.M.: 1, Boyle; 2, McGregor; 3, Cameron; 4, Molley. LINNET: 1, 2, 3, 5, sp, McDiarmid, fine cobby shape, grand col., well laced breast, good whites, 2nd equal in every respect, some preferred, 3rd nice one, trifle smaller, fine team; 4, Ralston; 6, Hemphill. SISKIN: 1, 2, sp, Boyle, grand cap, fine col., sweet shape, nicely laced; 2, Hemphill, bigger, nice flank markings, fails col.; 3, Molley, fine col.; 4, Mackay. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, sp, McDiarmid, nice shape, lovely, well bronzed, finely laced, splendid order; 2, Knox, well laced, fine shape, lacks col. and bloom; 3, Molley, fine poll, trifle smaller; 4, Napier. TWITE: 1, Boyle, medium size, fine ground col., well laced breast, good whites, rare order; 2, Ralston, larger, rare col., well laced, lacks bloom of winner; 3, Hemphill, good size, well laced, fine col., trifle rough; 4, McNair; 5, Cameron; 6, McGregor. A.O. BRIT.: 1, sp, Mackay, Yell. Bunting, rare col., grand V, Rothesay winner, wants a claw. HEN: 1, Molley, Bullie, grand well cut cap, fine bars, good feather, well put down; 2, Mackay, Bullie, fine stamp, not so good in feather; 3, McNair, Greenie, great size, fine order; 4, Mackie; 5, Boyle; 6, McGregor. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Cameron, Yell. Budgerigar, Spicebird, Green Budgerigar, hen Mannikin, and Cutthroat, all in wonderful condition. GREENF.: 1, Best, nice size, well made, rare col., grand qual., fine butts; 2, McGregor, close up, good one, rich qual., fine front and head; 3, Mackay, fine shapely buff, bold head, grand flights; 4, Molley; 5, Hemphill; 6, Mackie.

SKELMANTHORPE C.B.A.

Last of four members' shows held Dec. 26; 160 birds were on view. Mr. F. Self (Bradford) placed the cards and gave general satisfaction. Chief points winners for the season were:—Champions: J. Hirst, 77; J. Helliwell, 66; L. Jebson, 63; Mr. Peel, 50; F. Taylor, 42; W. Wadsworth, 25; A. Radley, 37; E. Radley, 24; A. Haigh, 14. Novice: W. Hutchinson, 82; Fisher and Dyson, 79; J. Hird, 69; J. Radley, 59; P. Taylor, 48; J. Bower, 48; H. Lodge, 44; G. Shaw, 38; S. Morley, 30; Marsden and Beaumont, 46.

CL. ETC. YELL. (8): 1, E. Radley; 2, Peel; 3, Hirst; 4, vhc, hc, Helliwell; c, Wadsworth. BUFF (6): 1, Peel; 2, 3, A. Radley; 4, hc, Hirst; vhc, Helliwell. UNFLIG. YELL. (9): 1, 3, Peel; 2, 4, Hirst; vhc, c, A. Radley; hc, Jebson. BUFF (11): 1, Hirst; 2, E. Radley; 3, Jebson; 4, A. Radley; vhc, Wadsworth; hc, Peel; c, Helliwell. UNFLIG. BUFF HEN (10): 1, Peel; 2, A. Radley; 3, Helliwell; 4, Jebson; vhc, hc, Hirst; c, Taylor. BUFF (5): 1, Jebson; 2, vhc, Taylor; 3, Helliwell; 4, Peel. NOV. CL. ETC. YELL. (14): 1, Morley; 2, vhc, Hutchinson; 3, Taylor; 4, hc, Dyson and Fisher; c, J. Radley. BUFF (17): 1, Hutchinson; 2, F. Radley; 3, vhc, Dyson and Fisher; 4, Hird; hc, Fisher; c, J. Radley. UNFLIG. YELL. (10): 1, Hird; 2, Dyson and Fisher; 3, Lodge; 4, J. Radley; vhc, A. Hall; hc, Hampshire; c, Taylor. BUFF (18): 1, Taylor; 2, J. Radley; 3, Dyson; 4, F. Radley; vhc, Bower; hc, Marsden and Beaumont; c, Hutchinson. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN (13): 1, Hutchinson; 2, Taylor; 3, J. Radley; 4, Marsden and Beaumont; vhc, Fisher; hc, Bower; c, Morley. BUFF (10): 1, Taylor; 2, 4, Bower; 3, c, Dyson; vhc, Fisher; hc, Hutchinson. YELL HEN (11): 1, Hutchinson; 2, Shaw; 3, Lodge; 4, hc Hird; vhc, Hall; c, J. Radley. BUFF (12): 1, hc, Hird; 3, vhc, Dyson; 4, Lodge; c, Morley. J. Hird, sec.

ANNFIELD PLAIN F.F. AND C.B.S.

First annual open show, held January 4th. The cage bird section was staged in the Co-operative hall, a really grand place for the purpose, lofty and large, any amount of light, and provided with every comfort for the welfare of the exhibits. Entries came up splendidly, totalling 359, and quality in all sections was grand, many tip-top specimens being staged in every section. Borders, with four classes, topped the averages, with 16 per class. Norwich averaged nearly 15 per class in six classes, and Yorkshires came up well with just over 11 per class in six classes. British also made a fine display, and although not quite up to the average of the other sections, they were quite equal in quality. The staging was very creditably arranged, and reflected every credit upon those responsible for the arrangements. The society is well supported by a grand body of officials, consisting of the President, Mr. Atherley Jones, M.P.; chairman, Mr. W. Hall; vice-chairman, Mr. G. Lane; treasurer, Mr. M. Davison and Messrs. Calaway, Williams, Hutchinson, Oxley, Goodchild, and others, all keen fanciers, and doing their level best to enable the show to prove a success. The man at the helm is the genial and courteous secretary, Mr. J. W. Christon, whom we found to be a thorough worker, hard working, yet withal, most obliging to everyone, and evidently most popular with all who have dealings with him. He got through his arduous duties in a most creditable manner, and without the slightest hitch, and the ability with which he handles the secretarial reins must be a source of gratification to the members of the society, who, we understand, hold him in the highest esteem. Great praise must be given to Mr. W. Tomlinson, the genial secretary of the Chopwell C.B.S., who in the unavoidable absence of Mr. Christon, rendered great help, and practically undertook the secretarial work during the morning, he being a source of great assistance to the assistant secretary, Mr. G. Lane. The show was well patronised, and we noticed many well-known fanciers present. We think that the committee will be able to note with satisfaction the financial side of the show. Special prize-winners were: Best Yorkie, also most points in young Yorks., Mr. E. Pyman. Mr. J. Armstrong took sp. for best Nor., also Sandiford's medal. Special for most entries in open section went to Messrs. Stanger and Herdman. The judges were Mr. T. Dixon, Bedlington, and Mr. J. Slack, the latter taking the British section, owing to the heavy entry.

The Critique.

YORKS., YELL. CK. (11): 1, Deighton, fine length, nice position, but pale in col., neat head, good shoulders and waist, grandly braced wings and tail; 2, Snead, red hot col., scarcely so well braced in wing car. as leader, but a good one for length of position, neat head, nicely rounded back and breast; 3, Simeson, fine length and position, scarcely so well rounded at shoulders, grand qual., beautiful wings and tail; vhc, Cuthbertson; hc, Dykes; c, Reed and Collins. BUFF (12): 1, Mather, slim, well rounded bird, lovely position, grand shoulders and waist, neat head, well up on leg, grandly braced wings and tail; 2, Simeson, scarcely the grand feather of leader, grand length and position, neat head, slim and well drawn, good carriage; 3, Snead, lovely col. and qual., well drawn, neat head, scarcely so tight in wing carriage; vhc, Campling; hc, c, Cuthbertson. HEN, YELL. (12): 1, Cuthbertson, magnificent style and carriage, grand length, neat shoulders and waist, slim and well drawn, grandly braced wings and tail, nice col. and qual.; 2, hc, Robinson, buff, fine length and position, well up, neat head and neck, neat, narrow shoulders, lovely wing and tail carriage; 3, Pyman, yell., not quite so well drawn, yet a good one for style and position, neat shoulders and waist, well braced wings and tail; vhc, Deighton; c, Mather. YELL. CK., 1912 (15): 1, Simeson, grizzle root of tail, beautiful length and position, neat head, lovely col., neat shoulders, grandly drawn, well braced wings and tail; 2, Oxley, cl., not the length of winner, but very neat and typical, well drawn, nice back, nicely braced wings and tail; 3, Dykes, grand one for length and position, slim and well drawn, neat head, back and wings, loses in col. only; vhc, Swincoe; hc, Snead; c, Pyman. BUFF (7): 1, Pyman, nice length and position, gets well up on grand legs, neat head, lovely shoulders, grandly drawn, beautifully braced wings and tail; 2, Snead, not so finely drawn, nice col., good position, neat head, good shoulders, not the grand wing carriage of leader; 3, Mather, wing mkd., lovely quality, grandly rounded, good head, neat narrow shoulders, some thought might have gone up one; vhc, Swincoe; hc, Dykes; c, Simeson. HEN, 1912 (11): 1, Pyman, buff, nice length and position, slim and well drawn, neat head and shoulders, well rounded, grandly braced wings and tail, bit pale in col., but grand qual., takes special best Yorkie; 2, Cuthbertson, var. yell., slim and beautifully drawn, sweet head, scarcely so erect as leader, neat shoulders, grandly carried wings; 3, Dykes, buff, bit shorter, beautifully rounded back and breast, close boxy feather, of the finest texture, good position, grand wing and tail, we liked; vhc, Snead; hc, Robinson; c, Simeson. NOR. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Armstrong, tkd. back of head, lovely size and shape, hot col., grand qual., good head and neck, nice chest and wing car., takes Sandiford's special; 2, Butler, shorter body, grand front, red hot col., good head and chest, loses to leader in finish, well cleaned under; 3, Smith, wing marked, not quite the substance of leaders, good shape, nice head, good col. and qual., neat wings and tail; vhc, Stanger and Herdman; hc, Peirson; c, Foster. BUFF (15): 1, Rowell, lovely size and shape, grand head and neck, deep broad, well filled in chest, fine col. and qual., lovely wings and tail; 2, Robson and March, red hot col., fine size and shape, grand head and neck, deep chest, not the bold front of leader, or so good in wing carriage; 3, Stanger and Herdman, bit longer barrel, and not so well across perch, nice head, grand col. and quality; vhc, Calaway and Glendinning; hc, Musgrave; c, Butler. HEN (20): 1, Smith, buff, medium size, grand shape, good head and neck, deep chest, short cobby body, short wings and tail, clean cut away; 2, 3, Moore, two beauties, leader cl. yell., fine size and shape, bold head, good front, nice col. and qual., lovely wing and tail, 3rd, lightly mkd., scarcely so bold in head, fine size and shape, good col., nice chest and back, lovely wing car., clean cut away; vhc, Rowell; hc, Christon; c, Foster. YELL., 1912 (13): 1, Stanger and Herdman, cl., short, full fronted bird, lovely shape, red hot col., good head, neck and chest, grand wings and tail, well cleaned under, a nice one; 2, Smith, fine size, good shape, neat head and neck, nice body, well cleaned under, loses to leader in col.; 3, Peirson, var., bit longer body, nice shape, good col. and qual., well carried wings and tail; vhc, Armstrong; hc, Elliott; c, Lumley. BUFF (18): 1, Peirson, cl., medium size, grand shape, nice head and neck, lovely col. and quality, nice back and chest, lovely wings and tail, grandly cut away; 2, Calaway and Glendinning, grizzle wing, plenty of subs., big, bold bird, good head and neck, nice wing and tail car., not much to choose; 3, Crass, not quite so cobby, yet a nice one for shape, lovely col. and qual., shade narrower in head, good wing and tail, clean under; vhc, Lumley; hc, Stanger and Herdman; c, Moore. HEN, 1912 (13): 1, Butler, cl. yell., grand cobby bird, short and thick, grand head, lovely chest and back, short, well carried wings and tail, good col. and qual., a good one; 2, Stanger and Herdman, cl. buff, nice size, good shape, grand col., well mealed, nice head and chest, good back and wing carriage; 3, Armstrong, wing mkd. buff, not so bold in head as leaders, nice shape, good col. and qual., nice wing and tail carriage; vhc, Peirson; hc, Smith; c, Lumley. BORD., YELL. CK. (17): 1, Nicholson, lovely shape, grandly rounded head, nice body, sweetly moulded, nice col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, Peel, gem for shape, lovely col., grandly rounded, scarcely so neat in head as leader, yet a good one, and might easily have won; 3, Smith, grand shape, beautiful qual., neat head and neck, grand back, gets wings over a bit at times; vhc, Smart; hc, Rowell; c, Elliott. BUFF (20): 1, Smart, lovely shape, beautifully rounded, grand head and neck, lovely col., close boxy feather, perfect wing and tail carriage, a good one; 2, Wilson, scarcely the grand col. of leader, yet a grand one, fine shape, sweet head, good wing and tail carriage, beautifully cleaned under; 3, hc, Nicholson, not quite so well rounded in back as leader, grand col., lovely qual., beautifully braced wings and tail; vhc, Smith; c, Bates. YELL HEN (16): 1, Wilson, model for shape, beautifully moulded, grand col. and qual., sweet head, grand body, lovely wings and tail; 2, 3, Elliott, two grand ones, leader equal shape to leader, grand col., sweet round head, lovely col. and qual., shows a slight twist in throat, 3rd, another gem for shape, lovely col., grand head, close boxy feather, just loses a little in wing car., crossing a bit at tips to-day; vhc, Peel; hc, Davidson; c, Peart and Purvis. BUFF (12): 1, 2, Wilson, two beauties, leader lovely shape, grand head and neck, beautifully rounded body, grand col. and quality, well braced wings and tail, 2nd, scarcely so rich in col. as leader, grand body, neat head and neck, lovely feather, close and compact, grand wings and tail; 3, Smart, lovely col. and qual., sweet head and neck, grand shape, beautifully cleaned out, a wee bit loose in wing carriage; vhc, Wray; hc, c, Elliott. GREENFINCH (16): 1, Butler, grand one, wonderful chest, grand head and neck, lovely shape, rich col. and quality, a real topper, shown in the pink; 2, 3, McVay, two good ones, but lacking the grand finish of leader, both of nice shape, good col., medium size, scarcely anything to choose between the two; vhc, McGuire; hc, Foster; c, Boyd. BULLFINCH (9): 1, 2, 3, Curry, team of beauties, leader magnificent shape, lovely body, col., deep and pure, grand deuse col., cap of good shape, lovely feather and condition, 2nd, scarcely the substance, yet grand shape, good breast col., nice back and bars, good shaped cap, 3rd, nice size and shape, good body col., nice dense col., cap, loses to leader a little in condition, very steady; vhc, Nixon; hc, Bates; c, Robson. GOLDFINCH (13): 1, Stewart, fine size and shape, nice expansive blaze, clean cut and pure in col., nice tans, good wings and buttons; 2, Almond, not quite the size of leader, but a beauty for blaze, col., grandly cut, beautiful tone of col., lovely body col., grand tanning, nice wings, our choice for 1st; 3, Stewart, plenty of size, but not the same expanse of blaze col., nice body col., good wings and buttons, nice condition; vhc, Clark; hc, Rowell and Quidgley; c, Foster. LINNET, F.M. (11): 1, Hughes, stormer for shape, nice size, beautifully pencilled, clear and distinct all over, lovely breast, grand col., a good one; 2, Rice, fine shape, well pencilled, but hardly so clear on breast as leader, fine col. and condition; 3, Calaway and Glendinning, big, bold bird, grand chest, plentifully pencilled, but not so clear and distinct, yet a good one, nice condition; vhc, Emmerson; hc, Stewart; c, Boyd. H.M. (7): 1, Davidson, medium size, well pencilled, clean and distinct, bit dark in col., grand polish, good condition; 2, Robson, good one for pencilling, nice size and shape, good col., loses to leader in polish; 3, Robson and March, big and shapely, nice tone of col., good pencilling, but not so profuse on breast as leaders, a nice one; vhc, Holling; hc, Holling; c, Hetherington. SISKIN, ETC. (12): 1, Davidson, Twite, nice one for size and col., grandly pencilled, well laced flanks, good condition, steady; 2, Robson and March, Siskin, good one, fine size, good body col., grand dense col. cap, nicely laced, good bib, A1 condition; 3, McGuire, Lesser Redpoll, fine size, good col., nice lacing, good bib, rare condition; vhc, Robson; hc, Stanger and Herdman; c, Foster. A.O.V. FINCH (11): 1, Boyd, lovely Chaffie, fine size and shape, lovely breast col., nice cap, good back and wing bars, lovely condition, tight feather; 2, Tomlinson, Bramble, grand one for col. and lacing, nice size and shape, grandly spangled back, good head, lovely condition; 3, hc, Smith, Chaffie, not the size of leader, yet a good one for shape, rich col., nice cap and wing bars, grand condition; vhc, Calaway and Glendinning; c, McVay. MULE, ETC. (10): 1, 2, Butler, Linnet-Bullie leading, a grand one for size, lovely shape, beautiful col. and condition, shows cross distinctly; 2nd,, lightly mkd. Goldie-Can., lovely size and col., nice face, grand wings, put down in lovely condition; 3, Curry, Goldie-Greenie, not a big one, but a stormer for col., lovely face and wings, in grand condition and feather; vhc, Hall; hc, Floyd; c, Peart and Purvis. MEMBERS, YORKS. (9): 1, 3, hc, Oxley; 2, Lane; vhc, Goodchild; c, Hutchinson. NOR. (13): 1, c, Smith; 2, Calaway and Glendinning; 3, hc, Armstrong; vhc, Christon. BRIT. (7): 1, Robinson; 2, Smith; 3, Smith; vhc, Williams; hc, Lane; c, Rice.

KEIGHLEY AND DISTRICT C.B.S

Final show of the season held at the Hare and Hounds Hotel, December 26th; 124 birds faced the judge. The winners of the season specials were as follows: E. Middleton 64 points, J. Bower 64, J. Middleton 57, G. Crowther 55, J. Mitchell 50 in the open classes, and J. Myers 60, R. Burnett 40, G. Bolton 39, C. W. Town 33, W. Leach 31 novice. J. Bower won spl. for best in show, also spl. for best cock; G. Crowther for best hen in open; W. Leach best hen in novice; and W. Fawcett best cock. Mr. J. Thornton, Sandy Lane, judged, and gave every satisfaction

CL. OR TKD. YELL. C.: 1, Bower; 2, Middleton; 3, Miles. BUFF C.: 1, Nayler; 2, Mitchell; 3, Miles. UNEV. OR FOUL MKD. C.: 1, 2, Middleton; 3, Mitchell. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Crowther; 2, Middleton; 3, Naylor. BUFF HEN: 1, E. Middleton; 2, Naylor; 3, Bower. UNEV. OR FOUL MKD. HEN: 1, 2, Mitchell; 3, Lawley. NOV., YELL. C.: 1, Fawcett; 2, Myers; 3, Nelmes. BUFF: 1, Leach; 2, Ackroyd; 3, Bolton. YELL. HEN: 1, Leach; 2, Myers; 3, Ascough. BUFF: 1, Myers; 2, Ascough; 3, Town.—J. Binns. Sec.

WISHAW (Clydesdale) CBS

Annual open show held in Mr. Watson's Hall, Young Street, 1st Jan. Entries were taken up till the morning of the show, but fanciers would lighten Mr. Watson's work to a great extent if they would send their entries one or two days previous. If anything was lacking, it was due to exhibitors holding up their entries till the morning of the show, as Mr. Watson is a very energetic secretary and quite the right man in the right place. He had a very hard morning's work, as he took over two hundred entries with the able assistance of Mr. Dan McPhee. Judging was a little late in starting through the late entry. President Mr. Pringle was always in attendance, and also Mr. Jas. Wright, vice-pres., who headed a very hard-working committee comprising Messrs. A. Allardice, sen., R. Wyper, R. Gemmell, H. McKenna, R. Richmond, A. Allardice, jun., A. Ray, C. Pollock, D. McAllister, J. Nimmo, and Wm. Watson. All the above are well-known fanciers, and the exhibits were attended to at once when they arrived unaccompanied, and were watered immediately each class was judged. Entries came well up, totalling over 400, and Mr. Watson informs us that the show he believes is a financial success, the gate coming up to its usual standard, the hall being well packed with visitors during the afternoon. The management would be well advised to take advantage of the "Show Dates" columns in CAGE BIRDS. The income would more than cover the expense, as this show is becoming a well-known New Year fixture, especially in the county of Lanark and the surrounding districts, British birds were the feature of the show, and it would probably be to the interests of the society if they would engage a specialist judge for this section, although Mr. Haddow, who made the awards, gave what we thought entire satisfaction. Mr. Griffiths drew an excellent entry in the Crest section, and the Norwich Plainheads were up to their usual, but the entry in Scotch Fancies was disappointing. Mr. Allardice has done his very best to uphold this section in the district, but he has had very little support from Glasgow and elsewhere. Owing to the late start the management had to engage Mr. Marlin to judge the following classes: Siskin, Bramblefinch and Chaffinch, Mules, Foreign, Goldfinches, and the specials throughout the British section. The following were the judges: Mr. E. Boyle (Wishaw), Mr. Wm. Haddow (Hamilton), assisted by Geo. Marlin (Hamilton) and Mr. Wm. Griffiths (Glasgow), and their awards were received with general satisfaction.

The Critique.

SCOTCH FANCY, YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Allardice, sen., 1st cl. yell., long side, well up, nice long drive and ready, closely pressed by 2nd, a good foul bird, nice and stout through heart, well set back on legs, grand drive, fails a little on top to winner; 3, Orr, long-sided bird, just a little slow at work; vhc, c, Allardice, jun.; hc, Higgins. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Allardice, well up, nice long drive, great length of side, deep through heart, grand model, wins easily; 2nd, fails depth through to winner, nice action, very smart and always ready to move when required; 3rd, foul cock, fails in top end to leaders. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, 3, 4, Allardice, well known yellow hen leading, a grand team all through. BUFF: 1, Allardice, sen., again with a gem of the first water, mkd. on both eyes and wings, good top end, grand subs., nice free action, well set back, real topper all through; 2, Allardice, jun., nice long reach, sure in motion, well set back on perch, grand drive, pressed winner very hard; 3, Allardice, sen., fails in length of side to winners. NOR., YELL. CK.: 1, Liddell, grand stout thick-set bird, mkd. both eyes and underflue, deep frontal, full of col., jaunty carr., a gem; 2, Gallacher, fails subs. and wing carr. to winner; 3, Scobbie, better condition, and our choice for 2nd place, having great subs. for a yell.; vhc, Harper; hc, Scobbie; c, Sheen. BUFF: 1, Scott, varieg. buff, nice head and neck; 2, Marlin, grand stout thick-set varieg., mkd. both eyes, must have pressed hard; 3, Allardice, rare quality of feather, fails in condition; vhc, Liddell; hc, Andrews. YELL. HEN: 1, Andrews, wonderful subs., superior col. and feather, capital shape, wonderful size, grand model; 2, Wilson, well up in condition, tkd. back of head, good wing carr., nice short flights and tail; 3, Scobbie, rather open in feather, and crosses at times; vhc, Morton, cap and wing mkd., well known winner, nice short thick-set bird, good head, grand short wings and tail, best of col. and condition, must have been disturbed while judging; hc, Steel; c, McKenna. BUFF: 1, Scobbie, nice varieg., real model, easy win; 2, Stevenson, grand hen, great subs., nice size, good head and neck; 3, Muir, well placed, another good bird, rare subs., good condition; vhc, Steel; hc, Gallacher; c, Sheen. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, Wilson, great size, grand subs. for a youngster, short flights and tail; 2, Scott, right type, must have pressed hard, nice variegated bird; 3, Harper, a blaze of col., but rather long behind, grand exhibit; vhc, Brown; hc, Borton; c, Clark. HEN: 1, Wilson, real model, nice head, well filled back, grand chubby front, perfect wings, close feathered yell.; 2, Muir, grand buff, nice thick-set bird, good wing carr., aye ready, well deserves its place; 3, Clark, another of the same; vhc, Divens; hc, Naismith; c, Harper. NON-FED CK.: 1, Naismith, nice head and neck, short, thick-set bird, short wings and tail to the wee side; 2, Marlin, looks like having a bath when being judged. HEN: 1, Wilson, grand yell., great subs., short flights and tail; 2, Muir, better head and neck than winner, nice short thick-set bird; 3, Naismith, perhaps the best Plainhead in the show, tkd. on back of head, nice thick-set bird, good head, perfect wings, said to have been soft during judging; vhc, Houston; hc, Houston; c, Steel. CREST CK.: Strong class; 1, Scott, wing mkd. D.C., cl. body, well radiated crest, good feather; 2, Hamilton, green, lovely D.C., well groomed, must have pressed hard; 3, Clark, similar to winner, not much to choose between them; vhc, Watson; hc, Arnott; c, Nimmo. HEN: 1, McInnes, almost cl. body D.C., wonderful size of crest, coming right to end of beak and well filled in in centre; 2, Sneddon, almost dark, great size, fails in frontal to winner; 3, Watson, dark body, well up in size, crest slightly broken, well placed; vhc, Hamilton; hc, Arnott; c, Houston. C.B. CK.: 1, Scott, cl., grand lash, great length of feather; 2, Brown, varieg., great breadth of skull, fails in length of feather to winner; 3, Johnstone, another grand varieg., well deserves its place; vhc, McInnes; hc, Lumm; c, Henderson. HEN: 1, Watson, grand massive hen, well known winner often described, great length of feather; 2, Johnstone, fails in breadth of skull and subs. to winner, well placed; vhc, Watson; hc, Kirkland; c, Arnott, many grand birds had to be left cardless; very strong class. YORKS. CK.: 1, Gracie, nice long, slim bird, good qual. feather, grand col.; 2, 3, Cringles, 2nd very nice model, sweet head and neck, stands well erect; 3rd, same stamp, excellent col., grand qual. feather, close up; vhc, Gray; hc, Cowe; c, Cowe. HEN: 1, 2, Wood, nice sweet hen, feather like wax, stands well up on perch, good col., wins somewhat easily; 2nd, still another good one; 3, Gray, hard up, well placed; vhc, Calder; hc, Cringles; c, Cringles. YELL. BORD. CK.: 1, Ritchie, sweet wee gem, grand head and neck, round as a bottle, nice wing carr., good pipe tail, wins easily; 2, Haston, fails in condition and feather, also wing carr., still a nice exhibit; 3, Wilson, our choice for 2nd, good col., grand head and well rounded back, good wing carr.; vhc, Davidson; hc, Sandilands; c, Blair. BUFF: 1, Allardice, sen., grand model, smart head and neck, nice wing carr., faultless condition; 2, Way, grand, tightly packed, excellent head, good wings and tail, but fails in condition to winner; 3, Bennet, we liked as well as any, and must have pressed hard; vhc, Harper; hc, Ritchie; c, Mackay. YELL. HEN: 1, Harper, of the first water, well rounded, tight as a bottle, grand col., well staged, a credit; 2, Bennet, very close 2nd, another of the same stamp, must have been hard to separate; 3, Haston, well placed, fails to winners in quality of feather, yet another good one; vhc, Way; hc, Crosbie. BUFF: 1, Bennet, gem, nice wee round head, grand wing carr., grand qual. of feather, we believe to be runner-up for medal; 2, Crosbie, grand type and qual. feather, fails in condition to winner; 3, McPhee, good exhibit, grand wing carr., fails a bit in head to winners; vhc, Sandilands; hc, Mackay. YELL. VARIEG.: 1, Harper, nice cinn. varieg., mkd. eyes and wings, good qual., faultless condition; 2, Paterson, lightly varieg., mkd. rump, nice round back and head, good wings and tail, close up; 3, hc, Allardice, sen., well placed, good wing carr., but fails in qual. of feather to winners; vhc, Richmond; c, Davidson. BUFF: 1, Bennet, good 3-point, grand type, rare qual. feather, well staged; 2, Allardice, jun., cap and wing mkd., a good one for type and qual., must have pressed; 3, Dick, mkd. both eyes and wings, good type, well placed; vhc, Whitelaw; hc, Allardice, sen.; c, Ritchie. GR. OR CINN.: 1, Harper, good buff green cock, nice head and neck, very distinct lacing, grand wing carr., best type of green we have seen out this year, wins B.F.C.C. medal; 2, Wilson, good buff cinn. hen, another good one for type, feather like wax, lacing exceedingly great; 3, Harper, good yell.-gr. cock, little open in feather; vhc, Wilson; hc, Wilson; c, McIntyre. NOVICE: 1, Paterson, good cl. buff cock, little gem for type and qual. of feather, faultless condition for a novice; 2, Dick, eye mkd. yell., fails in condition to winner, grand type; 3, Paterson, another good one, almost even mkd., good type and qual, grand round head and neck, inclines to cross at times; vhc, Shand; hc, Davidson; c, Young. GOLDF.: 1, Shearer, grand blaze, nice deep tanning, well mooned, laid down faultless condition wins; 2, Fulton fails in blaze, good tanning, well mooned, good exhibit; 3, Divens, another good Finch, round blaze, high up in col., will improve yet; vhc, Divens; hc, Hillier and Morrine; c, Hardy Bros. BULLF. CK.: 1, Small, Blackwood and Biggar winner, still looking a blaze of fire, grand cap, good wing bars, steady as a rock, and always ready, wins easily; 2, Scobbie, good cap and col., bit frayed in wings, loose in condition; 3, Dickson, better condition and well deserves 3rd place; vhc, Jardine; hc, Belby; c, Wyper. HEN, FINCH: 1, Birrie, Bullfinch hen, an old winner, and often described; 2, Wyper, Greenie hen; 3, Gentleman, Bullie hen; vhc, Orr; hc, Small; c, Brownlee and Sons. LINNET, H.M.: 1, Graham, grand col. and condition, little small, but wins; 2, McPhee, bolder in lacing, fails in fineness of pencilling; 3, Morris, another of the same; vhc, Jardine; hc, Campbell; c, Dunlop. F.M.: 1, Nelson, bouncer for size, somewhat hot in col. for our choice, grand bold head, well laced, perfect condition, undoubtedly the largest Linnet in show, wins special for best Linnet; 2, Graham, fails in size and condition to winner; 3, Morton, another nice Linnet, little heavier in pencilling than winners, well staged; vhc, Crone; hc, Wilson; c, Whiteford. GREENF.: 1, Brownlee and Sons, hot fed one, grand subs., nice type and qual., not the largest we have seen; 2, Nelson, natural col., larger than winner, well staged, must have pressed; 3, Allanson, well placed; vhc, Arnott; hc, Morris; c, Morris. LESSER REDPOLL, H.M.: 1, Hardy Bros., we thought somewhat lucky; 2, Neilson, rather pale in col., void of markings; 3, Wyper, very nice 'Poll; vhc, Davidson, many thought best 'Poll in class, nice head and bib, well laced, good wing bars, well staged; hc, Brownlie and Sons; c, Pollock. F.M.: 1, 2, Neilson, pair of nice ones; 3, Orr, another good 'Poll; vhc, Morton; hc, Keir and Sons; c, Baird, very strong class. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE: Good class; 1, Marlin, large Mealy 'Poll, very white in front, void of heavy lacing, grand cap and bib, nice exhibit; 2, Nelson, good Twite, very warm col., grand size, well laced, nice pencilling on back, rare condition; 3, Nimmo, grand Mealy, better head than winner, rather heavy laced, too dark on markings, well placed; vhc, Davidson; hc, Allanson; c, Rundell. SISKIN: Grand class; 1, Wyper, grand nat. col., good cap, very distinct bib, nice wing bars, tight as a bottle; 2, Lambie, another grand Siskin, nat. col., nice broad cap and good bib, well laced on flanks, good wing bars, fails in size to winner; 3, Small, another nat. col., Biggar winner, beaten to-day; vhc, Allanson; hc, Graham; c, Brownlie. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE.: 1, Dick, nice Chaffie, good blue head, grand whites on wings, grand size, good condition; 2, Rennie, presses hard, equal in col. and condition, fails in size only; 3, McDonald, another good Chaffie, and well placed; vhc, Divens; hc, Wilson; c, Nelson. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Kerr and Sons, well staged Magpie, gets special for best Brit., faultless condition, a credit to its owner; 2, Dunlop, nice Yellowhammer, grand size, nice V on head, grand cheek marks, very light breast, grand exhibit, and well worth its place; 3, Forrest, we missed when taking notes; vhc, McPhee; hc, Cowler. MULER OR HYB.: 1, Whiteford, big bouncing varieg. Greenie Mule, rare condition, wins easily; 2, Hannah, dark Siskin Mule, nat. col., well staged; 3, Chalmers, Linnet Mule, grand col. and condition, just on the small side; vhc, Wilson; hc, Dunlop; c, McFadzen. FOR. GOLD. OR BULLF.: 1, Allanson, grand Goldie, nice square blaze, a bouncer for size, well tanned, well up in col. for a house-moult, wins easy; 2, Whiteford, another Goldie, fair size, grand square face, well tanned, grand moonings, a new import, put down in faultless condition; 3, Arnott, nice bird, fails condition; vhc, c, Hunter; hc, Campbell.

EASTFIELD SIDE C.B.S.

First table show, held at the Mason's Arms, Jan. 4th, when a good number of birds were on view. Mr. Beardall was the judge, and gave every satisfaction.

YELL. NOR. CK.: 1, Holmes; 2, Holland; 3, Ellis; vhc, Oscroft. BUFF: 1, Holland; 2, Connah; 3, vhc, Keeling; hc, Percival; c, Wooley. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, Holmes; 2, Holland; 3, Wooley; vhc, Oscroft. BUFF: 1, Connah; 2, Keeling; 3, Holland; vhc, Ellis; hc, Taylor. NAT. COL. CK.: 1, Holland; 2, Wright; 3, vhc, Waldran; hc, Wooley; c, Keeling. CREST CK.: 1, Shaw Booth; 2, Nuttall Bros. C.B. CK.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Shaw Booth; hc, Nuttall Bros. YORKS. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Allsopp. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, Allsopp; 2, Holmes.—B. Gabbitass.

TREDEGAR (Mon).

First open show held Jan. 2, in the Town Hall, one of the best halls for the purpose, wonderfully lighted, entirely free from draughts, and situated in centre of town. Success crowned the first venture, over 400 birds facing the judge. All the South Wales cracks were up against one another, and some keen fighting went on. The society deserves every credit for running the show so late, as open shows have been galore in S.W., and it was asking a big thing to risk it. However, the cracks put out to a man, showing implicit faith in the Tredegar committee. Norwich opened the ball, and a bonny lot they were, comparing very favourably with the Northern birds. Yorkshires created a furore. For type and shape they want some beating, but some are just a shade on the small side. The winning novice buff was a clinker, quite an ideal Yorkie; its owner should be proud of him. Novice classes were hot stuff, containing some smart exhibits. British and Mules were a show on their own, and very hard to separate. The Welshmen seem to set themselves out to stage eye openers in this section. Many flinches that are winning in England to-day first adorned a Welshman's room. "Cymru Am Byth!" Special winners were:—Hyde's, Mr. Powell; best Nor. cock and best hen, G. T. Jones; Yorks. cock, E. Richards; hen, J. Parfitt; Brit., J. H. Jones; members' Nor. cock, E. Powell; hen, J. Griffiths. Unfortunately Mr. Price's birds did not arrive until 2.30 p.m. Mr. Evan Powell had charge of the show, assisted by a very hardworking committee in Messrs. D. Davies, Woodall, Bennet, Milliard, H. O. Jones, Bartlett, Hull, D. Turner, Lewis, R. G. Griffiths, W. Turner, T. Bevan, and J. Llewellyn. Mr. E. J. Bevan is the treasurer, and a worker, while the secretarial reins are in the hands of Mr. Watkins, who runs the show like an old hand. We did not catch the name of the young lady who was helping, marking catalogues, watering the birds, and doing much for the visitors' comfort. Prospective assistant secretary, eh, Mr. Watkins? There was a good gate, and we trust a great financial success will be the reward. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, Liverpool, judged, and his placings gave entire satisfaction.

The Critique.

CREST (1): 1, Edwards, monster, lovely droop, well radiated from centre, leafy feather, shapely, pity no competition. NOR. YELL. CK. (5): 1, withheld; 2, hc, Capt. Collier, capital round head, good entrance, well fed, true type, cobby; 3, Hill, charming head and neck, boat shape, short wings and well packed tail; vhc, G. Edwards; c, Powell. BUFF (5): 1, withheld; 2, Muscott, ball of meal, shapely, rare frosting, clean cut away, moves well; 3, Capt. Collier, cap mkd., rare width of chest, extra type, silky feather; vhc, c, Powell; hc, G. Jones. UNFLIG. (8): 1, G. T. Jones, bonny yell., holds class well, eye set in centre, lovely cushioned head, compact wings and tail; 2, c, Hill, capital buff, glorious mealing, round, tight as a Java, well up; 3, Muscott, real good one, unfortunately was having a bath; vhc, hc, Capt. Collier. YELL. HEN (3): 1, withheld; 2, Muscott, charming lady, deserved more company, wins; 3, vhc, Powell, again a neat one, full of true Nor. properties. BUFF (4): 2, G. T. Jones, bouncer for size and qual., bold head and neck, neat wings and tail; 3, Hill, full of type, round head and well tucked up wings, carries tail well; vhc, Crouch; hc, Powell. NOV. NOR. CK. (8): 1, E. Richards, variegated, buff, all there for size, qual. of the best, frosted to perfection; 2, Shaw, cl. yell., exquisite feather, head well set in body, perfect wings; 3, Hopson, cl. yell., smart exhibit, lovely feather, well staged; vhc, Durham; hc, c, Brown. HEN (3): 2, 3, Powell, saddle grizz., broad back and chest, well carried wings, 3rd yell., shapely, capital col., extra feather, well put down; vhc, Richards. YORKS. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Hillman and Broome, variegated, straight as a rush, round and neat, perfect wings and tail, smart head and neck, shooty, grand top end; 2, Weeks, variegated, rather heavy markings, stormer for type and feather, charming back view, would have won but drooped a bit, overworked; 3, Pritchard, very racy, capital stamp, erect and fearless, in grand order; vhc, Gregory; hc, c, Newell. BUFF (8): 1, Phillip, magnificent type, rare quality, lovely front, hugs perch too much; 2, Newell, variegated, like a guardsman, rare chest, capital V wings and packed tail; 3, Gregory, extra quality, wonder for position, well put down, near thing; vhc, c, Pritchard; hc, Weeks. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Parfitt, extraordinary lady, charming clothes, stands like a queen, should win in keener competition; 2, Hillman and Broome, capital Miss, full neck, straight back to tail, plenty of leg; 3, Weeks, fine shape, lovely front, leggy, has a habit of crossing wings; vhc, Pritchard; hc, Phillip; c, Gregory. BUFF (8): 1, Gregory, grizz. marks, lovely frosting down back, shooty for a buff, well polished and dressed up; 2, Hillman and Broome, shade strong, but rare breed hen, capital wings and tail; 3, Owen, bonny style, A1 posi., shows slight frill, erect; vhc, Parfitt; hc, East; c, Pritchard. UNFLIG. (12): 1, 2, Weeks, variegated buff, feathered like boxwood, plenty behind, sweet head, bold eye, wing, 2nd cl. yell., smart order, exquisite feather, position A1, grand back view; 3, Phillip, cl. buff, a wonder when it pulled itself together, but very much down; vhc, Pritchard; hc, Watkins; c, Bevan. A.O.V. (3): 2, vhc, J. H. Jones, fair Belgian, wedge shape, nice straight stilts; 3, Bevan, buff York. Green, well pencilled, fair ground col., staged to perfection. NOV. YORKS. CK. (21): 1, 3, E. Richards, wonderful type, straight as an arrow, grand back, put down like an old 'un, special best in show, deserved it, 3rd extra good type, lovely sheen, posi. of the best, leggy; 2, Maidment, well up, shooty, capital feather, lovely wings, not disgraced; 4, Clee, rare feather, capital position, straight as a pencil; vhc, R. F. Richards; hc, Parfitt. HEN (14): 1, 2, E. Richards, two charming girls, both in rare trim, champion position and style, hard to separate, well worth having; 3, Parfitt, very hot yell., boxey feather, lovely shape; 4, Griffiths, again a neat lady, shows plenty of leg; vhc, Ricketts; hc, Clee; c, R. F. Richards. BORD. (1): 1, Smith, smart chap, lovely bloom, jaunty and well put down. GOLDF. (14): 1, J. H. Jones, wonderful face, deep crimson, rare top, even buttons, deep tanning; 2, R. F. Griffiths, another good Finch, well mooned, fine blaze, fair taming, extra size; 3, Baker, all head, rare col., lovely whites, even tanning and good bars; vhc, Edwards; hc, Rogers; c, R. E. Griffiths. GREENIE (6): 1, Dark, rare skull, capital col., extra in size, put down in rattling condition; 2, Moss, near thing, good skull, sage green, just beaten condition; 3, E. Richards, good one, but very wild; vhc, Miss Whishaw; hc, Harding; c, D. Edwards. LINNET (6): 1, D. Jones, junr., great size, lovely pencilling, cone shape, bit loose; 2, vhc, Davies and Rees, a wonder for col., pencilling, and shape, flights knocked about; 3, Nicholas, bit open in front, grand work, lovely nut brown col.; hc, Williams; c, Owen Thomas. SISKIN. ETC. (7): 1, Dark, charming Siskin, great cap and bib, fed to perfection, quite a sensation for col.; 2, Nicholas, Lesser, capital lacing, shapely and put down in form; 3, S. Jones, junr., Mealy, rare size, fair front, short of lacing; vhc, Miss Whishaw; hc, R. E. Griffiths; c, Rogers. HARDBILL, HEN (7): 1, Bobbett, wonder of hen Bullie, extra col., enormous cap and bib; 2, Ray, capital Bawfinch, hot col, grand size and condition; 3, Rogers, another Bawfinch, hardly col. and size of above, fit; vhc, Miss Whishaw; hc, Harding; c, Turner. A.O.V. (1): 1, Ray. MULE OR HYB. (9): Wonderful class; six winners: 1, Bevan, capital Cun.-Bullie, good size and col., rare condition, shows parentage well, nice win; 2, vhc, Edwards, Greenie-Bullie, great head, line size and fit as a fiddle; 3, R. E. Griffiths, four-pointed Goldie Mule, Carnarvon Hero, rough after its long journey, got worse as the day went on; hc, J. H. Jones; c, Ball. FOR. (3): 2, Muscott, charming Red-headed Gouldian, in wonderful plumage; 3, R. F. Griffiths, capital yell. Budgerigar, on its lonesome, find it a mate; abs., No. 1, Bulton. MEMB., A.V. CK. (6): 1, 2, Bevan, fine brace, capital fronts, good heads and necks, fine qual. of feather, shapely and well put down; 3, R. F. Griffiths, cap and wing marks, broad back, tail well carried, nice order; vhc, Milliard; hc, Watkins; c, J. Griffiths. HEN (6): 1, J. Griffiths, extra good type, full of swank, plenty of leg; 2, R. J. Griffiths, rare head and neck, fair back, polished like silk; 3, Milliard, variegated, capital style, well filled in neck, moves well, in grand condition; vhc, c, Watkins; hc, Bevan. NOV. (10): 1, hc, Milliard, smart buff, full of type, grand legs and position; 2, 3, Rushton, two neat exhibits, yell. leading, shows good pair of pins, extra good in feather and well staged; vhc, c, Davies.

PAISLEY.

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Scotch Fancies were a large and excellent lot. Mr. Fulton, Paisley, won the cup, and Mr. McClure, Glasgow, the sp. for best young bird bred by a member. Some nice, typical Borders were staged. Britishers were a grand lot, with full classes, the collection being the finest staged for years.

SCOTCH FANCY, YELL. CKS. (7): 1, sp., Gray, fine size, grand reach and droop, lovely shoulder and length of wing tail, well in, a beauty; 2, sp., Montgomery, nice front and action, not quite the subs. of winner; 3, Carlaw, better size than second, but not so fine in head; 4, Stewart, good size, nice top, and length of side; 5, Rodden; 6, Ferguson; 7, Main. BUFF (12): 1, sp., Montgomery, grand subs. and top end, lovely action, hard to beat; 2, Gray, another good one, nice size, barely so hard up as winner, but presses hard; 3, Caldwell, nice size, but not quite the style of those in front; 4, sp., Maxwell, not much between; 5, sp., Smith; vhc, Burnside; hc, c, no name. YELL. PIED CKS. (15): 1, Muir, fine size, nice reach and droop, well back, good length of side and top end; 2, sp., Trimble, nice free action and style, good size; 3, Edgar, fair size, erect, nice head and reach, good long body; 4, nice size and fair model; 5, sp., Mellwain; vhc, McQueen; hc, Stirling; c, Gray. BUFF (13): 1, Maxwell, erect, nice head and reach, fine droop and body; 2, Muir, nice solid back, fine reach and droop, tail well in; 3, sp., Millar, very stylish, nice body and wings; 4, Renfrew, nicely braced up, fair bird; 5, Hunter; vhc, Burnside; 7, sp., sp., Fulton. FOUL CK. (8): 1, Muir, nice and hard up, neat head, good reach and droop, fine model; 2, Main, nice size, well up, good substance, nice bird; 3, sp., Moore, nice thickness through, fair size, good length of side; 4, Caldwell, fair bird, shade thin to others; vhc, sp., Millar; hc, sp., Ferguson; c, sp., Thomson; c, Cobb. GR. CK. (6): 1, McClure, neat head, rare droop, grand body and wing, a beauty; 2, Archibald, hard up, sweet head and reach, solid back; 3, Montgomery, neat type, grand substance; 4, McMillan, fair bird; 5, Hill; vhc, Meikle. YELL HEN (10): 1, Montgomery, grand feather and col., fine reach and style, a beauty; 2, no name, smart and stylish; 3, Stewart, well-known winner; 4, Main, fails in size to others; vhc, Muir; c, Archibald; hc, McClure. BUFF (14): 1, McClure, a bird of full merit, grand type; 2, vhc, Ferguson, nice top end, rare body and wing, another nice bird; 3, Strathearn, fine style, erect, nice model, full of nerve; 4, c, Millar, fair; 5, McIlwain; hc, Hunter. YELL. PIED HEN (8): 1, sp., Fulton, not looking at its best to-day, soft; 2, Hainey, rare size and subs., long body and wing, many liked for first place; 3, Gray, close up on second; 4, Caldwell, nice size and length of side, fails only on top end; 5, Carlaw; vhc, Kennedy; hc, Burnside. BUFF (9): 1, sp., McClure, nice bird, grand subs., good all over, wins; 2, Gray, not the subs. of first, but close up; 3, Millar, on a level with second; 4, Carlaw, not the subs. of those in front; 5, Thomson; vhc, sp., Smith; hc, Moore. FOUL HEN (14): 1, McClure, nice massive frame, well up, determined drive; 2, Livingstone, fine head and reach, good top end, well filled in; 3, Strathearn, nice style, good reach and body, nice action; 4, Dewar, all right for size; 5, Carlaw; vhc, Leiper; hc, Kennedy; c, sp., Moore. GR. HEN (8): 1, McMillan, nice reach and top end, grand length of side; 2, Burnside, well-known winner, of good merit; 3, Caldwell, nice head and reach, good droop, fair size, nice bird; 4, no name; 5, Slater; vhc, Millar; hc, Frew; c, Fulton. PAIRS (16): 1, McClure, ideal pair brimming with quality; 2, Stewart, well matched pair, both fine birds; 3, Muir, a nicely matched pair; 4, Struthers, good size and style; 5, Allison; vhc, Grey; hc, Smith; c, Malcolm. BELG. (7): 1, Main, nice cock, of all round merit, good bird; 2, Gilles, nice head and top, nice pose; 3, 6, Traill, 3rd, good neck and solid top end; 4, Malcolm, well built hen, good top end; hc, McIlwain. YORKS. CK., YELL. (11): 1, sp., 2, Johnson, 1st, grand style, fine length and wing carriage, well up on legs, 2nd, nice head, good back and style; 3, sp., McLelland, nice and hard up, grand body and wing; 4, 5, Ogden Bros., 4, good head and carriage; vhc, Priest; hc, sp., Heggie; c, Junor. BUFF (8): 1, McLelland, grand length of body, wings nicely laid on, a topper; 2, Ogden Bros., grand head, very typical bird; 3, Hirst, nice Yorks., fine length, nicely laid on wings; 4, Pinnock, not quite so nicely tapered, but a good bird; 5, Priest; hc, Cubb; vhc, Heggie; c, Braidy. HEN (10): 1, no name, a nice type of hen; 2, 4, Ogden Bros., 2nd, fine head and back, well filled, good bird; 3, McLelland, grand type, nicely tapered body and close feather; 5, Ross; c, Priest. UNFLIGHTED (10): 1, sp., McRobbie, a real beauty, lovely head, grand tapered body; 2, McLelland, another nice one, good head and body, in grand condition; 3, Ogden Bros., good head and body, nice erect pose; 4, Wood, nice type; 5, sp., Cobb; vhc, Paterson; hc, Park. SELL. (14): 1, Heggie; 2, hc, McLelland; 3, M. Robbie; 4, Ross; 5, Barr; vhc, Wood; c, Paterson. BORD. CK., YEL., CL., or TKD. (11): 1, Bennett, grand type and feather, nice rich col., good type; 2, Arnott, very tidy little Border, runs the winner very close; 3, Hutchison, barely so nice in head as those in front, but a nice Border; 4, Gilchrist, not quite so shapely as others; 5, Mossie; vhc, Laidlow, jun.; hc, Broadfoot; c, Jeffrey and Stevehson. BUFF (12): 1, Munro, a nice bird, grand carr, and condition; 2, sp, hc, Mossie, very close up on winner, good type; 3, Arnott, lovely feather, very jaunty carr., tip top condition; 4, Bennett, another good one, of all round merit; 5, Bruce; vhc, Walker. HEN, YELL. (8): 1, Arnott, nice one, well moulded, very jaunty; 2, Bennett, not quite the mould of winner, but close up; 3, Gilchrist, a nice jaunty Border, in lovely feather; 4, Shields, nice size, feather like wax, we liked for a higher place; 5, Laidlow; vhc, Jones; hc, Carnie; c, Jeffrey and Stevenson. BUFF (1): 1, sp, Walker, winner of Border medal, wins its place with a little to spare; 2, Gilchrist, fails only in head a shade to first; 3, Bennet, very neat and compact little Border; 4, Arnott, on the small side, a shade short in body to others; 5, sp, Potts; vhc, Hutchison; hc, Wilson; c, Briggs, jun. EVEN, ETC. YELL. (4): 1, Wilson, nice head and back, grand wing carr. and close feather; 2, Fraser, grand head, back well filled in, good wing carr.; 3, Jones, very nice type, grand feather; 4, Cunningham, shade slim in body. BUFF (8): 1, Jeffrey and Stevenson, lovely head and neck, nice round back, good pose; 2, Arnott, nicely rounded body and wings, in lovely condition; 3, Steel, real nice Border, nice head and body, lovely head and wing carr.; 4, sp, Cunningham, nice type, in lovely condition; 5, Bennett; vhc, Donaghy; hc, sp, Fraser; c, Hutchison. GREEN (5): 1, Munro, lovely round head, and fine neck, grand shape; 2, Gilchrist, neat head, good wing carr.; 3, Bennie, nice Border, in lovely feather; 4, sp, McIntyre, fair all round bird. CINN. (10): 1, sp, Brown, neat head, grand free pose, nice carriage, and feather; 2, Arnott, an all round typical Border, in tip top condition; 3, vhc, Middleton, well filled back, of nice tight feather, good wings and tail; 4, hc, Glass, presses, very hard on third; 5, Lawrie; c, McIntyre. SELL: 1, Hutchison; 2, Bennett; 3, Wilson; 4, Gilchrist; 5, Fraser; vhc, Jeffrey and Stevenson; hc, sp, Maxwell; c, Bruce.

WINDHILL, SHIPLEY O.S.

Members' show, held Dec. 21, at Blue Bell Hotel; 123 birds were staged. Mr. J. Reed (Thackley) judged, and his awards were well received. Points for season are:—Champions: Chippendale, 76; Halliday, 70; Sutcliffe and Son, 64; Taylor, 58; Long, 24; Drake, 18. Novices: Shepherd, 115; Atkinson, 82; Craven, 81; Bryant, 54; Pullan, 51.

CHAMP., CL. YELL.: 1, Drake; 2, Chippendale. BUFF: 1, Long; 2, Sutcliffe and Son; 3, Millar; 4, Drake. TKD.: 1, Taylor; 2, Halliday; 3, Chippendale. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Mason; 2, Sutcliffe and Son; 3, Halliday; 4, Drake; vhc, Halliday; hc, Chippendale. BUFF: 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, 4, Halliday; 3, vhc, Drake. HEN, CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Chippendale; 2, Millar; 3, Sutcliffe and Son; 4, Chippendale; vhc, Drake; hc, Long. BUFF: 1, Chippendale; 2, Sutcliffe and Son; 3, Long; 4, Halliday. MKD. YELL., CK.: 1, Sutcliffe and Son. HEN: 1, Millar; 2, Halliday; 3, Sutcliffe and Son; 4, Drake. BUFF. CK.: 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, Chippendale. HEN: 1, 2, Chippendale; 3, Long; 4, Halliday; vhc, Drake. NOV., CL. OR TKD. YELL., CK.: 1, 4, Atkinson; 2, Craven; 3, Gunn; vhc, Bryant. HEN: 1, 4, Craven; 2, Atkinson; 3, Pullan; vhc, Wilman; hc, Shepherd; c, Ellis. BUFF, CK.: 1, Shepherd; 2, 4, vhc, Atkinson; 3, Ellis; hc, Craven; c, Bryant. HEN: 1, hc, Craven; 2, Pullan; 3, Bryant; 4, Spencer; vhc, Atkinson. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Shepherd; 2, Bryant; 4, Gunn; vhc, Craven; hc, Pullan; c, Gunn. MKD. CK.: 1, 2, Shepherd; 3, Pullan; 4, hc, c, Craven; vhc, Bryant. HEN: 1, Pullan; 2, Spencer; 3, hc, Craven; 4, Bryant; vhc, Atkinson; c, Shepherd.—J. Taylor, Sec.

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CHIRNSIDE.

Thirty-second annual show held in Volunteer Hall, Jan. 1. Entries showed a slight increase, and the quality was of the best. Mr. A. Shiell is still Secretary and no further remarks need be made as to management. The Stewards, Messrs. Young, Denholm and Ferguison, gave every attention to the Judge and exhibits. A good deal of interest was taken in a bird shown in the Mule class, which won 1st and spl, many fanciers being of opinion that it was a variegated Border Fancy. Our own opinion is that the breeder has, like many another, made a mistake either with exchange of eggs or young birds, as we really failed to trace the Linnet in it. We will not be surprised to see the owner breed some rare good Borders from him. Borders, as usual, were the feature of the show. The Judge, Mr. Murray, Broxburn, made his debut at this show. The cup and B.F.C.C. medal was won by Mr. J. Young, Allanton, with a yellow uneven cock. Varieties were fairly well represented, a nice Thrush and Silver Greenfinch came in for a deal of attention. A good attendance in the afternoon and evening made the executive put on a happy smile.

The Critique.

CL. YELL. BORD. (11): 1, Hay, on the large side, trifle inclined to frill in front, fine col. and taper; 2, Denholm, finer modelled, splendid front, head, back and wing, our choice; 3, spl, Patterson, similar in type, extra sound in col., good quality of feather; 4, Skeldon, a shade larger and down in condition, fine taper and wing; vhc, spl, Briggs; hc, Young; c, Ramage. BUFF (16): 1, spl, Patterson, a good one, splendid type, rare size, deal symmetry, grand col. and quality; 2, Young, fine stamp, good col. and condition, a shade short in neck; 3, hc, sp, Davis, two good useful ones, nice stamp, good taper and style; 4, spl, Russell, good col., fine size, good back and wing; vhc, Denholm; c, Russell. YELL. MKD. (9): 1, cup, B.F.C.C. medal, c, Young, marked both eyes and wing, fine style and symmetry, good back inclined to frill at throat; 2, Dickinson, Cinn., mark, good markings, fine col. and quality, just a shade long; 3, Johnstone, beautiful col. and quality, ideal shape, grand front and head; 4, Patterson, best marked in class, inclined to tip wing to-day; vhc, Baird; hc, Denholm, another good one. BUFF (12): 1, Cove, marked head and wings, a large one, bit heavy on side, fine feather, somewhat slow in movement; 2, Skeldon, good markings, fine col. and quality, a shade short in neck; 3, Spence, beautiful size, shape and symmetry, extra fine taper and style, good col. and quality; 4, Johnstone, good mkd. hen, fine style, a shade short behind; vhc, Dickinson; hc, c, Alexander. EVENLY MKD. (5): 1, 3, Patterson, two grand ones, lovely eyes, well balanced wings, in tip-top order; 2, Briggs, poorly mkd. eyes to win over those behind; 4, Alexander, better markings, fine col. and quality; vhc, Schooler. FOUL (8): 1, Denholm, mkd. on head, fine size, lovely qual., good position; 2, 3, Russell, grizzle back cock and tick wing hen, fine position; 4, Briggs, a shade short, good col. and quality; vhc, Alexander; hc, c, Patterson. GR. OR CINN. (6): 1, 2, Patterson, leader good yellow cinn., good col, style and quality; 2, Green, lovely col. and pencilling, ideal shape, good condition; 3, Shiell, hen, good col., fine quality, droops tail a wee bit; 4, Skeldon, fine shape; vhc, Ramage; hc, Spence. BREEDING PAIRS (5): 1, Burns, Crested cock and C.B. hen, nice size, head and feather; 2, Denholm, Borders, yell. uneven cock, cl. buff hen, fine pair, well matched; 3, Patterson, Borders, cl. buff cock, good one, hen fails a bit behind; 4, Alexander, marks, fine markings, inclined to frill; vhc, Glass. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE (8): 1, spl, 2, Young, 1st entered as a Linnet Mule, referred to above, 2nd Goldie Mule, nearly even marked, fine shape and condition; 3, Hay, Plainhead, good size, fine col. and qual.; 4, hc, Baird, Plainheads, fine shape, wants condition; vhc, c, Patterson. BRIT.: 1, Roper, grand Thrush, splendidly put down; 2, c, Patterson, Silver Green finch, good size, interesting exhibit, 4th, well-known Song Thrush; 3, vhc, Bantz; hc, Alexander; c, Hunter. FOR.: 1, Hay, Black-headed Gouldian, lovely exhibit, splendid condition, beautifully staged; 2, 3, 4, Shiell, Budgerigars, former yellow cock, good col., fine size; 3rd and 4th also good ones.

LOUGHBOROUGH.

The initial venture of this noted "hosiery centre" held January 4th, was an undoubted success. The entry was a capital one, and our Midland friends were in raptures over the glorious and exceedingly meritorious exhibits that were placed under their care. No fancier need lack the utmost confidence on any future occasion in forwarding his most valued specimens. They will be in safe keeping and judiciously handled; better management we have not observed this season. The Temperance Hall was the rendezvous. Possessing grand light, spacious and well ventilated, the hall is absolutely void of draughts, and cosy to the extreme; a very commendable venue. The membership is not strong, but is comprised of the most enthusiastic of fanciers. All are workers of a strenuous order, and their full desires are to enrol as many new members as possible. In the midst of breeders and most centrally situated, we venture to predict a great future for Loughborough Society. Mr. J. H. Caldwell, Chairman, knows to a nicety the correct manipulation that is required of one who holds this all-important position. Great praise is due to him for the very able manner in which he officiates. His understudy, Mr. C. Dutner, presses hard his colleague, his undoubted ability proves of rare assistance, and should the chair become vacant on any unforeseen circumstances cropping up, he will fill the same admirably. The committee worked with a will. All gave of their best, and laudable efforts were put forth by Messrs. Foster, Sharp, James, Ball, Ward, Jeffries and Widdowson. The "house" could not have been kept in a more orderly or a more methodical manner; everything went as smoothly as marriage bells. Last, but by no means least, we wish to speak of the very energetic and most courteous Secretary, Mr. V. A. Harris. Although fresh to this kind of work, his advanced views and his business abilities stand him in good stead. Tact and perseverance place him amongst the most valued of servants. He is the right man in the right place, is a great asset, and under his control success is bound to be attained. The patronage of the Midland C.Y.C. Club was in evidence, their very valuable trophies were being competed for, thus bringing in combat most of the cream of the Midlands. Yorkshires beyond doubt were the feature of the function. In most of the classes it was a case of Midlands v. North. Special prizes were gained as follows: Best Lanes., Mr. F. J. Green; Yorks., L. Dykes; A.O.V., unfli. Nor. and best Nor. in show, R. D. Parlett; Brit. (memb.), J. James; York hen (memb.), W. P. Foster; Nor. hen (memb.), J. H. Caldwell; Hyde's (no name in catalogue); most points Nor., Messrs. E. Fox and J. Thomas tied, this award being given to Messrs. E. Fox for best team shown (Committee's decision). Stewards, who practically and effectively officiated, were Messrs. Widdowson, James and Foster. Staging was neatness itself, three tier high, all specimens seen at a glance. During the early part of the afternoon arrangements were made with the railway officials to return exhibits by early trains, so as to reach home same night where possible. All long distance birds were got off first. By orders of their owners, many birds were being held over until Monday, and same were looked after with every care. Judging was over in good time and cards affixed promptly as each class was adjudicated upon. The weather unfortunately was of a very moist description, no doubt keeping many visitors away. Mr. J. C. Barnes, Sheffield, judged, and his placings met with universal approval.

The Critique.

NOR. YELL. (4): 1, Leng, mkd. wing and eyes, capital feather and col., neat head and neck, bold chest, A1 wing carr., clean cut away; 2, Thomas, lightly varieg., ablaze with col., short and thick set, rich feather, loose behind or might have won; 3, Hulse, mkd. head, wonderful subs., silky texture, good head, neck and chest, crosses wings which tells against it; vhc, Caldwell. BUFF (8): 1, Fox, very massive var., rattling shape and carr., lovely feather, tight as a Java, well put down; 2, Thomas, cobby cl., teeming with qual. and col., jaunty in movement, beaten in subs., yet close up; 3, Dodd, mkd. wings and eyes, red hot, capital feather, plenty of size, little free of feather behind; vhc, Leng; hc, Freestone; c, Clarke. HEN (10): 1, Thomas, charming cl. yell., round as a ball, nice subs., delightful carr., bewitching; 2, Fox, magnificently shaped cl. buff, clothed to perfection, rich col. and frosting, pressed hard; 3, Dean, very promising unfli. cl. buff, sweetly moulded, rich tone of col., smooth as wax, hardly so large; vhc, Walton and Noakes; c, Hulse. YELL. UNFLI. (10): 1, Parlett, massive cl. yell., delightful shape, col. and feather, clock-like action, stood 4th Scottish National, gem; 2, Fox, cl., lovely quality and col., beautiful shape and carr., not a feather misplaced, beaten a little in size; 3, vhc, Walton and Noakes, mkd. wing and head, hot as a stove, A1 feather, nice shape, not quite so thick throughout; hc, Growdridge and Sons. BUFF (12): 1, Parlett, cl., rattling subs. and shape, superb col. and feather, lovely carr., 2nd Scottish National, should make a topper; 2, Hulse, grandly fed and richly clothed cl., shapely, nice subs., not depth of front, yet most promising; 3, Walton and Noakes, mkd. neck, good type and qual., neat carr., not so large or so rich in col. as above; vhc, Sharman; hc, Moores; c, Millward. NOV. YELL. (15): 1, Briggs and Walker, mkd. wings and eyes, ablaze with col., short and thick set, tight as wax, not of the largest but of the smartest description; 2, Hoperoft, mkd. head, silky feather, well up in size, good head, neck and chest, little longer in barrel, flights and tail; 3, Dodd, cl., nice feather, good subs. and col., shapely, neat carr.; vhc, Mores; hc, Dean; c, Butler and Barlow. BUFF (23) fine class: 1, Briggs and Walker, cl., smartly clothed, rich in col., fine size, shape and carr., capable of winning well in the "upper circles," beauty; 2, Hoperoft, mkd. wings and head, smooth as a Java, very shapely, capital size, close on the heels of winner; 3, Sharman, mkd. wing, fine subs., A1 col. and feather, rare head, neck and chest, little loose under; vhc, Ball; hc, Day; c, Smith. YELL. YORKS. (11): 1, Dykes, mkd. neck, straight as a pencil, tight as a drum, rare length, clever legs, gem; 2, vhc, Odgen Bros., most stylish brace, mkd. wing and cheek, sweetly moulded, lovely feather, lengthy and leggy, fine back, flights and tail, close up; 3, Lane, mkd. wing, not a feather wrong, full of nerve, delightful stand, beaten in length, yet a charmer; hc, Thomas; c, Williams. BUFF (9): 1, Dykes, well-known, neck mkd., smooth as marble, looking so well as ever; 2, Ogden Bros., mkd. breast, magnificent feather and col., lengthy and erect, well on leg, can beat more than beats it; 3, Thomas, mkd. eye, straight as a rush, good length, not so boxy in feather, yet one we like immensely; vhc, Lane; hc, Williams. MKD. (8): 1, Ogden Bros., var. buff, wonderful feather, col. and pos., not of the longest, but of the very smartest, full of true character; 2, hc, Wells and Clempson, yell. var., marvellous length, smooth as wax, A1 qual., stands like a Guardsman, pressed hard, bit flat in col.; 3, c, Williams, yell., mkd. wings and head, red hot, good length and qual., not so good in position and little behind in style; vhc, Dykes. UNFLIG. (12): 1, Dykes, yell., mkd. head, rattling qual., wonderful length, nice position, well filled in back, neat wing carr.; 2, hc, Thomas, buff, lightly var., delightful feather, straight as a gun barrel, well on leg, full of swagger, close up; 3, Lane, yell., mkd. root of tail, well feathered, good tone of col., upstanding, not so lengthy; vhc, Williams; c, Wells and Clempson. YELL. HEN (15) fine lot: 1, Ogden Bros., capital feather and col., marvellous length, fine position, neat and narrow, clever legs, rent charmer; 2, Dykes, mkd. wing and head, lovely feather, wedge shaped, full of nerve, well on leg, not quite so lengthy; 3, Elks, cl., A1 qual. of col., rare position, true character, showing signs of wear in neck, yet very fascinating; vhc, Foster; hc, Wells and Clempson; c, Lane. BUFF (16): 1, Wells and Clempson, tightly clothed cl., straight as a rush, superb col., grand back and wing carr.; 2, Ogden Bros., cl., lovely gowned, rich col., fine pos. and length, well on leg, pressed hard; 3, Dykes, cl., one of the longest seen for many a day, nice feather, not the position of above; vhc, Parkes; hc, Lane; c, no name. NOV., YELL. (12): 1, vhc, Chew, neat brace, mkd. head, stands well, good length and qual., capital col., shows nicely; 2, Graham, very promising, 1912 bred, capital outline, lengthy and leggy, in breeding form, does not show well, or might have won; 3, Philpot, cl., tight as a Java, delightful position, capital back and wing carr., not overdone with length; 4, Kelsey; c, Helsby. BUFF (12): 1, Hall, mkd. wing, straight as a gun barrel, smooth as wax, full of nerve, stood 2nd Leeds, bonny; 2, hc, Farrell, mkd. head, A1 qual. and col., good length and pos., hardly so stylish, yet neatness itself; 3, James, mkd. wing and neck, capital feather, nice position and well on leg, bit wild, when steady should do well; vhc, Chew; c, Wall. LANCS. (10): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Green, magnificent team, leader cl. buff, coppy, wonderful merit, Leicester winner, etc.; 2 cl. yell. P.B., great subs., true character, L.C.B.A. diploma and Notts. winner, truly a topper, 3 another rare cl. buff coppy, Stamford 1st, near on equal to winner, all in the pink of condition and staged in fine style; c, Adams. A.O.V. (5): 1, hc, Barker, buff, all green D.C., wealth of rich qual. feather, crest thickly thatched, round as a rim, delightful droop and centre, gem; 2, March, cl. buff, Scotch Fancy, nice size and qual., fair circle, works well, in good form; 3, Walton and Noakes, capitally fed yell. cinn., shapely, nice subs., silky feather, worth its place; vhc, Holmes. MULE (11): 1, Parlett, well-known yell. Greenie-Can., often described, best of its kind at the present time, looking A1 after his victory Scottish National; 2, 3, Hayter, very nice Can.-Bullie, good size, shape, qual. and col., in the pink, 3 yell Greenie-Can., magnificent qual. and col., not the shape or subs. of winner, still a beauty; vhc, Wortley; hc, Beers; c, Elks. HYBRID: Cancelled. LIN., ETC. (12): 1, 2, hc, Parlett, choice trio 1 Lin of wonderful subs. and shape, grand col., profusely and distinctly pencilled, steady as a top, stormer, 2 magnificent Twite, delightful shape and qual., lovely col. and markings, well staged; 3, Beers, Lesser Redpoll, fine shape, well up in size, A1 col. and markings, well worth its place; vhc, Osborn; c, Bunn. GOLDIE, ETC. (9): 1, Allen, Go'die, grand shape and subs., lovely col. large expansive blaze, well cut and bright, neat bars and buttons, gem; 2, Kelsey, Bullie, rattling shape and size, dense large and brightly polished cap, magnificent breast col., grandly put down, pressed hard; 3, Parlett, Goldie, nice shape, good size and col., hardly so rich in blaze or so good in buttons, still one we liked; vhc, Wood; hc, Thompson; c, Osborn. SEED-EATER (7): 1, 2, Parlett, Hawfinch, slashing shape and col., giant, A1 qual., grand bib and markings, truly a knock-out, 2 very charming Bramble, magnificent shape and size, lovely col., delightfully ticked, real beauty; 3, vhc, Poole, Hawfinch, very shapely and excellent qual., not the size or col. of winner, yet a great exhibit; hc, Wood; c, Caunt.

STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.

Third annual club show, held Red Lion Hotel, Dec. 26th. Entries came up very well, about 140 being staged, just a few less than last year. The quality was excellent, many birds being staged capable of winning in open competition. In Norwich Mr. W. Roberts held a strong hand, and captured the special for best with his winning yellow. Yorkshire classes filled best, and competition was very keen. Special for best in this section was awarded Mr. Pitchford's yellow hen. Mr. Davis staged a nice Goldie-Bullie. British were not numerous, but were really good, and proved a great attraction. Special for best went to Mr. Davis's Linnet. Mr. Pitchford's birds being debarred from competition for it. The cup for most points with four nominated birds was captured by Mr. R. Smith with 33 points, Mr. Davis running very close with 32, and Mr. Walker with 31. Special most points in show, Mr. Davis. Mr. Henry Tams judged.

NOR., YELL.: 1, sp, 3, Roberts; 2, Bowers; vhc, Clay; hc, Butters; c, Parker. BUFF: 1, Roberts; 2, Butters; 3, c, Smith; vhc, Bowers; hc, Bagshaw. YELL., HEN: 1, Parker; 2, Roberts; 3, hc, Butters; vhc, Smith. BUFF: 1, Buttere; 2, Bagshaw; 3, Bowers; vhc, Parker; hc, Clay; c, Roberts. UNFL. YELL.: 1, 3, Smith; 2, Clay; vhc, Bagshaw; hc, Butters; c, Parker. BUFF: 1, Bagshaw; 2, Bowers; 3, vhc, Smith; hc, Parker; c, Roberts. UNFL. HENS: 1, Butters; 2, 3, hc, Smith; vhc, Parker; c, Bowers. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Walker; 2, Pitchford; 3, c, Salt; vhc, Pygott; hc, McMurtrie. BUFF: 1, Hawley; 2, Pygott; 3, Walker; vhc, hc, Walton. YELL., HEN: 1, Pitchford; 2, Hawley; 3, McMurtrie; vhc, Pygott; hc, c, Walton. BUFF: 1, vhc, Hawley; 2, Walton; 3, Walker. UNFLI. YELL.: 1, McMurtrie; 2, Walker; 3 vhc, Salt; hc, Pygott; c, Ratcliffe. BUFF: 1, Walker; 2, 3, Salt; vhc, hc, Pygott; c, Ratcliffe. UNFLI. HENS: 1, 3, Pygott; 2, Walker; vhc, Hawley; hc, Salt; c, Ratcliffe. HYBRID: 1, 2, 3, Davis. GOLDFINCH: 1, Pitchford; 2, vhc, Peake; 3, hc, Davis; c, Ratcliffe. LINNET; 1, 2, hc, Davis; 3, Pitchford; vhc, Peake. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Pitchford; 2, Davis. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, 2, vhc, Davis; 3, Pitchford.

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SHIPLEY O.S.

Annual open show of Canaries, held January 4th, in the Central Schools, Saltaire Road, Shipley. Only very meagre response was received to the schedule of 27 classes, and as for several years the members have been hard hit at their annual fixture, they will have a hard task to gather themselves together for next year's show. They have a splendid room, and are a very efficient set of workers, comprising amongst others the following: Mr. T. Motson (sec.), Messrs. Brown, Martin, Towers, Sutcliffe, junr., vice-presidents; Crossland, treasurer; J. B. Martin, chairman; Grange, assistant sec.; Bradshaw, Armstead, Murgatroyd, Craven, Excell, committee. Entries only totalled to 305, averaging short of 11 per class; several classes only paid half prize money. Mr. J. Robson, London, officiated as judge. The show was held under the rules of the Yorkshire Union and the patronages of the C.M., Y.C.C., and the N.G.M.Y.C.C. The special winners were:—Messrs. Ogden Bros., most points open classes; Mr. S. Binns, most points in novice classes;; Mr. A. M. Craven, Sandiford's medal; Messrs. Sutcliffe and Son, most points in selling.

The Critique.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. YKS. (12): 1, hc, Towers, very lengthy and slim, plenty of leg, good head, nice qual.; 2, Wilkinson and Son, nice shape, good back and wings, rare qual.; 3, Bailey, grand length and shape, leggy, rattling head, good qual., smart; 4, Dykes, slim, good shape, fine position, smart feather; vhc, Henby; c, Ogden Bros. BUFF (16): 1, Sutcliffe and Son, grand shape, lovely qual. and col., rattling head, neck, and back; 2, Whitley, tkd. wing, grand length and shape, good shoulders, perfect feather and col.; 3, Holden, good shape, rattling qual., fails position; 4, Ogden Bros., rattling type, extra well up in position, rich col. and good qual.; vhc, Dykes; hc, Walsh; c, Dyson. UNFLIG. YELL. (5): 1, Dr. Craig, tkd. eye, slim, nice length, extra leggy, splendid wings and tail, grand quality and colour; 2, 3, Ogden Bros., 2nd marked, rare length and shape, good qual., 3rd rattling position, good head and back, smart feather; 4, Sutcliffe and Son, slim, grandly drawn out, leggy, compact feather; vhc, Lunn. BUFF (12): 1, Ogden Bros., extra style, rattling shape, full of col. and qual.; 2, Radley, great length, grand head and back, fair qual.; 3, Sutcliffe and Son, grand shape, straight, good head, neck, and back, lovely qual.; 4, Mason, nice shape, neat narrow shoulders, nice feather; vhc, Tidswell; hc, Lunn; c, Dykes. UNFLIG. HEN (8): 1, 2, Clegg, buff and yell., leader nice length and straight, rattling qual., good wings, 2nd very slim, good shape and nice qual.; 3, Ellis, buff, good shape and stylish, rattling qual., leggy; 4, Mason, yell., neat type and full of style; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Priestley; c, Walsh. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Thomas, nice length, rattling shape, very round, lovely wings and tail, neat feathered; 2, Craven, grand shape, rare good back and wings, lovely qual.; 3, Cruise, grand shape and stylish, neat wing carriage, good qual.; 4, Priestley, good shape, extra style, nice round back, nice feather; vhc, Dyson; hc, Dr. Craig; c, Walsh. BUFF (7): 1, Towers, grand shape, nice position, rattling head and back, marvellous qual., we made wrong class, cinn. tkd. wing; 2, Clegg, grand length and shape, fine position, nice qual.; 3, Brown and Son, neat type and very stylish, stands cleverly; 4, Bailey, nice shape, leggy, rare shoulders, lovely feathers; vhc, Tidswell; hc, Craven; c, Ogden Bros. GR. MKD. YELL. (10): 1, Thomas, mkd. wings, eyes, breast, grand shape, plenty of leg, fine upright position, excels in qual. and colour; 2, Hall, marked wings and eyes, slim and good type, leggy, nice feather and colour; 3, Craven, mkd. wings and eyes, great length, good shape, leggy, rattling wings, lovely qual.; 4, Wilkinsen and Son, nicely balanced marks wings and eyes, slim, lovely shape, grand wings and tail, nice qual.; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Mason; c, Brown and Son. BUFF (9): 1, Dykes, mkd. wings, eyes, breast, slim, rattling shape, very stylish, perfect feather and full of col.; 2, Dyson, lightly mkd., grand shape, good shoulders and tapers well away, nice back, full of qual.; 3, Ogden Bros., mkd. wing, eyes, lengthy, good shape, nice head, well filled all through, splendid qual. and col.; 4, Bailey, mkd. wings, eyes, head, grand shape, extra good position, neat wings, nice qual.; vhc, Priestley; hc, Towers; c, Hall. GR. MKD. YELL. HEN (12): 1, 4, Thomas, both mkd. wings, cheeks, leader fine type and extra position, good wing carriage, nice qual., 4th good shape and very stylish, nice feather; 2, hc, Stobart, mkd. wing, eyes, lovely shape, round as an apple, extra qual., gem; 3, Ogden Bros., mkd. wings, cheeks, head, slim, nicely drawn out, leggy, rattling qual.; vhc, Craven; c, Mason. BUFF (11): 1, Mason, mkd. wings, grand shape, rattling head, back, wings, tail, marvellous qual., very clean made; 2, Sutcliffe and Son, mkd. wings, close up, gem for qual., wonderful wings and tail, neat all through; 3, Brown and Son, mkd. wings, eye, nice type and very stylish, full of col. and qual.; 4, c, Ogden Bros., mkd. wings, eyes, head, neat type, good qual. and col.; vhc, Dykes; hc, Bailey. CINN. TKD., ETC., YELL. (9): 1, Bailey, noted winner, mkd. wings, eye, nice shape and position, stands well, lovely col. and qual.; 2, vhc, Ogden Bros., mkd. wings, eyes, cheek, nice length and slim, well drawn out, rattling wings and tail, grand col. and qual.; 3, Thomas, stronger, mkd wings, eye, good shape, well filled all through, romping feather; 4, Hall, tkd. wing, plenty length, slim, nice long wings, neat feather; hc, Grayshon; c, Brown and Son. BUFF (10): 1, Bailey, mkd. wings, eye, grand shape and position, splendid head, neck and back, extra quality; 2, Dr. Craig, mkd. wings, cheeks, grand shape and very stylish, lovely qual., neat head, well filled in back; 3, vhc, Allen, mkd wings, head, excellent type, good shoulders, very good wings, correct position, neat feathered; 4, Brown and Son, mkd. wings, head, good shape and style, clean made; hc, Whitley; c, Ogden Bros. CINN. TKD. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Allen, mkd. wings, eyes, head, slim and grand shape, stands cleverly, wonderful quality; 2, Myers and Lumb, mkd. wings, cheeks, slim, nicely cut away, leggy, all there for qual.; 3, Thomas, mkd. wings, eyes, cheek, good shape, good round back, well carried wings, full of col. and qual.; 4, Towers, mkd. wings, head, slim, rare type, showy, nice qual.; vhc, Holroyd; hc, Morrison; c, Hudson. BUFF (11): 1, 4, vhc, Allen, grand team, leader mkd. wings, cheek, head, grand length, correct type, nice round head, good back, well packed wings and tail, graud qual., gem, 4th mkd. wings, eye, good shape, neat shoulders, rare qual.; 2, Towers, mkd. wings, cheek, head, nice shape, slim, straight, rattling col. and qual.; 3, hc, Morrison, mkd. wings, cheeks, breast, good size, good shape, fine qual.; c, Bailey. NOVICE CLASSES (confined to members of the Yorkshire Union).—CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. (17): 1, 4, c, Midgley, leader slim and grand shape, nicely cut away, good head and back, rare qual. and col., 4th extra type and style, lovely feather; 2, Crossland, slim, typical, shows well, rattling wings and tail, full of qual. and col.; 3, hc, Naylor, grand shape, leggy and fine position, good head and back, nice feather; vhc, Hainsworth and Son. BUFF (24): Best class in show: 1, Binns, tkd. wing, grand type, extra good head, well carried wings and tail, gem for qual. and col.; 2, Marshall Bros., nice shape, very clean made, lovely qual. and col.; 3, 4, Naylor, 3rd neat type, showy, grand feather, 4th good length and shape, rattling wings, nice qual.; vhc, Grange; hc, c, Midgley. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (16): 1, Beaumont, nice length and straight as a rush, leggy, lovely qual.; 2, Binns, good shape, nicely drawn out, leggy, bonny head, perfect in feather; 3, Quarmby, neat and typical, showy, rattling col. and qual.; 4, Marshall Bros., neat narrow shoulders and tapers off nicely, good back, lovely qual.; vhc, hc, Naylor; c, Hainsworth and Son. BUFF (16): 1, Rhodes, great length, splendid shoulders, nice cut, good back and head, lovely qual. and col.; 2, Hodgson, nice type, round as an apple, leggy, sweet feather; 3, Beaumont, grand shape, well cut away, nice qual.; 4, Martin, grand type, neat narrow shoulders and well drawn out, good wings, tip top qual.; vhc, Naylor; hc, Helliwell; c, Marshall Bros. GREEN MKD. (11): 1, Hainsworth and Son, yell., mkd. wings, eyes, grand length, slim, leggy, rattling qual.; 2, 3, Binns, buff leading, mkd. eyes, wing, grand shape and position, leggy, lovely feather, 3rd yellow, four-pointed, neat type and stylish, leggy, clean made; 4, Butterfield, buff, straight, good shape, extra quality, and col.; vhc, Helliwell; hc, Quarmby; c, Naylor. HEN (13): 1, Bower, buff, mkd. wing, breast, bonny type and shows well, feathered to perfection; 2, Hainsworth and Son, buff, mkd. wings, eyes, breast, lovely qual. and col., nice shape, nice position; 3, Binns, yell., capital shape, leggy, good back, nice feather; 4, Saville, buff, mkd. wings, eyes, cheeks, grand type and style, neat feathered; vhc, Padgett; hc, c, Naylor. CINN. TKD., ETC. (14): 1, Naylor, yell. mkd. flights, grand length and shape, well cut away, leggy, lovely qual.; 2, 3, Binns, yell. leading, mkd. wings and eyes, good wedge shape, well drawn out, bonny feather, 3rd buff, good size and type, full round back, splendid qual.; 4, Helliwell, foul yell., hot col., nice shape and leggy, close feathered; vhc, Wood; hc, Grange; c, Boulton. HEN (12): 1, Hodgson, yell., tkd. wing, head, grand shape, well up, good top end, rare qual.; 2, vhc, Woad, yell., mkd. wings, rattling type and stylish, lovely qual.; 3, Grange, mkd. wings, eyes, breast, grand shape and leggy, shows well, splendid qual. and col.; 4, Binns, yell., mkd. cheek and saddle, lengthy and good shape, neat feathered; hc, Leather; c, Fieldhouse. NOR. CK. (8): 1, 3, Ingham, buff mkd. leading, short, cobby, good chest, nice head, lovely qual., 3rd buff, good shape, plenty of col., rattling qual.; 2, Birbeck, yell., grand type, good head, plenty subs., nice feather; 4, Watson, buff, nice cobby shape, good subs., rare feather; vhc, Airton; hc, c, Lord. HEN (10): 1, hc, Birbeck, yell., grand shape, chesty, subs., nice qual.; 2, 3, Ingham, buff and yell., both good shape and subs., lovely col.; 4, c, Lord, yell., buff, good size and type, smart feathered; vhc, Watson.

PUDSEY, STANNINGLEY C.B.S.

Last members' show for the season's specials, held Dec. 26th at the Fleece Hotel, Stanningley. The entry was not very large, 63 birds being staged by ten members, but the quality was good all round. Mr. W. Mann, Bradford, judged, and he got through his work in a satisfactory manner. Mr. W. Richmond wins the society's cup with 129 points, this being his third win in succession. It now becomes his own property. Messrs. Fowler and Hargreaves win second with 112 points; E. Marsh, third, 75 points; F. Page, fourth, 71; H. Taylor, fifth, 52; W. Ackroyd, sixth, 42; J. Butler, seventh, 41; A. Noble, eighth, 29.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS (9): 1, c, Richmond; 2, Ackroyd; 3, Abbott; 4, hc, Towler and Hargreaves; vhc, Taylor. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Towler and Hargreaves; 3, 4, Ackroyd; vhc, Raistrick; hc, Taylor; c, Richmond. MKD. YELL. (7): 1, Ackroyd; 2, 3, Towler and Hargreaves; 4, hc, Page; vhc, c, Richmond. BUFF (10): 1, 2, hc, Richmond; 3, Forrest; 4, Noble; vhc, c, Towler and Hargreaves. CL. OR TKD. YELL., HEN (5): 1, 4, Richmond; 2, 3, Ackroyd; vhc, Noble. BUFF (6): 1, Richmond; 2, 3, Taylor; 4, hc, Noble; vhc, Towler and Hargreaves. MKD. HEN (6): 1, 2, 4, Richmond; 3, Towler and Hargreaves; vhc, Page; hc, Noble. CL. OR TKD. NOR., CK. (7): 1, sp, 2, c, Page; 3, 4, vhc, Richmond; hc, Wainwright. NOR., HEN (4): 1, 3, 4, Richmond; 2, Wainwright.—H. Raistrick, Sec.

GLOSSOP C.B.S.

Show held Dec. 28 at Victoria Hall. The entry was a good one, and quality was of a high order. The silver challenge cup went to a team of Lizards shown by Mr. Harold Garside, put down in excellent condition; Mr. A. Booth pressing close with a neat team of Yorks of rare length, slim and short in feather. Silver medal for best in show went to a typical Norwich shown by Mr. W. Watson. Mr. E. Thompson's Buff Yorkshire securing the prize for the second best, Mr. C. E. Fisher's Lizard that for the third best; and Mr. J. Senior's Norwich fourth best. Points spl was won by Mr. E. Thompson, and the Ramsden silver medal for the best colour-fed bird, fed on Ramsden's pure peppers, went to Mr. Fisher's Norwich. Mr. Booth carried out his duties with commendable smartness, and the secretary and stewards had the cards up without delay.

The Awards.

NOR. CL. ETC. YELL.: 1, 2, spl, Senior; 3, Watson; 4, Lawton; vhc, Bradbury. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, spl, Senior; 4, hc, c, Booth; vhc, Bradbury. UNFLIG. YELL. (12): 1, 2, hc, spl, Watson; 3, 4, c, Senior; vhc, Thompson. BUFF (14): 1, Watson; 2, 3, 4, spl, Hollingworth; vhc, hc, Senior; c, Bradbury. NAT. COL.: 1, spl, Holmes. NOR. HEN: 1, spl, 2, vhc, Watson; 3, 4, Bradbury; hc, Holmes; c, Lawton. CL. CAP GOLD LIZ.: 1, spl, 4, Lawton; 2, Garside; 3, Fisher. BROKEN CAP GOLD: 1, spl, Garside. CL. CAP SILVER: 1, Garside; 2, 4, spl, Fisher; 3, Lawton. BROKEN CAP SILVER: 1, spl, Berry. HEN: 1, 3, spl, Lawton; 2, vhc, Garside; 4, Thompson; hc, Fisher. LIZ., OLD BIRDS: 1, spl, Lawton. CL. ETC. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, spl, Booth; 3, Deakin. BUFF: 1, Berry; 2, 3, spl, Booth; 4, Thompson. CL. ETC. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 3, spl, Booth; 2, Thompson; 4, Hampson; vhc, hc, Wild. BUFF: 1, 3, Booth; 2, 4, vhc, hc, spl, Thompson. NON-FED YELL., NAT. COL.: 1, Booth; 2, 3, vhc, spl, Thompson; 4, Booth; hc, Hampson. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, spl, Thompson; 3, Deakin; 4, Booth; hc, Hampson. YORKS HENS: 1, 2, spl, Booth. A.O.V.: 1, vhc, hc, spl, Holmes; 2, Hampson; 3, 4, c, Thompson. A.O.V., NAT. COL.: 1, Thompson; 2, 3, 4, spl, Holmes. MULE OR HYB.: 1, spl, 3, Deakin; 2, Thompson; 4, vhc, hc, Wild. BRIT. HARDBILLS: 1, Wild; 2, vhc, c, spl, Deakin; 3 Senior; 4, Booth. SOFTBILLS: 1, 2, spl, Deakin. FOR.: 1, spl, Hampson; 2, Garside.

WANTED, four cock Canaries in song for gramophone and 12 records; offers in Canaries for Kodak camera, 5 x 4, value, £2: Dodd, Victoria-st., Southwold. (354)

WANTED, clear buff Yorkshire hen; exchange yellow Norwich cock and Siberian hen Bullfinch, or sell, 12/-: H. Ellis, 1, Victoria-avenue, Barlby rd., Selby. (358)

EXCHANGE Parrot and cage, wanted Edison's phonograph and records or two large Crest-bred hens and cock: Papworths, 35, Thoday st., Cambridge. (355)

WANTED, cock Goldfinch and cock Bullfinch in exchange for gent's wristlet watch; nearly new, splendid timekeeper: Palmer, 46, Walpole rd., Gt. Yarmouth. (354)

AIR gun wanted, exchange unflighted Buff Yorkshire cock, bred from Palace winner, sell £1; approval, yours first: Pomfret, 85, Wigan-rd., Westhoughton. (359)

WANTED, two hen Canaries, or a good singing cock, for a really good singing cock Skylark and muling cock Linnet; no rubbish: Mrs. Bartholomew, Dunstable. (364)

WANTED, large unflighted cobby hen Canaries, crossbred for dark muling, size and colour essential, give, 10/- each; approval: Laidlaw, Painter, Langholm. (360)

WANTED, large Lancashire hen, will exchange two pairs Bullfinches and a Greenfinch-Linnet Hybrid; Lancashires first: H. Yendell, Cock Pit Hill, Cullompton, Devon. (354)

WANTED, good, large, well marked H.M. cock Goldfinch and Linnet; will exchange equal value in Norwich hens: Bowen, Architect, Crumlin, Monmouthshire. (357)

WANTED Canaries, exchange hand-made cloth hearthrug, 2 yards by 1 yard, value 15/-: lace curtains, etc: Cooper, 918, Rochdale-rd., Harpurhey, Manchester. (363)

WANTED any quantity cock and hen Canaries, for spot cash; state breed and lowest price; strictly honourable dealings guaranteed: W. Gore, Gooch-st., Birmingham. (362)

WANTED, good Yorkshire cock, or offers, exchange nickel-plated hack saw frame, takes 8in. to 14in. blades and dozen blades: Woollen, 10, Pearst., Sheffield. (348)

WANTED, large, typical Norwich hen or case and three Norwich show cages; exchange clear Buff Border cock, fit show, sell, 8/6: Dawson, 185, Dukest., Glasgow. (360)

WANTED good pair Norwich or Scotch Fancies; exchange organetto and six steel tunes, cost 35/-; approval; youro first: Thomas Herbert, Headless Cross, Redditch. (351)

WANTED for cash, Canaries, Mules and Goldfinches, either sex; state lowest prices for prompt payment: Merrington, Bird Specialist, 40, Besson-st., New Cross, Loudon. (349)

WANTED, exhibition Norwich cock, give Goldfinch-Greenfinch Hybrid and Greenfinch-Mule, 2nd Luton, Linnet-Mule ditto and cash for good bird: Pedder, 149, North-st., Luton. (359)

CASH offers for six colour-fed good unflighted Yorkshire cocks and seven young Border hens, from winners; approval; see Norwich: Harrison, Ellenborough-pl., Maryport. (352)

WANTED, offers in Canaries, cock Goldfinches or cock Mules; exchange grand new pair all wool Scotch blankets, 25/-; approval each way: McNairn, Merchant, Castle Douglas. (354)

WANTED, I will give 18/- a dozen for large cock Goldfinches; 9/- per dozen for large hen Bullfinches; and deposit cash: Edwin North, Bird Specialist, 477, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (365)

WANTED long Buff Yorkshires in exchange for 28 in x 1¾ Eadie two-speed wheel, also lady's Lysett pneumatic saddle, both new condition: Snow, 36, Plashet-rd., Upton Manor, E. (349)

WANTED, Crests, exchange six good blouse lengths, also wanted double or three compartment breeders, loose fronted, new condition, for value in lengths: 39, Easton-st., High Wycombe. (359)

WANTED, 6 clear Norwich hen Canaries, for Muling; will give 2 cock Goldfinch Mules, been used catching, pure Finch song; sell, 7/6 each: F. Comber, 65, Lumley-rd., Horley, Surrey. (357)

WANTED, on approval, Siefert Roller, good songster, give first-class fishing-rod and reel, or lovely meerschaum pipe, coloured, value 12/6: Gooderham, Ardeevin, Ballinlough-rd., Cork. (352)

WANTED, 1912 yellow Norwich Cinnamon hens, or yellow cinnamon marked hens; exchange gent's English lever watch in perfect condition: Robinson, 294, Station-rd., Winsford, Cheshire. (356)

NOTICE, will give 6/- per pair for colour-fed Norwich or Yorkshires, 10/- per pair for Crests; also wanted Scotch Fancies, cock Mules, reasonable: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (334)

WANTED, Scotch Fancies, exchange valuable evenly marked golden sable and white Collie bitch, registered K.C.S.B. by champion Ormskirk Foxhall; sell, reasonable: Fincher, Wallheath, Dudley. (333)

WANTED, 2 cocks, Canaries or Mules, or 4 hens; exchange 6 ivorine handle knives with 6 nickle-silver forks; approval; state wants in silver-plate or cutlery: Robinson, 32, Pearl-st., Sheffield. (364)

WANTED 1912 yellow Norwich cock or yellow and buff hen, or Crests, will exchange dark sable Pom. bitch, 8 months, champion pedigree, 30/-; no rubbish offered: Rogers, Albion Baths, Wisbech. (363)

WANTED thick-set yellow Norwich cock, must be good in head and wing carriage; will give in exchange Edison Gem phonograph and about 20 records, all in sound condition: Welsh, Scotgate, Stamford. (351)

WANTED, pair of Norwich Crestbred Canaries and breeding cage, exchange brown and white Whippet dog, English bred, with cover, 18 months old, very smart; approval: Alex. Moir, 25, Mid-rd., Dundee. (358)

WANTED, large Crestbred cocks, slightly variegated; exchange English cock Goldfinch, cock Linnet and three hens, Bullfinch, Chaffinch, Linnet, all cage moulted: Yalden, St. Nicholas Rectory, Guildford. (358)

WANTED for cash, Canaries, Goldfinches, Mules, either sex, colour-fed preferred; also African Grey Parrots: state lowest price, etc.: Trask, Bird Specialist, Chesham House, Broadway, Deptford, S.E. (362)

WANTED, English concertina in good order, exchange Border Fancies, well-known winners; mutual approval: also surplus stock cheap; exchange anything useful for house: Patterson, junr., Aviaries, Chinside. (355)

WANTED good talking Grey Parrot and cage, incubators, Canaries, or what offers in exchange for bagatelle board, almost new, with 9 balls, cue, and bridge, cost £5: Wheaton, 13, Durnford-st., Stonehouse, Devon.

WANTED any quantity of cock Goldfinch Mules, in full song, best market price given; also a weekly supply from catchers of Bullfinches, Goldfinches, and Siskins; state lowest prices: Enock Power, 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

WANTED, bird dealers, corn and seed merchants, as agents for "Cage Birds" "Nutshell Booklets." These quick-selling lines yield substantial profits on a small initial outlay. Particulars free: The Publisher, "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

WANTED, large cock Siberian Goldfinch, will exchange three good cock Bullfinches and Border cock, in full song, 1912: Haddrell, South Godstone. (350)

LARGE Norwich hens wanted in exchange for winning Rocks, Bantams, Scotch Greys, Scabrights, Spangles, Duckwings, exhibition flyers, Fantails, Norwich croppers Yorkshire Canaries, Mules, Nightingales; 195, High-st., Quarry Bank, Staffordshire. (361)

WANTED FOR EXPORT

300 Canaries, good prices given for Plainhead Norwich, Yorkshires, and Crests: Wheaten, 13, Durnford-st., Stonehouse, Plymouth.

CANARIES FOR GERMANY

Wanted by that well-known largest dealer and exhibitor in Norwich, 100 pairs of Crests, 100 pairs of Plainheads, colour-fed and natural colour: James Howard, 77, Pitt-St., Norwich. (352)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

ANYTHING bought or exchanged: Royal Menageries, Greenwich.

FRED ALLEN will exchange high-class British for Canaries: 548, Queen-rd., Sheffield. (364)

WHAT offer young cock Hawfinch, also cock Bullfinch, winner 2 firsts, sell cheap: B. Helien, Forest., Bodmin. (348)

EXCHANGE twice h.m. muling Linnet for h.m. Goldfinch; approval, sell 7/6: G. Wells, Sepulchre-lane, Kendal. (358)

TWO fine steady cock Bullfinches, grand condition, 3/-, 5/-; exchange Canaries: Gay, 72, Moor-st., Quinton, Birmingham. (354)

COCK Chaffinch and two yellow cock Greenfinches, exhibition birds, exchange large Norwich hen: Hearn, Bottisham Hall, Camhs. (355)

EXCHANGE two cock Linnets, Goldfinch Mule, sex unknown, for Norwich cock, sell 2/- each: 55, Letitia-st., Middlesboro'. (353)

SCOTCH hardheads, 500 1/- or exchange quantity for Goldie or muling hens; approval: Williamson, High-st., North Berwick. (355)

COCK Magpie, 1st Paisley New Year show, and show cage, 20/-; exchange Hybrids; offers: Morrison, Johnstone-North, Renfrewshire. (360)

EXHIBITION, twice housemoulted cock Lesser Redpoll, first prize winner, sell, 8/6: Mills, 265, Station-rd., Winsford, Cheshire. (356)

GENUINE selected Linnets, guaranteed singing, 2/- each; week's approval; cash or deposit; exchange, offers: G. Frith, Crowle, Lincs. (365)

HAND-REARED cock Thrush, in full song, two years' old, 6/-, or exchange: McInnes, Baltonsborough, Glastonbury, Somerset. (348)

EXHIBITOR'S cocks, Magpie, 7/6; dark Goldfinch Mule, 5/-; house-moulted Goldfinch hen, 3/-; exchange: Douglas, Bridge-st., Brechin. (363)

EXCHANGE pair warranted cock Linnets, for one cock Mule, or four hen Mules: J. Flower, 4, Southampton Cottages, Hackney-rd., London. (363)

SHOW Linnet, Bullfinch, Yellowhammer, Chaffinch, Greenfinch cocks, can win, 5/6 each; exchange Canaries: Robinson, 9, Broad-st., Windermere. (360)

FINE cock Jay, 6/-; four large hen Bullfinches, 1/6 each; exchange for cock Goldfinches or Foreign: W. Watson, Station Cottages, Ashley, Cheshire. (352)

EXCHANGE Mealy Redpoll, 2nd Hednesford last week, for yellow cock Siskin, Goldfinch, or Bullfinch; no rubbish; sell 10/-: 155, Old Fallow, Cannock. (351)

EXCHANGE housemoulted cock Goldfinch, housemoulted cock Linnet for a cock Linnet Mule, pure notes: H. Casey, 20, Sidney-st., Iffley-rd., Oxford. (355)

EXCHANGE 1912 Canary, reared Bullfinch cock, finger tame, good show specimen, for good yellow Norwich hen, or offers: Simpson, 55, Willesden-lane, Kilburn. (357)

HAND-REARED Missel Thrush, fit for exhibition; will exchange for singing Canary or other birds, or sell; seven days' approval both ways: Taylor, 19, Peel-st., Hyde, Cheshire. (351)

SIX Linnets and six Redpolls, 3/- each; housemoulted Chaffinch, 7/6; sell or exchange for extra good Hawfinch or field-moulted Goldies: Clubbs, 51, Battlefield-aven., Glasgow. (356)

HAWFINCH cock, 10/-; Goldfinch cock, 5/-; four cock Canaries, 25/-; or exchange lot for high-class pair Yorkshires; must be good; yours first: Cranston, 39, Salisbury-rd., Maidstone. (350)

WILL give 2/6 and fine house-moulted cock Skylark and cage for cock Canary or pair yellow Bud gerigars, concertina, etc., or sell for 6/6: Wilkinson, 1, Childs-place, Earls Court, London. (347)

MEALY Redpoll, 1st Wemyss, 2nd Buckhaven club, 8/-; exchange British Goldfinch, must be good; wanted large cock Twite, plenty of pencilling, exchange Sib yellow hen; offers: Colville, Earlseat Mines, Thornton. (354)

GRAND cage moulted cock Bullfinch, winner 1st, spl, 7/6; high coloured fieldmoulted cock Bullfinch, 3/6; large colour-fed cock Greenfinch, breeder, 5/-; exchange large typical yellow Norwich cock: Butler, Rhosyriedre, Ruabon. (360)

PET Bullfinch cock, finger-tame, 5/-; large Scotch Linnet, 2/-; Twite, 1/6; splendid Redpoll and Yellowhammer, 1/- each; all selected cocks, steady and on full song; exchange Canaries: G. Barrie, 22, Willington Terrace, Keith, N.B. (348)

EXCHANGE very large Welsh cock Goldfinch, cage moulted Greypate, will make good one, also two year-old Canary reared hen Greenie for deep toned Roller; yours first; will give little cash for good bird: Hussey, Baker, High-st., Kington, Herefordshire. (354)

GENUINE SALE

of my collection, selected from hundreds for showing or muling; five cock Goldfinches, 7/6; two Linnets, cage-moulted, and can win, 7/6; two, almost as good, 5/- each; splendid Yorkshire cock and two hens, 25/-; Schoolmaster Roller, and two hens same strain, 25/-; four Roller cocks, 8/6 each; one Norwich cock, 7/-; field-moulted, grand birds, Linnets and Yellowhammers, 2/-; Redpolls, 1/-; Greenfinches, 1/-; Corn Bunting, 2/6; for immediate exhibition; Yellowhammer, Yellow Wagtail, 10/-; Chaffinch, 5/-; stock or show cages for any above, 2/-; bird-room, match-boarded inside and out, 14 x 5 x 7 ft., fitted with 24 cages, 24 x 16 x 9 in., loose fronts, bench, flights, gas-heating apparatus, removable in sections, £7 10s.; seen any time; stamp reply: Baker, Cambridge Villa, Oxford-rd., Sidcup. (350)

SPECIAL Notice.—I will exchange Siberian Goldfinches, also all kinds of British birds, for show, muling, contest singing, for any variety of Canaries, Mules, or foreign birds; approval both ways; state wants at once to: Hollinshead, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport. (365)

Mainly Canaries.

ANYTHING bought or exchanged: Royal Menageries, Greenwich.

EXCHANGE Yorkshire cock for bird-seed; also I have other cocks for sale: Penney, 52, Gravency-rd., Tooting. (358)

WILL exchange three large 1912 Norwich hens for two cock Mules; approval: Brown, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (352)

FOR sale, three Hartz Roller cock Canaries, 15/- lot, or exchange: W. Harrington, Glebe Farm, Wickham Bishops. (340)

EXCHANGE two 1912 buff cinnamon Border hens, for 1912 clear buff Border cock; offers: Brown, Poplar-place, Penrith. (350)

FOUR Yorkshire cocks, 6/- each; 4 new show cages and case, 10/-; or exchange: W. Dickerson, 59, York-st., Bingley. (356)

WILL exchange some grand Crests for Yorkshire or Border cocks; mutual approval: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

TWO pairs 1912 Norwich Canaries, 10/6 pair; cock Goldfinch Mules, 7/6; exchange anything: Royce, 223, Oundle-rd., Peterborough. (349)

PAIR Yorkshires and Goldfinch, ourc muler, 20/-; or part exchange either for good yellow Yorkshire hens: Graham, Ballyhrack. (339)

SPLENDID pair Yorkshires, typical pair Borders; exchange Roller training or show cages: Gillespie, 61, Wellington-st., Grimsby. (356)

EXCHANGE Borders for large buff Norwich cock, prize strain, short wings and tail; cold-room bred; approval: Brain, Gaetonhury. (362)

EXCHANGE high-class Crests for Norwich Plainheads, fit for show, or Goldies; offers: F. Morgan, 26, Pinfold-gate, Loughborough. (350)

TWO cock Canaries, 16/-; also six hens, 15/-; exchange gramophone, poultry, anything useful: Turtill, 29, Northgate-st., Colchester. (353)

EXCHANGE pair Crest and Crestbred, pair of common for yellow green Scotch Fancy cock; yours first: John Farquhar, Belhaven, Dunbar. (352)

FEW pairs high-class Yorkshire Canaries; sell or exchange; gramophones and records, anything: Norman Berry, Shelley, Huddersfield. (360)

EXCHANGE two ticked Lancashire Coppy hens, one Plainhead cock, for three pairs Yorkshires: Eade, 37, Hartington-rd., Brighton. (351)

VARIEGATED buff Crest cock, 15/-; variegated buff Crest-bred hen, 7/-; yellow muling hen, 7/-, or exchange: W. Thexton, Windermere. (363)

WILL exchange Yorkshire cocks and hens for songsters, Canaries or small house-moulted British or Mules: Willis, Decorator, Filey. (361)

EXCHANGE Yorkshire Canaries for old brass, copper, lead, zinc, block tin, etc: H. Dean, 136, Coates-st., Manchester-rd., Bradford. (319)

TWO yellow Yorkshire cocks, 7/-, 8/-: 4 buff hens, 3/6 each; all 1912; or exchange typical Norwich hens: Miller, 95, High-st., Scunthorpe, Lincs. (360)

EXCHANGE unflighted buff cock for unflighted buff hen, Plainheads; yours first: on approval; no rubbish: Milne, 124, Kerre-rd., Grangemouth. (363)

SALE or exchange Crested cock and big dark Goldfinch Mule cock for 4 Roller cocks, singing; approval: Fielding, 15, Whitelees-rd., Littleborough. (353)

11 young Canaries, as bred, 14/6; exchange good yellow 1912 Norwich cock; yours first, approval: Barnett, King's Head, Thornley, Durham. (355)

FOUR cinnamon Borders, 1 Seifert, hens, 1912, 2/6 each, carriage paid; approval; worth double; offers, birds: Cawthorne, Ferry Bridge, Yorkshire. (353)

LARGE house-moulted cock Greenfinch, 1911 buff Canary, have bred Mules, 6/-; exchange songster Canary: Roper, Chester-rd., Seven Kings, Essex. (348)

BARGAINS, to clear; three Norwich buff hens, 1911 bred, 15/- lot; grand cock Greenfinch, 3rd Bedford, muler, 5/-: Dimmock, Market-square, Leighton Buzzard. (350)

FOR sale or exchange few real good Norwich cock Canaries, from 7/8 each, or offer invited; room wanted: Daniel, 71, Station-rd., Ossett, nr. Wakefield. (349)

ELEVEN Yorkshire hen Canaries, well bred, 3/6 each, or 30/- lot; worth double, or useful exchange; yours first: Uzzell, 190, Balsall Heath-rd., Birmingham. (351)

20 PAIRS high-class Yorkshires (Bailey's strain), sell or exchange strap copper, brass, household goods; inspection invited: M. Cooper, Taylor-st., Batley. (364)

EXCHANGE buff crested cock, grizzle crested hen, two good muling hens, for large Crested cock, or Crest-bred, or sell 15/-; approval: Tome, Churchpark, Tavistock. (351)

TWO Norwich cocks, 7/6 each; three hens, 3/- each; exchange disc records, boys' clothing; offers; anything: James Simpson, Stirling Village, Boddam, Aberdeenshire. (360)

FOR sale or Exchange, Crestbred hen, buff ticked hen, also Norwich and Yorkshire cross cocks and hens; good Yorkshire hens wanted: Howdle, Market-pl., Howden. (333)

TYPICAL yellow and buff Yorkshire hens, 4/- each, also three matched pairs 14/-: approval; exchange household goods of good quality: Gibson, Vernon-aven., Nottingham. (355)

PAIR Greens, pair clears, Borders, exchange exhibition British Goldfinch, and ditto Siskin, must be good, sell 22/6; approval; yours first: Alexander, John-st., Larkhall, N.B. (347)

EXCHANGE large buff cinnamon hen, mother of my winning team, 3 firsts, 1 special, 2 seconds, 3 thirds, for a large yellow cinnamon hen: 712, Romford-rd., Manor Park, Essex. (359)

PRIZE-BRED clear buff Norwich cock, 7/6; two green cocks, splendid youngsters, 5/- each; three Roller hens, 2/6 each; 1912: H. E. Farnell, 4, Great Hales-st., Market Drayton, Salop. (358)

LARGE green Norwich cock, cinn. blood, indoor aviary as new, muling Goldie, Linnets and Redpoll; exchange Crest-bred hens, common songsters, offers: Riddington, Mafeking-terrace, Newmarket. (353)

SPECIAL offer; five splendid Yorkshires, hens, unflighted, 3/- each; dark Goldfinch Hybrid, 6/-; special cock Bullie, 2/-; three grand hens, 1/- each; 23/- lot; a bargain: Scales, Rysea, Pickering, Yorks. (352)

GENUINE Canary-reared 1911 cock Goldfinch, guaranteed breeder, and two genuine pink-eyed Sib. hens, parents of my winning light Mule, £1; exchange unflighted buff Norwich cock, must have good head and chest; three winning Mules for sale cheap: H. S. Davies, Llandilo. (351)

HARTZ Mountain Roller cock, splended songster, real Schoolmaster, 10/6; wire cage, 3/6; exchange entertained: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (364)

EXCHANGE Crested cock for Crest-bred hen, must be good, or gramophone and records, or sell £2; also a few good Yorkshires, bred from winners, 8/ pair upward: Hutchinson, Handcross, Skelmanthorpe. (366)

SELF green, clear buff, variegated yellow, Border Fancy cocks, 6 hens; exchange any for good housemoulted Goldfinch, Siskin, exhibition Hardbill, or large dark Mule: Laidlaw, Painter, Langholm. (360)

FOR sale, yellow marked Norwich cock, cock Goldfinch Mule and yellow hen Canary, 12/- the lot, or Siberian cock Goldfinch and big yellow Norwich hen to value, yours first: Wm. Allan, 23, Kellebank, Alloa. (346)

UNFLIGHTED buff Yorkshire cock, 10/-; unflighted yellow York hire cock, 10/-; 2 unflighted buff Norwich cocks, 8/- each; clear yellow Norwich cock, 12/-, 2 buff Norwich hens, 2 yellow Norwich hen, 4/- each: Wagstaff, Queen st., Middleton, Manchester. (353)

MARKED yellow cock, winner, 15/-; buff hen, 8/6; buff cock, 7/6; flight cage, 6ft. x 16in. x 14in., with partition, to make into three breeders, wire fronts, tin trays, nest pans, etc., 10/6; reason for selling, going abroad: G. D. Acton, Old-st., Ludlow. (356)

I can give pair of Yorkshires, Ambler strain and Dyke's strain, and light Goldfinch Mule, won first prizes; exchange for pair of good Lancashire; on approval each way: Williams, 19, Vron-square, Upper Bangor, North Wales. Also few Yorkshires, cocks 10/6 and 12/6 each. (358)

WILL give in exchange, good Norwich birds, 1911, 1912, buff marked, for good young Lancashire Crested Coppy, must have good front crest, and big, strong bird, buff preferred, and will exchange to value with Norwich; on approval both ways: T. Brown, 2, Lydia-st., Willington, Durham. (352)

FOUR fine large Crest-bred cocks, splendid birds, three marked yellows, 10/- each; one cinnamon, 12/6; one Andreasburg Roller Schoolmaster, incessant day and gaslight singer, 15/-; three Bullfinches, two cocks, one hen, splendid birds, 4/- each; pair green Singing Finches, 3/-: Mayell, Hill-crest, Leatherhead. (352)

EXCHANGE pair high-class Yorkshires or a good single-barrel breech-loader gun, very strong, for good yellow Norwich cock; also good pair Yorkshires for yellow Norwich hen; all unflighted and bred from birds that cost 60/- pair; no rubbish wanted or given; approval, yours first: W. Carter, Butcher, 160, Burnley-rd., Todmorden, Yorkshire. (358)

Mainly Foreign.

ANYTHING bought or exchanged: Royal Menageries, Greenwich.

HEN Cutthroat, hen Madagascar Lovebird; outdoor aviary; sell 4/6, or exchange hen Canaries: Nason, 159, Wycliffe-rd., Northampton. (360)

YOUNG Rock Parrot, acclimatised, has a few words, make good talker, sell 15/-, or exchange pair of Norwich Canaries to value: John McFarlane, junr., 11, Maxwell-st., Paisley. (362)

HANDSOME pair Pekin Nightingales; cock, in full loud song, 4/6; exchange singer, Canary or Mule; also two pairs Green Lovebirds, value 3/6 pair; exchange songster; approval: Clarke, 82, High-st., Sydenham. (364)

Miscellaneous.

ANYTHING alive bought or supplied: Pearson Royal Menageries, Greenwich.

100 CAGE BIRDS, exchange birds, anything, offers: Taylor, 88, Cherry-st., Blackburn. (353)

EXCHANGE gramophone for good Pom. dog, sell, 40/-: Evans, Johnstone North, Renfrewshire. (360)

HIGH-CLASS wire-haired fox terrier dog for good winning British: J. Brindle, 45, Netherfield-rd., Liverpool. (346)

WHAT offers for Edison Gem, C. reproducer, 60 records; or cash, 35/-: F. Shaw, Dod Lee, Longwood. (349)

TWELVE good racing homers, 10/-; two H.M. Goldfinches, 9/-, or offer: Walker, 53, Bingfield-st., Kings Cross. (357)

EXCHANGE prize fawn lop doe, sell 7/6, six months; or exchange breeding Finch: Read, 55, Wade-st., Bristol. (361)

GREEN-HEART fishing rod, 12ft., in case, for 2 good cock Goldfinches, offers: Brown, 840, Argyle-st., Glasgow. (356)

TWO rabbit nets, night Lark net, a pair of clap-nets, a good Lurcher dog: B. Mills, 20, Carlton-hill, Brighton. (360)

WILL exchange bar-framed bee-hive complete for Crests or clear Rollers: L. Lough, 18, Beaconsfield-st., Blyth. (357)

PAIR hand-made clap-nets, 10 yds., sell, 12/-, or exchange Canaries, anything: Allen, 93, High-st., S. Dunstable. (358)

EXCHANGE cock Linnet, hen Canary, 2 hen Mules, for hop cages or flight: Robson, Exeter-st., West Hartlepool. (360)

PATHE phonograph, cost 45/-, accept useful exchange or sell, 25/-: Haines, 19, High-st., Aston, Birmingham. (358)

PHONOGRAPH, with 7 records, cheap, accept 5/-, worth double; or offers: Dearden, 18, Manchester-rd., Rochdale. (350)

WHAT offers Crests or clear Rollers, for two-guinea Eastman's Kodak in case: Lough, 18, Beaconsfield-st., Blyth. (357)

NEW 5s. hollow-ground razor for cock Goldfinch Canary or cock Mule; mine first: W. Slee, Hairdresser, Pembroke. (350)

EXCHANGE pair roller skates, size 11, nearly new, cost 12/-, for Linnets, Goldfinches, anything: Scott, Ainley-st., Elland. (352)

WHAT offers Canaries for Cardinal fancy vest, or 21/- zither-harp (latter requires slight repairs): Reed, Post Office, Blyth. (357)

GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-, as new; exchange Canaries, Mules, or offers: Ellis, 7a, Smith-st., Goswell-rd., London. (361)

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CHINA teasets, 21 pieces, to exchange for singing Yorkshires or Norwich: Simpson, China Shop, Bethnal Green-rd., London. (361)

WHAT offers in Norwich or incubator, for good cycle (gent's); no postcards: H. Clemence, 136, Church-rd., Willesden. (359)

OFFERS Canaries, exchange Scotch blankets, full size or tweed suit length; sell, 25/-: Drummond, 15, Hutchison-st., Glasgow. (354)

EXCHANGE Perry free-wheel, also inflator, new, value 7/6, for Norwich hen: Vassie, 3, Causewayside-st., Tollcross, Glasgow. (361)

SPLENDID pair of Black Rosecomb Bantams, can win, accept £1, or exchange: T. Weedall, 82, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (365)

THREE Pile Bantam pullets, one cockerel, pullets laying, lot, 15/-: Joseph Weedall, Grocer, Weaver-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (359)

PAIR of Sandow's grip dumb-bells, men's, perfectly new, cost, 12/6; what offers in birds: Rose, 60a, Charlotte-st., Portsmouth. (359)

EXCHANGE two aviary fronts, suit Hybrid breeder, for pair Norwich; particulars: Geary, Hospital-lane, Fosse-rd. North, Leicester. (359)

MEERSCHAUM pipe in case, seasoned, will exchange for pair typical Norwich or Scotch Fancies: Brown, 43, Belford-row, Harrogate. (355)

EXCHANGE, almost new Ensign film camera, cost 50/-, for Parrakeets from outdoor aviary: Rowland Hartley, York-st., Wakefield. (354)

SEVEN pigeons flown Bournemouth, 2/6 each or exchange for Yorkshires or Talking Parrot; approval: Redfern, Brydon-st., Ardwick. (353)

EXCHANGE gentleman's double case watch for exhibition cock British or sell, 8/-: Mr. W. Taylor, 67, Brindleyheath, Hednesford. (354)

TWO pairs high-class Jacobins cocks, winners; exchange Canaries, Norwich preferred, or sell 30/-: Wilson, Rutland-terrace, Filey. (356)

GENT.'S new overcoat, £1; field glasses, 14/6; exchange, Canaries, breeding cages, Thrush cage: Miller, Bootmaker, Shortlands. (353)

THREE domed Crystal Palace aviary, metal top (new), 36 x 36 x 18, 25/-, worth, 40/-; offers: Williams, 9, Waterloo-rd., Burslem. (355)

EXCHANGE Canaries or British for double breeders, Yorkshire show cages, or pullets: Weller, 90, Coleridge-st., Hove, Sussex. (348)

WILL give pair dark tweed trousers, by good tailor, unused, waist 34, leg 31, for two pairs Canaries: B. Soanes, 92, Bevan-st., Lowestoft. (362)

EXCHANGE Edison Gem phonograph reproducer, four records, cost £3 2s. 6d.; best offer Canaries: Brain, Vere-st., Cadoxton, Barry. (351)

WHAT offers in Canaries for Fox Terrier dog pup, a beauty, or trio of Old English Bantams, Badcock's strain: Moore, Butcher, Keighley. (350)

WILL sacrifice fine antique tea service, Watcombe pottery, 15/-; exchange Canaries or Foreign: Thompson, 80, Greyfriars Walk, Pedford. (335)

EXCHANGE two hens, one cock, Spangle Bantams, laying, 12/6; offers; satisfaction guaranteed: Weedall, 281, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (364)

FOR sale three double breeders, three feet long, new, fitted with nest pots and seed boxes, 3/6 each, lot, 9/-: 12, Lorraine-place, Leeds. (360)

PAIR full grown rabbits, 6/-; large silver verge watch, 7/6; English lever wants slight reps., 8/-: Butler Quarter, Staplehurst, Kent. (359)

SIX single breeders, one double, one flight, 12/6; exchange Canaries, British, Foreign; anything: Pearce, 231, Cathedral-rd., Cardiff. (364)

PAIR pedigree working homers, HP rung, flown 160 miles, 12/6; exchange Canaries, British, Foreign, anything: 231, Cathedral-rd., Cardiff. (353)

EXCHANGE a beautiful 40-piece china teaset, roses and gilt, for cock Canaries or pullets: J. Simpson, 67, Devonshire-st., Globe-rd., London. (352)

CONCERTINA, by Lachenal, cost £1, nearly new; exchange good breeding Canaries: Phillips, 57, Heatherley-st., Clapton, London, N.E. (356)

GENT'S cycle in good condition, sell, £2 10s.; exchange typical Norwich or Yorkshire Canaries; offers: Marsden, 26, Shadsworth, Blackburn. (358)

EXCHANGE anything, six cock Canaries, Linnet Mule cock, two Goldfinch Mules cocks, 1912 birds: Bennion, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (365)

THIRTY Edison Amberol records, new condition, 25/-; offers cock Goldfinch Mule, Goldfinch song, 10/6: Telford Walker, Bozeat, Wellingboro'. (351)

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LARGE, handsome four-compartment breeding cage, as new, complete; cost 50/-, price 25/-, or seven cock Canaries: H. Smith, Portland-rd., Hove. (350)

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WILL exchange six Tipplers, one Turbit, one Magpie, for Roller cocks or hens, or offers; approval: H. Rowley, 189, Littleworth, Hednesford. (351)

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EXCHANGE for Norwich or Yorkshires, good joiner's sash fellister; approval, or sale, 23/-: Meaden, 12, Newbury-terrace, Southampton. (347)

EXCHANGE, smooth black retriever puppy, bitch, 9 weeks old, for Siberian Goldie, or British G.'s: Hill, Polmont Station, Stirlingshire, Scotland. (345)

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EXCHANGE, smart mole coloured whippet bitch, 8 months (well bred), for large clear buff Norwich hen, or sell 20/-: Cowie, Tailor, Inchbare, Brechin. (362)

EXCHANGE typical Yorkshires, winners, cages, etc., for anything useful; going abroad; see Yorkshires: Bryant, Corams-lane, Wellington, Somerset. (340)

WHAT offers in Yorkshire and Norwich cocks, for 2 hens, 1 cock Bantams, 1 hen Canary, 1 cock Goldfinch; approval both ways: F. Shephard, Wareham. (348)

GENT.'S new gunmetal keyless lever watch, 7/6; cheaper ditto, 5/6; cash preferred; would exchange, Canaries; letters: L. Watson, 341, Anlaby-rd., Hull. (355)

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EXCHANGE good set ivorine handled carvers, hand forged, shear steel blades, for cock or three good hen Canaries; approval: Turton, 15, Bellefield-st., Sheffield. (362)

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SIX-CHAMBERED revolver, 7/6; double 12 breech hammer gun, Damascus barrels, turnover, recapper, etc., £4 10/-; exchange: N. Bourne, 85, Hotlane, Burslem, Staffs. (348)

BEAUTIFUL pair field glasses, 10 powerful lenses, splendid definition, 20 miles range, perfect condition, as new, worth 30/-; Samuel Dodd, nr. Northern Station, Sutton-in-Ashfield. (352)

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WILL exchange 1 dozen table knives, 1 dozen dessert knives, imitation ivory handles, for 2 pairs of Yorkshires, prize bred: Frank Skinner, 10, Cutler., Heeley, Sheffield. (356)

ABERDEEN Irish terrier, 2 years, splendid ratter, broken ferrets; sell, 12/-; exchange ferrets or Canary cages to value: Joseph, 1, St. James'-pl., Maylord-st., Hereford. (355)

SOLID brass gas pendant, large opal shade, burner complete, handsome design, 25/-, worth double; exchange Canaries or jewellery: Kay, 55, Willesden-lane, Kilburn, London. (357)

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GENT.'S bike, Rudge, perfect order, cost £7, take 35/-, or exchange Canaries, pair Game Bantams, prize birds, exchange for good Roller cock: Bliss, 782, Stratford-rd., Birmingham. (353)

ZONOPHONE, as new, also eight ten-inch records, lot cost £4 16s.; exchange good Rollers to value £2 10s.; approval; yours first: Smith, 56, Tomkinson-rd., Whittleford, Nuneaton. (350)

EXCHANGE ex Yorks. show cages and case, also singing Canary and large drawing-room hanging cage, for gramophone records; yours first; approval: Brady, John-st., Workington. (351)

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EXCHANGE grand pair of large brass stand scales, value £2, for new bedding; also a small pair of brass scales and brass weights, value 15/-, for birds, etc.: Brown, 183, Dorning-st., Wigan. (360)

ON sale large Bull-Mastiff dog, 15 months, suit night watchman or lonely place, £4 or nearest offer, or exchange African Grey Parrot and cage; approval: Crabtree, 551, Oldham-rd., Rochdale. (353)

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PURE-BRED Fox Terrier dog, excellent pedigree, registered K.C., winner several prizes; exchange good Yorkshires and cages; sell £3: George Armstrong, 8, Louisa-st., Wheatley Hill, Thornley, Co. Durham. (356)

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EXCHANGE six ivorine handled table knives, six dessert knives, and six teaspoons, for two cock or six hen Canaries, or six Norwich show cages; approval: Herbert Marsden, 175, St. Philip's-rd., Sheffield. (364)

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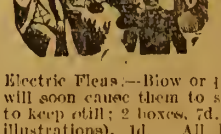
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